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BOONE WEATHER					
1960	High	Low	6 pm	prec.	1959-H-L
Jan. 25	56	33	43		37-50
Jan. 27	43	35	40		34-33
Jan. 28	51	32	46	.36	43-33
Jan. 29	49	30	41	tr.	60-30
Jan. 30	41	35	35	.67	49-42
Jan. 31	44	34	41	.89	47-32
Feb. 1	56	34	46	.20	39-27
Total precipitation—1.78 in.					



DIMES DANCE.—March of Dimes supporters are seen dancing to the music of the Robinette Combo Saturday night, in the Boone Elementary School Gymnasium. An added attraction of the event

was a cake walk and auction. Jim Hendrix, Boone, won the door prize of a movie camera. Approximately a hundred dollars was added to the campaign through the dance.—Photo Flowers Photo Shop.

Fidler Is New Principal

Carl Fidler has been elected principal of the Cove Creek High School to replace John Bingham, who has resigned in order to enter Wake Forest College Law School. His resignation is effective as of today. Mr. Bingham had been basketball coach and teacher from 1950 to 1955 and had the outstanding record of having won 79 consecutive games, which is believed to be a State record. His team went to the State finals in 1955. He received his Master's degree from Appalachian State Teachers College and has been at Cove Creek High as principal since 1955. Mr. Fidler received his BS and MA degrees from Appalachian State Teachers College and had been principal at Cove Creek elementary since 1955. He has also taught at Cove Creek High School. Mr. Fidler's former position as principal of the Cove Creek Elementary School will be filled during the coming week, according to W. Guy Angell, superintendent of the Watauga County Schools. Mr. Angell in commenting on the change at Cove Creek stated that it is the policy of the Board of Education to promote teachers and principals to larger schools within the organization whenever possible. He said both Mr. Bingham and Mr. Fidler have outstanding school records.

Greene Child Dies Sunday

Anna Marie Greene, four years old, Nation's Ford Road, Charlotte, died at 1 a. m. Sunday in a hospital in Charlotte, after an illness of six days. Born in Blowing Rock, N. C. October 19, 1955, her parents are William S. and Mary Anne Tate Greene. She was a member of Saint Ann's Catholic Church. In addition to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William S. Greene, Jr. she is survived by a brother, William S. Greene III of the home, the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Lloyd M. Tate, Sr., of Pinehurst and Blowing Rock, and her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William S. Greene of Charlotte. The funeral was held at 11 a. m. Wednesday at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pinehurst, N. C. Interment was in the Mount Hope cemetery, Southern Pines, N. C.

C. L. Trivette Funeral Held

Funeral services for Charles Lee Trivette, age 74, of Hickory, former resident of Todd, were held Wednesday in Hickory. Mr. Trivette had been in declining health for about one year, but death was unexpected. Interment was in Catawba Memorial Cemetery. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Carrie McGuire Trivette, four sons and four daughters: Clifford Trivette, Idaho; Fred Trivette, Hickory; Howard Trivette, Hickory; Willard Trivette, Boone; Miss Hazel Trivette, Mrs. Freda Crowder, Hickory; Mrs. Edith Childers, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Juanita Salmon, Richmond, Calif. A sister, Mrs. Ruth Greer of Boone, survives. There are three brothers.

Preliminary Plans Made For Garden On Horn In West Lands

Preliminary designs for a native plant collection to be planted by the North Carolina State Garden Club on a five-acre plot of land adjoining "Horn in the West," are ready, according to Mrs. B. W. Stallings of Boone, director of District II of the State Garden Club. An architect's drawing for the garden has been submitted to the planning committee of the State Garden Club.

