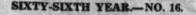


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STREET

ROB RIVERS

HEAVY FALL TRAVEL The influx of tourists into the

Boone-Blowing Rock area over

the week end was heavy . .

From all sections of the country

they came to view the magnifi-

cent colors of the dying leaves,

mountain Sunday morning, we

counted a couple of hundred cars,

coming up the hill, in the few

turning in the same few miles

... Motor courts and other lodg-ing places at Boone and Blowing

Rock did good besiness-busi-

ness at a summer time level, in

some cases-as the people made

a final foray into the elevated re-

LONGER SEASON

Which brings to mind the fact that the tourist season

should be extended into the

fall-that there should be a

lengthening of the time when

folks from far-away come and

enjoy the hill country . . . Of

course the negative answer is the fact that the folks who have

children must be home after the opening of school . . . But

the large numbers of folks who

have come this fall have rather convinced us that there are

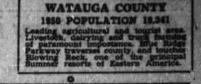
tourist promotion possibilities

the lid on summer travel .

gions.

travel from Green Park

BOONE, WATAUGA COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1953



end

Schedule for the festivities is as follows: Friday hight at 8

o'clock, homecoming play by the

Playcrafters with a reception for

alumni and participants immedi-

ately afterwards. Saturday, 9 a.

m. until noon, registration; 10:30,

"Old Timers" reunion of students

from 1899 through 1929; noon, an-

nual luncheon and business meeting; 2:00, viewing of projects and

parade; 2:45, Appalachian vs.

Emory & Henry College; 5:00,

alumni reception; 6:00, dinner;

and 8:00, homecoming dance. In

addition to planned activities, open house will be observed in

.New officers will be elected at

the luncheon meeting on Satur-

day. Outgoing officers are, presi-

dent; H. G. Jones of the Depart-

ment of History, Duke University;

college residence houses.

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RETURNS-Austin E. South, above right,, newly appointed Clerk of Court for Watauga County, is dividual by adequate public health shown being congratulated upon his return to office by Fred M. Gragg, who resigned the post to to staffs, operating in sufficiently accept a position with the International Resistance Corp. in Boone. Mr. South held the Clerk of convenient and well-equipped Court job for 20 years prior to 1946, when Mr. Gragg was elected to the position, and was sworn quarters. Dr. Moose then led a in last Thursday after Superior Court Judge J. C. Rudisill appointed him to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Gragg's .- Staff photo,

KING · 47 Herefords Sold For **Total Sum Of \$9,187.50**

The Watauga Purebred Here-ford Breeders sold 47 lots for \$9,187.50 in the eleventh annual Boone sale. The top price of ing the highest selling bull. O. T. \$440.00 was paid for Banner Do- Sherrill, Hickory, took four head mino 6, a summer yearling con-signed by W. H. Walker, Sugar three head.

Grove. This bull was reserve Breeders who purchased two champion bull in the pre-sale show. He sold to Levi Teague, Horseshoe, N. C., M. M. Hodges, Taylorsville, N. C. The champion Vilas, Bernard Hodgson, Boone, and to enjoy the balmy, clear air of the high hills . . . On a trip down the Blowing Rock-Lenoir sold to C. G. Fox, Hickory, for Eggers, Banner Elk.

Other buyers in the sale were \$325.00. The champion female of the Soapstone Ranch, Newton, M. O. pre-sale show went to Shipley Wike, Granite Falls, Diamond S. Farm on SF Princess Larryann, a February calf by HC Larry Boone, J. E. Holbert, Horseshoe, Domino 56, and out of a cow rich in WHR Triumph breeding. The heifer sold for \$365.00 to Mr. Wade E. Campbell, Taylorsville, Deep Gap. W. T. Staley, Millers and was the highest priced heifer Creek, H. D. Horney, Banner Elk, Luther Pennell, Taylorsville, of the sale. The reserve champion heifer Howard Edmisten and Ned came from the C. C. Edmisten Glenn, Sugar Grove, Horace

consignment and sold for \$275.00 to H. L. Edmundson, Horseshoe, N. C. Greene, George A. Wilson, and Harold Henson, all of Boone.

