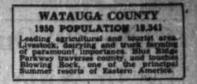


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Chance Of REA

Action Is Seen

By Civic Group

Tennessee Valley Authority of-

ficials told a Boone civic delega-tion in Knoxville Thursday that

they could not request funds at

this time for the construction of

The local leaders were told

however that the TVA would re-

linquish its rights to the REA

should that agency desire to

build, and promised their aid in

such a development. This is the

concession that Boone Chamber

of Commerce Officials have

Making the trip to Knoxville were Chamber of Commerce President H. W. Wilcox, S. A. Harris, of Boone, and Mr. C. V.

Viverette, manager of the Blue

Ridge Membership Corporation.

The survey for the Beech Creek

dam, recently completed reveals

that the water would . not be

backed up farther than 2600 feet,

or to a point just below the mouth of Cove Creek, near the

first bridge across Watauga Riv-

A solid rock tunnel, three miles

long, and eighteen feet in dia-

meter, would carry the water to

the power plant. Clay and gravel

would be capable of producing from 41,000 to 82,000 kilowatts.

Annual output was seen at 90,-

T. V. A. estimated the cost of

, It was pointed out that TVA

had never planned to flood any

Cover Creek or Valle Crucis pro-

construction at \$18,800,000.

000,000 K. W.

perty.

the Beech Creek Dam.

sought for so long.

1136 Register For KING First Summer Term; One Ticket Filed STREET **OthersAreExpected ROB RIVERS**

ADDED TOUCH OF SERVICE

Waiting in line over at the postoffice the other day while the clerks were busily engaged in taking care of the crowds during the rush hours, Mrs. John G. Barden set to talking to us about the fine mail service the folks of the community are enjoying . . We enthusiastically assented, and Mrs. Barden added that she ac-tually received a postal card right on time, even though her name and address had not been written in the space provided The card was one of a nummer Mrs. Louise H. DeLima had mailed to members of her Missionary Society circle, and while no address was there, the message contained Mrs. Barden's name, so delivery was right on the button . . . Small-town postal workers have always been chided and accused of whiling away spare moments reading the postal cards passing through, but Boone postoffice has long since passed that stage of growth . . So some faithful clerk used his good time trying to find but to whom the unaddressed card was meant for and succeeded ... "And I call that an added touch of service . . . and I appreciate it,"

DON'T GROW UP

said Mrs. Barden.

Some folks grow up-others just grow," is a saying with some truth to it, for fact is we catch ourselves reverting to childish activities, maybe gratifying desires which were unfulfilled in the days of our youth ... We never had one of these two-wheeled scooters with the rubber tires, and if we had been blessed with one. of the things, the roads were a little rocky . . . In recent years, how-ever we've watched the young-sters whiz down the paved grades on these things, and be-ing an old cyclist, always nurtured a desire to roll a ways on a scooter . . . The other day, we found the chance . . . The thing was lying there in the driveway, we looked in all directions, couldn't see a soul. and took off . . . but the sight of the youngster's toy groaning under the weight of 200 pounds of miscellaneous cussedness, was too much for the oldest daughter, who'd, after all our pains, had enjoyed a grandstand seat . . . And while a good time was had at our expense . . . we did for a fact, coot!

· FOLKS WE SEE

Dock S. Ragan back home from Roxboro, where he had been employed by the Pat Brown Lumber Co, since 1947 . . . "Laid off" for the time being, Dock is enjoying the first vacation he's had in a long time ..., His employers hold New Minister Of him in the highest esteem, he has established himself firmly in the religious life of Roxboro, and expects to return to his job later on . . . Meantime we're glad to see him . . . R. A. Wellborn of Stony Fork township, who has been carrying mail for some 25 years "this last time," visits friends in town . . Mr. Wellborn says he carried mail from Elk to Boone in 1909 and 1910, and later between Todd and Boone . . . Grady Farthing sets the time he wants to dispose of surplus equipment, uses a Democrat want ad, and away she goes ... Last Wednesday before the paper was out of town, much less dry, he sold a refrigerator (at 11 a. m., in fact) and by nightfall had disposed of a wood cooking range included in the same ad . . . 'Twill do it most every time . . . W. E. Sheffield, of Sherwood, brings us a couple of insects in a bottle, which appear to be across twixt an overgrown hornet and a yellow jacket, with a little more of the looks of the hornet . . . which in the days before the atom bomb, we considered the greatest force ever assembled in a small package . . . College students fill church auditoriums, which had been, in some cases, fairly vacant since vacation started, which leads us to wonder what the wwn would look like after a while, if there wasn't a college at all . . Rachel bringing us the latest "Best racket going is the smuggling of Serutan to folks under

