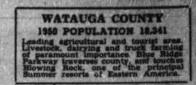


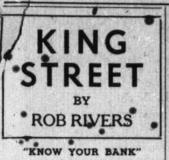
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This is "Know Your Bank leek" . . . Pursuant to procla-Week" mation of the Governor and the Mayors, banks throughout the State, will play host to the general public during the week, tours of the banking institutions will be conducted, and the customers will be taught more about their banks by members of the staffs . . . The Northwestern will have an open house event Saturday evening from 7 to 9, refreshments will be served, and prizes will be given those attending . . Needless to say, large numbers of the patrons of the local bank will take advantage of the opportunity of becoming better acquainted with the men and women who take in the cash, mull over the intricately dull ledgers, and pass some cash across the board in exchange for a note, when a customer has hard-going

Then the bankers will be able at the same time to find out more about the customers, who m turn will be guests of the institution, rather than names on the books . . . It's a good idea, and the personnel at the bank and the people will doubtless derive mutual pleasure from the event.

THE FIFTH BANK

The Northwestern Bank is Boone's fifth, and of course the other four are paled by the towering strength of the present institution whose growth has mushroomed in the fat years . . . Built upon the wreckage brought by the depression the institution has flourished ... It is one of many links in an area institution, which serves the Western North Carolina region capably and well . . . It is to be congratulated upon its record of service to the people.

LOOKING BACKWARD Organized in the old courthouse building, which still stands at in Boone . . . E. S. Coffey was perhaps the first cashier . . . Prior to that time, some old records Democrat did its meagre business with the Merchants & Traders Bank in Mountain City . . . Others went to Lenoir for their banking needs . . . The Watauga County done out of town . . . The North-western grew out of the slim as-education and social studies; sets of the defunct institution . . .



THANKS-Little Linda Womack, five-year-old resident of the Miles Durham Nursery at the Mills Home division of the Baptist Orphanage in Thomasville, expresses her thanks for blessings during the past year. She is one of 4,500 children being cared for in the 32 orphanages throughout the state. Many homes are now making their annual appeal. -(Photo by Marse Grant, Baptist Orphanage).

Thanksgiving Vital ToOrphanages

The Thanksgiving season is ous groups and other non-profit, "Give One Day's Pay" is the the most important time of the organizations - usually respond theme and this idea has been used year for many of the state's 32 generously to these Thanksgiving by many homes in this and other orphanages which have cared for campaigns and superintendents states. It was originated more nearly 4,500 dependent children of the homes are optimistic about than 30 years ago by the late Dr. this year's offerings. M. L. Kesler, general superintendthis year at a cost of approxi- this year's offerings. mately \$3,000,000.

Their supporting constituences phange of North Carolina is typ- from 1905 to 1932 and recognized -lodges, fraternal orders, religi- ical of the other 31 institutions.

27 To Finish Work At College Nov. 25

Twenty-seven men and wom

are expecting to complete their work at Appalachian State Lawrence Named Teachers College at the end of positions immediately, under a Class A certificate from the State At Mars Hill positions immediately, under a of North Carolina, but will receive their diplomas with the have indicated, the Watauga graduating class on May 14, 1954. Students finishing at this time include the following: Jimmy Allen, Albemarle, physical education and social studies; Clara Lee Brown, Route 3, Mocksville, pri-Bank, at any rate, went on until mary education; Betty Jo Byers, the Roosevelt bank holiday in Lenoir, grammar grade educat-March 1933, when like all others ion; Barbara Davenport, Mount in the country it was closed . . . Holly, grammar grade education; "Busted" like so many, it couldn't Jane M. Dixon, Pleasant Garden, reopen, and banking was again primary education; Carl Eller,

