

BOONE WEATHER				
1960	High	Low	6 pm precip.	1939-1951
Mar. 8	27	9	.00	50
Mar. 9	24	13	.30	45
Mar. 10	39	13	.23	47
Mar. 11	28	14	.05	43
Mar. 12	28	12	.17	41
Mar. 13	25	10	.04	60
Mar. 14	33	8	.32	54
Total precipitation 1.54 in.; snow 22 1/2 in.				

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The first helicopter comes in to Boone to land on the heliport at Appalachian State Teachers College Sunday. 'Copters worked out from this base in the airlift operations to get food, coal, medicine, and hay to isolated places in the county.

## WATAUGA IN DISASTER AREA

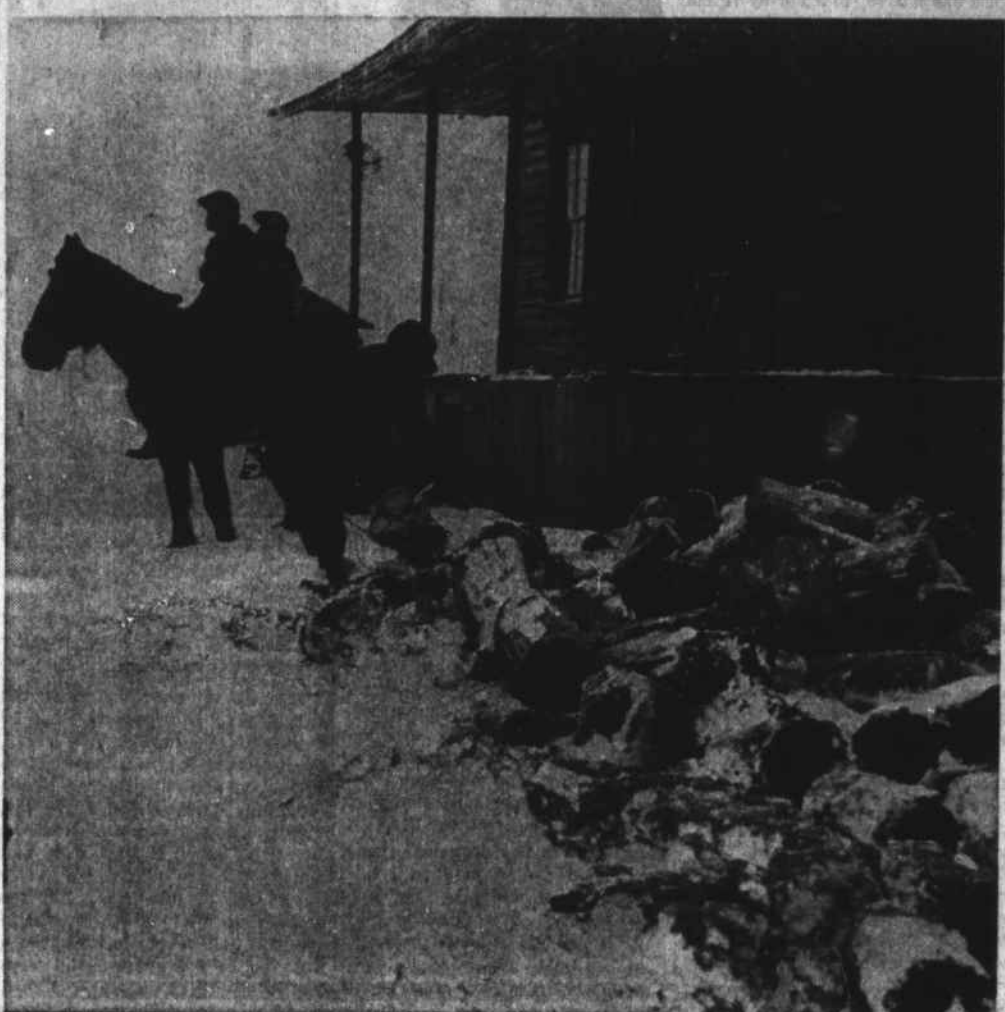
# Red Cross, Guard Units Act To Aid Snow Victims

### Gov. Hodges On Personal Visit To Area

By JOE MINOR  
The American Red Cross went into action in Boone Thursday afternoon after Governor Hodges had declared the four-county area of Watauga, Ashe, Avery, and Alleghany a disaster area because of the heavy snow.

Word came from the regional office in Atlanta to set up headquarters in Boone from which to operate in the county, and the local Red Cross chapter started its work of aiding families suffering in the biggest snow fall in years.

Conrad Yates, Watauga county chapter chairman, and R. W. Watkins, disaster chairman, set up headquarters in Parkway Hardware store, and the work of aiding more than 700 families was carried on from there.



GOOD TURN.—Don Johnson does his good deed of the day when he saws up logs for Miss Carrie Isaacs, of Isaacs Branch, in the snow Saturday. Fuel was low over the county, but Miss Isaacs was able to stay warm. The horse and the boys helped snake the logs in from the hillside. The boys are Gary Bunting and Mike Isaacs.

