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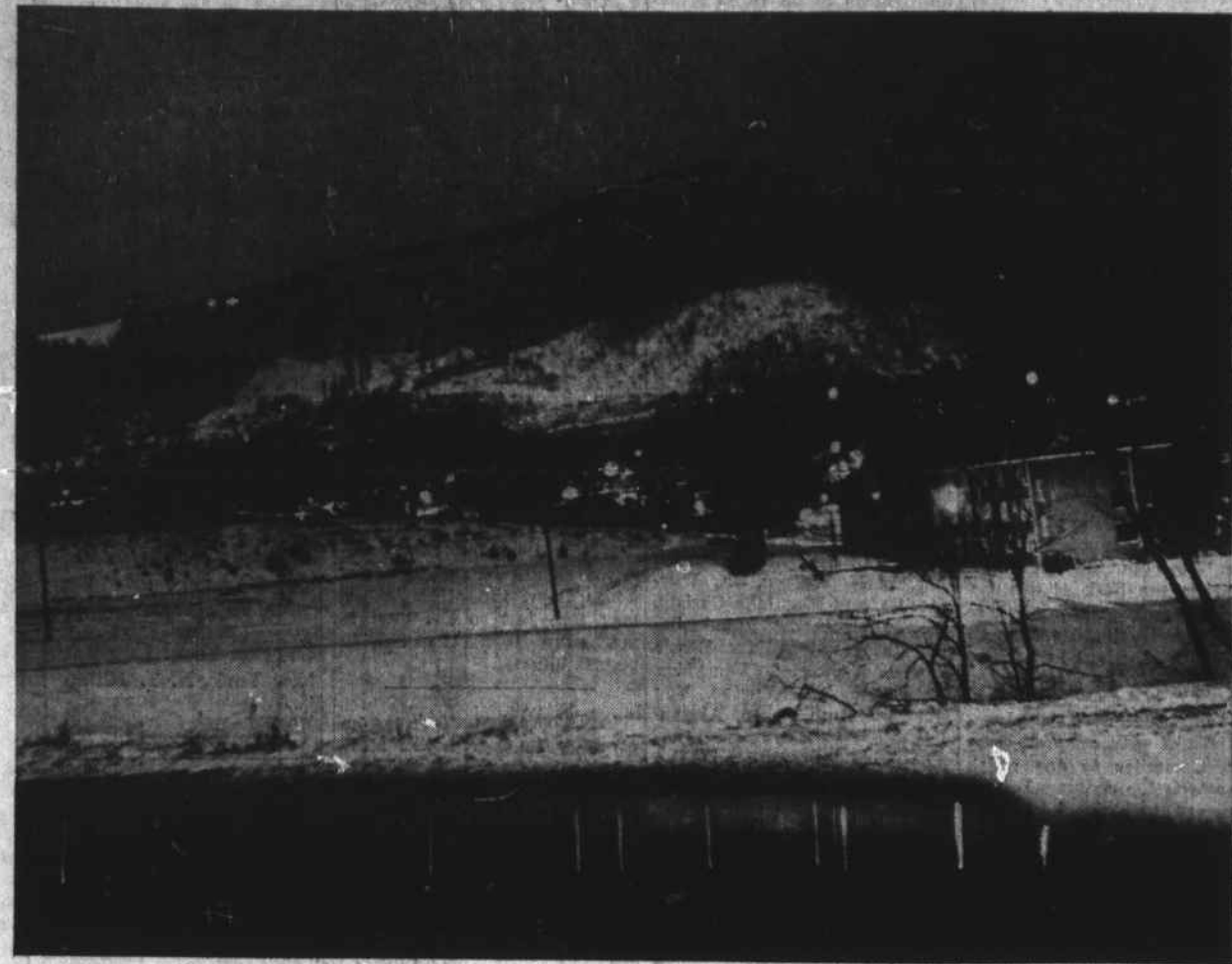
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Snow Makes Pretty Night Scene

The snow which fell Friday and Saturday, while affording slippery passage for drivers and pedestrians, served also to enhance the beauty of Boone at night. This time-exposure

shot highlights the thick mantle of snow and catches some of the lights of town in the background.—Flowers photo.

Burley Sales In Boone Average Over \$57.90

Well over a half million dollars' worth of tobacco was sold at Boone Burley warehouses during the first four days of the auctions, it was reported by Stanley A. Harris, sales supervisor.

According to Harris, the three Mountain Burley warehouses sold 779,996 pounds of tobacco for \$452,306.06, an average of about \$57.90 per hundred pounds; and Big Burley Warehouse, with only one day of sales, sold 239,896 pounds for \$138,599.84, an average of approximately \$57.70 per hundred pounds.