Virginia Lea Golson, School-In between we had the Peoples Bank & Trust Co., which was or-grade education; Lawrence Grigg, ganized in the old Democrat building with G. M. Sudderth of Blowing Rock, the Cashier, later 1, Linwood, grammar grade edu the Peoples Industrial Bank, and cation; Catherine Holcombe, along about the same time, the Route 2, Chandler, Home Econo-Bank of Boone, which gave up mics; Betty H. Jones, Clifton, the ghost before the crash . . . Home Economics; Eulalia Mar-Burton K. Baars, from up New lowe, Route 2, Marion, business England way we believe - the education and mathematics; Bob man with the side whiskers, who Moose, Statesville, physical edulmight have come straight from cation and social studies; Dorothy a Dickens novel, set up this or- Norris, Creston, business education ganization, and also established tion; Joyce Elizabeth Putman, one or two banks in Ashe county Route 2, Kannapolis, mathematics . . His banks were different, in and science; Ruth A. Ray, Boone, that he offered to add 2 per cent grammar grade education; interest to the checking account Ruth E. Scott, Lewisville, busiinterest to the checking account ness education; Naomi Smith, balances each month . . . This of course, we never could figure, and Rockingham, music; Jewell evidently it wouldn't work, for South, Boone, Home Economics; Eugene Sweezy, Route 3, Kings the bank didn't last long . . . Then Mountain, grammar grade educathere was the Valle, Crucis Bank, tion; Ralph Thompson, Boone, at Valle Crucis, which operated grammar grade education; Ray tennial in 1956 according to Dr. Triplett, Wilkesboro, physical Hoyt Blackwell, president of the for several years, and the Bank Blowing Rock opened after education and social studies; college, the bank holiday, but which was Mary Alva White Charlotte, music; Paul Wilmoth, Dobson, included in the Northwestern music; Paul Wilmoth, Dobson, J. W. Norris Named gram." Mr. Andrews said he plans Bank organization. A FINE INSTITUTION studies; Frank Wilson, Gastonia, The Northwestern Bank is an important force in the life English and social studies; Jack Pennell, Lenoir, physical educaof the community, and we felition and science; and Joanne J. W. Norris, of Boone, 30th Dixon, Reidsville, grammar grade citate it on the occasion of the State-wide Bank Week observeducation. ance . . . We enjoy the pleasant interludes at the Bank, and ap-**Grange Meeting** preciate the many courtesles of Cashier Alfred Adams, and ion. Mr. Norris received the ap the staff... And we remember pleasantly the friendships with G. P. Hagaman, W. D. **Thursday Night** The Green Valley Grange will Farthing, E. S. Coffey, A. Y. building Thursday night, Novem- approval of the National Execu-Howell, Burton Barrs, G. M. ber 19th at 7:30. All members are five Committee, it is a pleasure asked to be present. the community. as a general member of the Un-

The appeal to the Baptist Or- ent' of the Baptist Orphanage

as one of the state's pioneers in the child care field. Like other homes, the Baptist Orphanage depends heavily on the Thanks giving offering in the churches since more than one-third of the

year's budget comes in during the season. cades. The "singing classes" of yesteryear are almost a thing of

of the child. Children now go out Child-caring homes have found that their supporters will see that the children are properly cared for if the needs are made

Andrews Attends **Truck Showings In** Spartanburg, S. C.

Mr. G. R. Andrews of the Anwhere he attended a private pre-view of the new 1954 Chevrolet County Corn Club



Tobacco Flows . To Warehouse **Physical Ed Structure To** Floors; 15th Year For Market **Be Most Modern**

Mountain Burley Tobacco a light mist over his tob

Boone on November 30th.

1939 Boone pioneered in this field ing the grade of the tobacco. years

pressure spray which will make time.

Know Your Bank Fund-raising methods by or-phanages have changed consider-ably in the last two or three de-The Governor of North Caro-

lina and the Mayor of Boone to-**Health Center** Water Streets, the Watauga 25. They will be eligible to take On Board Trustees the past. They were hard on the day took official note of a good will program scheduled this month by the bankers of North the past. They were hard on the day took official note of a goodauthorities frown on them today month by the bankers of North as being tinged with exploitation Carolina, and both Governor Um-Is Topic At Meet stead and Mayor Winkler strong-**Planning Group** in small groups to enjoy the hos- ly recommended that people in pitality of churches and other all walks of life take advantage groups when they are invited. of this opportunity to learn more about their banks.

Local bankers will join others throughout North Carolina in tobserving "Know Your Bank Week" November 16-21. During that week, banks all over the state will hold "open house," serve refreshments and conduct guided tours through their entire bank operations.

In a statement issued this (Continued on page two)



Warehouse Company opened its can spray it as he packs it down, warehouses in Boone, N. C. for cover it with a tarp, and next the receipt of tobacco on Monday, morning get pretty-good results. November 16th and tobacco is al- It is a rather dangerous practice ready coming in. There is ample room on the floor of the ware-houses and farmers are invited to grade and will have to dry it rush their tobacco in so as to be again before marketing. But if ready for the opening sales in you will pack down one day only the amount you can strip the next This is the fifteenth season of day, use a very fine mist, you

the tobacco market for Boone. In can do it alright without damagand opened up the first tobacco Mr. Coleman puts special emphawarehouse in Northwestern North sis on the danger of getting the Carolina. This has rendered a tobacco too wet by this method. great service to the farmers of He also emphasized the fact that this section for 14 consective tobacco stripped at the beginning

of a rainy spell is likely to be too Mountain Burley has two radio wet. If possible, stripping should programs: one on WCYB Bristol, begin when the weather begins to :45 to 2 p. m. Monday through clear, after a rainy spell. He also Friday. On WATA in Boone, says if there is a light fog, the to-Happy Sam will have the pro-gram from 12:15 to 12:25 each in the morning and stripped all

day. Monday through Friday. The unusually dry weather is Mr. Coleman says the outlool The unusually dry weather is Mr. Coleman says the outlook Home Agent Post making it very difficult to get for both grade and price in this the tobacco stripped and graded, territory is excellent if the to-Some farmers are spraying their bacco is not damaged before it tobacco and Mr. Coleman gives houses will be open continuausly his opinion of this practice in until the last of January, unless these words, "If the farmer has a the crop is exhausted before that

at the courthouse. A number

interested citizens attended.

possible health center site.

