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Blue Ridge Parkway Opens Friday For Season

Record Crowds Are Expected; Fishing Starts

Regulations Governing Fishing Are Announced By Parkway Officials

Hundreds of motorists are expected to travel the Blue Ridge Parkway this week end as the season officially opens on Friday, April 15, when recreational areas and fishing waters will be available to the public.

These areas are Rocky Knob and Smart View in Virginia; Bluff, Cumberland Knob and Crabtree Meadows in North Carolina. Picnic sites are available at all of these locations. Rocky Knob and Bluff also offer trailer and camping accommodations.

"Please cooperate with your Parkway officials in helping to make your visit pleasant, a clean Parkway is a beautiful Parkway. Always use the trash cans in the picnic areas and at the various overlooks. Remember, when you see the beautiful flowers and various shrubs to leave them for others to enjoy. The many overlooks along the Parkway afford magnificent views of North Carolina scenery," one supervisor said.

Fishing regulations for Parkway (Continued on page 2)

Initiation Held By Legion Post

Legionnaires To Sponsor Youth For Boy's State At Chapel Hill

Ten new members were initiated into the American Legion, Ashe Post 171, at the meeting held Saturday night at the community building. Larry Colvard, district vice-commander, had charge of the initiation service.

Others taking part in the initiation service were Bradley Goodman, second vice-commander; Leonard Shepherd, first vice-commander; Joe Garvey, post commander; James Capps, sergeant-at-arms and Rev. J. W. Luke, chaplain.

Those initiated were W. H. Barker, J. H. Blevins, Donald A. Blevins, Leonard W. Bare, Sam Davis, Alvin Dancy, James Owen, F. M. Stafford Smith, Quincy Turner and Harold Vineyard.

During the business meeting Commander Hoyle Stringer stated a memorial service would be held on Memorial Day at the courthouse and that definite plans would be announced at the May meeting of the post. He also pointed out that the post could again sponsor a boy for the Boy's State that would be held at Chapel Hill. This boy is to be named at an early date.

P. G. Wright, post adjutant, stated that a movie projector with sound had been ordered and would be used at future meetings of the post.

Ashe Baptists To Have Schools For Deacons, Apr. 18

Rev. J. C. Pipes And Dr. E. L. Spivey To Assist With Groups

The annual deacons' school of the Ashe Baptist Association will be held April 18-22. The association is divided into four groups and meetings will be held in the groups each night at 7:30.

Group I will be led by Rev. J. C. Pipes, Asheville, and will meet Mon. night—Three Forks; Tuesday night—Warrensville; Wednesday—Valley Home; Thursday—Baptist Home; Friday—West Jefferson.

Group II will be led by Dr. E. L. Spivey, of Charlotte and will meet Monday—Healing Springs; Tuesday—Sabbath Home; Wednesday—Pleasant Home; Thursday—Little Helton; Friday—West Jefferson.

Group III will be led by Rev. N. B. Phillips of Hendersonville and will meet Monday—Buffalo; Tuesday—Orion; Wednesday—Bald Mountain; Thursday—Smethport; Friday—West Jefferson.

Group IV will be led by Rev. Earl Pearson, of North Wilkesboro and will meet Monday—Old Fields; Tuesday—Laurel Knob; Wednesday—Mount Olive; Thursday—Liberty Grove; Friday—West Jefferson.

On Friday night a mass meeting of all deacons of the association will be held at the First Baptist church, West Jefferson. Mr. M. A. Huggins, State Secretary of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, will be the speaker.

Blue Ridge Parkway Areas To Open For Season Friday



Thousands of tourists are expected in this section when the Parkway areas officially open for the season on Friday. Fishermen are also expected to be actively engaged in their favorite sport.

High Cost Of Death Puts Fatalities In Luxury Class

Raleigh—Not only is the price of milk, eggs, and meat high these days, but even the cost of a fatal automobile accident has reached the luxury class, according to Major Samuel L. Gaynor, assistant director of the Highway Safety Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles, which is conducting the current safety campaign in North Carolina.

"Since the National Safety Council has estimated the unit cost of a traffic fatality at \$18,200 on the basis of wage loss, medical expense, overhead cost of insurance and property dam-

age, the human body has become a valuable piece of machinery," Major Gaynor said in explaining the campaign's slogan: "You Life Is In Your Hands."

The purpose of the current drive is to make everyone who walks or drives aware of his personal responsibility for traffic safety. "If nothing else," Major Gaynor said, "we'll consider the campaign a success if we can impress upon the individual the fact that accidents are something depending one-tenth on fate and nine-tenths on human

fault. If you're in an accident the chances are good that a part of the carelessness or disregard for traffic regulations is yours," he added.

Every person exposed to traffic has too much at stake—the \$18,200 material loss and the incalculable distress of his loved ones to ignore the fact that accidents are where you make them and that the bulk of them are definitely preventable, according to Major Gaynor.

