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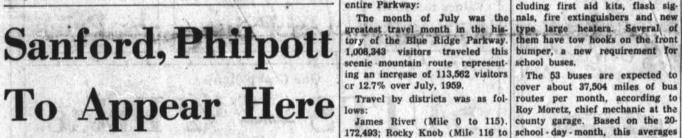
NEW BUSES.—Four of the County Garage crew who keep up the | buses the county receives this year. Left to right they are Clyde Test-Watauga county vehicles pose beside four of the twelve new school | er, Grant Cook, Robert Hagaman and Roy Moretz.—Staff photo.

## County Schools Get New Buses

## **Travel On Bluff District Of** Blue Ridge Parkway Is Record Angell said. This makes

Travel on the Bluff District of ceived heavy usage especially the fall of 4.80 inches the Blue Ridge Parkway reached | camp and picnic areas. a new high for July, with 208,229 The weather for July was ge

visitors, an increase of 4.4% over erally fair with warm days and cool last July. All the recreational areas nights. Thunder showers occured along the Bluff District have re- on eleven days with a total rain-



Terry Sanford, Democratic minee for Governor and Cloyd Philpott. Democratic nominee for Blowing Rock Lieutenant Governor, will be the principal speakers at a Watauga county Democratic dinner rally at School Notes the Appalachian Elementary



weather station.

Following is a report from the office of Sam P. Weems, Superintendent of the Blue Ridge Parkway, concerning travel along the entire Parkway:

scenic mountain route represent school buses. ing an increase of 113,562 visitors The 53 bus cr 12.7% over July, 1959.

Travel by districts was as fol-James River (Mile 0 to 115). 172,493; Rocky Knob (Mile 116 to 217), 187,582; Bluffs (Mile 218 to 305), 206,229; Asheville (Mile 306 to 469), 442,039.

Percentage - wise, James River showed the greatest increase-29.7%, with Asheville, Rocky Knob and Bluffs following in the order Since some misunderstanding named. July was the first month

Watauga County Public Schools free prizes, talent shows, bike and have received eleven of the twelve tractor rodeos, pet show, flower new school buses allotted this county, according to W. Guy Angell, county superintendent. Seven had arrived last week, and four more were to be delivered Tuesday. The other bus is expected soon, Mr.

This makes the bus fleet of 53 almost half new since last year, occording to the superintendent. he Bluff Nearly 50% of the buses, which included several rebuilt bodies,

> have been replaced this year and last year, he said. All have modern equipment, in-

cluding first aid kits, flash sig-

The 53 buses are expected to routes per month, according to

for driving these buses, Mr. Moretz said.

The mechanics at the garage

show are all expected to be crowd ed into the two days of showing Watauga county progress. The full schedule of events, a announced by Mr. Arndt and his committees follows: Thursday-1:00 p. m.-Official opening by Mr. Arndt and Alfred

**Events Given** 

**By Committee** 

The big, two-day Watauga Day event was all set to open today at 1:00 p. m., and Gene Arndt, gen eral chairman, said the many exhibits and activities have been

planned to furnish entertainment for all. Held in the Mountain Burley Warehouse near the bus station, Watauga Day is this year's

version of the annual Progress Days event which has been staged

Exhibits by commercial firms, educational exhibits, handicraft,

here for several years.

Adams 1:15 p. m.-Pet show, presided over by Mary Ann Tate. 2:45 p. m .- Drawing for door

3:00 p. m.-Tractor rodeo, headed by Howard Edmisten.

Richardson. 8:00 p. m.-Drawing for door prize.

Friday-10:00 a. m.-Exhibit cover about 37,504 miles of bus hall opens, and bike rodeo, sponsored by Optimist club will be staged under direction of David Roy Moretz, chief mechanic at the county garage. Based on the 20. Spainhour.

school - day - month, this averages 1:00 p. m .- Flower show, spor 1,875 miles per day the fleet will sored by Rural Develop travel during the school year. All Homemaking committee, Mrs. R drivers have been certified by Joe H. Harmon, chairman.

2:00 p. m .- Second talent show Ware, driver improvement repreunder Mr. Richardson's direction. sentative, and are well qualified 2:45 p. m .- Drawing for door

3:00 p. m.-Crafters at work





HUCKLEBERRIES are ripe on Grandfather Mountain, where 15-year-old Jane Smart of Memphis, Tenn., has been selected "1960 Huckleberry Queen." She is the daughter of Mrs. Jane Smith who has a summer home in Linville.—Hugh Morton photo.

7:00 p. m .- Talent show, W. C