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## APPALACHIAN PREPARES FOR OPENING TODAY

Registration for First Summer Term at College Under Way, as Workmen Are Preparing for Influx of Students; Increased Number Seen

Registration for the first summer term of Appalachian State Teachers College gets under way Thursday morning, and administration staffs, carpenters, painters, cafeteria personnel, office secretaries, and all others employed on the campus are busily engaged in preparation for the college opening.

Information from the office of Registrar H. R. Eggers is that enrollments are expected to be considerably heavier than was the case in 1946, during the first post-war summer term, when 850 were registered, but an accurate estimate could not be supplied, due to the fact that large numbers of teachers who attend these sessions do not make advance reservations.

Dean Rankin states that regular class-room work will get under way Friday.

## PRIZES GIVEN BASS ANGLERS

Wildlife Club Names A. E. Hamby President for Ensuing Year at Recent Meeting

The Watauga Wildlife Club held a business meeting at the American Legion hut in Boone on Monday evening, May 26, for the purpose of awarding prizes in the 1946 bass fishing contest and also for the purpose of electing new officers for 1947.

The prizes awarded were as follows: A. E. Hamby, first prize; J. Ed Clay, second; Dr. Wayne Richardson, third; and Dr. J. T. C. Wright, fourth.

Officers elected for 1947 were as follows: A. E. Hamby, president; Bert Ellis, vice-president; and Dr. J. T. C. Wright, secretary-treasurer.

The club agreed to sponsor two contests for 1947 beginning now. There will be five prizes awarded in the bass fishing contest for the heaviest bass taken in Watauga or adjacent counties. There will be three prizes in the trout fishing contest in the same waters. All fish entered in these contests must be taken on artificial baits, and can be registered only by paid-up members of the club. They are to be weighed in by Bert Ellis who will keep a record of the catch and the equipment used. The bass are to be judged by weight while the trout are to be judged by length. The club will be responsible for the first prize in each of these contests, and the other prizes will be awarded by the business men of Boone whom we wish to thank for their hearty co-operation with us last year.

The club agreed to hold its next meeting in Mrs. Frank Linney's back yard on the last Wednesday night in June, the 25th. All members of the club are urged to be present at that time and bring along some prospective new members. The secretary desires to remind the members that dues for 1947 are due and payable at that meeting and for them to come prepared. A supper of frogs legs will be served. Come at 5:30 p. m.

## Vets Must Soon Claim Terminal Leave Payments

All veterans of World War II who have not yet filed application for terminal leave pay should do so at once as the time for filing expires Sept. 1, 1947.

Applications after that time will not be considered except in cases where discharge is being renewed.

A certified copy of discharge is required to be sent in with application and all applications when made out must be sworn to before someone qualified to administer oaths.

## Dry Cleaning Plant Damaged by Flames

Fire, which doubtless caught from the boiler, destroyed the frame boiler room, situated at the rear of the Hi-Land Cleaners plant on Main street Friday evening, inflicting a relatively small loss.

Efficient work by the fire department quickly quenched the flames, and no damage was done to the main building.

House group is told, schools should get 5 percent of our income.

## IN AGAIN



In Boston, Mass., Jake Lindsey, 100th infantryman to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor, is sworn in by Lt. Col. John W. Grady after re-enlisting in the U. S. army as a master sergeant.

## WORK STARTED ON CITY STREET FARM BUREAU MEETS FRIDAY

State Takes Over Important Thoroughfare From Depot St. to Poplar Grove Road

Work is expected to start this morning on the building of the street, originally known as Burnsville Avenue, from Depot Street at the bus station to the Poplar Grove road, it is stated by Mayor Gordon H. Winkler. The State highway department is doing the work, and Mayor Winkler had been negotiating with the State officials for some time looking to this construction, which is in reality an extension of the Poplar Grove road, and which will provide the city another good street.