Savings & Loan Assn. Reports Banner Year

The stockholders of the Watauga Savings and Loan Association met last Friday to hear glowing reports of the growth of the Association and re-elected the Board of Directors for another year. C. M. Critcher, H. G. Farthing, W. H. Gragg, Walter Greene, H. P. Holshouser, Guy W. Hunt, Howard Mast, Dr. W. M. Matheson and R. C. Rivers are the directors. The directors in session Saturday evening elected H. G. Farthing president, R. C. Rivers, vice-president and W. H. Gragg, secretary-treasurer. President Farthing presided at the meeting, and Secretary Gragg

Teen Dance On Saturday

The teenage March of Dimes dance will be held in the Appalachian High School gymnasium Saturday evening February 6th at 8 o'clock. Music will be supplied by Bob Winkler and the Dixieland Comets and recordings. High school students are invited, there will be round and square dancing and proceeds from an admission charge of 20 cents single, and 35 cents per couple will go to the March of Dimes. Students serving on the various committees to plan and organize: Marjorie Reynolds, Rachel Rivers, Jane Hodges, Margaret Rose Brown, Judy Greene, Jilda Creed, John Lett, Paul Bartlett, Raymond Smith, John Ralph Buchanan, Margaret Lynn Hagaman, Barbara Matheson, Donna Gilley, George Vilegas, Pat Winkler, Sandy Deal, and David Dougherty.

Budget Of \$48,500 Is Approved For 1960 Staging Of Horn In West

A budget of \$48,500 was approved for operation of Horn in the West during the 1960 season. The approval was by the Executive Committee of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association, at a meeting Monday night. The budget adopted was \$4,000 less than the one on which the drama operated last year. The 1959 budget was \$32,500. Herman W. Wilcox, executive vice-president, had this to say following the meeting: "All that re-

made the following report: "Dividends totaling \$163,726.17 were paid out by the Watauga Savings and Loan Association last year. This is the biggest dividend ever before paid by this association. A 3 1/2 percent dividend was paid the first six months period ending June 30 while a 4 percent dividend was paid the last six months period ending December 31. A 4 percent dividend is anticipated for 1960. "Total earnings for 1959 were \$282,927.05. Dividends paid accounted for \$163,726.17, operating expenses were \$61,091.19, and \$58,109.69 was allocated to reserves. The Federal Insurance Reserve now amounts to \$113,000 and the Contingent Reserve \$275,951.84. Our total reserves amount to \$403,754.42. "The association's assets as of December 31, 1959 totaled \$5,426,815.00, as compared with \$738,785.88 at the close of business December 31, 1949—10 years ago. This is a net growth in ten years of \$4,688,029.32. Our net growth for the year 1959 was \$807,957.68. "During this ten year period savings increased from \$682,380.47 to \$5,021,641.09—a net increase of \$4,339,260.62. At the close of business December 31, 1949 the association had 788 investors. At the close of business December 31, 1959 the association had 3052 investors. This represents a net growth in savings customers of 2264 in the last decade. Our average savings account amounts to \$1644.20. "Our first mortgage loans during this same period increased from \$678,234.93 to \$4,771,018.21—a net increase of \$4,092,783.28. At the close of business December 31, 1949 the association had 368 loan customers. At the close of business December 31, 1959 the association had 1238 loan customers. This represents a net increase of 868 customers in the ten years. Our average loan amounts to \$3,860.05."

In addition to the plant collection, interesting relics will be placed in the Gardens. A log cabin, authentically reconstructed, which originally belonged to the descendants of Jessie Boone, has been brought from its location near Grandmother Mountain and now sits near the parking lot of "Horn in the West," on the State Garden Club property. The cabin, which was donated by Miss Nancy Byers of Avery County, has a stick chimney and is daubed with mud. There is to be a rock garden of natural outcroppings, a wild flower garden, a waterfall, a Dry Rock Wall Garden and a Wishing Well. The main line will be a grassed alley some 20 feet wide, from which paths will lead to the various small gardens.

Daniel Boone Gardens is being planned under the supervision of Mrs. J. A. A. Daughtridge of Rocky Mount, president of the North Carolina State Garden Club, and her botanical gardens committee. Members of the State Committee are Mrs. F. W. Deaton of Hickory, Mrs. Frank Tomlinson of North Wilkesboro, Mrs. B. W. Stallings of Boone, Mrs. John Mackey of Morganton, Miss LowElva Eller of Waynesville, and representatives of the various districts.

planning committee of the State Garden Club. A name for the project has been selected and the collection will be called the Daniel Boone Gardens. It will be a botanical garden of native plant material, including herbs, wild flowers, shrubs and trees. Designed by Dean R. Odgen, landscape architect of Asheville, the plants will be labeled under the supervision of the botany department of Appalachian State Teachers College. Odgen, owner of a 10-acre garden of wild flowers, plants and woods overlooking Kenilworth Lake in Asheville, is experienced in wild flower garden designing. The five acres (perhaps six) will be part wooded and part open. Walks, curving through the wild flower plants and trees from the entrance, will be of flagstone and ground stone, with arbors of Clematis placed at intervals along the walk.

