

Date	High	Low	Wind	Humidity
June 28	75	51	45	55
June 29	74	49	55	64
June 30	78	49	64	64
July 1	79	53	65	65
July 2	82	55	75	75
July 3	85	57	80	80
July 4	85	52	75	100

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Land Bank President To Speak At Loan Association Meeting

Stockholders Farm Loan Body To Gather Here

Mr. Rufus R. Clarke, president of the Federal Land Bank of Columbia will speak at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Boone National Farm Loan As-



MR. CLARKE

sociation to be held at the courthouse in Boone Saturday July 9 at 10:30 a. m.

Mr. S. C. Eggers, president of the Association, says Mr. Clark has been with the Land Bank for many years and is a recognized authority on farm financial problems. Besides he is known as an excellent speaker, and his message to the membership of the Association is expected to be entertaining as well as informative.

Mr. T. E. Haigler, regional manager for the Federal Land Bank of Columbia in North Carolina, will be on hand to conduct the quiz program, and will give away prizes consisting of a ton of fertilizer and seventy-five silver dollars.

Mr. John H. Hollar, secretary-treasurer of the Association says everyone is invited to the meeting, and says prospects are for a record attendance.

Squaw Valley, Calif., gets 1960 Winter Olympics.

An uranium ore processing mill is to rise in Moab, Utah.

Retailers To Observe Ladies Night In City

The annual meeting of the Merchants Association of Boone and Watauga county will be held Monday night, July 11 at 6:30 in a private dining room of the Boone Trail Cafe.

It is ladies' night, and it is very much hoped that it will not only be a full attendance, but that many of the merchants will bring their wives, and any of the employees that may wish.

Thompson Greenwood, Secretary of North Carolina Merchants Association will be the guest. And, the representative of the Sun Life

of Canada will be here to fully explain the life insurance group program about which practically all the merchants have heard. These with the election of officers and board for next year make it a tremendously important meeting.

A number have expressed interest in joining the Merchants Association because of this new program. Any business concern in Boone or Watauga County is eligible, and now would be a good time to join if they want to participate in this life insurance program.

3.89 Miles Of Linville Highway Is Completed

A 3.89-mile link in the 17-mile, \$1,000,000 Boone-Linville highway has been completed between Foscoe in Watauga County and the Avery County line, 11th Division Engineer James Councilll has advised.

The entire project is scheduled to be completed by the summer of 1956, he said. Another link, about 5½ miles long, is expected to be finished this summer, he added. This runs between Linville and the Watauga County border.

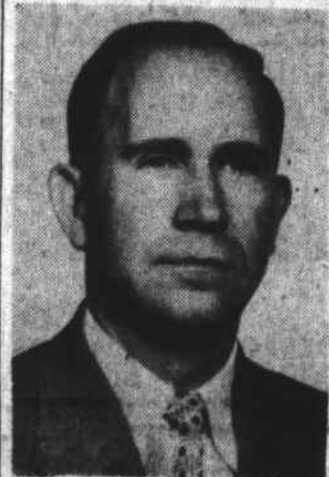
He said the final eight-mile section between Foscoe and a point near Boone is scheduled to be finished by the summer of 1956.

It will run through Hodges Gap to U. S. Highways 221 and 321.

The new route will shorten the present distance between the two points by 10 miles.

Division Highway Commissioner W. R. Winkler of Boone reported the new highway will have an average grade of three per cent, except for a short stretch through Linville Gap. This grade does not exceed eight per cent, he said.

The sharpest curves on the entire route will not be more than five degrees, he said.



DOUGHTON GREENE

Greene Elected As Member Of Wingate Faculty

Dr. Budd Smith announced today the appointment of Mr. Doughton Greene of Boone, to the faculty of Wingate College. Mr. Greene will teach in the physical education department and science department. He comes to Wingate after many years of successful teaching in the schools of Watauga county where he served as coach and teacher. He holds the Bachelor and Master's Degree from Appalachian State Teachers College.

He is the son of Mr. A. J. Greene, who was a teacher for many years in the Appalachian State Teachers College. With the coming of Mr. Greene to Wingate College, one of the finest physical education and recreational programs will be carried out; with Reid Lowder coaching basketball, Jack Perry coaching baseball, and Mr. Greene working with junior varsity and girls basketball. Wingate looks forward to a great year.

Fourth Of July Safe, Sane Here

Watauga county observed a "safe and sane" 4th of July week end.

