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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.

## C. C. Gymnasium To Sponsor S. S. Basketball Tournament

### DAY TOURNEY STARTS MARCH 1

Annual Tournament Will Be Open For Non-Conference Schools In This Section.

Plans are being laid for the first annual Valdese Community Center High School Basketball tournament, for non-conference schools in adjoining counties, which will be held in Valdese on March 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6.

The boys' and girls' tournaments will be held at the same time, playing one girls' game and one boys' game alternately. Cups will be given to the winning teams in each division. Medals will also be given winning teams and runner-up teams. The tournament is expected to consist of 16 boys teams and 16 girls teams, and will be open only to high schools not playing in a conference in this section of the state.

Letters have been sent to basketball coaches in the various high schools, and all entries are expected to be in by the fifteenth of February. Invitations to join the tournament have been sent to the following:

Burke County — Glen Alpine, Hildebran, Drexel and Valde.

Caldwell County — Granite Falls, Hudson, Happy Valley, Oak Hill and Collettsville.

McDowell County — Old Fort, Leno, Pleasant Gardens, Glenwood and North Cove.

Catawba County — Startown, Sherrill's Ford, Maiden, Banoak, Blackburn, Mountain View, Brookwood, Oxford, Ball's Creek, Claremont and Catawba.

Cleveland County — Fallston, Waco, Ellenboro and Hollis. An invitation has also been sent to Alexander high school at Union Mills.

Coaches are to be allowed to enter ten girls for their girls' teams, and eight boys for their boys' teams, and each entry's players must be under the state eligibility rule for high schools.

The schedule for the tournament has been announced as follows: 8 teams of girls and 8 teams of boys will play on March 1, and the same number March 2, completing the first round. The second round will be completed on March 3. Play will start at 2 p. m. on each of these days. March 4 will complete the semi-final games, starting at 6 p. m. The finals will be played on March 6, girls' game starting at 7:30 and boys to follow.

The usual competition for foul shooting will be held between halves of the first round.

## Stores Will Close Hallday In Summer

Local Merchants Association Plans Closing Hours In July and August.

Valdese stores will close on Wednesdays during the months of July and August from 1 p. m. on, it was decided Monday at the meeting of the Valdese Merchants Association which was held at the center building.

The local merchants decided on this action so as to give their employees a little more free time during the summer months and to afford them a little diversion from their work.

A lengthy discussion was held as to whether the stores ought to close at 7 o'clock on Saturday nights, but action was deferred until a future date.

The group instructed their secretary, James Short, to notify representative A. Leon Butler to sanction the diversion of road tax for the general fund and have them support it.

They also notified their representatives at Raleigh to insist on sales tax on all interstate commerce, saying that this would help in defraying the expenses of the state government.

The well attended meeting was set for March 6.

## TWINS ARE BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Abbe are proud parents of twin babies, which were born Saturday, February 4th.

## C. C.'s Weekly Cage Schedule

The community center cage teams announce that they play North Wilkesboro boys at the gym tonight at 8 o'clock.

Tomorrow night the C. C.'s meet Kannapolis and Saturday night the Valdese boys and girls meet the Canton boys' and girls' teams at the gym. A round and square dance will follow the games Saturday night.

## FRENCH SERVICES AT CHURCH SUN.

Rev. Sylvan S. Poet Will Conduct Services At Waldensian Church in French

The entire Waldensian Presbyterian church congregation and many visitors turned out en masse last Sunday morning to hear Rev. Sylvan Poet deliver his first sermon.

The church was well filled and his topic was well chosen. This coming Sunday he will deliver the sermon in French as has been the custom of the church to have French services each second Sunday of the month.

Rev. Poet has moved into the manse where he will make his home. He was somewhat late in arriving last week because he drove down from Chicago by car and bad weather and rising of rivers forced him to make a detour of about a hundred miles. He arrived Saturday night about 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Poet had arrived here Saturday morning from New York, where she had been visiting, and was here waiting when he arrived.

Rev. Poet will have an active part on the program of the Parent Teachers Association this afternoon when he will be presented in behalf of community activities.

## School's Library Is Ready For Use

The installation of fixtures for the library in the new high school are expected to be finished this week and the library probably be ready at the beginning of the week.

Books from the old library in the grammar school building were moved over yesterday and put in shelves which are situated on one end of the room. The library has five nice reading tables and makes an excellent place for high school pupils to study.

The school has purchased a new set of Americana Encyclopedias which have already arrived and have been set in the library for reference use.

The high school library is in bad need of some excellent fiction books and they urge those who can help them provide for it in any way to do so as it will greatly be appreciated.

