



WATAUGA CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL.—Graduating from the Elementary School are, left to right, Brenda Goins, Joseph Grimes; from the high school Carolyn McQueen, and from the elementary school, Johnny Moore.—Photo Flowers Photo Shop.

Beech Creek News

Mr. Hursh Trivett, Mr. Jack Taylor and Mr. R. L. Harmon were in Spruce Pine Thursday on business.

Mrs. Donald Thomas has returned to Belmont after spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Mandy of Asheville, the Rev. Ed. Farthing of Bethel were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Captain Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Presnell, Mr. and Mrs. Prince Presnell of Rominger visited Mr. and Mrs. Captain Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurst Trivett visited Mr. and Mrs. Auburn Trivett and family and Mrs. Lizzie Trivett of Banner Elk Sunday.

Mr. Jessie Stines of Rominger has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Captain Hicks this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ward of Bethel visited Mr. and Mrs. George Harmon Saturday.

Mr. Clyde Buntion is a patient at Cannon Memorial Hospital at Banner Elk.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Henderson, Mrs. Mary Reece and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Reece visited in Lenoir Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harmon and Miss Cloyce Harmon visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Harmon in Asheville Sunday. He is home from the hospital and very much improved.

Poppy Day To Be Observed

Again the day draws near which we observe as Memorial Day, a day set aside honoring the memory of our heroes who gave their lives in all the wars of our country. We the women of the American Legion Auxiliary are happy to have a part in this observance through the sale of the little red poppy.

After World War I the poppy became a symbol and is now made by our disabled veterans and sold by the American Legion Auxiliary. In this way the disabled veteran can help themselves and give assistance to their families and loved ones.

They are disabled and in this way they earn some money; but most of all it gives them a sense of security, a feeling that they are to some extent independent.

Won't you please think about them and the reasons why they are disabled and wear a poppy when you are asked to do so by one who represents them to you? —Mrs. Troy Norris, Auxiliary President.

Feed Grain Program Requires Filing Intention To Abide

Many farmers who have filed their feed grain acreage reports at the ASC office may think they are participating in the feed grain program since they have been mailed a notice of feed grain acreage and payment rate. The purpose of this notice is to inform the farmer of the feed grain base established for his farm, the minimum diversion acreage, the maximum permitted acreage and payment rate per acre.

However, to participate in the feed grain program it is necessary for the farmer to file his intention to participate and application for payment. After the County Committee has approved this application he may receive an advance payment of approximately 50 percent of the amount he may earn. Or he may defer payment until final compliance with the requirements of the program are determined.

These farmers now have until June 1, 1961 to file their applications at the ASC office in order to participate in this program.

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Black-Eyed Pea Said To Be Coming To Own

The southern pea is coming into its own.

For 250 years this vegetable—call it southern pea, cowpea, black-eyed pea, field pea, crowder pea or whatever—has been a Tar Heel favorite. It's "black-eyed peas and hog jowls" for many a table on New Year's Day. And all year around the succulent pea graces Tar Heel menus, until it's almost a staple food.

Until recently, farmers and gardeners selected and developed their own varieties. Then plant breeders went to work and they've come up with many new kinds of peas, resistant to disease and nematodes, with better quality for home use and processing.

"We've tested about 50 varieties of southern peas at Castle Hayne," says J. M. Jenkins, Jr., who runs the Horticultural Crops Research Station there. "One has yielded more than 5,000 pounds of green pods per acre."

The folks at the station have found that the Dixiee and Gray Crowder varieties are consistent high yielders. "Brown Sugar Crowder yields somewhat less than others, but it's a good variety and popular in many areas," says Jenkins.

The number of peas you get from a pod is a big factor in picking the variety to grow, whether in a back yard garden or by the acre. A good variety will shell out better than 50 percent, and Dixiee and Gray Crowder have passed this mark in tests at the station.

You can get just about any seed color you want, from white to char-

coal black, says Jenkins. Many varieties have black or dark "eyes," and some are speckled or marked in other ways. Pods may be green or purple, varying in length from three to ten inches or more.

"The test of a pea, of course, is in the eating," says Jenkins. "Some people like a certain type or color; but most are pretty well satisfied if the dish has the delicious flavor and consistency they've learned to expect."

"The southern pea has qualities that just can't be beat by many other garden vegetables."

SWEET OLD LADY SELLS DOPE

Los Angeles—A government attorney pointed toward gray-haired, 61-year-old Mrs. Betty Caroline Taylor, and told the court: "We've been looking for this sweet, smooth-talking little lady for the past twenty years. Law-enforcement authorities here, in Fresno, San Francisco and Las Vegas, Nev., consider her one of the major dealers in narcotics on the Pacific Coast."

Mrs. Taylor denied any wrongdoing, the officers said.

Celery Has Many Uses

Celery makes good eating, whether served in its crisp, raw form, or blended in with cooked dishes.

Celery is good "as is," with a little salt. Stuffed with soft cheese it becomes a festive addition to most any meal, or served generously, it becomes a salad in itself. Its crispness and delicate flavor combine delightfully with softer fruits and vegetables in salads.

Celery tops and leaves add flavor to vegetable soups. The piquant flavor of chopped celery leaves also can be imparted to a meat or fish loaf. Although overlooked quite often by many homemakers, cooked celery is tasty when served as a separate vegetable.

For a long time, celery was a luxury food appearing only on the most important days during the holiday seasons. Now that celery is grown in many areas of the country, fresh crisp celery is available the whole year.

Celery is available in the stores now and homemakers should use the vegetable often in their menu plans.

Six months of planning set stage in Algeria.

German Reds urge pensioners to join labor force.

Rural Letter Carriers Meet

The Rural Letter Carriers of Watauga and Avery county held a dinner meeting at the Gateway Cafe in Boone Friday evening. The group voted to have a picnic at the Julian Price Park, Blowing Rock, on July 22.

Officers elected are: Cloyd S. Bolick, president, Boone; Truman Critcher, vice president, Blowing Rock; and Council Henson, Vice, reelected secretary.

Several of the carriers plan to attend the state convention in Goldsboro on June 25-27.

ROLLS ROYCE CRISIS

London—The Rolls Royce, limousine of the truly opulent, may be on the way out.

The company that has built plush autos for kings, oil rich sheikhs, millionaires and film stars faces a financial crisis.

A recent British Government law limiting the income tax deduction for automobiles for company executives to \$5,600 may have caused the trouble.

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