

If you like to read of the early days in Boone turn to page four for "Our Early Files" items of sixty, thirty-nine and fifteen years ago.

Table with weather data for Boone, including high, low, and precipitation for various dates.

Girl Slugs Deputy In County Jail Break Bid

By V. G. ROLLINS
An attempted jail break by a couple awaiting trial for murder was thwarted Monday night in the Watauga County jail by Deputy Sheriff George Smitherman.



Here is a scene taken from the play, "Much Ado About Nothing," which will be presented by the Players Incorporated February 28, at 8:00 p. m., in the Administration Building.

Shakespearean Play Will Be Presented

William Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing" will be presented February 28, at 8:00 o'clock in the Administration Building Auditorium by Players Incorporated, an international repertory company from Washington, D. C.

Water Bonds Are Proposed; Garbage Equipment Is Voted

Polio Drive Successful

The March of Dimes in Watauga County was considered a success this year by its co-chairmen, Stacy Eggers, Jr., and Hugh Hagaman.

Watkins Looks For 19th State Crown



COACH R. W. (RED) WATKINS displays several of the 18 first-place and one second-place Carolina's AAU trophies his wrestling teams have won since 1933.

Council Wants To Obey People In Water Issue

The city council, at its meeting Friday, voted to receive bids on a new, modern garbage truck, and talked of the expansion of the city water system.

Ira Mitchell Funeral Held

Ira Mitchell, 80, died Wednesday, February 15, at his home on Route 1, Zionville.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Friday, February 17, at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. E. O. Gore.

Second Board Elections Voted; Two Are Rejected

Members of the Democratic Executive committee met for the second time Tuesday afternoon, to select members of the county board of elections.

Plans For Inauguration Of College President Are Mapped

The date for the inauguration of William Howard Plemmons as the third president of Appalachian State Teachers College has been set by the central committee.

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Brother Of Mrs. Hawkinson Dies

DeBerniere Smith Grey, 30, a brother of Mrs. Walter Hawkinson of Boone, died in Charlotte February 13th, after a long illness.

Whims Of Weather In '55 Recorded; December Driest Seen In Fifty Years

By DR. JOHN B. HAMILTON
In North Carolina as a whole, December, 1955, was both cold and dry, the coldest since 1950 and the driest of the 20th century!



DR. PLEMMONS

Paul A. Michael Dies At Bethesda

Funeral services for Paul A. Michael, 54, of Banner Elk, who died at the Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland Thursday morning, were held at 2:00 p. m. Sunday in the Banner Elk Presbyterian Church.

Cancer Drive Being Planned

Details for the annual campaign for money for the cancer fund are being worked out by the Junior Woman's Club of Boone.

Coy Rominger Taken By Death

Coy Alfred Rominger, 55, of Rominger, died Monday, February 20, at Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem.

Greer To End Thirty Years Public Service

Roby T. Greer, who will retire as chairman of the Watauga County Board of Elections when the new members are appointed by the State board, has been in some sort of public position for thirty years.

Burglars Err

Oakland, Calif.—Burglars entered a local department store and laboriously pulled two identical safes from the wall. They peeled the steel layers from one containing \$200. The other—containing \$10,000—was not opened.

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World Population

United Nations, N. Y.—The world's mid-1954 population has been estimated by the United Nations at a record 2,555,000,000 persons.

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