

BOONE WEATHER				
1936	High	Low	4 pm. precip.	1937
Feb. 25	55	40	0.0	51
Feb. 26	52	38	0.0	49
Feb. 27	48	30	4.4	61
Feb. 28	50	32	0.0	48
Mar. 1	50	31	4.5	40
Mar. 2	58	38	4.7	49
Mar. 3	50	32	4.2	50
Total rainfall—2.06 inches.				

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Appalachian Is Asked To Solve School Problems

By EARLEEN G. PRITCHETT

Appalachian State Teachers College has been called on again to help with some problems of the teaching profession. This time Dr. Ben H. Horton, Jr., director of the college's division of student teaching, was the expert whose services were required.

The administrators of the Charlotte City School system are delving into the problem of training potential leadership in the administration of its schools. Consequently, they have studied their own personnel carefully and have selected from among those in the system a number of young people who they think are good material for future administrative leadership. They are now conducting a series of workshops for the further training of these who have shown leadership promise.

The first of these workshops was held last week in Charlotte, with Dr. Horton as the leader. He had been called upon to "set up" the problems that would be discussed over a period of time. His subject was "The Problems of Beginning Principals." Dr. Horton is eminently qualified to discuss this subject. He has been a classroom teacher, a principal, and a director of student teachers. In addition, his doctoral program was a study of this subject.

Dr. Horton said that there are five main specific problems which constitute between fifty and sixty per cent of all the problems of school principals. They follow:

Excessive duties — teaching, coaching, office, janitorial, transportation, lost and found items. What time does he have to counsel with teachers? parents? children?

Organizing and maintaining good relations with the staff.

Organizing and scheduling the school program—use of school facilities, distributing materials, handling traffic in corridors, noon hours, delegating duties. What impression do you get when you always find the principal so busy that he cannot take time to talk?

Organizing and maintaining good relations with the public.

Having sufficient knowledge in elementary education.

These main specific problems do not include other minor ones, such as differing viewpoints between the principal and the superintendent; principals not recognizing personal deficiencies; principals failing to recognize the difference between a good and a poor job of instruction; the State paying the principal to stress his instructional program while the community rates him on community interest; and the fact that the most popular principal may not be the most successful. Principals, Dr. Horton said, have problems regardless of the length and variety of their experience, and problems tend to get more complex as time goes by.

The conclusion was reached that potential principals would possess the qualifications of courage, patience, frankness, dependability; that he would be one who seeks or accepts advice and help; that he handles correspondence efficiently; makes decisions; and stands behind school policies.

Two additional workshops have been set up by the Charlotte Schools, for the participation of these young potential administrators. At one of them they will be given the National Teachers Examination and the Administration and Supervision Test. At the other Dr. Robert Fink, consultant with the State Department of Public Instruction, will lead the discussion on "The Principal Does Something About Mental Health", and Dr. Sarah Wilcox, counselor at Spauld Junior High School in Charlotte, will discuss "The Place of the Administrator in the Guidance Program."

The young people chosen by the Charlotte system for this training have been encouraged to attend meetings of the Board of School Commissioners, meetings of principals and supervisors, and to sit in on interviews with prospective teachers. All these, of course, as further in-service training opportunities.

It will be of local interest to know that at least four Appalachian State Teachers College graduates (Continued on page two)

\$2,150 March Dimes Total

Total collections in the March of Dimes campaign in Watauga during the late campaign amounted to \$2,150.68, according to Mrs. Carl Fidler, campaign chairman.

Sponsors of the effort feel that an excellent showing was made, in view of the bad weather which prevailed during the campaign.

Dr. Gene Reese, chairman of the Watauga Chapter of the Polio Foundation expresses deep appreciation to all who aided in the success of the campaign, and mentions:

- Mrs. Carl Fidler, campaign chairman.
- Mrs. Arnold Bolick, Blowing Rock chairman.
- Mrs. Frank Mast, Valle Crucis.
- Mrs. Claud Watson, Deep Gap.
- Jerry Adams, Cove Creek.
- Mrs. Rob Rivers, newspaper publicity.
- Ralph Tugman, radio publicity.
- Bill Passan, Appalachian College.
- Bob Barnes, Appalachian College.
- Mrs. Hadley Wilson, Mother's March.
- Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cottrell and Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Cottrell, March of Dimes dance.
- Mrs. Joe Brady, Mrs. Walter Canfield, Mrs. Dean Cook, in charge of Teen Age March on Polio.
- Mrs. Abe Littleton, treasurer.

Ross W. Hollar Dies On Monday

Ross Willard Hollar, 65, of Blowing Rock Road, Boone, died Monday, March 3, at Blowing Rock Hospital.

