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OVER 5,000 TO ENTER SCHOOLS NEXT WEEK

Ashe Teachers Are Announced For School Year

Few Vacancies Are Expected To Be Filled Before The Opening Monday

A. B. Hurt, county superintendent of schools, yesterday released the list of teachers for the coming school year, which officially opens on Monday.

There are still a few vacancies and possibly some changes to be made from this list, but all vacancies are expected to be filled before school opens on Monday, Mr. Hurt said.

The list as released from the county superintendent's office is as follows:

Jefferson high school—J. B. Hash, principal; Mrs. Gertrude A. Vaughn, Imogene Hoppers, Bruce Bowlin, E. C. Francis, Orville Jackson, Mrs. Eleanor B. Reeves, Robert Woodie, Stewart Scott, Mrs. Hazel A. Koozts, Mrs. Sue M. Smith, Mamie Smithy, Mrs. Edna M. Burgess, Louise Sutherland, Mabel Blackburn, Laura McConnell, L. B. Lacey, agriculture.

Riverview high school—Herbert Graybeal, principal, Mrs. Bess D. Latham, E. V. Eller, Mrs. Gladys Arnold, Mrs. Hazel Roland, Bruce Graybeal, Carl Hartso, Meredith Duncan, Joe Robinson, Ethel Brown, Esther Osborne, Irene S. King, Jewel R. Miller, Rena F. Graybeal, Ruth V. Price.

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Lamb Pool Will Be Held Friday

Farmers Should Bring Animals To Livestock Market Early

Plans are now completed for the third lamb pool of the season to be held at the West Jefferson stockyard on Friday, H. D. Quessenberry, county agent, announced this week. Farmers are asked to bring their lambs to market as early as possible in order that loading arrangements can be made before train time. Lambs should be at the market not later than ten o'clock Mr. Quessenberry pointed out.

Producers with light weight lambs are urged to treat them for internal parasites in order to increase weight and improve the grade of the lambs.

Choice lambs will be given top prices and farmers are urged to have their lambs ready. Prices on lambs other than choice ones have, in the past, shown a considerable drop.

Scores Are Given For Ball Games

West Jefferson was twice victorious during the week end when they defeated Laurel Springs on the local diamond, with a score of 6-4. On Sunday at Scottville, West Jefferson won by a score of 5-4.

Due to the fact that some of the team managers did not report their games the scores are incomplete.

The schedule for the baseball games for this week end is as follows:

Saturday—Lansing at Jefferson; Helton at Scottville; West Jefferson at Laurel Springs. Sunday—Laurel Springs at Lansing; Scottville at West Jefferson; Helton at Jefferson.

Ashe Baptists To Open Association At Clifton Aug. 29

ASHE MODERATOR



J. C. Goodman, moderator of the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association.

J. C. Goodman Is Moderator; Good Crowd Is Expected For Three-Day Meeting

Plans are now being completed for the program of the sixty-first annual session of the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association scheduled to open at Clifton Baptist church next Friday, August 29 and continue through Sunday, August 31.

A large attendance is expected and an instructional and inspirational program is being planned for the meetings.

Rev. E. W. Powers, pastor of the W. Jefferson Baptist church will deliver the introductory sermon and Rev. Paul Phipps will conduct the devotionals on the opening day.

A number of prominent State Baptist leaders including Dr. I. G. Greer, as well as a number of Baptist lay leaders are expected to take part on the program. The Ashe Missionary Baptist association which is the largest of its kind in the section, includes over 54 churches and has a membership, according to the report at last association, of 4,915. Professor J. C. Goodman is moderator. (Continued on Page 4)

Annual Meeting Of BTU Planned At Friendship

Officers To Be Named; Associational Directors To Make Reports

Annual Associational Baptist Training Union will meet at the Friendship Baptist church, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, D. C. Severt, director of the association, announced this week.

A special program has been planned and officers will be named for the coming year and a number of reports will be presented to the group, it was pointed out. Approximately 500 members were present at the meeting last year and Mr. Severt pointed out that he hoped as many or more would be present, Sunday.

Reports will be heard from the following associational officers: C. M. Payne, adult department; Hugh Ferguson, young people's department; Miss Mary Jordan, intermediate department; Miss Vivian Parsons, junior department. (Continued on Page 4)

Baptist To Meet At Beaver Creek

The annual communion service will be held at the Beaver Creek Primitive Baptist church, Sunday morning at ten o'clock and will continue throughout the day, it was announced this week.

Several visiting ministers are expected to be present and all of the sister churches of the Section association are invited to attend, as well as the general public.

