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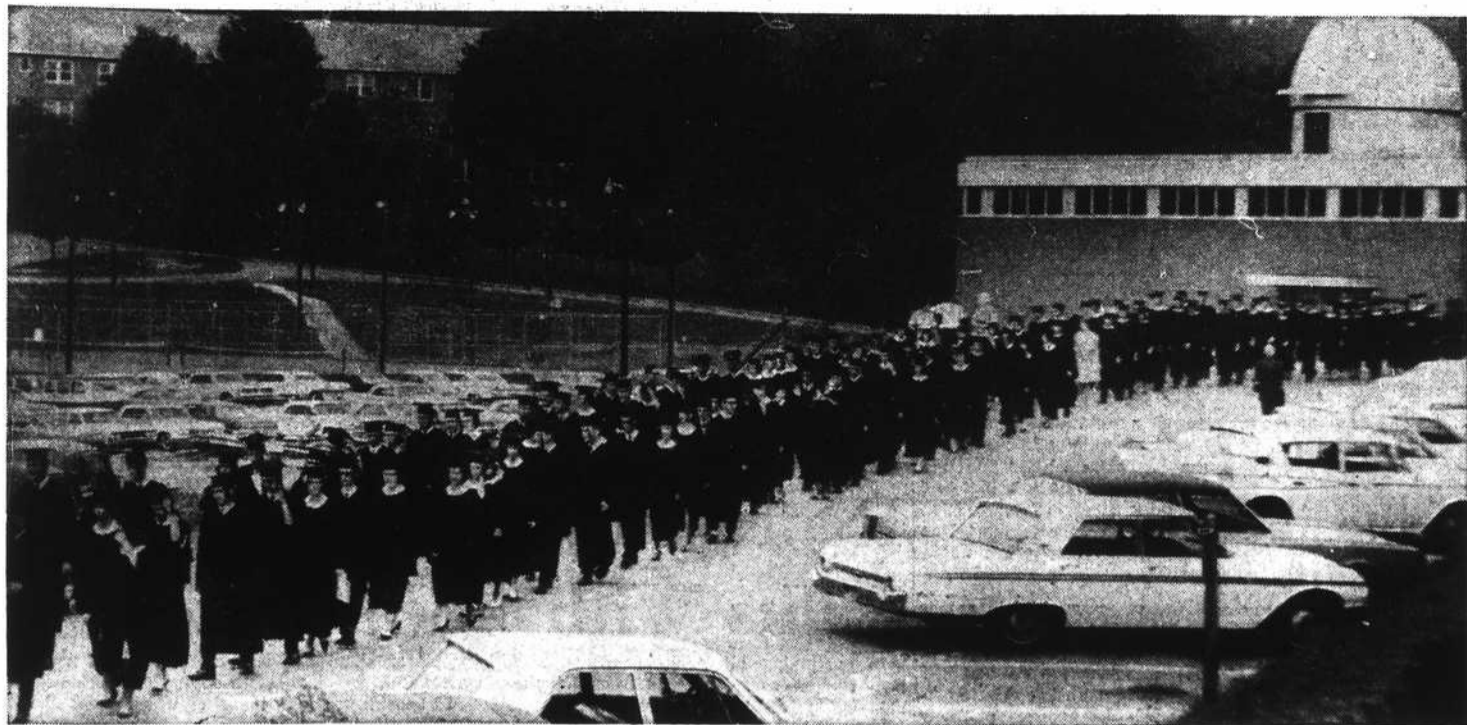
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Aug. 21	80	64		.01
Aug. 22	79	65		

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More than 350 candidates for degrees line up Saturday morning for the procession from the Rankin Science Building to Broome-Kirk Gymnasium where graduation ceremonies were performed, and Gov. Dan Moore addressed the summer ASTC graduating class. (Staff photo)

## 126th Session Three Forks Assn. To Meet

### 8390 Members Represented In Gathering

The 126th annual session of the Three Forks Baptist Association will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 30-31. Host church the first day will be Laurel Springs Baptist Church, and morning and afternoon programs are planned. The Wednesday morning sessions will be at Poplar Grove Baptist Church.

Associational Missionary Donald Wilson, former pastor of Laurel Springs, says membership in the Watauga County Association is 8,390. Member churches constituted before the Civil War were Three Forks, Cove Creek, South Fork, Zionville, Stony Fork, Antioch, Beaver Dam, Bethel, Meat Camp and Brushy Fork.

Moderator for the 126th session will be the Rev. J. E. Crump; clerk, Mrs. Clay Phillips; music director, Maurice Cooper, and pianist, Mrs. Cecil Farthing. The theme will be The Church Fulfilling Its Mission Through Proclamation And Witness.

