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BOONE WEATHER					
1959	High	Low	5 pm prec.	1958	H-L
Sept. 22	67	45	50	79	57
Sept. 23	74	46	65	73	54
Sept. 24	67	48	53	73	53
Sept. 25	69	52	64	79	49
Sept. 26	65	40	55	80	57
Sept. 27	71	38	58	78	58
Sept. 28	74	39	63	62	46

## Wool-Lamb Vote Being Held Here

A number of Watauga County wool and lamb producers have already voted in the market development referendum which is being held during the month of September. M. L. Shepherd, ASC County Office Manager, announced today.

Ballots were mailed to all producers the last of August.

The referendum provides for a vote of whether or not a deduction from the incentive payment on wool and lambs of 1-cent per pound wool and 5-cent per hundredweight for lambs will be made during the years 1960, 1961 and 1962. The American Sheep Producers Council has submitted a new agreement to the Secretary of Agriculture under which these deductions will be made. The purpose of these deductions is to finance the Council's advertising, sales promotion, and related market development activities for lambs and wool. An eligible voter is any individual, corporation, partnership or legal entity which had an interest as owner, or partial owner in one or more sheep six months of age or older for any period of at least 30 days from January 1, 1959, until the day the ballot is cast. Extension of the agreement requires a favorable vote by growers having two-thirds of the volume of production represented in the referendum.

Watauga County is the largest sheep producing county in the State. Incentive payments on wool and lambs produced in the county made during the years of the incentive program are as follows: 1955—wool, \$5,562.47, lambs, \$1,206.81; 1956—wool, \$5,409.71, lambs, \$1,723.87; 1957—wool, \$2,323.41, lambs, \$617.32; 1958—wool, \$8,439.47, lambs, \$1,776.51.

The final day for balloting in the referendum is September 30.

## Howell Given NCEA Position

Mr. John T. Howell, principal of the Appalachian Elementary School, has been named to succeed James M. Storie as a Northeastern District director of the NCEA.

Mr. Storie has moved into another district following his election as Dean of men at Mitchell College, Statesville.

Mr. Howell will serve until the State NCEA convention in March, when the elections are held.



FIRST SCOOP OF DIRT.—Alfred Adams, cashier of the local branch of The Northwestern Bank, uses bulldozer scoop for backdrop as he and Perry Greene, contractor, look over blueprints of new bank building under construction near the Appalachian Theatre. The building is expected to be under roof this fall, and will be finished inside during the winter months, for occupancy in March of next year.

## Construction Is Started On New Home Northwestern Bank

## Wilma Dykeman To Open Public Programs

## Dr. Googe Gets Health Post

Dr. James T. Googe has accepted the position as director of the Alleghany-Ashe-Watauga Health District.

He began his work in this area on August 15 and has been quite busy becoming acquainted with the area and the existing public health program. Dr. Googe and Mrs. Googe are living on Grand Boulevard in Boone. He comes to Watauga with a broad background of public health experience.

## Hodges Wins Grid Contest

Mark W. Hodges, Box 6102, Reynolda Branch, Winston-Salem, is the winner in the first of a series of "Pick the Winner" football contests being conducted by the Watauga Democrat and will receive a check for \$25 from this newspaper.

The score in the Emory and Henry-Appalachian football game was the deciding factor in determining this winner.

A completely new contest is being run in each edition of the paper. Look for this contest and the ones to follow week after week. Everyone is invited to enter and it is completely free except for postage to mail the form to the paper.

## Law Office Being Built

Work is going forward on the Stacy Eggers law office building, being erected on West King Street west of the postoffice, and Mr. Eggers expects to occupy the structure by November 1.

Besides Mr. Eggers law office, the real estate offices of his father Mr. S. C. Eggers will have space in the new structure, which is modernly constructed of brick, and which contains adequate conference room space and other modern conveniences.

## YDC Meeting Set For Friday

A meeting of the Young Democratic Club of Watauga county will be held Friday night Sept. 26 at the Boone Trail Cafe dining room, according to an announcement made today by J. B. Clawson, Jr., President.