summer terms and dean of the graduate school. Although statistics have not yet

been compiled, a quick check reveals, Mr. Wilson says, that there are 510 enrolled in the graduate school.

The two-weeks courses will begin on July 6, and will swell the State Teachers College as a re enrollment for the first term by gional teacher-training institutianother hundred or so, at least. tion for the southeastern area has Certain courses offered during spread. More and more teachers, the two-weeks' term will carry from an increasingly wider tergraduate credit, and others will ritory, are studying at the college carry undergraduate credit. Students have enrolled from the school has grown larger with each following fifteen states: North summer quarter.

Road Commissioner

Has Had Active Career

As Commissioner of the Ele-venth Highway Division, W. Ralph Winkler of Boone will In May, Governor Umstead

nission

A total of 1136 students have Carolina, Georgia, South Caro registered at Appalachian State line, Tennessee, Mississippi, Flor-Teachers College, according to an ida, Virginia, Kentucky, Alabama, announcement from the office of Arkansas, Pennsylvania, Texas, Chapell Wilson, director of the Colorado, Maryland, and Ohio. It would seem that North Carolina, Florida. South Carolina, and

Georgia, lead in the number of students registered. The student body has always been preponderantly from North Carolina. Mr. Wilson says that apparent-

ly the reputation of Appalachian each summer, and the graduate

named Winkler and 13 other men

to serve on the new 14-division

W. R. WINKLER

Next Tuesday is municipal election day in Boone, but as of Tuesday afternoon only the Democrats had filed a slate of candidates for Mayor and aldermen with town clerk, Guy W. Hunt. The Democrats renominated Gordon H. Winkler for Mayor; Grady Moretz, Grady Tugman and Howard Cottrell for the board of aldermen two weeks ago, and as this is written the prospects seem to be that the

slate will be unopposed. The election as usual, will be held at city hall.

Rev. Roy Dotson, Veteran Teacher, **Dies In Virginia**

Rev. Roy Dotson, retired school eacher and Baptist minister, died suddenly at his home in Gladys,

Va., Monday at the age of 70. Rev. Mr. Dotson, who was graduated from Duke University, taught in the schools of Watauga and other counties in North Carolina for about 35 years and was the pastor of a number of Baptist Churches during his active ministry. He had been in failing health for some time, and had moved to Virginia five years ago. Born in Johnson county, Tennes-

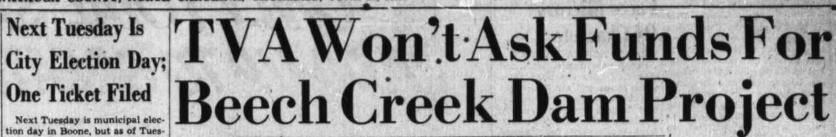
In Virginia Mr. Dotson owned and operated the famous Patrick Henry farm of more than 250 acres. This is the historic farm Patrick Henry gave his son, who lived on the place for many years, Mr. Dotson had two children, Hight, who is employed by the United States Department of Internal Revenue, and Mrs. Floyd Furr of Gastonia, N. C.

Horn Tickets Now On Sale At **Theatre Office**

the Democratic Executive Com-mittee of Watauga County. He is 5 p. m. daily until the drama vice-chairman of the N. C. Na- opens June 26, and from 9 a. m. tional Park, Parkway and Forest until 9:30 p. m. thereafter.

