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BOONE WEATHER			
1958	High	Low	6 pm precip.
April 15	63	42	0.0
April 16	62	43	0.0
April 17	74	34	0.0
April 18	73	36	0.0
April 19	73	43	0.0
April 20	73	50	0.0
April 21	63	49	0.0
Total rainfall for period—1.21 inches.			

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Claud Farrell Will Deliver Address At Educational Meet

Mr. Claud Farrell, Director of Lay Relations for the North Carolina Education Association will deliver the feature address at the dinner meeting of district 15, North Carolina School Boards Association meeting in Blowing Rock April 25.

He will be introduced by Dr.



MR. CLAUD FARRELL

D. J. Whitener, member of the Watauga County Board of Education and Dean of Appalachian State Teachers College.

Mr. Farrell, a native of Harnett county, is a graduate of Dunn High School, Davidson College,

and the University of North Carolina. He was a High School and Elementary principal in Surry county, and was in the mercantile business in Elkin 1933-56. He is a member of the Lions and Kiwanis Clubs; elected young man of the year by the Junior Chamber of Commerce of North Carolina 1952; served as member of the Elkin City School Board for a period of ten years; appointed to the State Board of Education by Governor Kerr Scott in 1949; reappointed to the State Board of Education by Governor Luther Hodges in 1955; active Methodist layman, as member and chairman of the Board of Stewards, superintendent and teacher of Sunday School.

He is married to Margaret Harris Farrell; three sons, Harris McKay, age 20 years, Claude Jr. age 18 years, Edwin Gayle, age 10 years.

Many To Attend

About 200 school board members, committeemen and professional school personnel from Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Watauga counties, and from Lenoir, Morganton and Glen Alpine will attend.

The meetings will be held at Blowing Rock School. The sessions start with registration at 3 o'clock, and end with the banquet in the school cafeteria from 6:10 to 8 o'clock.

Founder's Days Being Observed Belk's Store

Belk's department store in Boone joins more than 400 other Belk's stores in the South in celebrating the 70th anniversary of the founding of the Belk's stores. The celebration begins today, April 24.

This announcement is carried in this issue of the Watauga Democrat, and Willys Chester, manager of the Boone store, states that his store is "offering the best values in this Founder's Days sale ever offered here."

Mr. Chester states that plans have been in the making for "many months for this great event," and many items were bought especially for the Founder's Days celebration.

To help celebrate the Founder's Days event, the Boone store is offering free to one of its customers a 1958 10-cubic ft. G. E. refrigerator. Details of this are contained in the store's advertising in this issue. Free gifts for all its customers are also offered on the first two days of the sale, and balloons will be given all children visiting the store.

The local store has a regular sales force of 13 people, and Mr. Chester said that other extras will be on hand to serve customers during the sale. All the sales personnel are "local" people, Mr. Chester emphasized.

The Boone store has been in operation for 22 years, and Mr. Chester said that his store has consistently used the columns of the Democrat to convey its messages to the public. "Regular use of this advertising medium has been partly responsible for the success of Belk's store in Boone," the manager said.

When Belk's stores were first started by William Henry Belk 70 years ago, a motto, still in use, (continued on page five)



W. R. WINKLER, JR.

Winkler To Be Installed Head Boone Jaycees

W. R. Winkler, Jr., will be installed as the new president of the Boone Junior Chamber of Commerce at ceremonies to be held Monday night, May 5. He succeeds James Winkler, Jr.

Known to his friends as "Billy Ralph," the new president is a junior partner in the Winkler Motor Company, and a charter member of the local Junior Chamber.

Other officers who will be inducted for the coming year are Kenneth Schaeffer and Frank Steele, Jr., vice-presidents, and Lew Thiel, treasurer.

Mrs. Hollars, 53, Dies Friday Night

Mrs. Eugene Hollars, 53, of Boone died Friday night at 7:50 p. m. at her home.

