

ASTC Choir Starts Rehearsals With 40

The Appalachian State Teachers College Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Virginia W. Linney, began rehearsals last week with a personnel of 40 singers. Mrs. Linney said that singers in the choir are chosen by audition. A good choir member is selected not only for voice quality and musical ability, but also because of the joy derived from the love of singing. It is expected of all choir mem-

bers that they be present and punctual at all rehearsals and that they uphold the high standards set forth by the organization, placing always the good of the group ahead of personal desires.

Choral activities for the year include the traditional Christmas Oratorio, a light musical production during the winter quarter, and concert trips in the spring. Invitations have already been received to appear on college concert series and sacred church concerts. It is also planned to give an oratorio in the late spring.

The choir has appeared in many of the southern states, and has sung with the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra on two occasions, and has appeared on the Mutual Network for nine successive seasons in a coast-to-coast broadcast of selections from "The Messiah."



ASTC majorettes step high as they anticipate high scoring season. They are (l-r) Kay Camlin, Sandra Baird, Becky Brown, Bonnie Walls, chief, and Maryanne Mascott—Panley photo.

COMPARES ADMINISTRATIONS
 ing the last three years Dwight D. Eisenhower was in the White House.
 Treasury Secretary Dillon, a Republican, said recently that Federal spending has grown at a slower rate during the Kennedy Administration than dur-

Dillon served under Eisenhower as Under Secretary of State and was named to his present post by President Kennedy.

Story Hour Successful

The first weekly children's story hour, held Saturday morning from 10:30 to 12 noon at the Watauga County Library, could be described as a moderate success. Seven children attended the story-reading session, and many more are expected in the remaining weeks of the program.

The story hour is sponsored by the newly-renovated library in conjunction with its new children's reading room. For 1½ hours every Saturday morning, children attending will be read to from the library's stock of children's literature.

Three Appalachian State Teachers College juniors are carrying on the program as a public service project and for practical teaching experience, as a parallel to their courses in educational psychology and children's literature. The students are Miss Katylee Shunk, Miss Carol McKinney, and Miss Louise Williams.

MOUSE CHOKES ON CHEESE

Cape Town—A pet mouse was rushed to an animal hospital with a piece of cheese stuck in her throat. Seeming "more dead than alive," an immediate operation on her windpipe removed the cheese.

The mouse was revived with artificial respiration. The Salt River clinic of the Animal Welfare Society of South Africa treated 4,082 animals last year. Since treatment this mouse has borne 57 baby mice.

John Payne Is Promoted To Cadet Captain

Marion, Ala. — Cadet John Luther Payne of Boone has been promoted to the rank of Cadet Captain in the Marion Institute Cadet Brigade for the school year 1963-64.

The promotion was announced by Colonel Leslie Spinks, commandant of cadets and chairman of the promotion board at the 122-year old military junior college.

Payne, now in his third year at Marion, will serve on the brigade staff as S-1. The Cadet Brigade at Marion Institute, Alabama's only essentially military preparatory school and junior college, is composed of two battalions and four companies each and a brigade headquarters company.

Last year, Payne was graduated from the preparatory school department as an honor military graduate. While at Marion, he was named on the Dean's List; has been a member of the White Knights, famous crack drill team; and is presently serving on the Honor Council.

Cadet Captain Payne is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Payne of 221 Cherry Drive in Boone.

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