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BOONE WEATHER			
1962	High	Low	prec. 1961
Mar. 13	46	32	89
Mar. 14	44	33	51
Mar. 15	45	33	52
Mar. 16	40	28	52
Mar. 17	37	21	52
Mar. 18	40	28	42
Mar. 19	49	25	54
Total precipitation—02 inch.			

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**DEATH CAR**—Mrs. Dollie Nancy Church was killed when this car left the road and overturned several times. Foreground shows victims's coat tangled in windshield rubber stripping, and a can of beans which landed unbroken in a hubcap in the crash.

## Accident Occurs On Route 421

# Deep Gap Woman Dies In Crash

Mrs. Dollie Nancy Church, 50, of Deep Gap, Route 1, became Watauga county's second automobile accident fatality of the year Saturday, when the car her husband was driving left the road and turned over four and a half times, coming to a halt on its top in a field.

Mrs. Martha Jean Welborn died from injuries received in an accident on March 6. Clay Green Church, 56, was admitted to Watauga Hospital with chest injuries, according to Investigating Officer W. D. Teem. Patrolman Teem said the car

left U. S. 421 on a long, left-hand curve about 15 miles east of Boone. The accident happened about noon. Reason for the accident had not been determined early this week, but the investigation was continuing. Surviving Mrs. Church, in ad-

dition to her husband, is a sister, Mrs. Dottie Hamby, of Deep Gap. Funeral services were held Monday at Mount Paron Baptist Church by the Rev. Roscoe Greene and the Rev. John R. Greene. Burial was in the church cemetery.

# Dr. Billy Graham Will Preach At Singing On The Mountain

Linville—Dr. Billy Graham will be back among "home folks" this summer when he appears as guest speaker at the

38th annual "Singing on the Mountain" at Grandfather Mountain.

Because Dr. Graham has agreed to appear at this year's sing, the event, normally held the fourth Sunday in June, has been rescheduled for August 5. A native of Montreat, 50 miles below Grandfather Mountain, Dr. Graham will preach at the all-day "sing" which is a combination Sunday school outing, songfest, revival meeting, and family reunion.

Joe L. Hartley, Sr., 91-year-old founder and chairman of the annual "Singing on the Mountain" said the normal attendance of 100,000 could be doubled this year with Dr. Graham's appearance.

According to Chairman Hartley, the "sing" has been trying for several years to obtain the Tar Heel evangelist, and was now assured Dr. Graham could attend if the event could be held the first Sunday in August. Dr. Graham will be in Chicago for

a month-long Crusade at the time the "sing" was originally set for.

Arthur Smith and his Crossroads Quartet of Charlotte, long-time favorites of "Sing" participants and spectators, will take part in this year's activities along with Dr. Graham. Other personalities expected to attend will be announced later.

There is no admission charge to "Singing on the Mountain" which is held high on the slopes of the highest mountain in the Blue Ridge range. Each year Chairman Hartley extends the invitation, "Whoever will may come," and literally thousands upon thousands do.

## Others File For Co. Office



C. L. DULA

C. L. Dula of Blowing Rock has filed his candidacy for the office of County Commissioner, subject to the Republican primary in May.

Mr. Dula, who hasn't held public office, is a wholesale oil dealer.



BUCK WAGNER

Herbert S. (Buck) Wagner, of Foscoe has filed for Sheriff of Watauga county in the Republican primary.

Mr. Wagner is employed by the Carolina Division of the Maymead Lime Co.



DALLAS CHEEK

Dallas Cheek of Boone, has filed for the nomination on the Republican ticket for Sheriff of Watauga county.

Mr. Cheek has worked as a salesman in the automobile business and is now a partner in the C & M Auto Sales. He has been a resident of the county for 18 years.

## Road Dispute Is Postponed

The State Highway Commission in its meeting Thursday, postponed until April 12, action in a dispute between the National Park Service and Hugh Morton owner of Grandfather Mountain, over right-of-way for the Blue Ridge Parkway.

The Park Service is seeking a different route on the mountain property which Morton claims would damage the tourist spot, and depart from right-of-way previously obtained.

## Watkins Files For School Board

R. W. Watkins, Appalachian State Teachers College professor, has filed his candidacy for the Watauga County Board of Education, in the Democratic primary in May.

Mr. Watkins who is professor of health, physical education and recreation at Appalachian, has been with the college since 1932.



GEORGE A. FLOWERS, JR.

## Flowers Is Appointed Safety Leader

It was announced today that George A. Flowers, Jr., has been appointed Watauga Traffic Safety County Co-ordinator. The announcement came from the office of Major C. A. Speed, director of the safety division of the N. C. State Highway Patrol.

In his letter to Mr. Flowers announcing the appointment to the voluntary job, Major Speed pointed out that: "Few problems in our nation today offer a greater challenge and opportunity to our citizens for public (Continued on page three)

## United Fund To Elect Officers

There will be a general meeting of all interested in the Watauga County United Fund at the Daniel Boone Inn, Tuesday, March 27 at 12 noon.

The noon meal will be served but any who do not wish to eat should come at 12:30.

Officers for next year will be elected and committees appointed. Glenn Andrews is chairman of the Nominating Committee. Anyone having suggestions for president or any other officer, is asked to call Mr. Andrews.

## IRC OFFICIAL SPEAKS

# Dangers Of Foreign Imports Emphasized

## Jaycees Plan Safety Belt Campaign

Plans to sell safety seat belts to car owners in Watauga county were announced this week by Joe Hartley, president of the Boone Jaycees.

