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Notables To Gather On Roan

Bakersville.—Several notable officials of the United States government will be featured and the 1959 North Carolina Rhododendron queen will be selected in the Roan Mountain Rhododendron Festival near here Saturday, June 27.

Fred A. Seaton, Secretary of the Interior, who had a sympathetic ear in successful efforts to kill the proposed toll fee for Blue Ridge Parkway, will be a featured speaker during the afternoon program. He will be introduced by Representative Charles R. Jonas, tenth district, North Carolina.

In the morning session, highlights will be the addresses by Legislator John W. Umstead and U. S. Senator B. Everett Jordan.

Selection of the 1959 rhododendron queen will begin at 2:35 p. m., with some 30 to 40 candidates representing the various mountain counties of Western North Carolina.

This is the first time the festival has been held two days. Features have been arranged for Friday afternoon and evening, and entertainment has been arranged for Saturday night. These events are scheduled at the Bakersville High School Auditorium. Only the Saturday morning and afternoon events are to be in the open air atop Roan Mountain.

The two-day program begins with the noon registration of queen contestants at Bakersville High School Friday, followed by a pageant rehearsal at 2:00 p. m., and dinner for the queen contestants at Bakersville Motel at 5:30 p. m. The queen pageant, featuring the presentation of the candidates in swim suits and the talent competition will begin at 8:00 p. m. at Bakersville School Auditorium.

Saturday's program on Roan Mountain will begin at 10:00 a. m. with selections by the Fort Bragg Army Band, followed by the welcome and introduction of the master of ceremonies by Fred G. Brummitt, Bakersville mayor.

The Rev. C. A. Haire, pastor of the Bakersville Methodist Church, will deliver the invocation and J. C. Burlison of Bakersville will present John W. Umstead, Chapel Hill legislator.

Cranberry square dance team will be featured at 11:30 a. m., with the team directed by Mrs. Kay Wilkins. This is followed by an address by U. S. Senator B. Everett Jordan. Luncheon will be spread on the grounds at noon.

The afternoon program will begin with selections by Bill Heath and his "Rock and Rollers" and music by the Fort Bragg Army band. Representative Charles R. Jonas will introduce Mr. Seaton, whose address is scheduled at 1:20 p. m.

Cassidy Trio of Spruce Pine will be heard at 1:50 p. m., and special guests will be introduced at 2:00 o'clock. Arthur Smith of WBTW will be introduced, then there will be more music from the Fort Bragg band.

The festival queen contest is scheduled at 2:00 p. m., with O. D. Calhoun and W. H. Lee in charge. J. M. Broughton, Jr., chairman of the North Carolina Highway and Public Works Commission, will crown the queen. Presentation of awards will be by Robert Bunelle, president of the Asheville Citizen-Times Publishing Company and member of the highway commission.

Saturday night at 8:00 o'clock Arthur Smith and his Cracker Jacks will present a program in the Bakersville High School auditorium. The 1959 Rhododendron Queen will be presented, and with her the first and second runnersup will be introduced.

Martin Speaks To State Vets

Dr. John G. Martin of Boone will be one of the featured speakers at the 58th annual meeting of the North Carolina State Veterinary Medical Association at Morehead City, June 23-25. Dr. Martin will speak on "Tips on Cattle Practice."

Over 200 North Carolina veterinarians and wives are expected to register for the session which will be held at the Morehead Biltmore Hotel. Outstanding specialists in all phases of veterinary medicine will be featured on the program.



Services and scenery feature visit of Wootens family to "Horn Highlands" of North Carolina. At left, Wootens with three children; Mrs. Wootens, above; Wootens with three children; Mrs. Wootens, above; Wootens with three children; Mrs. Wootens, above.

How to have fun in North Carolina's highlands

A family's mountain holiday



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AS APPEARING IN Parade THE SUNDAY NEWSPAPER MAGAZINE

"Parade" Feature Brings Mail In Deluge To Blowing Rock

Williams To Be U. F. Prexy

Jack Williams, Boone accountant, will be chairman this year of the Campaign Committee of the United Fund. This position will call on Mr. Williams to organize the teams of workers who will raise the gifts and pledges as the United Fund goes into its fourth year in Watauga County.

Mr. Williams is the first president of the Optimist Club recently chartered in Boone. He moved to Boone from Morganton with his family about three years ago and at once became prominent in civic affairs. After graduating from Wake Forest and serving a term in the Army Mr. Williams worked in the North Carolina Department of Revenue before coming to Morganton and Boone. He is a member of the First Baptist Church in Boone.

The announcement of Mr. Williams' appointment to the campaign chairmanship was made last weekend by Grady Moretz, Jr., president of the Watauga County United Fund. Mr. Moretz expressed confidence that the campaign will succeed for the fourth successive time, under Mr. Williams' leadership.

Hodges Head U. F. Committee

R. D. Hodges Jr., well-known young Watauga businessman and civic worker, will be chairman of the Admissions and Budget Committee of the Watauga County United Fund for the coming year.

