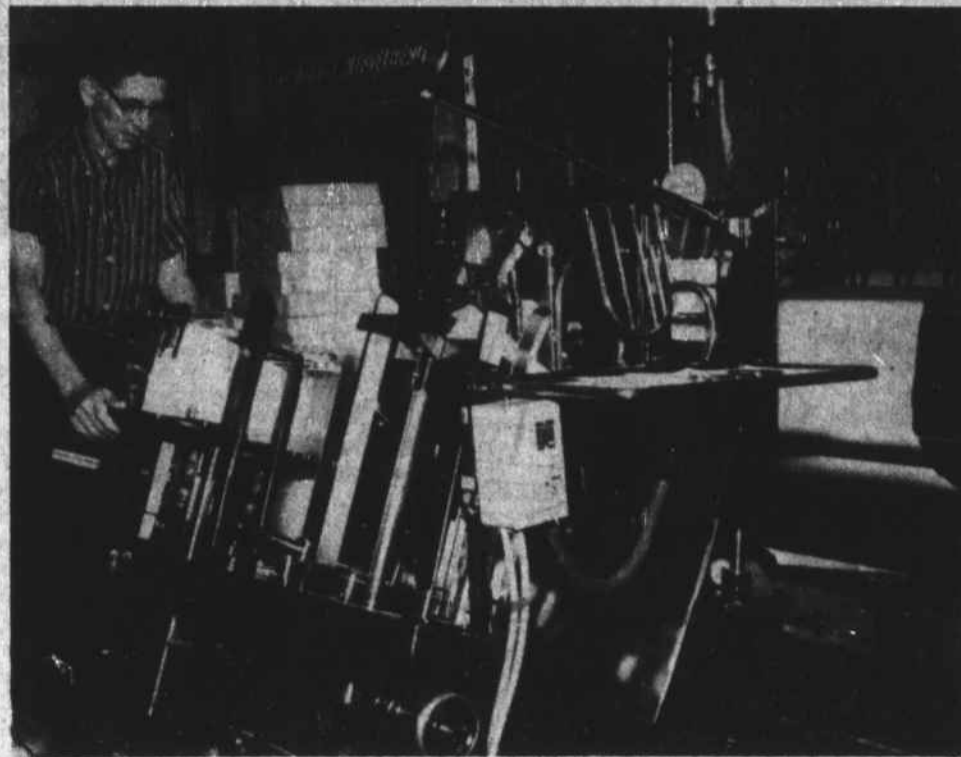


Northwestern Bank Merges With State At Hendersonville

A proposed merger of the State Trust Company of Hendersonville, with the Northwestern Bank, which has offices in a score or more cities and towns in the mountain and Piedmont areas of North Carolina, was approved by directors of the Hendersonville institution at a meeting Tuesday afternoon.



BILL RUSH, printer-pressman, who has just rounded out 25 years of service with the Democrat, is shown with the plant's newest press, a Heidelberg. This German-made, high speed machine is the last word in precision platen press field.

Election Registration Will Start In Watauga Saturday

First Killing Frost Is Seen On Tuesday

The first "killing frost" in Boone was noted Tuesday morning when temperatures dropped to 28 degrees. This was about three days before the average time of Jack Frost's arrival, according to an observer.

Palmer's Photo Shop Remodeled

Palmer's Photo Shop on East King Street, operated here for many years by the late Palmer Blair, has recently undergone a remodeling and expansion program by its present owner, George A. Flowers, Jr., who assumed operation of the shop early in 1957.

Grady Yates Is Shot By Father-in-Law

Wiley Stansberry is free under \$1,000 bond charged with shooting his son-in-law, Grady Yates, in an affray Sunday afternoon, Sheriff Ernest Hodges said.

Sheriff Hodges gave this account of the incident, as related by those involved: Yates, about 35, and his wife, Stansberry's daughter, had been quarreling over car keys, and Mrs. Yates had picked up a baseball bat with which she was trying to hit her husband, and he was trying to get it away from her.

Rotary Sponsors Rummage Drive

The Boone Rotary Club announces that it will conduct a rummage collection drive next Sunday for the benefit of the Crippled Children's Fund.

Democrats Open Office

The Democrats have opened their campaign headquarters in the building formerly occupied by the Ayers Electric Co. near the Dixie Stores.

Bloodmobile In New Place

The Bloodmobile will be at the Methodist Church in Boone Thursday October 9th from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m., rather than at the Baptist Church, as has formerly been the case.

State Extension Official Is Pleased With Hereford Sale

By J. S. BUCHANAN, (Animal Husbandry Extension Specialist, N. C. State College) For a number of years I have thought that more of our purebred breeders should sell calves in the fall of the year through organized breeding association sponsored sales.

mostly on grass and roughage as a source of feed. The calf sale idea is also popular with breeders who are not equipped with proper facilities and available labor to fit older cattle for show and sale.

Calvin Hicks Dies In Crash On 421

State Highway Employee Is Victim

Calvin H. Hicks, 57, resident of Vilas Route 1, and an employee of the State Highway Department, was killed instantly Tuesday morning when the highway dump truck he was driving was rammed from the rear by a tandem dump truck, loaded with sand and operated by Kermit Cyrus Brittain of Route 4, Morgan-ton.



"CHRIST'S MANGER."—This beautiful night blooming Cereus, more commonly known as Christ's Manger, burst into bloom about 9:00 o'clock last Tuesday night in the home of Mrs. Walter Johnson on King Street.

Fund Drive Will Begin On Monday

The organization for the Watauga United Fund drive is complete and workers are in readiness to launch the campaign Monday morning, said Dr. L. H. Owsley, president, and Leo Derrick and Herman Anderson, co-chairmen of the campaign committee.

Lee Fletcher Rites Are Held

Lee Fletcher, 67, former resident of the Cove Creek section, died at the home in Hunter, Tenn., September 28, after a long illness.

Sir Cedric Hardwicke To Appear In Boone

Sir Cedric Hardwicke, well-known actor of stage, screen, television, and the reading platform, will appear in Boone on October 21 at the college auditorium as the second number of the ASTC Public Programs series.

Scholarships Are To Be Given By Local Oil Dealers

In connection with Oil Progress Week, members of the oil industry in Watauga county are arranging to set up the Watauga Oil Scholarship Foundation, the purpose of which is to provide Appalachian State Teachers College scholarships for needy Watauga county students.

Claud Todd, 42, Ends Own Life

J. Claud Todd, 42, native of Boone, but for many years a resident of Hampton, Va., died Monday morning from a gunshot wound in the head, which is said to have been self-inflicted.