

nasal or post-nasal dis- the proper cold antedote. charge, sneezing and burn- And remember, a cold is ing eyes. Decongestants re- rarely as bad as its symplieve nasal blockage and toms, so control those general stuffiness, while symptoms and save yourself aspirin offers best all around the two m's - misery and relief from headache, mus- money!

Pollard's Drug Store Burnsville 682-2146 CODA TICE UNO

Dark-colored stems mean cherries have been around too

long. Look for bright, plump fruit with green stems.

Letter To A The Editor

Dear Editor:

Since Valentine season is a happy time, I have just remembered how happy I am to have had such a forcanate experience while in Burnsville over Christmas. This past Christmas Eve my wife and I were stuck with what we thought was a dead battery in freezing cold weather just beyond Celo near some Trout Creek Farm Road.

We called the Mountain View Motel and it was truly heart warming to find the hospitality of Tony Pagano who came to our rescue. Our problem was not the battery and Tony took the time to transfer our baggage and drive us to the motel, this on Christmas Eve while he was with his family.

As an expression of our appreciation for Tony's response, we did send a check to the Lisa Haney Fund since he would not accept any additional remuneration for his service.

We have now had two visits in the Burnsville area and it is with a feeling of warmth that we hope to return again on Easter.

> Sincerely yours, John P. Milanovich, **Vice President for Development** Geneva College, Beaver Falls, PA

CLINIC SCHEDULE FEBRUARY 1977

Feb. 23, Wed., Orthopedic Cli	inic
Feb. 24, Thurs., Family Plann	ing-Dr.McGahey
Feb. 25, Fri., Child Health-Dr	. Pope
Feb: 28, Mon., Immunization	Clinic
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School Issues:

Snow Day Decisions

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9:00- 3:00

[This is the second of a series of articles furnished by the Office of the Superintendent of Schools for the purpose of informing the interested public on school matters

During the past two months, more than ever before, people are asking detailed questions about cancellation of schools, who makes such decisions and under what conditions. We will attempt to answer these questions below with some explanation as to how and why.

The superintendent of school alone is charged with making final decisions about cancellation of schools. If inclement weather conditions are forecast the night before decision to delay school for an hour in order to have more time to see if weather conditions get worse or better. Then a subsequent announcement is made. Also there are often conflicting opinions that further complicate the making of a final during the night. After decision. sufficient opinions have been collected, the decision is

There is often a great variation in weather conditions in various parts of the county. There have been a number of days this winter in which roads were very hazardous in parts of the county but were perfectly clear in other sections. There have also been times when schools were closed early on days when snow was falling rapidly in some sections of the county while the sun was shining in other sections. Parents can be assured that the first and foremost concern of all conscientious school administrators is the safety of school children. They are very anxious that every student be afforded the opportunity to be in school all day every day throughout the school year. But this concern does not take precedence over the safety of the student. Communication is sometimes a serious problem when sudden decisions have to be made, as was the case on Friday morning, February 18. Principals and bus drivers are notified first. This is often difficult and time consuming since there are ten principals and fifty bus drivers to be called on phone lines that usually become clogged in the early morning hours. For this reason we request that parents and students get their information by listening to the radio or calling the answering service. To a few irritated parents who have protested some recent decisions, we repeat that the final decision in these matters is made by the superintendent. His best judgment is always used in these matters, however, he is the first to admit that he is not infallible. The same can be said for the weatherman.

Tall tales have always been a favorite type of American folklore.

Some scholars say they are a kind of reverse bragging related to the difficulties of pioneer life in this country. Now I'm not exactly a pioneer type, but living in Boone over a number of years, I've noticed a tendency in myself and others to enjoy exaggerating the severity of the winters, actually bragging about the winds, depth of snows, and sub-zero temperatures.

Another type of mountain bragging concerns itself with "making do" with as little as possible, perhaps because the hill person has, indeed, found it necessary to stretch his resources to the fullest extent.

One of the tall stories related to this feature is the shaky gun story, which appears in many forms.

A Watauga County reader recently shared the following version with me, one that I had not heard before. As with most folk tales it tells better than it reads.

NOT A BAD SHOT

Little Johny baged and baged his Farther to let him go hunting, so his Farther said, "Son, what do you want to hunt for?"

Not use to the flopping "Dad, I want to go out an' and noise Johny stood there kill a great big wild turkey." shaking and thinking what to So his Farther leaded up

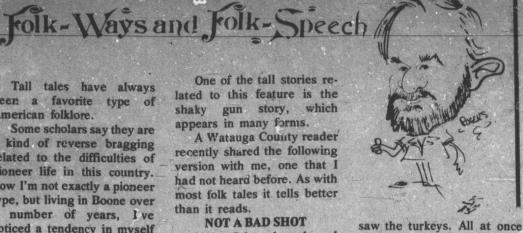
his muzzle lead rifle, gave it He decided that he would to Johny and tole him where try and kill one. When he he had saw some wild turkeys rased the rifle and looked a few days before. through the sites, the end of Johny took the gun and the rifle barrel was going

wint out where his Daddy had about ever way. Bang wint the gun. Up

US Patent Awarded

Mr. Lawrence Frierson, right, an aerospace engineer at the Naval Surface Weapons Center in Dahlgren, Virginia, was recently awarded a United States Patent for his work on the development of a low-cost position sensor for high speed vehicles. Mr. Frierson is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Wilson of Jack's Creek. He and his wife, Millie and son Ben live in Fredericksburg, Virginia.





