

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



NEW OFFICERS . . . Recently installed officers of the Boone Business and Professional Women's Club are shown. Left to right, front, Corky Owsley, president; Isabel Jones, first vice-president; Dorothy Tugman, second vice-president; standing, Virginia Groce, recording secretary; Catherine Smith, treasurer; Betty Jo Henderson, corresponding secretary. The new officers were installed by Mrs. Stella Spencer, State Federation Treasurer, of Lenoir.—Photo Palmer's Studio.

Deep Gap Man Wounded By Shot Gun Blast

William Early Greene, 47, of Deep Gap, accidentally shot himself in the chest with a shotgun while returning from a hunting trip Monday shortly before noon. Greene told Deputy Sheriff George Smitherman, who interviewed him at Watauga Hospital in connection with the shooting, that he had borrowed the gun from a neighbor and was returning from a short hunting trip near his home in the Stony Fork section when the gun accidentally discharged, part of the load entering his chest.

A report from the hospital Tuesday indicated that his condition is fairly good, and he is expected to recover.

Safety Inspections Offered In Boone For Car Owners

The newly-organized Boone Junior Chamber of Commerce will co-sponsor a free safety inspection of automobiles to be performed by and in the shop of the Highlander Motor Company on Highway 421 in the western outskirts of Boone.

The free inspection, to be held each Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 10 o'clock, will have a qualified mechanic in attendance, as well as a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

A sticker will be placed on the windshield of any car that passes inspection, said Joe Williams, co-sponsor of the project, and operator of Highlander Motor Company. If a car does not pass for any reason, the owner will be given an itemized list of what the car needs to make it safe on the highways. It will then be the owner's option to have the work done at his own discretion and at the place of his choice. No charge will be made for the inspection, the sticker, or the list of needed repairs.

Miss Underdown At State Meeting

Miss Helen Underdown will leave Saturday afternoon to join Mrs. Margaret B. Moore, register of deeds in Lenoir. They will go to Winston-Salem to pick up Mrs. Eunice Ayers, register of deeds for Forsyth County, and on to Chapel Hill for the annual convention of the North Carolina Registers of Deeds Association June 10-12, at the Institute of Government.

'Mystery Hill' Opened For Second Season

Mystery Hill, owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Hudson midway between Boone and Blowing Rock, is now open seven days a week for its second season. Appropriately named, the exhibit is indeed mystifying. The group of trees that lean to the north when all the other trees in the vicinity lean in the opposite direction, the level spot where women grow taller than men before their eyes, and the Mystery House itself, where you walk around at a 45 degree angle on the wall like a fly, and where water and other objects perform just exactly opposite to the way you would expect them to act—all combine to make it truly "where the law of gravity takes a licking."

Set in a rustic atmosphere, the museum part of the exhibit depicts the ways, moods and anecdotes of pioneer mountain life—spinning wheels, corn huskers, apple corers, grain cradles, an old blacksmith shop—and even a moonshine still. For those who have rural back. (Continued on page three)

To Be Honored At Raleigh Ball

Miss Janie Cline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cline of Boone will be presented at the thirtieth annual debutante ball to be held in Raleigh Friday, September 7, at 8 o'clock. The invitation was extended by the Terpsichorean Club of Raleigh. Miss Cline has just finished her freshman year at Meredith College.

ASTC Summer Session To Begin Next Tuesday



Young Fishermen and Parents at Diamond S Lake

Fishing Rodeo Attracts Largest Group Young Anglers In History

Last Wednesday's Fishing Rodeo at Diamond S Lake for children ten years of age and under proved to be the largest in the five-year history of the annual event, said B. W. Stallings, Boone jeweler, who began the rodeo in 1952.

More than 250 persons, about equally divided between the youngsters and their elders, swarmed around the lake on the Poplar Grove road about three miles from Boone for the affair, which has grown in popularity with each succeeding year.

The rodeo opened at 3 p. m. and ended at 5 with refreshments. The afternoon's catches included bass, crappie, and blue gill, some weighing a pound and stretching to a length of nine or ten inches.

Many of the small anglers obviously had received expert instruction from their fathers, as they were quite proficient in holding and handling their rods.

A new attraction was added this year. Nine-year-old Gail Minton, redheaded daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Claude Minton, was crowned Rodeo Queen and awarded a prize of a hairdo.

Winners of the various fishing prizes were Jimmy Stephens, son of A. E. Stephens, who received a money bank for the first catch of the day; Chucky Cornett, 5, a tackle box from Parkway Hardware for catching the most fish; Danny Hayes, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Farthing Hayes, a chicken dinner for the largest fish, ten inches.

V. J. Day's sportsmanship and the skill of David Williams won games for them. There was even a consolation prize of a camera, which went to Nickie Williams for catching the smallest fish.

