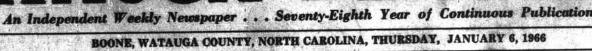
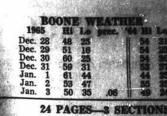
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Jaycees Seek Young Man **Of The Year**

Since 1938 the United States have been honorin erica's Ten Outstanding ing Men of the year.

The list of past winners is a Who's Who of U. S. leadership in art, business, politics, sci-ence, sports and almost every other conceivable field of endeavor. Past honorees include Bob Mathias, John F. Kennedy, Orson Welles and Leonar

The Boone Jaycees are now taking nominations for Boone's ding Young Man of 1965. Any young man between the ages of 21 and 35, of good moral character, who has mad an outstanding contribution to the community welfare during 1965 is eligible for this award. The nominee need not be .a member of the Jaycees, and the young man of the year will be chosen by a panel of judges associated with the Jay-

Application blanks are now available at the First National Bank, The Stone, Watauga Savings & Loan Association, The Northwestern Bank and WATA. These nomination blanks must be received by Jan. 12, and the award will be presented at the distinguished service award banquet Jan. 17.

Ski Lodge Gets **Publicity Thru** Flowers Effort

Through the efforts of George Flowers, owner - manager of Flower's Photo Shop in Boone, the Blowing Rock Ski Lodge is given a boost in the December Kodak Dealer-Finisher Newslet-A page in the newsletter is devoted to Flowers' promotion of Kodak equipment at the

Lodge, and points out interest ing facts about the area. The feature shows pictures of the interior of the Lodge and Ski Shop and of Flowers giv-

ing skiers information about the area on his Citizens Band Radio. The Newsletter is a supplement to a regular publication by Kodak and is distributed to Kodak dealers throughout the

country. Women's Clubs **To Be Feature**

Of C. Of C. Meet The women's civic clubs of Boone will present a resume of cial statements to almost three million businesses listed in the to the community for the Jan- Reference Book. These stateuary program meeting of the ments are essential to the cre-



Mrs. Addie Clawson receives a certificate of merit from Boone Postmaster Ralph Beshears on New Year's Day. Mrs. Clawson retired from the postal service on Dec. 30, after 30 years as a mail carrier for Route 1

She began her career on a snowy Boone. winter day in 1935, later riding a horse to deliver the mail on the long route. (Staff photo)-Story on page three, section C

1966 Heart Crusade Begins

Atop Grandfather Mountain

BY RACHEL RIVERS

Grandfather Mountain rang with the salvo of a 105-mm Howitzer on New Year's Day when grandfathers, great-grand fathers and representatives of the state Heart Association heard the three-blast count down for heart research, educafather Mountain honey. tion and community service. Joe Hartley of Grandfather

mountain - renamed Great-Grandfather Mountain for the community took the prize for oldest grandfather. The 96-year- occasion - and former combat

229 Businesses Are **Operated In County**

There is a total of 229 busi-| wholesalers. The nesses in Watauga County, ac- port which stands behind each cording to statistics released by entry in the Reference Book R. C. Adams, district manager contains such information as

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of the Charlotte Office of Dun the firm's current payment reca Bradstreet, Inc. This total is based on a physical count of the January, 1966 edition of the Dun & Bradstreet Reference Book.

Mr. Adams noted that this month Dun & Bradstreet, Inc. is sending requests for finandit reports issued by the busi

old mountainman shared his | photographer, publicly thanked Lenoir's National Guard Unit case of honey with other oldsters who entered the competiof the Old Hickory division for tion. Monroe Honeycutt, 59, of their participation in the statewide salute. Forest City captured the title,

"Youngest Grandfather" dur Just after 10 a. m., units at ing the ceremonies, and he al-High Point and Leaksville returned the salute that signaled so was given a case of Grandthe beginning of the 1966 "Hope for Hearts Crusade". At Hugh Morton, owner of the the same time, the U.S.S. North Carolina, docked at Wilmington, fired a 25-round salute of 40-mm guns in honor of the

crusade for public health. Morton told the crowd of prised the greatest number of people ever to be on the mountain on Jan. 1, and that Jan. 1, 1966 was the warmest New Years Day recorded atop the

rugged peaks Lt. Russell Clark of Jonas Ridge, was executive officer of the first Battalion, 113th Artillery squad. In formal ceremon-

ies in the visitor center, Lt.

