

Win In City Voting



CITY OFFICIALS—Elected Tuesday, without opposition were the Democratic candidates for Mayor and Aldermen pictured here. Above left to right: Mayor Gordon H. Winkler, Grady Tugman, alderman; below, Grady Tugman and Howard Cottrell, aldermen. The first three named are incumbents. Mr. Cottrell takes the place of Guy Hunt on the board. 134 votes were tallied for the candidates, and there was one spoiled ballot. There were no write-ins.

Last Rites Held For Pfc. Greene, Who Died In Korea

Pfc. John Frank Greene, 24, who died April 8 in Korea, was buried with military honors in Mount Lawn Cemetery Sunday, June 21.

Funeral services were held at the Boone Baptist Church with the Rev. E. F. Troutman and the Rev. Ernest Stevens officiating at the rites. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Betty Michael Greene of Boone; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Greene, Boone; a brother, Sgt. Robert R. Greene, Fort Bragg; and three sisters, Mrs. Wallace Eubanks, Concord; Mrs. Peter Rossetos, London, Md.; and Mrs. Dale Adams, Sugar Grove.

Dr. Martin To Speak At State Meeting Of Vets

Dr. John Martin of Boone will be one of the featured speakers at the annual summer convention of the North Carolina State Veterinary Medical Association. This meeting will be held at Blowing Rock, June 29-30, and will be a joint meeting with the South Carolina Association of Veterinarians.

Dr. Martin is scheduled to speak on "Hygiene of Beef Cattle," and participate on panel discussions.

In addition to Dr. Martin, an array of outstanding specialists in the field of veterinary medicine will appear on the program.

Dr. Harry Lind, a former native of Estonia, will speak on the practice of veterinary medicine behind the iron curtain.

The program will officially open Monday, and close Tuesday. In addition to the business and clinic sessions, a program of entertainment has been arranged.

Buick Agency Changes Name

George C. Greene, who has operated the Buick automobile agency here for the past four years, announces this week that the name of the dealership has been changed, effective June 17, 1953. Formerly known as Watauga Sales & Service, the dealership will operate henceforth as Greene Buick, Inc., he said.

George C. Greene, Jr., who served in the Merchant Marines during World War II, and was discharged April 22 after two years service in the Army, is now employed in the sales department of the organization.

The agency was established by W. R. Winkler in 1938, and bought by Mr. Greene in 1949.

Esso Stations Given Awards

Two Boone Esso stations took first and second place in the Standard Oil Company's spring clean-up contest in this district, it is learned here. Nine stations took part in the contest under the direction of L. M. Nelson, district manager.

The M & L Esso station received the first prize of \$20, while the Wagner Esso took the second award of \$10. The Fox Esso service of Statesville came in third with a \$5 prize.

Wilton, Calif.—Returning from church services, David Mann, Jr., found his house in a mess, particularly the kitchen, which held the residue of lunches and some coffee grounds. The intruders, whoever they were, brought their own food and borrowed only some coffee from Mann.

Civil Air Patrol To Be Feted At Horn Saturday Evening

Civil Air Patrol personnel from four states are expected to arrive in Boone Friday, June 26, and attend the second 1953 performance of the outdoor drama.

"Horn in the West," Saturday night, June 27.

Capt. Louis H. Smith, commanding officer of the Boone squadron, has sent invitations to the CAP officers and members in North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and Tennessee.

The Southern Appalachian Historical Association, sponsors of the drama, and Boone civic organizations are cooperating in arrangements for entertaining the visiting CAP members and their families.

Colonel Early W. Duncan, member of the staff of General Lucas V. Beau, national commander, has advised Captain Smith that he will arrive from Washington Friday.

Lt. Col. R. E. Ridenhour, North Carolina CAP Wing Commander, will also attend with members of his staff.

Two-way radio communications will be installed to direct arrivals and activities of the group, said Captain Smith, adding that these facilities could be utilized at hospitals and other points to sustain essential contact with other areas in case of a local power failure at any time.

A mess kitchen will also be set up to dispense coffee and doughnuts to the CAP personnel.

CAP members who arrive June 26 will be entertained at a banquet honoring visiting officers, and those who stay over until Sunday, June 28, are invited to special church services at the Blowing Rock Methodist Church, and to the 29th annual "Singing on the Mountain" at Grandfather Mountain.