Participating in the Tuesday morning session will be Dr. William Strickland, who came to ASTC recently from Southeastern Seminary at Wake Forest; Herman Wilcox, the Rev. James O. Mull, Ted Eller, the Rev. J. Boyce Brooks, the Rev. James Branch, Mayor Wade Brown, the Rev. Donald Wilson, Dr. Ray Lawrence, the Rev. Charles Smith, Mrs. James Branch, Dr. Eugene Poston, Clyde R. Greene, J. Paul Winkler and the annual sermon will be conducted by the Rev. L. A. Talbert. The morning session will begin at 9 a. m.

The afternoon session will be called to order at 1 p. m., after the noon meal. Dr. Strickland, the Rev. Raymond Hendrix, Clyde Robinson, Mrs. Edsel Hodges, Henry Greer, Mrs. Nora M. Wilson and the Rev. C. O. Vance will speak. Subject matter will include reports of Baptist projects such as homes for the aging, Baptist Hospital, a Children's Home and Camp Joy.

The Wednesday morning session at Poplar Grove Baptist church will convene at 9 a. m. with Dr. Strickland in charge of the devotion. Others contributing to the morning program will be the Rev. R. C. Eggers, Dr. Herman Isley, who is on the Sunday School Board, Raleigh. (Continued on page eight)



Gov. Dan K. Moore, speaking at the ASTC graduation ceremonies, called for brighter days in North Carolina's future. He said that a recent report placed North Carolina first in the Mid-South in personal income gain for the month of May.

## Brighter Days Ahead In North Carolina, Governor Moore Tells ASTC Students

Brighter days are ahead for North Carolina, Governor Dan Moore told members of the graduating class at Appalachian State Teachers College in a summer commencement address last week.

"We are making progress," Moore said. "A recent report placed North Carolina first in the Mid-South in personal income gain for the month of May. Our gain was 11.6 per cent over May of 1965. This tied us with North Dakota for the fourth highest income gain

in the United States," he said. "In addition, our 16.7 per cent increase in farm receipts last May was the second highest in the Mid-South.

"Our gross average weekly factory wages increased \$2.47 in May.

"During the first six months of this year, our industrial growth exceeded that for the same period of 1965 by 35.9 per cent.

"New and expanded industries announced in this period of 1966 will result in capital

investments of 244 million dollars," Moore said, "and create 20,000 additional jobs, with a total payroll of 64 million dollars."

Moore said the first responsibility of State government is the increasing job of providing more and greater educational opportunities.

"Improved education and training are the keys to the future, the keys to development of our State's greatest asset—our people," he said.

"In North Carolina, we are

rich in human resources. Within a few weeks our population will reach the five-million mark. This is most encouraging to our hopes for developing North Carolina, because it indicates we have been able to check population losses which slowed our rate of gain during the period from 1950 to 1960."

The Governor noted that North Carolinians in increasing numbers have had better job opportunities open to them.

"This is the goal of our total development program," he said. "Individual development to the fullest capacity is both the means and the goal of total development."

"I can see nothing ahead for North Carolina except brighter days," Moore concluded.

Moore spoke to a graduating class of 404 students, including 150 candidates for bachelor's degrees and 254 candidates for master's degrees.

Dr. W. H. Plemmons, president of Appalachian, conferred the degrees on members of the class. Dr. Paul Sanders, dean of academic affairs; Dr. Cratis Williams, dean of the Graduate School, and Dr. B. F. Strickland, registrar, also took part in the program.

Speaking of Appalachian, Governor Moore said:

"Earning an established place for itself is never an easy task for a college, and Appalachian State and those responsible for its operation have had their share of fighting heavy odds to build this institution. But the dedicated leadership of Dr. B. B. Dougherty, and his complete devotion to a dream, brought this institution up from a modest start to a place of solid accomplishment and service to this area of our State. Its service to this area, and to the entire State as well, won for it the public support it deserved, and put it on the road to its (Continued on page three)



DR. ROBERT L. RANDALL

### Dr. Randall Gets State Senate Nod

Dr. Robert L. Randall of Boone received word Sunday that the Democratic Executive Committee of the 25th Senatorial District, which comprises Watauga, Wilkes, Yadkin and Davie counties, had nominated him to run for the Senate, since the duly constituted Democratic candidate had withdrawn from the race.

Dr. Randall explained that the Democratic candidate would have been unable to serve, because of a conflict of interest between the state job and his occupation. The local candidate, who is director of placement and associate professor at ASTC, said Monday he will begin his campaign immediately, and hopes to visit each voting precinct in each of the four counties.

Also a member of the Town Board of Commissioners, Dr. Randall completed the doctoral program at Harvard University on scholarship and returned to North Carolina as principal of the Lumberton Junior and Senior high schools. In 1960, he came to Appalachian.

He served in the U. S. Navy from 1942-1946. He is Methodist. (Continued on page eight)

## Hugh Morton Appears On "To Tell The Truth" Show

The real Hugh Morton of Wilmington and Linville, N. C., and two "impostors" confounded a panel of four experts on the nationally-televised program, "To Tell The Truth," Wednesday afternoon in New York City.

