



THIS GREAT HOLE-BORING, post-boisting machine did its job at Optimist Park recently, but didn't leave its name for future identification. The three-picture series done by George Flowers takes the light-pole-erection project from ground level way up. The holdup on installing lights on the lofty timbers is a labor shortage, according to Optimist David Spainhour, who added that the New River Light & Power Company has worked as closely as possible with helping the club complete its community venture. Two of the Midget Football teams are using the facilities for afternoon practice sessions. Overall, Optimist Park is valued at some \$60,000 including the expansive lighting project for night-time play on two ball fields; and including a club house to be made available to Watauga County organizations for a token rent. The series outlines only a sixth of the task. Two 50-foot, two 60-foot and two 65-foot light towers were erected.



Spirit Improves As ASU Grid Opener Nears

Enthusiasm and spirit improved this week in Appalachian's pre-season football drills as the Mounties drew nearer to their opener Sept. 21 at Newberry. Several minor injuries and a few rather groggy drill sessions have hindered the Apps during the first week of practice. Among those sidelined by various ailments at the first of this week were star line-backer Dave Need, offensive guards Bob Russell and Wayne Clawson, and defensive lineman Danny Hemric. Quarterbacks Pat Murphy and Hal Queen have sparked with their passing in the early drills. Their receivers, however, have encountered much difficulty in handling the aerials with any degree of consistency. The running of tailback Jack Roten has been a highlight of the practice thus far. The Boone product missed eight games in 1967 due to injuries which now appear to have healed completely. The Apps of Coach Carl Messere will continue their twice-daily workouts throughout this week and into the first part of next week before tapering off just prior to the season opener.

LUCKY WAITRESS
Bloomingdale, N. Y.—Mrs. Doris Lapierre, 60, remembers what a customer ate on August 16th and his tip, but can't remember what he looked like. The man left her a service station game card which turned out to be a \$2,000 instant winner.



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Comments From Our Congressmen

CONGRESSMAN WHITENER REPORTS

CONGRESS RESUMES
After a recess of one month the Congress returned to Washington for the resumption of business. The national political conventions have now become history and legislative business is the order of each day.

Around the Capitol there is much conversation of a political nature. The activities at the two conventions and speculation as to the outcome to be expected when the people go to the polls on November 5th are the prime subjects of discussion. The general feeling is that within a couple of weeks the campaign will be in full swing and that discussion of the national issues by the individual candidates will bring the individual American closer to a decision as to how he will vote.

HIGHWAY BILL SIGNED INTO LAW

The President has finally signed the new Federal Highway Act. It provides \$12.3 billion in new money for the interstate and other federal aid and allocates \$9 billion of previously voted funds. The bill reduced funds for so-called highway beautification and billboard removal.

The reluctance expressed by the President at the time of signing the bill into law brought some criticism from members of Congress. Many of us feel that the Executive Branch is undertaking to substitute its judgment for that of the Legislative Branch entirely too often. The Congress amended the legislation to meet the majority view of the House and Senate. The amendments, with minor exceptions, seem to me to have been meritorious. The President, in attacking those amendments, has not served the best interest of those who support an adequate highway program.

More and improved highways must be provided by federal, state and local governments. The gallon tax collected by the Federal Government is placed in a trust fund restricted in its use to highway purposes. The Congress has consistently protected the trust fund and zealously guarded it when the

Executive Branch has sought to divert the funds to non-highway uses. If we are to have the highway systems for which the motorists are taxed, the Congress will be required to continue its control over the expenditure of the funds in a manner consistent with the wishes and best interest of the people.

BY CONGRESSMAN JAMES T. BROYHILL

OPPORTUNITY
Most of the turbulence about the country's problems is beginning to swirl along the Presidential campaign trail leaving very little national attention for the drooping session of Congress. There are some important matters remaining to be resolved. However, most of these issues require the attention of the Senate. For all practical purposes, the House of Representatives has almost completed its work for the year. Although most of the bills debated by the House last week were of little importance, one piece of major legislation was taken up and passed by the House. This was the extension and, I think, the improvement of the Manpower Development and Training program.

The legislation was exceptional in that it was passed by a vote of 315-0, attesting to its strong appeal even in these days when partisan feelings are running high in Washington.

The Manpower Development and Training program has existed for the last eight years. It has been amended and extended three times since it was originally enacted. I have been a strong supporter of this legislation because I believe that it is the positive and productive way to deal with the needs of people in a changing and highly technological society. It involves, in my opinion, a needed national investment to assure that people in need of training for new jobs can obtain it and make their own way. It has

DOCTORS REMOVE BRANCH
Haverhill, Mass.—Ten year old Brian Nelson is in good condition at the Hale Hospital after doctors removed a three-quarter-inch-thick branch from his right hip. The boy fell from a tree house near Salisbury and was impaled on the branch.

Sports Quiz

1. Who won the sixth game of last year's World Series?
2. How did the Series end, in games?
3. What slugger led the National League the past two years in homers?
4. What player led the league the two previous years?
5. Who won the National amateur tennis singles recently?

THE ANSWERS

1. The Boston Red Sox.
2. Four-three in favor of the St. Louis Cardinals.
3. Hank Aaron, of Atlanta.
4. Willie Maus of San Francisco.
5. Arthur Ashe.

MEANEST TEACHER

Willie: "My history teacher is the meanest man I know."
Father: "How is that?"
Willie: "He borrows my pen-knife to sharpen his pencil to give me bad marks."

Mrs. Patterson Wins Ladies Golf Tourney

Lil Patterson was winner of the high points event in the Ladies Golf Tournament at the Boone Golf Club last Wednesday.

Second, third and fourth places went respectively to Kat Hodges, Johnnie Crockett and R. Trueman. Georgia Miller won low putts.

THE PROMISE

"My, how careful you are of your toys—you've picked up every one. I suppose your mother promised you something for doing it."

"No, she said I'd get something if I didn't."

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