

# Contemplates Annual Trip To "Hub Of Holiday Highlands"

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My family and I are contemplating our annual trip to the section of Variety Vacationland known as "The Hub of the Holiday Highlands." It's truly an area of scenic splendor that, in addition, offers attractions unmatched in other sections of the country. This year we're set to go during late June, a period coinciding with the local residents' celebration of the 300th anniversary of the granting of the Carolina Charter.

Just a stone's throw west of a section of the Blue Ridge Parkway, the town of Boone is the focal point of Eastern America's most popular travel routes. Located "among the clouds" at an altitude of 3300 feet, Boone was named after our famed frontiersman, Daniel Boone, who loved this area and nearly 200 years ago established a hunting camp at this location. Others moving west, likewise attracted to its peaceful charm, joined "Dan" and settled along the Watauga Valley.

Boone is a small town with a huge reputation that keeps the visitor returning. One of its many assets is a delightful summer climate. Because of its lofty altitude, the visitor may enjoy a June to September average temperature of 68 degrees. Nights are invigorating with just enough chill to make light blanket sleeping a delight.

A drive down a country lane affords the visitor clear views of lofty peaks, resplendent native foliage, and log cabins that housed early county settlers. Travelers seeking rustic charm along a mountain stream will sight a cabin and, perhaps nearby, an old mill with water wheel turning lazily in complete defiance of today's modern innovations.

Cold mountain streams, providing the fisherman the opportunity to catch his fill of delicious mountain trout, are everywhere. Those with a hankerin' to match skills with the mighty bass do so in the waters of Watauga and New Rivers. This area, too, is a natural for hiking or horseback riding through mountain trails that seem hardly touched by the hand of man. And, to cap a day of physical activity, what could be more exhilarating than a dip in the bountiful crystal-clear mountain water!

Golfing devotees enjoy the Boone course, designed by famed architect J. Ellis Maples.

From one vantage point, the golfer can view a beautiful panorama of eleven of the eighteen fairways against a backdrop of distant mountain peaks.

What would you like in the way of accommodations? Campsite, trailer camp, modest or semi-luxurious motel, or the very best in exclusive hotel accommodations? Whatever your preference—it is here and yours for the asking. Culinary treats—from short to long orders with several courses—are also offered at numerous locations.

During July and August you may enjoy "Horn in the West," the drama of Daniel Boone and the birth of America, in the Daniel Boone Outdoor Theatre (the highest outdoor theatre east of the Rockies). If this isn't enough to sharpen your interest, be reminded that nearby are the mile-high swinging bridge atop Grandfather Mountain (having rock formations one billion years old), "Tweetsie Railroad," a delight to young and old, and Blowing Rock, high over Johns River Gorge along the Blue Ridge Parkway. These are outstanding attractions that merit separate treatment in subsequent columns.

Won't you join us in "The Hub of the Holiday Highlands" the latter part of June? We're going to greet the wagon train that will have traversed its way over the Blue Ridge Mountains from the mountain community of Ferguson. This will take place on June 29, at which time local residents will participate in a colorful program marking North Carolina's Tercentenary anniversary.

Governor Sanford has designated May 27 through June 2 as Vacation Planning Week in Variety Vacationland. So let's be on with the planning. Hope to see you in Boone in June.

## Mrs. Hayes Funeral Held

The funeral for Mrs. Myrtle Bingham Hayes, 73, of Winston-Salem, Rt. 5, Gum Tree Road, wife of Grady T. Hayes was conducted at 11 a. m. Tuesday at Midway Methodist Church by the Rev. Sam Moss and the Rev. R. J. Starling.

A graveside service was conducted at 3 p. m. at Adams cemetery near Boone in Watauga county.

Mrs. Hayes died Sunday.

# Health and Beauty

Some girls and women sit down and bemoan the fact that nature didn't bless them with beautiful skins and lovely noses, curly locks and a Venus-like figure, but we wonder, after all, how much of a handicap it is to be born plain.

When the average "plain" girl looks into her mirror and realizes that she can't remake her nose into what she thinks would be the proper shape, that she can't get a new coating of skin to replace what she already has, then, if she is wise at all, she will realize that she can develop herself along other lines.

After all, you know, there really is something to the time-worn saying, "Beauty is only skin deep."

And, as we go through the world and come into contact with those of beautiful features, how often we come to realize that there isn't much to those people but their beauty. They're often shallow of mind and feelings, depending upon their beauty alone to get them through the world.

Those of us who haven't what we think is our rightful proportion of good looks have to develop our minds and our hearts in order to take our places in

the race of life. Did you ever stop to realize that some of the most brilliant, most sought-after women in the world are not beauties?

Take a list of the world's greatest actresses and see whether or not they gained their places by reason of their abilities or because of their beauty. Sarah Bernhardt was far from being beautiful, yet so great was she that one never noticed her lack of beauty. Katherine Hepburn, who twice won the motion picture prize

for her performances, is certainly not a beauty and yet so great is her histrionic ability, one forgets to look for perfect features or beautiful hair.

The woman who lacks good looks should make up for that lack by the development of good qualities. Good taste in dress should be cultivated, she can be chic, dainty and by the selection of the right clothes often overcome her physical faults.

By cultivation of a sense of the beautiful, she can appreciate, to a high degree, beautiful things. It is possible for her to have a beautiful voice. She can

develop a grace of movement, a beautiful carriage that will be the envy of her more beautiful sisters.

And, above all, the plain girl or woman can cultivate a beautiful spirit which will cause her to stand out among her friends and a delightful person to be with at all times.

Schedules are made to remind you how far behind you are in your work.

Excessive curiosity is one indication of excessively bad manners.

## ON MILITARY PAY

The House passed a \$1.2-billion military pay raise that would give the nation's servicemen their first raise in five years.

Two amendments were added to the bill which passed the House by a standing vote of 293-10. One adopted a \$30.5 retirement pay for servicemen who retired before June 1, 1958. The other sets up a method of combat pay for servicemen subjected to hostile fire in areas where the cold war exists.

Paris is hardening on a NATO atom force.

## PEACE POLICY

President Kennedy has posted a new warning against aggression in the Middle East in a five point plan.

"In the event of aggression or preparation for aggression whether direct or indirect," Kennedy said, "we would support appropriate measures in the United States (and) adopt courses of operation on our own to prevent or put a stop to such aggression which, of course, has been the policy which the United States has followed for some time."

## SNEEZES IN AN ALARM

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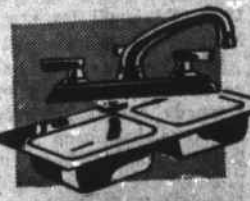
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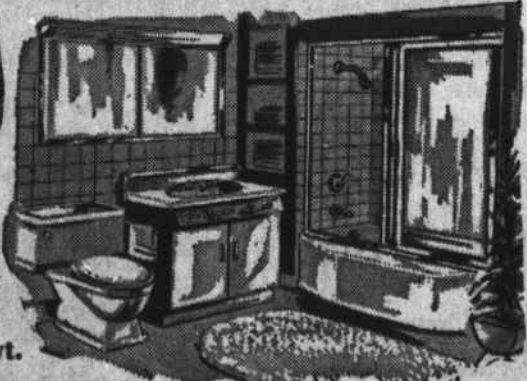
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