Doughton Greene and Jack Williams will speak. All members are asked to attend.

Wilma Dykeman, Southern writer and speaker, will open the 1959-60 public programs series at ASTC on Monday night, Sept. 28, when she gives a talk at eight o'clock in the college auditorium on the topic, "The South: Its



WILMA DYKEMAN

Paradoxes, Problems, and Promise." Miss Dykeman has traveled extensively throughout the Southern states and has written and spoken authoritatively on her topic for Monday night.

Miss Dykeman gained national recognition for her highly readable history of the Frenck Broad in the "Rivers of America" series published by Rinehart. She is also the co-author (with her husband, James H. Stokely, Jr.) of "Neither Black Nor White," a report on the contemporary South.

Miss Dykeman's career began with a degree from Northwestern University, followed by extensive radio and little theatre work. In addition to her books, she has done much newspaper and magazine writing.

At ASTC Miss Dykeman will be introduced by Dean D. J. Whitener, who is like Miss Dykeman a well-known writer on Southern historical subjects.

Season tickets for the public programs series may be obtained by writing to the Public Programs Committee at ASTC, and will also be on sale at the door on the evening of Miss Dykeman's address.

Later numbers on the series will include Lillian Kallir, pianist; the Dance Drama Company with Emily Frankel; the Grass Roots Opera Company in "Carmen"; Players, Inc., in "Macbeth"; and the North Carolina Little Symphony.

Seats for individual numbers will be available at the door for all numbers after students and season ticket holders have been seated. However, persons not holding season tickets run the risk of getting poor seats, or none, in case of large audiences which are likely for some performances, in view of the increased enrollment at the college.

Ship travel to Europe is setting a record.

Ground was broken last week, and construction started on the new building of The Northwestern Bank, which is expected to be occupied around the first of March next year. It will serve as one of the points of operation of the local bank, as the business of the institution is expected to be carried on in both the new building and the one it presently occupies, according to Alfred T. Adams, cashier.

Greene Construction Co., of Boone, is contractor for the building, and O'Caïn & Brackett, of Hendersonville are the architects. Located on King street, near Appalachian Theatre, the building will front on King street 37 feet, and run back toward Howard street 64 feet eight inches. A parking lot, accessible from both Howard and King streets will be located in the rear, and will hold 30 to 35 customer cars, Mr. Adams said.

The building is the result of "growing pains" of the local institution, and all banking services now offered at the old location will be offered at the new building. The same services, except note services, will be continued at the present location.

Mr. Adams said the new building will allow the present personnel to operate more efficiently, and will allow placing more help as the bank grows.

The cashier said, "We appreciate being crowded out of the building we're now in," as he explained reasons for needing a new building. The bank has operated in the same building for 37 years, and has outgrown its quarters.

The vaults in the new building will be built-in in the front of the bank, on the street floor and in the basement. Reason for front location is to allow for expansion "backward" when needed, Mr. Adams said.

Two lobbies will be located in the building, one for note customers, and the other for regular commercial customers. Rental boxes will also be available in the new building as well as the old.

Many customers are expected to continue the habit of doing business at the present building, Mr. Adams said, while others will find it more convenient to bank at the new building.

Offices of the cashier will be in the new building, and the book-keeping department will be maintained at the corner location. A night depository will also be maintained at the new building.

Plans for the Boone expansion were passed on some time ago by directors of The Northwestern Bank, and Mr. Adams was most enthusiastic that work is now being done. He expects the three-story brick and masonry building to be under roof this fall, and the work of finishing the inside will be carried on during the winter months. The parking lot will be paved and should prove convenient for customers.

## CARS WELL SEASONED

Rutland, Va. — "I hate people who own automobiles," said William Hall when he was arrested and charged with smearing mustard and shaving cream on cars parked on downtown streets. He was held for trial on a charge of malicious mischief.

# School Financing Is Cited By Educator

## Teachers Of Area Gather Here Tuesday

The Northwestern District of the North Carolina Education Association held its 37th annual session Tuesday on the campus of Appalachian State Teachers College.

