

### KING STREET

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#### WASTIN' DAYLIGHT

Daylight saving time came the other day to the Eastern section of the country, and in trying to get ourselves adjusted to the situation as regards the radio and television shows, set to wonderin' just why this "fast time" wouldn't be a good thing for the whole country. . . . The days are long now, and seems sort of foolish to waste the hours before eight or nine o'clock by snoozing when there's so much to be done, and the songs of the birds and the rising of the sun go unheeded. . . . used to be, the Watauga Democrat and the Blackburn Store, and the postoffice and everything about the town were open by seven, and a fourth of a day's work had been taken care of before present-day starting time. . . . If we could speed up our operations an hour or two "in the cool of the mornin'," we could have most of the long pleasant afternoon left for our own devices. . . . And scarce as summer days are in this neighborhood, we shouldn't want to be missin' any daytime.

#### UNsung HERO

We've always had the greatest admiration for the man who saved the child from drowning, who snatched the lady from the window of the burning building, and for the old gent of the poem who stopped in the twilight to build a bridge for the youth, whose safety he cherished, but we saw the fellow the other day who should have the orchid and the medal. . . . The old man spied a banana peeling smack in the middle of the sidewalk on the outside of King in the center of the shopping district, made a flying tackle through the pedestrians to gather unto himself the slippery jacket, carried it half a block and placed it inside a trash container, upon which he propped his elbow, smiling smugly in the consciousness that he had been able to keep someone from falling.

#### HERE AND THERE

R. F. Greene busily engaged in tearing away the old building on the corner of South and Rivers Streets, in which he had stored lumber for many years. . . . Built by Messrs Poly Wyke and Monroe Maliba, back when the railroad came to town, or shortly thereafter, the building was first used as a woodworking shop. . . . At the same time Horace Burris makes headway on the razing of the old Woodcraft Novelty building, which once housed perhaps the country's largest manufactory of wooden gift shop novelties, which were sold in every section of the United States. . . . David F. Greene founded the place, which couldn't survive the lean years, but which did give the city a sizeable payroll for a long time. . . . Recently of course the Levetics Pipe Company did big-scale business there. But the old buildings, weakened by the ravages of time and the elements, are giving away to progress. . . . Bert Ellis, who recently sold out his grocery store, mixing with friends, doing a bit of fishing, and confiding that he expects to be back in some sort of business soon. . . . Dr. J. B. Hagaman and Dr. J. B. J., having modern offices erected east of the old Smithy Store building. . . . Angel's Cafe being greatly enlarged to take care of growing business. . . . Carolina Hotel building, badly burned at Christmas time, nearly completely rebuilt. . . . Palmer's Photo Shop moves in, also Harris and Wagoner's clothing store. . . . Carolyn's Flower Shop moves to bus station corner, Blue Ridge Supply Co. to Winkler building adjoining the old courthouse. . . . and perhaps there are other changes in the business district which we overlooked. . . . Kiddies engage in football practice at High School and Frankie Coffey is the first casualty. . . . Glad the popular lad is recovering normally from a fractured nose.

### Thos. Bingham Dies In Motor Crash In Wash.

Funeral services were held April 26 at the Henson's Chapel Methodist Church for Thomas Joseph Bingham, 36, who was killed in an automobile accident at St. Johns, Wash., on April 19. He had been employed on a farm near St. Johns, owned by Mr. Edward Hayes, a former resident of Watauga County. The Rev. Ralph Miller and the Rev. Victor Trivette were in charge of the rites, and burial was in the Henson's Chapel Cemetery. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Bessie Bingham, of Vilas; two daughters, Suzanne and Janice Elaine, of Charlotte; four brothers, Horace D. Bingham, Kingsport, Tenn., Bill Bingham, Vilas, George Bingham, Winston-Salem, and Sherman Bingham, Fort Sill, Okla.; and a sister, Mrs. Hiram Brooks of Vilas.

### Donna Wellborn Is Winner Spelling Bee

Donna Wellborn, a member of the eighth grade in the Parkway School, won first place in the Watauga County Spelling Bee held at Appalachian High School on Thursday, April 23. She will represent Watauga County in the Journal-Sentinel Spelling Bee on Saturday, May 9, in Winston-Salem. Second place in the spelling contest was won by Allen Triplett, an eighth grade student of Blowing Rock School. Other students participating in the spelling contest were Jody Shackford of Appalachian's eighth grade, Wilma Moretz of the seventh grade at Green Valley School, and Florence Fox of the Valle Crucis seventh grade. Mrs. Margaret Gragg of Appalachian High School was in charge of the spelling contest. Judges were Miss Shirley Sherrill, a senior at Appalachian, and Mr. Merrill Snyder, mathematics teacher.

