

Audio-Visual Center Receives Gift Films

John A. Fritchett, Jr., Director of the Audio-Visual Center of Appalachian State Teachers College, has announced that Encyclopedia Britannica Films, Incorporated, has given a large amount of materials, including movie films and filmstrips, to the college. This is the first gift of its type to be presented to any institution in the entire United States.

The collection presented to the college consists of the entire film strip library of Encyclopedia Britannica Films, Incorporated, numbering approximately 1400 film strips in color and is to include eventually the entire 16 millimeter film library of ERF.

EBF, Incorporated, of Wilmette, Illinois, is the world's largest producer of educational films and has selected Appalachian State Teachers College as the teacher-training institution of the country to house this preview library for demonstration purposes for prospective teachers.

A preview film library is similar to reference material in the library and textbooks in the curricula laboratory in that they must be used in the A-V Center only and are not to be circulated for classroom use or loan as are the films and film strips already in the A-V Center library. Students taking courses in Audio-Visual Education are required to preview a minimum number of films and film strips in connection with their regular course work; and faculty members, as well as students, in methods courses have the opportunity to become familiar with the latest A-V materials in their respective subject areas.

To date, the A-V Center has received in excess of \$27,000 worth of these new preview films and the number to be increased from time to time. This is in addition to the present collection of college owned films numbering more than 100 prints and the film library of the Watauga County Schools which is also housed in the film library of the A-V Center.

The college has built an extensive collection of film strips, numbering almost 2,000 film strips, on all subjects, since last year. The A-V Center of Appalachian is presently the largest center of its type in the entire Southeast. In addition to films and film strips, the A-V Center is equipped to

provide the college with all instructional materials to supplement instruction in the classroom, including phonograph records, magnetic tape recorders, lantern slides, 2" x 2" miniature slides, transparencies for the overhead projector, materials for the opaque projector, charts, graphs, objects, specimens, etc.

AVTC has perhaps the widest variety of A-V equipment of any institution of its size in the country. All the equipment to be found in the center is available to teachers for day-to-day use in the classrooms.

Although the A-V Center has been closely associated with the Education Department inasmuch as courses in Audio-Visual Education are taught in the Education Department, the A-V Center is designed as an independent agency on campus to serve all departments.

A-V Center is responsible for all services of a technical nature on the campus, including the showing of feature films in the main auditorium on Thursday and Friday nights. This is only one example, for the center occasionally produces feature films for public relations. One feature film was produced by Mr. Fritchett last summer on the Appalachian camp programs at Valle Crucis and Banner Elk. This film is being shown throughout the region to interest prospective elementary and high school students in the Appalachian camps.

Several similar productions are in the planning at present. The A-V Center encourages students and faculty members to visit the center and obtain free materials, catalogs, pamphlets, and many mimeographed reference lists, including film and film slides, for their personal use.

The Audio-Visual Center, located on the ground floor of the Education Building, is open from 8 o'clock a. m. until 5 o'clock p. m. every week day. Students may check out many of the films and other material for use in the center. There are over five hundred subject titles, including health, science, math, education, religion, and many others, from which to choose. There is at least one film for every subject taught at Appalachian; therefore, students are encouraged to take advantage of the materials offered there.

Snow Ushers In Springtime

Boone residents woke up to a five inch snow Tuesday morning, just two days before spring is supposed to make its appearance, according to the calendar. The five inches, added to the one inch which was recorded on the 13th, makes a total of six inches of snow for Boone during the month. Traces have fallen on other days but were not measurable.

The snow Tuesday was accompanied by fairly "mild" temperatures, the lowest for Tuesday being 29 degrees. Up in the morning the snow turned to a misty rain and underfoot was pretty sloppy. Tire chains, which have been noticeable in previous snows this year, were not used by many motorists, though some were forced to put them on.

March, in Boone, has seen some "big" snows, and the calendar dates for spring cannot be taken to mean that "spring weather" is here. Snow often is recorded up into the month of April, though the amounts are usually too little to measure.

