

# THE VALDESE NEWS

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Start the New Year right by doing your shopping with Valdeese merchants. They have what you want — see them now.

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The News serves one of the most prosperous towns in the Western part of the State. Its annual payroll is well over a million dollars per year.

## S. GIRLS BEAT RHODHISS 17-18

### Basketball Schedule Is Announced for Both High School Teams

(By Charlie Bridges)

The Valdeese high school court, returning to school last Friday and Saturday to whip themselves in shape for their regular schedule, which gets underway this week, have announced their complete basketball schedule for the season.

The girls defeated Rhodhiss Tuesday night by a 17-18 score, while the boys lost 34 to 26.

W. Baker was high scorer for the Valdeese girls—9 points.

Their complete schedule to date is:

Friday, Jan. 6—North Cove—

Saturday, Jan. 7—Bakersville—

Monday, Jan. 10—Granite Falls—

Tuesday, Jan. 13—Open.

Wednesday, Jan. 17—Old Fort—

Thursday, Jan. 20—Granite Falls—

Friday, Jan. 24—Nebo—Here.

Saturday, Jan. 27—Pleasant Gardens—

Sunday, Jan. 31—Glenwood—

Monday, Feb. 3—Bakersville—

Tuesday, Feb. 7—Open.

Wednesday, Feb. 10—Open.

Thursday, Feb. 14—Nebo—Here.

Friday, Feb. 17—Pleasant Gardens—

Saturday, Feb. 21—Old Fort—

Sunday, Feb. 24—Open.

Monday, Feb. 28—Open.

Tuesday, March 3—Open.

Wednesday, March 6—Here.

Thursday, March 9—Here.

Friday, March 10—Here.

Saturday, March 11—Here.

Sunday, March 12—Here.

Monday, March 13—Here.

Tuesday, March 14—Here.

Wednesday, March 15—Here.

Thursday, March 16—Here.

Friday, March 17—Here.

Saturday, March 18—Here.

Sunday, March 19—Here.

Monday, March 20—Here.

Tuesday, March 21—Here.

Wednesday, March 22—Here.

Thursday, March 23—Here.

Friday, March 24—Here.

Saturday, March 25—Here.

Sunday, March 26—Here.

Monday, March 27—Here.

Tuesday, March 28—Here.

Wednesday, March 29—Here.

Thursday, March 30—Here.

Friday, March 31—Here.

Saturday, April 1—Here.

Sunday, April 2—Here.

Monday, April 3—Here.

Tuesday, April 4—Here.

Wednesday, April 5—Here.

Thursday, April 6—Here.

Friday, April 7—Here.

Saturday, April 8—Here.

Sunday, April 9—Here.

Monday, April 10—Here.

Tuesday, April 11—Here.

Wednesday, April 12—Here.

Thursday, April 13—Here.

Friday, April 14—Here.

Saturday, April 15—Here.

Sunday, April 16—Here.

Monday, April 17—Here.

Tuesday, April 18—Here.

Wednesday, April 19—Here.

