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Date	High	Low	5 p.m.	Pre.
Aug. 27	79	47	70	
Aug. 28	81	47	68	
Aug. 29	83	51	75	
Aug. 30	85	53	78	
Aug. 31	84	53	73	
Sept. 1	84	54	73	
Sept. 2	84	53	70	



**TEEN-AGE SQUARE DANCERS.**—These teen-agers from Shoals Shoals (Caldwell County), and their hosts, the Blowing Teen-Age Club, are shown at a recent square dance held in Blowing Rock. Reading from right to left are the adults who directed their activities: Sonny Atkins, youth religious director; Carol Hawthorne, assistant youth director; Ronny L. Brooks, Blowing Rock recreation director; Charles M. Leith and Andrew Yasinsac, assistant recreation directors; Stewart Kirby, Dudley Shoals high school principal; Clyde Bowman and Mrs. Stewart Kirby Refreshments were provided by Mrs. Hubert Gryder, Mrs. Ed Harnick, Mrs. James B. Coffey, Mrs. Lloyd Robbins and Mrs. Charles Bolick, all of Blowing Rock. —Photo by Emerson Humphrey.

## Horn In West Ends Season With Attendance Figure Of 27,110

### Future For Local Drama Is Brightened

The historical drama, "Horn in the West," ended its sixth season Monday night with a total attendance of 27,110 for the season.

The figure represents a twelve and one-half per cent increase over the total for the 1956 year and it marks the first time in the history of the drama that a season has exceeded the year before in attendance, announced Leo Derrick, head of the department of public relations for the Boone drama.

The total for the preceding year was 24,410, and the members of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association, the non-profit organization which sponsors the production, expressed pleasure over the increase this summer.

James P. Marsh, executive vice-president of the association, issued the statement Tuesday that all officials of the sponsoring group are highly pleased over the way the whole operation went this year, and added that it now appears virtually certain that the drama would be carried on each summer for many years.

Marsh was high in his praise of Derrick's job in the latter's first year in handling publicity and promotion. He said the increase in attendance was indicative of much hard and efficient work, because many conditions were adverse to a bigger turnout. The highway situation, for example, could hardly have been worse in the immediate Boone area, as main roads in the vicinity were under construction, he added.

That will be remedied long before the show opens next year and the outlook for the 1958 season appears bright, Marsh declared. Derrick paid tribute to his able promotion assistant, Mrs. Constance Garvey, and to the show itself for the bigger attendance figure. Summer camps attended this year in increased numbers, and word-of-mouth advertising from satisfied patrons went a long way in helping boost attendance above the 1955 total, he stated.

Derrick, for seven years a newspaperman in eastern North Carolina before taking over the public relations post for the "Horn" in mid-March, also praised business manager Carl Fidler for the efficient handling of financial matters and theater maintenance personnel. Edgar Loessin, young Texas dramatist who directed the show, did a fine job, with a capable cast which prompted wide favorable response to the play, the public relations director said.

Dr. I. G. Greer, president of the association and noted educator from Chapel Hill, attended the season's final showing, along with other officials of the sponsoring organization.

Derrick said plans would be started in the near future for next year's operation, following the annual meeting of the association in October.

### P. H. Hanes, Jr. To Speak To Local C Of C

P. H. Hanes, Jr., Winston-Salem industrialist, will be the principal speaker at the September meeting of the Boone Chamber of Commerce next Tuesday, September 10, in the banquet room of the Boone Trail Restaurant. The luncheon meeting will begin at 12 o'clock noon.

Mr. Hanes, one of North Carolina's most prominent figures in industry, will speak to the civic body on "The Industrial Outlook in North Carolina."

Stanley A. Harris, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, said in urging all members to make a special effort to attend: "Mr. Hanes is as well versed in industrial affairs as anyone in the state, and he is sure to bring us an interesting and worthwhile message. The public is invited to attend this meeting."

### King Given IRC Position

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—The recent appointment of Mr. Laurence A. King as Management Consultant of International Resistance Company's Asheville and Boone, N. C. plants was announced August 28 by Mr. Harry A. Ehle, executive vice-president of the company.

