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BOONE, WATAUGA COUNTY, NORTH CABOLINA, THURSDAY, FEBRAURY 25, 1960

TWELVE PAGES-TWO SECTIONS

Takes Place

Dr. Whitener

Grady Moretz, Jr., promi-

nent young Boone business

man and civic leader, was ap-

pointed to membership on the

Watauga County Board of Ed-

ucation by the Democratic

**Executive Committee last Sat-**

urday, and took the oath of

Mr. Moretz succeeds Dr. D.

Whitener, who resigned

office on Monday.

Mother, Bearing Food To Family, Dies In Blizzard

Last Thursday's blizzard claimed one victim in Watauga county, burying under the swirling snow the mother of five who perished in an effort to bring food to the children and to her aged mother.

Mrs. Mannila Davis Walker, 44, a widow, had caught a ride to Boone with J. O. Cooke, local taxicab operator, late Thursday afternoon, when it appeared that the storm wasn't going to let up, and when the food gave out in the Walker home two miles from town in the Winkler Creek area.

Mrs. Walker had been warned against starting on the return trip in the blinding storm by city policeman Carl Greene, who had suggested that she spend the night in city hall. But the cupboard was bare in the snowbound house and she asked Mr. Cooke to drive her home. The trip was started at about 7 o'clock, but Cooke couldn't make it over the drifted highways, and turned back after less than a mile had been covered. Mrs. Walker refused his offer to bring her back to town, and vanished into the storm with the bag

ties, along with neighbors of Mrs Walker instituted a search. Mrs. Walker's brother, John Davis, found her body, covered with snow couple of hundred yards from her home. She had lost her bag of food a quarter mile back. Mrs Walker had taken to a field which provided a near cut home. A portion of her clothing, fanned by the wind, led searchers to her

Coroner Richard Kelley considered an inquest unnecessary and stated that Mrs. Walker came to her death from freezing.

Funeral services were held Monday at the chapel of Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home. Rev. E. O. Gore and Rev. Carson Eggers conducted the rites and burial was in the Middle Fork Church

Surviving are the children, Carlos Tester, Douglas Tester, Toula Fae Tester, by a former marriage; Dennis Walker and Clara Walker of the home; the mother, Mrs. Lorettie Davis; three brothers and a sister, Montches Davis, Morganton; John Davis, Route 3, Boone; Ernest Davis, Johnson City, Tenn.; James Davis, Lenoir; Mrs. Earlene

Gragg, Blowing Rock.

## Saturday, when the storm had broken, Sheriff Hodges and depu-Will Be Here

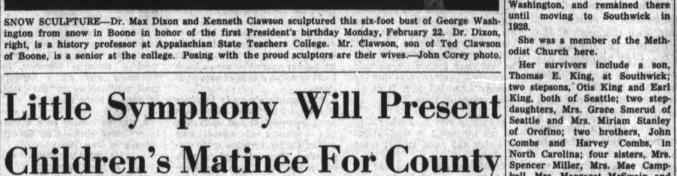
The NAIA District 26 playoff cournament, to determine this districts representative in the national basketball tourney in Kansas City, will be played in Boone at the College Tuesday night (March 1), according to word from Clarence Stasavich, of Catawba, NAIR dis trict chairman. The Mountaine will be host team.

Appalachian enters the tourna ment by virtue of her NAIA rec ord for the season (15-5). Oppor ent of the Apps has not yet been determined, but probably will be Lenoir Rhyne, according to Jim Jones, Appalachian's sports publi-cist, depending on who wins the North State Conference tournament which begins tonight (Wed.) at Lexington. Lenoir Rhyne has 16-6 record in NAIA competition. The winner of the Tuesday night

game here will play on Wednes day night, on a neutral court, with winner of the NAIA game that will be played Tuesday.

Winner of the Wednesday game will go to Kansas City to partici-

pate in the national tournament. Proceeds of the NAIA games are used to defray the winning team's expenses to Kansas.



## Miss Eula Todd Dies In Ashe

West Jefferson, Feb, 26-Miss Eula Smith Todd, well-known retired high school principal and college professor, died Thursday

Miss Todd taught at Appalachand had served before then as principal of a Greensboro high school for 14 years.

Funeral services were held Friday at the Jefferson Methodist

She is survived by a sister, Mrs.

## John A. Minor Dies Monday

Minor of Boone, died at his home in Winston-Salem Monday afternoon, following a lengthy illness.

Funeral details were meagre at press time Tuesday, but it was expected the deceased would be buried Wednesday afternoon at Fork Church cemetery in Davie

Survivors besides his son in Boone include his widow, three sons and three daughters.

### Music School Is Arranged

The Home Demonstration Clubs are sponsoring a music school which is to be conducted Thursday, March 3in the First Baptist Church in Boone, beginning at 10:00 o'clock. The school is for the purpose of assisting leaders who are in charge of music in their organization or groups. The training will include music reading and

group singing leadership. All interested persons are invited to attend. Non-club members are invited, as well as club mem-

Miss -Bobbie Pritchard, State Music Consultant, Department of Public Instruction, will conduct the training school.

#### BANDIT TAKES ADVICE

Detroit — A would be holdup man, Joseph J. Vranesich, entered a Detroit bakery and demanded: "Give me the money or I'll shoot,"
Mrs. Dorothy Weiner, a clerk, suggested: "Why don't you go next

Preparations are in full swing forts to show to new industrialists Mrs. Lillie Seagraves, all in North in the Watauga schools for the that the stafe is educationally Carolina; and 14 grandchildren children's matinee of the North awake and progressive.