Free Chest'X-Ray To Be Available In Boone Soon

Free chest x-rays will be avail- | symptoms, tuberculosis kills nearable to hte people of Watauga ly 50,000 Americans a year. Howcounty, when the mobile x-ray ever, this disease can be cured. unit will be set up on King If it caused you to feel ill im-Street October 28th, 31st, Nov- mediately like most other diseasember 3-6, from 11 a. m. to 5 p. es, you would go to a doctor. As captain, member basketball team,

in the Blue Ridge area, long Mrs. Frances C. Frances, exe- far in your body before you cutive secretary of the Allegh-any, Ashe, Watauga Tuberculosis and years to arrest or cure. after Labor Day normally puts The heavy travel along the Parkway, and on the principal roads into this immediate local-

Association, who makes the an-nouncement, issues this further statement: "There's one sure way to know if you have the disease. Get a Chest x-ray. This will show if Junior Marshal last year, member x-ray. "You may have tuberculosis, tuberculosis has begin its destrucof Men's A Club. The trouble is, you wouldn't tive work on the lungs. Often the know it until it reached an adhealthiest looking person may be Weather vanced stage. diseased. "These chest x-rays are made "Because it has no pronounced The week of October 11 was possible by your contributions to Kiddies To the Christmsa Seal sale. In fact, nother of relatively mild temperyou may be paying, through your contributions, for the x-ray you ature, according to the weekly weather report by Dr. Arnold **Paint Windows** take. Van Pelt. There was no break in "The only way to eradicate the the continuing dry period. The Worthwhile Club is spondisease is to find all the un-Max. Min. soring a Halloween window deknown cases in the county. It has 71 30 coration contest again this year been estimated that there are a 39 72 quarter of a million unknown cases in the U. S. Some of these may be in Watauga county. 62 37 45 550 on the business windows of the 39 69 73 47 "If you are not sure you don't Permission will be secured of 73 have tuberculosis then you betcourse, and nothing but Bon Ami ter have an x-ray. You may save will be used. The contest is spon-15-Trace. your life. sored in an effort to reconize

Health Council Discusses Plans **Medical Center**

Some fifty citizens representing various communities in Watauga County held an enthusistic meeting at Bethel School last Friday evening. In the absence of Dr. John Martin, president of the council, Dr. G. K. Moose presided.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mr. Ray Wilson. Group singing followed which was led by Mrs. Clyde Greene. Dr. Michal and Mrs. 'Glovier each talked briefly on the purpose of the meeting which was to find ways and means to secure a health center for Watauga county. This is sorely needed in our county.

An interesting picture was shown, "So Much For So Little," showing services offered each indiscussion during which some constructive suggestions were made. It was pointed out that through the Medical Care Commission, Hill-Burton and State funds are still available to our county to meet three-tourths of the cost of a health center, fully equipped, provided the county lurnished an acre in a suitable location plus one-fourth of the cost of the project. Sections of the county represented at the meeting indicated that much interest has already been aroused in the pro-

ject. M. Sherwood, Fred Winkler, A. L. will organize committees. Plans were made to hold another meeting of the health council in Nov-ember at another section of the county. The place is to be announced later.

The group voted to ask the pre-sident of the council to appoint a steering committee representative of all sections of the county to make further plans.

Gene Reed Chosen

Kotarian Boy

Gene Reed, senior at Appalachian High School has been designated Rotarian Boy for October by the Boone Rotary Club, which is recognizing an outstanding local high school lad each month Gene is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reed of Boone. Some of his high school activities follow:

President of his class for three years, member football squad three years, and currently the it is, tuberculosis may advance co-captain last year; member baseball team three years, cotional Honor Society, elected

6 p. m.

Oct. 12

Oct. 13

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Appalachian Alumni To

THREE VEHICLE WRECK-Two of the cars involved in a wreck at the corner of King Street and Junaluska Road are pictured before being removed from the scene of the accident. A coal truck, not shown, was also involved in the accident, and coal and the tire in the picture were part of its cargo, Mrs. Stanley South was driver of the car in front while Deputy Sheriff Will C. Miller was driver of the other car. A Mr. Hudson of Morgan ton was driver of the truck. Mrs. South, her small

Reese, George Smitherman, Ceol Swift and Allen Heaton. Others of the counties 35 communities Coleman Says Burley Is Good In Watauga

