

BOONE WEATHER		1960—H.L.	
1961	High Low 4 pm. prec.	1960	H.L.
Sept. 26	73 58 67	69	49
Sept. 27	71 51 60	63	47
Sept. 28	73 47 60	59	54
Sept. 29	68 43 56	68	54
Sept. 30	68 45 58	71	57
Oct. 1	70 42 68	68	53
Oct. 2	72 49 60	72	53

No rain.

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NEW SCIENCE BUILDING at Appalachian State Teachers College becomes a reality as President W. H. Plemmons skillfully spades into the long-time football field to break ground for the construction of a new science building and general classroom building to be located on

the site of past Mountaineer pigskin classics. Observing are, left to right, Dr. Woodford G. Sink, chemistry department head; Dr. D. J. Whitener, dean; (Dr. Plemmons); Dr. F. Ray Derrick, biology department head; and David Barnard Dougherty, vice president.

Fire Prevention Week To Be Oct. 8-14; Proclamation Issued

Miss Hager To Speak At School On Monday

Miss Grace Hager, State President of the Classroom Teachers' Association will speak on "The Classroom Teachers' Association, and What It Means to You," Mon., October 9 at 7:30 in the Appalachian Elementary School.

Miss Hager, a native of Charlotte, has taught there many years. She received her A.B. degree from Queens College, where she received the Algernon Sydney Award. Later she received her M.A. degree from Appalachian State Teachers College and did post graduate work at the University of North Carolina and the University of Hawaii.

There are many civic and social activities in which Miss Hager engages. She is an active member of Alpha Delta Kappa Teachers Sorority and has worked with the recreational centers in Charlotte in arts and crafts.

She has given generously of her time and efforts to her professional organizations. Prior to her election as state president, she served as president of the Mecklenburg C.T.A., as secretary and as president of the South Piedmont District C.T.A., and as vice-president of the N.C. C.T.A. She was a regional chairman of the local projects for DCT for two years and has worked on various committees in local, state and national pro-

The Boone Fire Department is joining in the observance of Fire Prevention week, October 8-14, in accordance with proclamations issued by the Governor of the State and the Mayor of this city, in an effort to halt the mounting toll of life and property by fire.

Local firemen took time out Monday evening to place the posters which have been provided for the purpose, and will "take the opportunity given us during fire prevention week to inform our people of the basic facts of fire prevention each week of the year."

Boone Fire Chief R. D. Hodges, Jr. says: "One of the measures of our efficiency as a fire department is the amount of effort we put into such a program as this."

Proclamation By Governor

Fire, one of man's greatest allies when properly controlled and properly utilized, is at the same time one of the great dangers to man when uncontrolled. Each year in our State and Nation men, women and children lose their lives because of carelessness in handling of matches and inflammable materials. Each year millions upon millions of dollars worth of damage is done to homes, to businesses and to forests due to poor fire prevention practices.

In a program to curtail fire losses, the President of the United States has asked state and local governments, and civic, business and labor organizations to join in observing Fire Prevention Week. The object of this week is to teach lessons on fire prevention that will be practiced the year around.

Therefore, I am happy to designate

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ROBERT S. ORR

Orr Will Judge Hereford Show

Hon. Robert S. Orr of Dryden, Va., will be the judge of the nineteenth annual Watauga Hereford Association show and sale which will be held Saturday, October 7th.

Mr. Orr, a member of the Virginia House of Delegates, is also a leading Virginia cattleman. He is former president of the Virginia Hereford Association and is now President of the Tri-State Hereford Association. His services have been in demand at many major cattle shows held over the country.

A. S. Bingham Rites Friday

Albert Sherman Bingham, 56 years old, died suddenly last Wednesday evening from a heart attack.

Funeral services were held Friday at 2:30 at the Brushy Fork Baptist Church by Rev. Ed Crump, and burial was in the Adams cemetery.

Born in Watauga county, Mr. Bingham was a son of the late Thomas Edgar Bingham and Mrs. Laura Combs Bingham. He had been a barber in Boone for thirty years. He was a member of the Brushy Fork Baptist Church.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Gladys Mast; one brother and three sisters: Elliott Bingham, Vilas; Mrs. Verta Hayes, Montezuma; Mrs. Myrtle Hayes, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Mary McNeil, Vilas.

Since the Mountaineers will be playing their home games away because construction of the new football stadium will not be completed until next year, arrangements have been made to stage "regional Homecomings" in Charlotte, Hickory, and Lenoir.

