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CIVIL DEFENSE .- Dr. R. H. Harmon (left), Watauga County Civil

Defense director, presents copies of "Watauga County Reception and

Care Plan" to Blowing Rock Mayor R. B. Hardin and Bill Lentz,

Civil Defense Books

Are Distributed Here

Civil Defense in Watauga county, date by replacing the sheets con-

booklet to be used by civil de- defense plans in the county had

fense workers in case Watauga attracted considerable attention

becomes an evacuation center for and that higher civil defense off-

the more than three hundred-page Lentz, chairman of the board of

the many people and organizations Hardin of Blowing Rock, received

Boone Man Killed

In W. Va. Accident

who spent countless hours of vol- the first copies.

cerning these changes.

in case of emergency.

He said that certain phases of

ices are studying some of the plans

the Watauga unit intends to use

The book was mimographed, and

expenses were paid for by Wa-

tauga county on authorization of

the county commissioners. Bill

commissioners, and Mayor R. B.

distributed the "Watauga County

surrounding areas, as designated

by national civil defense plans, at

a special meeting of key defense

personnel Friday night at the Le-

He explained to those attending

now the information contained in

manuel will be used, and praised

unteer work in compiling the book.

Hardison, 46, of Boone, N. C., was

Reception and Care Plan."

chairman of Watauga County Board of Commissioners,-Minor

TWENTY-TWO PAGES-THREE SECTIONS

# Golf Course Opening **Finds Pros Making** Rounds New Links

Boone Golf Course by the Boone Golf Club last Wednesday was considered a "success" by Wade driving. E. Brown, club president, and other observers. Visitors to the exhibition by two golf pros and two well-known amateurs were high in praise of the condition of

Billy Joe Patton, amateur from Morganton, who has made quite a name for himself in golfing circles, teamed with Joe Cheves, golf pro from Morganton, in an 18-hole match against Dave Smith, amateur of Gastonia, and Joe Maples pro of the local course. Maples and Smith edged out Patton and Cheves, 4-2, in what was said to be the best game played so far on the local greens. Estimates ranged to a thousand spectators or the exhibitions. Many notables of the state and area were among the spectators, Mr. Brown said. The match, which got off to a fast start at about 1:30 o'clock, was over about 5:00 o'clock. Rain tain area. the event most of the afternoon,

enough until all scores were fin-ished. course, which has been called "the levelest" in the mounains, was in fine shape, and one of the players was said to have remarked he had seen grass seed-ed more than thirty years not in as good as that on the Boone

The fairways of the golf course which has been open to play for ess than a month, were only seeded last fall, and the greens were planted in late April of this year. Dry weather has hampered its grass on the greens and the bent grass on the greens and the escue and blue grass on the fairways are well-suited for the course Smith, in commenting on the bright future of the course, said t was one of the finest he has played on, and that he believes within a few years its popularity will have grown so much that the

club will have to limit play on it. More and more people are taking advantage of the fine course according to Maples, and each playing day sees more golfers turning out. The course rolls gently, and no steep climbs are noted vicinity.

#### New Mail To Be Established

A new rural mail route is sched-Blowing Rock-Bamboo-Elk section, row," produced especially for the it was announced this week by Act- Future Farmers of America. ing Postmaster Lyle B. Cook. The

begin by servicing about 250 pa- eral Motors is the sponsor of the trons. Parts of Route 3 and Blow- National 4-H Safety Program and ing Rock are incorporated in the Mr. Andrews will be able to aid new route, and the establishment local 4-H Clubs which have memof it is designed to provide for fu- bers participating. ture expansion.

A temporary carrier will service Route 4 until a permament appointment can be made.

#### **Shepherd Rites** Held Tuesday

Ambrose Shepherd, 88, retired farmer, Sugar Grove, died yester-day at Watauga Hospital where he had been a patient for a week.

Born in Ashe county, Mr. Shepherd had lived in Watauga for 26

Surviving are one son, M. L. Shepherd, Sugar Grove; two brothers, Fielden and Arthur Shepherd of Lansing and one sister, Mrs. Reba Barr of Apple Grove.

Funeral was conducted at 2 o'clock Tuesday at Antioch Baptist Church by Rev. Carl Wilson and Rev. R. C. Cook. Burial was in Ward's cemetery.

### Bloodmobile Is Coming

Boone and Watauga county citi-Bloodmobile visit scheduled for July 30 at the Boone Methodist Church, a Red Cross spokesman said this week. Those who have not yet received donor cards may look forward to receiving them



Prior to the match, Patton and Smith gave a demonstration on When the Golf Club opened the

bought membership in the club. Membership fees entitle golfers to play on the course until April of 1960, and are available for \$75 for a regular membership; \$40 for the second member of a family who joins the club; and \$30 for each additional member of

Greens fees, for non-members, on week days are \$3.00; on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays \$5.00.

