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Date	High	Low	6 p.m.	Prev.
Sept. 25	72	37	53	
Sept. 26	75	43	58	
Sept. 27	55	49	50	
Sept. 28	51	37	47	
Sept. 29	49	38	48	1.25
Sept. 30	60	48	56	1.94
Oct. 1	69	53	61	2.2

Lt.-Col. Smith Gets National Service Award

Lt. Colonel Louis H. Smith, CAP, Boone, North Carolina, Legal Officer for the North Carolina Wing of Civil Air Patrol, has been



LT. COLONEL L. H. SMITH

awarded Meritorious Service Award by National Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol, Bolling Air Force Base.

The Meritorious Service Award is awarded to members of Civil Air Patrol who distinguish themselves by heroism involving voluntary risk of life or by outstanding meritorious service or meritorious achievement. In April 1954 Colonel Smith was awarded Exceptional Service Award, this award having been presented to Colonel Smith by General Beau, National Commander, Civil Air Patrol, in appropriate ceremonies at Richmond, Virginia.

The Exceptional Service Award is awarded to members of Civil Air Patrol who distinguish themselves by a high degree of heroism involving voluntary risk of life or by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service—the service must be clearly exceptional.



SAFETY AWARD.—A gold plaque in recognition of a million man hours worked by employees of Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation without last time accident was presented by Larry Meyer of Employers Mutual Insurance Company, left, to A. B. Hurt of Jefferson, president of rural electric cooperative, center, and Cecil E. Viverette, of Lenoir, general manager. Presentation of award for outstanding achievement in field of safety was made at safety award dinner held recently in Lenoir.—Photo by Ruffy, courtesy Lenoir News-Topic.

September Rainfall Highest Of Any Month

Five Hundred At Open House At Shadowline

More than 500 persons responded to an "open house" invitation by the management of Shadowline, Inc., to come out and look over the plant last Wednesday afternoon, September 27.

The firm, which has home offices and plant in Morganton, and another plant in California, manufactures high quality lingerie under the Shadowline label for a nationwide market. The Boone plant began operations in its new building just off the Blowing Rock road during the past summer.

"We greatly appreciate the nice response to our 'open house' event by the people of Watauga County, and we invite you to call upon us whenever we can be of service in any way," said Hal Johnson, plant manager.

September's rainfall was the highest of any month this year in Boone, according to records kept by weather observer Joe Minor. A total of 10.29 inches of water was measured at the station. Only April came close to receiving that much water, when 10.24 inches were reported.

This is more than twice the amount of water that usually falls on Boone in September. The long-range record which has been established is 4.23 inches. In 1954 a total of 1.08 inches was measured, while in 1955 the same month the total lacked .01 inch being a full inch. Last year, however, the total exceeded the average as 5.19 inches were reported.

On September 17, a rainfall of 2.05 inches was reported for the preceding 24 hours. Others parts of the State reported even more, the area around Statesville having better than nine inches. On three other days more than an inch was measured—September 12, 1.56; on the 29th, 1.25; and September 30, 1.84. Rain fell in various amounts twenty of the thirty days of September.

Temperatures ranged all the way from a cool 37 degrees to a warm 84. The thermometer hit 84 the first two days of the month and dropped to 37 on the nights of the 25th and 28th. On the 25th a sudden drop was noted when the high was 72 degrees and the mercury plunged to 37. However, it stayed there only a short while as the temperature rose to 76 the next day.

Frost was reported seen in some sections, and the leaves are showing signs of fall as the weather has stayed at 60 or below for the last four days of the month.

Caton To Leave Health Dept.

Mr. Lewis H. Caton, Jr., Senior Sanitarian with the local Health Department and supervisor for the district has resigned to accept a position with the Rocky Mount City Health Department effective October 1. It is with regret that Dr. Mary Michal, Health Officer, makes this announcement.

Blue Ridge Membership Sets Record Among 500 Co-Ops

Linda Wey, Eddie Rush Get Queen-King Titles

United Fund Solicitors To Meet 8th

The solicitors training meeting for the United Fund will be held at the Elementary School Tuesday evening, October 8, at 7:30. All division chairmen, area chairmen and solicitors are urged to attend. Richard Morhouse, president of the United Fund, R. D. Hodges, Jr., treasurer, Hugh Hagaman, vice-president in charge of fund raising, and Leo K. Fritchett, member of the speaking committee, will make up the program.

Stout Is Given 30-year Award

Mr. L. H. Stout, of Waynesville, formerly of Boone, has been presented a 30-year pin, in recognition of his long service with Esso Oil Company.

George E. Williams, Esso district manager, made the presentation, at a banquet honoring Mr. Stout at the Waynesville Country Club. About 15 Esso officials attended.

Mr. Stout went to Waynesville from Boone six years ago.

Linda Wey and Eddie Rush, Homecoming king and queen at Appalachian High School, reigned over the Homecoming football game and dance on Friday night. Linda was crowned during half-time ceremonies at the ball game by Betsy Rogers, chief cheerleader and 1956 Homecoming queen.

