

KING STREET BY ROB RIVERS

SATURDAY came chilly, with wind, and spits of snow, and we vowed the Easter storm was coming in full fury...

PISCATORIAL PERFECTION Tommy Osborne, genial game and fish protector, who knows the fish wouldn't bite for us the day we went out, dropped by the house Monday night...

KNOWS FOREST AND STREAM Incidentally, Tommy makes a mighty fine man for the position he holds. The streams and the woods have been his books and his sermons...

WE WONDER Found an old, old lamp shade the other day, which looked for all the world like an funnel, spout up, designed no doubt to concentrate the light on the work at hand...

DAYS OF RECKONING Superior Court convenes for a two weeks session and more than a hundred and fifty folks who have ran afoul of the statutes and the conventions as well, are up before the bar of justice...

HERE AND THERE Men of the house potter about town, picking up onion sets, lettuce seed and the like, and getting ready to "plant garden"...

GENERAL MEETING OF WOMAN'S CLUB SLATED The general meeting of the Worthwhile Woman's Club will be held in the basement of the Baptist Church Thursday at 7:30 p. m.



BLOOMING PEAR TREES at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Tugman add mountains of snowy blooms to the colorful symphony of springtime.—Staff photo by Joe Minor.

Fourteen File For County Office On Republican Slate

Fourteen candidates for county office on the Republican ticket had filed with the Board of Elections when the deadline was reached at 6 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The list of candidates follows: For State Senate, 29th district, W. L. Winkler. For Representative: A. G. Miller. For Clerk Superior Court: Truman A. Critcher.

Township Officers For township officers, those filing are: Mabel township: For Justice of the Peace: Ivan Younce, Howard Younce; for Constable, T. B. Reece.

Parkway Guidebook Best Ever

Waynesboro, Va.—The guidebook to accommodations and services in the Southern Highlands published annually by the Blue Ridge Parkway Association will be entitled "Vacation Motoring" this year, Randolph H. Perry, president of the group, said this week.

Beautification Week Set At Blowing Rock

R. B. Hardin, Mayor of Blowing Rock, has declared the week of April 19th through the 26th as Blowing Rock Beautification Week. Mayor Hardin states that special trash-hauling service will be available during the period by calling the Town Clerk, and asks that the people respond, and do their best job in making the town spick and span in advance of the principal influx of tourists.

A message sent to the citizens of Blowing Rock by the Mayor, reads: "Let us beautify our Town this year by doing the extras that make the difference between just another town and a place so pretty it will remain in the minds of all our tourists. Clean that empty lot next to you. Plant flowers—paint up and clean up. Let's make Blowing Rock the most beautiful Town in the mountains."

Grange Meeting

The Pomona Grange will meet at the Parkway School Thursday at 7:30 o'clock.

Winners In Art, Music Competitions Given

Music and art students from the schools of Watauga County participated in a county-wide art exhibit and music competitive recital at the First Baptist Church here. Some 100 drawings were entered from primary, elementary and high school grades and 30 music students in piano and voice.

Winners of blue, red and white ribbons in the art division were: First grade, Carol Norris, Parkway School, first and third; Harold Hodges, Parkway, second. Second grade: Graydon Eggers, Boone, first; Terry Bates, Boone, third; and Carolyn Church, Valle Crucis, second. Third grade: Carolyn Bingham, Boone, first; Barbara Yoder, Boone, second; and Billy Foster, Blowing Rock, third. Fourth grade: first, Harold Cole, Boone; second, Sue Ann Allen; third, Eva Danay Erntson; fifth grade, first, Gail Rominger of Valle Crucis; second, Nelson Elrod, Boone; and third, Larry Lancaster of Boone.

Weather

The weather in Boone this week was mild to warm, with minimum temperatures remaining above freezing. Scattered showers were evident most of the week, with over an inch on Saturday.

Registrars And Judges Named For Primary, General Election

Speeding Violations Head Superior Court Docket Monday; 60 Pay Fines

Bull Sale Set For 24th

By L. E. TUCKWILLER Watauga County Agent The Watauga Purebred Hereford Breeders will again sell some of their best bulls to the farmers at auction on April 24. There will be nine grandsons of Register of Merit bulls and six other bulls with popular pedigrees.

About sixty cases were disposed of in the first day's session of Watauga Superior Court, which is being presided over this week by Judge J. W. Pless, Jr., and Tuesday morning it was expected that the docket of about 180 cases would be cleared by Friday.

Robert Isbell Publicity Man For Horn In West



ROBERT ISBELL

Robert Isbell, a 30-year-old newspaperman, has been named publicity and promotion director for the outdoor drama "Horn in the West" which starts its third season here this summer.

Registrars Open Books May First

The registrars and judges of election for the May primary and the November general election were chosen at the meeting of the Watauga County Board of Elections held Saturday afternoon, and presided over by Chairman Roby Greer.

Many Farmers Are Given Aid On ASC Program

More than 1100 farmers have received purchase orders for limestone, fertilizer and seed for carrying out approved federal cost-sharing practices under the 1954 Agricultural Conservation Program. It was announced this week by Dwight Cable, County ASC chairman.

River Closed To Angling

New River, from the junction of Winkler's Creek and Middle Fork on down through Watauga and Ashe will be closed to anglers through May and June as a bass spawning area, according to an announcement made by Tommy Osborne, district fish and game protector.

Clean-Up Period Is Designated By Mayor

The two weeks period starting April 26 has been designated by Mayor Gordon H. Winkler as the annual clean-up, paint-up, fix-up period for the town.

Piano Recital Set For April 27

Mrs. Boone's piano students from the elementary grades in Boone Demonstration School will be heard in recital April 27 at 7:30 o'clock in Fine Arts Building.

District G. O. P. To Meet 24th

Young Republicans of the Ninth District will meet in Statesville on Saturday, April 24th for the purpose of organizing for the county and congressional campaigns this year.

ATTENDS MEETING OF STATE COMMISSION

Mr. H. Grady Farthing was in Raleigh Monday and Tuesday, attending a meeting of the State Stream Sanitation Commission. Mr. Farthing is a member of the commission.

Ayers Is Given Engineer Status

McKinley Ayers of the New River Light & Power Co., has been accepted into the field of Professional Engineering in this State.