

Chamber Commerce Membership Drive Off To Good Start

To Play At Charlotte



PAUL WESTON

Paul Weston, the "musical photographer," has been invited to furnish the music for the four-day convention of the Southeastern and North Carolina Photographers Association, beginning at Charlotte Sunday.

Easter Seal Plans Made

The executive committee of the 1959 Easter Seal campaign met Monday evening to prepare for mailing the Easter Seal letters.

Those working with Mrs. Roy Blanton, Mrs. Herman Eggers, and Dr. James Greene were: The Rev. James Green, Robert Bumbaugh, Dr. Roy Blanton, Marvin Hutchens, Robert Phillips, the Rev. John Gibson, and Herman Eggers.

School Board Is Endorsed

The Watauga County Democratic Executive Committee met at the courthouse Saturday afternoon and voted overwhelming endorsement of the present Board of Education consisting of Dr. Chas. Davant, Dr. D. J. Whitener and H. W. Mast, Jr.

The incumbent board members received 14 votes. Seven were cast in opposition.

Since Board of Education members are actually named by the Legislature, the endorsement of the committee will be forwarded to Representative Jack Edmisten.

Local Vocal Ensemble Honored By "Superior" State Rating

The Appalachian High School Vocal Ensemble won a "Superior" rating in the state vocal ensemble contest held at Davidson College, Saturday, February 21. A rating of superior is the highest rating a group can win.

The membership campaign for the Boone Chamber of Commerce is now in full swing and Mr. Harold Rice, chairman of the campaign, says the results are good.

The membership breakfast last Tuesday showed a determination to contact every member and prospective member, Mr. Rice said, and he envisions splendid results.

Mr. Herman Wilcox, president of the Chamber of Commerce, also comments on the fine response to the drive to reach the goal of 100 new members and a 100% paid membership in 1959.

Mr. Wilcox adds: "When you invest in the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association you are actually investing in our community and in your business.

After the membership campaign, Mr. Wilcox says, 100 men and women will be needed to volunteer and serve on committees to work toward the various civic goals.

Mr. Alfred Adams, Project Committee chairman, reports that these projects will be tabulated as soon as possible, and committees assigned to the ones that are adopted to work on this year.

18 Courses To Be Offered Saturdays

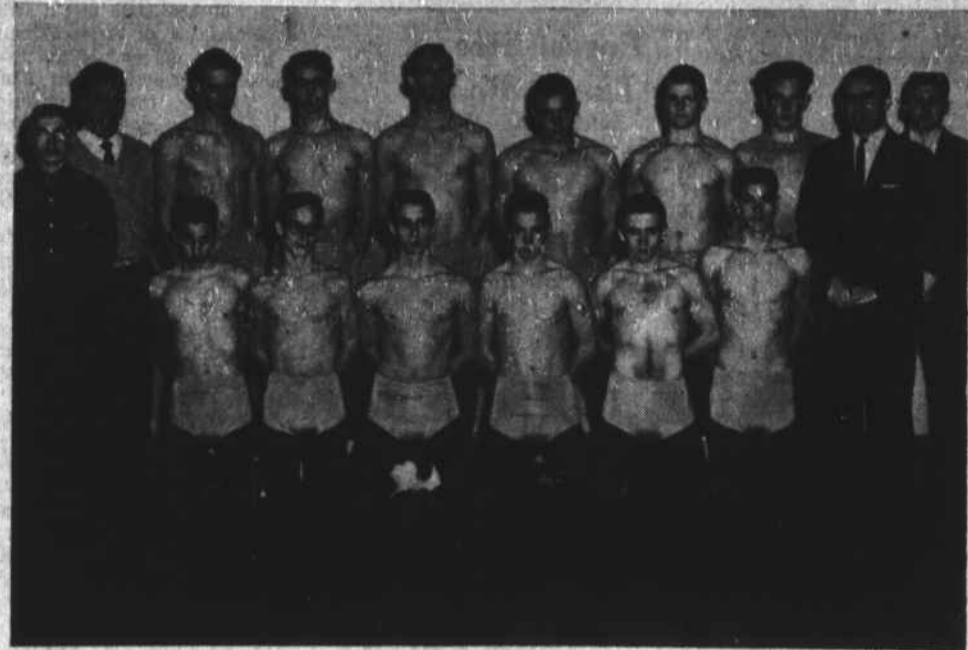
Eighteen courses will be offered at Appalachian State Teachers College on Saturdays during the spring quarter for the benefit of in-service teachers and others within driving distance of the campus.

The courses include education, social studies, science, physical education, English, and music, according to Dr. James E. Stone, Director of Extension.

Registration date is set for Saturday, February 28. Classes will meet each Saturday thereafter through May 23, except March 7 and 28.

One group of courses will begin at 8:30 a. m.; another begins at 11:40 a. m.

Credit earned from the Saturday courses may be applied toward degrees or used for certificate renewal purposes, or both, states Dr. Stone.



STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONS.—Kneeling, left to right, Austin Moretz, Carl Smith, For8 King, Doug Carson, Bill Miller, Ned Vines; standing: Ray Critcher, Coach Steve Gabriel, Tom Cook, Keith Wyke, Rufus Edmisten, John Day, Landrine Eggers, Dean Wilson, Coach Jack Groce, and publicity director Bill Farthing.

Edmisten Signs Bill Aimed At Better Teachers' Pay

Former Blowing Rock Mayor Dies Saturday

Joseph Henry Winkler, 76, former mayor of Blowing Rock, died Saturday, February 21, in the Blowing Rock Hospital following a heart attack.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a. m. Monday, February 23, in the Blowing Rock Baptist Church by the Rev. Carlton G. Cox, and burial was in the Reform cemetery.

Mr. Winkler, who was in the real estate business at Blowing

Rock for many years, was also a town alderman, a senior deacon of Blowing Rock Baptist Church, and superintendent of the Sunday School.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Annie Reid Winkler; two brothers, George Winkler of Granite Falls and Will Winkler of Lenoir; three sisters, Mrs. Eliza Reid of Blowing Rock, Mrs. Nettie Winkler and Mrs. Alberta Greene, both of Granite Falls.

Sixth Grader's Hobby Giving To Polio Fund

"I hate to see anyone crippled," says Nickie Williams, a sixth-grader at Blowing Rock, who has been saving pennies for the March of Dimes since he was two.

Nickie, a healthy, athletic boy, has been dropping in pennies from his allowance and earnings from odd jobs to help those crippled from polio.

"I have given five dollars—all in pennies—to the March of Dimes every year since I started to school.

Before coming to school, I turned my money in to March of Dimes workers in Boone."

Nickie, who lives on the Camp Yonahlossee Road with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Williams, says he has help only from his father.

A member of Mrs. B. Winkler's class, Nickie gave his pennies to Mrs. Winkler this year. But he already has plans to help his teacher next year; he has saved fifty cents already.

When asked if he planned to continue giving to the March of Dimes, Nickie replied, "I plan to all my life, but I may change to dollars if I can."

Geography tops the list of the subjects Nickie likes best in school.

Representative Jack Edmisten of Watauga county was a signer of a bill introduced in the House last week which calls for approximately 10 per cent pay increase for teachers and other public school personnel.

Identical bills introduced in the House and Senate embody recommendations of the State Board of Education and the North Carolina Education Association.

Other signers of the House measure were: Rep. Grace Rousebough of Stokes; Blake Thomas of John-

Seek Home Ec Building

Raleigh.—A bill authorizing Appalachian State Teachers College to use part of a 1957 appropriation to build a home economics building and home management house was introduced in the House of Representatives last week.

Rep. Jack Edmisten of Watauga said the 1957 appropriation was earmarked for just a home ec building. The college wants a home management house, too.

Total cost—the money is already available—will be \$312,000.

ston; Carson Gregory of Harnett; Leonard Lloyd of Graham; Tom Newman of Sampson; Hugh Johnson of Duplin; and Gordon Greenwood of Buncombe.

The 10 per cent proposal goes far beyond the amounts recommended.

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Dr. W. M. Smith Moves Office

Dr. William M. Smith, who has had offices in the Dr. Perry building at 109 Appalachian Street, since he began practice here in 1952, moved across the street to the rock house at 200 Appalachian Street today (Wednesday).

A parking lot for the convenience of his patients has been provided at the rear of the building.

Eggers Buys Houser Farm

Mr. S. C. Eggers has bought the J. C. Houser farm near Hodges Gap.

The 55-acre place, formerly known as the Adam Hodges farm joins the Poplar Grove Road and highway 105 at their intersection.

Mr. Eggers will doubtless develop the property but did not disclose the details of his plans.

Mayview Manor Is Sold To Chapmans

Blowing Rock Resort Is Widely Known

Blowing Rock.—Mayview Manor, one of the South's best-known resort hotels, has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Milton M. Chapman of Miami Beach, Fla. The Chapmans formerly operated the resort.

The announcement of the sale was made last week by Emory C. McCall, chairman of trustees of Mayview Manor Hotel Properties. No price was disclosed.

Other trustees are Dr. Harold W. Tribble, president of Wake Forest College, and Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, president of Mars Hill College.

The resort was bequeathed by its late owner, T. H. Broynhill of Lenoir, to educational and religious institutions three years ago.

They were Wake Forest College, Mars Hill College, Oxford Orphanage, First Baptist Church of Lenoir, and Lower Creek and Little Rock Baptist churches in Caldwell county.

Chapman has operated Ocean Forest Hotel at Myrtle Beach, S. C., the Miami-Biltmore Hotel and the Roney Plaza and Shelborne Hotels at Miami Beach.

An extensive, long-range renovation plan is being started at Mayview Manor. The kitchen and dining room are to be refurbished immediately.

Mayview Manor was built early in 1920 by Walter L. Alexander of Charlotte. It was purchased in 1928 by Broynhill and the late Charles Hayworth of High Point.