Carolina Little Symphony, to be offered for the first time to the children of the county on March 14. Watauga students through the WaThe matinee, to be given at the tauga County United Fund, which
Strance of the Orofino Methodist The matinee, to be given at the new gymnasium auditorium on the Appalachian State Teachers College campus, will add the schools of Watauga county to the sixty other groups in the state which have seen this combination concert and lecture-demonstration by North Carolina's own state-sup

CRIME ARTICLE STOLEN ported symphony. The children's

she had just written.

St. Louis-Two boys robbed Mrs Anna Frager of her purse, containing \$9 and an article on crime

Spencer Miller, Mrs. Mae Campbell, Mrs. Margaret McSwain and

The public school matrhee has been added to the advantages of Brower-Wann Chapel at Lewiston is supporting the program. A spec- Church officiating. Burial was at ial low rate was arranged for the Normal Hill Cemetery. schools through the cooperation of Appalachian State Teachers Col. C. Of C. Directors lege, which has brought the Little Symphony to Boone for an evening performance for several years

The Board of Directors of the Boone Chamber of Commerce will hold their regular meeting Tuesday, March 1, at Daniel Boone Hotel, at noon, according to an announcement by Herman W. Wilcox,

To Meet Next Tuesday

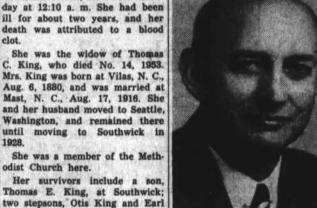
and seven great-grandchildren.

realtor and political leader told the Democrat Tuesday that he is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Lieutenant Governor, subject

Grady Moretz, Jr.

Gets School Post

Eggers To Run For Civic Leader



Lt. Governorship

Mrs. King, 79,

Dies In Idaho

Southwich, Idaho-Mrs. Emma

Augusta King, 79, a Southwick re-

sident since 1928, died here Satur-

S. C. EGGERS

of Orofino; two brothers, John to the action of the State Con-Combs and Harvey Combs, in vention which will be held next Saturday.

> If there is more than one aspirant for the position, of course the nominee will be determined by the vote in the Republican State primary in May,

Funeral services were held at Mr. Eggers, who has represe ed Watauga County in the House of Representatives for four sessions, is a former Chairman of the Watauga county board of commissioners, has been county Republican chairman for four years, district chairman for four years, and has been the Republican condidate for State Treasurer.

> Mr. Eggers has been in the real estate business in Boone for more than thirty years.

Tobacco is the South's second

#### from the board January 29. A son of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Moretz of Boone, Mr. Moretz was educated at Appalachian Elemen-tary and High Schools and at the University of North Carolina. He spent four years in the Navy during the time of the Korean war, and since then has been in the lumber business with his father. He has been prominent in the Watauga County Young Democratic Club and has been vice-president since its reorganization. He is a member of the Boone Junior Chamber of Commerce, and has held a number of offices in that

GRADY MORETZ, JR.

organization. He was chairman of the Jaycee beauty contest last year and received the Jaycee distinguished service award for 1958, as the outstanding young man of

the year.

Mr. Moretz is a member of the Grace Lutheran Church and a member of the Church Council.

He is President of the Watauga County United Fund, member of was added Thursday to already meter stood at 26 degrees, and duron the job around the clock, Southern Appalachian Historical

Commenting on Mr. Moretz's ap vehicles which had turned side nate in having a man of his educational background and commun-ity activities to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Whitener."

reside on Poplar Hill Drive.

DR SWALIN

concerts last year were attended by 110,818 listeners.

Preparations in Watauga are under the direction of Mrs. Mae Edmisten, county supervisor. They began when a workshop was conducted in November in Morgan-ton by Mrs. Adeline McCall of Chapel Hill, who outlined the pro-gram and methods of preparing the students for it. Several Watauga teachers attended the workshop, including Mrs. Laura Church and Mrs. Mary Mast of Valle Crueis, Mrs. Jimmy Mast and Mrs. Agnes Shipley of Cove Creek Elementary, Mrs. Imogene Robinson of Bethel, Mrs. Susic Buchanan of Green Valley, and Mrs. Rebs Moretz of Parkway.

All students in the county, from the fourth grade through high school, will attend the matineeabout 2800 in all. They have been preparing by the use of study booklets, discussions of opera and symphony, and phenograph rec-ords. At Cove Creek Elementary School a film strip will be used in assembly and elaborate bulletin boards and posters are already on

display.

The children's matinees are the idea originally of Benjamin Swalin, the director of the symph

# Weatherman Spills More Snow; Schools May Reopen Today

schools which had just opened as 11 degrees. that morning after a forced three- The wind continued to blow all day recess, to close down again at day Friday and Friday night, and up to eight or more feet were re-10:30 a. m. The snow began at the temperature dropped to 8 deported in some places, and high-angell, County Superintendent of grees. However, even though the ways were blocked at times by Schools, said: "We are very fortu-

The temperature was in the perature warmed to 29 degrees, ways on the road. 30s during the early part of Thurs-

wind continued Saturday the tem-

Sunday was warmer with a high day and the snow was wet and of 34 being reported. Three-quartslushy. By mid-afternoon the thermometer began to drop rapidly and the winds blew with gale-like to become slick and hazardous nesday morning.

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over the week end, opening and re- Association. opening roads and highways. Drifts

W. Guy Angell, superintendent of schools, announced Tuesday



LANDSLIDE-Nearly 1800 yards of dirt and rock slid from a mountainside onto U. S. Highway 321, 16 miles south of Boone early Monday morning and created a road block. Highway Maintenance Supervisor F. W. McCracken said his office was notified of the dide about 8:30 a. m., and two tractor loaders, one working on each

side of the slide, were put on the job of removing the highway. One-way traffic was opened about 4 p. m., workmen were still on the job Tuesday morning. Di three feet high against the opposite bank of the al Cracken said.—Staff photo.