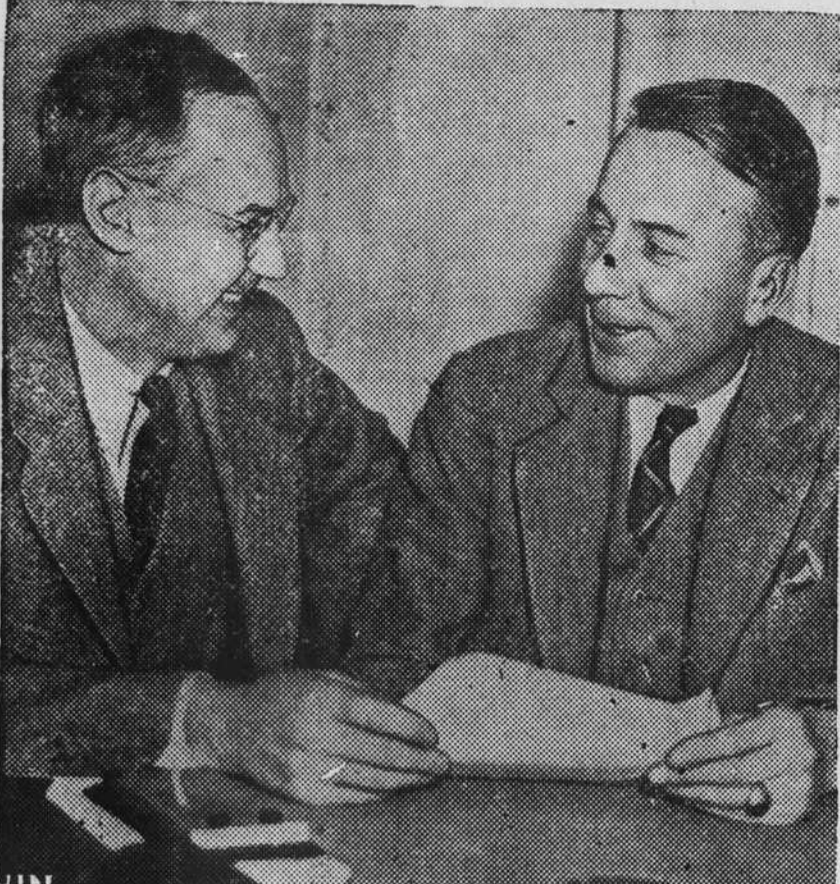
Thursday, April 20—Here.

Friday, April 21—Here.

Saturday, April 22—Here.

Sunday, April 23—Here.

## Army Men New WPA Chiefs



New Works Progress Administrator Col. C. F. Harrington names two executive assistants, both army officers. Capt. G. E. Texter, left, has been named assistant to the chief engineer, Major B. M. Harloe, right, who becomes assistant WPA administrator.

## S. S. CONVENTION AT ENON CHURCH

### Catawba River Baptist Group Will Meet Sunday Afternoon, January 8th.

The January meeting of the Catawba River Baptist Association Sunday School convention will be held at Enon Baptist church next Sunday afternoon, January 8th, the program starting at 2:30 p. m.

A special feature of the meeting will be the demonstration of the Sunday school officers and teachers meeting, which will be given by the Valdeese Baptist Sunday school, of which Lee Harris is superintendent.

The annual statewide meeting of associational Sunday school officers will be held at the First Baptist church in Winston-Salem, February 2 and 3. Many officers of the Catawba River association plan to attend.

The meeting Sunday at Enon church will be addressed by Rev. Jesse Blalock, of Abbee's Grove Baptist church, who will choose as his theme "1939 For Evangelism." Mr. Blalock has just recently moved into the association, and this will be his first appearance on a program of this kind.

Plans for the meeting have been well completed for the meeting at Enon church, where Rev. J. B. Payne is pastor and Henry M. Harris is superintendent of the Sunday school.

## QUIET HOLIDAYS CLOSE IN VALDESE

### No Arrests Made For Drunkenness In More Than Two Weeks

According to Officer J. P. Stillwell the holiday season which came to a close here on Monday of this week when all of the mills resumed operation and the school children returned to their studies from the standpoint of the police department was a quiet one.

The officer said that the department had not arrested any one on a charge of drunkenness in more than two weeks. This is considered rather unusual as it is quite likely that someone almost always partakes too freely with the liquid bottled spirits during the period of celebration just closed.

The officer said that the department had arrested some 27 motorists in the last two weeks for breaking through red lights and speeding. Stillwell said that any one caught running through a red light would be arrested.

The New Year was ushered in here with the aid of shooting and exploding fireworks. However this lasted only for a short time after the old man time had set a new date on our calendar.

## Debate Is Given By Scout Patrol

### Local Scouts Are Urged By Assistant Scoutmaster To Prepare For Spring.

(By Earl Searcy, Jr.)

The Rattlesnake Patrol, at the last meeting of the Valdeese Boy Scouts Monday night, presented to the group an interesting debate on the subject: "Resolved, that a closed season should be declared on all wild life for a period of three years."