Mrs. L. A. Miller of North Wilkesboro came to Boone to judge the event.

Junior Police were in charge of the grounds. Wearing police caps, they were Dana Townsend, Clay Cornett, Jerry Bentley, Tony Cornett, Joe Shores, Ray Green, and Floyd Dotson.

Faculty Includes Visitors From Other States

By EARLEEN G. PRITCHETT

The summer session for 1956 will get under way at Appalachian State Teachers College on Tuesday, June 12, when registration is scheduled to begin. Students must be in class on June 15 to receive credit.

Work may be taken on either the undergraduate or graduate level, for degree credit or for certificate credit only. Courses will be offered in art, biology, business education, chemistry, economics, education, English, geography, government, history, home economics, library science, mathematics, music, physical education, physics, psychology, sociology, speech, and writing.

In addition to a large group of the college's own faculty, a visiting faculty from over the country will teach at Appalachian this summer. Included are the following: Mildred C. Herring, Greensboro Senior High School, Greensboro; Ruth Robinson, Mecklenburg County Schools, Charlotte; J. W. McCutchan, Davidson College; Frieda H. Heller, Ohio State University; Sally Dietrich, South Side Junior-Senior High School, Rockville Center, New York; Edna Doll, Clifford Scott High School, East Orange, New Jersey; Francis B. Desmond, Gardner-Webb College; Floy McEachern, University of Florida; Beulah L. Raynor, Wake Forest College; John G. Navarra, East Carolina College; Verta I. Coe, University of North Carolina; J. T. Kelley, Director of Teacher Education, Certification and Accreditation of Florida; Beatrix Blanton, Hickory City Schools; Paul Farmer, Atlanta Public Schools; John Horn, Kinston Public Schools; Charles Greer, Silver Burdett Company; Almira Strohl, Warrington Elementary School, Pensacola, Florida; Katherine Kitchem, Rocky Mount High School; Willis E. Smith, University of Miami; Lois H. Floyd, Lumberton City Schools; Edwin Gershefski, Converse College; Joseph A. Leeder, Ohio State University; Beulah (continued on page three)

Boone Students Finish At Duke

Two students from Boone were awarded degrees at Duke University's 104th Commencement Monday morning, June 4.

Dr. Henry T. Heald, chancellor of North Carolina University, was the principal speaker. North Carolina Governor Luther H. Hodges also addressed the graduates. Duke President Hollis Edens presided.

Martha Hardin Council, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Council, 224 Council St., received the A. B. degree. An education major, Miss Council was active at Duke in the Freshman Advisory Council, a member of the board of governors of the Student Union and a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority.

Lawrence E. Barden, son of Dr. and Mrs. John Barden, 417 Howard St., received the B. D. degree (Bachelor of Divinity). Barden also holds the A. B. degree from Duke.

Dr. Lawrence Named Delegate

At a recent meeting of the North Carolina Optometric Society in Asheville, Dr. Ray Lawrence, Boone optometrist, was named a delegate to the American Optometric convention in Miami Beach, Fla., June 13 through the 17th.

C. Lane Reese Is Peabody Graduate

Nashville, Tenn.—George Peabody College for Teachers here awarded degrees to approximately 325 students June 1.

The College's 168th commencement exercises included an address by Jim Nance of McCord, Tennessee Commissioner of Conservation, Alfred Leland Crabb, author and editor of the Peabody Journal of Education, presented the degrees.

Graduates included C. Lane Reese of Boone, who received an M. A. degree.

Abernathy Releases City Play Schedule

News concerning the Boone Recreational Program were released this week by David Abernathy, recreational director. The information includes the following:

Little League baseball players meet on the field behind Newland Hall Thursday, June 7—ages 9 through 13.

The men's softball league includes eight teams. They are IRC, VFW, Baptist, Perkinsville, Oak Grove, Methodist, Mountain Lions, Presbyterians.

There will be a meeting of the managers of these teams at the IRC plant Wednesday night, June 6.

Schedule of the games are listed as follows with the first game listed being played on the IRC field and the second on Dormitory Field:

June 11—Baptist vs Perkinsville; Methodist vs IRC.
June 12—Oak Grove vs VFW; Presbyterians vs Mountain Lions.
June 14—Baptist vs IRC; Perkinsville vs VFW.

June 15—Methodist vs Mountain Lions; Oak Grove vs Presbyterians.

June 18—IRC vs Mountain Lions; Baptist vs VFW.

June 19—Presbyterians vs Perkinsville; Methodist vs Oak Grove.

June 21—VFW vs Presbyterian; Baptist vs Mountain Lions.

June 22—Methodist vs Perkinsville; IRC vs Oak Grove.