Dinner will be served on the church grounds.

Episcopal Churches Hold Joint Meeting At Glendale

Officials, members and friends of the Episcopal churches in Ashe and Watauga held a joint celebration at Hold Trinity, Glendale Springs on Sunday, when a number of the past rectors were present.

During the morning service holy communion was celebrated and Rev. James Sills delivered the sermon.

Following this service a picnic lunch was served on the grounds at the Mission house, after which, in an informal outdoor service, all former rectors, who were present, made brief talks on the work during the time they served the churches, represented at the meeting.

Rev. James McKoewn, present rector of the four churches, introduced each speaker.

Those who talked briefly were Rev. J. N. Atkins, who was here

Youth Center To Secure Equipment

Mrs. J. H. Payne Is In Charge Of The Drive To Raise Funds

Mrs. J. H. Payne is now conducting a campaign to raise money to purchase equipment to be used at the teen-age parties at the community building. Mrs. Payne reported this week that already contributions totalling \$89.50 had been received and she stated that she hoped others would also donate.

Several business firms have already contributed toward the equipment. W. G. Vannoy, Graybeal's Drug store and Hayes Hardware have contributed cards. Rhodes Furniture company and Faucette's have both given card tables and Ashe Hardware donated several records.

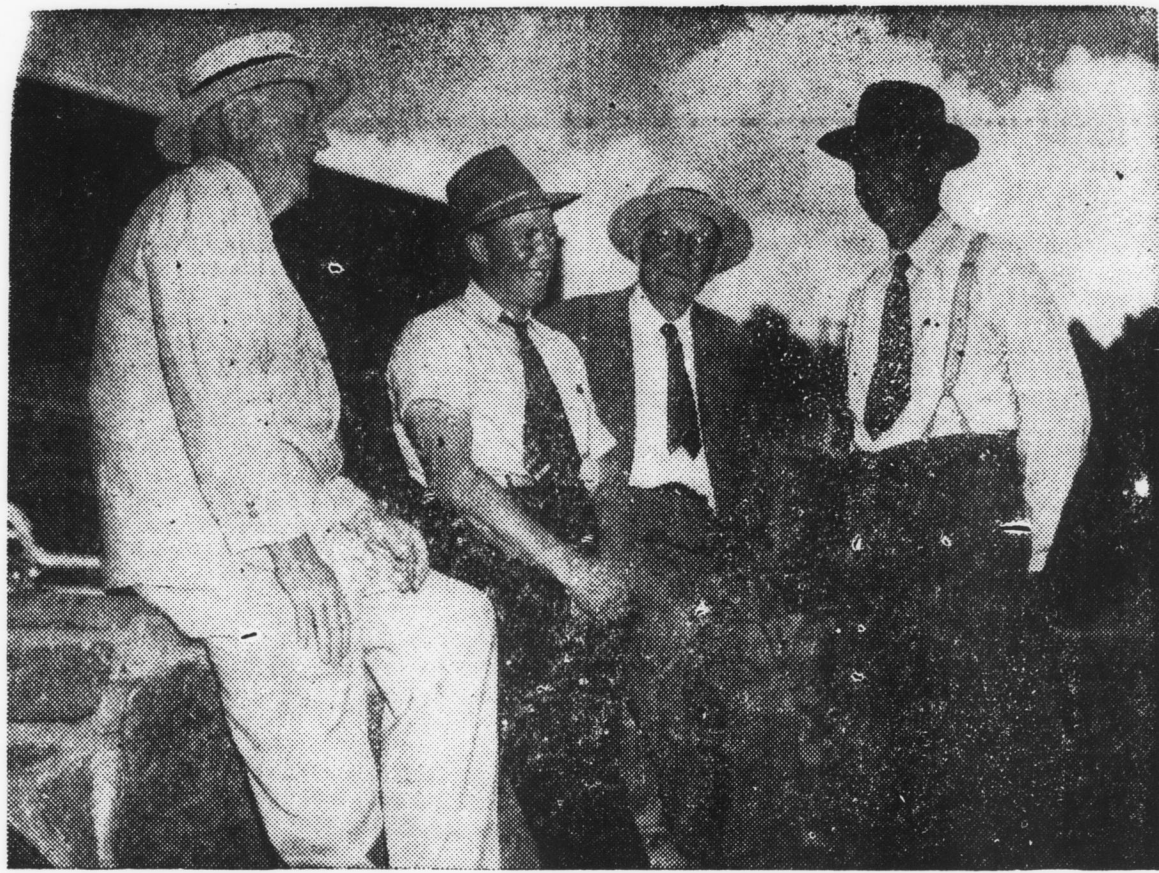
Mrs. Payne pointed out that it was the plan to secure equipment to be kept in the community building which can be used by the general public as well as the teen-age group.