## \$20,000 Fire Sweeps Boone Business House

### Dr. Dougherty Is Again Named To State Board

Dr. B. B. Dougherty, whose zeal for educational progress in North Carolina, finds no equal, has been re-appointed by Governor Umstead to the State Board of Education, a position the President of Appalachian State Teachers College has held for 24 years. Dr. Dougherty's career on the state's public school front stretches back to the day in 1927 when he was named to the first appointive state educational group, the State Board of Equalization. That board, forerunner of today's State Board of Education, was created that year to distribute state funds of \$3,250,000 to the public schools. Before then, state officials had constituted the State Board of Education. In 1933, when the state took over operation of an eight-month 11-grade school system, the

A fire which broke out early Monday evening and raged for an hour before it was brought under control by the local fire department, resulted in damage estimated at \$14,000 to two Boone firms. Damage to the building was unofficially placed at between \$5,000 and \$10,000. Flames erupted at about 6:30 p. m. in the rear of the building on East Main Street, owned by E. N. Hahn and housing the Home Jewelry Company and the Paul Weston Photo Studio. Both stores were closed for the day, as were the majority of Boone business places.

Glenn Howell, owner of the jewelry store, said the loss by fire and water to his stock would amount to at least \$10,000, while Paul Weston placed his loss, mostly by water damage, at about \$4,000. Both losses were partially covered by insurance. The flames burned through the floor of one room of the Watauga Hotel, situated on the second floor of the building and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Wade Jackson, but caused little other damage. Several guests of the hotel escaped through an outside entrance, and none was injured. The cause of the blaze is not known, although Fire Chief Howard Cottrell advanced a theory of spontaneous combustion upon discovering a quantity of waste and a container of cleaning fluid in the stockroom of the jewelry store, where the fire is believed to have started.

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### Local Music Pupils Given State Ratings

Beth Eggers and Jody Shackford, piano pupils of Mr. Walton Cole of Appalachian State Teachers College, were given the State's highest rating of "Superior" in the State Music Contest at Greensboro last Friday. The occasion was the thirty-fourth annual North Carolina Music Contest Festival at Woman's College, UNC. Twenty-four contestants from the entire State, previously selected through district contests, were entered. Five contestants, including the two local students, were given the grade of "I"; five others "I minus"; and one student from Kinston "I plus." The two Boone students were representing Appalachian High School in the contest. Mr. Cole, in his first year to enter students in the contest, placed both his students in the "Superior" ranks. One other teacher, from Kinston, with three students entered, also placed all entrants in the "Superior" ranks. No other teacher secured top rating for more than one pupil. Miss Eggers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Eggers, is a senior at Appalachian High School

### Miss Beth Eggers To Give Recital

Miss Beth Eggers, of Appalachian High School, will present a recital in piano at the Fine Arts Building, Appalachian State Teachers College, Thursday night, at 8 o'clock. Miss Eggers is a student of Walton S. Cole. Miss Eggers has been active in music at the high school and has accompanied both Glee Clubs and the Chorus for the past four years. She won a superior rating at the district contest in piano and also a superior rating at the State contest in Greensboro last Friday. The program for the recital is as follows: Prelude No. V (Well-Tempered Clavichord); B a c h; Three Part Invention No. 3, Bach; Sonata in E, Haydn; Sonata in C minor, Op. 16, No. 1, Beethoven; La Danse de Puck, Debussy; La Cathedrale angloite, Debussy; Concerto No. IV in D minor, Rubinstein, Mr. Cole will play second piano.

