

BOONE WEATHER					
1956	High	Low	6 pm	prec.	1957—F. I.
June 24	75	51	71		69 59
June 25	79	49	73		75 58
June 26	73	59	70		76 57
June 27	70	52	64	.09	79 60
June 28	71	49	71		73 62
June 29	73	45	71		74 56
June 30	80	49	75		75 65
Total rainfall—.09 inch.					

## Recreation Plan Called Good Thing

A planned recreation program is good business for a town and pays dividends, a state recreation official said here Monday night.

J. S. Stevens, associate director of the North Carolina Recreation Commission, and Hubert Henderson, assistant director, met with the Daniel Boone Park Committee, a group formed to promote plans for a swimming pool, civic center and other facilities on the Horn in the West grounds.

Mr. Stevens said the commission works with public and private groups, such as towns, cities, hospitals, prisons, etc., and helps them plan their recreation programs. The commission is state supported from the general fund, he added.

This type of program has proven its worth in many communities in North Carolina, he said, and is a great asset to the business economy of any town.

Over \$30 billion is spent annually in planned recreation programs in the United States, and it is the third largest industry in North Carolina, Mr. Stevens said.

Industry with large payrolls seeks well planned communities in which to locate, he pointed out, and many industrial officials look with especial interest at a community's recreation program.

Such a program must be diversified so that it will appeal to all kinds of people in all age groups, the speaker said, adding that special events and special days are important, such as barbecues, etc.

In answer to questions from members of the committee, the visitor said:

Leadership should be hired from town funds, if available.

Two instructors can handle up to 400 children.

Plan a special event each week during the summer period.

Have a teenage program, and an older persons' program, as well as a children's program.

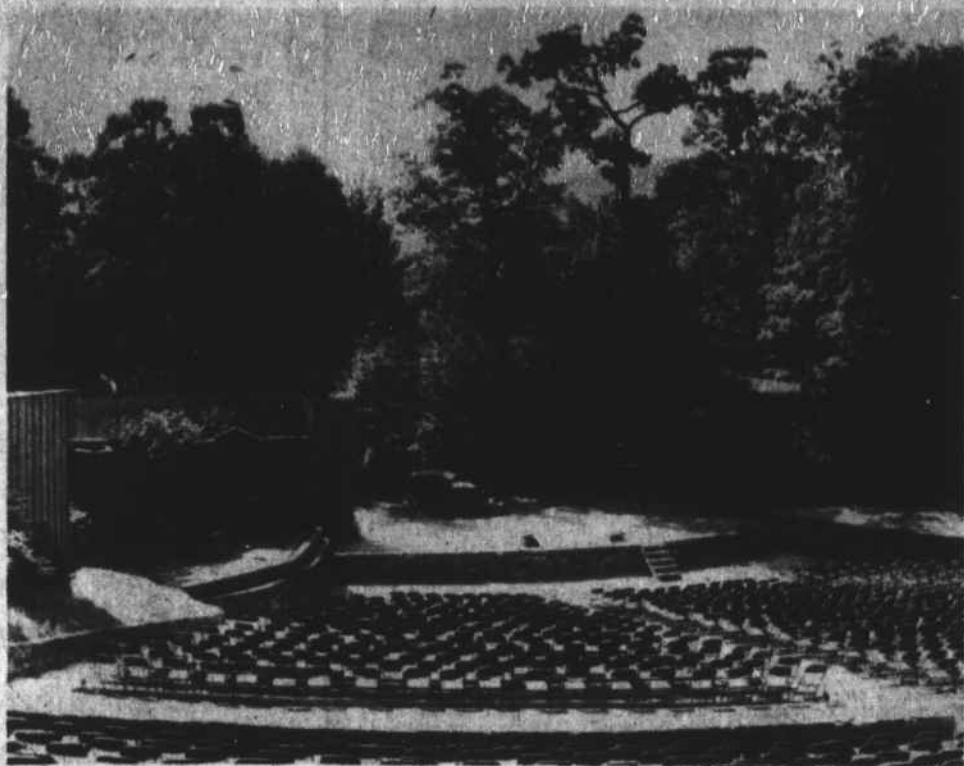
If non-taxpayers use the facilities, decide if they live near enough to be a part of the business and social life of the community. If so, welcome them.