## DR. BILLINGS AT PALMER'S CLINIC

Dr. G. M. Billings, Morganton physician, has announced that he has established regular hours at which time he will be on duty at Dr. Palmer's Clinic. He will be in Valdese on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8 to 10:30 in the morning and on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock.

Dr. Billings who has recently been appointed eye, ear, nose and throat consultant at Blackwelder hospital in Lenoir will be a member of the regular staff of the new Valdese General hospital. He will be in charge of the eye, ear, nose and throat department.

## BEN PONS ELECTED ON TOWN BOARD

At the regular meeting of the town board Monday night A. F. Garrou tendered his resignation which was accepted by the board. Mr. Garrou now lives out of the city limits and his term has expired. The board nominated and elected Ben Pons to succeed Mr. Garrou.

## P. T. A. TO MEET THIS AFTERNOON

Group Will Observe "Founders Day" With Elaborate Program

The Valdese Parent-Teachers Association has planned an elaborate program for their regular meeting this afternoon at 3:30 to celebrate Founders Day.

This anniversary is observed all over by Parent-Teacher organizations, and the local chapter has announced the following program for the meeting this afternoon:

Song—by P.T.A.  
Devotional exercises — Topic, "Service."

Introduction and resume of the anniversary of the P.T.A.—by the president, Mrs. Dallas Brinkley.

The importance of Founders Day—by Mrs. Marie Griffin.  
A discussion by Philip Guigou on "The Relationship of the P.T.A. to the community and public schools," and "What important problems faced by local schools can the P.T.A. help to solve."

In commemoration of Founders Day, an oak tree will be planted on the campus of the new Valdese high school.

Vocal rendition of Joyce Kilmer's poem "Trees"—by Mrs. George Williams, accompanied by Miss Anita Ghigo.

Rev. Sylvan S. Poet, new pastor of the Waldensian Presbyterian church, will be presented in behalf of community activities.

Special birthday offering.

Candle lighting exemplification, of all national, state and local P.T.A. workers—by Mrs. A. W. Baker.

Song—"Work For The Night Is Closing."

After the program delicious refreshments will be served, and the association urges all past presidents and members to be present for the occasion.

## Elevator Contract Is Let By Hospital

General Repair Work Being Rushed and Expected To Be Ready April 1st.

Authorities for the Valdese General Hospital announced late last week that they have let the contract for the elevator for the new hospital to the Monarch Elevator company of Greensboro.

It was reported that work on the hospital is progressing very rapidly and Dr. Yates Palmer has announced that the hospital may be ready toward the end of March.

General repair work is being completed and the furnishing of hospital rooms and living quarters are now being undertaken.

It was stated that the hospital has purchased a large quantity of hospital equipment along with an up-to-date X-ray machine.

## Gym Plans 'Canton Day' February 25th

Canton "Y" Will Bring Several Teams to Engage In Meet With Local Boys.

Final plans are being rushed for "Canton Day" which is scheduled to be held at the Valdese Community Center Saturday, February 25th.

Canton Y will journey to Valdese that Saturday with bowling, basketball badminton, volley ball and pool teams to engage in a sort of field day with the Valdese Community Center.

The center has been organizing teams so as to afford their visitors some stiff competition and all those who have been practicing for the various teams are urged to let the desk know what their plans are.

The volley ball classes have been more and more numerous each week and it was announced that the equipment for badminton has been received and any interested are urged to see Charlie Wilson.

Bowling schedules for the gym teams has been announced as follows for the coming week.

Tonight, February 6th—Pinebur 1 vs Pilot 2.

Friday, February 7th—Hoot Owls vs Outside.

Monday, February 13th—Hoot Owls vs Pinebur.

Wednesday, February 15th—Pilot 2 vs Outside.

## Fashion Extremes



Both furs and bathing suits were modeled by society beauties in Boston at the recent fashion show entitled "From Labrador to the South Seas." Mrs. Edward Hobbs II, Boston socialite, is the model here.

## Emergency Crop Loans Available

Applications Being Received In Morganton For Crop and Seed Loans.

Applications for emergency crop and feed loans for 1939 are now being received at Morganton at Squire Earl Franklin's office on second floor of Lazarus Bros. store building on Tuesday and Thursday of each week by Finis T. Wagoner, field supervisor of the emergency crop and feed loan section of the farm credit administration.

The loans will be made, as in the past, only to farmers whose cash requirements are small and who cannot obtain credit from any other source. The money loaned will be limited to the farmer's immediate and actual cash needs for growing his 1939 crops or for the purchase of feed for livestock.