Mr. Hodges' committee has the responsibility of deciding what fund-raising organizations shall be admitted to membership in the United Fund and what amount each member group shall be budgeted for in the campaign which will be held next October.

Mr. Hodges has announced the following members of his committee: Morris Barnett, Bob Bumbaug, Frank Mast, Mrs. Maude Kelley, and Mrs. Mac Miller.

A feature appearing in the June 14 issue of "Parade," a magazine supplement of many newspapers over the country, resulted in a deluge of incoming mail to the Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce, seeking information on tourist attractions and facilities in the area. The entire text of the feature is reprinted below by special arrangement with Mr. Ezra Dolan of Parade Publications:

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Blowing Rock Golf Course. The children—Steve, 7; Laurence, 5½, and Shelley, 3—had their choice of playgrounds, commercial amusements, the Moses H. Cone State Park along the Parkway and, in fact, the whole lush mountain outdoors.

To the children, the most enchanting amusement was the Tweetsie Railroad (adults: \$1.50; children: 75 cents), a narrow-gauge line with a quaint locomotive of the '30s and lantern-lit cars. Tweetsie circles for three miles over, around and through Roundhouse Mountain, just north of Blowing Rock. A vintage "town" of general store, tavern and depot has grown up along the tracks. A regular feature of each ride is a "raid" by made-up Indians; little Steve shot at one with his cap pistol.

Then there was a trip to mile-high Grandfather Mountain, 18 miles south of here, billed as the "oldest mountain in the East." Twin-topped Grandfather features a swinging foot-bridge that links its peaks; far beneath is spread a vast checkerboard of farms and forests. The family drove to the top (admission for adults: 90 cents; children: 45 cents) via a remarkable switch-back gravel road. Caves and Dramatics

Later, the Wootens wandered through Linville Caverns, a grottoed spider web of onyx and sparkling crystal, where trout live far beneath the ground; they attended a performance of "Horn in the West" (admission: \$2), an outdoor drama at Boone, nine miles north of here, which depicts the story of Daniel Boone. But of all the "things to see," the Wootens enjoyed most the striking scenery.

At Blowing Rock itself, the Wootens heard the fable of the rock, a jutting outcrop of sandstone with a commanding view. According to the tale, a despairing lover threw himself over the precipice; his remorseful sweetheart pleaded to the Great Spirit for his return, and the would-be suicide popped back on the next gust of wind. In fact, updrafts from the Johns River Gorge below do return light objects tossed over the brink.

The "Holiday Highlands," they (Continued on page seven)

Science Institute Is Now Being Held At College

Students Of Two Carolinas Gather Here

Fifty high school students from the two Carolinas arrived in Boone Sunday to begin a six-week institute in science at Appalachian State Teachers College Monday. Twenty-five students are from the ninth and tenth grades, and twenty-five from the eleventh and twelfth grades.

The young science students will be studying under a program sponsored by the National Science Foundation, a special division of the United States government that is financing the training of science students from high school through Ph.Ds. Appalachian College is one of the institutions participating in the program.

Dr. F. Ray Derrick, of the college faculty and director of the institute here, stated that there is a shortage of scientists in all fields. "The purpose of the institute," Dr. Derrick said, "is to encourage the scientific interest of high ability secondary students by providing opportunities for such students to study and work with experienced scientists."

Besides the faculty selected for the institute, well-known consultants in the science fields will help with the institute. Included are Dr. Henry Oosting of Duke University; Dr. James Starling of Washington and Lee University; Dr. Frank Eller, East Carolina College; Henry Shannon, State Department of Instruction; and Dr. Julian Yoder and Starr N. Stacy, of ASTC. Each of these six men will serve as consultants to the institute for one week.

The Oak Ridge Institute of Nu- (Continued on page two)

Installation Set By Rotary

The Rotary Clubs of Blowing Rock and Boone will hold their annual installation services at the cafeteria of the Boone Elementary School from seven until nine, June 25th.

The principal speaker for the occasion will be Mr. G. W. "Pat" Gilchrist, of Charlotte, who is the District Governor elect for the 767th District of Rotary International.

Mr. Gilchrist will also preside at the official installation services for incoming officers of the two clubs, who are:

Boone: Glenn Wilcox, president; Jack Lawrence, vice-president; Hal Johnson, secretary; John Marsh, treasurer; William Penick, sergeant at arms.

Blowing Rock: Joel McCurry, president; Rathmell Wilson, vice-president; Louis Hodges, secretary-treasurer; Jack Sharpe, sergeant at arms.

The Board of Directors of the Blowing Rock club are W. C. Lentz, Spencer Robbins, R. B. Hardin, and Harry Robbins.

Directors of the Boone club are Alfred Adams, James Marsh, Estel Wagner, and Willis Chester.