One of the worst snow storms ever recorded in Boone was on the third of March in 1942. Seventeen inches was measured that day and outside activities and business in town almost came to a complete halt.

All in all, it appears March will of this year be a normal. Back in 1954, a total of six inches of snow covered Boone, according to records kept at the local observation station. In 1955 only a trace was recorded; in 1956 three and a half inches were measured, and last year nearly five inches—4.90—was recorded.

Northwest Carolina Given Highway Funds

Northwest North Carolina will receive a large share of the \$27,000,000 allocated Monday to the 100 counties for secondary roads and bridges through June 30, 1958.

The State Highway Commission actually divided a total of \$87,000,000 for spending in the 1957-58 biennium, but \$60,000,000 went to the highway division for maintenance.

Of the \$27,000,000 allocated, \$25,000,000 will be used for paving and improving secondary roads in the counties, and \$2,000,000 was earmarked for work on bridges.

W. F. Babcock, state highway director, noted that about \$9,000,000 will be available this fiscal year and about \$16,000,000 for 1958-59.

General Improvements The commission allocated the \$9,000,000 for this fiscal year for general improvements rather than paving. Spokesmen said paving would be "very, very little."

The \$14,000,000 for 1958-59 was allocated half for general improvements and half for paving secondary roads carrying more than 50 vehicles per day, average.

State highway engineers will determine where the \$2,000,000 for bridge improvements is needed, and it will be spent according to their recommendations.

Babcock said commissioners of the various counties would be able to review completely the

secondary roads plan before adoption by each county board on July 1.

He said boards may make written recommendations concerning desirable changes in the county plans submitted by the several division engineers in the state. County Shares

Forsyth County will receive \$171,000 for the remainder of the 1957-58 fiscal year, and \$176,900 for the next fiscal year 1958-59.

Allocations ranged from \$21,800 for both years to New Hanover County, where many roads have been paved, to \$733,234 for Guilford County, where more paving is needed.

Other counties in the Northwest area received these allocations for 1957-58 and 1958-59:

Alexander, \$75,138 and \$117,000; Alleghany, \$50,110 and \$137,800; Ashe, \$81,675 and \$224,400; Davidson, \$117,700 and \$205,400; Davie, \$48,700 and \$139,300;

Iredell, \$99,133 and \$258,300; Rockingham, \$183,160 and \$347,800; Rowan, \$163,200 and \$276,400; Stokes, \$150,900 and \$270,200; Surry, \$99,837 and \$350,700;

Watauga, \$58,396 and \$139,200; Wilkes, \$123,846 and \$399,400; Yadkin, \$69,410 and \$236,500.

A recent survey indicated that about \$124,000,000 would be required to pave the 8,330 miles of county secondary roads rated for paving.

Healthy Herd Is Vital Need

A healthy herd is essential to efficient, profitable dairy production. But despite great strides made in control methods, disease organisms continue to cut production and eat up the profits in many dairy herds.

T. C. Blalock, dairy specialist for the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, says the worst "thieves" are chronic diseases that slip in unnoticed and slowly eat away a cow's ability to produce efficiently.

Blalock says mastitis causes the largest losses. Acute mastitis is easily detected and readily destroyed; therefore, it receives prompt treatment. But the chronic form, caused by many different organisms, is often not recognized because few noticeable symptoms develop.

Damage to the secretory tissue occurs, however, and changes take place more or less gradually in the udder, depending upon the virulence of the infection. Eventually the cow becomes useless, but long before that milk drops in production and quality, and the cow becomes an economic liability to her owner.

A herd known to be infected with mastitis or other diseases should be treated promptly by a veterinarian, says Blalock. Sanitary management practices are essential for preventing and controlling disease. These include clean, dry bedding; control of flies, rats and other disease carriers. Milking machines should be disinfected carefully, kept in good running order and used according to manufacturers' instructions to avoid injuries to the udder or introduction of disease germs. Daily use of the strip cup before each milking is a must in an effective mastitis control program.