These membership and green fees are based on those of comparable golf courses in this section, Mr. Brown said, and it is expected that playing time will be from one to three weeks longer than other courses in the moun-

#### held off until the eighteenth hole Andrews Is was being played, and did not fall



G. R. ANDREWS

General Motors has announced that G. R. Andrews, local Chevrolet-Oldsmobile dealers for the past 8 years, has been appointed to serve as GM Community Relations Chairman for Boone and

The chairmanship carries a Mr. Andrews will make available to the public a variety of interesting and educational material in the form of motion pictures, booklets and presentations from GM's aled to be established, effective Public Relations staff. One of the August 8, to serve patrons in the GM films is "Farmer of Tomor-

Another film, "Safety, Our No. route will be designated as Route 4. 1 Crop," was produced to assist Cook stated that the route will 4-H in their safety activities. Gen-

> Well known locally for active interest in Community Chest, Red Cross, Industry on Promotion, Boy Scouts, 4-H, etc.), Mr. Andrews also will be in a position to cooperate with club groups, (Continued on page six)

course for play in mid-June, it was announced that many out-oftown, as well as local people, had

the same family.

# **GM** Chairman



rock and killed Tuesday while working on interstate 64 near the highway since construction began last year, according to a re port of the accident.

Hardison, a graduate foreman for the Nello L. Teer Co. of Durham, was struck on the head by a piece of flying rock. He was supervising the breaking of some huge community service responsibility. rocks and was standing about 50 feet from them.

An employee of the firm for 20 years, the deceased had moved here with his wife and two daughters about four weeks ago.

Hardison was married to the former Miss Bonnie Lee Hodges. daughter of Mrs. A. M. Hodges of Boone, and a sister of Mrs. Dave Hodges and Wilson Hodges of Boone, and Conrad Hodges of Statesville, and Stuart Hodges of Lenoir.

Survivors include the widow, the two children, Olivia Ann and Linda; his mother of Beaufort, N. C.; and a brother, Buddy Hardison, who works for the same company he worked for.

Burial was at Beaufort Friday.

U. N. survey finds decline

### struck on the head by a piece of Paul Weston here. He was the first fatality on Given Honor



PAUL WESTON

Mr. Paul Weston, local photographer and musician, was a special guest of the Boone Junior Chamber of Commerce Monday

Mr. Weston was given an hono ary membership in the civic organization as a token of apprecia-tion for his having supplied the (Continued on page six)

COUNCIL OFFICERS.—Three officers of the Southern Council on Teacher Education are at Appalachian State Teachers College this summer. They are (left to right: Dr. Herbert Wey, editor of the SCTE Bulton, Miss Mary Ellen Perkins, secretary-treasurer; and Dr. W. H. Plemmons, president elect. Dr. William Cartwright of Duke University is past president. Pictured with them is Dr. Ben Horton, head of ASTC's Education department. Miss Perkins is on campus as director of student teaching workshop, and Dr. Wey is a visiting professor in education from the University of Miami.

## LATE BOB BROOME REPLACED

# Breitenstein Is Named Appalachian Grid Coach

New Mentor Is No Stranger To College

Announcement was made by President W. H. Plemmons of Appalachian State Teachers college on Tuesday afternoon that Robert L. Breitenstein has been chosen as head football coach at the college, replacing the late Bob Broome whose death the latter part of June left this vacancy.

The offer to Coach Breitenstein resulted from the unanimous recommendation of the athletic committee to President Plemmons, Although Breitenstein has been in semi-retirement from coaching, he agreed to take the position for the 1959 season. He decided to do so, he said, because of his fondness for the college and his liking for the boys who had worked un der him at the college.

The key personnel attending will Dr. Harmon explained that it was distribute the more than 200 copies Coach Breitenstein is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio. He holds loose-leaf type, so that as per-sonnel and other changes are who operate under them. the B. E. degree from the University of Cincinnati, and has attended Ohio State University.

He has been a high school teacher and coach, was a lieutenant in the navy during World War II, and from 1946 to 1956 he was assistant football coach at the University of Miami (Florida). Since 1957 he has been owner and director of Camp Broadstone at Valle Crucis, near Boone, and is assistant manager of The Orange Bowl Committee.

For the past two years, he has assisted with the coaching of the Appalachian football squad, and is known by all the returning players.