The affirmative side of the debate was taken by Ernest Ribet and Thomas Farrington, while Raymond Squillario and Roy Sams took the negative side of the question.

After the interesting debate, Assistant Scoutmaster Edward Pascal gave a short talk to the members of the troop on preparing themselves for spring activities in the scouting line. They were told to look forward to their two weeks encampment at the Piedmont Boy Scout camp this late spring at Lake Lanier, near Tryon, and prepare themselves accordingly.

## GYM SWIMMING POOL CLOSED FOR CLEANING

The swimming pool at the Valdeese community center was emptied this week. It will remain empty while painting is being done and the engineers are working on the ventilation system.

## BACK FROM CALIFORNIA

Henry Bertalot and son, Benny, returned Tuesday afternoon after spending sometime during the Christmas holidays with his mother in Oakland, California.

## Burke's Jobless Received \$88,161

### Over 5,000 Are Covered By Unemployment Compensation Act

A total of 5,535 persons unemployed here in Burke county were covered by the State Unemployment Compensation act, and received \$6,316,263.00 in wages in the 18 months period to June 30, 1938, paid by 51 covered employers. These employers paid in contributions to the State unemployment fund \$130,409.05. This amount paid by the employers of this county was 1.12 per cent of the amount paid by all of the 100 counties, according to figures just released from the unemployment compensation commission in Raleigh.

The unemployed or partially unemployed workers in this county for the first 11 months of 1938, received in unemployment benefits \$88,161.75, which is 1.13 per cent of the benefits paid to all of the unemployed or partially unemployed workers in North Carolina during the first 11 months of benefit payments.

## Christmas Present Proves Disastrous

### Toy Costs Hobart Ennis Loss of Right Eye On Christmas Day In Lenoir.

A Christmas present to another boy proved a disastrous toy to little Hobart Ennis, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ennis, last Christmas Day.

Hobart was playing with his two cousins at his aunt's, Mrs. Fred Sides' home in Lenoir when a bee-bee gun, which has been given for Christmas to one of the boys, went off right in his eye.

He was taken to Dula's hospital in Lenoir, where he remained over a week. His mother stayed at his bedside all the time he was in the hospital, and took him home to her apartment in the Ribet building late Tuesday afternoon. The boy has completely lost the sight of the right eye.

## MR. SHORT MOVES TO BUTLER BLDG.

James Short, secretary of the Valdeese Merchants Association, has moved his offices from the Valdeese Printing company to the Butler building this week. He will occupy the offices of Former Mayor A. Leon Butler while Mr. Butler is in Raleigh at the session of the House of Representatives.

## PICTURES OF ROSE BOWL GAME HERE

Special pictures of the Duke-Southern California game have been rushed here by plane from California studios and will be shown at the Colonial theatre today and tomorrow, it was announced.

The newsreel shows shots of the important part of the Rose Bowl game.

## JOHN KELLER, 82 TAKEN BY DEATH

### Retired Farmer Buried Tuesday at Walker's Chapel in County

Funeral services for John Keller, well-known 82-year old retired farmer, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Walker's Chapel.

Mr. Keller died at his home at Morganton, route 4, late Monday after an illness of four months from heart trouble.

A native of Burke county, Mr. Keller was born May 21, 1846. He married Miss Jennie Gross, who preceded him in death. He was a member of Walker's Chapel.

Surviving are two sons, Claude Keller of Oxford, Raymond Keller of Morganton, Route 4, and three daughters, Mrs. J. M. Huffman and Mrs. Frank Carswell of Morganton, Route 4, and Mrs. Sanford Reynolds of Connelly Springs, Route 1. Twenty-nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren survive.

Funeral services were in charge of Rev. Dewey Newton of Vale, assisted by Rev. Seth Ivester. Grandsons served as pallbearers.

## J. C. Donnelly Is Injured By Auto

### Suvers Lacerations Of Head, And Is Now Recovering Satisfactorily

J. C. Donnelly, of Rutherford College, suffered concussion of the brain and lacerations of the head Friday afternoon about 4:30, when he walked out in front of a car driven by Clifford Warlick in front of Belk-Broome store in the center of the town.