## BEAVER DAM MAN SUICIDE

Henry Harmon Uses Shotgun to End Life Tuesday; Ill Health is Blamed

Henry Harmon, 64 years old, a resident of Beaver Dam township committed suicide at the home of a son Tuesday afternoon, and ill health is believed to have been the cause of his self-destruction. County Coroner Richard E. Kelly, states that Mr. Harmon's son, who was working in the field some distance from the home, heard the shotgun blast about 2 o'clock, but believed it to be a ground hog hunter. When he arrived at the home he found the body of his father on the front porch. The load from a 12 gauge shotgun had entered the body just below the heart.

Mr. Harmon had been in ill health, was severely afflicted with arthritis, and was almost helpless.

Funeral details haven't been arranged. Several sons and daughters survive.

## BRIEF NEWS

Marshal Tito asks for a union of "free" Balkan peoples.

Vetoes can't stop third-party movement, LaGuardia asserts.

Mentally ill are community responsibility, says Dr. Stevenson.

Government will buy wheat for export in the open market.

French survey shows 1946 food rise continued progress in 1947.

Rule for 30-day strike notice lapses as war act nears end.

Veterans and families are seen to be 43 per cent of population in 1952.

World's largest cyclotron will be built on Long Island.

Survey of the nation's libraries calls them inadequate.

Navy's report discloses research centering on new arms.

Spain said to back trade with Soviet; official hint disclosed.

Nimitz minimizes delay in signing of peace treaties.

AAF may cancel contracts for private science research.

Patterson at Hyde Park, urges that U. S. bulwark freedom.

## District Farm Group From 13 Counties to Meet Here Next Friday

Delegates from district seven of the Farm Bureau will hold their annual meeting at the courthouse in Boone Friday, June 13 at 10 o'clock, it is announced by Clyde R. Greene, of the Watauga Farm Bureau.

District seven embraces the counties of Surry, Yadkin, Wilkes, Alexander, Ashe, Alleghany, Watauga, Caldwell, Burke, McDowell, Avery, Mitchell and Yancey, it is explained.

The principal speaker will be Hon. A. C. Edwards, vice-president of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, who is chairman of the membership committee of the organization. Mr. Edwards, who is himself a farmer, is known as a leading authority on agricultural problems, and was chairman of the committee on agriculture in the last session of the state house of representatives. Will Rogers, assistant secretary of the State Farm Bureau, will also speak.

All members of the Watauga unit of the farm bureau are being urged to attend the district meeting.

## Little Relief From Heat Seen in State

North Carolinians, sweltering from the mountains to the seacoast in the year's first extended heat wave, mopped their foreheads yesterday and hoped for early relief but the weatherman could promise nothing better before Thursday.

Temperature readings, soaring to new highs at some points for recent years Monday, continued to climb steadily Tuesday and Charlotte reported a new record for June 10—97.8 degrees—at 2:15 p. m.

Early afternoon readings for other points, included: Wilmington 91, Raleigh 91, Greenville 97, Greensboro 92.

Some cooling relief from the five-day heat wave, during which the mercury has jumped over the 90-degree mark daily, was foreseen in possibility of scattered thunder showers at widely separated points today.

## R. B. Shull Injured In Highway Accident

R. B. Shull, of Boone, driving a motorcycle en route to Jefferson on U. S. highway 16 Sunday morning about 9 o'clock collided with a Ford truck, driven by Ed Mullis, en route to Grassy Creek near Ira Calloway's garage, says the Skyland Post.

Mr. Shull was taken to the Ashe Memorial Hospital where he underwent treatment. His right leg was badly crushed, and he suffered a cut to the bone on the calf of his leg. He is also suffering from severe shock, hospital officials reported.

The front of the motorcycle was badly demolished and the damage was estimated at \$300. The truck was damaged only about \$40 and its driver was uninjured.

## Blowing Rock Road Contracts Awarded

The award of contracts for 4.31 miles of grading, surfacing and structures on U. S. Highway 321 between Boone and Blowing Rock, were announced Wednesday by the State highway commission.