Segregation of the races is no major problem in any of the city recreation programs that we have observed. There is no general integration in North Carolina.

The older persons', or "senior citizens" program is one of the most rapidly growing in the state. The Governor's Commission for the Aged will help. Many states have organized clubs for older people.

We will be glad to work with you in the event you get your program underway and wish us to do so.

Coach R. W. Watkins of Boone is also a Governor-appointed member of the commission.



"HORN" SITE.—Part of the stage and seating arrangement of the Daniel Boone Theatre shows the beautiful setting in which "Horn in the West" opened its seventh consecutive season Saturday night. The amphitheatre will seat more than 2,500 persons, and viewers of the drama may sit anywhere in the theatre and easily hear everything that is said from either of the three stages.—Staff photo by Joe Minor.

## Horn Opening Is Greeted By Enthusiastic Audience

Horn in the West opened its seventh season here at the Daniel Boone Theatre Saturday night before a singularly responsive and enthusiastic audience of first-nighters variously estimated at 800 to more than 1,000. The paid attendance was given as 591.

The historical outdoor drama, written by Dr. Kermit Hunter, impressively depicts the settling of North Carolina during the turbulent decade from 1770 to 1780 when the colonists were fighting to throw off the yoke of British tyranny in the new world.

The drama, which has undergone extensive revision since it opened in 1952, while retaining the original story line, is a fast-moving and enthralling story revolving around the family of Dr. Geoffrey Stuart, a British doctor who came to this country in 1771 to study smallpox and is caught up against his will in the struggle of the colonists.

His own son, Jack, actively espouses the cause of freedom and eventually wins his father over after a poignant inner conflict on the part of Dr. Stuart, who is torn between allegiance to the Crown and devotion to his family.

An able newcomer to the cast is in the role of Dr. Stuart. He takes over from William Ross who is director of the play this year, and has given stern portrayals of several Horn characters since it opened in 1952.

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## Blowing Rock Will Celebrate

Blowing Rock's annual Fourth of July celebration and Festival of Sports will be held this year as usual, under the sponsorship of the town of Blowing Rock and the Blowing Rock Rotary Club.

All of the events with the exception of the regular Friday night square dance will be free to the public.

The program will be as follows:

Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock the children's gymkhana and pet show at the Horse Show Grounds. This will be given through the courtesy and under the direction of the Tate Stables. Ribbons and prizes will be given in a number of classes in both the children's horse show and the pet show.

All children who have pets are urged to bring them at 2 o'clock. There are no entry fees and no advance registrations are required.

Friday evening the usual square dance will be held at the pavilion. Saturday morning there may be a baseball game at the new diamond near the horseshow grounds.

Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock (Continued on page eight)



DR. C. RAY LAWRENCE

## Dr. Lawrence Is Given State Appointment

Dr. C. Ray Lawrence of Boone, has been appointed by Governor Hodges to the State Board of Examiners in Optometry to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Harold C. Herring of Fairmont, resigned. Dr. Herring's term would have ended May 1, 1961.

Dr. Lawrence is a former president of the North Carolina Optometrists' Society.

## Most Local Stores Will Observe 4th

Most of the retail stores and other business establishments, together with public offices are to be closed for the fourth, it is learned.

City and county offices will be closed, together with the postoffice.

The Governor has declared a banking holiday for July 4-5 and the Northwestern Bank at Boone and Blowing Rock will be closed both days.

The county welfare department has announced it will be closed both Friday and Saturday.

## Mr. Shoemaker Quits City Job Held 30 Years



MR. A. C. SHOEMAKE

Mr. A. C. Shoemaker, city water superintendent for more than thirty years, retired from active duty July 1.

Mayor Gordon H. Winkler states that Mr. Shoemaker will be retained for the time being as a consultant, following a vacation.

In commenting on Mr. Shoemaker's long service to the city, Mayor Winkler says:

"I have worked with Mr. Shoemaker for fifteen years. His services have been highly satisfactory. He has always been faithful in the performance of his duties, diligent in his work, kind, courteous, and efficient in his dealings with the public. This city has never had a better public official."

