



THE APPALACHIAN STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE BAND

ASTC Arts Festival Gets Underway This Evening

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College Band Concert
On Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the ASTC band, under the direction of Mr. Charles L. Isley, Jr., will present a concert in the auditorium of the Fine Arts Auditorium. Featured on the program will be a number of outstanding compositions and arrangements for concert band, including the Prelude and Fugue in Bb minor, by J. S. Bach; the Pictures at an Exhibition, by Mussorgsky; the Divertimento for Band, by Vincent Persichetti; and An American Weekend, by John J. Morrissey. Also featured will be a number of famous band marches from around the world.

Noted Violinist Plays
On Monday evening, April 29, the New York violinist, Miss Marilyn Dubow, will present a concert in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Concert time is 8 p. m. Miss Dubow, veterans of a number of appearances with leading symphony orchestras over the country, will present an interesting program including the following selections:

Praeludium and Allegro, by the late Fritz Kreisler; Chaconne, by J. S. Bach; the Sonata in G Major, by Brahms; Nigun, by Bloch; and the Polish in A Major, by Wieniawski.

Jarrell Lecture
The eminent poet and lecturer, Randall Jarrell, will present a lecture entitled "Jarrell on Jarrell" in the Fine Arts Auditorium on the evening of April 30 at 8 p. m. Mr. Jarrell, a member of the faculty at Woman's College of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and a past consultant on poetry for the Library of Congress, promises to be an interesting lecturer, and his views on poetry and the place of the poet in 20th century America will be worth hearing.

Historical Movies
On the evening of May 1, in the Fine Arts Auditorium, two motion picture films will be available for viewing. "Andre Chénier," the Giordano opera about the French Revolution (condensed to about 30 minutes), and "The Titan," the story of Michaelangelo, will be shown. The films begin at 7 p. m.

"Pillars Of Society"
Also included on the evenings of May 1, 2 and 3 will be a play by the Playcrafters entitled "The Pillars of Society," by Henrik Ibsen. The play will be presented in the auditorium of the Administration Building at 8 p. m. each evening during

the three day run. In addition to the evening performances, there will be two matinee performances on the afternoons of May 1 and May 2. Show time

On the afternoon of May 4, from 4 until 5:30 p. m., there will be a tea in honor of the May Court in the lower parlor of East Hall in the new wing. Hostesses for the tea are members of the Vernician Society. Coronation Ball

Bringing the festivities to a climax, the Coronation Ball will be held. Members of this year's court are: Queen Joyce Leath-erwood, Maid-of-Honor, Sarah Anne Lytton; Senior Attendants, Gerri Gordon, Marion Rush, Sylvia Teague, and Margaret Templeton; Junior Attendants, Clarice Farrinton, Donna Sechrest, and Donna Lee Thomson; Sophomore Attendants, Sarah Anne McGee, and Pat Pittman; and Freshman Attendants, Sharon Mathis and Venn Dale Padgett. The Collegiate Civic Club is sponsoring the dance, and music will be supplied by the Concord Commanders.

The committee which planned this year's festival is composed of the following persons: Mr. Walton S. Cole, chairman; Mr. John Corey, Mrs. Daisy Eggers, Dr. Nicholas Erneston, Mr. David French, Mrs. Virginia Linney, Miss Ann Moore, Miss Janice Robertson, Mr. Rogers Whitener, Miss Priscilla Savage, and Mr. Wayne Thompson.

Legislative Report

To the people of Watauga County:

Major legislation is at last beginning to creep out of the committees in the Legislature, and action on the floor of the House and Senate should begin to move faster this week.

The Higher Education Bill, which will establish the framework for a new system of community colleges, is expected to be debated in the House in the next few days. The name change involving N. C. State College remains a red-hot item in the bill, and a real battle seems likely on this point. The Sanford administration has fought hard in behalf of the original proposal—N. C. State, the University of North Carolina at Raleigh—and N. C. State Alumni will fight an equally fierce battle for "N. C. State University of the University of North Carolina." This issue will likely be settled soon, but it will not be without a certain amount of bitterness, regardless of who wins the battle.

