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1963	Hi	Lo	prec.	'62	Hi	Lo
Mar. 19	63	48			49	25
Mar. 20	53	35	.87		58	30
Mar. 21	38	23			60	43
Mar. 22	37	22	.06		52	33
Mar. 23	54	27			54	30
Mar. 24	67	35			58	27
Mar. 25	67	32			55	30



BLUE SKIES and warm temperatures prevailed over the Watauga area this week end as the first days of spring unfolded from last Thursday's light snow. Pictured is a view from the Blue Ridge Parkway a few miles south of Boone. Such vistas beckon hundreds of Watauga friends and

tourists to the Holiday Highlands each year. Only weeks of scattered showers and crystal skies separate the presently bare limbs from the soft, full foliage of May and June.—Gaddy photo.

MILLION DOLLAR PAYROLL

Announcement Of Shoe Plant May Come Today

To Instruct Local People In Operation

An announcement as to whether a new industry will come to Boone and Watauga County perhaps will be made today (Thursday), at a noon luncheon, according to Clyde R. Greene, publicity director for Watauga Citizens Inc.

He cautioned, though, that any definite word would have to be released by the company itself. "As in previous weeks, all we (Watauga Citizens Inc., company in charge of the negotiations) can say is that nothing definite is known at the present time. Proceedings are continuing and the public will be informed as soon as a definite answer is available," Greene said.

The Blue Ridge Shoe Company is the industry in question.

To attend the business luncheon at a Boone restaurant are Robert Erb, president of Melville Shoe Company (of which Blue Ridge Shoe Company is an affiliate), Messrs. West and Bradley and other officials of the company.

The luncheon is sponsored by executives of the Northwest Bank.

Meanwhile, employees of North Wilkesboro's Blue Ridge Shoe Company have set up a training center at Hunt's Department Store in Boone for prospective employees of the shoe industry.

Ventured one spokesman, "It would seem unlikely that a company would begin training prospective employees if they weren't going to build a plant in this area."

Alfred Adams stated Tuesday that the store building is being wired for machinery; that two instructors will be in charge of the operations; and that approximately 30 persons will be trained for the initial

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PRIZE.—John Goodwin of the Blowing Rock Bowling Tournament. The tournament will be held at Skyline Lanes on April 8, 9, 10, and 11. Craft Shop selects a colorful afghan to be donated as a prize for the Easter Seals

Rep. Holshouser Complains GOP School Board Nominees Ignored

Raleigh — Watauga County Rep. J. E. Holshouser Jr. complained last week that the names of Republican nominees for the Watauga Board of Education were not sent to Raleigh by election officials.

He made the charge before the House Education Committee, which was in the process of rubber-stamping an omnibus bill appointing school boards in 87 Tar Heel counties.

Names of school board nominees are sent to Dr. Charles Carroll, superintendent of public instruction. Although candidates from each party may be submitted, only Democrats are normally selected for the appointment, bill.

"I didn't expect to see the Republican nominees in the bill," Holshouser told a reporter. "But I do think they should have been on Dr. Carroll's list. Apparently the chairman of our board of elections (in Watauga) didn't send the names in."

Sought Amendment

Holshouser tried to amend the omnibus bill to have Watauga left out. He said his county's board could be named later in another bill. "I think the legislature should have a choice and should have the names of" (Continued on page two)

Lawn Care Is C. C. Project

A short course on lawn care and maintenance will be held Friday night April 5th, at 7 o'clock at room 102, Appalachian High School under the sponsorship of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, it is announced by Herman Wilcox, President.

Joe Maples, Boone Golf Club professional, will conduct this course and will be able to pass on some helpful hints and suggestions on turf management, which will be valuable to local homeowners interested in improving the quality of their lawns.

Commenting on this short course, Mr. Wilcox further states:

"We will cover many aspects of turf management from proper fertilization practices to insect problems. There will be no charge for this and everyone interested in making Boone more beautiful through turfgrass is welcome to attend. We will conclude the program with a question and answer session.

