

# Wataugans At Work



Russell Vannoy (left) waits on a customer at the Crest Store in Boone, where he has been assistant manager since July. Russell, a former resident of West Jefferson, trans-

ferred to Boone from Crest's Ben Franklin Store in that town. Only 21, Russell is unmarried.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOTES

### Merchants Group Will Soon Make Plans For Gay Holiday Celebration

By HERMAN W. WILCOX  
(President, Boone C. of C.)

#### Insufficient Interest

A desire has been expressed by some to have the Merchants Association a separate organization from the Chamber of Commerce. Ballots numbering 80, mailed to merchants to vote on board directors, resulted in only 14 being returned. Those present at the original meet-

ing, after tabulation of the ballots, decided insufficient interest had been shown, and it would be wise, at least for the present, to continue operating on the basis of a Merchants Association Committee.

A committee is in the process of being formed. As soon as this is complete they will meet and lay plans for the promotion of the merchants' interests, including plans for the holiday celebration.

#### Record Sales

So far this year the Chamber office has issued 8,413 motor vehicle plates and transferred 892. Receipts issued for plates in number 1,487. This is the largest num-

ber sold in this period of time since the agency was established here.

#### Only 6,968 Registered

Many adjoining county citizens are using the License Bureau. There are only 6,968 vehicles registered in the county. Therefore, over 2,000 out-of-the-county plates have been issued.

This proves again that Boone is fast becoming the "Shopping Center" of this area, and the Bureau has been effective in bringing additional shoppers to town.

#### Where Tourists Come From

A survey of tourist registration this year in Western North Carolina shows the top ten states visiting this area were Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, Ohio, Alabama, South Carolina, Virginia, Kentucky and Illinois.

Only three states show up as large-scale origins of visitors to both the mountains and the beaches. They were North Carolina, Virginia and Ohio. We would do well to concentrate our promotion efforts within these states.

Politics is a great American sport, but should be kept out of the schools, the church and private clubs.

# Repeal Of Communist Ban Law Is Asked By ASTC Professors

A petition signed by a large number of Appalachian State Teachers College faculty and staff members concerning the so-called Communist-ban Law of 1963 has been presented to the Honorable J. E. Holshouser, Jr., of Boone, Member of the House of Representatives.

The petition reads as follows: We, the undersigned administrators, faculty and staff of Appalachian State Teachers College urge the earliest possible repeal by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina of the so-called Communist-ban Law of 1963 for the following reasons:

First, the measure seems ill-designed to achieve its objective. Ideas regarded as subversive of free institutions are best refuted, not by silencing them, but by exposing them to the light of rational and free debate.

Second, this law tends to undermine respect for the very Constitution it attempts to protect by branding as political outlaws those individuals who claim rights under the Fifth Amendment of the Federal Constitution.

Third, the law implies a profound distrust of the intellectual integrity and loyalty of students, faculty, and administrators in the colleges and universities of the State. It hints that these citizens above all others need to be sheltered from false doctrines. It seems to express fear that college people, if given the opportunity, will readily embrace communism rather than liberal-democratic ideas. Indirectly, the law implies that communism, and not the ideas underlying a free society, will necessarily triumph when pitted against one another in open debate.

Fourth, the law appears to impugn the wisdom and judgment of administrators and faculties of North Carolina's institutions of higher learning. It usurps their prerogative of determining the qualifications of prospective speakers on their campuses and of deciding whether speakers such as the law

forbids would or would not provide a valuable educational experience for their students. The law purports to provide by legislative fiat an "official" definition of political truth and precludes students as well as faculty and administrative officers from deciding such questions for themselves.

A copy of the petition was also sent to the Senate of the General Assembly of North Carolina. Because of the illness of Senator Johnson, Mr. Holshouser

was asked to present the petition before the Senate.

In presenting the petition to Representative Holshouser, William F. Troutman, Jr., associate professor of political science at Appalachian College, said, "As one of the faculty members responsible for the circulation of the enclosed petition, I am passing these two copies on to you and asking that you help us by making good use of them to let the Legislature know where we stand."

## Letter To The Editor

### Favors Aid To Needy And Worthy Students

Dear Editor:

The Ervin amendment is a step in the right direction; removing permanently all obstacles blocking aid to education.

You may put me on record favoring an additional appropriation of \$1.9 billion for direct grants to worthy and needy students who would otherwise become drop-outs, get married, and drift onto relief rolls because two can draw more benefits than one. In either case, Uncle Sam picks up the tab, and once a relief recipient always a relief recipient including the entire family through the entire generation without end; with but few exceptions. It becomes a habit. They think the world owes them a living and look forward to a weekly check. Should it be a day late, they will remark, "Those lazy so and so's didn't send my check."

We cannot do much about those now on the welfare rolls except continue their support, but we can do a lot about adding future generations to the welfare rolls by giving the would-be drop-outs, the needy and worthy young men, direct grants to finish their education to college and university levels. That makes them assets instead of liabilities. One asset is

worth a million liabilities.

A college man's earnings is far in excess of an uneducated person; that there is no comparison. And these additional earnings will find their way to Uncle Sam's coffers in the form of income tax, thus squaring off the original grant.