The "Currie Bill" for senatorial redistricting has been reported favorably by a House committee and is scheduled for debate on May 1. By that time, it is likely that the Senate will also be ready for a decision. With the prospect of Federal Court intervention staring the Legislature in the face, it seems almost certain that something is going to be done to redistrict the Senate, and the Currie Bill seems to be the most likely choice thus far, although Republicans claim it does not satisfy the Constitutional mandate and may not stop a Federal suit. This bill would move Watauga county out of our present district and put us in a new district with Avery, Mitchell, Yancey, and Madison counties. The "Billboard Bill" for which the garden clubs have fought for so diligently, was killed in the Roads Committee of the House this week and, therefore, will not reach the floor of the House for a vote by the full body.

The Absentee Ballot Bill has now passed the Senate and is scheduled for action in a House committee this week. This issue is another that has remained red-hot, and it may wind up in a full floor fight in the House.

Another bill having political overtones involves school boards, was introduced by Senator Johnson of Iredell. This bill would provide for nonpartisan elections for the local Board of Education. It has passed the Senate, with some amendments added, and is now slated for action in the Education Committee in the House.

The proposals on state school and road bond issues are still alive and kicking, although opposition is mounting against each of these bills. Local opinion in Watauga county seems to be in favor of the State funds to help our local school construction, and I would be glad to hear from any of you, either in support or opposition to the state school fund assistance.

One of the major jobs facing the 1963 Legislature is to set the wheels in motion for implementation of the constitutional amendment for court reform passed by the people last fall. I am pleased to report that your representative has been selected to serve on the seven-man subcommittee which will hammer out the legislation to begin this project. Our state is preparing a court system which will last for many years, and I feel sure that only careful and deliberate steps will be taken, keeping in mind, of course, that the new system must be in operation by 1971.

Rogers Gets 3-5 Years For Embezzlement

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Grimes and Marvin Wooten. Rogers entered a plea of guilty of embezzling \$9,900 at the winter term of court, but his trial had been postponed until this month at the request of his lawyers.

First to take the stand Tuesday was Charles Whitman, an agent for the State Bureau of Investigation who investigated the case. He outlined the events of the case, saying that he was called to ASTC to investigate possible shortages of funds when it was discovered that one of the members of the business office at the college had disappeared, supposedly re-enlisting in the Army.

Several days later, Whitman testified, Rogers gave himself up to authorities in Norfolk, Virginia. "He stated to me (later, in Norfolk) that he had been writing unauthorized checks," Whitman said.

Whitman added that Rogers said that he had burned the account books, journals, and other books at ASTC which had been assigned to his responsibility.

Whitman then examined various checks from ASTC which had been cleared by Northwestern Bank. From August 1961 to November 1962 Rogers wrote 43 checks, the largest of which was for \$1500.

In all, the checks totaled \$17,077.

The first check, records show, was for \$350 made payable to his wife who was then a student at ASTC. On other occasions, Rogers used her maiden name as well as her married name on unauthorized checks. Also, he used names of former students, Whitman said.

The checks were written against a loan fund set up by the college for needy students. The normal procedure for securing a loan, Whitman said, was (1) through formal application to the business office, (2) study of requests by a committee at the college, (3) approval of rejection of request, and (4) the issuance of a check or checks to the needy student.

It was Rogers' responsibility to carry out the last phase of the operation.

In regard to the irregularities Rogers was accused of, Whitman testified that no applications were made by students, in most cases. Whitman noted that two—possibly three—applications were filed from Rogers' wife.

Prior to surrendering to law officers in Norfolk, Rogers traveled to New York City and through parts of New England. About a week after leaving Boone, Rogers phoned his wife (who then was in Statesville) and advised her that he had been recalled to active duty and was about to be shipped out, Whitman said.

Rogers asked his wife to join him. She, doing so, made a tour of New England with Rogers. The couple returned to North Carolina where they roomed in a Charlotte motel one night. At that time Rogers, Whitman said, saw an account of the alleged embezzlement in a Charlotte newspaper.

His wife went to the home of her parents in Raleigh. Rogers traveled to Norfolk where he gave himself up. At the time he surrendered to the Norfolk police, he had \$853 on him, Whitman said.

Whitman also told the court that the first check Rogers wrote in 1961 was to cover a bank loan which he had made to cover expenses incurred at ASTC where his wife was enrolled as a student. Whitman said Rogers told him that it was not necessary to write all the checks he did. Whitman described Rogers as a person who "lived above his means."