A roadway project, costing \$298,240.50, was awarded to W. E. Graham of Cleveland. The structures project, costing \$188,014, was awarded to John Brinkley of Thomasville.

## MRS. M. H. CONE IS TAKEN BY DEATH SUNDAY

Blowing Rock Philanthropist, Widow of Late Moses H. Cone, Succumbs Sunday at Flat Top Manor; Funeral Services to Be Held on Estate

Mrs. Bertha Lindau Cone, 89-year-old philanthropist and wife of the late Moses H. Cone, co-founder of the Cone Mill interests of Greensboro, died at 7:30 a. m. Sunday at her summer home, Flat Top Manor at Blowing Rock.

A native of Baltimore, Mrs. Cone was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Max Lindau. She was educated in the Maryland city, and after her marriage, moved to Greensboro in 1893. Within three years, her husband and brother-in-law, Caesar Cone, built the first unit of Proximity Manufacturing company.

In 1890, the Cone brothers had established Cone Export and Commission company as export brokers in cotton goods in New York city. Their moving to Greensboro was the start of an enterprise which grew into the largest denim manufacturing organization in the world.

A few years following the death of her husband, Mrs. Cone moved from Greensboro and divided most of her time between the residence of her sister, Mrs. Sophie Lindau, in Baltimore and her estate at Blowing Rock.

She is survived by her sister and several nieces and nephews. She left no children.

Funeral services for Mrs. Cone will be held at Flat Top Manor, Blowing Rock, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and burial will follow in the family plot on the estate.

Mrs. Cone established the Moses H. Cone Memorial hospital trust on May 25, 1911, three years after the death of her husband, who left no will. It provides for the establishment of "a hospital or hospitals" on a 60-acre tract. The charter, which was approved by legislative act in 1913, provides that "no patient shall be refused admittance or admission nor be discharged because of inability to pay" for his care and treatment at the institution.

Mrs. Cone served as president of the trust until her death. There are 15 trustees. Her Watauga county estate is under the supervision of the board of trustees and, according to charter, will be used as a public recreational area. It further provided that "not less than \$10,000 a year" be spent in preserving the Moses H. Cone Memorial park and the burying ground, the liability to begin at Mrs. Cone's death.

Appalachian State Teachers College was indicated as a beneficiary of \$250 annually.

The trust was made subject to payment of certain annuities to specified relatives.

The memorial fund has been estimated at \$15,000,000. That amount was reported at a public meeting over a year ago when the out of state commission appointed by the governor to investigate locations for a state hospital appeared in Greensboro to hear offers of local groups, chief among which was the chamber of commerce.

## Cove Creek Realty Brings Good Price

Twenty-five lots, the property of S. F. Horton were sold at auction Tuesday by S. C. Eggers & Co., who states that the property brought peak war-time prices.

Some of the lots, with 25 foot frontage, are said to have brought \$300, and the realtors are highly pleased with the sale.

Other auction sales which have been held this year in the county haven't been very successful, which leads Mr. Eggers to the opinion that choice property has not gone down—in fact is still commanding the high dollar.

## Children's Clinic To Be Held June 20th

Dr. John S. Gaul of Charlotte will hold the clinic for crippled children in the offices of the District Health Department on Friday morning June 20th, it was announced Monday.

## LION BITES TRAINER

Decatur, Ga.—Entering the lion's cage during a performance of the Hippodrome Thrill Circus Ernest Enger, 57-year-old animal trainer, was knocked to the floor when one of the lions sprang at him. Circus attendants, armed with heavy poles, beat the lion off while others carried Enger out. Enger lost an arm several years ago as a result of a lion's attack. He was not badly injured this time, however, and, after first-aid treatment, returned to take his bow.

## DOUBLE OR NOTHING



First entrants in Miss Chattanooga of 1947 contest were identical twins Jane and Jean Cunningham. If they win, they'll represent their city as the Misses Chattanooga at the Miss America Contest next fall.