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To Add Needed Space S & L Starts \$100,000 **Expansion Program**

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Association **Resources** Are

Over \$13,000,000

The Watauga Savings & Loan Association announced Monday a \$100.000 expansion program taking in the Dougherty propenty occupied by the Western Auto Store on West King Street.

Savings & Loan, Watauga County's oldest financial institution, also reports another banner year for 1965. For the 12-month period ending Dec 31, the Savings & Loan made 520 loans for the construction purchase and remodeling of homes in the County and recorded a total dollar volume of new loans at \$3,720,006 - all first mortgage loans on first class properties. To expand its office quarters

and rental properties, the institution has employed Foy and Lee. Waynesville (N. C.) architects, and Greene Construction

Company of Boone, contractors. Upon completion, 5,000 square feet of additional rental space will be available. Offices re-located during the expan sion are Sturdivant Life Insurance Company, Mount Lawn Memorial Park & Gardens, the American Red Cross and the law office of John H. Bingham.

In providing 5,000 square feet of additional working space for the Savings & Loan, builders will tear out and refinish the interiors of the present offices and the former Western

Auto. A new vault will be built, more than 100 that they com- additional area for tellers and new quarters for the officers of the Association.

The office front and interior is to be one of the most modern in Western North Carolina. Wade Manufacturing Company of Charlotte will supply fix-

tures. Completion is scheduled for early spring at which time a grand opening will be held for the public.

75% Total Loans The Watauga Savins & Loan Association has led the field in home financing in Watauga County since 1921, and accounts for about 75 per cent of all new home loans.

In 1965, assets of the Associthe near future." ation increased to \$13,375,151, yearly increase of \$1,261 With 358. Reserve accounts were in-Volunteer Hospital Help creased to \$913,078.16 and distribution of dividends for the year amounted to \$422,108. This amount is the largest ever Is Asked By Red Cross paid and added to the economy of the County by going into almost every home. If you are one who enjoys gratitude of sick people and 2.5 Effective in 1966, the Asthe role of helping the sick and the injured, who need the lift sociation will pay an even more injured in hospitals, the Red that a friendly visit, a smile or liberal dividend. The Board of Cross has a job for you-as a a personal service can give Directors has announced an ex-Volunteer. pected dividend rate of four "We need new faces and and a quarter per cent per an-"We need new faces and give a few hours each week to willing hands at The Watauga help the hospitalized." num, payable in June and Dec-Hospital", said Mrs. Ruth Key, ember. This rate will be paid on all savings from \$1 up. chairman of volunteers for the Watauga County Chapter ARC. as arranging flowers, deliver James Marsh, secretary-trea-"We pay well-in heartfelt (Continued on page six) March Of Dimes Month Is **Proclaimed By Mayor Brown** WHEREAS, each year in the | be mustered to meet this in-| defects, and United States, a seriously de- creasingly urgent problem, and fective baby is born every two stes, and WHEREAS, birth defects cause more physical and mental disability among children than any other disease condition, and effective control, and WHEREAS, this program of-fers the best available treat-WHEREAS, these tragic conditions place overwhelming emotional and social stresses on family life and constitute a seri-ous community health problem, and

TAKING DOWN THE TREE . . . before license plates go on sale. Miss Sally Miller (left) was the only veteran of the annual scramble to sell license plates when the Boone Chamber of Commerce opened up at 8:30 a. m. Monday. But Mrs. Barbara Ragan, employed two weeks, and Mrs. D. H. Johnson, on the payroll six months, pitched right in to help with sales. Manager Fred McNeal reported 330 car tags, 33 pickup truck tags, seven farm truck tags and 13 trailer tags sold by the middle of Monday

afternoon. Total for the day came to 417 license tags. The License Bureau, located in the Chamber offices at East King and Hardin streets, is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p. m., Monday through Friday, and until noon on Saturdays. Deadline for the purchase and display of tags is Feb. 15. Last year, McNeal said, a day's transactions were carried on at the rate of one license tag handled every five-eighths of a minute without error. (Staff photo)

Merger Of First National Bank Given Final OK

James J. Saxon, U. S. Comp. | Boone facility, First National | rectors would continue to guide Bank of Eastern North Carotroller of the Currency, has approved the merger of First Na- lina now has nineteen offices in North Carolina with resour tional Bank of Boone, Boone, ces totaling in excess of \$40, North Carolina, with First National Bank of Eastern North 000,000 The system's headquarters is located in Jackson Carolina, M. F. Allen, Jr., Presville, North Carolina. ident, announced yesterday.