Surviving are the husband; three sons, Kenneth Hollars of Boone, Cecil Hollars of Boone and Oscar Hollars of Roanoke, Va.; five daughters, Mrs. Leona Young of Great Falls, Montana, Mrs. Marine Jackson of Orlando, Florida, Mrs. Faye Ashley of Boone, Mrs. Sylvia Johnson of South Amboy, N. J., and Mrs. Mary Katherine Gentry of Boone; four brothers; two sisters and 17 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:00 p. m. Sunday at Middle Fork Baptist Church by the Rev. K. H. Shore and the Rev. E. F. Troutman.

Burial was in Mount Lawn cemetery.

Superior Court Is Nearing End Of April Term

The spring term of Watauga Superior Court convened Monday with Judge F. O. Clarkson of Charlotte presiding.

Clerk of Court Austin E. South said at noon Tuesday about 50 cases had been disposed of and the docket was expected to be cleared by Wednesday morning.

Two cases of breaking and entering, a number of larceny and non-support indictments, and the usual preponderance of speeding, driving drunk, and other traffic violations comprise the relatively light docket.

A report of the judgments rendered will be published in next week's issue of the Democrat.



ATTEND DISTRICT LEGION AUXILIARY MEET IN BOONE.—Left to right: Mrs. J. L. Chestnut, Edenton, Department membership chairman; Mrs. Raymon Fuson, New Bern, N. C. Department president; Mrs. J. W. Norris, Boone, 17th District president; Mrs. James L. Harrison, Lenoir, Fifth Area president; and Mrs. Lionel Ward, Boone, N. C. President, Watauga Unit No. 130.—Photo by Paul Weston Studio.

Plans Are Being Completed For Spring Cleanup Campaign

Plans are being completed this week to begin Boone's annual Clean-up, Paint-up, Fix-up Campaign Monday morning, April 28.

The intensified drive for city cleanliness will continue for two weeks until Saturday, May 10, according to a proclamation issued by Mayor Gordon H. Winkler, who calls upon all property owners and other individuals and civic organizations to lend their whole-hearted and active cooperation to this worthwhile effort.

Due to the severe weather during the past winter, the town trucks and personnel are behind schedule on street and water line maintenance and repairs, said Mayor Winkler. Therefore, town trucks will be available during the campaign to pick up trash and debris only on Tuesdays and Fridays. He requests that all residents have their trash ready to be picked up on those two days during the two-week drive.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce has volunteered to spearhead the cleanup campaign this year, said newly-elected President W. R. Winkler, Jr. He will appoint a committee at their regular meeting Thursday night to clean off several conspicuous vacant lots and space them up so the ladies of the Blue Ridge Garden Club and the Worthwhile Woman's Club can plant flowers and shrubs and beautify the lots so they will present a slightly appearance instead of being "eyesores."

The Jaycees will also ask merchants to clean up the back lots and alleyways behind store buildings, and provide adequate garbage containers so these areas can be kept neat and free of debris in the future.

They also plan to make a survey of residential areas and make suggestions to homeowners for improvements in the appearance of their premises, said President Winkler.

A committee headed by Richard Morhauser has been appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to assist the Jaycees in every way possible, and all other civic organizations are expected to lend their active support.

The slogan for the campaign is "get it clean and keep it clean."

District Legion Group Feted By Local Unit



MISS LILLIAN HYATT

Miss Hyatt New Home Agent For Watauga County

Miss Lillian Hyatt has been appointed Assistant Home Demonstration Agent for Watauga County, succeeding Miss June Street, now Home Demonstration Agent in Yancey County.

Miss Hyatt is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moody Hyatt of Canton. Mrs. Hyatt is a former Home Demonstration Agent.

The appointment will become effective June 16, following her graduation from Western Carolina College, Cullowhee.

Accident Toll

Raleigh.—The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a. m. April 21:

Killed this year	239
Killed to date last year	288

The Watauga unit of the American Legion Auxiliary was hostess to the units of the 17th District on April 16 in the banquet room of the Gateway Cafe.

There were representatives from the units of Granite Falls, Hudson, Lenoir, Morganton, Valdesa and Boone.