## GRIM



This excellent portrait of President Truman, made at his desk, is a study of grim seriousness. With important bills before him for his signature and the worry about the condition of his ailing mother, the familiar Truman smile is missing.

## COURT TERM IS CANCELLED

Small Number of Cases Ready for Trial Results in Calling Off Civil Court

The civil term of Watauga Superior Court, which was to have convened Monday morning, was cancelled, when it developed that relatively few actions were to be ready for trial—certainly not enough to justify the sitting of the court.

Judge Hubert E. Olive of Lexington, who was to have presided over the June term, was notified of the situation, says Court Clerk Fred M. Gragg, and accordingly did not make the trip to Boone.

Forty-nine civil actions, many of which have been on the calendar for long periods of time, were slated for trial at the proposed term.

## Blowing Rock Gets Southern Textile Meeting

Spartanburg, S. C.—Governor J. Strom Thurmond will head the list of speakers for the 1947 convention of the Southern Textile Association June 19-21 at Blowing Rock, N. C., John M. Caughman, president, announced here last Thursday.

Caughman, who is superintendent of Spartan Mills, said that advance registration for the convention was the heaviest in association history.

In addition to Governor Thurmond, guest speakers will include Thurman Chatham, Elkin, N. C., industrialist, and Arthur C. Horrocks of the public relations department of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber company of Akron.

The convention will open with a meeting of the executive board on the night of June 19. This meeting will be followed by a dinner and dance.

Friday morning will be devoted to a business session, including Caughman's annual report and recommendations, and the afternoon will be given over to recreation. Another dinner and dance will be held that night.

The convention will close Saturday afternoon, after a morning session at which talks will be heard from Governor Thurmond and Chatham. Election and installation of officers will bring the meeting to an end.

To secure a good strong vigorous calf at birth the dam must be in good condition at calving time.

## HOME CLUBS HOLD MEETING

600 Club Women From Six Counties Attend Gathering; Watauga Elected President

The Watauga county Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs was hostess to 600 club women from six other counties in the Third District for their annual meeting. The meeting was held in the First Baptist Church in Boone on June 4th at 10:30 a. m.

Mrs. Ward Ray of Ashe county presided at the meeting. Dr. W. G. Bond conducted the devotional, while the group was jointly welcomed by Mrs. Homer Lane, president of Watauga county Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, and Mayor Gordon Winkler.

Mrs. T. S. Moxley of Alleghany county responded to the welcome. Greetings were brought by Mrs. R. H. Harmon, president of Boone Woman's Club, Mrs. Glenn Duncan and Mrs. J. S. Gray, president and vice-president of the State Federation of Clubs.

The morning session included interesting reports from each county on the work that has been done during the year.

Following a delicious lunch prepared and served by the Watauga women in the basement of the church, Miss Verna Stanton, assistant state home agent delivered an interesting address, and reports of the committees were heard.

Mrs. Arthur Greene of Deep Gap was elected president of the Third District.

## MAN TRAPPED BY TRACTOR

William Lindsay Hendrix Loses Life When Crushed by Caterpillar

William Lindsay Hendrix, about forty years old, former Stony Fork resident, but lately a resident of Wilkes county, met death Tuesday morning near Deep Gap, when a caterpillar tractor he was assisting in taking from a truck suddenly got out of control, pinning him to the roadway. His skull was crushed and he died instantly.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday at 10 o'clock at the Mountain View Baptist Church by Rev. Levi Greene, and Rev. Roscoe Greene, and interment will be in the church cemetery by Reins-Sturdivant.

The widow and the following children survive: LeVaughn Hendrix, Parlier; Kathleen Hendrix, Triplett; Iva Dean, Irene, Lorraine Hendrix, Parlier. The mother Mrs. Maggie Hendrix, survives, with four brothers and five sisters: Rev. Theo. Hendrix, Hayes; Don Hendrix, Darby; Ray Hendrix, Deep Gap; Clonnie Hendrix, Lenoir; Mrs. Zena Shirley, Havre de Grace, Md.; Mrs. H. G. Triplett, Darby; Mrs. V. M. Greene, Deep Gap; Meadames Cora and Dora Hawkins, Darby.

