

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Senator Johnston, Ill,
Writes Of General Assembly

Mr. Editor:
I have known for some time that I needed medical and perhaps surgical attention, but I was most anxious to first complete my duties as a member of the State Senate. However, a week-end up at the Baptist Hospital resulted in doctor's orders to remain at the hospital instead of returning to Raleigh. Up to Monday night, I had not missed a public session of the Senate and had answered every roll call.

construction and State aid to the counties in construction of better school facilities is well known and I hope something practical and desirable will yet be accomplished.

It has not been a do-nothing General Assembly. I have never been associated with a finer, harder working group of men and I shall always treasure the memories of this association and be grateful for the privilege of serving with the members of the State Senate of 1963.
Ira T. Johnston

I regret not to be able to participate in the deliberations during the closing days of the assembly but am glad to have had a small part in some of the important legislation. I piloted the modified Absentee Ballot Law through the Senate without a dissenting vote and also the important legislation liberalizing State Employee retirement benefits, which I introduced, passed the Senate unanimously and I hope and believe Representative Hamrick will successfully steer it through the House.

I was pleased to be able to participate in a small way in the effort to compromise the differences between the power companies and the Co-ops and believe a satisfactory solution is being reached.

My interest in legislation looking toward more rural road

Likes King St.;
Big Fish Caught

Dear Editor:

Enjoy the King Street column very much. They way you pay tribute to your and my friends who have gone on the long journey is great in my book.

I also get a big bang out of any fishing news. Please print more about the boys and what they catch. My prize so far is a 13½ lb. striped bass. A couple or so have broken my line, but the big ones always get away, don't they? Here is a picture of one that got in the pan—32 in. long, 13½ lbs.

Grady Walls
June 3, 1963
Oakland, California



Tune-Up

Getting in tune for the June 29 celebration of "Daniel Boone Crossing the Gap" is Bill Miller, one of several Wataugans who will participate in the two-day cross-country trip, part of the State's 300th anniversary celebra-

tion. The wagon train will arrive in Boone Saturday, about the same time Secretary of Commerce Luther Hodges (former governor of North Carolina) is scheduled to speak at Appalachian State Teachers College.

Parkway To Add Grade

Plans are now underway to set up a ninth grade at Parkway School this fall, according to Guy Angell, Superintendent of Watauga County schools.

Students who were in the eighth grade at Parkway and at Green Valley during the 1962-63 school year just ended will attend the ninth grade at Parkway.

Following the completion of the ninth grade next year, these students will probably be trans-

ferred to Appalachian High School to complete high school.

The transfer of students out of Appalachian High will reduce the enrollment this fall to approximately the same number as was enrolled during the year which closed last month.

U. N. truce expert sent to Yemen.

\$2 AHEAD IN ROBBERY

Buffalo — An 82-year-old widow made a \$2 profit when two robbers held up her place of business.

Mrs. Rose Deziak told police she put the \$10 bill in her pocket when she went to get change for one of the men who ordered a package of cigarettes. The other man took the cash from the cash register. He got only \$8.

Brief News Items

West German auto makers warn of shutdown.

De Gaulle expresses hope for a united Europe.

France acts to end economic unrest.

Mississippi panel charges brutality by marshals.

Monroe kinsman argues Doctrine with Russian.

Western Governors fight land sale frauds.

Knicks pick Heyman, Harkness in draft.

Brazil repaying 200-million loan to U. S. banks.

Princess Alexandria wed to Angus Ogilvy.

High Soviet official censured for laxity.

Crowd in Jordan expresses loyalty to Hussein.

Adenauer urges ratification of French-German pact.

Pakistan reports May 31 deadline on Kashmir.

Drop in Italian Red vote is predicted.

Israel wants stronger U. S. policy in Mideast.

Erhard's prestige soars after he meditates strike.

U. S. AND HUNGARY

The State Department thinks the time may be right for resuming full diplomatic relations with Communist Hungary and is sounding out key members of Congress to see if they agree.

The United States has declined to send a top-ranking diplomat to Budapest since 1956 fighting which crushed an uprising by the Hungarian people and put Premier Janos Kadar in power.

Legally, congressional sanction is not required to restore full diplomatic relations with Hungary.

More than five million veterans are GI insurance policyholders, according to the Veterans Administration.

College salaries rose 5.8 per cent in 1962-63.

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