## Lee Anderson Dies On Sunday

Lee Anderson, 62, Boone colored resident, died in Kingsport, Tenn., where he had been with relatives, last Sunday.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 o'clock at the Mennonite Baptist Church in Boone. Rev. Rock Hatten was in charge of the rites and burial was in the city cemetery.

There are eight sons and daughters: Mrs. Virginia Ford, Dorothy and Nellie Anderson, Kingsport, Tenn.; Mrs. Bettie Sawyer, Marion, Va.; Albert, Spruce Pine; Ed Goldsboro; Dell, address unknown; Nero, Boone. There is one brother, Milt Anderson, Mountain City, Tenn.

# Municipal Bond Election Cannot Be Held July 15th

## Civic Center Plan Strikes Legal Snag

A municipal bond election originally scheduled for July 15 to allow Boone voters to decide whether the town will negotiate a \$150,000 bond issue to finance a swimming pool and civic center on the Horn in the West property, will have to be postponed due to legal technicalities, according to information received Tuesday from City Attorney Wade E. Brown.

Mr. Brown, who requested information on legal procedure in letters of May 13 and May 20 to the state local government commission in Raleigh, advised that he did not receive a formal reply outlining this procedure until Saturday, June 28.

At that time he was informed by the commission that legal notice of intention to file application with the commission to hold a bond election would have to be published in the local newspaper two successive weeks, the first of such notice to be published ten days prior to the filing of the application.

He was advised further that a bond election can not be held until 40 days after the filing of the application.

The first notice of intention to file application is being published in this issue of the Democrat, thereby necessitating a postponement of the election until at least 50 days from this date (July 3.)

Mayor Gordon H. Winkler has announced, however, that the registration books will be open again Saturday, July 5, as previously announced, and that other registration dates will be set prior to the new date of the election when it is determined.

At a meeting Monday night of the Daniel Boone Park Committee, formed to promote the project, it was pointed out by Mayor Winkler, who met with the group, that an estimated tax increase of 13c on each \$100 property valuation would cover only the interest on \$150,000 at an estimated 5 per cent, and would not pay off any of the principal or take care of maintenance and operating costs. Boone property valuation, he said, is approximately \$5,000,000, and 15c per \$100 would amount to \$7,500 annually, which is the amount of interest at 5 per cent on \$150,000.

The mayor said, however, that this year's \$5,000 payment on the warehouse purchased by the town would retire that indebtedness, and that these funds could be applied in the future on maintenance and operating costs of the proposed new facilities, provided the voters authorize the town board to do so in the election.

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NEW CHURCH.—Left to right, the Rev. W. R. Eaton, Jack Lawrence, the Rev. L. H. Hollingsworth, and Herman Eggers, check the progress of grass around the Greenway Baptist Church, which will be constituted Sunday. In the picture to the left, they stand at the pulpit of the church, going over plans for the program Sunday. They are, left to right, Mr. Eggers, chairman of the board of Deacons, of the Boone Baptist Church, mother church of the mission; Rev. Mr. Eaton, pastor-elect of the new church; Mr. Lawrence, chairman-elect of the new church; and Rev. Mr. Hollingsworth, pastor of the mother church.

## Greenway Baptist Church To Be Formally Constituted Sunday

Greenway Baptist Church of Boone will be formally constituted Sunday with ceremonies at the First Baptist Church and at the location of the new church, which has been known as Boone Baptist Mission. This announcement was made jointly by the Rev. L. H. Hollingsworth, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Boone, and the Rev. W. R. Eaton, pastor-elect of the new church. Mr. Hollingsworth and Mr. Eaton will be in charge of the services.

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The calendar of activities for constitution day calls for services at the First Baptist Church at 10:45 a. m., followed by a picnic lunch near the mission, and concludes with services at the site of the new church following lunch. All these activities are joint events of the mother church and the church being constituted.

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Worship services were held whenever a preacher was available at the appointed time.

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## Rev. Mr. Bolick Will Develop Florida Church



ERNEST B. BOLICK, JR.