Triplet Is New R. E. A. Foreman

Floyd S. Triplett, of Lenoir, has assumed his duties here as line foreman for R. E. A. in Ashe county.

Mr. Triplett, who was transferred here from Blowing Rock, has had 24 years of experience in electrical work. He succeeds Tommy Hayes, here.

These Men Have A Common Interest, Soil Conservation



Soil conservation was the subject of public and private talks here last Friday, the occasion being the sixth anniversary of the New River Soil Conservation District. Dr. H. H. Bennett, left, chats with Tom Greene, Sparta conservationist; Congressman R. L. Doughton and J. C. Little, Clifton, a member of the district board of supervisors.

Tobacco Field Day Is Attended By Many, Tues.

Dr. Luther Shaw, W. E. Colwell, Kerr Scott and J. S. Wilkins Heard

Tobacco farmers and others interested in this popular crop, from Ashe, Alleghany, Wilkes and Watauga were among the 250 who attended the field day program at the State Test Farm on Tuesday when leaders in the field spoke briefly on burley, Turkish and rustica tobacco, after which field trips were made.

James A. Graham, assistant director in charge, presided over the meeting, and presented W. B. Austin, who in turn introduced the N. C. Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott. Scott extended a welcome. Dr. W. E. Colwell, professor of agronomy, N. C. State college discussed the tobacco experiments now being carried out. John S. Wilkins, agronomist, N. C. Extension Service in charge of the Turkish tobacco experiment here, told of the results that had been achieved in its production. Dr. Luther Shaw, agronomist, division of tobacco, U. S. D. A., told of the research work being done in connection with the experiments in Turkish tobacco.

Principals Of Schools Will Meet Tuesday

A. B. Hurt, superintendent of schools announced yesterday that there would be an administrative conference of all school principals on Tuesday afternoon, from 2:00 to 5:00 p. m. at the court house, when a representative of the State department of education will be present.

Not only are all principals of the central schools to attend, but those of the smaller schools of the county including the two and three teacher units, Mr. Hurt said.

Drug Store Was Broken Into Here

Thieves, who escaped with little loot, but damaged the building considerably, forced their way into Graybeal's drug store here last Thursday evening.

An outside window as well as inside doors were damaged. As far as it could be learned, little was taken except a small amount of money from the cash register. It was estimated at around \$10.

It is believed that the thieves were frightened away and thus frustrated in attempts to take merchandise. Officers are still investigating the case.

New River District Praised By Dr. Bennett For Progress Made In Soil Conservation

Announce Dates For Collection Of Wool In Ashe

Prices Are Also Announced By County Agent H. D. Quessenberry

Dates and prices for the annual Ashe county wool pool were announced yesterday by H. D. Quessenberry, county agent.

Farmers are advised that wool will be collected at the following places on the following dates: Laurel Springs post office, August 26 at 8 o'clock in the morning; Sturgills store, Grassv Creek, August 27 from 1 to 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

September 1, Sutherland school from 8:00 until 9:30 in the morning; Fig post office, Fig, from 10 to 11:30 a. m.; at Lansing, Tom Goss' store from 1 to 3 p. m. (Continued on Page 4)

Second Case Of Polio Reported

Little Billie Dare Ashby, seven-year old daughter of Mrs. Webb Roten, of Warrensville, was taken to the hospital at Gastonia on Tuesday, after being stricken with infantile paralysis.

She is the second victim in this county to be stricken with the disease this summer. Ray Mahala, of the Creston section, was taken to Gastonia several weeks ago.

4-H Club Week To End Fri.; Eighteen From Ashe Attend

Eighteen Ashe county 4-H club members are among the 1,500 who are taking part in the annual 4-H club week held at State college this week.

One of the highlights of the week's activities will be held tonight when the king and queen of health will be crowned at the health festival. Today, the members have been taken on tours of Raleigh, State college campus and the Agricultural Experiment Station.

Tomorrow night, the delegates will gather in Riddick stadium to hear Secretary of War, Kenneth Royall, of Goldsboro, speak on "The Food Situation in Germany." Following his address, the traditional candlelighting ceremony will be held and newly elected officers will be installed.

On Tuesday morning the delegates heard an address by Governor Cherry and officers were named. Yesterday, State winners in dairy production demonstrations, 4-H livestock judging, clothing demonstration and a dress review were determined.