Other girls nominated for queen were Nadine Bolick, Pat Dowling, Pat Madux, Mary Moretz, Janice Smith, Marilyn Triplett, Diane Watkins, and Ann West.

Boys who were nominated by the student body for Homecoming king were Dick Brown, Steve Castle, Ray Critcher, Rufus Edmisten, Dale Greene, J. R. Hartley, David Teague, Richard Tidel, King Triplett, and Jerry Winebarger.

Both Linda and Eddie are popular members of the senior class. Linda, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Wey, is chief majorette and a member of the Student Council. Eddie, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Rush, is a letterman in both football and basketball.

Secretary of Defense Wilson has ordered the armed forces cut by not more than 100,000 men for economy reasons. He said that major United States forces overseas would not be affected.

The Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation, with main offices in Lenoir, has set a record among the more than 500 electric cooperatives in the nation by attaining 1,000,000 man-hours without a lost time accident.

The 21-year-old electric cooperative serves 16,500 customers over 3,400 miles of lines in Watauga, Caldwell, Ashe, Alleghany, Avery, Wilkes, and Alexander counties.

In recognition of the achievement, a safety award dinner for employees, their wives or husbands, was held at the Lenoir Moose Lodge last week with Larry Meyer, electric system specialist of Employers Mutual Insurance Company of Wausau, Wisconsin, presenting to A. B. Hurt of Jefferson, president of Blue Ridge, and Cecil E. Viverette, of Lenoir, general manager, a handsome gold plaque for the employees. More than 200 attended the smorgasbord dinner served by the staff members of the Moose Club.

The period covered by the safety achievement was from June 16, 1952, to August 3, this year. In his presentation remarks, Mr. Meyer declared that it was "a momentous occasion and that credit was due to the board of directors, general manager, foremen and supervisors, office personnel, safety supervisor, and to each and every employee, for his or her part."

Mr. Meyer said that "chances are that many of you have had close calls, but the job of working safely is the responsibility of each and every one." He declared that a million man hours without a lost time mishap was not the ultimate

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Farmers To Elect New ASC Leaders

Watauga County farmers will go to the various polling places throughout the county next Tuesday, October 8, and elect ASC community committeemen in their respective communities.

In each community, three committeemen and two alternates will be elected. These men will be responsible for the local administration during 1958 of such national farm programs as the Soil Bank program, and Agricultural Conservation program, price supports, acreage allotments, marketing

quotas, storage facility loans, and others.

The ASC community election boards from the ten ASC communities in the county met September 10 with the County ASC Election Board and chose nominees for committeemen in each community.

County Agent L. E. Tuckwiller, chairman, stressed the importance of naming the men best qualified to administer the various county ASC programs.

Eligible voters include owners,

operators, tenants, and share croppers on any farms participating or eligible to participate in any program administered during the current calendar year through the County ASC Committee office.

"Many important decisions are coming up in 1958," said Chairman Tuckwiller, "and we cannot urge too strongly that everyone who is eligible to vote in these elections do so Tuesday and have a voice in naming the men who will make these decisions affecting our entire county."



BOONE'S PRIDE.—The Appalachian High School Band made its first uniformed appearance of the school year, as it participated in the homecoming parade last Friday. The band, under direction of J. Perry Watson, gave a half-time program at the Elkin-Appalachian game that night. The Junior High Band also participated in the parade.—Staff photo by Joe Minor.

Claire Luce, To Appear Here Next Tuesday, Starts Lyceum Series

Claire Luce, who will appear at Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone on October 10, is the only American actress to have appeared for a season at the Shakespeare Memorial Theater at Stratford-on-Avon, starring as Cleopatra, Beatrice, Viola and other famous roles. The year she spent there was, she says, one of the highlights of her entire career, although her fabulous successes in this country, as well as abroad, have made her famous in many other coveted roles.

Her fans will argue as to which were her greatest accomplishments: in Cole Porter's "The Gay Divorcee," in which she starred in New York and London; as Salome in Oscar Wilde's play, or her magnificent Shakespearean portrayals: as Katherine in "The Taming of the Shrew" at New York City Center Theatre, Beatrice in "Much Ado About Nothing," Viola in "Twelfth Night," or Shakespeare's Cleopatra, which "Who's Who in the Theatre" records as a "memorable performance."

Miss Luce made several splendid films in England, starring in "Rain," "A Doll's House," and "Anna Christie." She is equally at home in television in innumerable starring roles, among them Becky Sharpe in "Vanity Fair" (Philco), "The Green Woman" in "Peer Gynt" (Philco), "The Queen Bee,"

"Reflected Glory," etc. A genuinely artistic personality, Miss Luce is at home with music, painting, and the dance. It was at the behest of Winston Churchill that she first took up the brush. She studied painting at the Kensington Art School in London, and in New York at the Art Students League under the tutelage of Kunyoshi, John Carrol, Corbino, and George Grosz.