County agents and N. C. State College specialists can help a dairy farmer cut losses from disease by closing gaps in his sanitation practices and improving his herd management program. These steps are outlined in Extension Circular 414, "Controlling Mastitis," available at county agents' offices.

App Matmen Winners Of AAU Tournament

Appalachian State Teachers College was the scene of the 19th annual Carolinas' A. A. U. Tournament held this past week end. The host squad won the tournament after a grueling battle with a team from Fort Bragg Army Base. The final team score read 88 for the Mountaineers and 82 for the Army team.

This victory was nothing new for Coach "Red" Watkins and his Mountaineers. Appalachian has never been excluded from the team title in the previous eighteen meets. In 1955 the Marines of Camp Lejeune held the Apps to a tie for the title, but in the other seventeen tournaments "Red" Watkins' squad had emerged victorious.

Fort Bragg was favored to win this meet and after they gained a one-point lead over their hosts going into the finals some people were conceding the title. Not Watkins, however. When asked if he had expected to win, he was quick to reply, "Of course I thought we would win. I never expect to lose."

He admitted, however, that he "knew it was going to be close." Appalachian came up with four of the ten individual champions. Fort Bragg was close in the individual honors, as was High Point YMCA. Each had three champions. Team standings were listed as follows: 1. Appalachian State Teachers College (88); 2. Fort Bragg (82); 3. High Point YMCA (45); 4. Appalachian High School (29); 5. 82nd Airborne (25); 6. Appalachian "A" Club (14); 7. High Point YMCA "B" Team (5); 8. Greenville, N. C., YMCA (0).

Results of the final matches were: 115 pounds—Eaker (ASTC) pinned King (AHS), 1:17 seconds. 123 pounds—Daniels (ASTC) pinned Cooke (AHS), 0:54 first.

130—Combs (ASTC) pinned Simonek (FB), 1:54 third. 137—Carson (FB) decisioned Lundregan (82nd AB), 8-6. 147—Wellborn (HPY) decisioned Brown (ASTC), 4-3.

157—Westervelt (HPY), decisioned Waysocki (FB), 2-0. 167—Kochner (FB) pinned Jones (ASTC), 2:01 first. 177—Fagg (HPY) pinned Dougherty (FB), 1:51 third.

191—Roper (ASTC) decisioned Bishop (FB), 5-2. Heavyweight—Laur (FB) pinned Bragg (ASTC), 1:54 third.

All Farmers Eligible For 1958 ACP Program

Any Watauga County farmer is eligible to participate in the 1958 Agricultural Conservation Program and farmers in all counties are signing up to carry out spring practices under this national program of soil and water conservation, Vaughn Tugman, Chairman of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation County Committee, said today.

To sign up, a farmer should contact the local ASC office. In signing up under the 1958 ACP to carry out soil and water conservation practices, the farmer does not obligate himself in any way, but he does become the key participant in a farmer-government partnership which can mean much for the future strength of our agriculture.

The ACP for 1958 is a flexible program that can be tailored to fit the conservation needs of every farm in Watauga county. This flexibility that really meets the conservation needs of farmers of the county was brought about through the combined efforts of the Soil Conservation Service, the Forest Service, the Extension Service, and the ASC.

Under the 1957 ACP, 78,782 farmers joined hands with taxpayers to strengthen the Nation's soil and water resources. According to Tugman, the fact that there are now ample supplies of all major foods to meet our domestic and export needs is an indication of the effectiveness of the program in which the farmers and the nation share the cost of practices which protect the nation's food and fiber-producing ability.

Farmers who cooperate with this program must put up their share of the out-of-pocket cost of

the approved conservation practice as well as perform all labor involved. In turn the farmer and the Government enter into a contract which works to the benefit of both partners.

GI LOAN DISCOUNT RAISED The Veterans Administration has raised the discount ceiling on GI home loans in an effort to stimulate the flow of private funds for the shrinking program.

Discounts up to 6 1/2 per cent will be permitted, depending on the locality and the amount of down payment. The former top was 5 1/2 per cent imposed last August under requirements of the 1957 Housing Act.

