

BOONE WEATHER				
Date	High	Low	Wind	Clouds
April 2	73	61	SE	75
April 3	66	53	SE	71
April 4	64	44	SE	78
April 5	58	42	SE	71
April 6	59	34	SE	07
April 7	57	25	SE	31
April 8	46	23	SE	40

A Backward Glance

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.



Last of the old general store buildings in Boone.—(See King Street, page four)

Annual Cleanup Campaign Will Start In Boone Friday Morning

Eleven Baptist Churches To Take Part In Revivals

Mayor Seeks Help In Tidying Community

Eleven Baptist churches will take part in the Rural Church Enlargement Revivals scheduled for Three Forks Association, April 12-20, according to the Rev. J. Hoyt Roberson, associational missionary for Three Forks Baptists. This campaign is being promoted by Dr. E. L. Spivey of Raleigh, secretary of state missions of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, and the Rev. Oliver C. Price of Glen Alpine. This campaign is to be co-ordinated by Mr. Roberson and the other officers and leaders of Three Forks Association.

Todd Gentry Candidate For State Senate Seat

West Jefferson, April 9—Todd H. Gentry of West Jefferson has officially announced himself as a candidate for the State Senate from the 29th district to represent

Richard Hartley, Wreck Victim, Is Taken By Death

Richard Olen Hartley, 20 years of age, of Boone, Route 1, died in Watauga Hospital Friday, April 6. He had been paralyzed from the shoulders down as the result of an automobile accident on June 26, 1955.



TODD H. GENTRY

Watauga, Ashe and Alleghany counties.

Gentry, who is a manufacturer of hardwood flooring has been representative from Ashe county for four terms and has served with distinction on a number of outstanding committees.

He is a Mason, a Rotarian and a lay leader in the Methodist church. He is well known to many Watauga county people.

In making his announcement for the Senate Gentry had this to say: "I wish to announce myself as a candidate for the Senate of the 29th senatorial district consisting of Watauga, Ashe and Alleghany counties, subject to the Democratic primary.

"I regret that I have not been able to contact more citizens before making this announcement, but the recent disaster to our business has made this rather difficult. "I pledge myself if elected to serve all of the people of this senatorial district in a fair and equitable way to the best of my knowledge and ability."

Gentry is one of the owners of the Oak Flooring Co. which recently had a disastrous fire.

Grady Graham Taken By Death

James Grady Graham, aged 52, of Boone, passed away at about 1:15 p. m. Tuesday, April 10, in Watauga Hospital, following a heart attack suffered two days previously.

Mr. Graham, a carpenter and painter, was a native of Ashe County, but had been a resident of Boone for the past 23 years.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p. m. Thursday, April 12, at the Boone Methodist Church, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. E. H. Lowman, and burial will follow in Mountlawn Memorial Park.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Bynna Graham; four daughters, Miss Jimmie Graham and Mrs. Earl Tugman, both of Boone, Mrs. D. W. Bumgarner and Mrs. Guy Tolbert, both of North Wilkesboro; and two sisters, Mrs. Nora Mann and Mrs. Reuben Miller, both of Todd.

App Grad To Be At Kelly Wedding

L. J. Q. Gold of Appalachia, Va., a graduate of Appalachian State Teachers College, who is with the U. S. 8th Fleet in the Mediterranean, will be a guest, along with the entire fleet, at the Grace Kelly-Prince Ranier wedding in Monaco April 19.

Others involved in the accident were Thomas Millard Critcher, driver of the car, of Boone, Route 1, and Kimber Hartley, both of whom were hospitalized for about ten days following the smashup, but have recovered from their injuries. Richard was said to be asleep in the rear seat of the car at the time of the accident.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday, April 8, at the Mount Vernon Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. Will Cook, the Rev. Barney Oliver, and the Rev. Homer Greene. Burial was in the church cemetery.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Hartley; two brothers, Hal and Danny, of the home; three sisters, Mrs. James Parlier, Deep Gap, Mrs. Allie Moritz, Miller's Creek, and Miss Mary Frances Hartley, of the home; and two grandparents, Mrs. Bertha Baird, Banner Elk, and Thomas Hartley, of Vilas.