Farmers who can obtain the funds they need from an individual, production credit association, bank, or other concern are not eligible for crop and feed loans from the emergency crop and feed loan section of the farm credit administration. The loans will not be made to standard rehabilitation clients whose current needs are provided for by the farm security administration, formerly known as the resettlement administration.

As in the past, farmers who obtain emergency crop and feed loans will give as security a first lien on the crop financed, or a first lien on the livestock to be fed if the money borrowed is to be used to produce or purchase feed for livestock.

Where loans are made to tenants, the landlords, or others having an interest in the crops financed or the livestock to be fed, are required to waive their claims in favor of a lien to the governor of the farm credit administration until the loan is repaid.

Checks in payment of approved loans will be mailed from the regional emergency crop and feed loan office at Columbia, S. C.

## POWER COMPANY STATIONS MAN HERE

E. P. Winkler of the Duke Power company is now stationed in Valdese to render service to the company's customers. Mr. Winkler, before coming to Valdese was connected with the Hickory office of the Power company.

Winkler, known as a "trouble man" may be reached by calling the Valdese Building & Loan Association, 53-L in daytime and at night he may be reached by calling 119-L.

## ADMITS SETTING HOUSE ON FIRE

17-Year Old Cook Charged With Theft of Clothes Before Igniting Home.

Lorene Curtis, 17-year old Wilkes county girl, admitted yesterday that she set fire to the home of Everett (K. O.) Berry near here where she was employed as cook after stealing clothes belonging to Mrs. Berry.

She pleaded guilty to both charges in a hearing before Magistrate T. Earl Franklin in Morganton and was ordered held under \$3,000 bond for the Burke Superior court term which opens February 20. In default of bond she was held in the county jail.

Police Officer J. P. Stilwell arrested the young woman in Hickory Tuesday night and reported that she had in her possession two suitcases and one box filled with clothes which were identified as the property of Mrs. Berry.

The Berry home, one mile east of Valdese, was saved from destruction by fire Tuesday morning when Valdese firemen extinguished a blaze that was burning the walls and floor in the corner of a bedroom.

Officer Stilwell who conducted the investigation said the Curtis girl, who had been cooking at the Berry home for a number of weeks, admitted setting fire to the house with the intention of burning it down.

He said also that two Berry children had been taken to the home of a neighbor while the baby was carried from the building by the cook after the house caught fire. After Miss Curtis, who will be 18 years old February 26, failed to return, an investigation was begun that led to her apprehension in a Hickory hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry are employed in the Pilot Full Fashioned Hosiery mill here and were at their work when their house was damaged by flames.

Within twelve hours after the fire, the young girl was being held in jail and had admitted to both offenses, Officer Stilwell said. The Curtis girl's home is at Darby in Wilkes county, the officer said.

## TENTH GRADERS HOLD DANCE FRIDAY NIGHT

The tenth grade of the Valdese high school is going to have a Valentine Party in the dining room of the elementary school building Friday night at eight o'clock.

The party is being sponsored by the tenth grade to help raise funds for the coming Junior-Senior banquet. The guests will be entertained with games and dancing with music furnished by a radio-victrolphone. Refreshments will be served.

## Uncle Wade Brown Brings Back Mystery Tale From His Home In Columbus County

"Uncle" Wade Brown as he is fondly called by his friends young and old around Valdese returned from his home near Whiteville in Columbus county last week with one of the most fantastic tales that has ever been told for the truth in civilized country.

"Uncle" Wade is not known as a prevaricator, even his closest set-back cronies, "Pap" Tise and Chief Coffey, will vouch for the veracity of most any statement he makes and he is known far and wide as one of the staunchest supporters of the "say exactly what you think group" so far be it from us to doubt this story which appeared in The Whiteville News Reporter this week.

"Is the truth of this story shrouded in mystery? Don't ask me I'm merely stating the facts that were given me. And here they are:

"A man and his wife were coming from Wilmington a few nights ago, riding in a Tudor sedan. In front of a service station a beautiful young woman stepped out in front of the oncoming car and signed it down. Then she asked for a ride.

"The man's wife who was in the front seat beside him, opened the door and let the pretty high-hiker,

## Valdese Scouts Founded Here Seven Years Ago

### To Hold Social Tomorrow Night

The Young People of the Waldensian Presbyterian church will hold a social at the church annex tomorrow night, Friday, February 10.

A sincere invitation to attend is extended to all young members of the church.

## BOX SUPPER IS PLANNED SOON

Lions Club Will Sponsor Box Supper; Discuss Blind Work In State.

