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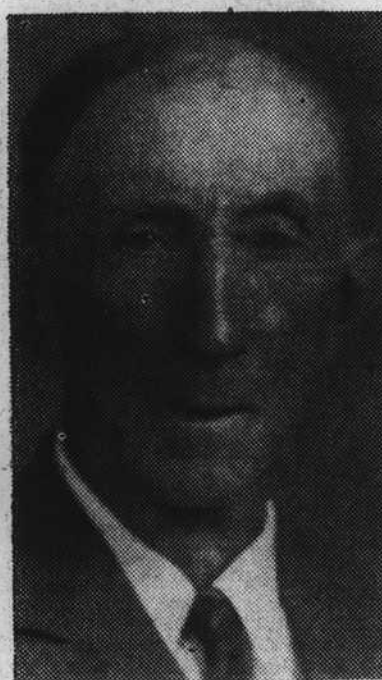
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## The Alleghany News Purchases Star-Times Tuesday

### Baptist Association To Get Underway Fri. At New Hope

**People YOU KNOW In Alleghany**  
By Staff Writer



W. F. DOUGHTON

Less famous in politics than his two illustrious brothers, the congressman and former lieutenant-governor, W. F. Doughton, of Laurel Springs, is a veteran farmer of no small repute, and should it become necessary, the chances are that he could tell "Farmer Bob" and "Governor Rufe" many things about cattle-raising.

Son of one of the county's most distinguished citizens, the late J. H. Doughton, he was born at Laurel Springs on January 28, 1870. He first attended school in his native community, with later intervals at Bellview and at Sparta under the tutelage of the late Professor S. W. Brown.

All the while he was in school he worked at odd jobs about the farm. Then, when his school days had reached an end, he settled down on the farm and began raising and trading livestock. He has never lived away from the farm on which he and his brothers were born.

Mr. Doughton has never held any political offices, but for 30 years he did serve as justice of peace in Cranberry township. Forty-five years ago he became a member of the Laurel Springs Baptist church, and since that time he has served the church faithfully as clerk. He was moderate.

### Jessie A. Moxley Dies In Maryland

Jessie A. Moxley, of Street, Md., and formerly of Alleghany county, died in a hospital in Maryland on August 29 with typhoid fever.

He was the son of J. E. and Mary F. Moxley, of Bel Air, Md. He was married to the former Miss Myrtle Douglas, of Sparta.

Mr. Moxley sold out here 22 years ago and moved to Maryland where he was engaged in farming and dairying.

He is survived by his wife and three sons, his mother, 6 brothers, 2 sisters and a large number of relatives and friends.

### Over 500 Lambs Entered In Pool

Over 500 lambs were shipped out of Alleghany county early last Saturday morning, making the third and last cooperative shipment to be made this year.

County Agent R. E. Black had not learned yesterday the prices at which the lambs sold in Jersey City, N. J., but said that he expected to receive a wire this week end. The lambs were shipped to the Kerns Commission company.

Mr. Black, as well as the farmers of the county, is especially pleased over the fine shipments of lambs which have been made this year. Lambs are reported to be bringing better prices than they have in years.

### Religious Leaders of State Are Engaged to Address Alleghany Group

Emphasizing the general theme of "The Uplifted Christ," the opening session of the forty-fourth annual Alleghany Baptist association is scheduled to get underway at the New Hope church next Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Following the devotional by Rev. W. H. Caldwell, a roll call of the nine churches in the association will be taken, visitors will be recognized, officers will be elected, and committees appointed.

Each church will report on achievements for the past year and the goals for the coming year, after which there will be a report of the executive committee. Theme for the morning session will be "The Uplifted Christ and His Church."

Beginning at 1:30 Friday afternoon, W. F. Doughton will deliver the devotional and Mrs. F. Miller will discuss "Mission Opportunities Here and Abroad." M. A. Huggins, general secretary of the Baptist State convention, will address the association on "The Baptist Cooperative Program." Theme for the afternoon session will be "The Uplifted Christ in Ministry to Human Needs." Dr. Leslie Cambell, president of Cambell college, will address the association.

On Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. G. R. Blackburn will deliver the devotional and church obituaries will be read by Rev. Hamm. The following reports will be made: (1) Aged Ministers, Rev. V. W. Sears; (2) Hospitals, Rev. W. P. Maxwell; (3) Orphanage, Mrs. Van Miller; (4) Resolution Committee, Rev. V. W. Sears; (5) Temperance, Mrs. J. T. Fender.