Rogers' salary as an accountant at ASTC was \$266 per month. He received an additional \$33 per month from the service fee disability.

From July, 1957 to July, 1960, Rogers was in the Army in a branch of the security commission. Later he was employed in Lenoir and in Charlotte. He had had no previous criminal record, Whitman testified.

A native of Wake County, Rogers is 35 years of age. Whitman said that Rogers was "most helpful" during the investigation which ensued after the irregularities were uncovered. Rogers' exact amount of time with Whitman helping trace the bad checks, the FBI agent said. (Tracing was done through a study of microfilms at Northwestern Bank).

At 9:53 M. L. Winehouse, chief officer of the State Audi-

tors, took the stand and told the court that he was called to Boone in November of last year to help investigate the books at ASTC. He said that counting the \$853.28 found on Rogers when he surrendered in Norfolk and \$153.72 credited to him at the college, the total shortage now showing on the official college books is \$16,925.

Winehouse told the court that if it had not been for Rogers' cooperation, the state auditors would have had much more difficulty in figuring the shortage.

Ned Trivette was called to the stand at 10:05. Trivette, under whom Rogers worked while at the college, stated that he first became aware of possible irregularities on Monday, November 5 when he found a note from Rogers indicating that he (Rogers) had been called out of town and would possibly return that week.

When Rogers did not return, Trivette said he became more concerned. The following Monday, it became necessary to gain access to the books Rogers had been responsible for. Since no one had a key to Rogers' desk, the desk drawer had to be forced open. It was then discovered that certain books were missing.

"On Wednesday, November 14, I became concerned," Trivette said. "At noon of that day I made a thorough search of the office, but could not locate the books." That afternoon the matter was brought to the attention of other officials at the state-supported institution.

Six of nine character witnesses testified on the behalf of

Rogers after Trivette left the stand at 10:10.

The attorneys for Rogers then made their plea to the court, calling for Rogers to be placed on probation "so that he may earn money to support his wife and two children, and begin paying back the money which he took from the college."

The judge asked Rogers how much college he had had, to which Rogers replied "one and a half years." Rogers said he had stopped his education because of a lack of finances. He met his wife at ASTC, Rogers said, and the couple has two children.

Judge Farthing told the pale father that the sentence he was about to pass would perhaps be considered quite harsh by him, and yet might be considered too light by others.

Rogers will be taken to Central Prison in Raleigh Saturday where he will be processed and sent to a work-release unit of the North Carolina state prisons system.

It was ventured by one of his attorneys, following the sentencing, that Rogers possibly would continue working for a firm in the state as a part of the work-release program. The attorney told the Watauga Democrat that that was the reason Rogers wanted until Saturday before going to Central Prison.

Watauga Court disposed of about 100 traffic cases Monday, and the term was still in progress Tuesday afternoon. Complete proceedings will appear in the next edition of the Democrat.

Health and Beauty

People wonder why it is so easy for old people to break their bones. A young person can receive hard falls and blows, often with no ill effects, but an old person may have a slight fall and fracture the hip or some other bone.

The reason is that age causes such a reduction of animal matter in the skeleton that the bones lose their elasticity. They grow chalky and brittle, so that light falls will often cause serious fractures in an old person.

Much has been learned about bones from X-rays. The causes of several distressing diseases have been found out in this way. Quoting from Dr. Evans: "Some two years before the disease was recognized a man developed a pain in his back which was called pyleitis (pus in the kidneys). A year later he complained of a pain in his side, which was called pleurisy. Three months later he stubbed his toe on a rough place in the pavement and developed a pain in the chest. X-ray pictures of the chest showed some broken ribs."

A disease called multiple myeloma was suspected. Science has discovered tests for diagnosis of this malady. They were applied, and the man was found to be a sufferer from this dread condition, which is due to cancer of the bone marrow.

It is progressive and spreads from one bone to another. It so weakens the bone that it breaks wherever the disease locates itself. In the case mentioned, a bone fractured about once a month.

Some people are born with such fragile bones that they fracture very easily. Most of them have a tendency to deafness and the whites of their eyes are of a bluish cast.

It is difficult for fractures to heal if the sufferer has too little lime in their systems. Milk is our greatest source of lime and children especially should be given an abundant supply of it daily. This helps them to form good sound teeth and bones.

One way to prolong life is to make your plans twenty years ahead.