The meeting was called to order and presided over by Mrs. J. W. Norris, 17th district president. Mrs. Troy Norris advanced the colors and Mrs. Ralph Greer gave the invocation. The pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Mrs. Hubert Mathes of Hudson and the preamble to the constitution was led by Mrs. Max Griffin of Morganton, followed by the singing of the National Anthem.

Mrs. Lionel Ward, president of Watauga Unit gave the address of welcome for the auxiliary unit and Mr. J. W. Norris, District Vice Commander representing Watauga Post 130 of the American Legion which were responded to by Mrs. Fred Rebet, of Valdesa. Mrs. Johnny Barnett rendered vocal numbers, accompanied by Mr. Hoyt Safrin at the piano.

After reports from the different unit presidents and a report on membership by Mrs. Chestnut, also a business session, a delicious luncheon was served to all present.

Following lunch Mrs. Margaret Harrison, fifth area president introduced the North Carolina Department President, Mrs. Raymond Fuson of New Bern, who delivered a very inspiring address.

CLOCK TIMES DIVORCE SUIT

Detroit.—When her husband threw the alarm clock at her, Mrs. Willie Rudder, of Detroit, said she knew it was time for a divorce. Judge Joseph Sullivan agreed with her, and granted the divorce.

High School Band Is Rated Excellent

Holshouser Nomination Is Confirmed

J. E. Holshouser, 57 of Boone, was confirmed by the Senate Tuesday as the new federal attorney for the U. S. Middle District Court of North Carolina.

The Senate acted unanimously only one day after the Judiciary Committee had approved him. Holshouser has practiced law in Watauga County for 29 years.

Holshouser was confirmed to fill a vacancy created when Edwin M. Stanley of Greensboro, former district attorney, was appointed Middle District Judge.

The district's attorney's term of office is four years, and is a patronage post. Holshouser's new job pays about \$15,000 a year.

Shook Promoted To Captain In National Guard

The promotion of Clyde R. Shook from First Lieutenant to the rank of Captain in the North Carolina National Guard was announced today by Governor Hodges.

Captain Shook was born in Newton and resides with his wife and two children at College Street in Wilkesboro where he is employed as a State Highway Patrolman. Shook is a graduate of the Sharon High School in Statesville, the Highway Patrol School in Chapel Hill and the Army Field Artillery Transition Officers Course at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Shook served in the Air Force from April 1944 until November 1952. He joined the North Carolina National Guard in November 1952 with Battery C, 112th Field Artillery Battalion in North Wilkesboro. He was transferred to the Service Battery, 112th Field Artillery in Boone in February 1958 and has served with that unit until the present time. His present assignment will be with Service Battery, 112th Field Artillery in Boone.

P. O. Official Is Given Post In Asheville

R. G. Greene, Asst. District Operations Manager, Post Office Dept., Raleigh, has been transferred to Asheville effective May 3, due to a nationwide reorganization of the operations branch of the postal service.

Mr. Greene will maintain an office in Asheville where he will have jurisdiction over 28 counties in the western part of North Carolina. He will be known as a field (Continued on page five)



MISS ANN GREER

Miss Ann Greer Watauga County Spelling Queen

Ann Greer, a student of Mr. Earl Greene's eighth grade, won first place in the county-wide spelling contest.

Ann is the thirteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Greer of Boone, Route 1. She is an outstanding Parkway student and has served as school monitor this year. She plays the flute in the Appalachian Junior High School Band and is a piano student of Mrs. Esther Boone.

Ann reads widely and is interested in science. Her hobby is stamp collecting.

Watauga United Fund To Elect New Directors

The Watauga United Fund will elect new officers and directors for the coming year at its annual meeting to be held at 7:30 Monday night, April 28, in the Appalachian High School auditorium, President Richard Morhauser has announced.

Other officers whose terms are expiring are Hugh Hagaman, first vice-president; Mrs. L. H. Owsley, second vice-president; R. D. Hodges, Jr., treasurer; and Mrs. Guy Angell, secretary.

Members and all other interested persons are urged to attend the meeting.

Dr. Michal At Raleigh Meet

Dr. Mary B. H. Michal, district health director, attended the annual meeting of the N. C. Association for Mental Health at the Carolina Hotel in Raleigh, Saturday, April 19. Officers were elected at this meeting and Dr. Michal was elected a member at large of the executive committee.