At the age of thirteen she was in the Russian Ballet, later becoming the Premier Danseuse of three

of Florenz Ziegfeld's famous "Follies" and Irving Berlin's "Music Box Revue" and also the C. B. Cochran revue "Follow the Sun" in London. In 1945 she was guest conductor of the Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra in England.

Her intimate knowledge of drama, music, painting, and the dance enables her to illustrate along original lines how the arts are united by a sense of grace, movement, and rhythm.

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Development Group To Make Progress Report

Watauga County is in the limelight since it has been selected as a Pilot County for the Rural Development Program. The purpose of this program is to open wider the doors of opportunity for people in our county so they may have an improved standard of living and better environment for all families.

All individuals, groups, and organizations have been asked to share in this new program to help balance the economic and social development of our county. The tying together of the work of all interested persons, groups, and

agencies is the thing that will keep the ball rolling.

Plans are underway for a progress summary meeting to be held on October 21, where in all groups, agencies, and individuals will share in this progress report, over a good meal and be encouraged by remarks by an outstanding speaker.

You are urged to mark the 21st on your calendar and plan now to attend this meeting. Further details of the program, along with announcement of the speaker, will be given out next week.

Appalachian, Elon Take Lead As They Defy Rain And Chill

Greensboro — Appalachian and Elon, defying the rain and cold of Saturday night, forged out front in the first North State Conference family action of the season.

The Appalachian Mountaineers sloshed to a 25-0 victory over Western Carolina, while Elon trampled on Guilford to the tune of 25-14.

To most observers, the most surprising non-conference result was the game in which Lenoir Rhyne and Presbyterian went to a scoreless tie. Appalachian defeated the South Carolina team in their first game of the season 20-7.

In another non-conference tilt Davidson romped over East Carolina 19-6.

Appalachian relied a great deal on quarterback Ansel Glendenning to call the right signals in shifting

Western Carolina's hopes for an upset. The Cullowhee boys' have yet to win a game this season. Fullback Claude Midkiff carried the ball over three times to assure the local boys of their win.

Elon depended on Bob Stauffenberg to give them a victory. He carried the ball into the end zone twice for two of their touchdowns. Elon Coach Sid Varney praised his entire team for their win, with particular praise being pointed at Stauffenberg.

Coach Clarence Stasavich of Lenoir Rhyne, said after the game: They threw a seven-man line at us, and with the field in the condition it was in, we couldn't go outside."

The coming week end lists two conference battles. Appalachian will be at Elon trying to stay on

top in the conference standings, and East Carolina will journey to Catawba as the two teams play their first conference tilt.

For non-conference play, Guilford will be at Bridgewater, Lenoir Rhyne plays Newberry on home grounds, and Western Carolina goes to Johnson City to play East Tennessee.

The won-lost standings for all North State teams, in both conference and non-conference games is:

	Con.		All Games	
	W	L	W	L
Appalachian	1	0	2	1
Elon	1	0	1	0
Lenoir Rhyne	0	0	1	1
Catawba	0	0	0	1
East Carolina	0	0	0	2
Guilford	0	1	0	1
Western Carolina	0	1	0	3



YOUR UNITED FUND DOLLAR DID THIS! Through your contributions you furnish new parents and lifetime homes for many North Carolina youngsters each year. The Children's Home Society of North Carolina, state-wide adoption agency, is a member agency of our Watauga County United Fund.

Nurse Course Being Taught

Miss Mary Williams, Red Cross Instructor, is teaching an instructor's course in Home Nursing this week in the Presbyterian Church in Boone.

Students include members of the Watauga County Medical Auxiliary and Home Demonstration Clubs. They are: Mrs. L. D. Hagaman, Mrs. L. H. Owsley, Mrs. H. M. Cook, Mrs. Curtis McGowan, Mrs. David Farthing, Mrs. Ford Henson, Mrs. Ivan Farthing, Mrs. Custer Ward, Mrs. E. M. Luttrell, Mrs. George Harmon, Mrs. Leonard Ward, Mrs. Charles Lewis, Mrs. Stanley Harris, Miss Geraldine Surratt, Mrs. Dean Isaacs, and Mrs. Ivan Younce. The members of the class will be qualified to teach a course in Home Nursing to interested community groups.

The classes will be taught through Friday, October 4.

Mental Health Chapter Is Being Planned Here

All interested persons of Watauga county are invited to attend a meeting for the purpose of organizing a local chapter of the N. C. Association of Mental Health. The meeting will be held downstairs at the Boone Trail Cafe, Monday, October 7, at 8 p. m.

Abbe Littleton will serve as chairman of the meeting and business will include election of officers and the setting up of committees. Individuals will be asked to serve on the following committees:

Education committee, public relations, volunteer activities, and membership. The purpose of the organization of a local chapter of the Mental

Health association is to help define and locate the mental health needs of the community and then use the available local resources and develop the needed facilities to improve these needs.

Future plans include the securing of a qualified psychologist who will conduct psychological testing, child guidance, and other such services needed in our community. Mr. Littleton said, in announcing the organizational meeting, "Today it is becoming more recognized that an organized community can help prevent the development of serious mental illness," and urged as many attend and join the organization as possible.