The Mecklenburg Alumni Chapter will be host to the alumni. The plush Park Center facilities, adjacent to Memorial Stadium, has been rented as headquarters for App alumni, their friends, students, and Boone and Watauga folks.

Miles Annas, Charlotte business executive, will be coordinator for the day-long activities in the Queen City. Other Charlotte alu-

Contest Offers Fun, Profit

Sports-minded readers of the Democrat may find pleasure and profit in participating in the "Pick the Winner" Football Contest appearing in its pages each week.

The contest offers \$25 in cash awards to forecasters who make the best prediction on the outcome of carefully selected football games throughout the country each week.

As an aid to the amateur forecaster, sponsors of the contest insert in their advertisements score predictions as formulated by the famous Joe Harris Forecast.

Thirty Buses Will Carry 1,000 Collegians To Charlotte Game

Thirty buses carrying 1,000 Appalachian State Teachers College students will invade Charlotte Saturday, Oct. 7, when the Apps take on the powerful Lenoir Rhyne Bears in a major pigskin encounter.

Final arrangements have been made by the Mecklenburg Chapter to make the visitor's stay as pleasant as possible.

The football game between ASTC vs. Lenoir Rhyne is at 8 p. m. The backdoor of Park Center opens into the stadium.

Staff members from Appalachian who will be on hand to greet alumni include Dr. W. H. Plem-

Mrs. Jack Groce Receives Honor

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 24—Mrs. Virginia A. Groce, Administrator of the Watauga Hospital, was admitted to the status of Honorary member in the American College of Hospital Administrators, a professional society, at its 27th annual Convocation Ceremony held on Sunday afternoon, September 24th, in the Ballroom of Convention Hall in Atlantic City.

The College, now in its 28th year, was founded for the purpose of providing recognition to men and women who are doing outstanding work in their professional careers as hospital administrators.

Melvin L. Sutley of Philadelphia, president of the College, presided at the Convocation.

mons, president of Appalachian; Professor John Corey, alumni director; Bob Allen, public relations director and former Charlotte businessman and coach; and Larry Penley, formerly of Wingate College and new staff member at Appalachian.

Howell Goes To Washington Meet

John T. Howell, Principal of the Appalachian Elementary School spent last week in Washington, D. C., where he attended the National Education Association's fourth annual salary school. There were one hundred forty representatives in attendance from every state in the union.

Mr. Howell represented North Carolina and the board of directors of the North Carolina Education Association.

OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

Northwestern District NCEA To Meet In Boone

2200 Teachers Are Expected To Gather Here

The Northwestern District of the North Carolina Education Association will meet at Appalachian State Teachers College on Tuesday, October 10, in an all day session. Some 2200 teachers are expected to attend the professional meeting, and Earl Petrey, who will preside over the meeting, states the teachers will not receive pay for that day.

There will be a general session at 9:45 a. m., in the New Health and Physical Education Building. The speaker for this session will be Joseph W. Hobbs, superintendent of Mason County Schools, Illinois. His topic, "And Gladly Teach," will be in keeping with the theme of the NCEA, which is "A Profession Dedicated to the Science and Art of Teaching."

The Rev. Preston Hughes, pastor of the Boone Methodist Church, will give the invocation.

There are to be three luncheon meetings at 12 o'clock noon. The classroom teachers will meet at the Appalachian Elementary Cafeteria.

The Higher Education and directors of instruction will meet at the Daniel Boone Inn, and the principals and superintendents will meet at Daniel Boone Hotel.

The departmental meetings will be held at 2:30 in the afternoon. The Northwestern District includes the following counties: Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes and Yadkin.

In addition to the main speaker



EARL L. PETREY to preside over meet

there will be representatives of the NCEA to bring greetings to the teachers.

These representatives include Dr. A. C. Dawson, Jr., executive secretary; Dr. Lloyd Thayer, president; Miss Grace Hager, state president classroom teachers; James A. Frazier, state president principals division.

John T. Howell, district director and principal of Appalachian Elementary School, will report on the National Education Association's convention at Atlantic City.

Dr. William H. Plemmons, president of Appalachian State Teachers College, will welcome the group and will speak in behalf of the State bond issue to be voted on soon.