Overall, the warehouses sold 1,019,894 pounds for \$590,905.92, a combined average of nearly \$57.90 per hundred pounds.

Totals on Monday's sales were incomplete, but prices had apparently shown a rise Monday.

It was announced Monday that the warehouses will close

for Christmas December 13, one week ahead of schedule. The reason given for this decision was that redrying houses all over the burley belt are overcrowded and more time is needed.

The schedule of sales until December 13 is as follows: Dec. 4—Big Burley, 9 a. m.; (Continued on page two)

Wataugan Is Killed In Avery

A Watauga County man was fatally wounded by a pistol bullet Saturday night in the Jonas Ridge section of Avery County.

According to Avery County Sheriff Jack Allen Vance, Kenneth Douglas Tester, 18, of Jonas Ridge, formerly of Watauga County, was fatally wounded Saturday night when he was shot in the stomach with a .22-caliber pistol.

Tester's funeral was conducted at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Middle Fork Baptist Church by the Rev. Carson Eggers, with burial following in the Middle Fork Cemetery.

According to Avery County Sheriff Vance, the only witness, Howard Crump, 30, of Newland, Rt. 2, told him that Tester was spinning a pistol on his finger when it discharged. Crump was being held for questioning as the Democrat went to press, following the discovery that Crump had had a second gun of similar make on his person at the time of the shooting. (Continued on page two)

World's Fair Pictures To Be Feature Chamber Meeting

A pictorial preview of the New York World's Fair will be shown at a membership meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association Tuesday December 10.

The Wilcox Travel Agency will show colored slides of the fair which Glens Wallace Wilcox made in New York recently.

The fair, says Mr. Wilcox, will be the greatest ever presented, and will feature dis-

plays from almost every nation in the world. "If you can't go to Europe, he says, "you can see parts of almost all the nations by visiting the fair next year.

It is hoped that Mr. Grover Robbins will be at the meeting to report on his new project "The Hound's Ears" golf course, ski slopes, and Swiss village.

The meeting will be at the Daniel Boone Inn at twelve noon.

Merchants To Observe Night Hours In City

Dennis Greene, proprietor of Greene's Furniture Co. in Boone, Chairman of a Boone Merchant's Association Committee in charge of Christmas promotions, reports that his committee is asking all merchants in Boone to begin staying open until 8:30 p. m. Friday night.

According to Greene, stores in Boone will remain open for business until 8:30 p. m. Friday night, Dec. 6, and Friday night, Dec. 13. Beginning Dec. 16, merchants will extend these hours to include every night except Saturday, Dec. 21, through the night of Monday, Dec. 23.

Stores will close at their regular closing hour on the night of Christmas Eve, Greene reported.

Mixed Choruses In Yule Concert

The mixed choruses of the Appalachian High School and Elementary School will present a concert of Christmas Music, Monday, December 9.

Sponsored by the Boone Parents and Teachers Association, the concert will be held in the Elementary school auditorium at 7:30 p. m.

Approximately 275 students participate in the four school choruses directed by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilson Jr.

The program will include both sacred and secular numbers.

The general public, as well as PTA members are invited to attend. No admission will be charged.



College Choir To Appear In "Messiah"

The Appalachian State Teachers Choir under the direction of Mrs. Virginia Wary Linney, will present the traditional Christmas Oratorio, "The Messiah"

by Handel, for its 24th season, in the auditorium of the Administration Building at 3 p. m. Sunday, December 15.

The chorus of 50 voices will be supported by the College Symphony Orchestra directed by Dr. Nicholas Erneston. Accompanying at the organ will be Mr. Earny Hotard of the music

faculty, and Miss Faye Davis will accompany at the piano.

A special feature of this year's performance will be the dis-

tinguished visiting soloists.

Further announcement will appear in the next publication of this paper.

TO FENCE PARKING LOT

Wagon Train Continues As Horn In West Project

Historical Board Makes Vital Plans

By CLARK COX

The Board of Directors of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association, sponsors of Boone's outdoor drama Horn in the West, met Monday at noon in the dining room of the Daniel Boone Hotel, where several important matters were discussed.

The board voted to continue the Wagon Train, held last summer as a highlight of the Boone Centenary celebration and as a promotion for Horn in the West. A committee is soon to be set up which will make plans for getting together the Wagon Train promotion for 1964, and to act upon several plans voiced by individual members of the board

Among these suggestions were: (1) the opinion, expressed by several members, that the time of the Wagon Train be moved up to the latter part of the Horn in the West season, where it would be assured of gigantic crowds of tourists; (2) James Marsh's suggestion that an attempt be made to interest political candidates of both parties in participation in the event, as a means of assuring fall television and newspaper coverage; and (3) Herman W. Wilcox's proposal that Salisbury people be encouraged to join the Wagon Train and help to recreate the entire five-day journey from Salisbury to Boone that Daniel Boone presumably followed.

