

Fire Prevention Week Observed

Boone, B. Rock Firemen Perform Vital Service



Dr. Charles Davant, Mr. W. C. Stouffer and Mr. C. S. Kipp talk after the dedication ceremonies.

Blowing Rock Hospital Wing Is Dedicated In Ceremonies

(Continued from page 1, Sec. A) gram. It was her vision and generosity that led to the structure we are dedicating today. Dr. Davant's vision and untiring devotion in practice of his profession worked out much of the detail, assisted by the building committee.

offee and cake which was furnished by the Hospital Auxiliary. On the walls of the new wing were plaques of dedication. They read: "This wing dedicated in loving memory of Anne Cannon Stouffer. "This room dedicated in memory of Herman Cone. "This room made possible by the generosity of Frank R. Hart. "Dedicated in honor of all the unnamed persons who have given of their wealth and time, generously and unselfishly. "This room dedicated in loving memory of Middleton Black by his parents, Olive and Bernard Black. "This room is given in happy memory of Samuel Howard McDonald by the members of Lineberger Foundation. A seventh plaque listed contributors to the building fund of the Blowing Rock Hospital wing addition. It included The Duke Endowment, George B. Adams, Thomas H. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Arbuckle, John N. Atkins, Mrs. John Barnhardt, B. C. Black, E. J. Blackwell, Mrs. Andrew Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Bland, Mrs. Chase Brenizer, Miss Mary Bright, Mrs. Charles F. Brown, J. E. Broyhill, R. T. Broyhill, Mrs. Archie Cannon,

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By CLARK COX Fire is one of mankind's greatest friends. Without it, the tasks of warming our homes and offices, preparing our food, and manufacturing a myriad of needed goods and luxuries would present insurmountable problems. Without fire, our civilization would slow to a comparative standstill. No wonder, then, that primitive societies all over the world have worshipped fire as a god. At the same time, fire is a great enemy to mankind. Fire gone out of control takes a tremendous toll each year on men's lives, as well as on their material property and possessions. The damages caused yearly by fire across the United States create fantastic expenses for individuals, organizations, and insurance companies. In addition, there are great costs for providing and maintaining facilities for fighting such fires.

In great metropolitan centers, fires are fought, largely at public expense, by great armies of paid civil employees. But in communities like Boone and Blowing Rock, the fire departments consist of varying numbers of responsible, dedicated men who volunteer their services and remain on call at all times in the event of a fire. The only rewards these men get are satisfaction in having performed their duty, a sense of security in knowing that they have helped to build a safer community, and perhaps reduced fire insurance rates which they share with their neighbors.

In 1963 (to October 1) the Boone and Blowing Rock fire departments have answered a combined total of 45 fire calls, holding damages to a total of \$32,405—an outstanding record if one pauses to reflect upon it. Damages in many of these fires were negligible. The figure for total damages does not include damage resulting from forest fires.

During the week of October 6-12, the 17 members of the Boone Fire Department and the 25 members of the Blowing Rock Fire Department are helping in the observance of North Carolina Fire Prevention Week, an annual commemoration declared this year by Governor Terry Sanford. These fire department members should be given due recognition for their yeoman service during the past year. For Boone, they are (in alphabetical order): Grant Ayers, Charles Blackburn, Cecil Carter, Armfield Coffey, Howard Cottrell, Kenneth E. Danner, Robert Danner, Cecil Farthing, Cecil Greene, A. E. Hamby, Jr., Edward J. Hayes, John W. Hodges, Jr., R. D. Hodges, Jr. (chief), Lewis Reese, Jack Johnson Roark, Charles Taylor, Phil Vance.

The Blowing Rock Fire Department includes: Ralph Andrews, Stuart Bolick, Ben Church, Jim Coffey, Omer Coffey, Paul Coffey, Boyd Cook, Eugene Fortune, William Foster, Sidney Greene, Jack Greene, Dee Greene, Jim Greene, Wiley Greene (chief), Tom Greene, Albert Hayes, Steve Johnson, Bill Hollars, Max Moody, Howard Parker, Hayden Pitts, Glenn Presnell, Marshall Ruppert, George Sudderth, Jr., Thomas Wright.

Blowing Rock also has two auxiliary firemen, Claude Gragg and Vaughn Hartley. Many improvements have been made in both departments in 1963, in terms of equipment. Both departments have added quite a bit of new fire hose. In addition, the Blowing Rock Department has acquired two mobile units and walkie-talkie radios within the last month; and the Boone department acquired a badly-needed new fire truck, as well as a supply of new hats for the men. Many fire department members have purchased other needed gear at their own expense.

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to begin paying special attention to how they can aid in preventing fires and cutting down on fire hazards. There is no better way to say "Thank you" to our firemen than by being especially careful to avoid fire at all times.

1,500 Expected To Gather For Homecoming At College

Approximately 1,500 alumni from Murphy to Manteo and from outside the borders of Tar Heelia are expected to flock back to the Appalachian State Teachers College Campus to renew old acquaintances and celebrate Homecoming on October 26-27.

In addition to alumni from within the state, old grads from Virginia, Tennessee, South Carolina, Florida and other states are expected. Last year some came from as far away as California for the Homecoming festivities.

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223 mountains 5,000 feet tall or higher in Western North Carolina. Among the higher crests accessible by automobile are Mount Mitchell, Grandfather Mountain, Roan Mountain and Bald Mountain. Within a few miles of Boone is the Blue Ridge Parkway and dozens of other scenic routes through the mountains which offer close-ups and panoramas of autumn foliage. There are over 100 scenic overlooks on the Blue Ridge Parkway for the enjoyment of alumni.

This is a golden opportunity for ASTC alumni to combine Homecoming with a scenic excursion in the beautiful highlands.

Many seasonal attractions, accommodations and recreational facilities in the Boone-Blowing Rock area are open through October. Many are open all year. Tweetsie Railroad is available for the youngsters and the beautiful Boone Golf Course is open for those who like a little exercise in the clear mountain air. Every effort is being made

by college officials and faculty to make this one of the most enjoyable Homecomings ever.

Fellowships For Teachers

One thousand fellowships for the first year graduate study leading to careers in college teaching will be offered by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation in 1964-65, it was announced this week by Dr. Ina Van Noppen, Appalachian State Teachers College professor and campus representative for the foundation.

Nominations for a Fellowship may come from any member of the academic profession in any college or university in the United States or Canada. The candidate must have the potentiality of becoming a valuable member of the academic profession.

For further information on procedure the local Woodrow Wilson Campus Representative, Dr. Ina Van Noppen, should be consulted.

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