### Lawrence Phillips To Give Recital

The Music Department of A. S. T. C. will present Mr. Lawrence Phillips, baritone, in Senior Recital on Friday evening, May 1st at 8:00 o'clock p. m. in the Fine Arts building auditorium. The public is invited to attend. Mr. Phillips is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Phillips of Boone. He is a graduate of Appalachian High School and after graduating came to study music at A. S. T. C. Mr. Phillips will receive his B. S. degree in August 1953. While at Appalachian he was a member of the Male Octet, Double Mixed Octet, College Choir, Band and Orchestra. He was soloist in the presentation of the Messiah in 1952 and is frequently heard as soloist throughout the state. Miss Jo Anne Graybeal, who has just given a most successful senior piano recital, and student of Mr. James Rooker will accompany Mr. Phillips. Mr. Phillips will sing for his last group of song two operatic duets. Miss Marie Vaught, soprano and sophomore at A. S. T. C. will join him in the duets. The program will consist of the following: Silent Worship by G. F. Handel, Victorious My Heart by G. Crissini, Will Thou Knowest, by G. Torelli, My Lord What a Morning by H. T. Burleigh, Oh What a Beautiful City by E. Boatner, Were You There by H. T. Burleigh, Love's Offering, Phillis Has Such Charming Graces by H. L. Wilson, The Bitterness of Love by Dunn, and Friend O' Mine by Sanderson. Miss Graybeal will perform at the piano Goliwog's Cake Walk by Debussy and La Comparsa by Lecuona. The duets sung by Mr. Phillips and Miss Vaught are Nay, Mid Me Not Resign, Love, and Oh Why Are You So Cruel, both by Mozart.

### Bull Sale Held Last Saturday

The Watauga Hereford Breeders sold 19 bulls in the first annual bull sale at Boone on Saturday, April 25, for a total of \$3,123.50. The farmers found this a good sale in, which to buy bulls to head their herds. The Watauga farmers who took advantage of the opportunity were John W. Earp, Barnard Dougherty, Ralph Church, Jones Hollar, V. C. Greene, Walter Edmisten, A. D. Henson, Vannoy Brothers, Tom Townsend, Howard Vannoy, C. A. Church, and Raleigh Wilson. Liberalized world trade is held essential for U. S.

### Miss Geer Given College Honors

Miss Eleanor Geer of Boone has been tapped for membership in Tassel, honorary leadership organization for women, at Wake Forest College. Membership is limited to three per cent of the college co-eds, and is based on character, service, leadership and scholarship. Miss Geer is outstanding in college dramatics, is vice-president of Alpha Psi Omega, a member of the Beta Beta Beta, and associate business manager of radio station WFDD. East German military forces are placed at 120,000.

### April Observed As Child Welfare Month By Legion

The American Legion and the Auxiliary members are observing April as Child Welfare Month. For a quarter of a century they have been carrying on a child welfare program. The American Legion Auxiliary of American Legion Post 130 has a limited fund set aside for assistance to children of deceased, disabled or sick war veterans, when such children are in need of necessities not secured through other established sources. This is not to be considered charity but a service rendered to children of veterans. Anyone who knows a veteran's children are in need should contact Mrs. J. W. Norris, Auxiliary President of American Legion Post 130. Temporary help could be provided in a limited way in Watauga County. The local Auxiliary will gladly render this service to needy children of veterans.

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### V. F. W. Elects Slate Officers

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7031, installed a new set of officers last Thursday evening. Commander Misskelley of North Wilkesboro was the installing officer. The new officers are: Custer Wallace, Commander; Jack Hodges, Vice-Commander; Kenneth Morast, Jr., Vice-Commander; Dean Norris, Quartermaster; Charles Younce, Adjutant; Hort Bledsoe and Guy Shirley, Trustees. The VFW district meeting was held in Lenoir March 29. John T. King, past post commander, was elected district commander, and Dean Norris was elected district quartermaster.

### NCEA Elects Dr. Workman To Board

At the annual meeting of the North Carolina Education in Asheville a short time ago, the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Council for Social Studies, selected Dr. J. H. Workman, head of the Department of Economics at Appalachian State Teachers College, to serve on the editorial board of the Bulletin for Social Studies. The purpose of this board is to formulate policies and procedures for the publication. It would involve participation in decisions as to the type of material that would be most useful to the social studies teachers of the state, also, to find and encourage appropriate teachers to write for the publication.

### HOUSING LOAN CONTROLS

FHA and VA loans on housing now may be made without the controls imposed by the Defense Production Act, according to FHA administrator, Albert M. Cole. This means: 1. FHA mortgages now may be made repayable in 25 or 30 years, instead of a maximum of 20 years, and the four or five per cent minimum down payment requirements, depending on cost, for VA housing are abolished. Down payments will now be regulated by commercial requirements. VA mortgages may be made repayable in as much as 30 years.

### Mile-High Parts Of Parkway Are Open

Mile-high sections of the Blue Ridge Parkway east of Asheville were opened April 15 but caution signs remain up until any danger of unseasonable ice passes. Full Parkway facilities, including snack shop at Cumberland Knob, gas station and snack shop, at Crabtree Meadows, and restaurant, lodge and garage at Doughton Park will be open by mid-May.