Morton was a special guest on the show, and was flanked by two other guests also posing as Morton. One was Jim Waldrop, a New York radio and television writer and announcer, originally from the Spartanburg-Greenville, S. C., area and the other was Rev. Don Theobald,

a Presbyterian minister from Harrison, N. Y.

The trio forced the panel of show business personalities to split their votes on who was the real Hugh Morton.

The panel included Actors Tom Poston and Orson Bean, and Actresses Peggy Cass and Kitty Carlisle. Only Poston correctly identified Morton. Two others chose Waldrop, and the other expert chose Rev. Teobald.

Morton's appearance was in connection with his ownership of Grandfather Mountain. Mast-

er of ceremonies Bud Collyer opened the Morton segment of the show with this statement:

"I, Hugh Morton, own the highest mountain in one of the world's oldest mountain ranges. Its name is Grandfather Mountain, and the name fits because geologists estimate that its rock formations are one billion years old.

"My mountain has a mile-high swinging bridge, all the splendors of nature, and all the requirements for rugged adventure. In fact, some of it is so (Continued on page 5, sec. C)



HE TOLD THE TRUTH — Hugh Morton (right) of Wilmington and Linville is shown with Kitty Carlisle and Tom Poston, following his guest appearance on the television show, "To Tell The Truth", in New York City on August 24. Miss Carlisle and Poston were two of the four panelists on the program, and Poston was the only one to identify correctly Hugh Morton as owner of Grandfather Mountain. (Photo by Joseph Costa.)

### Co. Commissioners Will Meet Sept. 6

The county commissioners will meet Tuesday, Sept. 6, instead of Monday night due to Labor Day being Monday.

## Bids Being Sought For P. O. Repairs

Bids for painting and general repairs at the U. S. Post Office, Boone, N. C., are being solicited from small business contractors by the Atlanta Regional Office of General Services Administration.

In addition to painting, the work will involve sealing and pointing of masonry; refinishing floors; installing venetian blinds; plumbing; boiler repairs; upgrading the electrical systems and miscellaneous repairs.

The cost of the project is estimated to be between \$18,000 and \$28,000.

Plans, specifications and other bidding material are available to contractors from the Design and Construction Division, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration, 1776 Peachtree Street, N. W., Atlanta, Ga. 30309, telephone 526-5646.

Bids will be opened in Room 353 at that address on Sept. 23 at 2:30 p. m., EST.

## County Farm Bureau Has Kickoff Meeting

A "county kick-off meeting" last week served as the launching pad for the 1966 enrollment

effort of the Watauga County Farm Bureau.

Dewitt Barnett, County president, announced that the drive for new members of the farm organization is officially underway as of Aug. 22.

### Rotary Club Plans Annual Auction Sale

The Boone Rotary Club announces that its second annual Auction Sale will be held in the auditorium of the former Appalachian High School on Thursday evening, Sept. 8.

Daniel P. Lee and I. Joseph Sherwin of the Boone Art and Auction Gallery will again conduct the sale.

Solicitation of merchandise for the sale is actively underway; preliminary indications are that a large and valuable inventory of items will be offered to the buyers. A number of valuable door prizes will also be given during the evening.

Proceeds from the sale will be used for assistance to crippled children and for other community projects. A lively and exciting evening for the entire family is expected and merchandise will be sold at the buyer's own price. The public is cordially invited to the sale.

President Barnett noted that farmers "can't go it alone anymore. We don't have the voting strength we once had when farmers were numerous, and this makes it necessary that we work together and work harder to keep farming a profitable business."

One of the farmer's chief goals, he said, "should be to get his image right with the consumer."

He pointed out that farm prices often are going down while retail food prices are rising, "but still we get the blame for the high cost of living."

The county Farm Bureau leader said that a successful membership enrollment "can strengthen the farmer's voice and speed up agricultural progress."

## Boone Rotarians To Greet District Governor Today

Boone Rotarians will welcome on Thursday the governor of this Rotary district, James Boyce Garland of Gastonia. He will address the local Rotary Club, one of 41 in his district, and will confer with John H. Bingham, president of the local Rotary Club, and other club officers to obtain information on the club's plans for its service activities and to offer suggestions on Rotary administrative matters.

Garland is one of 278 Rotary governors serving more than 12,400 Rotary clubs in 133 countries throughout the world.

A member and past president of the Rotary Club of Gastonia, Garland is an attorney. He was elected to office at the Rotary convention in Denver, Colo., last June, and will serve until next June 30.

"While in Boone," according to Bingham, "the governor of



JAMES BOYCE GARLAND

our district will talk with us about possible growth of membership and the likelihood of forming additional Rotary clubs in near-by communities. His visit will also give us a broader understanding of the world-wide Rotary organization that today embraces nearly 600,000 men of practically all nationalities and political and religious beliefs."

Gov. Garland is a former member of the N. C. House of Representatives. He has formerly served as President of the Gastonia Junior Chamber of Commerce, State Vice President of North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce, Chairman of Gaston County Board of Public Welfare, Member of Board of Directors of North Carolina Division American Cancer Society and President of Gaston County Bar Association.