Mr. Hartley said the belts will go on sale this week at the following locations: Modern Appliance Company, Andrews Chevrolet, Brown & Graham Motor Company, Winkler Motor Company, Greene Buick-Pontiac, Inc., Trailway Laundry and Cleaners, Home Finance Co., The Varsity Shop, Nationwide Insurance, Watauga FCX, or from any Boone Jaycee.

The belts are available in a variety of colors to match automobile interiors. They have been approved by various testing services and the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Chairman of the project is Raymond E. Harmon, who said the Jaycees will not realize any profit from the sale, and that it is conducted in cooperation with the Traffic Safety Council, Inc. He declared research has pro-

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## Dougherty In Hall Of Fame

Raleigh.—The late Dr. B. B. Dougherty, co-founder of Appalachian State Teachers College, was named last week to North Carolina's educational Hall of Fame.

The citation honoring Dr. Dougherty, who died at 85 in 1957, was read during the annual meeting of the North Carolina Education Association here by a Charlotte school principal, M. G. Isley.

The association members were told that education must inspire students not to adjust to society, but "to adjust society itself to higher standards." The statement was made by Dallas Herring, chairman of the State Board of Education.

## Appoint Board Of Elections

The State Board of Elections appointed county boards of elections at their meeting Friday in Raleigh.

Named for Watauga county are R. T. Greer, Boone, Willie Cole, Vilas, Democrats, and Stacy Clyde Eggers, Jr., Boone, a Republican.



ERIC DeGROAT TUTORS SWIMMING STUDENT

## ASTC Professor Named To Direct Summer Camp

Eric DeGroat, one of the outstanding summer camp directors in the southeast has been named to direct Broadstone Camp, an elementary school camp for boys and girls that will be operated by Appalachian State Teachers College at Valle Crucis this summer, according to announcement today by D. B. Dougherty, ASTC vice-

president and chairman of the camp executive committee.

DeGroat, assistant professor of physical education at Appalachian State Teachers College, has served as program director of Camp Swannanoa and Camp Millstone; camp director of Camp Schaub and Camp Tsali, assistant director of Camp Sequoyah, Inc.; and director of camp craft at Camp Sea Gull.

Also, he has served as visiting professor of woodcraft and camp craft for Carson-Newman College's camp and pre-camp for boys at Camp Ridgecrest and Camp Crestridge for girls; program director for YMCA camp for boys at North Hampton, Mass.; canoe instructor at YMCA camp, Springfield, Mass.; and instructor at Camp Becket, Becket, Mass.

Heading up the academic program at Camp Broadstone is John T. Howell, principal of the elementary laboratory school at Boone.

Howell said that the non-profit camp, located on the beautiful Watauga River, offers both mental and physical exercises. (Continued on page three)

## Rivers Name To Be On Plaque

The name of R. C. Rivers who was a local delegate to the Democratic National Convention held at Los Angeles in 1960, is to be inscribed upon a bronze plaque which is to be presented to President Kennedy. The plaque is to commemorate the historical event of Mr. Kennedy's nomination.

Mr. Rivers, who resides in Boone, was a Kennedy supporter in the convention.

## Road Work Is Approved

Two primary highway construction projects for Watauga county were approved by the State Highway Commission last week.

They are: A two-lane, high type pavement from Boone to the Avery county line on 105.

Two-lane high type pavement, Boone by-pass, two miles.

## Thomas Named Police Chief

H. G. Thomas, town clerk, has been sworn in as Chief of Police in Boone, and will serve temporarily, since Glenn D. Richardson resigned the post to give his time to his campaign for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff of Watauga county. (Continued on page three)

## Plant Sets All Time Record For Earnings

The United States electronics industry has joined a lengthening list of American businesses being damaged by imports from low-wage countries, it was asserted here today by an International Resistance Co. official.

Addressing a meeting of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, Carl L. Smith, manager of IRC's Boone Division, declared that the import problem "has ceased to be that of just a few isolated industries, and is rapidly becoming a national problem."

"Industries from athletic goods to wire nails have already felt the pinch," he said, "and all indications are that we have only seen the beginning."

Noting that recent testimony before a House Subcommittee had revealed "real and substantial damages to businesses, workers and entire communities," Mr. Smith said that "this should sound the alarm for businesses everywhere that their markets might be next."

The United States, in 1960, exported \$483 million worth of electronic goods, compared with imports of less than \$150 million, he noted, adding that "this is basically good, and accounts in part for the lusty growth of the American electronics industry, which today is the fifth largest in the country."

Mr. Smith emphasized, however, that while imports were "tiny, insignificant clouds on the horizon" in 1955, they have now become "ominous, towering thunderheads for many firms, and particularly for small ones whose lack of diversified lines makes it difficult for them to ride out extended spells of rough weather."

He noted that in 1955, the value of Japanese radio imports into this country totaled well under \$1 million. By the end of 1960, this had "billowed into a startling \$71 million," he said, pointing out that more than half of all transistor portable radios sold in the United States are Japanese-made.

Foreign importers are now "reaching out for other equally lucrative markets, including areas which come closer and closer to the vital muscle of our defense effort," he asserted.

IRC, according to Mr. Smith, has taken a stand against granting the President the exclusive right, without being subjected (Continued on page three)



**NEW ROBES**—The 54-voice Appalachian High School Choir will be the guest choir for the 11 o'clock worship service at the First Baptist Church on Sunday. These singers were guests at the Presbyterian Church in January, and will sing at Grace Lutheran Church in April. The choir has been

actively engaged in concerts, programs, contests, throughout the school year. The choir members will sing dressed in their new robes of silver-gray with contrasting blue and white reversible surplices.—Photo Verlin Coffey.