People wishing tickets for any performance of the play may go directly to the theatre to buy them, or may reserve tickets by

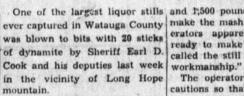
Mail orders for tickets have Winkler is a member of the been coming in ever since mid-Boone Lions Club, the Boone Merchants Association and Dir- April, and are increasing rapidly ector of the Boone Chamber of as the opening date of the drama





HUGE STILL SEIZED BY SHERIFF-Shown just before being blown out of business by 20 sticks of dynamite is the 350-gallon, double-boller liquor still captured last week by Sheriff Earl Cook and his deputies in the Long Hope Mountain section. Left to right: Deputy Marshall Watson, High-way Patrolman George Baker. Chief Deputy Will Miller, Sheriff Cook, and Deputies Wiley Day Vester Phillips .-- (Photo by Palmer's Studio.)

Sheriff Cook, Deputies Seize construction was recommended for the 200 fooot dam, which **Big Liquor Plant At Long Hope**



After receiving a tip last Fri- tory could not be spotted from day afternoon, officers had little either the road or the air. They trouble in locating the still in a had formed an aerial camouflage Dougherty Asks laurel thicket about 100 yards by piling rhododendron bushes from the Long Hope mountain over the vats and still. road. Fumes from the vats had While officers found no one at drifted out of the thicket and the site, one man has been ar-

14 vats, each containing 350 gal- until the investigation is comlons of mash, two steam boilers, a pleted.

half-gallon fruit jars.

Mr. Gross, who received her cap signifying the completion of six **Elementary School To** months of pre-clinical training at Charlotte Memorial Hospital, The **Start Summer Terms** exercises were held at Dilworth

One of the largest liquor stills and 1,500 pounds of cornmeal to ever captured in Watauga County make the mash, and said the opwas blown to bits with 20 sticks erators apparently were about was blown to bits with 20 sticks of dynamite by Sheriff Earl D. called the still a "masterplece of

The operators had taken precautions so that their liquor fac-

reached the nearby road. In the thicket, officers found clined to make known his name rested in the case. The sheriff de-

350-gallon still, two 65-gallon Participating in the raid with condensers, 14 bags of coke, 52 Sheriff Cook were Chief Deputy

five-gallon cans, and six cases of Will Miller, Deputies Wiley Day, Marshall Watson, and Vester Sheriff Cook estimated that it Phillips, and Highway Patrolman had taken 3.000 pounds of sugar George Baker.

Appalachian Elementary each morning from Green Valley,

For Tax Refund Greensboro, June 16. - The president of Appalachian State Teachers College yesterday filed another suit here for recovery of income taxes which he says were "erroneously and illegally" asses-

sed against him. B. B. Dougherty of Boone asked that \$716.57 in taxes and interest paid on his 1943 income be returned. The action was filed in United States Middle District Court here.

The college head previously lost two suits aimed at recovery of \$1.215.77 paid on his 1946 income. The first suit was dismissed in November, 1951, at Dougherty's request when the plaintiff found

June, but the case was dismissed

assistant home agent. The revue

odist Church, Lunch will be serv-

ed following the revue by home

demonstration club women. Ex-

to the winners of the junior divi-

sion and the senior division. The

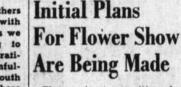
winner of the revue will go to

Raleigh July 20-25, for 4-H Club

Week, where she will *com

for the state wide award.

on January 31.



men met Friday evening with will again be held at the Baptist Church. The dates set are August 13 and 14.

The annual flower show has grow flowers for the show.

Woman's Club.