"If there is enough interest in this program, we plan to expand it next year or perhaps sooner, to include flowers, shrubs and trees with qualified personnel to speak and answer questions."

Blowing Rock Will Nominate On Friday

Blowing Rock citizens will meet in mass meeting March 29, at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of naming candidates for Mayor, and members of the Board of Commissioners for the next two years.

The non-partisan gathering will be held at the Blowing Rock School auditorium. Candidates other than those approved at the citizens convention may file their candidacies by 4 p. m., April 10, at City Hall.

The registration books will be open at the City Hall April 19-26 from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., and Saturday from 9 to 9.

The election will be held May 7. The Registrar is O. J. Coffey, and the Judges Thomas L. Klutz and Mrs. Beulah Mae Coffey.

Late Chief Greene Given Honor In Magazine Award

New York, March 28—A North Carolina police officer, who died heroically in the line of duty last January 18, has been honored posthumously by a national magazine.

True Detective Magazine, in the issue which reached local newsstands today, names the late William D. Greene, chief of police of Blowing Rock, recipient of its Public Service Award, consisting of a framed scroll and a check for \$100. The check will be presented to the widow of the chief, Mrs.

Louise Greene. The article citing Bill Greene for the award tells the dramatic and tragic story of Chief Greene's gun battle with two men he had followed, suspecting them of robbing summer homes.

In the shoot-out, Chief Greene went down in a fusillade of bullets, his own gun blazing. The gunmen then viciously stabbed him about the head and arms. Bleeding profusely, the badly wounded officer managed to crawl to his cruiser and

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Baxter Miller Body Found; Ruled Suicide

Rock Hill, S. C.—The body of a 37-year-old chemist, a Boone native, who had been missing from his home for two weeks, was found Wednesday, March 26, in a plastic bag under the front porch of his home in an exclusive section.

The body of Baxter Miller, a supervisor in the physics and chemical laboratory at the Celanese Fibers plant here, was found by a SLED agent and members of the Rock Hill rescue squad.

Miller was the son of Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Miller of Oak Street, Boone. His wife is a native of Elk Park and had lived in Boone. He had been with the Celanese plant since shortly after its opening in Rock Hill.

York county Sheriff Grover Noe said Miller, a 6-2, 185 pound man, apparently had crawled into a big plastic bag and tied the bag shut after he got into it.

Noe said the body encased in the bag lay in a depression in the earth just under the front porch. Officers had looked through a small opening, but did not see any signs of a body. Noe said decomposition apparently had created gases in the bag, causing it to expand, so that it was noticeable when officers looked again Wednesday.

Miller was last seen on the night of March 7 by his wife, Louise, when she and their five children went to a church social. He was not at home when they returned about 9 p. m.

Noe said Miller was dressed (Continued on page two)

C. R. Woodring Dies Monday

Charlie Robert Woodring, 73, of Route 2, Boone, died Monday morning, March 25, at Watauga Hospital after a serious illness of two weeks.

He was the son of the late Henry B. and Angeline Miller Woodring. He was a farmer and life-long resident of Watauga County.

Surviving are the widow, Ethel Woodring; one daughter, Mrs. John Trivette of Todd; six sons, Gene and Jake Woodring, both of Denoir and Henry, Dave, Ray and Bob Woodring, all of Route 2, Boone; two sisters, Mrs. Maggie Moretz and Mrs. Grace Hollars, both of Boone; five brothers, Glenn of Route 3, Boone and Ramsey, Frank, Andrew and Wade Woodring, all of Route 2, Boone; 19 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held today (Wednesday), March 27, at 2 p. m. in the Hopewell Methodist Church, by the Rev. Arlie Moretz, Rev. Ed Blackburn and Rev. R. H. Ballard. Burial will be in the Hopewell cemetery.