Watauga county for some years, o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Rev. and it was near his summer home L. H. Hollingsworth, and Rev. that he built Camp Broadstone for John Gibson officiated. Assisting

He is forty-six years of age, is a member of the Congregational the city cemetery. Church, and he and Mrs. Breitenstein (also a native of Ohio and Watauga county was engaged in Florida) are the parents of three the mercantile business here for children-Pat, aged fifteen, Donna, about twenty years. Previous to thirteen, and Steve, ten.

was happy indeed that Mr. Breitenstein has heeded the unanimous enstein has heeded the unanimous wish of the athletic committee and the college administration that he account this coaching position for cill Cooke, Boone; Mrs. Elizabeth accept this coaching position for adjusted his schedule to make it and three sisters: Monroe, Fred Cooke, West Jefferson; Lindsey knows the area, knows the college, knows the players all will be to his advantage.

### Davis Goes To Highlander

Robert Davis, well known local automobile mechanic, announced this week that he has joined the Highlander Motor Company as Service Manager. Bob is probably best known for his work in re-building stock automobiles as rac-ing cars, the most successful and best known of these being "The Davis Special", many times win-ner of the Grandfather Hill Climb.

#### Dewey Cox, 61, Dies Near Todd

Commodore Dewey Cox, 61, resident of Todd, died last Wednes day at Watauga Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Friday at 2 o'clock at Black-burn's Chapel by Rev. Ed Blackburn. Burial was in the Howell Surviving are three sisters and

Greer, Deep Gap.



SHERWOOD WRECK.-Two of the three vehicle involved in wreck last Monday (July 20) are shown before being pulled from highway. Car at left was Dodge with a trailer hitched to it, driven by Robert Lee Laster of Winter Haven, Fla.; and Ford in foreground was operated by Ed Smith Williams. A station wagon, driven by Jones Albert Grant of Lakeview, S. C., was also involved, but is not shown in pic

### Two Injured In Three-Car Crash

# Dies Tuesday

Joseph Calvin Cooke, 78, pioeer merchant, died Tuesday at Watauga Hospital following a recurring stroke of paralysis last ert Lee Laster, 22, of Winter Ha-

Mr. Cooke was first stricken 18 months ago. Funeral services were held at

Coach Breitenstein has lived in the First Baptist Church at 3 was Rev. Preston Hughes, of the Methodist Church. Burial was in

Mr. Cooke, who was reared in hirteen, and Steve, ten.

President Plemmons said that he had been employed at Appalach

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. accept this coaching position for the 1959 season, and that he had Gastonia. There are six brothers Cooke, Stony Fork; Dan Cooke, Route 2, Boone; Walter Cooke, Todd; Adolphus Cooke, Boone; Mrs. Clemmie Greene, Stony Fork; Mrs. Annie Lemley, Fleetwood; Mrs. Minnie Helsabeck, Rural

> Vice President Nixon urges third major league.

Tenn., were treated for injuries at Watauga Hospital last Tuesday, July 14, received in a three-ca accident on Highway 421 in the Sherwood neighborhood about 12:15 p. m.

According to investigating officer, Patrol George E. Baker, Robven, Fla., was operating a 1954 Dodge with, a trailer hitched to it. He was going west, on his way

home from the Army after his discharge in Florida. Laster lost control of his car, skidded across the road into the left lane. Laster's car hit a 1954 Ford, op-

erated by Mr. Williams, head on The Laster car and trailer were knocked backmards 21 feet into a bank. The Williams car was 1959 Ford station wagon, operated by James Albert Grant of Lakeview, S. C.

The Laster car and the the Wil liams car were considered total Dr. Miller losses. The Grant station wagon suffered only slight damage, according to the report.

Thomas was a passenger in the Williams car.

Laster was charged by Patrolman Baker with exceeding a safe speed. He and his wife and baby continued on to Nashville, Tenn., by bus. Miller of Boone, Dr. Miller is a

This year will be the 17th time in the last 120 years that a farm ensus has been taken.

President denies using veto pow-



knocked backards 27 feet into a EVERETT W. WIDENER, JR.,

Dr. Fred C. Miller has opened an office in the new medical building at Jonesville for the practice of dentistry.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. graduate of Appalachian High School, Lees-McRae College, Appalachian State Teachers College and the University of North Carolina Dental School. He is a memher of XI Phi dental fraternity.

He is married to Miss Anna

## Opera Singers To Appear At **Banner Elk And Blowing Rock**





VANNI





Banner Elk.—Four distinguished on Friday night, August 7, and Opera. They will be accompanied under a singers and their accompanies again at Rumple Memorial Presbyby Stuart Ross.

The Friday concert at 8:15 p

9 for this little community, and the hospital and children's home founded here in 1895 by the late Rev. Edgar Tufts.

Appearing at the Anne Bryan Recreation Center will include popular and classical music, and will benefit the new Grace Hartley Memorial Hospital Appearing at the Anne Bryan Recreation Center in Banner Elk ello, baritone of the Chicago Civic (Continued on page six)