The departmental meetings and subjects to be discussed are: Agriculture—"In Service Training," Dr. E. M. Glazener, North Carolina State College, Raleigh. Art—Art lecture and workshop, led by Arthur "Bud" Smith, instructor in Art Education at Salem College, Winston-Salem. Audio-Visual—Program to be announced.

Business Education—"Recent Trends in Teaching the Basic Business Subjects," Dr. James W. Lloyd, East Tennessee State College. Elementary Education—"The Status of Reading in the Elementary Schools Today," Umberto Price, (Continued on page three)

Color Parade Starts Down Ridge



FALL BEAUTY.—The mountains are expected to reach their color peak about October 15, and should remain beautiful for several days. This fall picture is typical of what one may see as he travels through the mountains at this time of the year.

Grid Tickets Are Available

Three hundred tickets are available at the College Athletic Association office for Boone people who would like to buy them for the Appalachian-Lenoir Rhyne football game in Charlotte Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

Through the courtesy of the Charlotte Park Commission, free parking has been provided in the area behind Charlotte College, at old Central High School, for all Boone people and college students who will go. This space which is supplied without charge is across the street from Park Center and the Stadium. The parking area may be used all day Saturday for those who go to Charlotte early.

Historical Assn. Meets Monday

The annual fall meeting of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association will meet at the Daniel Boone Inn, Monday evening October 9th at 7 o'clock.

At this meeting the new board of directors will be announced and new officers elected. Reports on this year's operation of Horn in the West, will be submitted. Other accomplishments of the Association will be noted.

At the same time a report of next year's plans for the outdoor drama will be made.

Those wishing to attend should call Horn in the West office, phone AM 4-2120 or Mrs. R. H. Harmon, chairman of arrangements, so that plates may be reserved.

Annual Excursion Train To Run From West Jefferson October 15

Sunday, October 15, the annual excursion train from West Jefferson to Abingdon and return is scheduled and is expected to attract hundreds of visitors as well as local persons.

In addition to scenic beauty through the mountains and across White Top, where the autumn colors are expected to be at their best, there will be other special entertainment, including string music.

The excursion train will leave West Jefferson at 9:30 a.m. and return in the afternoon around 4:30. A brief, early worship service is planned enroute at White Top with hymn singing.

Service Awards To Be Given At Grange Meet

Greensboro.—Community service awards will be given in eight broad categories when North Carolina National Bank honors 96 Granges at the farm organization's convention in Boone, October 22-25, according to a joint announcement by Harry B. Caldwell, master of the North Carolina State Grange and C. M. Vanstoy, Jr., chairman of the board of the bank.

The categories include agricultural stabilization, community projects, industrial development, health, community beautification, citizenship, youth work, and cheer to the needy, Caldwell and Vanstoy said.

The bank began offering \$25 awards to each Grange that qualified in community service accomplishments four years ago. The first year the bank gave a total of \$1,075 to 71 Granges, and each succeeding year has seen the number of winners go higher than the last.

"Grange community service continues to be one of our most valuable activities," said Caldwell, "valuable because it is good for the community and perhaps of equal importance because it is good for the state and nation."

"We are delighted that we have reached an all-time high in community service participation this year. The scope and variety of projects have been amazing. All of the projects developed because of particular needs in the communities."

"We wish to express appreciation to North Carolina National (Continued on page three)

REA Officials At Va. Meeting

Ten members of the board of directors and six members of the management staff of Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation attended the regional meeting of the National Rural Electric Membership Corporation which was held in Richmond, Va., September 28 and 29.

More than 500 representatives from the electric membership cooperatives located in the eastern states from North Carolina to and including the State of Maine attended the meeting for the purpose of taking care of the region's normal business activities.

Making major addresses were the general manager of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Clyde T. Ellis, and the administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration, Norman Calpp.

Workshops and technical sessions were held.

Herman Anderson, director of member relations, represented the Blue Ridge group on a panel discussion on area development. C. E. Viverette, general manager of the local group, served as regional representative on the power and generation committee of the national association.

Management staff members who attended from Blue Ridge Electric (continued on page three)

is planned for Saturday night, and all visitors who have purchased train tickets will be admitted free. There will also be a Craft Fair Saturday afternoon and night for the visitors.

The price of the round trip for adults, including lunch, will be \$6.75 and children under 12 years of age will pay \$3.50. Children under five years of age accompanied by parents may ride for \$1.25 and this includes a lunch with milk.

There will be both a doctor and a nurse on the excursion, officials said, and a space will be equipped as a first aid room.

An old-fashioned square dance