Payne Winner Of Sales Award



W. T. PAYNE

The "four-letter award" and the 500 Car Club certificate have been presented to Winkler Motor Co. of Boone and their salesman W. T. Payne, "for outstanding records in business, service and salesmanship" for the year 1955.

Mr. R. B. Morough, manager of the Charlotte Ford sales district office advises that the local dealership was chosen for the awards by district sales personnel in cooperation with officials at the division's central office. The award is presented to dealers with outstanding performance "on the basis of sound finances, efficient management, competitive spirit and modern facilities."

Mr. Payne has for the past two years been among the 100 top salesmen of the 500 Car Club for the whole United States, and this is the third year he has been a member of the 500 group in recognition of superior sales ability for his achievement.

The average American spent about one-fourth of his income for food last year, but USDA officials predict he'll spend more money for food this year.

Boone Banker Named To Head Development Plan

Alfred T. Adams has been elected chairman of the Watauga County Rural Development Program, L. E. Tuckwiler, chairman of the Temporary Steering Committee, announced this week.

Other executive committee members named were Walter F. Keyes, vice chairman; Alma G. Hodges, secretary, without voting power; Mrs. Hattie Lewis, Mrs. Howard Carlson, Milton Moretz, Otto Tho-



ALFRED T. ADAMS

mas, R. A. Farthing, W. G. Andrews, W. R. Vines, and Joe L. Wellborn.

Members of the county committee other than those named to the executive committee were Gordon H. Winkler, R. B. Hardin, Peter W. Everett, Rathel Wilson, E. F. Coe, O. K. Richardson, B. W. Stallings, H. P. Holshouser, Rev. N. C. Bush, Mrs. Sarah Horton, Dr. John G. Martin, Fred Gragg, Arlie Walsh, I. B. Wilson, Glenn Howell, Wade Norris, Sanford Creed, Mrs. G. D. Matheson, Marion Coffey, Hugh Hampton, Collis S. Greene, Daniel Klutz, Bernard Dougherty, Watt Gragg, Mrs. C. A. Clay, Hiram Brooks, Tom Lawrence, Stewart Simmons, Virgil Cox, Charlie Trivette, Howard Edmisten, Joe M. Wilson, Mrs. Blanche Wilkerson, Vaughn Tugman, Billy Byers, Mrs. Stewart Norris, Alfred McNeil, James Penley, Collis Austin, Walter South, C. R. Wilson, Victor Farthing, Henry Michael, Henry Taylor, and Noah Church.

The first meeting of the entire county committee will be held in the County Courthouse on Friday night, April 20. W. G. Andrews will discuss the industrial development problems in our area and the county agent will tell about ways the farm people have suggested to increase the per farm family income in Watauga county.

Following these discussions those attending will be asked to suggest anything that they feel could be done to improve the income of the people living in Watauga county.

U. S. PARKS

The Government plans to spend \$14,300,000 in the next ten years to improve ten national parks in Utah and Colorado. The program of improvement includes Dinosaur National Monument, Bryce Canyon National Park and Zion National Park. Total spending of \$786,000,000 is slated to provide improved accommodations for an estimated 80,000,000 visitors during this period.

Betty Swaim Is Named Student Body Prexy

Miss Betty Ann Swaim, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. O. K. Richardson of Boone, was elected president of the student body of Appalachian High School last week, defeating Wendell Critcher for that honor.

Besides Betty and Wendell, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Critcher of Bamboo, the following pupils were nominated and ran in the first primary: Bobby Wilcox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arden Wilcox of Boone; Bobby Reynolds, son of Dr. and Mrs. Lee Reynolds of Boone; and Bill Gragg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Gragg, of Boone and Gastonia.

As president of the student body, Betty will serve as president of the Student Council next year. She has been an active member of the Council for four years. In addition to her work on the Council, Betty will be one of the co-editors of the school annual, a member of the National Honor Society, and a member of the high school band.

Betty is the first girl to be elected to the position of student body president since 1938-39, when Helen Wilcox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey Wilcox, of Boone, served as president of the student body.



MISS BETTY ANN SWAIM

Fire Ranger Says One Needs Burning Permit

County Forest Fire Ranger C. P. Teague points out that it is illegal to burn brush without the proper permit, and asks that the people cooperate in this regard, so as to reduce the chances of forest fires to the minimum.

