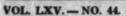
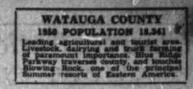


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Contract Let For \$626,629 School Building

KING STREET **ROB RIVERS**

WE'VE SEEN 'EM NOW

Through all the years of our life, we have heard of oversize hail stones, but never until early Saturday morning did we ever see for ourselves any of these big economy size, family style balls of ice . . . The storm broke furiously and the rains were followed with a heavy splash of icy peilets, ranging from regulation size to a couple of inches in diameter, and two hours after the precipation, chunks of ice an inch through still nestled in the grass. In the immediate vicinity of Boone, damage from the storm was slight, but in some sections, we understand, canvass was ripped from tobacco beds, and the young plants weighted down with the ice . . . Some tell of apple trees with the blooms gone, and early garden sass beat into the ground . . . Next time an oldster tells us about hail stones the size of a hen egg. were going to withhold the scornful look, and the cynical grin . . . For after all, such der the State primary law was things do happen.

NEED STILL EXISTS

We used to dwell at some length on the need for public drinking water, and spots where one could get out of sight . . . And the other day we noted that the needs about which we used to prate still exist. We happened to be doing nothing but viewing the country, when the man was trying to improvise himself a comfort station, out of a blackberry bush and a few last year's weeds, and from where we looked, there wasn't much comfort in the setup . . . And the folks who come into the Democrat office and to the Rivers house, and all about, asking for some "drinking water" indicate that the public water supply is still tolerably short.

USED TO BE DIFFERENT

We've come to believe here lately, that the present generation has produced all the material progress, that conveniences were non-existant a few years ago, and that the machine age has brought about all the human comforts we have . . . Which is guest speaker at our July Ponearly so, but not quite . . . For mona Grange meeting which will it hasn't been too long since the town was full of little houses with the diamonds and the cresthe courthouse, at the hotels, at everybody's back lot, and there were no folks undecided as to where it are and coffee and invest by coll where to go . . . There was a joyed by all.

as Boone.

Dr. Whitener Many To Take Part Named President In May Day Events **Historical Body** The traditional May Day cele

Killed In Crash

Found In Calif.

The body of Master Sergeant

Ronald C. Rominger. killed in a plane crash in California December 1, 1952, has been

recovered from the wreckage, and is being returned to his

home at Rominger the latter part of the week. Funeral ar-

County Republican

The bill which would provide

for the naming of Republican

candidates for county office un-

passed by the General Assembly.

Also the bill which would al-

low the hunting of foxes with-

out license under certain condi-

Other bills introduced by Mr

Deep Gap Grange

Deep Gap Grange met in reg-lar session Friday night, May 1.

Some very important matters were discussed regarding what

steps should be taken to beautify

the road sides in our county, also the need for drinking fountains

in convenient places for tourists,

also more roadside tables and

parks supported by the State

Highway Commission, and a gen-

eral clean-up around all farm

houses, whether located on main

It was also decided to invite

State Master Harry Caldwell,

who is now serving on some very

important agriculture committees

and will attend an international

meeting in Rome, Italy, to be our

be held at the Parkway School

After the business session clos-

highways or not.

near Deep Gap.

above.

tend.

May Day celebration.

held in the Boy's Gymnasium or

the campus of Appalachian State

May 13. All parents and friends

Winkler failed of passage

Holds Meeting

tions was enacted.

rangements are incomplete.

Primary Slated

By Legislature

Body Of Wataugan bration will be near of Appalachian State Teach-pus of Appalachian State Teach-ers college on Saturday, May 9,

at two o'clock in the afternoon. The theme of the celebration this year will be "Americana." The exercises are directed by Mrs. Joy Miller Kirchner of the college physical education faculty.

Participating in the celebration exercises will be the modern dance club, the Varsouvianna (folk dance) club, the folk dance class, the college choir, and the college band. The choir is directed by Mrs. Virginia Wary Linney, and the band is directed by William Spencer, both of the college music faculty.

