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SUNDAY'S THE DAY

Thousands Of Citizens Join K-O Polio Drive

75 Per Cent Participation Being Sought

Thousands of Watauga County people, both adults and children, are expected to join the K-O Polio Drive Sunday afternoon when mass oral inoculation will take place here and in a number of other counties in the northwest and northern piedmont areas.

In order to make the drive effective, more than 75 per cent of the population must take part in it. It was explained that any children over six months old and any adult regardless of his age would be eligible for the oral vaccine, which is to be given on a lump of sugar. There will be no needles, it was explained.

This effort toward health is being sponsored by the county medical society and a number of other agencies interested in public health. Those who are able to do so are expected to make a voluntary contribution of 50 cents, but there will be no charge for those unable to pay. This is the only time that this service will be offered at this price.

Clinics will be operated from 12 noon until 6 p. m. Sunday in the following locations: Cove Creek School, Parkway School, Blowing Rock School, Boone Elementary School.

A team, including at least one of your family doctors and at least one nurse, will be on hand at each location to serve you quickly so that there will be no waiting. The line will move rapidly at about 25 persons per minute.

Each dose contains protection against all three strains of polio, it is said, and even if you have had your Salk vaccine you are still urged to take this new Sabin vaccine for your own protection and for the protection of those about you.

May 10 has been set aside as the date for the booster "shot."



In the above shot, road crews labored late last Friday afternoon to move away the huge snowdrifts on a side road near Bethany Baptist Church which stalled a Valle Crucis

Elementary bus until 4 a. m. Saturday and forced nine youngsters to spend the night away from their homes.—Flowers photo.

Elementary School Children Are Stranded By Snowdrifts

Nine Valle Crucis Elementary School youngsters had a memorable experience last Friday when the giant snowdrifts which kept their school bus from making its afternoon rounds forced them to spend Friday and Saturday morning away from home while road crews were breaking up the drifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Farthing of the nearby Rominger community provided food and beds for the children—who thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Parents of the youngsters were notified of the situation early Friday evening, and all knew that their children were safe.

The bus, driven by Bobby Coffey, was in the Rominger section when Coffey discovered that he was confronted by a large snowdrift in the middle of the road. Winds had cut visibility almost to zero, so Coffey left the bus to investigate and found the drift to be chest-high and impassable.

Coffey then attempted to take the bus around by another route, through Oliver Hill Road, but met with the same difficulty. Backing out of this road, he was met by State Highway Highway Patrolman G. L. Morgan, who radioed road crews for help. The bus encountered a third snowdrift blocking the only alternative route, near Bethany Baptist Church.

Road crews worked until 4 a. m. Saturday to move the snowdrifts and provide passage for the bus. Most of the youngsters on the bus were taken (continued on page six)



J. E. HOLSHOUSER JR.

Holshouser Runs Again For Assembly

Watauga County Representative Jim Holshouser announced this week that he will be a candidate for re-election to the North Carolina House of Representatives, subject to the May Republican Primary.

The young Boone attorney stated that while he has not yet deposited his filing fee with the County Board of Elections, he will do so in the very near future.

Holshouser served in the House of Representatives during the 1963 regular session of the General Assembly and during the special session held in October to consider Senatorial Redistricting.



RACHEL RIVERS

Miss Rivers Given Hearst Award At M. U.

Columbia, Missouri, February 24—Miss Rachel Rivers, a senior in the University of Missouri School of Journalism, has been awarded a foundation scroll in the January editorial writing contest of the William Randolph Hearst Foundation.

Miss Rivers, daughter of Robert C. and Mrs. Rivers of Boone, N. C., deals humorously in her entry with the movement to switch from the English system of measurement to the metric system. A Congressional committee presently is holding hearings on the metric bill.

