

KING STREET BY ROB RIVERS

VISITORS FROM AFAR We've been greeting people all summer from various parts of the country...

SAYS THE HALF HADN'T BEEN TOLD Mr. Pownes says he always understood the United States was a rich country...

OLDEST PREACHER Rev. S. E. Gragg was over from Shulls Mills Monday and announced he'd preach at the Advent Christian Church Sunday morning...

RADIOS FROM KOREA Kermit Dacus, whose father, K. I. Dacus, is a pioneer radio engineer and repairman here...

SHOTGUNS AND SQUIRRELS The farmers and others are having considerable worries as they attempt to save a few of their gray squirrels from the bands of shotguns...



WINNERS—The float of Justice Hall, above, featuring feuding groups, won first prize in the Homecoming float competition...

Over Five Thousand Gather For '54 Homecoming Observance

Cloyd S. Bolick Crew Leader For New Farm Census

Appointment of Cloyd S. Bolick of Boone as a crew leader for the 1954 Census of Agriculture was announced today by Field Supervisor Albert G. Miller.

Henry Greene House Is Burned

The Boone Fire Department answered a call to Perkinsville at about 3 a. m. Thursday, September 30, and found the home of Henry Greene in flames.

By EARLEEN PRITCHETT Appalachian State Teachers College had her largest Homecoming Day in history Saturday when more than 5,000 alumni and friends gathered to pay tribute to the college.

R. L. Doughton Buried Sunday; Served In Congress For 42 Years

Homecoming At Appalachian High Set For Friday

Plans have been completed for the sixth annual Homecoming at Appalachian High School on Friday, October 8, according to an announcement from the Student Council.

Martin to Speak To Boone C. Of C.

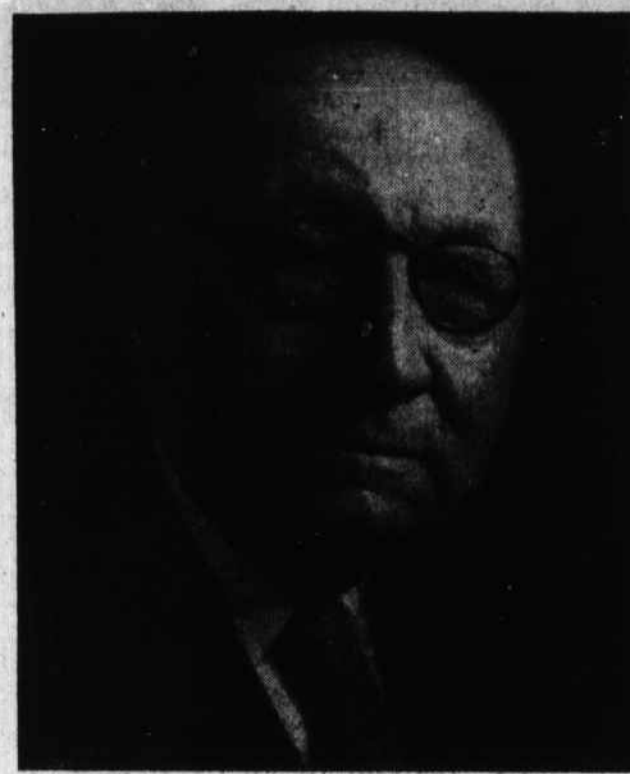
The Chamber of Commerce will meet at the Gateway Cafe Tuesday, October 12, at noon.

Registration To Start Saturday

Registration books for the general election are to open Saturday in the various polling places of the county.

Lamb Pool To Be Held Oct. 11

The last 1954 cooperative lamb pool for Watauga and surrounding counties will be held at the West Jefferson Livestock Market Monday, October 11, according to L. E. Tuckwiller, Watauga county agent.



ROBERT L. DOUGHTON

Congressman Reese Will Speak At G. O. P. Rally

Congressman B. Carroll Reese of the First District of Tennessee will be the principal speaker at a barbecue and rally at the Blowing Rock City Park on Friday afternoon, October 8, Earl D. Cook, Watauga County GOP Chairman, said this week.



REPRESENTATIVE REESE

Congressman Reese will appear in behalf of the candidacy of William E. Stevens, Jr., of Lenoir for the Ninth District seat in Congress.

Stevens is expected to be present for the festivities, Cook said. In addition, Watauga County candidates will be recognized.

Congressman Reese was first elected in 1920 as the youngest member of the Sixty-seventh Congress. He was chairman of the Republican National Committee from 1946 to 1948 and has, for a number of years, been National Committeeman from the state of Tennessee.

Dignitaries In Throng Paying Respects At Bier

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon from the Sparta Baptist Church for Robert L. Doughton, veteran ninth district Congressman, who served under seven Presidents and wrote more tax bills than any other man in the nation's history.

Death came Friday, five weeks before Mr. Doughton would have observed his 91st birthday. His death was discovered at 7 a. m. when a member of the family went to his bedroom at the Laurel Springs home to see why the veteran solon had not appeared for breakfast.

District Dem. Rally Oct. 8

A ninth district Democratic Rally will be held in the courthouse at Statesville at 2 o'clock Friday, October 8.

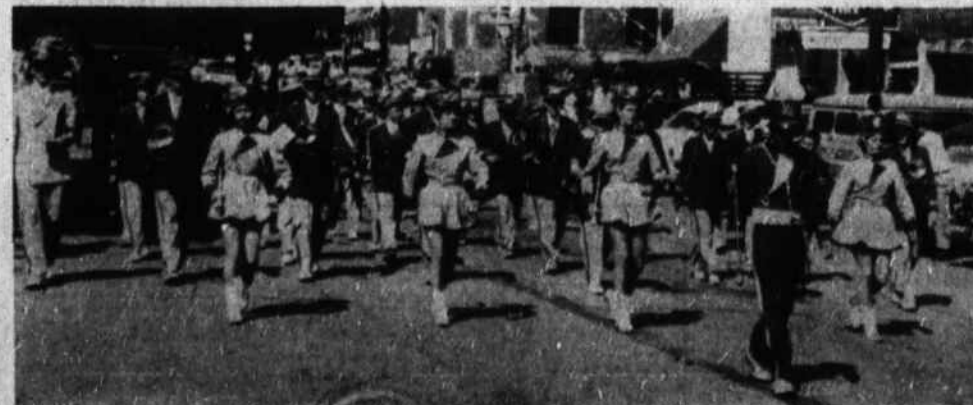
Highest Potato Yield Is 610 Bushels An Acre

The annual potato tour was held Tuesday, September 28. Five potato fields were visited and the approximate yield checked at each field. The yield this year was below that of last year.

Blowing Rock, had the highest estimated yield. His yield was 610 bushels per acre. He planted the Sequoia variety, used 1500 lbs. of an 8-8-8 fertilizer per acre, sprayed his potatoes six times for insect and disease control and cultivated them four times.



MANY FINE BANDS TOOK PART IN COLORFUL HOMECOMING PARADE.



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