IRC's Asheville plant manufactures controls and potentiometers, concentric strips and discs, high frequency and high voltage resistors, and voltmeter multipliers. Power wire wound resistors of all types, fuse resistors and selenium rectifiers and diodes are made at the Boone plant.

### Bill May, 64, Dies Friday

Bill Walter May, 64 year old farmer of Reese, passed away Friday morning, August 30, at the Watauga Hospital in Boone, after a short illness.

Services were conducted Sunday, September 1, at the Forest Grove Baptist Church. Burial followed in the church cemetery. The Rev. Carl Wilson, pastor, the Rev. Noah Johnson and the Rev. J. H. Crisp conducted the services.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Bessie Eggers May of Reese; four sons, T. C. and Earl of Reese, Ted of Neva, Tenn., and Austin H. of Atlanta, Ga.; one brother, Ben of Moore, Idaho; three sisters, Mrs. Julia Curry of Elizabethton, Tenn., Mrs. Blanche Snyder of Neva, and Mrs. Ida May of Granite Falls; and four grandchildren.

## Five Hundred Freshmen Begin Arriving At Appalachian Today

By EARLEEN G. PRITCHETT

More than five hundred freshmen are expected to arrive at Appalachian State Teachers College on Wednesday, September 4, to begin a week of orientation before they enter classes. The college is expecting one of the largest freshman classes ever to enroll.

On Thursday, the 5th, the first freshman assembly will be held in the college auditorium. President W. H. Plemmons will deliver a message of welcome and the new students will meet other officers of the college administration and student leaders. The rest of the day will be devoted to the testing program. In the evening a program of vespers and singing, with Almata Willard, president of the YWCA in charge, will be held around the fountain on the front campus.

On Friday, September 6, freshmen will be given the reading and academic ability tests, and will be assigned to a faculty adviser. In the evening they will see a talent show under the auspices of the Playcrafters, and will participate in a street dance.

On Saturday, September 7, freshmen will register for classes during the morning. At 2:30 in the afternoon they will attend the annual Black-Gold intrasquad football game. The formal reception for freshmen will be held in the men's old gymnasium beginning at 7:30 in the evening.

Back on campus to assist with the freshman orientation programs will be presidents of organizations, student council members, and other upperclass leaders. William C. Carse, director of guidance and counseling, is in charge.

Freshmen begin classes the morning of September 8. Students who are transferring to Appalachian from junior colleges and other institutions of higher education will arrive and begin their program of orientation on the morning of September 9.

Upperclass registration will be held on Tuesday, September 10. The registration closes, and classes must be met, Monday, September 16.

For the rest of the fall quarter, Religious Emphasis Week is scheduled for September 29 to October 3; homecoming for October 26; and the term closes on Wednesday, November 27. Thanksgiving holidays will extend from November 27 to December 2.

### Berea Trustee Altani Speaker

Dr. W. D. Weatherford, trustee of Berea College in Kentucky, will be the featured speaker at the annual picnic of the Watauga-Avery-Ashe Berea alumni.

The picnic will be held Saturday afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock, at the picnic grounds of Horn in the West theatre. Richard Chase, Beech Creek folklorist, is also scheduled on the program.

All Berea alumni and their families are urged to attend and carry a picnic basket.



W. RALPH WINKLER



DR. J. B. HAGAMAN, JR.

### W. R. Winkler, Dr. Hagaman Named Appalachian Trustees

W. Ralph Winkler, of Boone, former member of the State Highway and Public Works Commission and prominent Boone business man, has been named to the board of trustees of Appalachian State Teachers College.

Also named as Appalachian trustee is Dr. J. B. Hagaman, Jr., popular young Boone physician.

Others named to the board are: Mrs. J. E. Broyles, L. A. Dysart, Lenoir; C. Watson Brame, North Wilkesboro; Kidd Brewer, Raleigh; John Frank, Mount Airy; E. C. Lackey, Winston-Salem; George Corn, Shelby.