Betty Jackson of Asheboro will be crowned queen. She will be escorted by Preston "Perk" Collins. Maid of honor is Sara

DR. D. J. WHITENER

Nell Mathis, escort, Michael Fin-Dr. D. J. Whitener, head of the ger. The attendants and their esdepartment of social studies at corts are as follows: Margaret Se-Appalachian State Teachers colbastian and Bob Parrott: Beatrice lege, has been elected president Sanford and Bill Bullard; Billie of the Western North Carolina Ladd and Ray Ladd; Rebecca Hoover and Bobby Joe Baker; Historical Association. The first Betty Anne Robinson and Ben annual meeting was held last week in Asheville at Richmon Quinn: Bonnie LaFone and Ray Hill, home of the late Richmond Flinchum; Joanne Aldridge and Pearson, American diplomat, Jim Gold; Patricia Finger and Dr. Whitener is also executiv George Holmes; Eleanor Johnvice president of the Southern son and Jeff Johnson; Inez Appalachian Historical Associa

Orozco and Bennie Mast. The program includes the Doxology, One World, Planta-In addition to Dr. Whitener, other officers elected for the tion Minuet; Appalachian Schot-Western North Carolina Historitische, The Halls of Ivey, Coed cal Association include the fol-Capers, Assembly Line; Swanee River; American Waltz, My Land, lowing: Sam E. Beck, Asheville, vice president; Albert S. McLean, March for Americans; A Patriotic Asheville, secretary - treasurer. New members of the Board of Choral Fantansic, and May Waltz. These will bep resented by Directors are: Mrs. Ed M. Ande the individual groups mentioned son of Ashe county; Miss Clyd Field, Alleghany county; R. E. Woodside, Avery county; Judge Sam J. Erwin, Burke; C. M. The public is invited to the Abernathy, Caldwell; Ralph Smith, Clay; Mrs. Guy Roberts, Madison; Dean J. J. Stevenson, **Children Map**

Transylvania; M. R. Eller, Wil-**May Day Program** kes; Dover Fouts, Yancey. The Association is expected to meet with the State Historical The May Day of the Boone Society in Cullowhee August 27-Demonstration School will be

Teachers College at 1:30 p. m., on Mrs. Mary Moody **Taken By Death** of the school are invited to at-

Mrs. Mary Banney Moody, 37, The program, to be called a May Day Medley, is under the of Mathews, Va., died Saturday, direction of Miss Dorothy Floyd, May 2, in a Richmond hospital, director of physical education at following a brief illness. the school. It is presented as a Funeral services were held a

finale to the regular physical the Forrest Funeral Home at Maeducation program of the year. thews, and a second service was The May Court is compsed of held at the Cove Creek Baptist

Dr. Trabue To Speak At College Finals; 213 To Receive Degrees

The speaker for the fiftieth an-On the morning o nual commencement exercises at ment day, at 8:30, President B. Appalachian State Teachers Col- B. Dougherty will give his famlege on Friday morning, May 15, ous President's Breakfast for the

will be Dr. Marion Rex Trabue seniors and their parents. of State College, Pennsylvania, Marshals elected to serve durthe President of the American ing commencement include the Association of Colleges for Teach- following: G. C. Davis, Jr., Win-

r Education. Dr. Trabue is a native of Koko-Brown, Winston-Salem; Carol er Education. mo, Indiana. He holds the bache- Goodrum, Belmont; Robert lor's degree from Northwestern Downs, Warrenton, Va.; Patty University, and the master's and doctor of philosophy degrees from Columbia University. Since 1937 he has been Dean of the Laurinburg; and Betsy Rea, Mat-

School of Education and Direc- thews. tor of the Summer Sessions at Pennsylvania State College. He clude 23 candidates for the Mashas held many offices and posi- ter of Arts degree, and 190 cantions of national prominence, and didates for the Bachelor of Sciis a member of Phi Beta Kappa, ence degree. The doplomas will

Phi Delta Kappa, Pi Gamma Mu, be granted and degrees conferred Psi Chi, and Kappa Phi Kappa. by President B. B. Dougherty. He is the editor of many profes-The invocation will be given He is the editor of many professional articles and of some text- by the Rev. Edwin F. Troutman,

The commencement play will boone, and the benediction will be given on Wednesday and Thursday nights, May 13 and 14, by the Appalachian Playcrafters. (Continued on page seven)

'Vacation Wonderland' **Title New Brochure**

"Vacation Wonderland," an off- | Southwest Virginia, Eastern Tenset-printed, richly illustrated nessee and Western North Carotourist publication expected to lina, is due to come off the pressinclude 48 pages of information, es June 1 under the auspices of photographs and advertising per- the Tri-State Highlands Associataining to the mountain areas of tion, it was announced today.