June 23—Oak Grove vs Mountain Lions; Baptist vs Presbyterians.

June 26—VFW vs Methodists; IRC vs Perkinsville.

June 28—Baptist vs Oak Grove; Presbyterians vs Methodist.

June 29—VFW vs IRC; Mountain Lions vs Perkinsville.

July 2—Oak Grove vs Perkinsville; Baptist vs Methodist.
July 3—Presbyterians vs IRC; Mountain Lions vs VFW.

Restored Pioneer Home And Museum Opens At Deep Gap

David Horton Graduates At West Point



DAVID F. HORTON

David F. Horton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel F. Horton, Sugar Grove, was graduated from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, Tuesday, June 5.

Horton was commissioned a second lieutenant in the infantry and will receive a bachelor of science degree.

Appointed to the academy by former Representative R. L. Doughton of North Carolina's ninth Congressional District, he was a cadet lieutenant during his senior year.

Horton, a former student at Wake Forest College and a member of Sigma Pi fraternity, was active in the Spanish and ski clubs.

Deep Gap—A restored home and farm of the original pioneers who settled the rough North Carolina mountains of the western part of the state will open here this week. Set in a grassland flat beside the Blue Ridge Parkway in this small township, the century-old farm house, barn and out buildings are back roped by the Ashe county foothills and mountains of the Appalachian Skyland.

A rustic museum that fronts the solitary little huddle of hewn log buildings will house an expansive collection of implements which the earliest settlers used to reap their living from the wooded soil and to build their houses, and all that they contained.

Some of the finest specimens of the folk lore and handicraft of the early settlers has been collected by Dr. Dan A. Lindsey, the head of the restoration project. The homestead will give the viewers the appearance of such authentically that he will expect the settler to appear from out of the nearby woods and make the place come alive with century old activity.

A visitor to the museum and homestead will be placed back in time a hundred years when he tours the lonesome huddle of little buildings from the early wilderness of the Tar Heel state.

All that will be missing from the group of buildings will be the long dead settler who built them.

The Settler's Homestead will consist of eight original buildings gathered from throughout nearby North Carolina mountains and hills. Among the eight buildings will be a smoke house, a pig pen, an apiary and a spring house.

In the museum's long show cases will be all the things used by the early settlers in their day to day and year to year existence in the wilderness of North Carolina.

Each of the showcases will contain items grouped under a catalog. (Continued on page three)

Rhododendron Bloom To Hit Peak This Week; Other Parkway News

The Rhododendron bloom is expected by Park Ranger William Surrey to reach its height on the Parkway by the middle of this week, while flame azaleas reached its peak bloom a few days ago. Mr. Surrey expects the rhododendron to be in good bloom until the end of next week in the Bluff district, which extends from Deep Gap to the Virginia line.

Mountain Laurel is also in good bloom, and is adding to the color of a Parkway tour.

Other Parkway Notes

Mr. Surrey states that bids are to be let and construction started on the six-mile Parkway link from Deep Gap to Blowing Rock soon. This contract will include an overpass stone-faced bridge at Deep Gap over 421.

Cascades Improved

The Cascades trail has recently been covered with crushed stone, and the steps to the falls overlooks have been improved. New type plant and tree identification

markers have been installed along the popular woodland trail.

At Cone Park a large paved parking area is being constructed to the rear of the Mansion Crafts Center with paved walks leading to the central building. There will be no steps, making it easier for those who find climbing steps difficult. This will be completed within a few weeks.

Craft Center Opens Daily

The Crafts Center is open daily from 9 to 6. Each week during the summer various types of demonstrations will be shown to the public by trained experts in handicrafts.

A new road to the craft center is being built, eliminating the present narrow, winding road.

New Camp Sites

More than twenty new camp sites have been built at Doughton Park. New, modern public rest rooms have been installed.

A large picnic area is in process of construction with many more

tables, fireplaces, including a new large parking area for cars. All these improvements are to be completed this summer.

Two Get Degrees At WC UNC

Virginia Orlando Brown and Patricia Ellen McGuire are among those from Watauga county receiving degrees at the graduating exercises held at Woman's College, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Sunday evening.

Miss McGuire, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. McGuire of Boone. Miss Brown is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Brown of Boone. Both have distinguished themselves scholastically and in campus activities during their terms at WC.

Four hundred and forty received degrees. The commencement program began Saturday.



WRECKED . . . These two cars figured in the death of Harold Connell Campbell of Sanford, Sunday, May 27, on US Highway 421, near Deep Gap. Top car was one in which Mr. Campbell was riding with his wife en route to Ohio, and bottom car was driven by Charles Rayford Gentry of Boone, Route 1. Mr. Campbell died shortly after the accident on the way to Watauga Hospital.—Photos by Joe Minor.