## TRAFFIC HEAVY ON GRANDFATHER TOLL ROAD

Linville, N. C.—Traffic on the Grandfather Mountain toll road in the first two weeks of the season was four times greater than in the same period last season, the Linville Company reported.

## FAST TIME

Philadelphia — New York to Philadelphia, 71 miles, in 7 minutes and 11 seconds seems unbelievable and yet Capt. Charles E. Yeager recently flew a P-84, the Army's new jet fighter, from the Empire State building to the City Hall in Philadelphia in that time.

## INJURED IN CRASH

Mrs. Zeb Buchanan, son, Ronda Buchanan, and Mrs. B. R. Bryan suffered injuries in an automobile accident which occurred near Somerset, Ky., as the party was en route to Science Hill to visit relatives. Information is that the Buchanan car was sideswiped by a truck, and that Mrs. Bryan suffered broken ribs, while Mrs. Buchanan and Ronda received severe bruises in the accident.

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## CITY VOTERS TO NAME COUNCIL NEXT TUESDAY

Considerable Interest Develops in Race for Mayor and City Aldermen; Registration Finished Last Saturday; Next Saturday Challenge Day

The voters of the town of Boone will go to the polls next Tuesday to elect a mayor and three members of the board of aldermen to hold the reins of municipal government for the next two years, and indications are that a full vote will be cast.

The Democratic slate is headed by Mayor Gordon H. Winkler, with Guy Hunt, Grady Moretz and Council Cooke, as candidates for aldermen. The incumbent aldermen, Lee Stout, Dr. W. M. Matheson and Owen Wilson, it is said, declined to again enter the contest.

The Republicans nominated W. H. Gragg for Mayor; Alvin Cannon, M. R. Maddux and Charles Wilcox for the council seats.

Partisans on both sides of the political fence are making a strong effort by personal contact to line up their friends and supporters into winning organizations, and it is expected that intense interest will have developed by the time the polls open.

The registration books closed last Saturday and about two hundred voters were registered. Next Saturday will be challenge day, when any registrant may be challenged, if the legality of his voting may be brought into question.

## LEGION TEAM IN FIRST WIN

Junior League Trounces Newland in Home Opener; Losses to Rutherfordton

With Mayor Gordon Winkler throwing a perfect strike to open the home season for the Watauga American Legion Juniors in due form, the Watauga boys went on behind the two hit pitching of Jimmy Scruggs to solidly trounce the Newland Juniors 28-0.

From the first inning the Boone boys had the situation under control, and even when the Newland boys got on base they were promptly picked off by catcher Ray Ward with the help of an alert infield.

J. D. Younce, Cove Creek standout at second base led the hitting with four for five, including a solid smash in the creek for two bases. The entire Boone team, smarting under a defeat at Rutherfordton Monday night, hit twenty well placed licks to fatten batting averages, and enabled Coaches Howard and Raleigh Cottrell and Tom Beach to throw several untried players in the game in the late innings.

A combination of the jitters, inexperience under the lights, errors and wildness lost the ball game at Rutherfordton Monday night. Despite all this, Pitcher Sherman Bingham and Carlock Greene allowed only four hits to the experienced Rutherfordton boys and led veteran Rutherfordton Coach Pop Simmons to comment after the game that with a little more seasoning the Boone entry would be tough to handle.

Thursday night the locals invade Valdese with a number of Wataugas following the team. Southpaw Sherman Bingham is slated to pitch. The Hendersonville Juniors invade College Field here Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and the Asheville team comes here Wednesday afternoon, June 18. Wataugas are urged to attend these games.

## Tri-County Singing Convention To Be On Third Sunday

The great 23rd annual Tri-State and Tri-County Singing convention and Sunday School picnic will be held on the Yonahlossee road at the Alexander McRae place on the fourth Sunday in June, according to J. L. Hartley, chairman, and Jack Cook, secretary.

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