Prices cut again in copper, aluminum and zinc.

Judges Laud Work Of Local Musicians

Under the critical ears and eyes of three national judges, the Appalachian High School Band, "Boone's Ambassadors," received the high rating of "Excellent." Ratings ranged in this year's contest from a "Superior" down to "Average." In order, the ratings are "Superior," "Excellent," "Good," and "Average." The lowest rating a band can earn is "Poor."

The three judges were Gilbert Waller from the University of Illinois, John J. Heney from Deland High School, Deland, Florida, and Hubert Henderson from the University of Maryland.

About the Appalachian High School Band, Mr. Waller said: "Very musically done. The introductions are well played and effective. Most of the notes are played by the band, but the group lacks precision. Many things can be said about this band in terms of musical performance. The main shortcoming is a mature approach to the music. However, this will come."

Mr. Henderson said: "Good balance overall . . . generally a good sound. Good steady tempo. Most of the starts are well done, a little timid in spots, but generally well done. Main problem seems to be to get a good blend on full band passages. Band plays many things well but lacks precision which is required for polished playing. Good work, keep it up!"

Mr. Heney stated: "Many nice tones in the reed section. Seems well taught. Horns, baritones and trombones were well played. Actually, there were spots in this band that were as fine as any I have heard, but a Superior rating is best over all. You had many minor flaws that kept you from receiving a Superior. Whatever you do, keep trying. It is my considered opinion that you are on (Continued on page five)

Mast Completes Master's Degree

Mr. Ben Mast has completed work on his M. A. degree in Communications in Radio Television and Motion Picture at the University of North Carolina.

Mr. Mast studied under a Morehead Graduate Scholarship.

While at Chapel Hill he directed programs for the North Carolina In-School Television Experiment. He was also News Director for WUNC-TV, the University's educational television station. He also participated in "American Adventure" dramatic radio broadcasts, which were programmed by the National Broadcasting Company.

He now will serve two years in the armed services.

Lions Broom Sale Is Graciously Received; Drive Being Extended

The annual Broom Sale for the Blind conducted last week by the Boone Lions Club has met with such gratifying response from the people of Boone that more brooms have been ordered and the project has been extended through this week.

Members of the club have sold approximately \$500 worth of brooms in a house-to-house and store-to-store campaign, offering a whisk broom and two sizes of stick brooms, which were made by blind persons at Industries of the Blind at Greensboro.

"Not much more than half the town has been covered," said Alton Batts, Broom Sale chairman,

in announcing that further house-to-house canvasses have been planned for Tuesday night, Wednesday night, and possibly Thursday night of this week. "We greatly appreciate the generous cooperation of the people we have called upon thus far, and we confidently look forward to the same response from those we contact this week."

Batts pointed out that "you help the blind two ways" when you buy a broom from a Lion. The brooms are made by expertly-trained blind persons, and all profits realized from their sale go directly into the Aid to the Blind and Sight Conservation fund of the Lions Club.

The sale, an annual project of the club, was kicked off at the regular meeting Tuesday night, April 15, when Mr. Gwenn, a representative of Industries of the Blind, visited the club and presented a film showing how the brooms and other products are made by the blind at the Greensboro plant.

Mr. Gwenn said North Carolina has led in employment of blind and near blind persons for the past eight years. Industries of the Blind employs 58 blind persons, he said, and last year sold more than \$500,000 worth of their products, about \$108,000 of which came from Lions Club broom sales.



MEN'S CLUB of the Boone Methodist Church, held the third annual Ladies Night last Wednesday, and the officers and speaker for the occasion were recognized. They are, left to right, Merrill Snyder, immediate past president; the Rev. E. H. Lowman, church pastor; Dr. Kenneth Goodson, speaker and pastor of the First Methodist Church in Charlotte; Joe Houser, president; Zeb Kirk, treasurer; Horace Dowling, vice-president; and Orvus Sutton, secretary.—Photo by Palmer's Photo Shop.