An inspirational message will (Continued on Page Four)

### 3 Clan Reunion To Be Held Sun.

The annual reunion of the Woodruff, Thompson and Myers families is scheduled to be held on Sunday, September 14 at Norvale Craggs, one of the most scenic knobs in the Blue Ridge, and located on the North Carolina-Virginia line, five miles north of Low Gap, one mile east of the Low Gap-Galax highway 89, it was announced yesterday.

"Drivers should turn east on the gravel road in front of the Rock House filling station at the top of the mountain on No. 89," Ruby Woodruff, who is secretary, declared. "After about a mile, you will be there."

Space for the reunion on Cumberland Knob park, as originally planned, was unavailable. There are to be brief speeches, and refreshments will be served.

Relatives of the Woodruff, Thompson and Myers families are cordially invited to attend and bring well-filled dinner baskets. The clan is also urged to bring all available family records, since "it is planned to leave some record of our ancestry for posterity," Miss Woodruff said. "We would also like more information about our ancestors."

### County Has One More Volunteer For Army Duty

First volunteer to enter his name with the local draft board in several months, Clarence Martin Caudill, of Whitehead, Tuesday offered his services to the armed forces of the nation, and expects to be inducted into the United States army on September 16.

Caudill will go to the army in place of one of 11 selectees who were named early last week to answer the current call. Six of the men listed as immediately available are 21-year-olds and registered for training on July first.

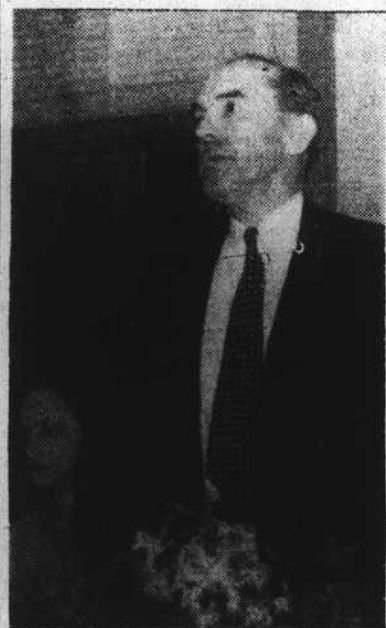
A special meeting of the draft board was held on Wednesday morning, at which time several other registrants were classified.

### Big U. N. C. Alumni Banquet Held Here Recently



The seventy-odd members of the Northwestern Alumni Association of the Greater University of North Carolina and their guests, who attended the outstanding banquet here recently, really enjoyed eating, chatting, listening to good music and good-speech-making, as the above picture, snapped while the dinner was being served, clearly shows. (Photo by Staff Photographer.)

### DEFENDS DEMOCRACY



Dr. D. B. Carroll, dean of the school of commerce at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, presented an excellent "defense for democracy" in his speech here before the U. N. C. alumni. (Staff Photo.)

### Officers Destroy Two Stills And Arrest Two Men

Leff and Roy Allen Apprehended. 125 Gallons of Liquor Captured.

Federal officers, along with Sheriff DeWitt Bryan, cut up two stills in the Saddle Mountain section last Friday, one of which contained 125 gallons of whiskey. Leff and Roy Allen, brothers, were arrested and charged with operating the first still, which was said to have been a smaller outfit than the other one.

The big still was reported to have been operated by a man from Mt. Airy, whose name was not revealed, and another person who ran, and escaped the law, when the whiskey-making outfit was discovered. Several hundred gallons of beer were destroyed.

Prisoners were carried to Greensboro and placed in jail. Walter M. Irwin, of Wilkesboro, former sheriff of this county, was a member of the group of four federal officers.

### May Start NYA Boys' Project Here Real Soon

Information has been received from the NYA area office in Lenoir that there is a possibility of beginning a boys' project in Alleghany county, providing youth labor is available.

Any boys between the ages of 16 and 25 who are unemployed may make application for work Wednesday of each week at the NYA office in Sparta, located over Farmers' Hardware.

There are also vacancies in resident centers at Asheville, Charlotte and Raleigh, where training may be received in many types of defense work such as welding, sheet metal, auto mechanics and machine shop work.

