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BOONE WEATHER					1961	1960	H.L.
High	Low	6 pm	prec.	tr.			
May 16	65	55	30		76	50	
May 17	73	49	64		74	50	
May 18	64	53	37		79	51	
May 19	68	56	58	.15	77	63	
May 20	70	58	60		79	50	
May 21	65	52	00		81	55	
May 22	66	41	60		77	51	
Total Rainfall					15 inch.		

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3 Injured In Series Accidents

A rash of vehicle accidents over the week end in the county sent three persons to the hospital, and caused considerable property damage.

Bud Mast, driver of a laundry truck which overturned between Boone and Blowing Rock Saturday afternoon, was believed to have received the most serious injuries. According to the report, the truck ran off the right side of the road onto the shoulder and then back to the left side where it overturned, pinning the driver in the wreckage. Mast was still in the hospital Tuesday.

Mrs. Bynum Oaks, of Zionville, and a daughter were admitted to Watauga Hospital following an accident near their home on U. S. Highway 421 Friday night. The station wagon she was driving turned over on its top in a creek bed on the right side of the road when she lost control of it. Her husband, who was a passenger, was not injured.

A parked car was hit by a vehicle driven by Sam Horton of Sugar Grove, in downtown Boone Friday night about 11:50 o'clock. According to Investigating Officer Bob Thomas, Horton was driving west on King Street, just below the funeral home. His car hit a parked car belonging to W. R. Love of Richfield, doing considerable damage to both vehicles. No one was in the parked car, and no one was injured.

A car, driven by Mrs. Betty Younce of Toledo, Ohio, which was traveling east about the time of the accident, swerved to dodge the wrecked cars, and ran into a stump between the street and sidewalk.

On Sunday morning at about 9:30 o'clock, a car driven by Bonny Joe Wheeler, 22, of Triplett and one driven by Earl Eugene Hartley, 35, of Hudson, ran head-on into each other on the Elk road, eight miles east of Boone. No one was reported injured in this accident, but damage to the Wheeler vehicle was estimated at \$200 and to the Hartley car at \$250. State Patrolman W. D. Teem charged Wheeler with driving on the wrong side of the road.

Graduates At Ky. Seminary



TOM STANBERY

Tom Stanbery of Boone, is included among the 137 graduates in the May class of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Dr. John Soren, president of the Baptist World Alliance, and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Rio de Janeiro, delivered the baccalaureate sermon Thursday night. Dr. Duke K. McCall, president of the seminary, conferred the degrees Friday morning.

Mr. Stanbery is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Grant Stanbery, Beech Creek, and a graduate of Harrison-Chilhowee high school and Carson-Newman College, '52, Seymour, Tenn.

Mr. Stanbery was awarded the Bachelor of Theology degree.