GERM-KILLING GAS Jersey City, N. J.—An Army Chemical Corps scientist has announced the discovery of a germ-killing gas which may have wide use in sterilizing hospitals and defending against biological warfare.

Dr. C. R. Phillips, chief of the physical defense division of the Chemical Corps at Fort Detrick in Frederick, Md., said the gas is as effective as formaldehyde vapor, but acts more rapidly with fewer adverse side effects. Its name is beta-propiolactone, a compound used previously only in liquid form.

San Francisco— "Hand over your wallet," the bandit told hotel clerk David H. Haight. Haight did, apologizing for having only \$2.

"Got any kids?" the hold-up man asked.

"Two," Haight replied.

"Keep the two bucks," the gunman said, and left with \$48 from the hotel's till.

Good Posture Hints Are Listed

Seven Points Of Good Posture—The National Dairy Council gives us seven points of good posture: 1. Feet parallel, weight on whole foot.

2. Knees slightly relaxed. 3. Chest high 4. Abdomen flat 5. Shoulders relaxed 6. Head up 7. Chin in

The posture described above is good for both outside and inside reasons. Outwardly, it is the most beautiful arrangement for the lines and curves of the body. Inwardly, it is the most comfortable for the heart and lungs, the stomach and the spine—when they are comfortable they work better. And when they are uncomfortable they have cranky ways of saying so. (Headaches, backaches, indigestion, and menstrual difficulties, for instance.)

It's perfectly true that the impulse to stand or walk well must come from within. It's a matter of energy and vitality. And how does one get energy and vitality? Well, a simple way is to eat them.

Seven More Points Of Posture—And they're good enough to eat! 1. Weight balanced (milk, cheese, ice cream, vegetables).

2. Bones firm (milk, cheese, ice cream, leafy vegetables, fruit).

3. Vitamins vigorous (milk, cream, ice cream, butter, fruits).

3. Blood building (meat, eggs, vegetables, fruit).

5. Tissues sturdy (meat, milk, eggs, beans, peas).

6. Energy in (bread, potatoes, sugar, butter).

7. Fatigue out (8 hours sleep nightly, milk daily, relaxation frequently).

ICBM program weakened by lack of funds.

Johnny Corey Takes Position At College

Johnny Corey, a resident of Boone and Wilmington, has joined the faculty of Appalachian State Teachers College. Beginning with the spring quarter he is a member of the off-campus staff of the division of student teaching, assisting with the supervision of college students who are doing their student teaching in some of the public schools.

Corey, a native of Greenville, received the B. S. degree, cum laude, from Appalachian in 1955 and the M. A. degree in 1957. He taught English and history in the Wilmington public schools for two years, before giving up his teaching position to go into free-lance writing.

In addition to his teaching experience, Corey has been the editor of a weekly newspaper, city editor of a daily paper, and a freelance writer and photographer. While an officer in the United States Army, he was public information officer for the Fifth Infantry Division, the Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, and the Hampton Roads Port of Embarkation. He is a graduate of the Army Public Information School in New York City.

As a free-lance writer, Corey has had articles published in a wide variety of magazines and newspapers, including some of the professional education publications. He holds membership in the North Carolina Education Association and in the National Geographic Society.

Corey's most recent research is for an article on "Homeogeneous Grouping In Public Schools," which one of the big-selling na-

tional magazines is considering for publication.

Corey is married to a public school teacher, and they have two children. Mrs. Corey and the children will join him at their Boone home as soon as the schools in Wilmington, where she is teaching, close for the year.

Brown Is Hurt In Fayetteville

Fayetteville, N. C., March 16— Struck by a car while crossing Hay street, John E. Brown, office manager of the Sanitary Laundry, suffered a possible fractured hip and other injuries last night shortly after 8 o'clock.

Mr. Brown, whose home address is 1413 Summit Ave., is a patient in Highsmith Hospital.

He was struck by a car driven by Lee V. Turner, 221 S. Cool Spring St.

Police reports indicate that Turner was making a left turn from Bragg Boulevard, eastward into Hay and struck Brown, who was walking in the pedestrian lane with the red light.

