

Miss Ashe County will appear this weekend with a combo at the annual Miss Ashe Coun-

ty Beauty Pageant at Beaver Creek High School. (Weston photo)

## Miss Ashe County To Be Crowned This Weekend

Becky Badger, Brenda Parker Patsy Goss, Chrisse Johnson Martha Long, Becky McNeill McNeill, Virginia Osborne, Maureen Shoaf, Carolyn

Beaver Creek High School: Kathy Church, Debby Dickson,

Two More Dates

For Registering

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Registration

wards, Sarah Edwards, Ann Dianne Greer, Judy Greer, Linda Harless, Brenda Holman, Pam Jones, Mary Miller, Alice Houck, Pat Tomlinson, Brenda Wolford, Pam Wol-ford, Hattie Wright, Gwynita Yates, Eyelyn Howell. Northwest High School: Kathy lyn Weaver.

Cambell, Betsy Hart, Janet Hart, Pat Hart, Debbie Hartzog, Cindy Hunter, Geneva Jones, Barbara Little, Mayis Miller, Mettie Oliver, Judy Powers, Cindy Roland, Nancy Roten, Anita Shep herd, Katherine Turner, Care

## Deaths

Mrs. Allyhelle Weller

Mrs. Allybelle Cox Weller, 73, of Boone, wife of Nelson G. will have done so by that date Weller, died Wednesday at Wa-Primary Note-Even though you will be only 20 in May, if tauga County Hospital.

She was born in Sanford to you will be 21 by November 8. Daniel Harrison and Lula Fran-1966, you can register and ces Matthews Cox and had lived vote in the May primary. You must apply in person, declare in Boone for six months with a

your party affiliation, and you Surviving are her husband must be able to state that you will have resided in North Carfive daughters, Mrs. O. R. Sut-ton of Boone, Mrs. Ernest A. Gray and Mrs. Charles L. Brickolina one year and in your precinct 30 days, on November 8, ell of Chattanooga, Tenn., Mrs. Robert S. Hiers of Columbus. Ga., and Mrs A. Fletcher Jolly Jr., of Overland Park, Kansas; and a son, Henry M. Weller of To register, go to the polling place of your precinct between Sanford. Also surviving are 25 9 a. m. and sunset on Saturgrandehildren and 18 great days, May 7, or May 14. The

Registrar will keep the registragrandchildren. The funeral was at 10 a. m tion books open at his home Saturday at First Presbyterian or place of business for these same hours on week days from April 30 to May 14. If you ex-Church at Sanford. Burial was

in Buffalo Cemetery at Sanford The following men served as pect to be away from April 30 their grandmother's pall bearto May 14, you may register with the Chairman of the Board of Elections. ers: E. Warry Gray, George Hiers. James Hiers, Daniel Well er, Thomas Sutton and Bobby Brickell. Also Claude Rosser, a Charter Members great nephew, served as a pail

Mrs, Epsie Trivette

Mrs. Epsie Trivette, 57, of Beech Creek, died Sunday in Rex Hill Hospital at Raleigh. She was a native of Watauga County

Surviving are three brothers. Clark, Willie and McKinley Trivette, all of Banner Elk;

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 2 p. m. at the Zion Hill Baptist Church. Officiating was the Rev. Lawrence Hagaman. Burial was in the Zion Hill Cemetery.

Richard Allen Pitts

Richard Allen Pitts, of Blowing Rock, 25, died Saturday in

an Oteen hospital.. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Brend Dula Pitts, the mother, Mrs. Helen Pitts Dotson of Boone; two sons, Christopher Pitts and Richard Pitts, both of the home; two brothers, James Pitts of Fort Knox, Kv., Brent Pitts of Boone; one half brother, David Detson of Boone; one sister, Mrs. Carol Ramey of Worth, Fla ; one half sister, Miss Diane Dotson of Boone.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 2 p. m. at Poplar Grove Baptist Church.

Mrs. C. M. Fairton

Funeral services for Mrs. Conley Moody Fairton were held in Roarrton, N. C., May 3. Mrs. Fairton, formerly a resident of Blowing Rock, died May 1 in the Roarrton General Hospital.