### Alleghany County Schools Expected To Open On 15th

#### AAA Supervisors Are Still Busy Checking Farms

While the job is only about half completed, compliance checking on AAA farms in Alleghany county is expected to be finished by September 15, County Agent R. E. Black said yesterday.

Mr. Black estimates that there are 1,467 farms complying with the soil conservation program in Alleghany county this year — which is the largest number ever. Jess Moxley, as county supervisor, heads the group of nine compliance checkers.

Any farmer who has not placed his order for grant-of-aid material for the coming year should do so before September 15, the county agent said.

#### MISS BATES TO GIVE CANNING DEMONSTRATION

Miss Mary M. Bates, assistant home management supervisor with the FSA, is planning to give a canning demonstration in the home economics department of the Piney Creek high school this afternoon at 1 o'clock, it was announced this week.

Any homemakers in this community who wish to attend the demonstration will be welcome, Miss Bates said. Students in the high school are especially urged to attend.

#### EIGHT ENROLL IN CCC

Eight Alleghany youths were recently enrolled in the CCC camp at Laurel Springs. Miss Lillie Ervin, welfare superintendent, announced yesterday.

Enrollees were as follows: Robert Guy Brooks, Iverson Gene Mabe, Jimmy Maynard Brooks and Ralph John McMeans, of Furches; Junior Ben Caudill and William Albert Pruitt, of Whitehead; Hoyie Ellis and Oscar Stanley Miles, of Piney Creek.

### Nazis Are Within 16 Miles Of Leningrad; Reds Fight Hard

The Germans and Russians continued the battle of death this week as the Nazis made gains in sections of their lines but were forced to retreat in the center.

The Germans claim that their troops have broken through outer defenses to within 20 miles of Leningrad, while Rumanians in the south have cut off the drinking water supply for the half million civilians and soldiers in besieged Odessa.

Informed German quarters said the most advanced panzer units stood before Krasnogvardeisk, railway junction from where they could see the smoke of Leningrad's great factories 20 miles to the northeast.

This advance unit would be only 20 miles west of the Lenin-

#### No New Cases of Polio Reported. Final Plans Are Now Being Made.

Final plans are now being made to open all schools in Alleghany county on Monday, September 15. Unless new cases of infantile paralysis develop within the next week, there will be no change in the opening date, officials decided at a meeting here this week.

From all indications, the epidemic of polio in the county has subsided and most of its victims are reported to be getting along splendidly.

During recent weeks there has also been more or less an epidemic of infantile paralysis throughout the nation. A report yesterday stated that there are over 3,000 cases now in the nation.

### George Evans Is Greeted By Many Friends In Co.

Mr. George Evans, of Thurmond, N. C., formerly of Alleghany county, visited Mrs. J. Evans and Miss Nella Evans last week. Mr. Evans had been away for a number of years and several of his old friends gathered to see him again. These included Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Evans, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Pruitt, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Evans, Bays Thornton and children, Mr. John and Maurice Evans. In the afternoon Elders Walter Evans and Charlie Wooten met at the home and held preaching service. Mr. George Evans is nearly 82 years old.

#### CAUDILL IS INJURED

Roy Caudill, of Whitehead, was critically injured last Tuesday afternoon when he was struck by a large falling rock while working on the Blue Ridge Parkway. He sustained a fractured skull and was rushed to the Wilkes hospital.

### Two Local Newspapers Are Consolidated This Week By Agreement Of Publishers

#### McMillan May Recover From Auto Accident

Car Crashed Through Front of Northwestern Bank Here Friday Morning.

#### PLAN HEARING SOON

Most seriously hurt of four youths who were involved in an automobile accident here early last Friday morning, Johnny McMillan, 14, of Sparta, was reported by hospital attaches yesterday to be showing definite signs of recovery. Other occupants of the wrecked cars were released from the Chatham Memorial hospital at Elkin last week-end.

Officers expect to have a hearing concerning the accident as soon as McMillan's condition is ascertained. Both Blevins and Atwood, who were drivers of the two cars, are under \$500 bonds. Blevins is being held in jail here.

The injured were as follows: Johnny McMillan, son of Mrs. Lelia McMillan, concussion of the brain, three broken ribs, a broken collar bone, and other minor injuries; Lewis Wagoner, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wagoner, a deep gash on face; Walter Blevins, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Blevins, an injured back; Jimmy Atwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Atwood, a bruised knee.