Donnelly was taken to Grace Hospital where he was attended by Dr. Yates Palmer. His condition Saturday morning was reported extra good and he has been able to be around the earlier part of this week.

## Hazel Virginia Epley Is First '39 Baby Born Here

### Lucky Little Girl Arrives In Waldensian Community 7:15 A. M. January 1

At exactly 7:15 o'clock Sunday morning, January 1, 1939, eight pounds of royalty in the name of Her Majesty Hazel Virginia Epley rolled into town to win the Valdeese first baby contest with a day to spare over her closest contestant, a son born to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Long.

By virtue of her birth as the first baby born in Valdeese in 1939 and strictly complying with the one and only rule of the contest which was sponsored by The Valdeese News and a number of local merchants Miss Hazel Virginia is

## New Year Helps Man Collect Debt

The New Year started off very well in the eyes of Fred Ribet, local beer distributor. He said that on New Year's eve just as the clock was striking twelve and the year 1938 was becoming a thing of the past he was patiently waiting with all the rest of the world for the change to take place.

A man approached him, reached in his pocket, pulled out five dollars and handed it to him saying that he was paying him the five which he had been owing him for some time. Fred says he knows of no better way for anyone to start off the New Year but emphasizes that he was delighted to be on the receiving end.

## BOWLING MATCH HERE ON JAN. 14

### Bowlers From Four States Will Meet At Valdeese Bowlings Alleys

The Southeastern Doubles Duckpin Bowling tournament under the sponsorship of the National Bowling Congress will be held at the Valdeese Recreation alleys on Saturday, January 14, it was announced here.

The tournament, which was sponsored here for the first time last year, draws entries from over four states, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. There will be several prizes awarded to the high scorers in the tournament. The prizes will be decided by the number of entries which are received. An entrance fee of \$7.50 per pair has been set for each team entering. Each bowler will bowl two three-game blocks, starting at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

A. M. Church, proprietor of the Valdeese alleys, is very confident that this will be one of the best bowling exhibitions in this part of the State. An invitation is extended to the general public to be present to see these bowlers play.

## Water Department Accounts Increase

### Valdeese Manufacturing Co. Installs City Water In Many Of Its Houses

The Valdeese water department has been continually adding new accounts to its water line since the filtering plant was installed in January 1938.

The town now has 450 accounts on its books according to clerk Frank Pons. This is approximately an increase of 100 accounts over last year.

It is understood that the Valdeese Manufacturing company is going to have city water in all of their houses in the future. The lines have already been extended to many of the company's houses and has already been connected in about twenty-five of the houses. The extension work is continuing at a steady pace and officials feel that many more dwellings will be served with city water in the future.

## GARROU BOYS RETURN TO NEW YORK MONDAY

Emmett and Tarzan Garrou left for New York Monday night after spending Christmas weeks here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Garrou of Bienvenue road.

## Need Of Rural Fire Truck Is Seen By Valdeese Fire Dept.

### Hurt In Wreck



Henry Martinat, who was injured last Friday morning when his car turned over on a slippery road about eight miles from Salisbury.

## MR. H. MARTINAT SUFFERS INJURIES

### Ice Causes Car To Turn Over About Eight Miles From Salisbury

A slippery road from Salisbury to Lexington caused Henry Martinat, prominent Valdeese business man to wreck and completely demolish his car on his way to Greensboro Friday morning, December 30, about 8:30 o'clock.

Mr. Martinat had covered about half the distance between Salisbury and Lexington when in trying to pass a truck on a slippery road, the 1937 Packard Eight he was driving left the road and turned over several times.

Minor injuries, cuts and a fracture of the knee cap was suffered by Mr. Martinat who was taken to a doctor in Lexington by a passing motorist. Mr. Martinat is now home and although he is able to be up and around, he is not able to drive a car, or move his knee very much. His many friends hope he will soon be well and able to get around as usual.