Mr. R. C. Coleman, of Tabor the price would be high, though City, who operates the Mountain I am inclined to think tobacco Burley Tobacco Warehouses here, will be lighter than usual. The believes that this year's local to-number of pounds per acre may bacco crop is the best he's seen, and that the high prices received believe the price will compensate, will compensate for the lower provided the tobacco is properly yield occasioned by dry weather. graded when stripped and kept Mr. Coleman, in Watauga re- dry. The greatest loss to farmers

says:

looking so good in the barns. Of tobacco to market wet." all the many crops examined, I Mr. Coleman was really enthufound only one bad one and that siastic about the report of the was a crop that had been placed North Carolina Tobacco Waretoo closely together in the barn, house at Tabor City, another of causing barn-burn. The color is his operations, which has just extra good, which would indicate closed. The total sales amounted

cently, on a pre-season survey, is caused by their failure to properly grade their tobacco and one "I have never seen tobacco of the greatest faults is sending

to 10,236,000 pounds. 7,448,000 pounds, or almost three-fourths of all tobacco sold on the Tabor City market was sold by Mr. Coleman at the New Carolina To-bacco Warmbouse. The average price of the 7,448,000 pounds was \$58.90 per hundred.

Mr. Coleman was even more enthusiastic about his own bacco crop. He owns a large farm near Tabor City and after warehouse charges were deducted, he realized \$32,264.74 for his own crop, the of women.

average price being 621/2c per counted for this excellent yield Four Bands To pound. When asked how he acin such a dry year, Mr. Coleman said, "First, I got extra strong plants; they were carefully set and fortunately, we had a good **One Held In Car Theft;** rain soon after they were set. The plants were properly fertilized so Money, Checks Found

that they get a good start. Last, but not least, my tenants graded most carefully, under my personal One man has been bound over school funds, in the car. He had to Federal Court, and another re-leased for lack of sufficient evi-dence, in connection with the the car gone. Supervision; cured it correctly, and brought the crop to market good and dry. It is the best crop I have ever grown and the yield was almost 2,000 pounds per acre. supervision; cured it correctly,

vice-president, Thomas L. Ward, principal of Huntersville School, Mecklenburg County; and secretary-treasurer, Walter C. Joyce, principal of White Rock School Forsyth County. Alumni officials are predicting this year's attendance record will even surpation last year's record-breaking turnout. Plans on the campus are being handled by Chi Lambda Chi under the leader ship of Miss Helen Burch, dear Appear Saturday

Mr. William G. Spencer, director of the Appalachian State Teachers College band, has announced that four high school bands will be on the college campus for the Homecoming game this Saturday afternoon. Included are Appalachian High School band, under the direction of Mr. Roy Blanton; Hickory High

School band, directed

The bands will arrive in Boone

Saturday morning and will be es-

corted to their places by members

of the college music faculty, as-

sisted by the college band mem-

the combined bands will help

put on the pre-game show on the

football field at two-thirty. They

will spell out the name GRADS,

as a salute to all visiting gradu-

ates and alumni. During the half-

time, the bands will salute Romy

ity clearly show that the folk aren't through traveling when the hot days go . . . Fact is, many of them like the cooler days of autumn better . . . And while we might not successfully promote a fall tourist event, a Festival of the Falling Leaves. for instance-tourist promotion-al material should lay heavy stress on the week-end trips mongst the hills of crimson and gold and russet.

WORKED ON ANCIENT PRESS Will Haynes, who has long and will award prizes to the since passed the four score and children making the best designs ten mark, went back to Fresno, Ohio, the first of the week, where

he has been living since he left his native heath in Watauga thirty-three years ago . . . An alumnus of the old Watauga Democrat composing room. Will refers to his experiences, which in his early teens, he stood atop a cracker box and inked the page forms of the Democrat so's Bob

ers' ink, and vows: "Well, after all. I'm just visiting home folks . . You folks on the Watauga ocrat are not only my good

friends . . . we're kin folks!" He speaks interestingly, of those days, far back in another age, when Daniel Boone Dougherty cdited the paper, while Robert C. Rivers was the publisher Back before gas engines, and

electric motors, and typesetting achines and "steam presses" (continued on page four)

town.

artistic talent, and to lure the youngsters away from damage to property at Halloween time.

crack down with the lever of the old Washington hand press, and get out the local news. . Jovial and kind, Will is always glad to return to the smell of the print-return to the smell of the print-re drive." As a matter of fact Mr. lege's annual Homecoming Day. expected to attend. The Honor-Ragan was charged with permit-A plaque will be unveiled to able John W. Umstead of Chapel ting an unlicensed person to op-perate his car. Prayer for judg-is said to have established the ment begun in 1947 for the erecment was continued for two most brilliant athletic record ev- tion of the monument, will speak years upon payment of the costs.