The district, composed of Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes and Yadkin counties includes more than 2,000 teachers, superintendents, principals, supervisors and other school personnel.

In his first speech to a district convention audience as the newly-elected NCEA executive secretary, Dr. A. C. Dawson outlined some of the questions which today face our schools and colleges and asked that proper answers be given.

"Professional educators and publication," he told the 2,000 representatives from the district, "are being challenged on all fronts, perhaps as never before. The 1959 General Assembly raised more questions and attempted to legislate on more school matters than any General Assembly in my memory."

"One of the questions raised by our Governor recently and by others concerned with the adequate financing of education is this: Who's responsibility is it to the State to help support public schools?"

"I should like to give this answer: It is the responsibility of the local, the state, and the Federal government; and this the North Carolina Education has been saying for years. A child is a citizen of each of these three branches or levels of government, and each has a responsibility in his education."

"After all, the local taxpayer, the state taxpayer, and the Federal taxpayer is the same person and thus the money comes from the same pocket."

"I, for one, am quite willing for this taxpayer to decide on which level he had rather pay for his schools—so long as he agrees to pay!"

"We are not going to face up to this all important question of school finance until the top political, civic and business leaders stop 'passing the buck' as to who is responsible."

## H. K. Hayes Rites Held

Funeral services were conducted Monday in the chapel of Greer Funeral Home, Lenoir, for Harold King Hayes of Winter Haven, Florida, formerly of Blowing Rock. Burial was in Bellevue cemetery, Lenoir.

Mr. Hayes, 67, died in Blowing Rock hospital, while on vacation. A son of the late J. Lee Hayes and Rebecca Coffey Hayes, he was reared in Blowing Rock. He was a nephew of the late D. P. Coffey. For a number of years he was in the automobile business in Charlotte. He served as a lieutenant in World War I, and as a major in World War II.

Mr. Hayes is survived by his wife, the former Gay Kenette; a son, Jack K. Hayes of Winter Haven; a brother, Hubert Hayes of Schenectady, N. Y.; and two sisters, Misses Ella and Olena Hayes of Lenoir.

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# Stakias Heads Gifts Group Of United Fund

Nick Stakias, young Boone business man, will head the advance gifts committee of the United Fund campaign organization for the approaching drive, according to an announcement by Jack Williams, general chairman of the 1959-60 campaign.

Mr. Stakias' group will receive the contributions of industrial and business organizations and professional men in advance of the general campaign. They will be-



Two persons were injured in this car when it and a packing house truck collided head-on last Tuesday.

# Eight Persons Are Injured In Series Of Highway Accidents

## H. S. Storie Rites Are Held

Horace Shuford Storie, age 69, died at his home in Boone Monday, following a long illness.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 o'clock at the Boone Baptist Church. Conducting the rites were Rev. John Gibson, Rev. E. F. Troutman and Rev. W. C. Payne. Burial was in Mountlawn Memorial Park.

Mr. Storie was a retired contractor and builder, was a native of Watauga county, and had resided most of his life in Boone. He had been in poor health for a long time and his illness had been considered critical for the past several weeks.

Surviving are four sons and one daughter: Turner, Jack and Hunter Storie, Boone; Burl Storie, Booneville; Mrs. J. F. Powell, Charlotte. There are two brothers, M. C. Storie, Graham, N. C.; J. A. Storie, Blowing Rock, and one sister, Mrs. A. E. Hampton, Blowing Rock. There are 15 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

## Smith Dies In Roanoke

Wm. H. Smith, 63, former resident of Boone, died Friday in a Roanoke, Va., hospital, after an illness of ten days with a heart ailment.

Funeral services and interment were held Sunday in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va. The Smiths resided in Boone for two years, during which time he was Blue Ridge Parkway Engineer. He enlisted in the Navy during the last world war and retired from Naval service as Lieutenant. Since that time the family had resided in Roanoke. They had visited in Boone during the past Labor Day week end.