"MADE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION"

Dr. Whitener Resigns As Member Board Education

Was Named To State Board Of History

Dr. D. J. Whitener, Dean at Appalachian State Teachers College, has resigned his position as a member of the Watauga County Board of Education, where he had served for four and a half years. In his letter of resignation, Dr. Whitener told Dr. Charles Davant, chairman of the board, that he had been appointed by Governor Hodges to the Executive Board of the North Carolina Department of Archives and History, and that he would not be permitted to continue on both boards. In announcing the resignation of Dr. Whitener, Superintendent of Schools, W. Guy Angell states that the vacancy will be filled by the Democratic Executive Committee within the next thirty days. Dr. Whitener's term runs to April 1961. In his letter of resignation Dr. Whitener comments: "Watauga County Schools during the past five years have continued to make remarkable progress. This has been due in part to the foundations laid previously, the highly efficient and professional leadership and service of Superintendent Guy W. Angell, principals, committeemen, and teachers of the various schools. And it is in no small part due to the public spirited, and competent services of my former colleagues on the board, Mr. H. W. Mast, Jr., and Dr. Charles Davant, Jr., Chairman. "With such fine leadership and services and the active interest of the people throughout the county, the growth and betterment of our schools is assured. I shall continue as a close friend of public schools in Watauga County and a staunch supporter of Superintendent Angell, Mr. Mast, and Dr. Davant as they continue to lead the forces of education for our fine boys and girls to ever greater heights in the future. "I am proud to have had the honor and opportunity of serving on the Watauga County Board of Education."

In accepting Dr. Whitener's resignation, Dr. Davant said, in part: "Those of us who have had the privilege of working with you during the past four and one-half years fully realize the valuable contributions you have made in serving as a member of this board. We have always valued your sincere analysis of our educational problems, and we shall miss your help and advice which you have given so freely. "Speaking on behalf of Mr. Mast, Mr. Angell, and myself, it has been a keen source of pleasure for us to be associated with you and to have had the opportunity to use your guidance and leadership in the organization and administration of our county school program. "Even though you will no longer be formally associated with us, we shall continue to seek your advice and support as we work for better schools in this county."

Watson is Chairman Watauga GOP Group

B. H. Watson of Boone was elected chairman of the Watauga County Republican Executive Committee at the county convention held Saturday afternoon, succeeding S. C. Eggers. Mr. Eggers, veteran Republican leader, who had served four years as chairman, retired from the top committee post without allowing his name to be considered for reelection. Mrs. Clyde R. Greene was named vice-chairman, and O. J. Coffey of Blowing Rock, secretary. Mr. Watson was chairman of the convention and John Hollar acted as temporary secretary. It was voted that all those present and willing to serve, be named delegates to the ninth district convention in Lenoir February 20th and to the State convention in Raleigh February 27th. Stacy Eggers, incumbent, Kenneth Linney and Earl Cook were endorsed for membership on the County Board of Elections. One will be selected from the group. Chairman Watson spoke briefly, urging the local Republicans to work together in harmony, without dissension. Other leaders spoke briefly.

Baker Seizes Vodka Cargo

Forty pints of whiskey and 24 pints of vodka were confiscated Wednesday, when Patrolman George E. Baker stopped a car for investigation near the town limits on U. S. 321. According to Mr. Baker's report, Robert Franklin Hall, 51, 505 East Howard Street, Boone, was approaching Boone in a 1959 Ford with his wife, when the car was stopped. The liquor here the store of a Catawba county ABC store and was in the trunk of the car. Patrolman Baker charged Hall with transporting tax-paid liquor for purpose of sale. Hall posted bond for himself and the car, and was released for court action.