Initial Plans

Flower show committee chair-Mrs. D. L. Wilcox to continue plans started early last fall for the 1953 Boone and Watauga County Flower Show. The show The theme of this year's shown

direct the State's road program

for the next four years in Allegh-

any, Surry, Wilkes, Yadkin,

will be "Album of Memories," depicting life from "lullaby time" to "contented twilight" three the medium of flowers.

become one of the outstanding summer events. Last year's show attracted more than 1200 visitors to view the beautiful floriculture of our mountain area when other sections of our state were parched and dry from summer heat. All flower growers of Boone and Watauga county are urged to

The show is sponsored by the Worthwhile Woman's Club, Blue Ridge Garden Club and Junior

Bruce D. Sapp Is



Tickets for all performances of 'Horn in the West" are now on division well. For the past 12 sale at the box office at the Dan-

years, he has been chairman of iel Boone Theatre. The box office

Development Commission and a director and the chairman of the building committee of the outdoor mountain drama, "Horn in

telephoning Boone 540 or 541. the West."

State, Highway Commission. Um-stead appointed A. H. (Sandy) Graham chairman of the Comsee, Mr. Dotson had resided most of his life in Watauga county, Winkler's rich background in where he was married to Miss civic and business affairs amply Ennis Hagaman, daughter of the qualify him to serve his highway late Hugh and Mrs. Hagaman of Beaver Dam township.

United States yields lead cotton textile exporter.

Episcopal Church

Anderson Penick, D.D., Bishop of raised on a farm about two miles Trust convention at Blowing Rock the Diocese of North Carolina, or- from Boone and attended the dained Bruce Daniel Sapp to The Boone Demonstration Schools. Sacred Order of Deacons, Episcopal Church, in a service Wedworking in a garage. Two years 27.

Commerce.

nesday morning (June 17), at 11 later, he went into business for o'clock, Christ Church, Raleigh The Rev. Mr. Sapp is a brother work and sold gas, oil and autoof Mrs. Joe C. Minor, Boone, and mobile parts. In 1930, he bought married the former Miss Tharon the Chevrolet dealership in Harry Robbins of Blowing Rock, Young, daughter of Mrs. R. W. Boone. He handled this agency for six years. During this time, McGuire, Boone

He was graduated last week he won a Chevrolet for high sales from the Virginia Theological record. In 1936, he sold his Chev-

will assume his duties as pastor of Christ Episcopal Church, Al-bemarle, this month, Mr. Sapp attended Appalachian State Teachers College and was gradu-1950, he sold the Buick agency. In In 1943, in ad-trucks and farm equipment. In Opened Here

ated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Prior to agency under the name of Winkentering the theological seminary, ler Motor Company, Incorporat- ed on June 16th for children two Raleigh News, and Observer in the Charlotte Ford Dealers Ad-, at the home of Mrs. Carlos De-

the advertising department. Those attending the ordination service in Raleigh from Boone was married to Effic Carolyn tact Mrs, DeLima or Mrs Max tion clubs throughout June.

service in Raleigh from Boone was married to Eine Carolyn lact Min included Mr. Sapp's sister, Mrs. Minor, and Mrs. Sapp's sister, Miss Patsy McGuire. Mr. and Mrs. Sapp and two daughters, Tharon and Judith, are expected to visit in Boone en For the last 30 years, Winkler on the Carolyn lact Min Vance. They have five children: Marbeth and W. R., Jr. The Boone Baptist Church. For the last 30 years, Winkler on the Carolyn lact Min TO DED For the last 30 years, Winkler on the Carolyn lact Min Preside

route to Albermarie. Mixtures of Ladino clover and

orchard grass, or Ladino and tall fescue make the most product-tive permanent pastures in the Piedmont and Mountains of North division engineer. Carolina

approaches. Among the larger group orders received to date is W. Ralph Winkler, son of Annie Elizabeth Horton Winkler a reservation for 200 tickets on and Joseph Shelton Winkler, was opening night, June 28, when delopening night, June 26, when del-

The Right Reverend Edwin born September 17, 1902. He was egates to the Security Life and tions are also coming in steadily In Dairy Contest will attend the drama. Reserva-When he was 16, he started for Civil Air Patrol Night on June

> Mrs. Kathleen Hodges is box office manager. Assisting her with ticket sales and reservations are Mrs. Polly Martin and Mrs. and Miss Eleanor Geer, Roscoe Allen, Miss Rebecca Hoover and

Miss Sue Hunter, of Boone.