Arthur Given Post At Aurora



REV. GEORGE A. ARTHUR

The Rev. George A. Arthur, pastor for the past four years of the Advent Christian Church of Boone, has resigned his pastorate to accept a position at his alma mater, Aurora College, Aurora, Ill., as chairman of the admissions committee and executive secretary of the Alumni Association.

He will deliver his final sermon here at the church on Easter Sunday, March 29, and will assume his new duties April 1.

The Rev. and Mrs. Arthur, their son, David, and daughter, Mary Jo, came to Boone in January, 1955, from Jacksonville, Fla., where he had been pastor of the Springfield Advent Christian Church for six years.

Mr. Arthur has been active in the community life of Boone during the past four years, having served ably on important committees of various civic organizations, and as chairman of the Watauga County Chapter of the American Red Cross in 1958.

A native of Wallingford, Conn., he received a B. Th. degree from Aurora College in 1931, and has served as pastor of churches in New Haven, Conn.; Toronto, Canada; DeKalb, Ill.; Villisca, Iowa; Minneapolis, Minn.; San Diego, Calif.; and Bellingham, Wash.

He is a former president of the Southeastern Advent Christian Association of Conference.



FAMILY OF MUSICIANS.—Left to right, Eva Danay Erneston, Nicholas Erneston, and Maria Erneston. All play in the college Orchestra.

Fourth, Fifth Graders May Play In Orchestra

By LELAND R. COOPER
How old should a child be before he begins training for playing in an orchestra?

As early as the fourth or fifth grade, says Nicholas Erneston, organizer and conductor of Appalachian State Teachers College's orchestra.

To prove the point, Erneston's two oldest daughters, Eva Danay, 14, and Maria, 10, both play violin with him in the orchestra's performances.

Mrs. Erneston, herself a coloratura soprano and voice teacher, says their third daughter, Elsie Hogue, 4, will probably be a singer rather than a violinist.

Actually, Erneston says, the age for starting orchestral training depends a great deal on the individual.

Several school systems in the state are using musical aptitude

and interest tests to select students who show promise of ability with string instruments.

These students, some from the lower elementary grades, are then taught violin as a class.

Although the public demand for band training is greater, the conductor points out, professional opportunities after graduation are greater in orchestra work.

New orchestras are being formed continually, and already the demand for competent performers exceeds the supply, Erneston contends.

In anticipation of even greater demand in the near future, the music department of Appalachian now requires its graduates to have a year of education in the string instrument field.

Education of this type is expected to qualify music majors to conduct at least beginning orchestra work in the public schools.

Watauga Observing National 4-H Week

Watauga County 4-H Club members, along with the State and Nation, will observe National 4-H Club Week February 28 through March 7.

The theme for the week is, "Improving Family and Community Living."

Club members in Watauga will participate in the following during the week: Assembly and chapel programs will be given in some of the schools by 4-H clubs. Several clubs will use bulletin boards to tell about 4-H work.

4-H club members will present two radio programs during the week. The County Council will arrange a window display at the Boone Drug Company store. Articles written by club members will be presented to the Watauga Democrat for publication.

Helping the clubs in Watauga county are Woodrow Richardson, assistant county agricultural agent, and Miss Lillian Hyatt, assistant home agent.

Mrs. Richardson said: "The purpose of National 4-H Club Week is to give members an opportunity to evaluate past achievements, make friends, plan future activities on their farms, in their homes and communities. To inform the public, including parents, of the value of 4-H training. To recognize the important part played by local leaders and to enlist more public-spirited, youth-minded citizens to assist with the 4-H program."

Some of the highlights of the Watauga 4-H program last year were: Enrollment increased 20% over last year.

Sheep Shearing contest. A record price of \$3.06 per bird was paid for 4-H pullets in the seventh annual 4-H Pullet Sale.

Nineteen 4-H club members participated in the District Elimination Contest in Asheville.

Other special events were: 4-H Camp, 4-H Club Week, Dress Revue, Corn Muffin contest, Lamb Show, Forestry Camp, Wildlife Camp, 4-H Leadership Conference, Resource Use Conference, Junior Tobacco Show, and Sheep Shearing Demonstrations at N. C. State Fair.

E. N. Norris Dies At Age 80

Ephraim Newton Norris, 80, of the Beaver Dam community, died Monday, Feb. 23, in Watauga Hospital.

Funeral services were scheduled to be held at 11 a. m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, at Bethel Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. William Brackett and the Rev. E. J. Farthing, with burial to be in the Norris cemetery.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Maggie Wilson Norris; two daughters, Mrs. L. S. Gates and Mrs. John W. Eidinger of Detroit, Mich.; a brother, Scott Norris of Villas; two grandsons, Eddie Norris of Villas and Johnny Norris of the U. S. Army at Fort Knox, Ky.; a granddaughter, Mrs. Judy Rowland of Detroit, Mich.; and a great-grandson, Gregory Newton Norris of Villas.

Benson named head of Food for Peace drive.