Turner was charged with failing to yield the right of way.

ALASKA HEARING SET

The House Rules Committee has agreed informally to hold a hearing on Alaska statehood legislation later this month.

Meanwhile President Eisenhower has told Republican Congressional leaders he still hopes Congress would act this year on legislation to make both Alaska and Hawaii states.

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Senator Scott Talks Of Parkway Tolls

Washington.—Once again, controversy has flared over the collection of fees, or tolls, to travel over the Blue Ridge Parkway.

On several occasions, the National Park Service has tried to impose tolls on the Parkway.

The latest effort came a few weeks ago when notice was given by the Park Service that fees to travel on the Parkway would be collected beginning June 1, 1958.

I think it is too much to hope that Secretary of the Interior, Fred Seaton, who has jurisdiction over the Parkway, will voluntarily rescind the order to start tolls.

I think it will be necessary for Congress to take action to settle the matter. The last time the Park Service tried to impose tolls on the Parkway, the Administration failed to call the dogs off until the House Appropriations Committee directed it to stop the toll plans.

This year, the same appropriations bill has cleared the House. Perhaps Secretary Seaton thought he was being clever in waiting for the money bill to pass the House before he issued the order.

The bill, however, has not passed the Senate. The whole business of collecting tolls on national parks and parkways has reached the point where Congress is going to have to work out some sort of program that makes sense.

Unless something is done, it means that all parks and parkways are at the mercy of administrators who want to show a good set of books on park operations rather than equal treatment.

It is true that the Park Service for some years has collected fees and tolls for using park and parkway facilities, but there is no uniform system and no pattern to the system.

Tolls and fees are collected, so the Park Service says, in order for those who use the facilities to help pay the freight, so to speak.

But the Park Service is being very unfair. In fact, there's nothing that makes sense about the proposal.

If they are looking for funds to help pay for operating the Park Service, then they ought to go where they can get them.

Not a whisper has been heard

to collect tolls on the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, which carries as much daily traffic as any highway on the East Coast and is operated by the Park Service. It was built to connect Washington and Baltimore and to provide a more scenic route than the unsightly U. S. 1 Route between these two cities.

If the Park Service wants to raise money, it could get more revenue from charging a nickel a car on the Baltimore-Washington Parkway than \$5 a year on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

There is another shining example of inconsistency in the argument that the Park Service is proposing tolls to help pay the cost of operation.

Millions of Americans have traveled over the beautiful highway from Washington to Mount Vernon. That highway is a national parkway. But there is no toll on it.

The main purpose of the road is to furnish a nice access to the home of George Washington. I think this is a good thing. I think it is proper.

Mount Vernon is not operated by a Federal agency. Why should the Park Service not collect a toll for the use of this road?

None of the toll business makes sense. It has been botched and muddled to the place where Congress will have to step in.

CONCESSIONS URGED

The United States is urging both France and Tunisia to make concessions in the tough terms each has put forth for settling their bitter dispute over Algeria.

United States officials privately concede that unless both sides are willing to give a little in the positions they have taken, the British-United States conciliation mission is faced with failure.

RUSSIAN BALLET SETS TOUR

London, England.—The Soviet news agency Tass has announced that 123 members of the Bolshoi Ballet Company will leave Moscow at the end of May for a month's visit to Paris. The company will also perform in Brussels, and visit several other West European cities.

Brief News Notes

Army warns boys of danger in rockets.

Prison tests cited in defense of DDT spray.

Kohler admits using spies among strikers.

Three-year pact averts threat of war strike.

Officials says tankers cut tramp ship's cargo.

Educators press Congress for 20,000 scholarships.

Potatoes lead rise in commodities; lead declines.

Tranquillizers said to cut death in injury shock.

U. S. tightens rules for fast tax write-offs.

AROUND THE WORLD

London, England.— After a round-the-world trip on a bicycle, Herbert Griffiths has arrived in London.

Griffiths, a grocer from Birmingham, England, made the trip in 156 days, crossing 13 countries. He crossed equator by ship.