Police Chief Walter Johnson and Sheriff Ernest Hodges reported that there were no arrests, no auto accidents, "no trouble of any kind" in the town or county over the holiday week end. A majority of the business places in Boone were closed Monday, the 4th.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Cannon

Mrs. C. D. Cannon of Blowing Rock died Saturday at a Johnson City, Tenn. hospital.

A native of Watauga county, she was a daughter of the late Sidney and Martha Mercy Bollinger.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. Monday at the Blowing Rock Baptist Church. Burial was in the Cool Springs cemetery.

Survivors include three daughters and three sons; 16 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. One brother and three sisters survive.

Bishop Phillips Dies In Boone; Rites In S. C.

The Rt. Rev. Henry D. Phillips, 73, of Columbia, S. C., retired bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Southeastern Virginia died at Watauga Hospital at 10:10 p. m. Wednesday, June 29.

Bishop Phillips was largely instrumental in the establishment of a hospital and country club at Blowing Rock where he had a summer home.

He was bishop from 1938 till 1954, and had served as rector of Trinity Episcopal Church at Columbia from 1922 to 1938.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Ella Reese Phillips of Columbia; three daughters, Mrs. O. B. Mayer of Columbia, Mrs. Henrietta P. McDowell of Charleston, S. C., and Mrs. S. J. Slate of New York City; two sisters, Mrs. Milton Keeler and Mrs. Frank Orma of Atlanta, Ga.; and seven grandchildren.

A native of Philadelphia, Pa., Bishop Phillips was a son of the late Henry D. and Nancy Phillips. He studied in Atlanta, Ga. schools and the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.

A football star at Sewanee, he gained All-Southern Conference honors. He once coached football in Georgia.

In 1906, he established a settlement mission at LaGrange, Ga.

Funeral services will be held at Trinity church in Columbia, and burial will be in the church cemetery. Other details were incomplete tonight.

Mrs. Glenn Is Taken By Death

Mrs. Mollie W. Glenn, 90, died at the home at Vilas Saturday.

Funeral services were held at the Cove Creek Baptist Church Sunday. Rev. Dwight Long was in charge of the rites and burial was in the Glenn cemetery.

A number of nieces and nephews survive.

George Wilson Appears On TV



GEORGE WILSON

George Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Frank Wilson and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones of Boone, appeared on the Arthur Smith Television Show in Charlotte Thursday night, June 23. George won over little Miss Betty Ann Bolt of Laurens, S. C. in his vocal rendition of "Out Behind the Barn."

He also appeared on tv last Friday night, and while he made a good showing on the applause meter, he lost in the finals.

He had won the tv tryout as a result of placing first in the Arthur Smith tv Talent Hunt in Boone early in June. He was accompanied here and in Charlotte by Mrs. Ralph Buchanan.

George is a student in Green Valley School and has appeared for civic clubs and various activities throughout the country. He had formerly won in a talent hunt show by the Mountain Valley Boys of Marion, Va.

In his television appearance he is said to have captivated the studio audience and also the program directors. Friends who accompanied him to Charlotte were: Mrs. Ralph Buchanan, his mother, Mrs. Wilma Wilson, his grandmother, Mrs. W. H. Jones, Harold Jones, Miss Betty Jones, John Lewis, Miss Mary Pearl Isaacs, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Triplett, Judy Triplett, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kintigh and Billy.

The National Probation and Parole Association was recently told that prisons were riddled by politics and corruption and, as such, threatened the national social system.

Letter Carriers Name Officers At End Of State Meeting Here



OFFICERS INSTALLED BY RURAL LETTER CARRIERS—Pictured above from left are John M. Dunn, past president, Efland; Ray Hulick, national vice-president, Washington, D. C.; S. F. Lee, president, Willow Springs; Lester V. Reich, vice-president, Walkertown; Clyde Winchberger, secretary-treasurer, Boone; Finley F. Rogers, chaplain, Clarkton; Roy Lyerly, chairman executive committee, Banner Elk; Francis McColman, member executive committee, Faison; and Guy J. Timberlake, member executive committee, Timberlake.—Photo by Paul Weston.

Over 300 Postal Workers Gather For Convention

Officers elected and installed at the close of the 52nd annual convention of the North Carolina Rural Letter Carriers' Association held here last week with an attendance of 300 were: President, S. F. Lee, Willow Springs; vice-president, Lester G. Reich, Walkertown; secretary-treasurer, Clyde Winchberger, Boone, reelected for his tenth year; chaplain, Finley K. Rogers, Clarkton; executive committee-man, Guy J. Timberlake, Timberlake, N. C. Roy Lyerly of Banner Elk is chairman of the committee and Francis McColman of Faison is the other member.