The Reverend Ernest B. Bolick, Jr., formerly of Boone, left Tuesday for Sanford, Fla., where he and Mrs. Bolick, the former Miss Theresa Fessler, are to develop a new Lutheran church. His work is sponsored by the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church.

Rev. Mr. Bolick and his wife are former members of Grace Lutheran Church of Boone, where he delivered the morning message on June 22.

Mr. Bolick graduated from Lehigh Rhyne College in 1935, where he was active in dramatics, forensics and campus religious activities. He is a member of Theta Chi Social fraternity and Pi Kappa Delta forensic fraternity. He was a member of the Lehigh Rhyne A Cappella Choir, and was feature editor and writer for the college newspaper.

He graduated from Southern Lutheran Theological Seminary on May 22. He was a member of the seminary choir and of the newspaper staff there.

Mr. Bolick is a graduate of Appalachian State Teachers' College. She served as organist at Grace Lutheran Church during her senior year at Appalachian.

Rev. Mr. Bolick is the grandson of Mrs. Thomas Moretz and the late Mr. Moretz of Boone, and of Mrs. P. O. Bolick and the late Mr. Bolick of Blowing Rock. His father and mother are teaching in the Hudson schools at Hudson, Boone.

## Wataugans Are Reminded To Get X-Rays

Dr. Mary B. H. Michal, district health director, reminds all citizens 15 years of age or over to be sure to get their chest x-rays at the mobile unit on King Street in Boone on one of the days, Thursday through Saturday, except July 4, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 5 p. m.

The unit will be in Boone until July 12, and on Main Street in Blowing Rock July 9, 10, 11 and 12.

The Health Department and the x-ray unit will both be closed on the 4th.

Mrs. Frances Francis of the District Tuberculosis Association, in urging the people to take full advantage of the free x-ray service, has this to say:

"No one can be sure he does not have tuberculosis. The disease gives no warning when it first strikes. What we laymen recognize as signs of tuberculosis—chronic cough, severe loss of weight, 'spitting blood'—are usually signs of an advanced case of tuberculosis.

"Yet, the damage inflicted to a



CHEST X-RAY.—Traffic passes by the mobile x-ray unit which is in Boone this month as persons wait on the outside to have a free x-ray made to determine if they have tuberculosis or not.—Staff photo.

person's lungs by TB germs can be revealed while still in an early stage by means of a chest x-ray.

"The first, miniature films taken among the apparently healthy

during our x-ray program constitute a 'screening process.' The majority of those x-rayed received reports of clear lungs indicating healthy lungs. A comparative few

are called back for second x-rays to permit more detailed study. Frequently the sealed letter requesting that a person return for his second x-ray means merely that there was some technical imperfection in the first film. Or the shadows in a first film can also be the result of some minor trouble in the region of the chest.

"Of course, there are bound to be some whose second x-ray shows signs of disease. Further tests have to be given before a diagnosis of active tuberculosis is made. But even in these cases there is a silver lining. When TB is detected in an apparently healthy person it is usually in an early stage. The majority of cases which turn up will be in an early, easily curable stage.

"An open enemy can be attacked and defeated. If we get TB out in the open by finding all the unknown cases, we can defeat it. We can all help to make this community a safe place for ourselves, our families, and our neighbors. We can all get a chest x-ray."

## Brodie Beach Ends Own Life

Brodie Marion Beach, 48, resident of Route 2, died Saturday morning at about 8:30 from a self-inflicted shotgun wound.

Coroner Richard E. Kelley, who investigated, said that a load from a .12 gauge shotgun entered the heart. He pronounced it suicide. No note was left.

Funeral services were held Monday at Meat Camp Baptist Church by Rev. Barnard Tuttle, and burial was in the church cemetery.

The widow, Mrs. Margaret M. Beach, survives, with two sons and two daughters: Rex of the home; Norman, Lenoir; Wilma and Clara Jean of the home. There are five brothers and four sisters: Justin, Madsville, W. Va.; Glenn, Boone; Arville, Mount Airy; Stuart, Boone; Bynum, Lenoir; Mrs. Ola Perry, Zionville; Miss Grace Beach, Zionville; Mrs. Boyd Perry, Lenoir; Mrs. Kenneth Brown, Boone.