

Date	High	Low	Wind	Clouds
April 24	48	36	45	
April 25	59	36	50	
April 26	62	40	52	
April 27	76	45	58	
April 28	76	45	59	
April 29	75	52	68	11
April 30	72	53	64	

People You Know

Jean Rivers' woman's page reviews the social scene. Besides personal mention, weddings, parties, club meetings are reported on page five.

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BOONE, WATAUGA COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1956

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THE OLDEST LOG HOUSE . . . Built around 1780, the log house owned by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilkinson of Zionville is no doubt the oldest structure of its kind in the county. The logs from which the house is built were hand-hewn with a broad axe, and there's a double chimney built of rocks, with five-foot fireplaces in each end. The main structure consists of four rooms, each 17x18 feet, with two rooms up and two down, with an outside stairway. Additional rooms have been added four different times. More than 20 different families are known to have inhabited the house, Mrs. Wilkinson says, but it has remained in the hands of some member of the original family down through the years.

Traditional May Day Fete Is Planned For Saturday

Traditional May Day, with the crowning of the queen, the dancing and singing and the crowds who come each year to see it, will be held at Appalachian State Teachers College on Saturday, May 5. The program will take place in the auditorium of the Health and Physical Education building at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Mistrial Is Ordered In Rape Indictments

A mistrial was ordered last Friday in the hearing of charges against five men in an alleged attack on a 16-year-old Caldwell County girl in November, 1953, near here.



Women's Debate Team Wins Superior Rating

The Appalachian State Teachers College women's debate team, composed of Julia Hough and Doris Miller, won Superior rating in the Southeastern Phi Kappa Delta Province Tournament which was held at Tennessee Tech in Cookeville, Tennessee, on April 19-21. The women's team won six out of seven debates and was the only women's team there to have such a rating.

Travel Tour Here Tuesday Morning

The first stop in a week-long tour of travel bureaus personnel was made here Tuesday morning.

Members Of Tax Board Resign

Major J. H. Thomas, chairman, A. C. Moretz and Ed S. Williams resigned from the Watauga County Tax Board of Appeals on April 30th. In the letter the Board of Commissioners no reason was given for the resignations.

Pair Plead Guilty, Get Life In Brutal Blowing Rock Murder

Carl Fidler Is Named President Watauga NCEA

Mr. Carl Fidler was elected president of the Watauga County NCEA unit at a meeting held at the Green Valley School last Friday evening.

Graduation Program Begins At Appalachian Sunday May 13

The commencement program at Appalachian State Teachers College May 13, at two o'clock in the afternoon will get under way on Sunday, noon, when the baccalaureate sermon will be preached in the auditorium of the health and physical education building on the college campus.

Given Arion Award



Miss Ann Cottrell was awarded the Arion Award, the highest award given to the member of the senior class in the Appalachian High School Band, last Wednesday evening at the annual spring concert.

Ancient Bell To Feature Concert

The original bell that was housed in the steeple of the Watauga Academy built in 1899 will be used in the concert given by the Appalachian State Teachers College Band next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, in the Fine Arts Building.

Dave Ragan Heads V. F. W.

At a special meeting of Watauga Mountaineer Post 7031 V. F. W., Dave Ragan was installed as Post Commander.

Variety Show Lions Project

A Variety Show sponsored by the Boone Lions Club and the Elementary School cafeteria will be staged Friday night, May 11, at the new elementary school auditorium, beginning at 7:30.

40 Scouts Recognized At Honor Court Event

More than forty boys were recognized Sunday for their advancement in Scouting at a special Court of Honor held in the Perkinsville Baptist Church.

Polio Vaccine Now Available

The Health Department states that a larger supply of polio vaccine has been received, and that beginning Wednesday, May 2, between the hours of 8 and 11 a. m., first and second doses of the serum will be given to those six months through nineteen years of age, and to pregnant women.

City Officials And C. Of C. To Talk Of Water

Mayor Winkler and the members of the town council will meet with the Chamber of Commerce next Tuesday noon, to discuss the municipal water system and the improvements which are being planned.

Chicago Chemist Victim Of Two He Befriended

Two young hitchhikers from Milwaukee were sentenced to life imprisonment in Watauga Superior Court last Wednesday for stabbing to death a slightly-built, 72-year-old Chicago chemist who had befriended them.

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The guilty pleas, tendered through their attorneys, Wade E. Brown and Louis H. Smith, carried a mandatory sentence of life imprisonment.

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