Atwood was said to have been traveling east on the main thorough through town, which is Highway 21, when his Ford convertible collided with a Ford sedan driven by Blevins, which was coming out of Highway 18 on the north side of the highway. The impact was so great that the two vehicles apparently hooked together and tumbled along the street for a short distance.

Atwood's car apparently freed itself momentarily and crashed through the glass front of the Northwestern Bank, breaking out the entire frontage and damaging a portion of the interior.

But for a small post next to the sidewalk, which when hit checked the speed of the vehicle, it is believed that the car would have gone on through to the rear of the bank. Damage to the bank was estimated at between \$300 and \$400.

Wagoner was a passenger in the Atwood car; McMillan was riding with Blevins. The front of the bank was quickly "boarded up" Friday and business carried on as usual.

### Five Narrowly Escape Injury

Car Turned Over Tuesday Afternoon in Edge of Town Near Higgins Home.

Two men, two women and a baby miraculously escaped serious injury Tuesday afternoon when the car in which they were riding crashed through a fence in the open field just this side of the Carlyle Higgins home here and turned over two or three times.

Except for the infant, the others sustained cuts and minor bruises, but were not severely hurt.

The car, a model A Ford sedan, said to have belonged to Woodrow Maines, of near Sparta, was being driven by Claude Farmer.

Officers investigating the accident said that the mishaps was due to carelessness and that whiskey was found. Both men were arrested and placed under bonds, pending a hearing.

#### HASH'S SKULL FRACTURED WHEN KICKED BY A HORSE

The condition of Robert Hash, colored youth who works on the farm of Jay Hardin near Sparta, was reported yesterday as being "very serious."

Last Friday Hash sustained a fractured skull when he was kicked by a horse. He was taken to a hospital in Mt. Airy.

#### At Request Of Owners, The Star-Times Is Bought By The Alleghany News.

#### LISTS ARE COMBINED

The Alleghany News and The Alleghany Star-Times have been consolidated and this is the first issue of the combined newspapers.

At the request of Walter S. Mead and H. B. Zabriskie, owners of The Star-Times, Ed M. Anderson purchased their paper last Tuesday afternoon and consolidated it with The Alleghany News.

The circulation lists of both papers have been consolidated and effective with this issue, all bona-fide subscribers of The Star-Times will receive this paper, which is now Alleghany county's only newspaper.

Sale of The Star-Times specifically included the name of the paper, the second class mailing permit, the mailing list, all old newspaper files of both the Star and the Times, and goodwill.

Neither the accounts receivable nor the accounts payable, of The Star-Times, were included in the transaction. In making the sale, the former owners also agreed not to engage in the publication of a newspaper or in the establishment of a job printing business in Alleghany county for a period of 10 years.

All regular correspondents of both newspapers are requested to continue to send in news and, at their convenience, the correspondents of The Star-Times are asked to stop in the newspaper's office, located over the Delp Furniture company, and discuss plans for future activity. All staff correspondents of The News will be retained and, except in cases of complete duplication of news, correspondents of The Star-Times will also be requested to continue to serve.

"If you are a subscriber of The Star-Times and do not receive this issue or if your label is not correct, please get in touch with us at the office here and we will make all reasonable adjustments," (Continued on Page Four)

### Osborne Reunion Held Last Sunday

The annual Osborne reunion was held at Rocky Knob Park last Sunday with most of the Osborne clan in this section attending.

Those present at the gathering included Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young, Misses Blanche, Pauline and Rose Osborne, Wanda and Joan Young; Messrs. Sam, Jim, Leff and Jessie Mack Osborne, of Turkey Knob; John and Agnes Osborne, of Sparta; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Osborne and children, Joyce, Darlene, James and Birtin, of Piney Creek; Clement Osborne, of Townsend, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hungate, Faye and James Hungate, Misses Izetta Osborne, Myrtle and Pauline McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Young and Miss Janice Hill, of Roanoke; Mr. and Mrs. Talmage Caudill, of Drowalt, W. Va.

**JOE GISH**  
"I SAY, ONLY THOSE WHO DRIVE BIG IMPORTED CARS, AIN'T EXACTLY CORRECT...SPECIALLY ASKED THEY FINISH IN PAYMENTS."