Annual Broom

Watauga's Blind

Sale Aid To

for Watauga County are progres-



MISS CATHERINE HOLCOMBE

Miss Catherine Estelle Holcombe of Route 2, Candler, has been appointed Assistant Home Agent for Watauga County, it was announced today by Miss Nell Kennett, Western District Home Agent, State College Station, Raleigh, N. C.

Miss Holcombe will replace Mrs. Kathleen Coston Hodges who resigned in order to devote full time to homemaking. She will assume her duties December 1, and will be assistant to Miss Mary Helen Neill, Home Demonstration Agent for Watauga county.

Miss Holcombe is a graduate of Appalachian State Teachers College with a B. S. degree in Home Economics.

Turner, Lindsey A second meeting of the plan A second meeting of the plan-ning committee of the Watauga To Bring Farmers County Health Council was held Thursday evening November 12

W. L. Turner and Q. Lindsey, It was reported that Dr. C. C. Farm Management Specialists, will be the speakers at the Out-Applewhite, director of the local health division of the State Board look Conference, Thursday, Nov. of Health, who has been appoint-19, at 10:00 a. m. at the county ed by the Medical Care Commisagents office in Boone. These men sion to approve health center will bring farmers up to date on other events, when it is possible sites, will visit the county Tuesthe expected trends in agriculday, November 17, to inspect a ture and suggest possible ways to make more net income from seated. There will be a stage on the farm enterprises. Plans for a new health center

Mr. Lindsew is working mostly there will also be three large with housing and building pro- classrooms, concession stands, blems, while Mr. Turner is study- ticket booths, a large lobby, rest

With President B. B. Dougherty and other dignitaries on hand to do the honors, Appalachian State Teachers college passed another milestone in its growth last Friday, when ground was broken for its new \$750,000 physical*edug cation building, on a site adjacen to the existing power plant. General contractor is the W. E.

Dale Construction Company of Morganton. The contract for plumbing is held by Miller & Smyre of Hickory; heating and ventilation by Mechanical Con-tractors, Charlotte; electrical by Ralph Duncan Electric Company, North Wilkesboro; and the archi-tects are J. N. Pease and Company of Charlotte.

The building is expected by some to be the finest of its kind anywhere in this part of the state, Miss Holcomb Gets with the finest equipment that is available for the money. It will furnish some of the finest facilities anywhere for the training of teachers of health and physical education.

The building, of brack con-struction, will be 185 by 165 feet in size, and will include three floor levels. In a separate building, attached to this building, will be housed the swimming pool, the finest of its size in the state. It will be of Olympic regulation size, six-lane, 75-meter, which means that regulation swimming meets may be held here at any time.

The ground floor will include three separate sleeping rooms for the care of visiting athletic teams, each room to accommodate sixteen persons. There will be dres-sing rooms for visiting coaches, visitors and players. Space for a large storage room and for about 800 locker baskets is also provided on this floor. A first-aid room, physical examination room, and 220 full-length lockers for men also will be located here. The dressing rooms for women stud-Glimpse Of Future ents and faculty members will be provided in the building that

houses the swimming pool. On the main floor level of the building there will be one playing court, with provision for three cross-courts. The bleachers will seat 3200 people, and for to put folding chairs on the floor, more than 5000 people can be this floor, and on the same level rooms for men and women, and

Scotland is offering savings to attract S. S. industri

DR. C. RAY LAWRENCE

Dr. C., Ray Lawrence, local optometrist and Boone civic leader. was appointed to, serve on the board of truestees of Mars Hill College last week at the North Carolina State Baptist Conven-

Dr. Lawrence recently served as vice-president of the Mars Hill College Alumni Association and was instrumental in beginning a Memorial Chapel Building at a cost of approximately four hun-dred thousand dollars. The building will be completed by the centennial in 1956 according to Dr.