Mrs. Watkins Will Aid In Preyer Drive

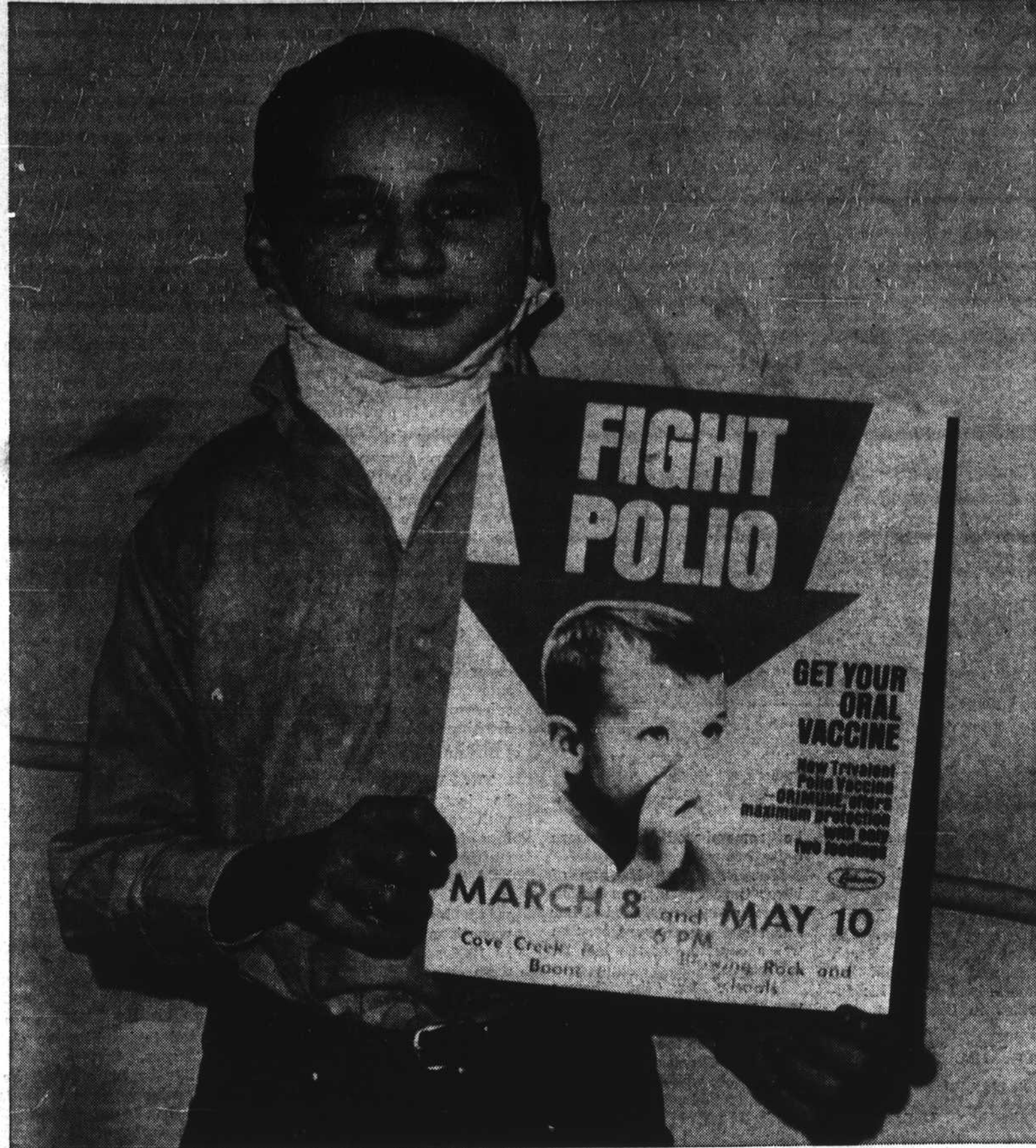
Raleigh — Mrs. Martha Delaney Watkins, a well known resident of Boone, will manage the women's division of Richardson Preyer's campaign for Governor in Watauga County. The appointment was announced jointly by Mrs. C. Gordon Madrey, state women's campaign manager for Preyer, and Fred Mast, manager of the men's division for Watauga County.

