

So This Is New York

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coached in hillbilly language, the he has command of elegant English. The latest dispatch goes something like this: "We catch some 'whistle pigs'—groundhogs to New Yorkers. Seed a bear that never had hibernated. Some years they don't. These are Roosevelt bears, living off the tourist-tax-payers, so don't hunt or hibernate. They don't get fat enough to hibernate off of the white bread and starvation food given them by said tourists."

In Greenwich Village, a bizarre studio advertises in the following manner, I learned on a recent visit down that way: "On a famous street, in a famous section of a famous city, there is a legendary and unexpected place. A mushroom is painted on the window. The doorknob is a bronze hand, uncanny, with fingers extended. Here's an alchemist's workshop crossed with a museum and a madhouse. Oh what great and magic gifts for women, men and monsters! Recently a calloused critic gasped a single comment: "Gasp!" he gasped. You will say the same."

Mrs. Weir, 79, Taken By Death

Winston-Salem, March 22—Mrs. Lula Martin Weir, 79, of 204 Gordon Drive died at 8 a. m. today at a local hospital. She had been in declining health for several years but critically ill for only four days. She was born in Anson County, Aug. 23, 1876.

Mrs. Weir spent most of her life in Elkin. But for the past year she had been making her home in Winston-Salem with her son, Wilfred Weir. She was correspondent for the Journal and other newspapers for many years.

She was married to W. F. Weir, a well-known tailor in Elkin, who died in 1923. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Elkin.

Surviving are one son, Wilfred Weir; one daughter, Miss Barbara Weir of Wadesboro; and two grand-children.

Mrs. Weir was well known in Boone where she had spent the summer months for several years. Experiments at the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station have shown that three hybrids, N. C. 27, Dixie 82, and Dixie 18, averaged over 15 bushels more per acre than open-pollinated or crib corn.

Klutz Winner Talent Search

Four high school seniors, including one from Appalachian High School, have been named winners of the second North Carolina Science Talent Search conducted by the North Carolina Academy of Science.

Winners are Larry E. Klutz of Appalachian; William Happer of Lenoir High School; Samuel S. Scott of Charles D. Owen High School at Swannanoa; and David K. Towpes of Needham Broughton High School in Raleigh.

The winners, accompanied by their high school science teachers, were guests at a dinner of the North Carolina Academy of Science at the University of North Carolina last week end. The winners are recommended for scholarships to the college of their choice.

Winners for the national and state science talent search are chosen on the basis of scholastic record, their score on a thorough science achievement test, and a science project. Larry's project consisted of working out the pattern in which blood types are inherited in a family for three generations.

Many Teachers Attend Meeting

The teachers and school personnel of Watauga County were in good attendance at the State Convention of the N. C. E. A., which was held in Asheville last week. The keen interest of teachers throughout the state was demonstrated in the overflow crowd which attended the delegate assembly on Friday. Watauga's quota of 15 delegates were in attendance at this meeting.

Practically every principal in the county attended. The climax of their program was the luncheon meeting at Lee Edwards High School Friday. The speaker was Dr. Hollis Eden, president of Duke University.

Keynote speakers at the convention were Governor Luther H. Hodges, Dr. William Carr, executive secretary of the N. C. E. A., and Dr. Kenneth McFarland of Topeka, Kansas.

Superintendent of Watauga County Schools Guy Angell and County Supervisor Miss Desa Mae Edmisten attended also.

VILAS NEWS

Visitors over the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Earp were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Mrs. Early Earp, and I. N. Minton.

Visitors over the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hicks were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hollars, Ralph Earp, Hal Cable, Carol Hicks, Miss Alma Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Richard McGuire and family.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Coy Earp were Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hollars, Melba Hollars, Mr. and Mrs. Hay Anderson, Mrs. Willie Earp, Charlie Hicks and boys, Miss Enna Earp.

Visitors Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Early Earp were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Tester, F. H. Hollars.

Miss Margie Earp was dinner guest of Miss Fay Cornell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hayes visited their son in law, Bob Banner, who is ill at Johnson City in the hospital.

Recovers From Electric Shock

Earl Norris, for 27 years maintenance foreman with the State highway commission, is still absent from his work due to his coming in contact with electric current at the State's asphalt plant on Howard's Creek the first of the month.

Mr. Norris was on top of an 18-foot tank, measuring the asphalt therein, when through what he described as an "electric arc" from a nearby transmission line knocked him from the tank to the ground. Both feet were broken, his hands, knees, and hips were scarred by the current.

'56 CROP REDUCTIONS

The Agriculture Department has forecast a corn crop of 3,000,000, 000 bushels this year on the basis of farmers' planting plan as of March 1, assuming average acre yields. This would be 184,836,000 bushels less than last year's crop. The ten-year average (1944-53) was 3,080,115,000 bushels. The prospective spring wheat crop would be 44,787,000 bushels less than 1953's production of 232,787,000 bushels and would compare with the ten-year-average of 286,883,000 bushels. A winter wheat crop of 735,438,000 bushels would give a total wheat crop of 923,438,000 bushels.

The President has called for moderation and patience toward the South on the segregation issue, but "with a determination to make progress."

Pharmacists are urged to help combat the misuse of drugs.

Kinser-Norris Vows Are Said

Pulaski, Va.—In a candlelight ceremony Friday, March 23, Miss Fay Lucille Kinser became the bride of Bobby Joe Norris. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Kinser of Pulaski and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Norris of Boone, N. C.

The ceremony took place at the home of the bride, at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon with the Rev. Fred Hopkins, pastor of the Church of God, as the celebrant. The vows were spoken before a fire-place decorated with seven-branch candelabra holding candles and baskets of white gladioli.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a street-length dress of pink silk with light blue accessories. She carried a white prayer book topped with a white orchid.

The bride attended high school in Dublin. Mr. Norris is a graduate of Appalachian High School, Boone, N. C.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was given at the home of the bride's parents, 106 Bertha St.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris left on a bridal trip through northwestern North Carolina.

Only the immediate families and close friends attended the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris will be at home at 705 Walnut Ave., Pulaski.

Principals Hold Meeting

The Greene Valley School acted as host to the principals of Watauga County schools at a dinner meeting last Wednesday evening. Besides the principals, Guy Angell, superintendent of schools, and Mrs. Howard Edmisten were in attendance. James Storie, principal at Blowing Rock, is chairman of this group, and Mrs. Edmisten is secretary.

Guests at the meeting included Jack Harrison, county mechanic; all wives of principals and Howard Edmisten.

Discussions were held on such problems as Luncheon operation, attendance, school closing, bus routes and bus drivers, and others.

John Marsh, principal at Green Valley, received the group and made them feel at home.

FARMERS HOLDING ON

Despite a prolonged decline in their prices and incomes, most farmers are holding on to their lands, according to the Agriculture Department. The few being sold are bringing higher prices than last year, an average increase of 5 per cent for the country as a whole.

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- WEINERS, 1 lb. 29c

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- LEMONS, doz. 29c
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