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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.

LIONS HOLD BARN PARTY

New Members Are Formally Inducted Into Club Saturday Night

Valdese Lions and their guests held their annual Barn Party and dance at the Waldensian clubhouse last Saturday night. The group which was dressed in the country style with overalls and gingham dresses were served a delicious supper which had been supervised by Mr. and Mrs. George Squillario.

Popular recordings gave forth the music as the celebrants continued in dancing after their meal. New members which have been admitted to the club since the last annual Barn Party were formally initiated into the group with impressive ceremonies. The clubhouse was appropriately decorated to resemble a country farm, with stable and other decorations.

An old fashioned well, with water was set on one side of the house which caused much comment on the ingenuity of the preparations for the occasion.

After several announcements had been made regarding the initiation and the prizes which were to be distributed the entire group continued to enjoy themselves with dancing and games.

Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Edna Palmer, Mrs. George Williams, and Miss Noami Bounous.

The Lions hold this Barn Party annually to formally induct into their ranks members which have been admitted to the organization during the year, and to encourage new members into signifying their intention of joining the club. All attending reported a fine time.

Jim Clintstock Defeats Bowman

Well Attended Matches a Big Success; Promise More and Better Ones.

A large turnout at the first wrestling matches staged in Valdese last Thursday night witnessed headliner Jim Clintstock's victory over Gene Bowman, Chattanooga, Tenn. grappler in a thirty minute bout at the Community Center Gymnasium.

Clintstock won the first fall, when he got Bowman down in 18 minutes. After a short rest Bowman came back and knocked Clintstock flying, with three flying tackles and won the second fall in less than a minute.

Both came back after the second fall, and after a good deal of hair pulling, and biting by Clintstock, he managed to finally throw Bowman out of the ropes in the floor to take two out of three falls.

In the preliminary, Alonzo Woods, Australian kangaroo, tangled with Sammy Manacher of New York, and with one fall each, the match lasted the scheduled thirty minutes with neither getting the match. Woods seemed a more experienced hand at the art of wrestling than Manacher, and kept the referee, Tommy Thompson, at odds with him by pulling his hair every time that Thompson tried to count him down.

The attendance was very encouraging, and it is hoped that possible, more and better matches with bigger names in the world of wrestling will be booked for the Gym in Valdese.

Butler Flays Republicans For Voting Grandfather On Republican Ticket

Friends in Valdese will be interested to note the following which was carried by Tom Bost in his daily column of the Greensboro Daily News regarding A. Leon Butler, former mayor of Valdese, who recently introduced a bill to abolish the absentee ballot in Burke county at the State legislature.

Representative Leon Butler, of Burke county, introduced one of the real absentee repealers, taking the county of Burke from under the state law, and Saturday was telling why.

"My great grandfather was a colonel in the Revolutionary war and voted the Democratic ticket so long as he lived," Mr. Butler said; "but recently the Republicans got their hands on his name, somehow, and they voted

Mr. Ground Hog Appears Today

The groundhog makes his traditional appearance today to decide what our weather will be this spring.

These forecasts of the little animal are awaited eagerly all over the country.

Sufficient sunshine to cause his retreat to his quarters will mean six more weeks of hibernation and a late spring. Failure to see his shadow will mean an early spring.

After raw and blustery winter, with cold rains sandwiched between feeble attempts of sunshine and almost imperceptible efforts toward snow, his appearance is eagerly awaited.

Local Farmers Seek Legislation

Group Fears Cow Test May End Unless Assembly Acts Soon.

Guernsey breeders and other owners of livestock in Burke and McDowell counties voted last week to ask the Legislature to appropriate funds to make possible the continuance of the cattle testing now under way here, which otherwise is doomed to end May 1.

The action on the threatened halt to the campaign to free Burke herds of the disease, came at a meeting called by the Burke County Guernsey Breeders association at which plans were made for the annual Guernsey cattle show.

Breeders set Wednesday and Thursday, September 20-21, as tentative dates for the ninth annual exhibition.

The group of livestock owners, assembled at Lazarus Brothers' store, included Burke breeders and a delegation from McDowell county headed by S. L. Homewood, farm agent.