Surviving are her husband Harry Marvin Fairton; a daughter, Mrs. Shirley Pitchford of Fort Campbell, Ky.; a son, Harry Marvin Fairton, Jr., of the home; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Moody Route sister, Mrs. Fred Palmer of three sisters, Mrs. Hazel Hayes

### Letters To The Editor

I have just read the interesting article in the Democrat entitled "Paradise . . . On Rich Mountain." One of the main reasons it is quite interesting to me is the fact that I was present when Adam Dougherty read his great poem titled "The Tater Hill" on Sept. 26, 1903. As he stood on this high peak on Rich Mountain. I well re-member how he pointed in different directions toward the various mountains he had reference to in the poem. Indeed, he was bard of the hills and was known all over Watauga County and, doubtless, all over western North Carolina. One of the main reasons I became much interested in writing verse myself in early life was caused by meeting him and hearing him read his beautiful "Tater Hill" poem.

A great throng of people from all over the country were present that Sunday morning when the poem was read, at-tracted not only to hear the poem, but to eat the free dip ner that Honorable R. Z. Lin ney, owner of the mountain had prepared. He made a brief speech as he stood near the poet, and in his speech he said "I had twenty fat lambs killed for this occasion, but after see ing John Bingham's white teeth I wish I had killed twenty more." It was Mr. Linney who loved this mountain retreat so much that he named it "The Paradise of Rich Mountain." Mr. Linney passed away years ago and is buried here in the Taylorsville cemetery. Adam Dougherty likewise passed on, but of course quite a number of the elderly people in Watauga and western North Carolina, and perhaps eastern Tennessee, still remember him. Neturally, his poem will live on to commemorate his poetical

Some years after Mr. Dougherty composed his "Tater Hill" poem, Mr. Shepherd M. Dugger (Monroe) wrote some lines about the mountain, a part of which reads:

"Between old Boone and Zionville

There is a knoll, Potato Hill, Which stands upon a mountain

That all may see who passes by. A stone wall stands down at its feet

A lawyer built that he might beat From lower climes a cool re

Mr. Dugger wrote a book en-

titled "Balsam Groves of The

of Blowing Rock, Mrs. Mary Ester of Route 8, Lenoir and Mrs. Shirley Henson of Boone; four brothers, Reece Moody and Murl Moody of Blowing Rock; the Rev. A. C. Moody of High Point, Jack Moody of Route 8, Lenoir; and two grandchildren. Boone Moose Lodge 1805

Tater Hill Poem Noted
By Minister, Writer
Dear Mr. Rivers:
I have just read the interest.

Grandfather" which was very beautiful. He had many pictures of the mountain scenery in his book, along with historical facts, woven into fiction. Mr. Dugger was a surveyor and of course was well known all over the country. He was likewise quite a writer, and of course there are those who still have his book in their homes. He, too, has passed from his native mountains to the other side of life.

Naturally when I think of the

of life.

Naturally when I think of the old-timers I used to see and know a mong the hills and mountains of Watauga County, and Western North Carolina, it brings a bit of sadness to me knowing I shall never see their faces here again on earth. However, if they passed on to meet God in peace I have the blessed hope of seeing them again where sad partings will be forever in the past and will be known an more.

Taylorsville, N. C. April 28, 1966

#### Moose Club Official Writes Of Moose Egge

Mr Editor:

Having just moved back here did not see Dr. Heavrin's letter on "Moose Eggs" until the other day. I would like to explain to Dr. Heavrin that there really are Moose eggs, Moose eggs are the source of the spirit of fraternalism, practiced by all good Moose members in the United States, Great Britain and Canada. They also contain in their very solid shells the principles of protection for the family of a member; security in the sunset years of their lives for a member and his wife: opportunities galore to engage in civic service endeavor: the opportunity for fun, fellowship and fraternalism in the more than 2,000 Moose Lodges in the United States alone. Yes, Dr. Heavrin, we in the

Moose fraternity are tremendouly proud of our "Moose eggs." Were it not for the seeds of fraternalism and belief in the brotherhood of man on which our fraternity is founded, our Order would not today number more than a million of the nation's finest men. And, each one of our members is, in theory, if not in actuality, hatched from that same "Moose egg" hich you say you have never

Many people have never seen Santa Claus, the Easter Bunny, or ghosts on Halloween. But many still believe that they exist. In all reality, as laid by real, four-footed Moose, there is a slight possibility that Moose eggs do not really exist; in the Moose fraternity, as a start in the direction that the Moose is the finest fraternity in the world, and a sincere, ardent belief that every eligible person should belong to the oyal Order of Moose, we do believe in Moose eggs.