Nursery School, sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club open-

TO DEDICATE DAM

President Eisenhower and President Ruiz Cortiness will meet

For the last 30 years, Winkler has been connected with the theatre business. He is the owner of the Appalachian Theatre in The new Falcom Dam on the Rio

sides of the border.

Mary Keller To **Represent** County

less grain.

School in Charlotte.

MISS PEGGY GROSS, daughter

of Mrs. James Gross and the late

Mary Keller will represent Watauga County in the individual dairy foods demonstration contest to be held June 30 for the Western district in Asheville. Mary had chosen for her demonstration, "Creamed Beef - A Luncheon stead of the eighth grade. Main Dish."

Buses will come to the school tified in first aid.

Ann Farthing and Evelyn Ma-theson of the Bethel High School **Miss Barnes Is** 4-H Club will represent this county in the team demonstration contest. These girls have chosen "Festival Float"— a milk drink, as their demonstration. W. C. Graduate These 4-H club girls are learn-

ing the importance of milk and milk products and are passing UNC in Greensboro on June 1, this information to others where she received the Bachelor entering the theological seminary. ler Motor Company, incorporative don one-half to four years of age information of Arts degree in Primary Edu-Mr. Sapp was employed by the ed, in Boone. He is a member of and one-half to four years of age individual demanstrator and the cation. Those attending the comteam will appear before local cimencement exercises were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Barnes of Boone, Miss Rebecca Bar-These girls are acquiring poise nes and Miss Roberta Barnes, aland confidence and are developso of Boone, Mr. and Mrs. James

ing teamwork and sportsmanship A. Barnes of Winston-Salem. This is one of the interesting ac Miss Barnes plans to teach in the Gastonia City Schools in tivities in which 4-H club girls 1953-54.

While U. S. population con-**Clinic Date Set** tinues to increase, the per capita

School will open Monday, June Deep Gap, Bamboo, Blowing his accountant had failed to file a 22 at 8:45 a. m. and will run for Rock Road, Shulls Mills, and claim for the amount. He again sued for the sum last

a period of eight weeks. First Cove Creek. graders who plan to attend should During the summer, school will

open at 8:45 a. m. and will close here by Judge Johnson J, Hayer be present the first day in order to enroll and must be six years at 12:30 p. m. Each grade in the old by October 1, 1953. There Elementary School will have an will be a fee of two dollars for opportunity to swim twice a the term, and all text books will week, and each child will bring

4-H Dress Revue be furnished. Pupils who have his swim suit, soap, and towel. Set For June 26 completed the seventh grade and The child must be enrolled in the be furnished. Pupils who have his swim suit, soap, and towel. feel the need for extra work in summer school in order to take June 26th is the date set for the skills should attend the swimming. Miss Mary Mills, inthe County 4-H Dress Revue, acseventh grade this summer in- structor in swimming, holds a

structor in swimming, holds a life-saving certificate and is cer-leased by Miss Kathleen Coston,

The prospective enrollment is will be held at 10:00 a. m. in the largest in the history of the the basement of the Boone Meth-Elementary school during the summer session.

Members of the faculty for the summer school come from some cellent prizes will be given away of the best school systems in America. They include the fol-

Grade 1-Mrs. Emma Bowman, Elkhart, Indiana

Grade 1-Mrs. Grace M. Councill, Boone, N. C.

Grade 2-Miss Ellen Olson, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Grade 3-Miss Jane Eliason, Ridgewood, New Jersey. Grade 4-Miss Idella Lohmann, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Grade 5-Mr. William E. Bowman, Elkhart, Indiana.

Boone, N. C.

Denton, Texas. Physicial Education -- Miss

Mary Mills, Greensboro, N. C. Library-Miss Bernice R. Chasson on Friday from 8 to 12 noon. tain, Jacksonville, Florida.

Committee Acts To Aid Parkway

Washington, June 10 .- A Senate appropriations subcommittee today added \$481,300 to the In-

Grade 6-Miss Mary Walker, Boone, N. C. Grade 7-Miss Mildred Hodges, Denton, Texas.

lina.

Mount Everest finally has been scaled by man.