President Lee and Secretary Winchberger will head an eleven man delegation to the National Convention in Buffalo, N. Y. August 15-19. Roy Lyerly is the regular delegate from this district.

The North Carolina Association closed the year June 30 with around 14000 members and the membership for the new year is now over 1200. The carriers of the state travel over fourteen million miles each year in carrying full mail service to about one-third of our people. The purpose of the organization, which is a part of the 35,000 members National Association is: To improve the methods used by rural letter carriers and their conditions of labor; to cooperate with the post office department and the public for the good of the service; to protect the security of the members; to promote a fraternalism and fellowship, and provide different forms of insurance protection. It cannot affiliate with a striking organization. The organization is financed by a membership fee which includes subscription to the weekly magazine, The National Rural Letter Carrier, published each week in Washington.

Student Spokesman Pays Tribute To Appalachian College Officials

By EARLEEN G. PRITCHETT

At the assembly program at Appalachian State Teachers College Monday, tribute was paid by one of the student spokesmen to the college administration over the years.

Miss Pansy M. Kincaid of Morganton acted as student spokes-

man, speaking in behalf of the student body, as a member of the college alumni association, and also as a student in summer school. She expressed sincere regret, felt by all these groups, that ill health has made it necessary for Dr. B. B. Dougherty to tender his resignation to the Board of Trustees as

president of the college.

She went on to say that the alumni and student body heartily approve the action of the board, when, in recent session, they reluctantly accepted the resignation of Dr. Dougherty and selected in his place Dean J. D. Rankin, who became president July 1, 1955.

Miss Kincaid recalled that Dr. Rankin has worked very closely for many years with Dr. Dougherty in the formation of policies for the college and in its operation. He, perhaps more than any other person, she said, became the co-worker of Dr. Dougherty after the death of his brother, the late D. D. Dougherty. "Dr. Dough" as he was known to students of former years, shared with his brother the dreams of a school for teachers in this section of North Carolina. Together they worked in the establishment of the Watauga Academy, which grew into the Appalachian Training School, and later into the Appalachian State Normal School, and which, in turn, became Appalachian State Teachers College in 1927.

Miss Kincaid also paid tribute to Bernard Dougherty, business manager of the college since 1933, and who, at the recent meeting of the board of trustees, was named vice-president and comptroller of the institution. Miss Kincaid said the fact that Mr. Dougherty does not have a number of degrees following his name in the catalogue is explained by his having been so busy during all these years with the operation of the financial affairs of the college that he had not had time to go away to take advanced degrees. "This fact," she continued, "does not make him any less efficient in his responsible position."

"We feel," said Miss Kincaid, "that the board of trustees has done a very commendable job in selecting these people for recognition, and they will carry on in much the same capacities in which they have already been functioning."

Miss Kincaid expressed the hope that Dr. B. B. Dougherty, who is requesting retirement, will be given the relationship of President Emeritus of the college. "For we all know," she said, "that in reality there will never be any such fact as his 'retirement' from Appalachian."

Following Miss Kincaid's tribute, the summer school student body gave a rising vote of appreciation and confidants to Drs. Dougherty and Rankin, and to Bernard Dougherty.

Bigger, Better Era Is Seen For Parkway

Washington, July 4.—The National Park Service with an increased appropriation, is planning bigger and better things for visitors to the nation's scenic and historic areas.

Acting Secretary of the Interior Clarence Davis said today that with the \$45,029,300 allowed for the next 12 months, \$12,803,710 more than last year, the Park Service will "broaden the opportunities for enjoyment by park visitors."

The fiscal 1956 appropriations, with contractual authorization contained in the 1954 Highway Act, will permit the Park Service to carry out a highway construction program totalling 23½ million dollars, including parkways. Of this 12½ is programmed for roads and trails.

They include:

Eleven million dollars is programmed for parkways. Of the \$4,079,000 available for continuing major construction on the Blue Ridge Parkway, Va. and N. C., \$3,008,800 is for grading, provision of stone base, construction of a tunnel, and related work, on 10.2 miles of roadway past Grandfather Mountain, in North Carolina, and extending from Sandy Flat Gap to Beacon Heights. Other development on the Blue Ridge Parkway totals \$228,100.

Martha Henson Is Graduated

Miss Martha Jeanne Henson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Ford Henson of Vilas was commissioned to become a director of religious education at her graduation from High Point College May 30th.