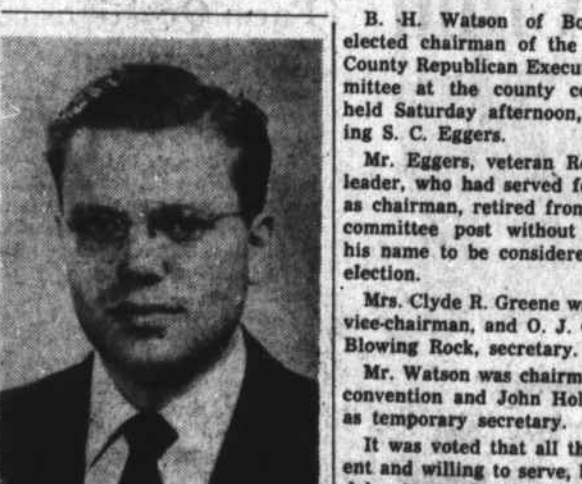


MOST IMPROVED.—R. E. Agle, left, of Boone, congratulates Carl Messere, center on the Mountaineer football squad, before presenting him with the "Most Improved" player's award, at the annual Football Banquet Thursday night.—Photo Flowers Photo Shop.

Watauga Scouts Will Observe Golden Jubilee Of Scouting

Watauga County Scouts will be celebrating the Golden Jubilee of Scouting in America during the week of February 7-13. All scouts in the United States will be celebrating the anniversary of Scouting in this country. B. W. Stallings, district chairman, said many interesting events have been planned for the week, and that the Scouts will be seen in the county demonstrating various phases of their program. Watauga County has six active troops of Scouts, according to Mr. Stallings, and three Cub Packs. They will begin the celebration Sunday by attending their own church in uniform, and sitting with their parents. Some of the churches will have a special recognition for them. Other activities of the week include: Monday, the Appalachian Theater and management have invited all Scouts to see L'il Abner, based on famous comic strip. Fun and music at the 7 o'clock show. Registration Card will get you in. Tuesday, Home Day. The Scouts will do something special for his parents and his home. Wednesday, Sponsors Day. "Do a good turn for your sponsoring institution" day. Thursday, Recognition Day. This will be the highlight of the week. For one hour, beginning at 7 o'clock at Boone Baptist Church, this special program has been arranged. Invocation by Rev. Hughes. Welcome by Dr. W. E. Fulmer. Charter awards by F. E. Arnt, Advancements awards by Dr. Ray Derrick. Recognizing the Cubs, Scouts, leaders, committeemen and District Committee by B. W. Stallings. Every registered Scout and Scouter in Watauga County is urged to attend. Friday, The Athletic Council of Appalachian High School has invited all Scouts and leaders as their guests for the East Wilkes and Appalachian basketball game. Scouts are to sit in a body. Your Registration card will serve as your pass to the game. Saturday, Activities Day. Every pack and troop in the County will take part in Scout exhibits and demonstration of fun, excitement and adventure.

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JOHN T. KING

John King Is Honored

John T. King has been named Wadesboro's Young Man of the Year for 1959. Announcement of his selection was made this week at an awards banquet of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. King, an insurance adjuster, was cited for his work in a \$7,600 fund-raising drive to help pay the salary of a full-time industry recruiter for Anson County. Mr. King, a son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Robert R. King of Boone, is married to Miss Juanita Norris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Norris of Boone. They have three children, Martha, John and Bobby.

Penick Is New Rotary Prexy

At the regular meeting on Thursday, January 28 the Boone Rotary Club elected officers for the coming year. They are elected by ballot of the entire club membership. They are as follows: President, Earl Penick; vice-president, Phil Vance, Jr.; secretary, Eric DeGroot. Board of Directors elected are Earl Penick, Eric DeGroot, Phil Vance, Jr., Dr. Wayne Richardson, Hal Johnson, and Jack Groce. These officers will be installed in the late spring. This early election makes possible for incoming officers to attend instructional district meetings prior to actually taking office.

George Shook Dies On 24th

Mr. George W. Shook of Pineola, N. C. died at the Veterans' Hospital in Winston-Salem January 24. He was 79 years old and had been ill four years. Funeral services were held at the Pineola Presbyterian Church on January 26, and he was buried in the Pineola cemetery. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Missouri Shook, three brothers and one sister.