Summer School Band To Appear In Concert

The Summer School Band, under the direction of William G. Spencer will present its first evening program next Monday evening at 7:00 p. m. on the college campus. As in previous years the concerts will be informal and will be given outside, weather permitting. In case of rain the program will be given in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

The members of the Band come from many parts of the South as well as from the local area. The Summer School Band affords the opportunity for those who have played an instrument to come and have fun. For those that are interested in playing with the group the rehearsals are from 4:00 to 5:00 p. m. on Monday and Wednesday.

In addition to presenting a program for the college and the community every two weeks, the band will do a great deal of reading of both old and just off the press band music.

Horn In West Presents First Of 64 Performances Friday Evening



THE OUTDOOR DRAMA "HORN IN THE WEST" is being presented for its second season at the Daniel Boone Theatre, Boone. Above left is a view of the 2,500-seat theatre, while at the right is the main parking area at the theatre entrance. The center pic-

ture shows Ned Austin, of Boone, in the role of Daniel Boone. Scenes from the drama are shown in the lower pictures. 1953 production dates for the drama are June 26 through September 7, with performances nightly except Mondays at 8:15.

Editors, CAP Officials, Others To Attend Drama

Northwestern North Carolina's big outdoor drama success, "Horn in the West," will open Friday night, June 26, with 64 performances scheduled for its second season at the open air Daniel Boone Theatre.

The play will be given nightly except Mondays at 8:15 p. m., through September 7. During its 58 performances in 1952, the drama drew a total attendance of more than 53,000 from 47 states.

As the opening performance nears, the Theatre is bustling with activity. Final dress rehearsals are now in progress on the three stages, while the box office reports a brisk advance sale of tickets, both over-the-counter and by mail. The theatre, which is only six miles from the Blue Ridge Parkway, is popular with sightseers and picnickers.

No lengthy ceremonies are planned in connection with the opening. Dr. I. G. Greer of Chapel Hill, president of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association, will welcome the first night audience. Author Kermit Hunter will attend the opening. Newspaper editors from North Carolina and four other states will be present for the second annual "Editor's Night," which is being held in conjunction with the opening this year with Rupert Gillett, associate editor of the Charlotte Observer, as chairman.

Some 200 field representatives of the Security Life and Trust Company, Winston-Salem, who are attending their annual agency convention at Blowing Rock, will come to Boone to see the opening of the drama Friday night.

"Horn in the West" features a talented cast representing many states. The majority of the performers are residents of North Carolina or alumni of its colleges and universities.

A ticket and information booth for the drama was set up on the main street of Boone this week, and was to be opened Wednesday noon. It will be open daily throughout the run of "Horn in the West," with Ed Waugh in charge. Although tickets will be sold at the booth, all requests for room accommodations will be referred to the main theatre office, where Mrs. Connie Mae Phillips, housing chairman, has a listing of accommodations for more than 1,000 people, in Boone, Blowing Rock and elsewhere in Watauga County. Tickets to the drama are also on sale at the Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce.

At Grandview, on Highway 421, an information booth has been set up to acquaint tourists with the drama. Roy Marsh is in charge of the booth, which opens Sunday, and will remain open throughout the summer.

Lenmen Visit Theatre Sunday night and Monday morning 15 expert photographers from North and South Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee attended the second annual Photo Rehearsal of the drama.

Special bus service connecting the theatre with Winston-Salem and Charlotte will be inaugurated Friday night by Greyhound and Queen City Coach Company, and will continue on a Wednesday, Friday and Saturday schedule throughout the summer. Among the guests on Greyhound's "Horn in the West Special" will be Mayor and Mrs. Marshall Kurfies and representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, Merchants' Association, and Little Theatre of Winston-Salem. Officials of the bus company are also attending the opening performance of the drama.

Among the guests on the first "Horn in the West Express" operated from Charlotte to Boone by Queen City will be W. L. Lewis, travel director for the Carolina Motor Club, Mrs. W. M. Moore, director of Moore Tours, Charlotte. Queen City officials will also attend the drama opening.

Singing On The Mountain May Draw Throng Of Over 40,000

Linville—The largest and most famous all-day mountain music event in the Southern Appalachians will take place at the base of mile-high Grandfather Mountain, 2 miles east of this Blue Ridge resort community on

Sunday, June 28, with North Carolina's Lieutenant Governor Luther H. Hodges as speaker.