### IMPACT OF PAYROLL DRAMATIZED

## Shadowline Employees Get Pay In 900 Pounds Of Silver Dollars

Fourteen thousand "hog dollars" were turned loose in Watauga County Friday when Shadowline, Inc., made its payroll. The silver dollars were of the 1922 vintage, fresh from the mint in Philadelphia, and had been brought to Boone for the purpose of promoting the third expansion program at the garment factory.

The silver dollars, weighing approximately 900 pounds, were counted into money bags for each employee and the bags were tagged with the employee's name. The bags, to be kept as souvenirs by the workers, were printed with the wording, "Shadowline Pay Day, March 11, 1960; Commemorating the Third Building Expansion; Watauga Industries, Inc., Boone, N. C."



Miss Kay Campbell and Miss Ann Dancy count their dollars at Shadowline, Inc., after being paid with the silver which was used to commemorate the third expansion program of their company in Boone. Board of directors of Watauga Industries watch as the operation takes place. They are, left to right, Watt Gragg, Dempsey Wilcox, Jerry Coe, Glenn Andrews, Alfred Adams, R. D. Hodges, Jr., and Willis Chester.

The money was brought to Lenoir by train, and to Boone by car by Alfred Adams, Northwestern Bank cashier, and Hal Johnson, manager of the Boone plant. It was counted out at the bank, loaded on two wheelbarrows, and hauled by station wagon to the plant.

Directors of Watauga Industries, Inc., owners of the building occupied by Shadowline, were on hand Friday to see how the payroll was handled. Included were Glenn Andrews, Dempsey Wilcox, Jerry Coe, Alfred Adams, Watt Gragg, Willis Chester, and R. D. Hodges, Jr.

Mr. Andrews said at the plant that Watauga Industries "seems now to have the proper arrangements to acquire real estate for this (the third) expansion and future expansion."

"The board of directors," he continued, "is very well pleased with the way Shadowline has helped the county, and operated since coming here." Interest in purchase of stock, Mr. Andrews said, is high, and he urged those who intend to purchase stock to contact officers of the Watauga Industries now.

"We plan to proceed with the construction as soon as the weather breaks and lets us get going," Mr. Andrews said.

The third drive to sell stock in Watauga Industries got under way the first of the month. The corporation was formed three years ago and the original building was constructed and immediately occupied by Shadowline. Last year the plant expanded and is now employing approximately 200 persons, most of whom are from this county. The expansion program now underway will provide work for at least a hundred more

## George Trivett Dies When Pinned Against Building By Coal Truck

George Trivett, 52, Appalachian State Teachers College employee, was almost instantly killed last Thursday when a truck loaded with coal, which he was guiding into unloading position, pinned him against a masonry wall of a dormitory.

Information was that the truck, driven by Ralph Cox, 38, of Boone, was being positioned at Justice Hall, College residence hall for men. Trivett was said to have been "guiding" the truck, or rather calling to Cox as to the remaining distance, from his position to the rear of the truck. Coroner Richard Kelly says that when Cox sought to stop the heavily loaded vehicle it slipped on the snow and ice with the fatal result.

Cox was placed under bond and was released at the Coroner's inquest held by Mr. Kelly. The ruling was that Mr. Trivett met

death from an "unavoidable accident."

Mr. Trivett, who was reared at Rominger had lived in Boone for many years where he was a janitor at the College.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2 o'clock at Antioch Baptist Church, by Rev. Carl Wilson and Rev. W. C. Payne and burial was in Mountlawn Memorial Park, Boone.

Surviving are the widow, three sons and three daughters: Millard M. Trivett, Army, Germany; William W. Trivett, State College student, Raleigh; George C. Trivett, Boone; Mrs. Wilma Jean Greene, Mrs. Geraldine Ward, and Miss Ave E. Trivett of Boone. There are four brothers and two sisters: Rev. Victor Trivett, Concord; Conley Trivett, Lexington; Raymond Trivett, Boone; Earl Trivett, Rominger; Mrs. Floy Warren, Sugar Grove; Mrs. Ruby

Presnell, Boone. The father, Mr. M. P. Trivett of Boone, also survives.

**PAPERS SOLD OUT!**  
The Democrat sold out of newspapers last week, and no copies were available on any of the newsstands long before this issue went to press. We're sorry, because we understand the snow pictures caused many to buy and mail copies to friends and relatives. One postoffice employee said he believed more copies had been mailed by individuals than he could remember before.

This week we again have a variety of snow pictures and will attempt to print enough to go around. However, we urge those wanting extra copies to get them early, as we have no way of knowing the demand in advance, and would not want you to be disappointed.

The National Guard, with men from Headquarters Co., 2nd Battle Group, Hickory, and 2nd Rifle Platoon, Co. C., Boone, were under the command of Col. Warren R. Krueger. About 65 men worked during the crisis, 20 or more coming from Hickory, and 45 coming from Boone.

The rifle company rotated duties among the 45 men, with 15 being on duty each day. Sgt. Dale Brewer commands the local Guard unit.

The Guardsmen performed every duty needed in the rescue operations. They took the orders as issued by the Red Cross and got the supplies to the homes. They bagged the coal, delivered it, along with other orders.