Mrs. Watkins, daughter of the late Cora Matthews and James



MRS. MARTHA WATKINS

Lester Delaney of Charlotte, is married to R. W. Watkins, a prominent former coach and now professor of physical education at Appalachian State Teachers College. She attended Salem College, the University of North Carolina and in 1939 received her B. S. degree in elementary education from Appalachian State Teachers Col- (continued on page four)



Polio Victim Applauds Vaccine Program

Charles Hicks, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hicks of Villas, holds a poster urging Wataugans to fight polio with the new trivalent vaccine available on March 8 and May 10 at four schools in the county. Young Hicks was stricken with polio at age 2 and developed an extreme spinal curvature which has forced him to wear the jacket-type cast which he wears in this photo; but it is hoped that he will

be able to go without the cast for the first time next summer. Health Department officials said that Charles was very anxious to pose for this shot, so that he may do something to urge others to take the vaccine which could have spared him so much pain and inconvenience had it been available to him.—Flowers photo.

Deep Gap Man Is Honored By Dept. Of Commerce

Dwight L. Greene of Deep Gap has received the Meritorious Service Award of the U. S. Department of Commerce "for outstanding service."

The award was presented to Greene by Secretary of Commerce Luther H. Hodges at a formal ceremony in the departmental auditorium. The Coast and Geodetic Survey, the nation's oldest scientific body, is an agency of the Commerce Department. Greene was one of a number of Commerce Department officials and employees to receive the annual award.

Greene, who has served with the Coast and Geodetic Survey for more than 22 years, is Deputy Assistant Director for (Continued on page six)



DWIGHT L. GREENE

Fred Mast To Lead Watauga Preyer Effort

Raleigh—Richardson Preyer, Democratic candidate for Governor, has chosen Fred Mast of Boone to direct his campaign in Watauga County.

Mast, long active in Watauga County affairs, owns and manages the Trailway Laundry in Boone. He is a native of Watauga County and is a graduate of the county public schools.

He is married to the former Jewel Hagaman of Boone. The Masts are members of the First Baptist Church in Boone.

In announcing the appointment, Preyer said, "We are pleased to have Mr. Mast in our corner. Watauga County will be in good hands."



DAN K. MOORE

Wataugans Will Attend Moore Rally

A forty-passenger chartered bus, carrying supporters of Dan Moore for Governor will leave the Boone bus terminal Friday morning, March 6, at 8:30 o'clock.

This group will join other western North Carolina supporters in Salisbury at 11:15 a. m. for a luncheon rally, where they will be met by Judge Moore, and then proceed to Raleigh and rendezvous with other motorcades at Ranch Motel on US 70 West (Raleigh-Durham Highway) at 3 p. m. Those not joining the motorcade can come directly to Memorial Auditorium on Fayetteville Street, where parking will be provided.

The Dan Moore filing rally in Raleigh will begin at 4 p. m. Miss Marie Beale Fletcher, Miss America of 1962, will take part in this program. The official filing ceremony will be followed by a supper for the group and a speech by Candidate Moore.

It is anticipated that a large group of Watauga County supporters will attend this rally. Some will travel by car, others (Continued on page six)

Norman Cordon Dies At Chapel Hill Home

Chapel Hill — Norman Cordon, 60, retired Metropolitan Opera star and former resident of Blowing Rock, died Sunday morning at his home after a heart attack.

A familiar summer figure in the Linville, Blowing Rock area, Cordon was born in Washington, N. C., to Mr. and Mrs. Norman T. Cordon. The family moved to Charlotte when he was 8 and he began his musical career there as a choir boy. He attended Salem College in Winston-Salem and was graduated from the University of North Carolina.

Cordon studied at the National Conservatory of Music in Nashville, Tenn., and under Hadley Outland in Chicago. He began his operatic career with the San Carlo Opera Company in Chicago in 1933. He later was



NORMAN CORDON

Says Chamber Meeting Tuesday Best Of Year

The Boone Chamber of Commerce's regular membership meeting next Tuesday, March 10 at 12 noon at the Daniel Boone Inn could well be "our best program of the year," says Herman W. Wilcox, president of the Chamber.

The program will be in the form of a panel discussion on such subjects as tourist potential, education, construction of homes and business buildings, and the economic outlook for Watauga County.

These topics will be assigned to persons who are authorized to speak. (continued on page four)