Those from Ashe attending are Sally Burkett, Laura Nan Eller, Marcia Gilly, Emma Sue Farrington, Jean Blackburn, Mildred Hartsoe, Audrey Colvard, Ocie Farmer, Sharon Blevins, Alice Miller, Sue Littlewood, Danford Sheets, Lee McMillan, Richard Roe, Hugh Blevins, Calvin Miller, Walter Bare and Joe Goodman.

Was Speaker With Congressman Doughton And Others On Program Friday

"You are not asleep in Ashe county," Dr. H. H. Bennett, Chief of the Soil Conservation Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, said here on Friday night in discussing the progress made in soil conservation work.

The address of this world authority on soil conservation climaxed a full day's program, which included other addresses as well as field trips among the farms of the county, moving pictures, and other special exhibits, attended by several hundred people.

"We are making progress," he said and declared that "North Carolina is turning green." He expressed his delight that green pastures were replacing many gullied hillsides. "I believe we are marching toward one of the best types of agriculture," he said and emphasized the fact that each acre of land should be treated according to its needs. (Continued on Page 4)

Dr. J. S. Hiatt To Speak Sunday

Dr. J. S. Hiatt, superintendent of Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital at Elkin, will be the guest minister at the Grassy Creek Methodist church, Sunday at eleven o'clock. Rev. W. C. Eastridge, pastor has announced.

Dr. Hiatt will also speak at the Helton Methodist church at eight o'clock Sunday night.

Plans Ready For Formal Opening Monday Morning

Principals Are To Hold District Meeting For All Teachers, Friday

Thousands of children will go back to school in Ashe county next Monday, August 25, when all of the county's 61 schools will be formally opened for the 1947-48 session.

Figures reveal that last year's enrollment was well over 5,000 and it is estimated that it will show an increase this year, when the first World War II babies will enter. All school patrons are invited to attend the opening sessions of the various schools on the opening day, Monday.

Most of the teaching positions have been filled, Superintendent A. B. Hurt said and the remaining openings are expected to be supplied before Monday. Buildings are being put in readiness for the opening, too, he stated.

Principals are holding district meetings on Friday in order to outline plans for the coming school year for all of the teachers.

Attendance is to be stressed again and attention is called to the fact that children aged 7 to 16 inclusive are required by law to be in school.

Brother Of Ashe Man Shoots Self

W. R. Vannoy Dies Of Self-Inflicted Gun Wounds, ON Tuesday

North Wilkesboro—William R. Vannoy, 48, Wilkes county businessman, shot himself to death near his home at Miller's Creek at 2 a. m. Tuesday. The bullet entered his forehead.

Coroner I. M. Myers said Mr. Vannoy left notes indicating he intended to take his life. Despondency over ill health apparently was the cause of the suicide, the coroner said.

Mr. Vannoy's body was found between his home and the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Thomas McNeil. Mrs. McNeil told Coroner Myers she heard a shot about 2 a. m.

Mr. Vannoy was born at Puzlelear December 29, 1898, a son of the late James and Cornelia Bumgarner Vannoy. He owned and managed gasoline service stations at North Wilkesboro and recently purchased the Busie Taxi-cab Company, here.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lacy McNeil Vannoy; one daughter, Miss Catherine Vannoy; eight brothers, H. R. Vannoy of West Jefferson, John T. R. G. R. V. C. J., and Clyde Vannoy of Purlear; J. A. Vannoy, of Winston-Salem; and J. C. Vannoy of N. Wilkesboro; and four sisters, Mrs. J. H. Davis of Purlear, Mrs. John D. McLean of Cricket, Mrs. Robert Reavis of Winston-Salem and Mrs. Mintie Bumgarner of Purlear.

Funeral service was conducted at 3 p. m. yesterday at Pleasant Home Baptist church.

VISITING IN COUNTY

Miss Jessie Cronk of Salem, Va., is spending some time with Misses Clara and Alta Perkins of Helton. Miss Cronk has spent the past 15 years in Rajahmundry, India as a missionary of the United Lutheran church of America.

Baldwin Rites Set For Friday

Funeral service for Lee Chester Baldwin, 51, will be held tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock at the Whitetop church. Officiating will be Rev. K. J. Foreman, Jr., and interment will be in the Cole cemetery.

The deceased, who was a merchant at Lansing, was a veteran of World War I. He succumbed at his home Wednesday morning.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Nellie Baldwin, and the following children: Evon Osborne, of Kennett Square, Pa.; Fitzhugh Baldwin of Salem, Va.; Hope and Norma Baldwin, of Lansing.