Reappointments to the board include B. C. Brock, Mocksville; William J. Conrad, Winston-Salem, and Mrs. Harry B. Caldwell.

The newly-appointed trustees will replace the following outgoing members of the board: Fred N. Colvard, Jefferson; J. R. Hix, North Wilkesboro; Sam Jones, Statesville; W. W. Mast, Valle Crucis and Mrs. Eunice Moose of Taylorsville.

### Nursery School Planned

The Nursery School, annually sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club, will open next Monday at the home of Mrs. Carlos DeLima. Three and four-year-old children will be taken from 8:30 a. m. to 12 noon.

Those interested and wishing further information should call AM 4-3673.

## Fifty-Two Foreign Students Guests Boone Rotary Club Over Weekend

The Boone Rotary Club had as their guests Sunday and Monday 52 foreign students who will be in the United States on Fulbright and other scholarships for the next ten months, studying in 41 colleges and universities about the country.

The students and their director, Dr. David G. Bradley, of the Religion Department at Duke University, were met Sunday afternoon at Kirk's Restaurant, where various Rotarians greeted them and carried them to their homes for lodging. They were shown about Boone, and Sunday evening were in the audience of those watching Horn in the West.

Among the countries represented were Brazil, Mexico, India, Burma, Thailand, Cambodia, Italy, France, Indonesia, Tunisia, Morocco, the Philippines, Spain, Japan, Finland, Turkey, Korea, Ecuador, Panama, Belgium, Pakistan, Nicaragua, Chile, Malaya, Korea, Iran, Jordan, Nepal, Chile, and Libya.

The group returned to Durham, where they have been participating in a six-week orientation program, conducted each summer by Duke University's International Studies Center, to adjust the students to American customs and the English language in preparation for their study in the United States.

The students came to Boone from Knoxville, Tenn., where they had spent Saturday night. On the trip from Durham, which began last week they visited the Cherokee Indian Reservation, the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the Tennessee Valley Authority headquarters at Knoxville, Fort Loudoun Dam and Kingston Steam Plant, the Oak Ridge Museum, the Norris Dam and the Big Ridge Recreational Park, Grandfather Mountain, and other points of interest along the Blue Ridge Parkway.

The students are here to study in the fields of education, law,

medicine, business, science, political science, biochemistry, engineering, advertising, social work, economics, and other fields.

This is the second year the local Rotarians have entertained foreign students in their homes. The program is a part of the club's activity in the area of international service, and is carried forth in the hope that it will help promote better international understanding. Nicholas Erneston, president of the Boone club, stated:

Mr. Erneston continued: "The members who received these students into their homes were rewarded by the close contact with these fine students, and learned much of the lands from which each came. It proved to be very beneficial to all concerned."

Also provided for, with a place to stay were the drivers of the two buses, and Mrs. Bradley and daughter, Kathy.



ALONG THE PARKWAY.—Majestic sweep of the Parkway along the mountaintop is especially beautiful in the changing days of late summer. Travel on the noted thoroughfare has reached a new high this year.—Photo by Hugh Morton.

## Boone, Blowing Rock Granted \$25,000 Of Powell Aid Monies

Boone and Blowing Rock are among four hundred North Carolina towns, which share currently in the allocation of \$6,477,032.18 in Powell aid funds for street work, according to a recent announcement coming from the State Highway Commission.

Boone, with 15.76 miles of streets qualifying for aid, gets \$13,965.49.

Blowing Rock with 19.84 miles, gets \$11,034.12.

Checks for their proportionate shares were mailed, beginning August 29 to 405 municipalities which qualify under the 1951 statute setting aside 1/2 cent of the six cent per gallon net State gasoline tax for the use of municipalities in maintaining and improving their non-highway system streets. The net revenue from the tax amounted to \$77,755,027.98 for the fiscal year 1957.

Powell Bill Funds have shown a 42 per cent increase in seven years, rising from \$4,543,096.20 in 1951 to the 1957 figure of nearly six and one-half million dollars. A total of \$38,536,207.29 will have been distributed with the issuance of this year's checks.

