

Date	High	Low	Wind	Humidity
Oct. 25	63	37	54	
Oct. 26	63	37	54	
Oct. 27	66	41	51	
Oct. 28	75	46	53	41
Oct. 29	62	46	53	
Oct. 30	60	47	57	
Oct. 31	63	38	60	

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PENDER HEALTH CENTER photo shows how Watauga's new plant will look when completed.

## Boone Burley Market To Sell On 5-Day Schedule

### Auctions Will Start Week After Thanksgiving

The Boone Burley Tobacco Market will operate on a full five-day selling schedule during the 1955-56 season, R. C. Coleman, proprietor of the Mountain Burley and Farmers Burley warehouses here, has announced.

The decision was made, said Mr. Coleman, in order to provide better and more complete service for the tobacco growers of this section.

The market will open the last week in November, he said, with the definite date to be announced later.

Joe Coleman, auctioneer of the Coleman firm who was here this week, said Tuesday that the tobacco crop in general is good in this section, and the outlook for a banner season is excellent, both from the standpoint of the market and the grower.

Favorable reports have been received on the northwest North Carolina burley crop from the buying companies which will be represented on the Boone market, he added.

The growing season has been more favorable than has been the case in several years, he pointed out, and farmers may reasonably expect a better than fair price for their good leaf.

Mr. Coleman urges growers to keep barns closed during bad weather conditions to avoid excessive moisture in the weed, and to grade and sell any frozen tobacco separately.

## Credit Women's Club Officers



Seated, left to right: Mrs. Mabel Jean Minton, treasurer; Mrs. Mary Lee Gragg, first vice president; Mrs. Annie Rufty, president; Mrs. Georgia Yates, second vice president; Miss Mary Pierce, secretary; Mrs. Velma Burnley, past president; (standing) Mrs. Jackie Norris, Mrs. Joy Wood, Mrs. Pat Swift and Mrs. Paul Weston, out going officers and program members.—Photo by Paul Weston Studio.

Mrs. Annie Rufty was installed a past president of the State Association of Credit Women's Breakfast Clubs, succeeding Mrs. Velma Burnley, at the banquet meeting held Friday evening.

Other officers installed are: Mrs. Mary Lee Gragg, first vice-president; Mrs. Georgia Yates, second vice-president; Mrs. Mabel Jean Minton, treasurer; Mrs. Mary Pierce, secretary.

Mrs. Evelyn Ray, of Asheville,

Paul Weston presented a program of organ music.

The mirror installation service was used. A color scheme of black and orange, in keeping with the Halloween season, was used in the decorations.

Out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Strader, Mrs. Virginia Johnson, Miss Gladys Trivette of North Wilkesboro; Miss Grace Reid, Miss Ruth Sluder, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Brown, Mr. Leon McKinney, Mrs. Evelyn Ray of Asheville.

Business men present were Alfred Adams, Paul Weston, Clyde Greene and Roy Rufty.

## Education Week Observance Planned In Watauga Schools

### Mrs. Ella Cooke Succumbs Friday

Mrs. Ella Van Dyke Cooke died Friday, October 28, at her home at 218 Hardin Street.

Mrs. Cooke, who was 77 years of age, was a charter member of the Worthwhile Woman's Club of Boone, and active in civic and religious affairs of the community in her younger years.

Last rites were held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday, October 30, at the Boone Baptist Church, with the Rev. L. H. Hollingsworth officiating. Burial was in City Cemetery. Surviving are her husband, T. Len Cooke; four daughters, Mrs. Bernice Arledge, Mill Springs, N. C., Mrs. Vera Tunnell, Boone, Mrs. Pearl Michael, North Wilkesboro, and Mrs. Ruby Perkins, Knoxville, Tenn.; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

### Norris Absolved By Coroner's Jury

Gray Norris, of Brushy Fork Township, was absolved of blame Saturday by a coroner's jury in the October 24 highway death of Martin L. Herman.

After hearing all available testimony in the case, the jury, impaneled by Coroner Richard E. Kelley, ruled the death unavoidable, and released Norris, who had been placed under a \$200 bond for appearance at the inquest.

Herman died from a crushed skull and chest when struck by a car driven by Norris as Herman was walking across Highway 421 near his home in Brushy Fork township at an early evening hour.

Funeral services for Mr. Herman were held at 2 p. m. Thursday, October 27, at the Holy Cross Episcopal Church at Valle Crucis, with the Rev. R. Y. Winters and the Rev. E. F. Troutman officiating, and burial was in the church cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Junie E. Herman of Valle Crucis; four sons, Edward, of Romulus, Mich., John and George K., of Valle Crucis; four daughters, Mrs. A. W. Wright, who lives in England, Mrs. Cannon Ward, Valle Crucis, Mrs. Jack Johnson, Struthers, Ohio, and Mrs. Sanford Owens, Washington, D. C.; three brothers, Thomas, Leroy, and Monroe Herman, all of Valle Crucis; four sisters, Miss Minnie Herman, Miss Dianna Herman, Mrs. Mary Burkett, and Mrs. Robert Yates, all of Valle Crucis.