A second top-priority matter discussed by the board concerned the building of a fence around the Daniel Boone Theater parking lot area, for protection during the off-season and (Continued on page two)

Yule Piano Recital Set

Piano students of Mrs. Esther Boone will be heard in Christmas recital December 6th at 7:30 in the adult assembly room in the Methodist educational building. Open to the public.



A. E. Hamby (left) and Grant Ayers of the Boone Fire Department receive a \$700 check from Charles Isley (with check) and W. G. Spencer of the Boone Civitan Club, to be used to purchase a fire truck.—Flowers Photo.

Pancake Jamboree Successful

By ROY W. ISLEY

The Boone Civitan Club raised the amount of \$700 at their fall Pancake Jamboree which was held at the Boone Elementary School cafeteria last September 14, it was announced this week by Civitan Club President W. G. Spencer.

This was the third year for

the Civitan-sponsored pancake jamboree.

Dr. Spencer and Pancake Jamboree Chairman Charles Isley presented a check for \$700 to A. E. Hamby and Grant Ayers of the Boone Fire Department. The money was to be used toward the purchase of a fire truck that can make calls anywhere in the county. The present equip-

ment was not designed for calls off the paved streets, according to R. D. Hodges, Boone Fire Chief.

The other money-raising project of the Civitan Club is fruit cake sales, and Bob Sherrill, sales chairman, reports a ton of fruit cake on hand for sale during the Christmas season.

Ski Industry To Have Own Weather Service

Raleigh, Dec. 1—North Carolina's newest "industry" — skiing—will soon have a weather service all its own.

When the ski slopes and lodges soon open for the season, the U. S. Weather Bureau's forecast center at Raleigh-Durham Airport will issue special skiing weather bulletins, it was announced today by Chief Meteorologist Charles B. (Chick) Carney. Reports from the ski areas will be phoned daily to

the Raleigh-Durham weather station. They will then be sent by teletype to all weather stations in nearby states. On Thursdays and Fridays, the Raleigh-Durham center will prepare special skiing weather forecasts, which will be disseminated through news media around noontime.

Three ski slopes and lodges will be in operation in North Carolina's mountains this season. The Blowing Rock and Cataloochee slopes expect to open for the season within the next week or two. A new ski slope in the Blowing Rock-Boone area plans to open soon thereafter.

These mountain areas receive considerably more snow than the lowlands. But there will be plenty of skiing even if there is little natural snowfall—all the slopes are equipped with snow-making machines.

Ashe County Representative Succumbs Friday

West Jefferson—State Rep. Robert Austin Jones, 57, an Ashe County business and civic leader, died at 4:30 p. m. Friday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Roy Freeman at Jefferson.

He had been seriously ill for several weeks.

Jones had represented Ashe County in the General Assembly the last four sessions.

He was a past president of the Jefferson Rotary Club and at one time was a member of the Ashe Board of Education.

Jones was a director of the West Jefferson Industrial Corp. and the Ashe County Development Corp. He operated the G.S.P. Chevrolet dealership at West Jefferson.

He was a member of the Jef-

Mother Of Boone Minister Dies In High Point

Mrs. Maxey J. Crowder, Sr., of High Point, whose son, Rev. Richard J. Crowder is pastor of the Boone Methodist Church, died in a hospital in High Point Friday morning after a long illness, which had been critical for six days.

Mrs. Crowder was born in Wellville, Va. October 20, 1890, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hawthorne. She had been a resident of High Point for 43 years and was married to Maxey J. Crowder Sept. 1, 1910. He died Sept. 23, 1940. An active member of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church, she was a member of the Women's Wesley Bible Class, a life member of the Women's Society of Christian Service. Also she was a charter member of the Stephens Bible Class. She was a member of Woman's Christian Temperance Union and was a past president of this organization. In 1956 she was mother of the year in High Point.

Surviving are three sons, (Continued on page two)

Jaycees Again To Sell Trees

The Boone Jaycees will begin their annual Christmas tree sale Sunday afternoon, December 15, at a place to be announced later.

After this initial sale, Jaycees will have Christmas trees and candy for sale at the Gateway Restaurant each afternoon until all the trees are sold.

Persons interested in a particular size tree may contact any member of the Boone Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The proceeds of this sale will go toward the Christmas shopping tour and party for underprivileged children of the county.