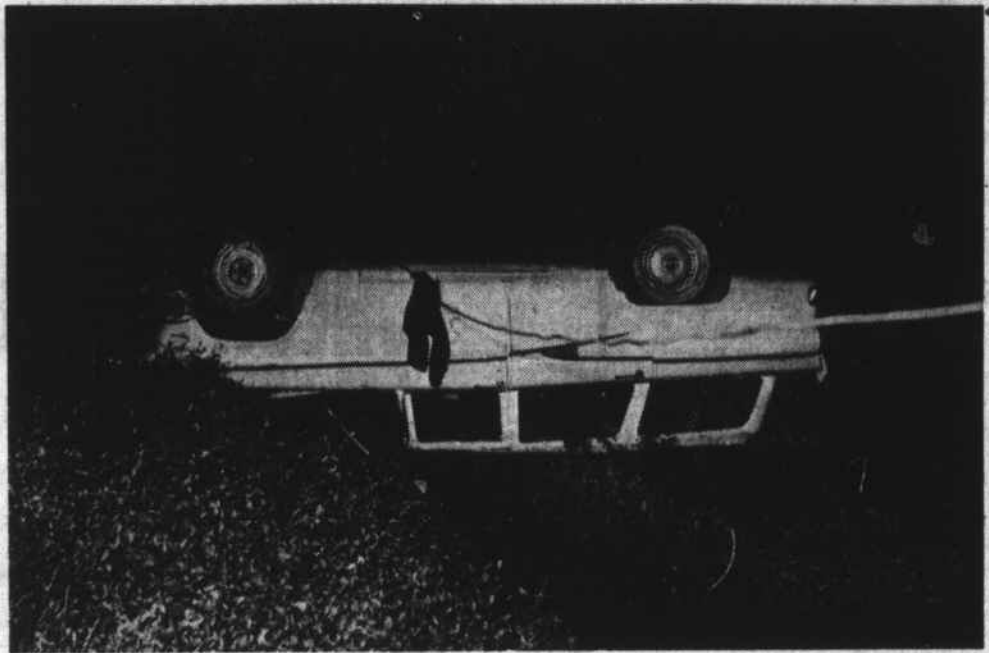
Dairy Princess To Be Chosen

The Watauga County Dairy Princess will be selected at a competition to be held Friday night, May 26, at 8 p. m. at the Boone Elementary School.

The winner here will go to Elkin on June 5 to compete for the area princess, and the winner at Elkin will compete for the title of Dairy Princess, to reign during dairy month.



MAST CAR WRECKAGE AFTER BEING SET ON ITS WHEELS



OAKS STATION WAGON LIES ON ITS TOP IN CREEK BED

Brown Nominated For Mayor By Democrats; Field Full Slate

Wade E. Brown, Boone attorney, was nominated for Mayor by the Democrats of the city in a convention held at the courthouse Saturday evening.

The present Mayor, Mr. Howard Cottrell, who is filling out the term of Senator Gordon H. Winkler, declined nomination for a full term, but accepted nomination as a member of the board of aldermen, a post he had held for several years.

Also nominated to serve on the board were Con Yates, local electrician and Harry M. Hamilton, Jr., local cattleman and former member of the board of county commissioners.

Mr. Brown opened the meeting and Dr. D. J. Whitener served as permanent chairman. Mrs. Rob

Rivers was Secretary.

Resolutions were passed complimenting Mayor Winkler, and the members of the old board for their faithful services in behalf of the city.

Mr. Brown spoke briefly as did Mayor Cottrell who complimented the Garden Club for their tree planting and other organizations for helping to beautify the town. He praised the State Highway Commission for the re-paving of the street and suggested that attention be given to the extension of the city limits so as to include some suburban areas, with resultant population advantage of the town.

Dr. Wayne Richardson was named to the Democratic Committee succeeding Mr. Brown, while

other members re-elected are: Mrs. Ruth McConnell, Mrs. Rob Rivers, E. Ford King, Jr., and Grady Moritz, Sr.

The city election will be held June 20.

The Republicans haven't held a convention.

Registration Period Cited

The registration books for the city will be open at the town hall June 3 through June 10th from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. The books will close at 9 p. m. on June 10.

There is no new registration. That is, those who have previously registered to vote in a city election, are not required to re-register. It is pointed out that registration on the county books does not make one eligible to vote in the city election.

Widener Recreation Director At B. Rock For Summer Season

Mrs. Poly Wyke Dies Wednesday

Mrs. Maude Brown Wyke, 69 years old, died last Wednesday at the home, Route 3, Boone, following a long illness.

Funeral services were held Friday at the Oak Grove Baptist Church by Rev. Walter Jones, Rev. E. F. Troutman and Rev. C. O. Vance and burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyke observed their fiftieth wedding anniversary January 20th, 1957.

The husband, Mr. Poly C. Wyke survives and the following sons and daughters: Frank Wyke, Lenoir; Fred Wyke, Hickory; Mrs. David Greene and Mrs. Jack Henley, both of Knoxville, Tenn. There are two brothers Conley and Stuart Brown of Boone, and two sisters, Mrs. Julie Hodges and Mrs. Addie Hodges, of Boone.

Spend Week in Florida

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Thomas and sons, Randall and Duane, and Mrs. W. P. Smith visited in Washington, D. C. and are spending this week at various points in Florida.

The Blowing Rock Park board, composed of Bob Hardin, Ellen Coffey, Lena Reeves, Rathmell Wilson, Everett M. Widener, Jr., Clyde Dula, Council Cook, Dr. Charles Davant, and Bill Lentz, met recently and named Everett M. Widener, Jr., recreation director for the summer season.

Mr. Widener said, "The most enjoyable aspect of recreation is it's just fun to be with children. Playing is common ground for every child. We have no trouble with discipline when we can give the child enough to keep him busy."