The 35th annual observance of American Education Week is announced for November 6-12 by its national sponsors, the National Education Association, the American Legion, the U. S. Office of Education, and the National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

The central theme, "Schools—Your Investment in America," is, in effect, a lesson assignment for every citizen. Also, some of the daily topics for American Education Week this year emphasize everyone's personal responsibility for good schools.

Listed below are the daily topics for the week:

- Nov. 6—Our Investment in Character Building
- Nov. 7—Your Investment in Teachers
- Nov. 8—Your Investment in Classrooms
- Nov. 9—Your Investment in Fundamental Learning
- Nov. 10—Your Investment in Better Living
- Nov. 11—Your Investment in a Strong Nation
- Nov. 12—Your Investment in Your Responsibility

These topics lend themselves especially well to an interpretation of the program of the modern school.

All Watauga teachers and principals have been asked to sponsor some type of program or activity during this week which will better inform the patrons of the work of each school in the county. In some schools, parents will be given an opportunity to visit the classroom and observe the child and

teacher in action. Other schools may sponsor some type of program through either the classroom, the school or the PTA.

We pay for schools today so that the United States will continue to be free and strong. We provide schools for all children and youth because we want our nation to be prosperous and great. We invest in schools so that our citizens will be industrious, creative, and efficient—so that they will be healthful in mind and spirit, straight-thinking, peace-loving, law-abiding. We invest in schools so that Americans will remain a free self-governing people who cannot be subjected to any form of tyranny.

No other investment is so important or so valuable. None brings a return so great for each dollar invested. There is no such thing as speculation on this market. The returns are clearly predictable in terms of future security. In a very real sense, your investment in schools is your investment in America.

The Watauga County Board of Education urges each citizen of the county to make a check on his or her investment during the week set aside as American Education Week. We urge each of you to become better informed citizens on the operation of the schools and an open invitation is extended to each of you to visit your school during the week November 6-12.

Field curing is a poor way to preserve alfalfa for dairy cattle feed, according to USDA scientists.

## Hunters Not Permitted On Parkway Property

Blue Ridge Parkway authorities issued a statement this week to the effect that the National Parkway Service is a wildlife sanctuary, and that hunters are not permitted on the Blue Ridge Parkway lands.

Regulations have been amended to provide that "during the hunting seasons prescribed by the states of North Carolina and Virginia, October 16 to January 31 hunters may, under permits, park vehicles in designated areas and cross the Parkway lands from and to their vehicles with dogs on leash, firearms with breach or chamber open, and wildlife lawfully killed on lands adjacent to the Parkway.

Designated parking area on the Gillespie Gap District is at Single

cat. Permits for Gillespie Gap use Ranger James W. Goobolt, Linville Falls, or Park Ranger Myrl G. Brooks, Blowing Rock.

Permits are required of each hunter, whether driver of the car which is parked in a designated parking area or a member of the party.

Game taking refuge on Parkway land must not be disturbed. Hunters may cross the Parkway boundary from one side to the other by a direct route, except through a recreational area, with unloaded guns and dogs on leash. Hunters are also allowed to travel the Parkway motor roads in their cars, with guns unloaded and cased or broken down and concealed so as to prevent their use and with game lawfully killed.

## Health Center Construction Is Given Official Approval

Final approval for the construction of Watauga county's new public health center, has been secured from State and Federal authorities, and work is expected to start on the modern new building November 10.

Located on the old county home property on highway 421 by pass, the building will be of brick, one story and contain about 2,100 feet of floor space. It will handle the entire health department facility which has been housed in limited quarters in the county office building.

Contractors estimate that 180 working days will be required to complete the new structure.

The general contract has been awarded to Pennell & Haigler of Lenoir for \$21,870; Miller and Brooks of Hickory will install the heating on a bid of \$1,967; James B. Winkler Plumbing & Heating Co., of Boone, plumbing \$2,475; Ralph Duncan, North Wilkesboro, electrical wiring \$1,648.

This will leave approximately three thousand dollars which will be spent for equipment.

Under the plan, the county spends \$8,370.85, the State gives \$8,760.35 and the Federal grant is \$16,218.80.

When completed, the structure will be fully modern, and will be one of the best public health buildings in the area.

## Weed Growers Schools Slated

Two tobacco sorting demonstrations and schools will be held in Watauga county on Wednesday, November 9. These meetings are being held to help farmers prepare their tobacco to get the most money for it in 1955. The meetings will be held as follows:

9 a. m.—Wednesday, November 9—C. A. Clay's at Vilas.