### Home Ec Students At East Carolina Meeting

Three Home Economics students, Patty Hankley, Betsy Rea, vice president of the state organization, and Annie Rae Martin and club advisor, Miss Marion Adams, attended the eighth annual workshop of the college clubs division of the North Carolina Home Economics Association held at East Carolina College, Greenville, N. C., on April 17, 18, 19. The theme of the workshop was "Young Home Economists Accept the Challenge" with programs emphasizing the Home Economics student facing the future. At the business session on Saturday afternoon Patty Hankley,

## Electronic Plant Is Sought For Boone

### Baptist Association Program Is Released

The spring session of the Three Forks Baptist Association is to be held at the Willow Valley Baptist Church Thursday, May 14, starting at 9:30 a. m., it is learned from Clyde R. Greene, member of the program committee. The theme for the session will be "Teaching Them To Observe All Things," and the subject will be "Sunday Schools." Following is the complete program: Song service, Rev. Rex West; devotional, Rev. Gene Sherwood; Presentation of program, Wade E. Brown; What the Sunday School

### Survey Of Labor Is Being Made

One of the nation's leading electronics manufacturers is considering the establishment of a plant in Watauga county, and while no details concerning the proposed venture can be given out, the Chamber of Commerce believes that the industry will materialize if the labor supply is satisfactory. Accordingly the Chamber of Commerce is conducting a thorough-going Watauga county labor survey, in an effort to have something definite to show the manufacturers who are interested in this locality. Cards are being distributed through the schools and otherwise, and all those 16 to 50 years of age, who would be interested in working in the proposed plant, are asked to fill in one of the cards and return it to the Boone Chamber of Commerce at once. If more convenient, the blank appearing on this page may be clipped, filled in and returned. There is no obligation involved in signing one of the forms. It is requested that there be full cooperation, so that the labor survey may be completed by May 10.

### Students Given Chance At "Horn" Tickets

School pupils studying North Carolina history are earning free tickets to the outdoor drama "Horn in the West" by participating in an historical quiz contest conducted by the Southern Appalachian Historical Association, producers of the drama which opens its second season June 26 at Boone. Each student who takes part in the quiz contest will receive a pass to the drama. The boy and girl in each school who score the highest in the quiz contest will be eligible to take part in an historical essay contest for which cash prizes will be awarded. Announcement of the contest

### Wade Hampton, 70, Taken By Death

Walter Wade Hampton, of Triplett, died in Watauga Hospital on April 22, following a heart attack three days previously. He was 70 years of age. Funeral services were held April 25 at the Mount Ephraim Baptist Church at Triplett, conducted by the Rev. Raymond Hendrix and the Rev. Roscoe Greene. Burial was in the Mount Lawn Cemetery at Boone. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Nora May Hampton, Triplett; two sons, John W. Hampton, Deep Gap, and Jerry D. Hampton, Triplett; two daughters, Mrs. G. C. Beachum, Layton, Okla., and Mrs. Robert L. Taylor, Akron, Ohio; a brother, Albert Hampton of Lenoir; and four sisters, Mrs. Lorraine Broynhill, Triplett, Mrs. Ellen Hamby, Lenoir, Mrs. Alice Triplett, Akron, Ohio, and Mrs. Mary Miller, Deep Gap.

### Joan Campbell Dies From Polio

Joan Campbell, 14, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Campbell, former residents of Watauga, who now live in Caldwell, died Wednesday at the Asheville Orthopaedic Hospital, from an illness with polio. Funeral services were held in the Gamewell neighborhood Friday afternoon. She was a niece of Mrs. D. E. Benfield of Boone.

### BLOWING ROCK REFERENDUM BILL IS KILLED

A bill introduced by Senator Shuford of Hickory which would give the people of Blowing Rock an opportunity to vote on whether or not they want liquor stores in the resort town, was killed in the State Senate Tuesday by a vote of 26 to 13.

### BULLETIN! A House committee late Tuesday agreed to vote \$10,000 for the historical pageant, "Horn in the West" at Boone.

WATAUGA COUNTY LABOR SURVEY (Please complete and return immediately to the Boone Chamber of Commerce)

First name	Middle initial	Last name
Complete address		
Male.....	Female.....	Age..... Do you have phone?.....
Education: College..... High School..... Elementary.....		
Are you available for labor located in or around Boone? Yes..... No.....		
Have you had factory experience of any type?..... If so how much time have you spent in factory work?..... years.		
There are..... others in my family who might be interested.		