Secretary Frank Michael was instructed to dispatch to State Senator H. J. Hatcher and Representative A. Leon Butler the request that they seek legislative action that enable the disease eradication campaign to continue. The testing for Bang's disease of contagious abortion has just recently been started in both Burke and McDowell counties, in co-operation with State and Federal agricultural departments.

Mr. and Mrs. Krieger Attend Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Krieger left Saturday afternoon for Cleveland, Ohio. They had received word that Mrs. Krieger's father, Mr. Abraham Epstein was very ill, and was not expected to live. Mr. Epstein who had been ill for the past five months, died Sunday afternoon, and was buried in Cleveland Monday. Benlee's Department store was closed Monday afternoon.

SCOUTS HEAR TALK BY PHILIP GUIGOU

(By Earle Searcy, Jr.) Philip Guigou was the chief speaker at the last meeting of the Valdese Scouts as he addressed them on "Parts of Our Government."

The Snake Patrol also presented a short but interesting program. Fred Ribet gave a short talk on "Current Events", and after several other items of business, the Scouts adjourned their meeting.

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him absentee on the Republican ticket.

"He has been dead more than 100 years, but now that the Republicans have learned how to use the absentee ballot and to use it against us Democrats, I am opposed to it. A Burke county Democrat doesn't relish having even his dead folks voting the Republican ticket. It's hurting us up there in Valdese and other Burke precincts. Last Fall a voter who has been scratching his ticket regularly and voting most of the Democratic ballot swore he never would vote another Democratic ticket as long as he lived, but one of our fellows said that after he died he would vote our way. We thought for a long time the absentee ballot did help us, but we

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"Twins"—Mother, Daughter



The gorgeous White "twins" who won special mention among the prettiest at the twin convention held in Chicago are revealed as mother and daughter. They are pictured in New York where they are employed in a night club. Left, Crystal, the daughter, and right, is Priscilla, the mother, fifteen years older.

LINCOLN DAY BANQUET FEB. 9

Group Will Hear State Chairman J. F. Newell At Banquet.

Plans are under way for the fifth annual Lincoln Day dinner which will be held at the community house Thursday night, February 9 at 7 o'clock, under the auspices of the Burke County Republican club.

Jake F. Newell of Charlotte, State chairman, will deliver the principal address for the banquet session which has been set two day ahead of the State-wide Lincoln Day dinner to avoid conflicting dates.

Details of the celebration are being arranged by committees whose appointment was announced yesterday as follows:

Speakers Committee—N. M. Patton, chairman; T. B. Hedden, O. T. Webb, W. H. Barkley, N. O. Pitts.

Banquet Committee—O. T. Webb, chairman; Mrs. Carl Wall, Buddy Ward, Aggie Beach, Mrs. R. O. Huffman, Mrs. Marvin Duckworth, Mrs. Tommie Clontz.

Ticket Committee—P. E. Smith, chairman; Cletus Yoder, Hildebrand; Murrel Settemyre, Drexel; J. B. Melton, Glen Alpine; Lenoir White, Glen Alpine; Philip Pitts, Glen Alpine; Robert Pitts, Glen Alpine; Verne Benfield, Valdese; John Guigou, Valdese; Glenn Ramsey, Valdese; E. T. Bollinger, Harrison Taylor, Tom Huffman, Joe Ben Curtis, H. B. Shiflet, Tate Powell, C. V. Lael, Glen Alpine; Joe McGimsey, Dorse Johnson, Hildebrand; D. W. Alexander, Valdese; Ellis Glass, Rhodiss; Sanford Carswell, Icard; Crom Hood, Chesterfield; Ernest Watkins, Harrison Pritchard, Ben Watkins, Mrs. Roy Clarke, W. E. Dale.

Program Committee—A. J. Taylor, chairman; J. F. Bowers, R. O. Huffman, Miss Goldie Shiflet, Mrs. Hal Whitener, Eugene Hamilton, Mrs. C. V. Leel, Glen Alpine; Mrs. T. E. Garrison, Mrs. W. R. Patton, Charlie Sain, Hugh Hallyburton.

DEBATE IS HELD BY HIGH SCHOOL GROUPS

Coch Ward's Group Wins Affirmative Side of Argument Friday P. M.