## Oris M. Starkey Is Hurt Monday

### Tunnell of Salt Falls On Him, Breaking Jaw And Leg

Oris M. Starkey, an employee of the Valdeese Manufacturing company, was painfully injured in the company's salt room about 2:15 Monday afternoon and was rushed to Grace Hospital in Morganton.

The salt which is used in dyeing is stored in a room in large quantities and it is understood that a tunnel had been dug into the center of it and as Starkey went in to dig out some more the top caved in on him. He suffered a broken jaw bone and a small bone broken in one leg.

## Four Cars Crash Near Here Sunday

Four autos piled up in a smash-up at the intersection of Highway No. 70 and the Drexel road at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, resulting in minor injuries to one person.

A west-bound car driven by Guy Stevenson of Hickory was involved in the first collision with an auto, travelling east, driven by R. E. Page of Drexel. Turner H. Jones of Lenoir, driving a third car, came upon the scene and pulled up to a stop. As he did so, the fourth vehicle, driven by Ephraim Dale of Valdeese and approaching from the rear struck car No. 3 and knocked it into Page's auto. This second collision was minor compared with the first, said Sheriff Paul M. Dale.

Page, who suffered bruises, was confined yesterday to Grace Hospital. None of the others required hospital treatment.

No charges have been brought in connection with the accident, said the sheriff.

## URGENT PURCHASE NEW EQUIPMENT

### Local Firemen Are Presented With Checks For Attending Fires In 1938

The need in Valdeese for a rural fire truck to help serve the suburbs in and around Valdeese was stressed at the regular annual banquet of the Valdeese volunteer fire department last Friday night at the Castle Cafe. Fire Chief Lee Ribet asked that influence be brought to bear on the members of the board of county commissioners to help provide for such a fire truck here in Valdeese with one man in charge to answer such calls as came in.

Valdeese's fine fire record was reviewed and it was found that in two and a half years the town of Valdeese fire loss had not exceeded over \$5.

After a delightful dinner had been enjoyed by the group of firemen, city officials and business men, Francis Garrou, Jr., acting as toastmaster, introduced the guests of the evening, Bonner Lane and Ed Hern of Morganton. Mr. Hern enumerated the improvements that Morganton was undergoing towards helping its firefighting work. Expecting a bigger water supply and better equipment and that a bigger dam in the mountains would also soon be forthcoming.

Mr. Wilson, Mr. Yount and Mr. Triplett of Granite Falls were also introduced.

After Dr. Palmer had been called upon he gave a few words on the new hospital which will be known as the Valdeese General Hospital. Toastmaster Francis Garrou presented Fire Chief Lee Ribet with checks for the Valdeese firemen for their invaluable services at fires during the past year. Mr. Ribet stated that since the firemen's annual Santa Claus party had been such a success, that the firemen had in turn decided to sign their checks and turn them back to the department to help defray the bills for the candy used as gifts to the children during Christmas. Although Dr. Robert Bonner was not present, the department expressed their deep appreciation to him for having turned over his check, as mayor pro tem for the time he served to the fire department.

The new Valdeese mayor, Dallas Brinkley, was called upon for a few words and he expressed his deep appreciation to the members of the department for their action in donating their checks back for so worthy a cause.

Fire Chief Lee Ribet went into detail a little more about the rural fire truck, and stated that one had been bought by Iredell county for Statesville and that it was very successful. Many members expressed their opinion that the subject ought to be brought before the commissioners as soon as possible.

## CC GYM INSTALLS BLEACHER SEATS

### Seating Arrangements Is Expected to Care For About 300 Persons

Medart folding seats, cabinet style, are being installed at the Valdeese community center gymnasium and are expected to be completed today or tomorrow.

The seats are being placed along the east side of the gymnasium and are made of highly polished pine wood. They are so set that they can be opened and closed depending on how many of them are needed.

It is estimated that the seating arrangement will accommodate about 275 people. This is another step forward in the gymnasium's program of having one of the best equipped gyms in this part of the State.

## F. PONS ASSUMES POLICE DUTIES

Frank Pons has been appointed on the Valdeese police force and assumes the duties of desk sergeant with headquarters at city hall. Full police authority has been vested in him by town officials.