William S. Waddell, Elizabeth-

ton newspaper publisher.

Boone Chamber To Hear Reports Proposed Plant

The Boone Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular ly set up early this year, was monthly meeting at noon Tues- suspended for a time but was reday, May 12, in the Gateway Cafe. The latest report on progress

in the negotiations for an electronics plant for Boone will be heard at the meeting. dertaking. William Hardy, new business

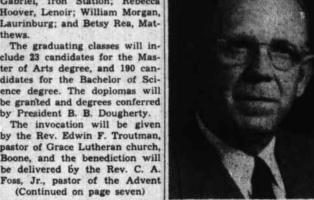
manager of the outdoor drama, 'Horn in the West," is expected to be present.

Legion To Hold **Meeting Friday**

There will be a joint meeting

J. V. Caudill Named To State



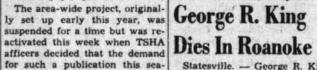


J. V. CAUDILL

Raleigh-J. V. Caudill, prominent business man of Boone, has been named to the Publicity and Attendance Committee developing plans for having large delegations from throughout the State to participate in the 41st annual convention of the N. C. Merchants Association to be held at the Robert E. Lee Hotel in Winston-Salem on May 17-19.

Officers of the N. C. Merchants Text material and pictures Association are B. W. Haigh, Raleigh, president; Fowler, Winston have already been compiled by Welcome Tourists, Inc., publish-ers of the booklet. James Walker Salem, first vice president; J. G. Pfaff, Salisbury, second vice and James Ginn, both of Kings president; and Thompson Greenport, have been authorized to unwood, Raleigh, executive secredertake the project by Tri-State tary-treasurer. Highlands officials headed by

Local director of the organiza-tion is Clyde R. Greene.



Statesville. - George R. King, son was such as to make it a top-23, veteran of the Korean war, priority tourist promotional unwho had made his home in Statesville since his discharge The Tri-State Highlands area from the Army, died Thursday includes Abingdon, Bristol, Big at Veterans Hospital, Roanoke, Stone Gap, Appalachia, Gate City Va. He had been a patient there since January 1.

in Virginia; Johnson City, Kingsport, Mountain City, Elizabeth-He was a native of Congo, South Africa. Before going into ton, Erwin, Greeneville, Rogersville, Morristown in Tennessee; service he made his home at and Boone, Linville, and Blow-Boone. He was the son of Dr. R. R. ing Rock resort sections as well King Sr. and the late Margaret as Asheville in North Carolina. LeCourt King.

Officers of the Tri-State High-| Surviving are the father, who

Model Structure To Be Finished By End Of 1954

By EARLEEN G. PRITCHETT Contract for the \$626,629,00 elementary demonstration school at Appalachian State Teachers College, has been let to W. E. Dale of Morganton, and according to Prinicpal John T. Howell, construction is to start immediately.

The new ultra-modern building is to be located to the north of the present school building on College Street, and the site has been cleared of old buildings, some materials bought, looking to an early start of work.

The demonstration school, used as a graded school for this school district and, as the name applies, a demonstration school for the student teachers at the College. is expected to draw thousands of people from every section of the United States, who will observe the teaching, the use of the new building and the newest teaching methods.

21 Class Rooms

The building will contain twenty-one elementary classrooms. Connected with each classroom will be an observation room equipped with one-way glass, so that the observer can see the children at all times but the children cannot see the observer. The observation rooms will be equipped with furniture so that when they are not in use for observation they can be used for offices, conference rooms, and for other functional purposes The observation rooms, Mr. Howcll says, will make it possible for the school to have as many as 620 people observing at the same

hours on the same days. Sound equipment costing more than five thousand dollors will be placed in the building, for amplification of the inter-communication system and demonstration classes. Observers can see and

hear the children at all times. Rooms for the primary children will be especially equipped for children of that age. The rooms are twenty-five percent larger than the other rooms, and each room will have its own toilets, coat racks, etc., with everything individualized for the primary child.

The cafeteria will seat four hundred people, and will be equipped to take care of both elementary and high school lunches. The kitchen, which is expected to be one of the best in the State, has been planned, checked, and reworked, by Miss Ann Maley, supervisor of the State school lunch program, and her large trained staff in Raleigh.