C. C. Board To Meet On April 2

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Boone Chamber of Commerce will be held Tuesday, April 2 at the Daniel Boone Hotel at 12 o'clock, and Mr. Wilcox urges all officers and directors to be present.

A report on local prospects for new industry will be made, and other important topics will be discussed.

Posse Formed To Catch Errant Pigs, Freed When Van Is Wrecked

A heap of little piggies went to market, but some postponed the lethal meeting with the butcher's knife, when the van in which they were being hauled was wrecked Sunday on 421 near the Wilkes-Watauga county line, freeing the squealing porkers in the wooded areas on both sides of the highway.

Local volunteers aided in the roundup of 112 of the 132 hogs freed when the tractor-trailer bound from Indiana to Lexington, N. C., wrecked. The corned swine, unaccustomed to shifting for themselves in mountainous country, were not particularly wild, and most of them were easily recovered, put in a truck borrowed in Boone by the driver, Rex Leonard of Burnettsville, Indiana, and continued on their way to the packing house.

Glenn Morgan, relief driver, said he gave up trying to recover 20 of the hogs ranging in weight from 200 to 250 pounds. By Monday night the 112 swine had been delivered to the Fritts Packing Co., in Lexington.

Leonard said the brakes on his Mack truck failed on the grade as he entered Wilkes county. The rig overturned, freeing the squealing pigs. Two

were crippled, but the others hit for the tall timber.

A member of the "posse" seeking recovery of the pigs, said "the natives of the area would eat mighty good for the next month or so" when the 20 missing porkers are rounded up.

Glenn Morgan received a minor leg injury and was released from Watauga Hospital, Boone, after treatment.

The hogs were valued at \$5,241, less about \$795 for the 20 which didn't stay, but are doubtless enjoying rooting around in the cool forest floor, and resting from their 500-mile jostle from the fertile corn-lands of Indiana.

State Highway Patrolman R. G. Potts is quoted as saying damages to the truck-trailer would likely amount to about \$4,000.

Ned Trivette Named New Jaycee Prexy

Ned Trivette, staff member in the office of the vice president and comptroller of Appalachian State Teachers College, has been elected president of the Boone Jaycees for 1963-64.

Officers elected to serve with Trivette are Jim Sawyer, ASTC instructor in education, internal vice president; Wade Wilmoth, Boone salesman, external vice president; Bob McFarland, ASTC instructor in education, secretary; Bill Stallard, associated with IRC of Boone, treasurer; Richard Barker, ASTC circulation librarian, director of publicity; and Kenneth Schaeffer, associated with IRC of Boone, director.

The new officers will be installed by outgoing president Grady Moretz, Jr., at the May 6 meeting.

Trivette said that the Jaycees is an organization for young men between the ages of 21 and 35. Its objectives are leadership training through community



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development.

Some of the projects of the Boone club are an annual beauty pageant, Christmas shopping tour for underprivileged children and a community playground.

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Students Will Enjoy Traffic Safety Circus

It's Traffic Safety Circus Time. In this case it is a unique event in which elementary school children from Mt. Airy to Kings Mountain will learn about traffic safety through efforts of a police office and his talented dogs.

The Safety Circus will come to Watauga county April 1, and be at the Cove Creek School at 10 a. m., and at the Appalachian Elementary School in Boone

at 2 p. m. The Safety Circus, with the trained dogs doing tricks which demonstrate to the children how to be more alert to traffic safety, has toured the entire country to present his safety message. The state tour is sponsored by the North Carolina Motor Carriers Association in conjunction with the Department of Public Instruction, according to (Continued on page two)



FUTURE APARTMENTS.—An eleven-unit apartment building is under construction on the Blowing Rock Road near the campus of Appalachian State Teachers College. Being built by Estel G. Wagner and Cecil Miller, the structure is expected to be completed

and ready for occupancy by fall term this year or perhaps within 60 days of this publication. The building will be of the latest design, two stories high, and in an "L" shape.—Staff photo.