A debate on the query, "Resolved: That the Press Has More To Do With the Formation of Public Attitudes Than Any Other Institution", was given by Mr. Ward's class and Mrs. Hauser's class last Friday afternoon at the Valdese school auditorium.

The affirmative side of the debate was taken by Coach Ward's section which was composed of Evelyn Bounous, Louise Wilson, George Whitley, Ben Spinks, Clementine Perrou, and Mary Frances Garrou.

Mrs. Hauser's section which took the negative side of the argument, included the following members: Louise Canrad, Humbert Rostan, Evelyn Taylor, Claude Berry, Rachel Berry and Jason Hughes.

The debate was won by the affirmative side. Officers for the debate were: president, Helen Davis, secretary, Willadean Day, timekeeper, Earl Searcy. The judges for the occasion were: Mildred Lyerly, Winifred Garmon and Ruby Alice Spinks.

ATTEND EXPOSITION
Mr. Harley Shuford, O. C. H. Hughes and Joseph Johnson attended the Southern Furniture Exposition at High Point Wednesday.

JOB ARE GIVEN TO MANY HERE

Burke Employment Office Reports Many Are Still Seeking Jobs.

The county office of the North Carolina State Employment Service placed 583-workers in employment during the year 1938, according to a report just made by Manager E. Stanton Hardee. Among the types of work in which applicants were placed were construction, domestic service, textiles, furniture, agriculture, retail distribution and commercial services. The year just closed represents the largest activity the county office has had, he said.

At present there are 1,339 unemployed persons registered as actively seeking work, the employment service records show. Among this number of applicants can be found nearly any type of worker, from the commercial-professional group to the unskilled labor classifications, the manager added. When an employer calls the office for workers, applicants are selected and referred solely on the bases of qualifications and merit, he explained.

While most of the placements made in 1938 were in Burke county, some placements have been made in response to clearance orders from other sections of the State.

Cotton Quota Filing To Close

Farm Agent Sloan Says "Farmers Must Make Application Soon."

Burke county farmers who are without a cotton acreage allotment and who seek to grow cotton in 1939 are requested to file application immediately in the office of County Agent R. L. Sloan.

Requests for allotments must be submitted to the Raleigh office not later than February 15, the county agent has just been advised.

The opportunity for making request for allotment is open also to farmers who formerly were allotted cotton acreage but have lost it because they have not planted cotton in the past three years.

Farmers growing cotton in this county in the past three years have already received allotments amounting to 1,586 acres, the county agent stated.

UNDERGOES OPERATION

Mrs. Henry F. Martinat was operated on last Tuesday morning at Dr. Long's hospital in Statesville. Her many friends will be glad to learn that she is getting along fine.

Woody Rich Is Topic Of Boston Columnist's Baseball Comments

Many people in Valdese will remember its "heyday" in baseball and many of its players particularly those who came to the Textiles as rookies and have made good in big league ball.

One name which probably outshines any that have every trod the mound for the Textiles is that of Woodrow Rich, local Burke county boy who made a name for himself at Little Rock, Ark., and has recently gone up to big league ball.

The following is taken from an article by John Drohan, feature writer for the Boston Traveler:

By John Drohan.
It's a far cry from Valdese, N. C., to the large and commodious stadia of the American league, but Billy Evans who discovered Woodrow Wilson Rich pitching down yonder a couple of years ago for a mill team believes that the big Tarheel named for the one-time President of these United States will make it. Woodrow Wilson Rich will report to Manager Joe Cronin at the Red Sox training camp at Sarasota, Fla., a little more than a month hence, and not only Evans, who discovered him, but Doc Prothro who managed him at Little Rock last season, is willing to bet the family jewels that Woodrow Wilson won't let him down.

Prothro Thinks in Lefty Terms
Prothro, as a matter of fact, told your correspondent at the big league meeting a little more than

Rev. Sylvan S. Poet Will Conduct Sermon Sunday



REV. SYLVAN S. POET

Mrs. Cobb Dies At Home In Morganton

Funeral Held Saturday For Well-Known Burke County Woman

Valdese friends were shocked to learn of the death of Mrs. T. G. Cobb at her home in Morganton late last Thursday night.