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WILLIAM EDWIN SHIPLEY

## W. E. Shipley Funeral Friday

William Edwin Shipley, 87, prominent retired farmer and cattleman, died at Watauga Hospital, last Wednesday following a short illness.

Funeral services were held Friday at Henson's Chapel Methodist Church by Rev. Alvin A. Wilson, who was assisted in the rites by Rev. Cyrus Frazier of Mount Holy. Burial was in the Cove Creek cemetery.

Surviving are two sons and four daughters: R. G. Shipley, Vilas; James E. Shipley, Reidsville; Mrs. Thomas A. Belk, Mount Holly; Mrs. Paul Ward, Neva, Tenn.; Mrs. Claud S. Perry, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Foster Bryant, Chatham, Va. There are nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Mr. Shipley was one of the foremost figures in the history of improved livestock production in Watauga county. He was the first man to have introduced registered Hereford cattle into this part of North Carolina, and at the same time was one of the pioneers in establishing thoroughbred flocks of sheep in the county. He took an active interest in all public issues, and was formerly Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee in Watauga County.

## OUCH!

Oklahoma City—Riding his new power mower across his lawn, Owen Watts noticed the clippings were two shades of green. One shade was the color of \$86 that had slipped out of his wallet. Watts has turned over the green ribbons to the Treasury Department in Washington in the hope of getting a refund.

Mechanical harvesting aids being developed promise a faster, lower-cost, bigger harvest of blueberries.

Eight persons were treated at Watauga Hospital during the week as result of three wrecks in the county.

In a wreck late last Tuesday, Harold Dean Miller, Creston, and Jerry Butler of Glen Alpine, were injured when the car in which they occupied collided with a truck on U. S. 421, east of the New River bridge.

According to the report by Patrolman George E. Baker, Miller was traveling east in a car owned by his mother, Mrs. Jewel Robinson Miller, and Charles Matheson Hodges, Route 2, Boone, was traveling west in a meat truck, owned by Yaddin Valley Packing Co., of Elkin. The two vehicles met head-on. The Miller car was knocked 17 feet from point of impact, according to Patrolman Baker's measurements, and the truck traveled 85 feet and turned over on its side. The car was almost a total loss. Extensive damage was done to the truck. Hodges was not injured.

Friday, at 6:30 p. m. a car driven by Paul Dewayne Edmisten, 18, of Beech Creek, went down an embankment after leaving the road near Willowdale Baptist Church, on U. S. 421, injuring the driver and his four passengers.

The patrolman's report on this accident showed that Edmisten passed a car and had cut back into his lane of traffic. He lost control when his wheels hit the right shoulder, went to the left shoulder and then back to the right, where it left the shoulder and went down the embankment. Sometime during this the car apparently "changed ends" and turned over, and then uprighted itself on its wheels.

The car traveled 537 feet from where it first left the highway knocking down two mailboxes, and a clothes line post. The car was considered a total loss.

The driver, son of Carlton Paul Edmisten of Beech Creek, received lacerations and a shoulder injury. Lane Edmisten, 18, Beech Creek, suffered bruises on an arm and shoulder; Billy Harmon, 17, of Reese, had lacerations; Billy Cornett, 18 Sugar Grove, suffered multiple abrasions; and Darrell Farthing, 18, suffered bruises and abrasions.

The driver was charged by Patrolman Baker with exceeding a safe speed limit.

Mack D. Ward, 33, Route 1, Zionville, suffered a broken collar bone Saturday, when he lost control of his Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Details of the accident showed that Ward applied his brakes to avoid hitting a car driven by Mrs. Marjorie Baird Henson, of Sherwood, which was pulling out of a driveway, near Cove Creek School, on U. S. 421. He lost control of the machine and wrecked. No charges were filed in the accident.

IN THE CLOUDS.—C. E. Gilbert, Atlanta, Ga., shinies up Boone Post Office flagpole, as he prepares it for painting. Gilbert has contract for painting flagpoles on all federal buildings in North and South Carolina, and was in Boone last week giving the local pole painting.—Staff photo.