there was a big flopping

sound and up flew five big

wild turkeys and lit on a limb

through the limb wint the

bullet, splitting the limb

open. Down drops 10 turkeys'

feet in the crack. When the

limb went back to gather

there was five turkeys hang-

along by the same reader tells

of an eminently successful

out squrrel hunting one day a

rain storm blew up so he crawl up under a clif near by.

rain, he saw a dead tree with a

large crack up the side. While

he sat there and looked he

notice the crack would close

jumped out, cut off a Jack

vine, tied it around the tree

where the crack was just as

tight as he could pull it, so

that stop the crack from

When the rain ended he

went to the house, got the ax,

øpening up.

When the rain slacked he

up and open back out.

As he sat there out of the

squirrel-hunting technique. **NOT MUCH LUCK** A frind said while he was

A related story passed

ing and flopping!

just over Johny's head.

cancel school. For those who do not arise early it should be pointed out that during the winter months, weather conditions change more between

Deer Kills

Registered

In Yancey

BY VIC VANSANT

Wildlife Biologist

were registered with Yancey

County wildlife cooperator

agents during the past deer

season--115 of which were

taken during rifle season.

These totals are probably not

complete since several kills

were not registered. The N.C.

Wildlife Resources Commis-

sion would like to express

their appreciation to hunters

and cooperator agents for

providing us with these

records. Harvest information

of this type helps wildlife

personnel set hunting regula-

tions accurately. This know-

ledge would be especially

valuable in an area like

Yancey County, since the deer

hunters are required by law to

tag their kill and register it at

local cooperator agent facili-

ties. Hunters can help the

Wildlife Resources Commis-

sion manage deer herds by

following season and bag

limits and providing kill

records to cooperator agents.

Deer and other big-game

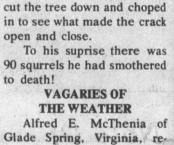
herd is still growing.

A total of 156 deer kills

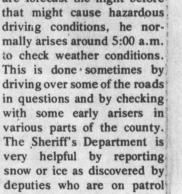
five and seven a.m. than at any other time. Because of this we sometimes make the



to death! **VAGARIES OF** THE WEATHER



Glade Spring, Virginia, recently responded to an item in this column about the unusual frost cycle in Watauga County by noting an abnormal pattern



made to have school or to





ONLY THE NEWSPAPER let you pick the time and place to read and relax to become "carried away" with the w with the wide on every page

WASHINGTON-Several days ago, the Associated Press in Raleigh distributed an erroneous report to North Carolina radio stations-a report that was later corrected, but not quickly enough to prevent a great many people from being misinformed.

It was an honest error, such as all humans make--but it was an error nonetheless, and it did mislead citizens who heard the radio report.

It concerned the pay raise which the Congress has, in effect, voted for itself-and for thousands of high-level bureaucrats and federal judges.

MISTAKE-The Associated Press reported that both Senator Morgan and I had voted in favor of the pay increasewhen, in fact, both Senator Morgan and I voted against the increase. Moreover, I was one of the chief sponsors of a Senate resolution to disapprove the pay increase.

That resolution was defeated by a four-vote margin. The leadership of the Senate would not even permit a straight upor-down vote on it; instead, the Majority Leader of the Senate, Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia, moved to table the resolution. -and it was on that motion that the Senate voted. Both Senator Morgan and I voted against tabling the resolution.

AUTOMATIC-I object to any scheme-and that's what it is: a scheme-which allows a Presidential Commission, accountable to nobody, to specify such salary increases. In order to block the pay increases, the Congress must vote to disapprove the recommendation of the Presidential Commission. If the Congress does nothing-if it fails to vote its disapproval----then the pay increases are automatic.

I have serious doubts that such a scheme is even constitutional. But even if it is, I do not believe that enormous pay increases should be given to the very people who have caused the inflation that the American people are suffering.

It is the wild spending by Congress and the federal bureaucrats that is the direct cause of inflation. Why should the taxpayers be forced to bail out the very people who have been causing our nation's economic woes?

KNEW-Moreover, every Member of Congress knew what his or her salary would be when he or she ran for office. I have heard several Senators complain that they could earn a great deal more money in other jobs. During debate in the Senate, I observed that the door was open-that these Senators could resign from the Senate simply by filing notice. (I haven't seen anybody resign yet, and I haven't noticed any shortage of candidates.)

A substantial number of North Carolinians heard the erroneous radio report. Our office received a number of letters from citizens who did not hear the correction later distributed by the Ascociated Press.

We have responded to all who wrote. However, there's no way to be sure about others who heard only the first report, and didn't write to us. Maybe the word will get around, sooner or later.

in a bowl-shaped valley in Washington County, Virginia. He quotes Squire Bill

Widener, a resident of the area, as labeling the weather pattern "very unique in behavior''--that _every year after the last spring frost, the area outside the saucer (valley) would continue to be plagued by frost for a period of four to six weeks and that in the fall the first killing frost would occur four to six weeks earlier outside than inside the saucer area.

Readers are invited to send folk material to Folk-Ways and Folk-Speech, Box 376, Appalachian State University, Boone, North Carolina 28608.



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