> World rye production this year is forecast at about 1,570,000,000 bushels

Date The only thing missing from the U. S. Commissioner S. C. Eg-Oct. 11

Oct. 14 Oct. 14 Bethel High School and owner of appearance at the November term of Kay's Sandwich Shop on South of Federal Court in Wilkesboro, He is enthusiastically looking for-Oct. 16 Depot street, stopped his 1949 Sheriff Cook said, Oct. 17

Chevrolet in front of the shop Precipitation: Oct. 14-0.1; Oct. Friday night and went inside, leaving the money and checks, with excess factory

dence, in connection with the Sheriff Cook's investigation led It sold at the best price a main alleged theft of an automobile sheriff Cook's investigation led It sold at the best price a main containing \$167 cash and \$400 in to the recovery of the car Sunday ever received." The fact that such a large num The fact that such a large num Sheriff Cook's investigation led It sold at the best price I have cording to Sheriff Earl D. Cook. nell, 50-year-old Watauga Coun- ber of farmers in the Tabor City The money and checks were ty man, who implicated Floyd area showed so much confidence

still in the car when it was found Ward, 22, of Boone, in the theft. in Mr. Coleman by selling their Sunday by the Sheriff and his Ward, however, was released for crops at his warehouse, should of the band di deputies, hidden in the moun-lack of evidence by the F. B. I. impress the farmers of this term ates of ASTC. tains near Neva, Tenn. The mon- agent who was called into the ritory and they should take note ey was in a bag under the front case by the sheriff because the of the many things he mentioned seat, and the checks were in an car had been taken across a state that go into the making of ex-envelope behind the sun visor. line.

car was a 25 Colt automatic, the gers, of Boone, found probable cause at a hearing held Monday, Clyde S. Greene, principal of and Presnell posted bond for his

New auto dealers are surfeited

Landon Walker; Wilkes Central High School band, directed by Mr. Claude Jarrett; and the Valdese High School band, directed by Mr. George Wilson. All four of the band directors are gradu-

was almost 2,000 pounds per acre.

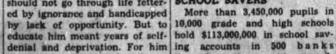
cellent grade tobacco and good price.

Mr. Coleman thinks much of bers. A picnic lunch has been planned for them, to be held in front of the Fine Arts Building our tobacco this year will bring as much as 70c, with choice basat 12 noon. Following the picnic, each band He is enthusiastically looking forwill participate in the parade ward to the opening of the mar-ket at Boone and Mountain City, through the campus and up town at one o'clock. After the parade, which will be on or about Novem-

Pomona Grange

The Watauga County Pamon Grange will meet Thursday night October 22, at 8 o'clock, at the Green Valley School. Refreshments will be served and all members are urged to be present

SCHOOL SAVERS



throughout the country, accord

ber 30.

Story by spelling out his last name on the field, and with the playing of "Auld Lang Syne." Mr. Blanton, of Boone, received his B. S. degree at ASTC in 1941, and his M. A. in 1950. Mr. Walker received his M. A. the

summer of 1952, and Mr. Wilson and Mr. Jarrett received their B. S. degrees in 1949.

NEW HOMES

The nations non-farm home owners increased by 5,000,000 in the last five years, with the de-United States farmers must be prepared to produce enough food for 200,000,000 citizens by 1975. dent of the Business Foundation of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, ideals of University athleties, we faces, whether any news had been (Continued on page two) 000 a year ago.



his mountain home September 13, 1907. He was an only son, and his parents determined that their boy

last September, there was notice-

North Carolina. The program will be held dur-Yack, University year book, was an air of anxiety and foreboding. ing the halftime of the football dedicated to the memory of Romy A stranger could have detected at it meant a long and toilsome

game Saturday afternoon. Dr. I. Story with this inscription: "To once that something disquieting pathway, separation from home, ing to a report by the American G. Greer, executive vice presi-the memory of Romy Story, who had happened or was impending, and perhaps failure in the end. Bankers Association. The figure

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er attained at the University of North Carolina. The 1908 edition of the Yackety, able as

(1882-1907) When the University opened

exerpt copied from the 1908 Yackety Yack is reprinted: ROMY STORY

should not go through life fetter-