O. J. Coffey and Perry Coffey will be part assistants. Henry Allred will be pool manager and Richard Snyder and Mack Welborn will be the life guards of the Blowing Rock Olympic Swimming Pool.

The town park will be open from 8:00 a. m. until 9:30 p. m. each Monday through Saturday and from 1:00 p. m. until 9:00 p. m. each Sunday. All park recreational activities will be supervised.

Activities include: Tennis, shuffle board, horseshoes, basketball, tether ball, volleyball, and badminton.

Little League baseball will be played on the school playground. The basement of the American Legion will be open from 2:00 p.

m. until 4:30 p. m. Monday through Saturday for ping-pong and indoor activities. When the weather does not permit outside activity, the basement of the American Legion building will be open all day.

The swimming pool will be open each morning from 10:00 until 12:00, and each afternoon from 2:00 until 6:00, with the exception of Monday morning. At this time the pool will be closed.



EVERETT M. WIDENER, JR.

Lieutenant Governor To Be Appalachian Speaker

336 Students To Get MA, BS Degrees

Appalachian State Teachers College will confer 299 Bachelor of Science degrees and 37 Master of Arts degrees to students at commencement exercises Saturday at 3 p. m. in the Health and Physical Education Building.

H. Cloyd Philpott, Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina, will address the graduating class.

Dr. W. H. Plemmons, president of the college, will confer the degrees and award the diplomas.

Dr. D. J. Whitener, dean, will present candidates for the B. S. degree and Dr. Cratis Williams, graduate studies director, will present candidates for the M. A. degree.

The college orchestra under direction of Nicholas Erneston, and the college choir under Mrs. Virginia Linney will present music for the commencement program.

The Reverend J. K. Parker, Jr., pastor of the Boone Presbyterian Church, will render the invocation, and the Reverend Preston Hughes, Jr., pastor of Boone Methodist Church, will give the benediction.

Newly-elected junior marshals of the college will usher.

M. A. Degrees
Ernest M. Blankenship, Sherwood, Western Carolina, English.

Chancel T. Brown, Clemmons, Appalachian, education.

Perry D. Brown, Cherryville, education.

Joseph J. Bumgardner, Mt. Holly, Belmont Abbey, administration.

Glen Burleson, Albemarle, Pfeiffer College, elementary education.

Minyonne S. Burns, Valdese, Appalachian, elementary education.

Jane Hefner Carlisle, Hickory, Lenoir Rhyne, guidance and counseling.

Samuel K.-K. Chen, China, Bob Jones University, music.

Jack R. Cloninger, Boone, Appalachian, education.

Ida Elizabeth Collette, Gastonia, Appalachian, education.

Alfred B. Craig, Lincolnton, Lenoir Rhyne, administration.

Barbara Watkins Daye, Boone, Appalachian, physical education.

Robert H. Dellinger, Crouse, Appalachian, elementary education.

Mary S. Dula, Wilkesboro, Women's College of the University of North Carolina, education.

Dorothy Wilber Duncan, Merritt Island, Fla., University of Chattanooga, elementary education.

Richard D. Faden, Woonsocket, R. I., North Carolina State College, physical education.

Kaye W. Goble, Salisbury, Lenoir Rhyne, guidance and counseling.

Paul C. Goble, Salisbury, Lenoir Rhyne, education.

Frank D. Graham, Salisbury, Catawba College, administration.

Melvin S. Griffith, Charlotte, Appalachian, education.

Blois C. Grissom, Elkin, Appalachian, education.

Elizabeth F. Hamilton, Vilas, Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, English.

Bobby Russell Himes, Hartford, Ky., Kentucky Wesleyan, social studies.

Reynolds R. Hollified, Spruce Pine, Appalachian, administration.

Henry H. Jenkins, Avondale, University of North Carolina, administration.

Lincoln Kan, Asheville, University of North Carolina, social studies.

Fulton S. King, Jr., Kannapolis, Appalachian, education.

Lucille N. Koon, Charlotte, Appalachian, physical education.



BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY BLOSSOMS ATTRACT MANY VISITORS TO MOUNTAINS

Five High Schools Complete Sessions, Graduate Over 200

Watauga Wool Pool Is Sold

The Watauga 1961 Wool Pool has been sold to Fred Whitaker Company, Boston, Mass., and is to be weighed on Saturday, June 10, at Boone.

