

BOONE WEATHER			
1956	High	Low	Wind
May 13	75	41	33
May 14	76	34	37
May 15	75	47	72
May 16	74	30	37
May 17	77	50	32
May 18	78	54	37
May 19	69	56	37
Total rainfall—58 inch.			

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## Watauga's High Schools Will Give Diplomas To 198 Seniors

### Exercises To Be Held In Coming Week

High school diplomas will be awarded to 198 seniors at commencement exercises to be held Friday evening, May 30, at Watauga County's four high schools, County Superintendent W. Guy Angel has announced.

Appalachian High in Boone has the largest graduating class with 83, and Cove Creek is second with 73. Bethel and Blowing Rock each will graduate 21.

A total of 18 more graduates will receive diplomas in the county this year than in 1957, when 180 were graduated.

Baccalaureate sermons will be delivered at all schools on Sunday, May 25, with services held at night in each case except at Bethel, where this portion of the commencement exercises will be held at 2:30 u. m.

Appalachian

The Rev. George A. Arthur, pastor of the Advent Christian Church of Boone, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the Boone Baptist Church at 8 p. m., Sunday, May 25.

Graduation exercises will be held at 8 p. m., Friday, May 30, in the Appalachian Elementary School auditorium, when Principal A. B. Crew will present diplomas to 83 (Continued on page two)



**ROGATION SERVICE.**—Part of the combined choir of six churches and four of the speakers for the Blessing of Soil, Seed and Sowers service prepared for the event as they pause on the steps of Holy Communion Lutheran Church on Clark's Creek. The service consisted of a program in the church, and then the going into the field for the blessing by the congregation, followed by dinner on the grounds of the beautiful rock church. Four of the speakers are shown on the steps, left to right: the Rev. George W. Shuford, Lutheran minister; Miss Geraldine Suratt, Methodist deaconess; Howard J. Williams, soil conservationist; and just behind him, the Rev. Rhett Y. Winters, Episcopal rector.—Staff photo by Joe Minor.

## Six Churches Take Part When Soil, Seed, Sowers Blessed

Two hundred and fifty members of six church bodies took part in the Third Annual Valle Crucis Community Service of the Blessing of Soil, Seed, and Sowers held Sunday at Holy Communion Lutheran Church on Clark's Creek.

The Rev. George W. Shuford, pastor of the host church, delivered the sermon for the occasion and Howard Williams, Watauga County soil conservation agent, gave a short address, emphasizing our dependence upon the soil, seed, and the sower in the providence of God for the furnishing of our needs.

During the service, which began at 11:15 the congregation formed a procession to a near-by field where a dedication of the Soil, Seed, and Sowers was conducted under the leadership of the Rev. E. M. Tyson of Marion, minister of the area Seventh Day Adventist churches. Calvin Hicks of the Baird's Creek Presbyterian Church presented the symbolic soil to be consecrated and R. A. Farthing, Valle Crucis Baptist, presented the seed.

Following the dedicatory service, the group took part in a bountiful fellowship dinner on the grounds.

Miss Geraldine Suratt, deaconess of the Watauga Methodist churches conducted the opening of the service in the church and led the congregation in a responsive reading of Psalm 24. The Rev. Rhett Y. Winters, Jr., Valle Crucis Episcopal rector, read the Scripture from Luke 8:5-15 and led the prayer.

Mr. Williams reviewed the his (Continued on page two)

### Alexander Is Speaker When Demos Gather

Representative Hugh Alexander spoke briefly to the Ninth District Congressional meeting in Raleigh Friday just before the Democratic State Convention.

L. M. Weisiger of Rowan was elected chairman.

Wataugans named to the various committees are as follows:

State Democratic Executive Committee: Wade E. Brown and Mrs. Rob Rivers.

District Executive Committee: Gordon Taylor and Grady Moretz.

Solicitorial Executive Committee: Ray Luther and Jack Edmisten.

Judicial Executive Committee: J. C. Goodnight and Clyde Moretz.

Senatorial Executive Committee: John Bingham and John Council.

### Mrs. Eliza Guy Funeral Held

Mrs. Eliza Millsaps Guy, 87, died at her home at Beech Creek May 11, following a long illness.

Funeral services were held May 13 at 2 o'clock at the Beech Valley Baptist Church by Rev. Dayton Jones, and burial was in the Beech Creek cemetery.