Cities and towns become eligible for Powell Bill Funds by performing certain functions necessary to qualify under the law including the collection of ad valorem taxes, the election of city governing officials and the filing of necessary data with the State Highway Commission before the limiting date.

Half of the total Powell Bill allocations, \$3,238,516.09, is to be divided among qualified municipalities on the basis of population at a per capita rate of \$2.12. The population of eligible and qualified municipalities based on the 1950 census is 1,524,409.

The remaining half is divided on the basis of relative mileage of non-highway system or local streets of municipalities complying with the act at a per mile rate of \$485.38. The total length of such streets this year is 6,672.16 miles.

Allocations may be made only to legally incorporated municipalities which qualify under the law. Many legally incorporated towns fail to qualify while other popular communities in the State have never incorporated and are thereby ineligible.

### August Weather In Boone Is Whimsical

August temperature in Boone ranged all the way from a cool 39 degrees to a hot 86, according to records kept by the weather bureau, Joe Minor, for the U. S. Weather Bureau.

Rainfall was light, with only 2.08 inches being recorded for the entire month. This was considerably less than the average of several years, which is 5.68 inches. However, it was more than was recorded last year with 1.10 inches fell in the measuring gauge. 1955 there was a reading of 4.30 inches, and 2.07 inches were recorded in 1954. All these years August rainfall for Boone was less than what the Weather Bureau considers average.

The most rain was recorded on the fifteenth of August when .82 of an inch was in the gauge at 7 a. m. Other readings were: on Aug. 5, .18; Aug. 12, .03; Aug. 16, .47; Aug. 17, .22; Aug. 19, .16; Aug. 20, .20. Several mornings a trace, or not enough to measure, was noted, but could not be counted in the total rainfall figure.

It seemed to many residents of Boone a lot hotter than the weatherman's thermometer indicated

on some days. The 86-degree weather was recorded on the third day of August, with the 39-degree temperature being registered on the seventh day. The mercury rose to 80 or above on 14 days of the month, with several days seeing it go to 84 and 85 degrees.

### Mrs. Maxwell Rites Are Held

Mrs. Emily Eler Maxwell, 90 years old, who lived on Bristol Road, passed away at 7:0 a. m. Thursday, August 29, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wilson Norris.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday morning, August 31, at eleven o'clock at the Oak Grove Baptist Church. The Rev. Walter Jones, pastor of the church, the Rev. C. O. Vance, a former pastor, and the Rev. E. H. Lowman, pastor of the Boone Methodist Church, conducted the services. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Survivors include the daughter, eight grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren.

## Parkway Officials Accept State Board's Plans For Facilities

Waynesville.—Blue Ridge Parkway officials have accepted "generally" the State Park, Parkway and Forest Development Commission's recommendations approving the construction of "Miss 66" food and gasoline facilities on the scenic highway.

Sam P. Weems, Blue Ridge Parkway superintendent, announced his acceptance of the recommendations at the state group's annual meeting last Wednesday, it was disclosed Thursday.

Weems told the group he believes the "major portion" of the plan can be carried out prior to the 1958 travel season.

The North Carolina Park, Parkway and Forest Development Commission on July 23 reported that

construction of such facilities is justified. But the commission recommended that more consideration be given proposals to construct additional overnight accommodations at Doughton Park and at Pisgah Inn.

Weems said that plans for the Doughton Park construction will be removed from the current program. He also said the recommendations on the Pisgah Inn construction were "acceptable."

The question of the construction of additional concession facilities on the parkway had been highly controversial since last July when the National Park Service announced a proposal to construct facilities costing about \$4 million as part of its Mission 66 program.

Private tourism interests in Western North Carolina have opposed the program strongly.

Weems said he will work closely with the newly appointed signs committee in placing directional signs along the parkway. This has also been a sore point with private tourism interests, who complain the Park Service will not allow them to place signs on the parkway directing tourists to facilities off the parkway.

The state commission also re-elected its officers for the 1957-58 fiscal year.

The officers are William Medford of Waynesville, chairman; Frank H. Brown, Jr., of Cullowhee, vice chairman; and C. M. Douglas of Brevard, secretary.