Last year 2,600 persons died in this country as a result of traffic accidents alone," Major Gaynor said. "A total of 734 died and 7,490 were injured last year right here in North Carolina, so it can be fatal to take an impetuous, it-can't-happen-to-me attitude in the matter of traffic safety," he concluded.

Business Census Is To Be Taken In This County

General Census Will Be Taken Later, Officials Announced

Statesville—(Special) Preliminary arrangements for launching the nation-wide Census of Business in this District, which includes Ashe county and 11 other counties in this area, are underway this week, according to Harry B. Moore, District Supervisor of the Bureau of the Census which is located in the City Hall, Statesville.

The Business Census, not to be confused with the general population census to be taken later, is scheduled to begin early in April, according to the latest word from Washington. Mr. Moore stated, "Approximately 4,500 census takers in 300 district offices throughout the United States will report on the 1948 business operations of an estimated 3,000,000 retail, wholesale and service trade establishments in the country."

Information on sales volumes, payrolls, principal merchandise lines and other basic items about the country's distributive system will be collected for the first time in nearly a decade. The most recent business census was conducted in 1940, covering activities in 1939.

As a result of the new census, authoritative information on the number of trade and service establishments, classified by kinds of business groups, together with summary sales statistics, will become available for the entire nation. Manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers and other business men

County Streams Are Well Stocked With Large Trout

Fish, Averaging From 7 To 11 Inches In Length, Produced At Roaring Gap

Roland Koontz, Ashe Fish and Game Protector, announced this week that 2700 trout, averaging from seven to eleven inches in length, have been released in seven Ashe county creeks and the New River.

These fish were produced at the State Fish Hatchery at Roaring Gap. The fish were released through the cooperation of the members of the Ashe Fish and Game Club and interested fishermen in the county.

The following creeks were stocked with the trout in this program: Piney Branch, Cranberry, Helton, Obids, Big Laurel, Three Top and Big Horse and the North Fork New River.

The Wildlife Resources Commission pointed out that the cooperative efforts of all those interested in the State's fish and game resources will be required to bring about better fishing, the favorite outdoor recreation of so many Americans, Koontz stated.

interested in moving goods into final consumption without delay, will have a complete picture of the effects of population and income changes which have taken place since pre-war years.

The district offices in Statesville will be responsible for census work in the following counties: Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Caldwell, Catawba, Davie, Iredell, Surry, Watauga, Wikes, and Yadkin.



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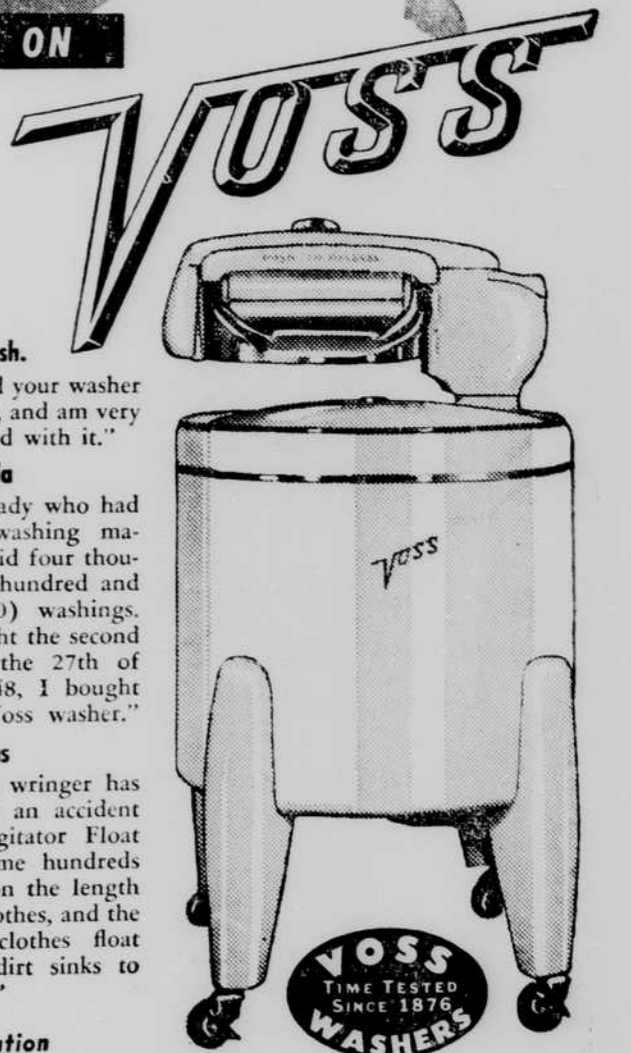
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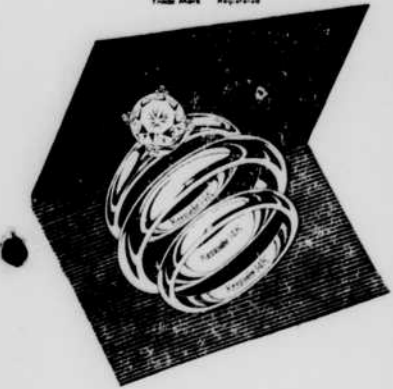
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