Mr. Teague states that burning permits may be secured from either of the following places:

Bert Mast Store, Mabel, N. C. Harmon Store, Matney, N. C. Lentz Esso Station, Blowing Rock, N. C.

Or one may call 8854, Boone, anytime, and receive a permit by telephone.

Mr. Teague gives out the following list neighborhood fire wardens in Watauga:

John T. Trivette, Todd; Clyde S. Jackson, Todd; Ralph N. Sherwood, Sugar Grove; Joe Coffey, Blowing Rock, Hamond Hampton, Blowing Rock; Thomas P. Tester, Reece.

Cecil Swift, Reese, Alfred McNeill, Zionville; Henry Michael, Banner Elk; Fred K. Michael, Banner Elk; Don Klutz, Jr., Blowing Rock; Varden M. Shook, Banner Elk; Scott Moretz, Deep Gap; Jasper Greene, Stony Fork; Ray Harmon, Sugar Grove.

Mac C. Tester Fatally Hurt

Mac C. Tester, Airman 2-c, a former resident of Watauga County, stationed at Minneapolis, Minn., died in a Minneapolis hospital of injuries received in an automobile accident near Minneapolis April 4.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday, April 8, at the Timbered Ridge Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. Raymond Hendrix and the Rev. Carl Wilson. Burial was in the Greene cemetery.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tester, of Baltimore, Md.; two brothers, Dewey and Gene, of Baltimore; and a sister, Mrs. Bobbie J. Looney, of Itman, W. Va.

G. O. P. Candidates Must File Saturday

The time for filing candidates for county office on the Republican ticket will expire next Saturday noon, the Democrat learns.

Those wishing to run must file their intentions with either Chairman Greer of the elections board, or Secretary C. H. Hendrix by that time, in order to enter the primary.

Information Monday afternoon was that no one had yet filed.

Under a special legislative act, the Republicans name their candidates for county office in the primary, while the Democrats retain the convention system.

The program will begin with a fellowship supper for the local pastors and visiting preachers at Oak Grove Baptist Church on Thursday night, April 12, at 5:30. An opening rally meeting for the members and friends of all the participating churches will be held on Friday at 7:30 p. m. at Perkinsville Baptist Church. The Rev. Rex W. West will be host pastor for this meeting. The purpose and plans for promoting the revivals in each local church will be explained through discussions and demonstrations. Mr. Price will bring the message on the theme for the week.

Meetings in the local church will not begin until Saturday night, April 14. Friday and Saturday, April 13 and 14, will be used by the local people under the direction of the pastor and visiting preacher to take a religious census of each church community in order to locate unreached people who prefer the Baptist church.

The churches which do not have prayer services on Saturday night will begin their revival services on Sunday morning. With the guest minister doing the preaching, each church in the revival will have services at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. on Sunday, April 15, and each night Monday through Friday, April 16-20, unless otherwise announced by the local church.

Preliminary reports on progress made in each church will be given by the host pastors and visiting preachers at a second rally meeting on Monday, April 16, at Cove Creek Baptist Church at 2 p. m. The Rev. S. Dwight Long will be the host pastor for this meeting.

The First Baptist Church in Boone, the Rev. L. H. Hollingsworth, pastor, will be host church for a final rally meeting for all members and friends of the churches taking part in the simultaneous Rural Church Enlargement Revivals at 2 p. m. on Thursday, April 19. Each church is expected by that time to give a thrilling report on what has been accomplished to date and what is planned for the future. Pictures will be made of the largest group attending from any one church on the basis of membership and distance traveled to this meeting.

Each of the churches participating in the Three Forks Revivals is expected to enlarge its efforts as a result of this program—especially in the areas of teaching, training, stewardship, missions, and evangelism. The whole program is aimed at the individual; each church will be challenged to reach every individual for whom it is responsible in its community, to lead him to become a Christian and to encourage him to grow to his maximum usefulness through participation in the program and ministry of the local church. Long-range goals set up by the churches engaged in the revivals should challenge the best efforts of every member.

Missionary Roberson and the pastors of the churches taking part in the Baptist revivals cordially invite the members of these churches, members of other churches and any interested friends to attend any or all of the revival services in any of the eleven churches.

Visiting ministers will serve during the revivals in the following churches: Bethel, Rev. Roy V. Young, Winston-Salem; Boone, First, Rev. Guy S. Cain, Hamp-

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