Flue-cured domestic tobacco is American Activities Committee higher in 1954. run through 1953-54."

trucks

The exhibit and accompanying business session were sponsored by the company for all retail dealers and salesmen in this area and emphasized the importance Chevrolet is attaching to its soon-

> to-be-announced new truck line. "The meeting was somewhat

without precedent in our experience because it was devoted exclusively to new truck models,' fund raising campaign for the erection of the Robert Lee Moore soon became clear. The 1954 line soon became clear. The 1954 line contains so many new features that even a review of highspots required considerable time

> "Not only will Chevrolet have nore to offer the truck user in 1954, but it will expand the forces behind its selling. Included is an expanded advertising pro-

to arrange a special showing of the new line in his dealership when the trucks become available for display later this month. It is one of the few times in history

ican Legion, has been appointed, that Chevrolet has exhibited new member of the Un-American trucks apart from new passenges Activity Committee of the Leg-

pointment from Arthur J. Con-**Trade Tickets** pell, National Commander of the American Legion, who said:

The Green Valley Grange will "Upon recommendation of your Tickets for the annual trade meet at the Green Valley School State Department and with the promotion contest are now available at the Chamber of Commerce office. Merchants may get to tender to you an appointment them there as needed.

Justice Robert A. Jackson deexpected to be 3 to 5 per cent of the American Legion term to plores criminal law administrai tion.

Seven more names were added

to the Watauga County 100 Bushel Corn Club, in 1953 when the results of the estimated yields were announced this week by the county agricultural agencies and organizations.

The annual Lions Club broom The honor of growing the most sale, the proceeds of which go to ice sponsored by the Boone and Blowing Rock Ministerial Associ-Shores, Rt. 3, Boone, who pro- county, is being held November duced a carefully estimated 128 18 to 21, according to I. S. Ayers, bushels per acre. Ira Cox, Shulls chairman of the event.

Mills, and Joe Haves, Blowing Rock, tied for second place with throughout the town as formerly, the Rev. Thomas Seitz, Episcopal an estimated yield of 112.5 bush- workers will be on the streets rector. Special músic will be proels per acre. John Jackson, Boone, Saturday, and Scouts are expect- vided by the Baptist Church came in for fourth place with a ed to aid in the canvass of the choirs. yield of 108 bushels per acre. homes of the community.

Frank Bolick, Boone, and Roy Mr. Ayers states that the The Dutch government says it Hartley, Blowing Rock, each had brooms are made by the blind, will take \$15 million to recover a yield of 104 bushels per acre. and sold to aid the blind, and the land that was under water Bob Henderson, Shulls Mills, had asks for the usual fine coopera- during last winter's disastrous a yield of 100 bushels per acre. tion of the people of the town. flood

Band Leaves For Tampa Today

The Appalachian State Teach-ers College band is scheduled to The entourage will use the trip city, Mr. Wilcox said. leave Thursday at 5 p. m. on two down to advertise "Horn in the chartered Queen City Coach Com-pany buses for Tampa, Fla, where they will play for the an-nual football game between Ap-palachian and Tampa University (Chamber of Commerce President Daytona Beach Friday night, (Thursday) will some of the funds were also be spent in Augusta, Friday's raised through a WATA radio be spent in Augusta, Friday's program, and the sale of "Buy a Augustine, the oldest town in the nation, and the band will stay at Chamber of Commerce President Daytona Beach Friday night. The trip for the 48 members of the McKsonville Chamber of the band, director William G. Spencer, nine cheerleaders, and stand in Hemming Park in Jack-sonville Friday afternoon for the south of the model and the matter after and the model of the model o is the result of a project to raise concert. The caravan will have a sociation, Chamber of Commerce, of Tuesday noon. Any further funds sponsored by the Chamber police escort from the city limits Queen City Coach Company, contributions will be gratefully Boone Bus Terminal, Quarterback accepted

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ing ways to reduce farm cost per a large activity room for such unit of production. sports as tumbling, wrestling, etc.

Union Service At Baptist Church

The Union Thanksgiving Service sponsored by the Boone and ation will be held at the Baptist Church in Boone Wednesday, November 25, at 7:30 p. m. The

Solicitations will be conducted speaker for the service will be rector. Special music will be pro-

> 60 58 17 61 22 Precipitation: None.

third level of the structure, will be located staff offices, three regular classrooms, a large audiovisual classroom in which several groups can be combined for programs, a departmental libsary, (Continued on page six) Weather

On the second floor of the

building, which is actually the

Max. Min. Date 46 21 Nov. 8 35 23 Nov. 9 37 19 Nov. 10 39 Nov. 11 38 Nov. 12 43 44 Nov. 13 Nov. 14

nayor of the Club, Lions Club, Rotary Club, city, Mr. Wilcox said. The first night, (Thursday) will Some of the funds were also

To Legion Group J. W. Norris, of Boone, 30th