Horn Group Asks Members

Memberships for 1959 in the Southern Appalachian Historical Association must be registered by Thursday, June 25, if it is to be recorded in this year's forthcoming edition of the Horn in the West program, according to Mrs. B. W. Stallings. Every interested person is urged to get his membership in by this deadline, Mrs. Stallings said.

Other matters of interest to everyone, Mrs. Stallings noted, is the Open House event planned at the Tetum cabin for Saturday, July 4, at the Horn grounds. Details of this will be announced later.

Dedication ceremonies of the cabin as the first unit in the Daniel Boone Museum of Early American Life will be held August 14.



Last Rites Are Held For Coach Broome

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, for Coach Robert (Bob) William Broome, who died Saturday at Duke Hospital. The rites were conducted at the First Baptist Church in Boone by the Rev. L. H. Hollingsworth. Burial followed in Mt. Lawn Memorial Park.

Mr. Broome, who had been head

first admitted to a hospital in April, following spring football practice.

Coach Broome returned home after treatment at the hospital, but had been readmitted on June 9.

The deceased was a graduate of Appalachian State Teachers College and was a member of the 1937 football team that had the record of being undefeated and unscored on. He held an M. A. degree from the University of North Carolina. He had coached football at Henderson High School and at Rocky Mount.

Coach Broome spent four years in the Air Force, serving as a first lieutenant.

He returned to his alma mater where he was assistant football coach and baseball coach. In 1957 he was appointed head football coach.

Survivors are his widow, Mrs. Leafy Belle Broome; a daughter, Betty, and a son Bobby, of the home; his parents, L. E. Broome of Marion and Mrs. William DeLisle of Greenville, S. C.; a brother, David E. Broome of Morganton; and a sister, Mrs. Virginia Allison of Chevy Chase, Md.



SINGING RECORD—When the 35th annual "Singing on the Mountain" takes place at Grandfather Mountain on June 28, Joe L. Hartley will have established some sort of record for continuous service as head of one of the South's principal annual events. Nearing 88, Hartley founded the popular mountain religious singing convention in 1925 and has been chairman ever since. Top photograph shows view of part of the crowd that attended the "Singing" last year.

Ted Malone To Be Present As Parkway Link Is Dedicated

Cherokee, N. C.—Dedication of the new mountain highway linking up the Blue Ridge Parkway and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in Western North Carolina will take place here June 25 at 3 p.m. World Traveller Ted Malone, author and commentator, will be the featured speaker.

Completion of the new Blue Ridge Parkway link into the Great Smokies marks achievement of a goal toward which building has been going ahead for a quarter century—the link-up of the nation's

two most travelled National Park attractions.

The new link intersects U. S. 19 at Soco Gap, about 35 miles west of Asheville, passes through the Cherokee Indian Reservation, and reaches the North Carolina entrance of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park on U. S. 441 near Cherokee, where the dedication will take place.

There are five tunnels in the 11 miles of new construction which passes through mountains heretofore almost completely inaccessible.

At nearby Cherokee, Bryson City, Waynesville, Sylva and other mountain communities there are ample accommodations for those attending the dedication, as this is one of the most visited summer vacation areas in Eastern America.

The dedication is being sponsored jointly by the Blue Ridge Parkway Association and the North Carolina National Park, Parkway and Forests Development Commission. President Tom Underwood of the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce is chairman of the dedication committee.

Ted Malone will be introduced by John Parris, author of "Roaming the Mountains" and other books about Western North Carolina and now regional editorial representative of the Asheville Citizen-Times.

Elbert Cox, Regional Director of the National Park Service; Superintendent Sam P. Weems of the Blue Ridge Parkway, and Superintendent Fred J. Overly of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park will represent the National Park Service.

Flowers Talks To Optimists

The Optimist Club program last week was conducted by George Flowers, Jr. He gave a talk on the advantages that can be derived from taking pictures.

Mr. Flowers said that probably pictures speak louder than words and that anytime anyone can get a picture in any periodical which has a large distribution, or newspaper, the area benefits greatly from the publicity of just one picture.

Visitors at the meeting were Bert Shrake and "Pete" Storie. These two men have an interest in the boys' work program, and especially in the Pony team project.

The board of directors voted to buy Optimist Club t-shirts and baseball caps for one ball team. Efforts to get cooperation from other sources to equip the other two teams is already under way.

1490 Students Break Records At College

Final registration for the first regular term of the 1959 summer school of Appalachian State Teachers College ended Monday with an enrollment of 1490, "the largest number in the history of the college," says Dr. James E. Stone, director of summer session.

Graduates comprise approximately 550 of the total enrollment. Students just graduated from high school, under-graduates planning to finish in three years, and students

from other colleges enriching their education make up the remaining 940.

Of the number of out-of-state students, Florida leads with 92. Other states include South Carolina, 54; Georgia, 16 and Virginia, 7.

Registration for the first 2-week workshop for teachers in guidance, elementary school science and art education begins Monday, June 22.