Surviving are one son, and seven daughters: Thomas Guy, Beech Creek; Mrs. Susie Phillips, Mrs. Elizabeth Harmon, Beech Creek; Mrs. Betty Phillips, Mrs. Grace Cookman, Mrs. Effie Mae Cruise, Akron, Ohio; Mrs. Edna McWortha, Mrs. Essie Greenwell, Butler, Tenn. There are two brothers and two sisters: Robert Mills, Vilas; W. C. Millsaps, Akron, Ohio; Mrs. Lola Trivett, Heaton; Mrs. Emma Caracalla, Crawfordsville, Ind. There are 32 grandchildren and 35 great grandchildren.

### Parkway Group To Gather Here

The Blue Ridge Parkway Association, with 60 members in North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia, will hold its annual meeting here in the Daniel Boone Hotel on Thursday, May 29, according to an announcement by Leo Derrick, secretary of the organization. It will mark the first time the association has ever met here, said Mr. Derrick.

R. B. Hardin of Blowing Rock is president of the association.

### Miss Younce Is Rodeo Winner

Miss Judy Younce of Cove Creek High School, first place winner in the Teenage Safe Driving Rodeo held here Sunday, May 4, will compete in the state finals at New Bern on Saturday, May 31.

The Boone Junior Chamber of Commerce, sponsor of the local competition, will also sponsor Miss Younce's trip to New Bern.

## Lettermen Honored By Student Body

Monogram winners in five varsity sports were honored by the student body in a program at Appalachian last Wednesday night, May 14.

The feat was highlighted by a presentation by the Men's "A" Club of a statue of Yosef, the Mountaineer mascot. The lettermen's club's gift to the school stands six-feet-six inches.

**Letter Winners:**  
Football: Cal Burleson, Ray Davis, Jim Daye, Bob Morrison, John Fonia, Randell Anderson, Jim Conger, Allen Everhart, Robert White, Bill Harvey, Phillip Triplett, Jack White, Carl Meserrie, Dick Roberge, Ted Watson, Tommy Wilson, Dewayne Milner, Tom Finley, Paul Hinshaw, Tommy

Day, Herbert Edwards.  
Basketball: Harold Lynch, Ansel Glendenning, Willard Swift, Rich Howe, Bill Mueller, Max Hiatt, Kay Hiatt, Tom Muse, Carl Wyatt, Don King.

Baseball: Ken Daves, Carl Molsinger, Phillip Triplett, Sam Travis, Jim Mask, Jim Kinney, Grant Queen, Bill Lee, Winze Fronberger, Jim Newton, Bob Clark, Lester Grimes, Frank Shytles, Bill Slayton, Ben McKee, Jim Beber, Harold Beam, Jerry Ennis.

Tennis: Bill Mills, Al Widenhouse, Roscoe Marshall, Benny Martin, John Noles, John Green, Junie Tuttorow.  
Golf: Carl Brittain, Ben Leatherman, Maurice Templeton, Tommy Berry, Ray Cockman.

### Welch Is Now Patrolman In South Carolina



ROY G. WELCH

Roy G. Welch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn V. Welch of Deep Gap, Route 1, recently completed his highway patrol training at the University of Columbia, S. C., and has been assigned to duty at Chesterfield with the South Carolina Highway patrol. He is making his home in Chesterfield.

Mr. Welch graduated from Appalachian High School in 1954.

### Rev. Levi Greene Dies In Hudson

Rev. John Levi Greene, of Hudson, a former Wataugan, died in a Lenoir hospital May 10, following a short illness.

Funeral services were held May 12 at 2 o'clock at the Laurel Springs Baptist Church. Rev. R. C. Eggers and Rev. Raymond Hendrix were in charge of the rites and burial was in the church cemetery.

The widow survives, with one son and two daughters: Ralph Greene, Lenoir; Mrs. Ruth Bodenhamer, Mrs. Reath Kirby, Hudson. There are two brothers, Calvin Greene of Lenoir and Wade Greene of Stony Fork.

### J. E. HOLSHOUSER

United States attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina. Administering the oath was Holshouser's predecessor, Edwin M. Stanley of Greensboro, who is the new Middle District Judge. The 15-minute ceremony took place during the opening session of the regular federal court term over which Judge Stanley is presiding.