Advertising is most expensive to those who neglect it.

Overflow Crowd Is Expected To Hear Famed Met Vocalist

An overflow crowd is expected to attend the concert of Metropolitan Opera's leading mezzo-soprano, Nell Rankin, when she appears on the Appalachian State Teachers College campus on April 25 in the Physical Education Building. Concert time is 8 p. m.



METROPOLITAN OPERA SINGER NELL RANKIN

Miss Rankin's appearance will mark the beginning of the annual Spring Arts Festival at Appalachian.

Although she is only 32, the opera star towers over the world of vocal art today like a veteran. She made her public debut at the age of four starting on her own radio program. She startled her parents at the age of nine by announcing that she intended to become one of the greatest singers of her time. This seemed a remarkable forecast, when in 1950 her appearance on the European scene created a sensation.

Miss Rankin became the first American in history to win the coveted first prize in Geneva's famous International Concours de Musique. From that moment the world-wide acclaim accorded Nell Rankin could find few parallels in the annals of music. She has starred in virtually all the world's great opera houses.

In private life, she is the wife of a prominent New York heart specialist. Between world-wide appearances, she divides her time among a luxurious Park Avenue apartment and her beautiful home on Long Island Sound. Her celebrated pet, King Tut, a domesticated jaguar, is often seen with Miss Rankin on her travels.

ASKS RUSSIAN INFLUENCE
The United States has asked the Soviet Union to use its influence with Communist North Vietnamese and Pathet Lao forces to halt the fighting against the neutralist army in Laos.

State Department officials said Washington's serious concern has been conveyed directly to Moscow recently.

Mrs. Lora Shore Dies Wednesday

Lora Rebecca Shore, age 85, died at the Watauga Hospital April 16. She was the widow of the late Sanders Shore and daughter of the late John and Lucretia Ford Cook.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 17, with the Rev. Harold Hayes, the Rev. Carson Eggers, and the Rev. Raymond Hendrix officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are two step-daughters, Mrs. Edna Ashley of Boone; Mrs. Mattie Brown of Blowing Rock; six step-sons, Bill of Mountain City, Tenn.; Dave of Lenoir; Fin and Tom of Boone; Claude of Shulls Mills; Reeves of Blowing Rock; and a number of nieces and nephews.

GOLDWATER AND BACKERS

Senator Goldwater (R., Ariz.) has let the bars down for supporters to find out what enthusiasm they can generate with a move to draft him for the 1964 Republican Presidential nomination.

Goldwater's reaction to the announcement of the formation of a national draft committee was a resigned shrug of his shoulders and the statement "If they want to waste their time and money, that's their business."

Laborites demand half-pay pensions for Britons.

Eisenhower, honored, hails education as a defense.

About Your Home

The proper care and storage of foods make a great deal of difference in the vitamin content as well as the taste of foods. For this reason it would be a good idea to become familiar with these few simple facts.

Eggs, for instance, are best stored in the refrigerator in a wire basket. If they are to be kept for a number of weeks, place them on the large end with the small end up.

Take milk into the house as soon after delivery as possible. Wash the entire bottle and cap in cold running water before putting it away. Keep milk closely covered as it absorbs odors from other foods as readily as butter does.

Wash or scrub vegetables and remove waste before storing in refrigerator vegetable pan. Wilted vegetables may be freshened in salted ice water.

Fresh uncooked meat should be removed from wrapping paper and wiped with a damp cloth. Then place in meat compartment wrapped in waxed paper or on a platter.

To keep whites after eggs have been broken separate and place in a covered glass jar in the refrigerator. To keep yolks, separate and place in a glass container and cover with water or milk.

Highly perishable table fruits, such as peaches, apples and pears, should be placed in the refrigerator without washing as soon as they are brought from the market. Most fruit should be placed in a colander and washed with a spray. However, the firmer fruit such as peaches, apples and pears, may be washed by a light, rubbing in cold water.

Auction Sale at United Discount House

609 E. King Street
In Barnett Building
Friday Evening at 7:30 p. m.
Two Sales Saturday — 2:00 p. m.
And 7:30 p. m.

Everything Must Go!

Refrigerators, automatic washers, wringer-type washers, electric and gas stoves, also apartment size, bath tub, dishes, household plastic wares, cloth, antiques of all kinds, and electric cash register.