

**Douglas Cook Funeral Held**

Mr. J. Douglas Cook, 79, died at his home at near Daanascus, Virginia last Friday and the funeral was held at Wagner's Valley Church at 2:00 p. m. Sunday.

Survivors are the widow, Mrs. Lucinda Cook, four sons, Coy, Dean and Neal Cook of Winston-Salem, Kent Cook of Salt Lake City, Utah; three daughters, Mrs. Ina Hodge of Coalwood, N. C., Mrs. Marie McVey of Glade Springs, Va., Mrs. Hazel Miller of Todd.

Other survivors include one brother, Mr. W. H. Cook of New Freedom, Pa.; five sisters, Mrs. R. S. Blevens, Mrs. Monroe Wagner, Mrs. I. T. Debusk of Glade Springs, Va., Mrs. R. R. Finley of Meadowview, Va., and Mrs. Emma Bishop of Princeton, West Virginia. 26 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren also survive.

Attending the funeral from Watauga County were Mr. Marshall Edmisten, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Edmisten, Mrs. Anna Hagaman, Mrs. Walter Johnson, Mr. Walter Tester, Miss Jaunita Vines, Mrs. Ruby Anderson, Mrs. Roy Vines, the Rev. Will Cook, Mr. Dayton Cook and the Rev. Wendall Critcher.

**Officials Are Meeting Today**

County commissioners, accountants, attorneys, and other county officials from fifteen North Carolina counties are scheduled to attend a district meeting in Lenoir on Wednesday, March 14. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a. m. in the Caldwell County Library Auditorium, and it will last until mid-afternoon. The counties scheduled to attend include Alleghany, Avery, Ashe, Bucombe, Burke, Caldwell, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Rutherford, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes, Yadkin, and Yancey.

**Uncle Pink**

(Continued from page four) git tested by the Bureau of Standards. They test everything else afore it is official, and then we could tell if a Congressman was Democrat or Republican to the bone or just skin deep, pure gold or part brass.

But they is one thing I'll have to say for Congressmen. They is the best letter writers in the world. You can write one and ask him a question and git a two-page letter answering everything but the question. Writing your Congressman, Mister Editor, is like hollering down a well. About all you git back is the echo.

Yours truly,  
UNCLE PINKNEY.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy during the illness and funeral of our dear wife and mother.—I. B. Wilson family.

British cool to Soviet call for arm summit.



**JUNIOR MARSHALS.**—These eight juniors at Appalachian High School will be serving as marshals during commencement exercises for the school this spring. They are, front row, left to right: Patsy Beshears, Carolyn Hoover, Patty Robinson, Evelyn Edmisten; second row: Johnny Cook, Curtis Richardson, William High, Sammy Sink.



**NEW CORN VARIETIES** and new and improved methods of growing the crop have added millions of dollars to North Carolina's farm income over the last few years. Fields that once were considered good if able to produce 30-40 bushels to the acre are now producing up to a hundred or more bushels. Farmers throughout the State are rapidly adopting new hybrid varieties and obtaining higher yields and higher quality corn.

**WALKS TO SEE BABY**

Los Angeles—With her baby in the hospital 23 miles away and only 40 cents in her pocket, Mrs. Mae Sharon Hayes, 20, Navy wife set out to walk the distance to see her sick baby.

After visiting her 11-month-old baby, the mother left to start the six and one-half hour trek home, but a receptionist gave her a ride. Mrs. Hayes told the receptionist that doctors' bills, a lost wallet, repossessed furniture—loans taken out to repay other loans and other misfortunes had happened to them in the last month.

**Changes In N.C. Tax Increase Collections**

Raleigh — North Carolina's sales and use tax collections last year were up nearly 25 per cent over the 1960 figure mainly as a result of changes which became effective last July 1.

Revenue Commissioner William Johnson said gross collections totaled \$111,930,913 last year, a gain of \$22,379,378 or 24.99 per cent over 1960.

The 1961 Legislature extended the 3 per cent sales tax to food and other items which had been exempt. The changes went into effect at mid-year.

Johnson, in a report to Gov. Sanford, said the net increase for the first six months of the year, before the changes took

effect, was only \$724,124. During the last six months, however, collections totaled \$69,464,497, an increase of 45 per cent over the same 1960 period. December receipts showed a gain of nearly 50 per cent.

Johnson said each county experienced a boost in collections, the greatest, 53.37 per cent in Montgomery County, and the smallest, 13.07 per cent, in Wilkes County.

Johnson urged caution in evaluating the figures and attempting to base what he called "definite business conclusions thereon." He said the sales volume of nontaxable items is not included and county collections

do not necessarily reflect county economy, because trading areas do not always follow county lines.

Johnson said collections from motor vehicles and airplanes were the only retail subgroups which showed declines. They dropped 3.79 per cent for the year in spite of a slight tax increase enacted by the General Assembly.

**TSHOMBE'S INVITATION**

Katanga President Moise Tshombe has invited the Senate subcommittee on African Affairs to make an on-the-spot investigation in the Congo.

This follows the State Department's barring of a Tshombe visit two weeks ago. The department said his absence from the Congo "would interrupt and jeopardize progress" toward Congo unification.

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