



Alleghany county, after a great deal of consideration and not a little reflection on the past record of such a prominent citizen, ended a most heated debate this week resulting in a somewhat reluctant agreement to once more take Amos Wagoner back as a citizen of this county, provided, of course, he learned to remember that he was from Alleghany and NOT Watauga.

Since establishing the new hardware store in Boone, Mr. Wagoner, a favorite subject in this column since its beginning way back in 1940, had almost forgotten Alleghany and Farmer's hardware and his wide circle of friends here in Sparta he was so engrossed with the new business. Personally, we were quite worried because now that Arza Richardson is overseas with Uncle Sam's Air Corps and with Mr. Wagoner's interests centered in Boone, what were we going to do for all those juicy fish stories. But everything has turned out all right and it is nice to have him back with us. We suppose we should explain, however, that Mr. Wagoner had a very patriotic reason for staying in Boone . . . the manpower shortage. He said that there were ten girls for every man in Boone. What about that! Almost as bad as it is here in Alleghany!

Have you seen George Roe recently? Perhaps we should say have you seen the new turtle neck sweater he has been wearing . . . a second Errol Flynn . . . Herbert Caldwell ran him a close second but Herbert hasn't been around for the past week so George has the stage all to himself.

Three sailors and a very attractive blond came walking up the street the other day and old Mr. Curiosity was about to get the best of us until we were close enough to see who it was . . . can you imagine our surprise. Dale Duncan, Seaman 2-C and his two sons, the three-year-old twins, Toni and Bill, dressed in identical suits of navy blue . . . and the attractive blond, my, Mrs. Duncan, of course, the former Miss Marie Perry. May we add that it was a mighty striking foursome they made.

Glanced across the street from our office the other day and noticed that the Sparta Garage was getting a thorough spring house cleaning. Marion Joines and Cleve Nichols recently took it over and were evidently doing some re-decorating.

Vying with the weather for first place as the favorite topic of conversation here this week is the report to be handed in to the OPA by the merchants by April 20. It seems that stores handling general merchandise were the "hardest hit" as far as detailed reports are concerned. When asked about the report, which by the way, includes an account of almost every item in the store, Bob Allison said that there was nothing to it . . . it was simple . . . even went so far as to say that he had been studying Greek and Hebrew on the side, just as a form of relaxation . . . and then he told us what he really thought of it . . . Sorry, we can't print it.

We received a letter this morning written in Germany and containing several pieces of German money as well as some French francs. Haven't decided just how wealthy we are yet but will publish same as soon as we find out. We wondered though why it couldn't have been a piece or two of Hitler's gold that our armies discovered this week.

In the mail this week, comes a letter from Mr. C. V. Nichols, of Meadow View Farm in Davis, Okla., renewing his subscription to the News. Mr. Nichols writes, "I am gladly enclosing my check for two dollars for another year's subscription to your 'newsy' News. Am somewhat disappointed in the last two copies by the absence of that breezy 'Spec' column. I read with interest of the news of the mustache being nurtured by my cousin, G. Glen Nichols. Would be tickled to know how much, if any, it adds to his dignity and appearance" . . . Sorry we can't answer that question 'cause he

Twin Oaks News

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Staff Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Isom Wagoner, Ennice, and Miss Ainslee Alexander, Sparta, spent a while Sunday afternoon with friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Vaughn and L. D. Vaughn, Galax, Va., were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Delp, Stratford, Sunday. Visitors were H. M. Delp, Miss Edna Gibson, Miss Helen and Ray Delp and Mrs. J. W. Hoppers, Stratford.

Miss Edna Sanders, Winston-Salem, spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Sanders, Stratford.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gambill, Sr., Mrs. James Hash and daughter, June, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Gwyn Sanders.

Among those visiting Mr. and

dood it again . . . that's right, he shaved it off because people didn't recognize him when he walked down the street.

Mrs. Earl Farmer, Sunday, were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Warden, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Farmer and son, Roger, and Francis Anders, Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Delp and children, Genevia Ann and Linda.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Collins and children spent Saturday night with Miss Callie Reeves.

Clyde Davis and Miss Ruby Atwood, King, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Reeves, Stratford.

Miss Mary Ruth Parsons, of Walkertown, spent the week end with Miss Mary Sue Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reeves and daughter spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hash, at Piney Creek.

Mrs. J. L. Bare and Miss Vila Atwood went to Baltimore last week to spend a few days with relatives there.

Howard Irwin left Wednesday of last week to accept a job at Oxford, Pa.

A serious shortage of stove and furnace smoke pipe is apt to develop this year, industry representatives have warned the WPB.

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MRS. THELMA MABE
Correspondent

G. O. Edwards, of Hillsville, Va., was a business visitor at his farm here a few days ago.

Misses Reba Lee and Fay Walker were Sunday guests of Miss Johnnie Cox.

Miss Ramah Leah Joines visited Miss Ruth Crouse, Sunday.

Mrs. Oscar Richardson and Mrs. Homer Cox visited Mrs. J. M. Estep, Sunday.

Clayton Richardson, who has held a position in Delaware for sometime, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Richardson, before entering the army.

Ruby Atwood and Clyde Davis, of King, spent the week end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sanders and family were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rector.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Richardson were visitors at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Joines and Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Richardson, Sunday. Other visitors in the Richardson

home were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mabe and children, Edwin and Christine and Mrs. Roy Ellison.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Sanders and daughter, Jaunita, and Mrs. Sander's niece of North Wilkesboro, spent the week end with Mrs. C. M. Sanders here.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal, who lived at the Florence Moxley place for sometime, have moved to a tenant house on the Transou farm.

Mrs. R. T. Atwood and J. F. Atwood visited relatives at Twin Oaks, Sunday.

TO CLEAN CEMETERY

All persons interested in cleaning the Antioch cemetery, have been asked to meet there next Monday, April 16, when the grass will be clipped and some monuments erected.

Interested persons are asked to bring tools for the work.

Producers' ceiling prices have been advanced about 1 1/4 cents a pound to encourage farmers to produce more young chickens this summer. The increase will be effective from July 1 through December.

About May 1 give all sheep, except lambs, individual doses of part of powdered phenothiazine and 12 parts of salt before the Cu-Nic. Keep a mixture of 1 sheep during the grazing season.

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