She is now a director of religious education at the First Methodist Church at Newton.

New Baptist Pastor Called



REV. J. HOYT ROBERSON

Rev. J. Hoyt Roberson of Owen Sound, Ky., who was recently called by Three Forks Baptist Association as missionary and Bethel church as pastor, has arrived to begin his work.

Mr. Roberson was born in Anderson, S. C. He attended Erskine College, Due West, S. C. and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He has pastored churches in South Carolina and Kentucky. Prior to coming to North Carolina he served as associational missionary in Owen County Association, Ky. for approximately two years. Mr. Roberson says he is looking forward with great anticipation to working with the people of Three Forks Association.

For safety, never clean, adjust or oil harvesting machinery without stopping it.

Hopeful Polio Report Is Given Dr. Michal

An encouraging report has been received by Dr. Mary Michal, local health officer in Alleghany-Ashe-Watauga counties, in the form of recommendations made at a recent meeting called by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, as to the use of Poliomyelitis vaccine this summer of 1955.

The meeting was composed of representatives of the following groups: American Academy of General Practice, American Academy of Pediatrics, American Medical Association, American Public Health Association, Association of State and Territorial Health Officers, United States Public Health Service, Vaccine Advisory Committee of the National Foundation, and special consultants from John Hopkins University and University of Michigan School of Public Health.

These representatives unanimously agreed to a statement from which the following is summarized: "While it is generally advised that injections against common in-

fectious diseases such as diphtheria, whooping cough, and tetanus, be postponed during a high poliomyelitis incidence, evidence that this is a serious risk is scanty. On the other hand, in the 1954 field trial of the poliomyelitis vaccine, when cases were already occurring, there was no evidence of the injections provoking an attack of the disease. This year 1955, in 14 southern states in the 8 weeks following April 16th, 2,300,000 injections of Salk Vaccine were given with no significant provoking effect."

"If individuals are given the vaccine in an area of epidemic incidence a small proportion of these will later suffer paralytic poliomyelitis just because they may have been in an early stage of the disease, and the vaccine will not have had time to build up antibodies before severe infection develops. In this case, they may suffer paralysis at the site of injection."

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National Guardsmen Spend Time In Field

Service Battery of the 112th Field Artillery Battalion, National Guard Unit, recently organized here, spent two days in field-training, June 18-19. The bivouac area was the Lenoir-Morganton Airport.

The primary mission of the Boone Unit is supply of ammunition and food to the Battalion, and this constituted the training for the period. Being a newly organized unit and having a number of men without prior service they profited from the additional experience of pitching tents and using field sanitation methods which are taught to military personnel.

In spite of the rain which began

to fall during the night of June 18 and continued until the following afternoon, training was conducted as had been previously planned.

On Saturday, July 9th, Service Battery is scheduled to go to the rifle range in Lenoir for familiarization firing of individual weapons. Each man will fire twenty or more rounds of live ammunition. He will be permitted to keep the targets he uses.

Service Battery on August 14 will depart from home station for two weeks encampments at Fort Bragg. These two weeks will serve as basic training for men of North Carolina National Guard.

1,799 Attend Horn In West During Holidays

Despite a rained-out performance Monday night, attendance at the outdoor drama Horn in the West numbered 1,799 for the three-day holiday period of July 4.

Monday's cancelled performance was the second in nine days this season and the fifth time the show has been rained out in its four years of operation.

Showers stopped the show on opening night, June 25, shortly after intermission. A thunderstorm which began in late afternoon prevented the starting of the performance Monday.

The July 4 rain out climaxed

more than a week of disagreeable weather for theatre audiences. Nevertheless, attendance was slightly better than that of a comparable period last year.

In the first week this season visitors from 30 states have attended the show. North Carolina, as usual, is the foremost representative in the audience, followed again by South Carolina and Virginia. Floridians have slightly outnumbered Georgians.

Horn in the West plays nightly except Monday through September 5 at the Daniel Boone Theatre here.



LADY MAIL CARRIERS—Ladies who carry the mail on rural routes in North Carolina are pictured above as they attended the convention in Boone. Left to right, they are Mrs. Addie Clawson, Boone, Route 1, 19½ years' service; Mrs. Della Atkinson, Hampstead, 13 years' service; and Mrs. Mossie Olive, Goldston, 26 years' service. Mrs. Olive, who is a sister-in-law of Judge Hubert Olive, plans to retire from the service in November.—Photo by Paul Weston.