Where are we going to get \$1.9 billion for needy and worthy students? Alliance for Progress and foreign aid cost so much and do so little. Let charity begin at home for a change. Whatsa say?

Yours,  
J. C. CHURCH  
Uniontown, Pa.  
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# Farm Bureau Friday Night To Hear Causey

Watauga Farm Bureau will hold its annual meeting at the Courthouse, Friday night, November 1 at 7:30.

Mitchell Causey, Greensboro, Area Representative of N. C. Farm Bureau Insurance Company will discuss all phases of the Farm Bureau Insurance Program.

Resolutions will be adopted to be sent to the State Farm Bureau Convention meeting in Durham, November 10.

Officers of the County Unit will be elected for the coming year.

Neill M. Smith, Dobson, field representative of the N. C.

Farm Bureau Federation will also be present for the meeting. All members and farmers interested especially in tobacco and forestry are urged to be present. Some very important resolutions dealing with these two commodities will be discussed.

## Miss Hardison ASTC Employee

Miss Ann Hardison, daughter of Mrs. Bonnie Lee Hollars, 305 Dogwood Street, Boone, who recently completed the executive secretarial course at King's College, Charlotte, has accepted a secretarial position at Appalachian State Teachers College.

Soviet Jew denounces protests in United States.

## Paul & Ralph Say:



A big city minister visiting in a rural parish was asked to pray for rain. The rain came in floods and destroyed some of elder remarked to another: "This comes from asking a man to pray when he doesn't know agriculture."

—PAUL & RALPH

## Watauga Insurance Agency

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## George Greer Rites Sunday

George W. Greer, 77, of Route 4, North Wilkesboro, died Friday at his home after several weeks of illness. He was a native of Ashe County and was a cattleman and farmer.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lana Watson Greer; a son, Oscar Greer of San Francisco, Calif.; four daughters, Mrs. Minnie Raymer of North Wilkesboro, Mrs. Wilma Russell of Deep Gap, Mrs. Jemi Westhelmer of Boone, and Mrs. Tullie Persons of Route 4, North Wilkesboro; his mother, Mrs. Rhonda Greer of Deep Gap; a sister, Mrs. Margie Michael of Boone; two brothers, Joe E. Greer of Lenoir, and Raleigh Greer of Deep Gap.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Laurel Springs Baptist Church at Deep Gap. Officiating were the Rev. Clate Brown, the Rev. Glenn Huffman, and the Rev. Raby Eggers. Burial was in the church cemetery.

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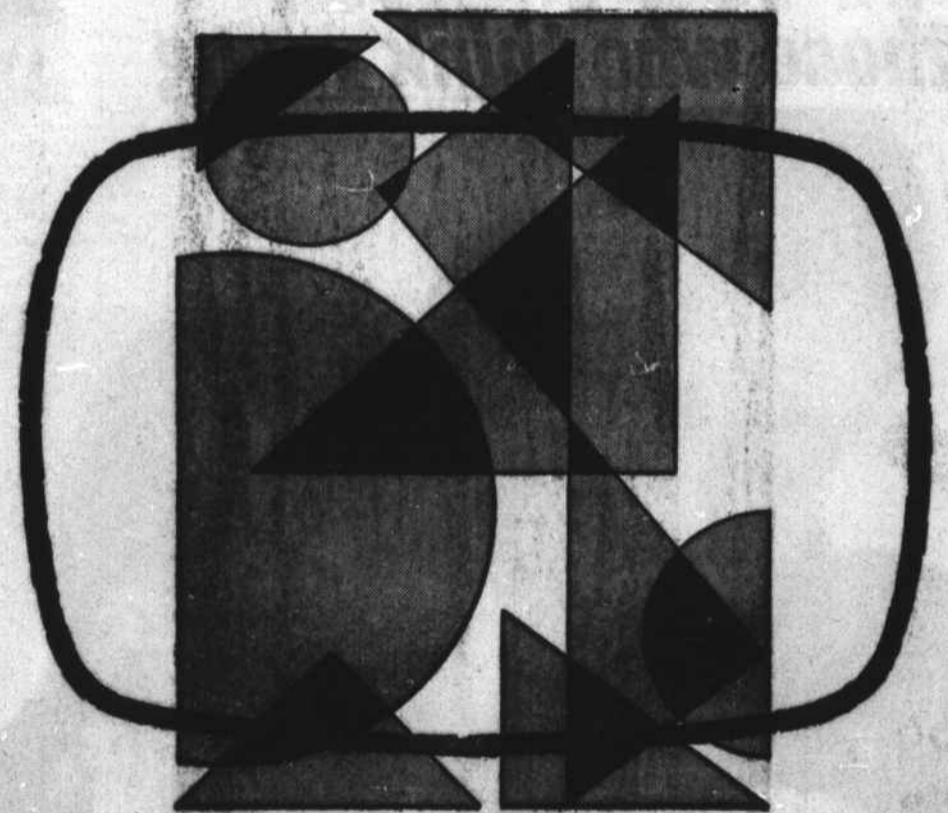


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