Funeral services were scheduled to be held at 2 p. m. Wednesday, March 5, at the Brushy Fork Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. J. E. Crump and the Rev. E. F. Troutman, with burial to follow in the Fox cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Winnie Hayes Hollar; three sons, John Hollar, Vilas, Clyde Hollar and Jack Hollar, Boone; four daughters, Mrs. Virginia Shrake, Geauga Lake, Ohio, Miss Retha Hollar, Boone, Mrs. Carrie Baird, Geauga Lake, Ohio, and Mrs. Ruby Barber, Charlotte; five brothers, Furney Hollar, Franklin, N. C., Walter Hollar, Blowing Rock, Rowland Hollar, Winchester, Va., Charlie Hollar and Sherman Hollar, of Boone. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren.

William Mast Passes State Druggist Test

William Herndon Mast of Sugar Grove, passed the examination for registration as a pharmacist conducted at the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy and at the Institute of Pharmacy last week by the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy.

Mr. Mast was one of thirty-two candidates passing the examination.



STATE CHAMPIONS—Appalachian High School's wrestling team again took the state crown at Burlington in the recent tournament. Shown on the front row, left to right, the wrestlers are Bill Farthing, manager; Austin Moretz, 95-lb. champion; Ford King, runner-up in 103-lb. class; Sammy Critcher, 112-lb. champion; Bill Cook, 120-lb. champion and "most outstanding" wrestler in the tournament; Tommy Owsley, 127-lb. champion, and Coach Steve Gabriel. Back row: Ned Vines, 133-lb. champion; Dick Brown, 138-lb. champion; Keith Wyke, 145 lbs; Kent Coleman, 154-lb. champion; Jack Norris, 165-lb.; Rufus Edmisten, 175-lb.; and Dean Wilson, 4th place in the heavyweight bracket.—Photo by Verlin Coffey.

Watauga's Poultry Princess Is Named To Start Egg Month

Dorothy Sue Campbell, Vilas, was chosen as Watauga's Poultry Princess Thursday, in a contest which was held to officially launch Egg Month in Watauga county.

March has been designated as Egg Month and Miss Campbell will go to Lenoir Saturday to compete in the area contest. Winner of this event will go to Winston-Salem to compete in the district selection and winner of this will enter the state competition for Poultry Princess.

The contest was held, following a supper of poultry raisers and others interested in poultry production at Kirk's Restaurant. The banquet room of the restaurant was filled, with some producers eating in the regular dining room and joining the contest activities after eating.

Miss Campbell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Campbell of Vilas.

R. G. Shipley, vocational agricultural teacher at Cove Creek High School, and a poultryman, gave a short talk in which he pointed to the economical and nutritional assets of poultry and eggs.

Bobbie McGuire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rex McGuire, Boone, was runner-up in the princess selection. Other girls entered in the contest included Linda Bolick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Bolick of Blowing Rock; Mary Keller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doss Keller, Blowing Rock; Ann Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Phillips of Reese; Mary Lea Moretz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Moretz, Boone, Route 2; Elaine Edmisten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Edmisten, Sugar Grove; Alice Marie Watson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Watson, Deep Gap;

Kathryn Henson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Henson of Sherwood; Nancy Greer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ocie Greer, Trade, Tenn.; Patricia Ann Proffitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bynum G. Proffitt of Boone, Route 2; Janice Temple Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Green Smith, Boone, Route 1.

Judges of the contest were Alfred Adams, Mrs. J. V. Caudill and Dr. Gene Reese, all of Boone.

Marvin Hutchins, assistant county agent who is serving as chairman of March Egg Month, and Miss June Street, assistant home agent, made arrangements for the Poultry Princess contest.



WATAUGA POULTRY PRINCESS Dorothy Sue Campbell wears her crown after being chosen to represent this county in an area contest Saturday in Lenoir. Bobbie McGuire (right) was runner-up. Twelve girls entered the contest, which was judged at a dinner at Kirk's Restaurant Thursday evening.—Staff photo by Joe Minor.

Streets, Highways Broken By Freeze

Bills Offered To Ban Parkway Toll Plans

Washington — North Carolina's two senators Friday introduced legislation that would prohibit tolls on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Sen. Sam Ervin dropped the anti-toll bill into the hopper on behalf of himself and Sen. Kerr Scott.

Two similar bills, sponsored by Rep. George Shuford and Rep. Charles R. Jonas, respectively, are pending in the House of Representatives.

The outpouring of bills on the subject was caused by the announcement Thursday that the National Park Service will begin charging fees on June 1 to users of the parkway.

Sen. Ervin made a statement against the move, as did many North Carolina legislators.