Robert L. Gavin of Sanford, a former assistant district attorney, had served temporarily as district attorney since Judge Stanley's promotion.

Reading the official certificate of Holshouser's appointment from President Eisenhower was his law partner, William G. Mitchell of North Wilkesboro. Among guests present in the courtroom were Mrs. Holshouser, the former Virginia Dayvault of Concord; James Holshouser, Jr., law student at the University of North Carolina; and Mrs. Eugene Trivette, widow of Holshouser's former law partner.

Holshouser's daughter, Mrs. Laura Mast, was unable to attend because of examinations at Appalachian State Teachers College, where she is a student.

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## Forest Grove Lad Is New Shearing Champion

Len Warren, 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Warren of Forest Grove, out-scored fourteen other club members at Statesville Saturday, May 17, to win the 1956 State 4-H Sheep Shearing Contest.

Scoring is based on the following: score for time, 20 points; absence of second cuts in fleece, 30 points; absence of cuts on sheep, 15 points; condition of fleece, 20 points; manner of handling sheep, 15 points; and appearance of shorn sheep, 10 points.

Len's best time in the contest was 5 minutes and 8 seconds. He had an average score on three sheep of 87.66.

Len is president of the Bethel Senior 4-H Club and also, president of the senior class.

This is the tenth year in eleven that the state winner has been from Watauga County. Bob Vines and Lynn Matheson also from Watauga County, eleventh and placed seventh and eleventh respectively.

These boys are coached by W. C. Richardson, Assistant County Agent, who will accompany Len to Chicago this fall when he enters the National Shearing Contest.



**METHODIST EDUCATIONAL BUILDING.**—The Church School of the Boone Methodist Church is now holding classes in its new building, located behind the main church building. This west side view of the three-story building shows the walk-way and entrance on the left, with the main classroom portion being at the right of the building. Besides classrooms, facilities are available for social functions of the Sunday school, and built-in kitchenettes are on each level of the building. Several of the classrooms are divided by folding curtains and may be turned into large assembly rooms when needed. The church library and offices are also located in the building.—Staff photo by Joe Minor.

## 311 To Receive Degrees As College Finals Are Observed

Dr. Charles F. Carroll, superintendent of public instruction for North Carolina, will be the speaker at the commencement exercises to be held at Appalachian State Teachers College, Sunday, May 25, at 3:00 p. m., in the auditorium of the health and physical education building.

Dr. Carroll is a native of War-



DR. CHARLES F. CARROLL

burg. He holds the A. B. degree from Trinity College, the M. Ed and the honorary LL.D. from Duke University, and the honorary LL.D. from High Point College. All of his professional experience has been in connection with the schools of the state. For one year, following his graduation from Trinity college, he was teacher and coach of athletics at the Vance County Farm Life School in Mid-

dleburg. He was principal of the Buena Vista High School at Henderson, of the Newport Consolidated School at Newport, of the Lonk Creek-Grady School in Pendler county, and the Bryson City Elementary and Swain County High Schools in Bryson City. From 1932 to 1937 he was superintendent of the Swain County Schools and was superintendent of the High Point City Schools from 1937 to 1952. Since August 1952 he has been the state superintendent of public instruction of North Carolina.

Dr. Carroll has held and now holds membership in a long list of distinguished professional organizations and civic groups, and has served as an officer in many instances. A number of these have been national offices. Not only has he been active in his profession, but as a citizen of his community and state and church, as well. His home is in Raleigh.

The program for the commencement exercises will include the processional and recessional played by the college orchestra, directed by Nicholas Erneston of the music faculty; music by the college choir under the direction of Mrs. Virginia Wary Linney, also of the music faculty; the invocation given by the Reverend E. H. Lowman, pastor of the Boone Methodist Church.

The candidates for the bachelor's degree will be presented by Dr. D. J. Whitener, dean of the college, and candidates for the master's degree will be presented by Dr. Herbert W. Wey, director of graduate studies.



**HORN LEADERS CONFER.**—Talking things over in the lobby of the Daniel Boone Hotel prior to the spring dinner meeting of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association Monday evening, May 12, are (left to right), Leo Derrick, publicity director for Horn in the West; Dr. I. G. Greer, president of the association; Dr. Kermit Hunter, author of the drama; Bill Ross, director of the play; and Carl Fidler, business manager.—Photo by Palmer's Photo Shop.