Mrs. Cobb, who was 72 years of age, died suddenly from a heart attack while confined to her home as a result of a broken arm which she received three weeks ago in a fall while shopping and she was apparently well on the road to recovery from that mishap.

Widely known throughout the county, Mrs. Cobb had many friends here. She was for many years an active leader in civic movements designed for the betterment and upbuilding of Burke county. She had a prominent part in the construction of the Morganton community house and was chairman of the Woman's club welfare department which annually sponsored the filling of Christmas baskets for the poor.

Mrs. Cobb was the widow of Theodore Gettys Cobb, former owner and editor of the Morganton News-Herald, who died July 5, 1916. Upon Mr. Cobb's death, he was succeeded as publisher by their daughter, Miss Beatrice Cobb.

Mrs. Cobb was a native of Linville township, a daughter of R. N. Kincaid, and before marriage was Miss Ella Kincaid. She had spent her entire life in this county.

Surviving are six daughters, Mrs. Beatrice Cobb of Morganton, Mrs. Pauline C. Griffin of Raleigh, Mrs. John W. Allyn of Chattanooga, Tenn., Mrs. E. R. Joyce of St. Augustine, Fla., Miss Lucile (Continued on page eight)

PASTOR ARRIVES LATE THIS WEEK

Appointment as Regular Pastor To Be Confirmed By Presbytery Soon

Rev. Sylvan S. Poet of Chicago, who has been called to the pastorate of the Waldensian Presbyterian church here, is expected to arrive some time late this week and assume his duties as pastor of the Valdese church. He will deliver his first sermon this coming Sunday at the eleven o'clock service.

The manse has been prepared for his arrival and is expected that he will move in almost as soon as he arrives.

He is expected to fill the vacancy left by Rev. James A. Calligan who resigned as pastor last year to take up his studies abroad.

Rev. Poet has been connected with the Samaritan Neighborhood House in Chicago and comes to take up his charge here well recommended.

It was stated that he will be formally inducted as pastor of the church when the Presbytery meets.

Rev. Mr. Poet was born in Torre Pellice, Italy. He graduated from the Waldensian College and Normal school in Torre Pellice and went from there to serve 18 months with the Mountain (light) Artillery. Immediately after that service he was sent to Mosul, Iraq, as secretary of the Italian Consulate. The last six months there he acted as vice consul. It was there that he decided to enter the ministry. From there he came back to his home in Torre Pellice, Italy, and then came to the United States as a student of theology at the New Brunswick Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church of America at New Brunswick, N. J. It was there that he received his B. D. degree and was licensed to preach and ordained to the ministry by the Classis of New Brunswick. He studied one year at Princeton Theological Seminary where he received his master's degree.

While at Princeton he started a mission at the New Utrecht Reformed church in Brooklyn, New York to which he was appointed as regular pastor when he returned from a visit to Italy in 1934. He was married in January, 1936, to Miss Elizabeth Verdoja, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Louis Verdoja. He was called to the Waldensian Presbyterian church and Samaritan House of Chicago in February, 1937.

Rev. Mr. Poet has one son, Paul Arthur, who was born August 27, 1937.

Valdese Cagers Whip Mars Hill

Lions Lose First Game Of Season to Waldensian Lads Saturday.

The Valdese community center lads defeated the Mars Hill Lions at Mars Hill last Saturday night by a 36 to 32 score.

The Waldensians handed the Lions their first defeat this season in their second game with Mars Hill.

Coach Dickerson's lads started with an early seven point lead, but the CC's led by Don Campbell, grabbed the lead before the end of the first half and managed to keep well ahead of the Mars Hill cagers till the end of the game.

The lineup:

Mars Hill	Pos.	Valdese
Charles Hubbard	F	Perrou
Whitaker	C	Flack
Heading	G	Campbell
White	G	Pitts
	G	Owens

Subs: Mars Hill, Hood, Peek, Leatherwood, Ray, Sams; Valdese, Messer, Brnkley.

CRANFORD BABY IS BURIED YESTERDAY

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Arthur Talmage Abernethy Wednesday afternoon for the day-old baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cranford of Valdese.

A number of friends and relatives were present for the burial which was conducted at the Shady Grove cemetery in east Valdese.

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