2 p. m.—Lynn Norris' at Reese.

Farmers are invited to bring eight to ten stalks of their own tobacco to the meeting, so that the government grader who is present may help sort this tobacco in the best way.

Mr. VanArsdale, who is in charge of the graders on the burley market, has promised to come to these meetings if he can. If he cannot he has promised to send one of the graders who will work on the warehouse floor.

## ASC Delegates Elect County Committee

Delegates from the fourteen ASC communities of the county met in the ASC office last Thursday and elected the following farmers as the County ASC Committee for 1956:

B. W. Farthing, chairman; Forrest A. Greene, vice-chairman; Dave Minton, regular member; J. L. Coffey, Sr., first alternate; Leslie Norris, second alternate.

## Parkway Funds Moved From Watauga Region

Washington, Oct. 27—A major reshuffling of National Park Service funds will result in prompt completion of a link in the Blue Ridge Parkway at the entrance of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park, Director Conrad Wirth said today.

Wirth outlined the changes in a letter to Gov. Luther Hodges of North Carolina. He said delay by that state in obtaining rights of way for parts of the parkway prompted the reallocation of money.

Under the shift, Wirth wrote, 1½ million dollars set aside for the Grandfather Mountain link from Linville to Blowing Rock and \$300,000 programmed for the Linville Falls spur will be used to build a link from Soco Gap to Ravensford at the northern entrance to the Great Smokes park.

Wirth added that the Park Service plans to allocate additional money to complete the Soco-Gap-Ravensford link as soon as possible.

He also said in his letter to Hodges that the Park Service now is planning a re-alignment of the proposed route from Newfound

Gap to Ravensford and "in the foreseeable future" expects to have the parkway completed between Soco Gap and Ravensford.

Wirth said work on the Soco Gap to Ravensford link, which will provide a road bypassing the Cherokee Indian reservation, "should be under way within a few weeks."

In announcing the changes Wirth said that the North Carolina delay in obtaining rights of way had held up work to such an extent that even if the land were turned over to the Park Service tomorrow it would be impossible to start construction before next year.

## Parkway Link Being Opened

Asheville, Oct. 30—A 16-mile stretch of the Blue Ridge Parkway will be re-opened to motorists this weekend.

The stretch has been closed several weeks for paving. The fall colors in the mountains are reported still at their peak of brilliance.

## Struck By Car, Child Escapes Serious Injury

Gayle Hice, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde D. Hice of Lenoir, escaped serious injury last Thursday, October 27, when she ran into the path of a car driven by George C. Arney, of Boone, Route 3, on the Blowing Rock road near Kirk's Restaurant.

She was taken to Watauga Hospital following the accident at about 4 p. m., where she was treated for painful cuts and bruises, and released the following day.

Police Chief Glenn Richardson, who investigated, said the accident was unavoidable, and that no hearing will be held.

Mr. Hice, father of the injured child, is a student at Appalachian College, and also works as a part time police officer on the campus.

## Tutors Vote On Retirement

Teachers and state employees of the Watauga County Unit, NCEA, voted last week to coordinate Social Security with their state retirement. The vote was 121 to 26 in favor of the coordinated program. Three eligible voters did not vote.

Mr. Earl Petrey wishes to thank all participants for their help and

the good response in this referendum.

Allen W. Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency, recently said he had not seen "any change whatever" in worldwide subversive activities of the Soviet Union despite the "smiling policy" of Soviet leaders.

## Roby Warren Killed As Car Turns Over

Roby Gary Warren, 20, was killed instantly about 8:30 p. m. last Thursday when his car overturned on the road leading to the Horn in the West theatre.

His two companions, Charles Teague and Ted Church, were not injured.

They told officers that Warren lost control of the car when he tried to shut his door that had come open while he was driving. The car turned over, pinning Warren, who was thrown from inside the car. His head was crushed.

Police Officer Raleigh Cottrell said.

Warren was a rock mason by trade and had lived most of his life in Watauga County. He made his home with Sam Tate on the Blowing Rock road.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday, October 29, at the Middle Fork Baptist church, conducted by the Rev. Herring Crier, and burial was in the church cemetery.

He is survived by his stepfather, Collis L. Brown, of Morganton.



WATAUGA MAN WINS JUDGING HONORS—The North Carolina State College Judging Team, coached by Dr. W. Ray Murley of the Animal Industry Department, won sweepstakes honors in the Southern Intercollegiate Judging Contest at Memphis, Tenn., and placed third in a field of 34 teams from 32 states and Canada in the National Contest at Waterloo, Iowa. The team members, all seniors in animal husbandry, are shown here with Dr. Murley. Left to right: Bland Franklin, Jr., Raleigh; Eugene Carroll, Providence; Dr. Burley; Freeman Dickey, Hillsboro; and Douglas Clawson, Boone.