J. V. Veit

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# George Barnett is a member of the North Carolina State University band. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Barnett of Boone, With him is Laura Robbins of Le-noir. The 175-member band is one of the largest in the Southeastern United States \$1,003,500 Is Granted For Water-Sewer Plan

money, "We have a lot of work

Brown applied for the money bout the first of the year when it became available for such projects: "We applied as soon as we could get the papers ready." In February, he went to Washington to answer questions and do what was necesand complete the engineers' sary to encourage approval of plans, let them out for bids and the application. get all bids in before the money

By press-time, details on the grant had not been received the Economic Developfrom ment Administration.

"The Town has voted the bonds on the basis of \$1,110,000 for the sewage system, and \$690,000 for the water system. Moore, Gardner & Associates said Monday they are complet-

ing the plans, and hope to have all their materials ready to ask for bids the latter part of June. The project will be divided into several segments. For ex- cent.

ample: Sewer lines touth will King Street and lines south will Tutor Program each have a separate contract, as will the sewer plant itself. The water system will be divided up in a similar manner.

Brown says the "reason for this is so that a larger numher of contractors can bid on the project. "It will be necessary to go on

can be allotted." The water-sewer bonds were approved by Boone voters on May 22, 1965.

On Filing Taxes

says the new income tax with-holding rates which take effect May 1 could eliminate the

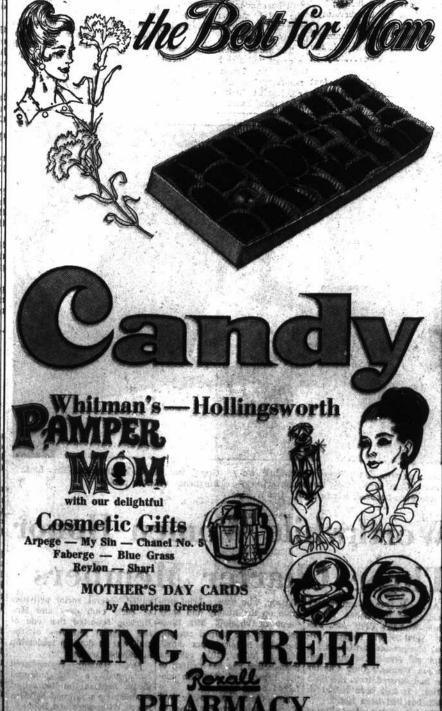
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is operating only in Watauga County at the time.

The Durham man explained that North Carolina Volunteers had requested such a program for Watauga County, and that plans now are to recruit more volunteers for the summer-especially young people on the high school level. Much of the tutoring work will be carried on in County homes, where there is more than one child.

Russell says Y. E. S. works with attitudinal changes in young children, and encourages expression and creativity. Two need for some taxpayers to file of the five staffers will work a declaration of estimated in in the demonstration area, come tax this year. The new which concentrates on stimulatrates range from 14 to 30 per ing parent interest in the program for their children.



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## Are Honored

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presented to each of them a General Federation Women's Club certificate of honor from the club. It was given "in recognition and appreciation of distinguished service."

The anniversary meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Hale A projected home tour was

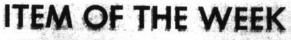
cussed and Mrs. Lee Reynolds was appointed chairman of a workshop for the fall bazaar. Mrs. Hale Vance was appointed chairman of a bake sale to be held this summer.

Announcement was made of the state convention in Pine-hurst May 15, 16 and 17.

Mrs. Glenn Andrews, Mrs. Lester Carroll, Mrs. D. L. Crook, Mrs. Paul Weston and Mrs. Herman Wilcox served refresh ments to the 25 present.



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