"I think it unfortunate for the federal government to attempt to raise revenue by charging citizens for the privilege of looking at the handiwork of the Almighty," Ervin declared.

Jonas urged Interior Secretary Fred Seaton to rescind the tolls order.

Jonas called parkway tolls "unfair to the thousands of people who live and work near it and are required to use it daily," as well as to drivers using it as a highway instead of a park.

Reps. Basil Whitener, Hugh Alexander and A. Paul Kitchin said they would sponsor or support such legislation.

Kitchin called the toll order "offensive" and "dictatorial." Whitener said the Park Service's failure to hold a hearing on the toll issue "is further evidence of the growing callousness of the administration toward the wishes of the people."

In Raleigh, Gov. Luther H. Hodges added his voice to the protests against the plan.

He said he was "greatly disappointed to learn that the Interior Department is pressing again for the collection of entrance fees on the Blue Ridge Parkway."

Hodges said that as soon as he received notice of the action he sent a telegram to the Park Service expressing his concern.

"I will, of course, join with our congressional delegation in again opposing the collection of entrance fees on the Blue Ridge Parkway," Hodges said.

William Medford of Waynesville, chairman of the North Carolina National Parks, Parkway and Forest Development Commission, said the state "would never have agreed" to acquire rights of way for the Blue Ridge Parkway if the scenic drive was to be a toll road.

Medford said the State of North Carolina, its governors and Highway Commission have been opposed to tolls on the parkway since

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\$900,000 Given To Meet Havoc Of Grim Winter

The streets of Boone and the roads of Watauga county may have suffered the worst damage ever from the freezing weather of the last two months and the quick thawing of recent days, according to town officers and highway officials who were contacted this week concerning the road condition.

Mayor Gordon H. Winkler said it is "worst I've ever seen it," in commenting on the town streets. He was, however, optimistic when he said that if the wind and dry weather continues that the condition may not be "as bad as it looks."

James H. Council, eleventh highway division engineer, said, in his opinion, the damage is the "worst since there have been any improved roads" in this section. He would not even attempt to estimate the damage in dollars and cents, but implied it would be tremendous.

At a meeting of the Highway Commission in Raleigh Monday, Highway Director W. F. Babcock stated that \$900,000 had been allocated for the three western North Carolina highway divisions to help take care of the damage done by the extreme winter weather.

He said \$300,000 would go to this division, and \$300,000 to each of the 13th and 14th divisions from a special reserve fund for storm damage work.

Tom Winkler, newly appointed district engineer, said that road conditions are bad. Extended damage has been done to the highway system in this section, and new damage is discovered daily as the thaw continues.

He said that, though no paving can be done now, preparations are being made, to be ready as soon as weather conditions permit such work.

He reported a slide of last week which closed down traffic on highway 321 for about five hours, had been cleared away and traffic is again moving on the highway.

Schools in the county reopened last Monday, after being closed because school buses could not get through the snows. After running three days, they were closed Thursday and Friday, because many of the dirt roads had become impassable as rain fell on them.

On Monday of this week the schools were again opened, after the wind and some sunshine had helped dry out the roads.

According to a spokesman at the county garage, most buses were operating Tuesday without too much difficulty, and they were not expected to run into much trouble if the weather continues good.

Mayor Winkler said the town crew of workers have been busy

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Bond Sales Are Good This Year

In North Carolina, January sales of Series E and H Savings Bonds were the best for any one month for the past 12 months. It was reported today by Mr. Alfred T. Adams, Volunteer Savings Bonds Chairman for Watauga County.

The combined E and H sales of \$4,744,111 represents 9.7 percent of the annual goal of \$49 million and is also a record performance of achievement against quota recorded for any January in the past 3 years.

In Watauga County, the sales were \$3,503.00 which represents 5.1 percent of the county's goal of \$68,600 for this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Anderson and daughter, Sarah Ann, spent Sunday with Mrs. Anderson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bolick, in Hickory.



WINTER'S TOLL.—J. B. Robinson, Boone, examines hole in side street at postoffice which has cracked and broken, due to the hard freeze and quick thaw in this area. Other streets in town have suffered similar damage also, but most of them have remained passable to traffic. This street was closed after its sudden collapse and one car required wrecker service to get it moving after sinking into the soft dirt and broken asphalt.—Staff photo Joe Minor.



CONTESTANTS IN POULTRY PRINCESS CONTEST.—Left to right, Mary Keller, Ann Phillips, Mary Lea Moretz, Elaine Edmisten, Alice Marie Watson, Kathryn Henson, Nancy Greer, Dorothy Sue Campbell (Princess), Patricia Proffitt, Janice Temple Smith, and Bobbie McGuire (runner-up). Linda Bolick, the twelfth entry, is not shown.—Staff photo.