"We are deligated to have The First National Bank of the Boone bank as part of our Eastern North Carolina presisystem as it will add incalculdent pointed out that this was ably to our opportunity to furthe initial move of the system ther serve the state through into the western part of North Carolina. He said, "We have the system's banking facilities," an application for an office in Allen said. Graham, North Carolina, which

we hope to have approved in

Allen also pointed out that there would be no change in the staff personnel, and that the present local board of di-

Allen said that a new manager for the Boone office will be named in the immediate future.

Boone office

the operating policies of the



Roome Chamber of Commerce The membership will meet ness information agency. at noon on Tuesday, Jan. 11, at requests are sent to all busithe Daniel Boone Inn.

Mrs. Lee Reynolds will be in charge. Mrs. Herman Wilcox will speak in behalf of the Worthwhile Woman's Club, in the American business com-Inc.; Mrs. Roy Isley, for the Junior Woman's Club; and Mrs. are now occurring daily in Ref-Robert Cody, for the Garden Council.

nesses regardless of size, from the corner grocery to the million dollar manufacturer. Because of the constant flux

munity, nearly 6,000 changes erence Book data. Thus the mammoth volume must be re-

represented on the program, Mrs. Reynolds said. Mrs. Reynolds said.

The BPW Club also will be issued every two months to

Atkinson To Head First National

Frank Richard Atkinson, of president in bank relations contacts for Service Plan, Inc., and affiliate of General Ac-Greenville, N. C., has been med vice president of First al Bank of Eastern North na, and appointed man-of the system's Boone of-in North Carolina and sur-Carolina, and appointed manager of the system's Boone office. Announcement comes from M. F. Allen Jr., president. The Boone facility, formerly First National Bank of Boone,

tly merged with First Naand Bank of Eastern North

National Bank of Boone, by merged with First Na-Bank of Eastern North na. Hison entered the bank-ofession in 1938 in Pitts-Penn., and since 1957 North Carolina banking North Carolina Bank of n North Carolina, he was a directing officer and branch administra-tion, annong others. He has al-so been a National Bank Ex-aminer. Fourth Federal Re-serve District, headquartered (Continued on page siz)

The youngest and oldest grandfathers — and a prospective grandfather—who attended ceremonies on Great-Grandfather Mountain Saturday pose in the Visitor Center where black-eyed peas and hog jowl were served to a crowd of 100 persons. Left is Monroe Honeycutt, 59, of Forest City. Beside him is Joe Hartley, 96, of Grandfather." The two-year-old boy holds the "Oldest Great-Grandfather." The two-year-old boy holds the Hope for Hearts symbol. (Staff photo)

WHEREAS, the full resources of an enlightened public must

WHEREAS, through a nation-WHEREAS, the March of al public education program Dimes is spearheading the ef-fort to bring birth defects under to raise the level of prevata

ment for birth defects victims at March of Dimes-supported Brown, Mayor of Boone, do hereby proclaim January, 1966, WHEREAS, scientific re-search conducted under March of Dimes auspices is making significant progress in the search for ways to prevent hirth ment for birth defects victims

care and thereby improve chan ces for the birth of healthy babies, now THEREFORE, I, Wade I

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them. There are openings now **Glenn Wilcox** for 20 or 25 persons who can Third Youngest

GLENN WALLACE WILCOX

The duties are simple-such **Rotary Member**

A native of Boone was in ducted last month into the membership of the Rotary Club in Asheville.

Glenn Wallace Wilcox, so of Mr. and Mrs. Herman W Wilcox, is the third-youngest member of the 163-year-old or ganization, and is the first businessman to join as a representative of the industry.

He is president of the Travel Agency, Inc., fices in Boone and in As

He married th Pauline Rock, and they children now resi tain Brook Road Wilcox makes