Sgt. FC Jack E. Huffman and Ralph H. Willis worked tirelessly keeping the trucks on the move. No job was too big or too dirty. Without their help many families would still be snow-bound.

Sunday Governor Hodges touched down briefly at the heliport, and conferred with Mr. Watkins and other disaster workers. He praised them for their efforts and encouraged them to carry on.

National Guardsmen, called into service because of the storm, from Boone and Hickory, coordinated their efforts with the Red Cross. Guard personnel, along with volunteers from the town and college, took over the task of getting the food, fuel, medicine, clothing, and other supplies to the suffering families.

Civil Defense, under Dr. Dr. R. H. Harmon, offered its services to the Red Cross, and Tuesday a survey was being made over the area by that group to see if there was need for any help. Director Harmon instructed the Welfare Department to refer any medical cases they knew of to Civil Defense headquarters at his office, and said doctor or hospital care would be provided.

At times, twelve or more army vehicles were in the county, being (Continued on page seven)

### EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT IS USED

## All Watauga's Paved Roads Are Open; Some Others Blocked

All the principal highways in Watauga county are open for travel, according to advices from the State Highway Commission.

As a matter of fact the main arteries have never been closed during the snowfall, more than an occasional few hours at a time.

All the paved county roads had been opened as of the first of the week, it is stated and work is going forward on the opening of all the gravel and dirt roads. On Monday it was estimated that about ten per cent of these roads remain blocked.

During the emergency the State Highway Commission has rushed equipment here from all over the State and the last of this machinery was to have arrived the first of the week, to make all that can be used at this time.

There are about two hundred pieces of snow-moving equipment in this highway area. Equipment transferred from other highway divisions and private equipment rented and used in Watauga county during the emergency consists of seven motor graders, eleven bulldozers and nine front-end loaders.

While the last of the dirt roads will soon be opened, the clean-up operations will continue for some time, highway officials stated.

Mr. James Council of Boone, highway engineer, says that everything possible has been and is being done to relieve the emergency. Highway Engineer Paul DuPre of Raleigh has been sent to Boone to aid in the work, and Chief Engineer Cameron W. Lee was here the first of the week inspecting the damages. He was accompanied by Sam Beard, public relations director with the Highway Commission.

Other snow pictures on page 4, section B.

### Roy Brown Rites Held

Roy Steadman Brown, 58, Vilas RFD 1, died at Watauga Hospital Saturday night after a short illness.

Mr. Brown had been returned to Boone from the Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, where he was taken when his illness developed.

He was a Boone merchant for a number of years, had owned and operated a cafe at Vilas, and lately had been employed at the City Market in Boone.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock Monday at the Brushy Fork Baptist Church. Rev. Ed Crump and Rev. Victor Trivette officiated and burial was in Mountlawn cemetery in Boone.

Surviving are the mother, Mrs. Sarah Brown of Boone; the widow, Mrs. Naomi Brown; two daughters, Miss Lennis Brown of Vilas and Mrs. Lynn Isaacs of Vilas; four brothers, Stewart and (Continued on page seven)

### James West Dies Monday

James West, 53, Boone, died Monday a few minutes after being admitted to Watauga Hospital. He had been ill since November.

He had been employed by the town of Boone for 14 years, and for four years had been employed by the Ready-Mix Co. here. He had been a part-time salesman for roofing and shoes.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Myrtle Ferguson West; a son, James West, Jr., U. S. Army, Fort Bliss, Texas; Mrs. Beatrice Whittington, Boone; Jeannette, Velma, and Barbara Ann West of the home.

Funeral services are to be held at the Mennonite Baptist Church in Boone, but the details are incomplete as of Tuesday afternoon.

### Mrs. Lookabill Funeral Held

Mrs. Dorothy Lee Lookabill, 54, of Zionville, died Friday in Watauga Hospital.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2 o'clock at the Zionville Baptist Church, and burial was in the church cemetery. Rev. Paul Phipps, Rev. R. C. Eggers, and Rev. E. F. Troutman were in charge.

Surviving are two sons, John H. Lookabill, Rock Hill, S. C.; Robert F. Lookabill, Cleveland, Ohio; two daughters, Mrs. A. R. May, Trade, Tenn.; Mrs. Boyd Garland, The Dalles, Oregon; and eleven grandchildren.

## Says 22 1/2 Inches Snow Fell Here Last Week

The weather took a backseat to the news it produced this week. But in case someone wants to know how Weather Observer Joe Minor recorded the facts for the U. S. Weather Bureau, here they are:

On Tuesday morning, two inches of snow was reported; Wednesday 4 1/2 inches; Thursday 12 inches; Friday a half inch; Saturday 2 1/2; and Sunday one inch.

This all amounted to 22 1/2 inches of snow, or 1.54 inches of precipitation.

The snow fell on the previously

reported snow, and added up to nearly 70 inches. A water content check made Monday morning revealed that six inches of water lay on the ground. The thawing Monday and Tuesday reduced this amount some but no check had been taken to determine how much.

The temperatures remained cold with a low reading of 8 Monday night and a high of 39 the same day. Except for Monday and Sunday the mercury did not rise to freezing any day during the week.