The prices are as follows:
Clear tied wool in wool bags \$59.77 cwt.

Light burry wool in wool bags 85% of clear price.

Rejects (dead, gray, black, lambs and heavy burry) 75% of clear price.

Tags 20% of clear price
This will mean about 50 cents for light burry, about 44 cents for rejects and about 11 or 12 cents for tags.

Since the wool must be in wool bags, we urge every farmer who does not have a wool bag to come to the county agents office and get one or as many as are needed.

Wool brought to the pool in small bags will be rejected as improperly packed.

Bowie To Get Bar Approval

The Watauga County Bar Association has indicated to the Democrat that it will endorse Thomas C. Bowie, Jr., 52, West Jefferson attorney, for the Federal Judgeship in the Middle District of North Carolina.

The recommendation goes directly to the President.

Bowie, son of the late Judge Tam C. Bowie and Mrs. Jean Davis Bowie of West Jefferson was admitted to the practice of law in North Carolina in 1933, the year before his graduation from the Law School of Duke University.

In addition to Duke Law School, Bowie is a graduate of the Woodberry Forest School, Orange, Va., and the University of North Carolina.

He attended the Law School of Yale University for one year prior to his graduation at Duke.

Since 1934 Bowie has practiced law in Ashe County, with the exception of three years during World War II when he served in the U. S. Air Force as a special agent in the Counter-Intelligence

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KENNETH CLAWSON

To Get Ph. D. At Florida State

Kenneth Clawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Clawson of Boone and a 1960 graduate of Appalachian State Teachers College, will receive the Master degree in biology and junior college teaching at the summer term.

Clawson is the recipient of a Kellogg fellowship for doctoral study leading to the Ph.D. degree at Florida State University.

The fellowship is for \$2500 for one year. He will major in junior college administration and minor in biology.

Clawson's undergraduate activities included: president of Chi Lambda Chi, president of the Science Club, member of the Polymathesis Club, Beta Beta Beta, Alpha Psi Omega. He was the public address announcer for all sports events and was listed in the 1960 edition of "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

Clawson is married to the former Bobbie Henley of Laurinburg, also a 1960 graduate of Appalachian. Mrs. Clawson taught third grade this year at Millers Creek Elementary School in Wilkes county.

Caudill Wins Georgia Trip
Jake V. Caudill, Boone, has qualified for the annual Sturdivant Life Agent's Conference to be held at Jekyll Island, Ga. The meeting will take place June 22-25 with the company paying all the expenses of those attending.

Five high schools in the county graduated more than 200 students this week.

Appalachian High School had the largest graduating class in the county and the largest one in its history. Final exercise was scheduled for tonight (Wed.) when Dr. Roy R. Blanton hands the 110 seniors their diplomas in the new Health and Physical Education Building at the college. The students will have charge of the program.

Bethel School seniors, whose graduation plans were made before bad weather caused closing of the school for several days, was first to have their commencement exercises. Baccalaureate services were held on May 14 at Bethel, and Clyde S. Greene, principal, handed out diplomas at the graduation on the following Tuesday night to 15 graduates.

Watauga Consolidated School had one high school graduate and three students finished the elementary school last Thursday. Walter E. Henderson, principal introduced the commencement speaker, Dr. Wiley Smith, faculty member of Appalachian State Teachers College. The Rev. Rhonda D. Horton and the Rev. Rock Hutton had charge of the devotionals. The Glee Club sang three numbers.

Cove Creek and Blowing Rock schools had their baccalaureate services Sunday night with diplomas being given out at graduation on Tuesday night. Carl Fidler, principal of Cove Creek, presented 68 seniors their diplomas, and Everett Widner, Jr., principal at Blowing Rock, presented diplomas to 27 students.

Lentz Named To Be Postmaster At Blowing Rock

Mr. Homer C. Lentz, Blowing Rock teacher, has been named acting postmaster at Blowing Rock, and will assume his new duties June 2, according to an announcement made Tuesday by Representative Hugh Alexander.

Mr. Lentz will succeed Mr. Harry Robbins, who resigned some time ago to give his full time to personal business interests.

The appointment was made in line with recommendations of the Democratic Executive Committee of Watauga county.