Plans for a box supper and a variety of entertainment were discussed by the local Lions at their last meeting at the school house Thursday night.

The group heard the report of several committees, among them being the blind committee which reported that in the past year the club had been able to provide glasses for six needy children in our community. Drexel Lions were asked for report in their part of the community and what progress they had made.

A report was given by Ed Pons on the State blind commission which was established by Lions clubs in the state and it was stated that the work had grown in such proportions that the personnel of the committee needed to be enlarged. It was decided that members urge their Representative A. Leon Butler from Burke county to do all he could to see that the blind commission's budget go through when it came up.

The report on the Barn dance showed that it was very successful and after the group had heard a few words from Drs. Lynn and Palmer on the new Valdese General hospital, Mr. Horton, a surgical house salesman, who was a guest of the club, stated that Valdese had one of the best setups for a hospital that he had ever seen.

## Church Conducts Drive For Funds

Money Will Be Used To Buy Benches For New Mt. Calvary Baptist Church

Work is progressing rapidly on the new Mt. Calvary Baptist church which is being built in the Crow Hill section and it is expected that the church may be finished by the middle of March, weather permitting.

The foundation has been laid and the walls are well above the first story.

A special drive is being conducted by members of the new church to raise funds for the purchase of benches for the church. The public is urged to make a contribution to help this worthy

## TROOP HAS 24 ACTIVE SCOUTS

Local Troop Was Founded February 28th, 1932, By Ben Shytle

Local Boy Scouts join this week with the thousands of other organizations in the nation in observing their 29th anniversary. This month also is the seventh anniversary of the organization of a Boy Scout troop in Valdese.

The local troop was formed by Ben Shytle February 28th, 1932, who was then working at the Waldensian Bakery. He is now employed in Shelby. Mr. Shytle guided the local scouts for a while then the task was turned over to C. C. Long, and then to Kemp Tunis. Other scout masters of the troop, since its organization, have been Dan Bounous, Manning Bills, John Coffey, Rev. G. F. Hood and Reid Suttle.

The troop was under the sponsorship of The Chamber of Commerce for a time, till the Lions club took it over and has been acting as its sponsor.

The troop has passed through its ranks over 150 scouts in the seven years that it has been organized.

The troop meets each Monday night at a regular scout cabin on St. Germain street which is donated for their use by Frank Pascal. Acting on the Boys Scout committee for the Lions club are Howard Hawkins, Frank Pascal, O. H. Pons, C. E. Long, Haynes Rutheford, Earl Searcy and J. H. Bounous.

The leaders and scouts of the troop are:

Reid Suttle, scoutmaster; Edward Pascal, assistant scoutmaster; Oude Killian, junior assistant; and Donnie Martinat, scribe.

Ernest Ribet, leader of Wolf Patrol.

Elmo Pascal, leader of Rattlesnake patrol.

Raymond Squillario, leader of Flying Eagle patrol.

Scouts: Raymond Squillario, Earl Searcy, Jr., Humbert Rostan, Henry Grill, Billy Pascal, Richard Pascal, Thomas Farrington, Ernest Ribet, Frank Page, O. H. Pons, Jr., Frank Pons, Cub Jones, Melvin Burns, Waburn Jones, Robert Brinkley, Elmo Pascal, John Sams, Jr., Darold Powell, Fred Ribet, Ralph Walsh, Parks Sherrill, Jr., Silvio Pascal, Joe Hern, Jr., and Roy Sams.

## High School Seniors Select Superlatives

Group Will Be Included In the Annual Being Published by the Beta Club.

The Valdese high school Senior class at one of their recent meetings selected their Senior class superlatives. These superlatives will be included in the annual that is being prepared by the Beta club. The Senior superlatives for this year are:

Most Studious—Robert Pascal and Frances Davis.

Most Athletic—John Moose and Oree Baker.

Best Looking—John Moose and Evelyn Drum.

Most Dignified—Winifred Garmon and Florabelle Bright.

Most Popular—Johnson Satterwhite and Elsie Pascal.

Best All-Around—Johnson Satterwhite and Zaida Killian.

Cutest—Donnie Martinat and Ruth Alexander.

Wittiest—Willie Lail and Ruth Hunter.

Most Courteous—Johnson Satterwhite and Mary Neal Cornwall.

Neatest—Joel Dalmas and Lillian Satterwhite.

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Circle No. 1 of the church will meet Tuesday night, February 14, at the home of Miss Olga Pascal on Bienvenue road.

## WALDENSIAN CHURCH NEWS ITEMS LISTED

The women of the Waldensian church urge all to get their tickets for the Seventeenth of February celebration as soon as possible.