A crowd estimated at 35,000 thronged the 20-acre meadow at the base of towering Grandfather Mountain last year, and for

the 29th annual "Singing on the Mountain," traffic officers are making preparations for a crowd in excess of that. They are rerouting through traffic from U. S. 221 around Linville via the Blue Ridge Parkway in order to avoid excessive congestion.

The singing and preaching begin around 8 a. m. and continue until 5 p. m., with approximately 50 singing groups, ranging up to large choirs, and some soloists. At least 20 preachers are expected to hold services, some simultaneously. There is little of formal programming, but by common consent the singing and preaching yield around noon to picnic lunches, brought to the meadow in baskets or purchased at stands operated by church organizations.

Lieutenant Governor Hodges will speak from a huge boulder at the base of the mountain, rising over a mile above sea level to the new swinging bridge between peaks which is fast becoming one of Western North Carolina's topmost tourist attractions.

Radio's "Mr. Dixie," Grady Cole of WBT-CBS, will introduce the Lieutenant Governor at 2 p. m. Other attractions will include Metropolitan Opera Star Norman Cordon with a group of singers from his summer school of opera at Boone, and Happy John Coffey with his 36-string homemade harp.

Founder and chairman of the "Singing," 82-year-old Joe L. Hartley, has been busy clearing more land to provide additional room for the throng on the edges of the meadow.

"The Bearded Prophet of the High Hills," 90-year-old Shelby E. Gragg of Shull's Mills, and costumed players from the principal mountain dramas depicting the pioneer days of Daniel Boone and the story of the Cherokee Indians are expected to be present.

Bascom Lamar Lunsford, Minstrel of the Southern Appalachians, is bringing a group of folk singers and dancers. "Singing on the Mountain" is a popular goal of newsreel, TV, and press photographers, and several are expected to be present.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Among the graduates at the recent high school commencement was Mrs. Mary Renton, mother of three grown children. Mrs. Renton resumed her high-school education in 1950.

Watauga Hospital Gets Duke Grant Of \$10,000



D. E. HUFF

D. E. Huff Takes Position With Manufacturers

Mr. D. E. Huff, who has operated the Home Service Co., of Boone for three years, has accepted a position with Wisco Lumin-Vent Corporation, the nation's largest manufacturers of Aluminum storm windows and doors.

Mr. Huff will be general sales and promotion manager, and his office will be maintained at the corporation's eastern factory in Norfolk, Va.

In relinquishing his business interests here, Mr. Huff states that it took a handsome salary to draw him away from Boone. He takes over his new duties on July 1. While the Home Service Company is being dissolved, Mr. Arnold Cooper will continue with certain special services, Mr. Huff says, and will be available to aid the company's many customers in this locality.

Eggers Attends Land Bank Meet

Mr. S. C. Eggers, president of the Boone National Farm Loan Association was in Columbia, S. C. last week, where he attended a meeting of a committee composed of two members from each of the four states served by the Federal Land Bank, held at the home offices of the institution.

Mr. Eggers is a member of the eight man committee, representing the stockholders in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Principal discussion centered about legislation pending in Congress which would get the Federal government out of the control of the Land Bank, and allow the management of the concern by its stockholders.

KING STREET BY ROB RIVERS

LAST OF THE BIG WATCHES

Watt Gragg is perhaps the last man in the business district to give up the old turnip-size pocket watch in favor of one of the more convenient wrist models which have swept the older timepieces out of the pockets, and all but off the market in the last few years. . . . And while Watt will perhaps fumble many times for the old-faithful marker of the hours, before he remembers to glance at the wrist, he's rather enthusiastic about the change toward the trend of later years. . . . We reminded him of the time, a few brief years ago, when there were plenty of key-winders in this section and when hunting cases were particularly popular. . . . In other words you had to press the end of the stem and loosen the catch on the outside lid, before you could get a squirt at the part with the hours and the minutes. . . . These lids clicked rather noisily when pressed back in place, and if the preacher or political speaker had gone over time, one could hear watch cases snapping over the audience, and the speaker knew time and patience had both run out. . . . Watt says that the clicking of the watch cases helped a whole lot too, along about the time the dinner bells could be heard in the neighborhood. . . . Then the keys went away, and came the stem-winders. . . . And a man who had the most on the ball was often referred to as a shore-nuff "stem winder!"

TWISTS OF THE TONGUE

The lad languished in the shade of the tree after the sharp climb up the drive to our house, and looked back down (Continued on page two.)