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## Rhododendron Festival To Start June 14



RHODODENDRON IN BLOOM ATOP ROAN MOUNTAIN

Bakersville, N. C., May 28—The North Carolina Rhododendron Festival will get underway Thursday night, June 14, with the second annual Junior Miss Pageant, bringing together twenty girls from 8 through 11

years competing for the crown now worn by Nyla Kay Banner of Spruce Pine.

On Friday night, June 15, the annual rhododendron pageant will be held, featuring young ladies from 17 through 23 in

the talent and swim suit competition.

Saturday, June 16 the pageant moves first to the gardens on the Roan for the evening gown competition and the selection of

a new queen.

Then the entire event goes directly to the Asheville City Auditorium for the restaging of the pageant and for the Rhododendron Dance.

## Initial Plans Made For Meeting Of State Board Of Conservation

Initial plans have been made by the Chamber of Commerce and others for the entertainment of the Board of Conservation and Development when it meets in Boone July 8, 9, 10.

A general committee has been named which is composed of D. Grady Moretz, Jr., Chairman; Stanley Harris, W. R. Winkler, chants Association.

R. C. Rivers, Glenn Andrews, Cecil Miller, Phil Vance, W. H. Plemmons and Mrs. Leo K. Pritchett.

Other committees are as follows, the first named in each case being the chairman:

Accommodations: Phil Vance, James Marsh.

Meals and sponsors: Stanley Harris, Glenn Andrews.

Entertainment of women visitors: Mrs. Leo K. Pritchett, Mrs. R. C. Rivers.

Meeting places and quarters for secretaries to work: W. H. Plemmons, chairman.

Transportation: W. R. Winkler.

Press Coverage: R. C. Rivers, Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association.

Entertainment: Chairman to be designated.

Johnston Wins Senate Race

Jefferson Attorney Ira T. Johnston won the Democratic nomination Saturday for the State Senate over Mrs. Ed Anderson, West Jefferson News-  
paper publisher, 2,099 to 1,102.

Mr. Johnston will be opposed in the election by J. W. Norris, Boone Republican, who was without opposition for the nomination when no Republican in Ashe county offered, and the post was tendered to Watauga. The winner will represent Watauga, Ashe and Alleghany in the State Senate.

After attending the Fair, they will meet Mr. Thomas' mother, Mrs. Myrtle Smith of Chelan, Wash., who will accompany them to Canada and to Lake Chelan for a few days. They will visit other relatives in Mt. Vernon, Brewster, Okanogan, Richlands, Yacolt, Yakima, Spokane and Newport, Wash., and Harrison, Idaho. They plan to return sometime in July.

## Northwestern Bank Employees Gather

More than seven hundred officials and employees of the Northwestern Bank system will gather in Boone today (Wednesday) for a round of social activities centering about the observance of the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the banking institution.

The program starts at the Boone Golf Course at 10 a. m. with prizes in both the men's and the women's divisions.

At 1 o'clock fishing will be enjoyed at two trout lakes, with prizes for the largest fish. Fishermen will meet at Horn in the West. At the same time tours for Tweetsie, the Blowing Rock, and Cone Estate will start.

4 o'clock: Bingo at Horn in the West.

1 to 5: Bridge and horseshoes at Horn in the West.

At 5:30 the group will gather at the Horn in the West for a picnic dinner, when Hon. Edwin Duncan will deliver a welcoming address. Judge Wilson Warlick, of the Western District Federal Court, is also expected to speak.

From 8 to 11 dancing will be featured at the Blowing Rock Ski Lodge. There will also be square dancing and a twist contest.

Men and women are expected to wear sport clothes for all the festivities.

## INCUMBENT SHERIFF LEADS

# Winkler, Holshouser Win In Race For House

## Heavy Voting As Parties Name Slates

Watauga county Democrats and Republicans alike showed up in good numbers at the polls Saturday when they named themselves a set of candidates to go to the hustings when the campaigns start for the November election.

State Senator Gordon H. Winkler won the Democratic nomination for the House of Representatives over J. E. Joiner 1673 to 701.

In the Democrat primary for Sheriff, the incumbent E. M. Hodges was the front runner with 1210 votes, lacking only twenty votes of a clear majority. Second runner was Emmett Oliver with 867, followed by G. D. Richardson with 383.

Two incumbent members of the Board of County Commissioners were nominated by the Democrats. Dr. Gene Reese garnered 1205, and W. B. Lentz got 1292. The third man nominated was former Representative J. E. Edmisten who tallied 1083. Others in the race were Hayden Pitts with 748, Joe Wilson 698, C. F. Thompson 352, David Spaulding 423 and Dr. Lee Reynolds 1000.

The incumbent members of the Board of Education were nominated for another term. Dr. Charles Davant got 1259 votes, H. W. Mast, Jr. 1871 and Grady Moretz, Jr., 1635. R. W. Watkins got 1007 and Edgar Hardin 994.

On the Republican ticket Dallas Cheek edged out two opponents for the nomination for Sheriff. He got 816 votes. Clint Lewis had 585 and Herbert Wagner 77.

J. E. Holshouser, Jr. defeated Representative Murray Coffey 946 to 522.

The Republicans named Orville Foster for Clerk of the Superior Court. He defeated J. D. Cook 751 to 681.

For county commissioners the



GOV. TERRY SANFORD ADDRESSES ASTC's GRADUATING CLASS

## 409 ARE GIVEN DEGREES

## Gov. Sanford Says Teachers Are Vital To Nation's Welfare

The preparation of teachers is a noble function for any institution of higher education. To any thinking person, it is utterly ridiculous to think that the professional training of engineers, doctors, lawyers, or any group of people is more important than the preparation of teachers.

These are the words of the Honorable Terry Sanford, governor of North Carolina, as he addressed the 357 undergraduate and 52 graduate candidates who received diplomas in graduation exercises Saturday at Appalachian State Teachers College.

In his speech the governor declared that the teaching profession is of vital importance to the nation, and the nation cannot do without it.

He challenged the graduates to define their standard of excellence—live by it and teach by it. "Set excellence as your example before your students. Insist on excellence from your students. Think of the power of that kind of influence by every teacher across North Carolina. Think of the power of one teacher, touching literally hundreds of lives."

He said in conclusion, "That is what teaching offers you. There isn't any more constructive way to spend your life."

Governor Terry Sanford was introduced by Dr. W. H. Plemmons, president of Appalachian State Teachers College.

Candidates for the Bachelor Degree were presented by Dr. D. J. Whitener, dean of the college, while Dr. Cratis Williams, director of graduate studies, presented the candidates for the Masters Degree.

Dr. W. H. Plemmons conferred

red degrees and awarded diplomas. The diplomas were presented by H. R. Eggers, registrar of the college. Each graduate was congratulated by Dr. Plemmons.

The invocation was given by Rev. J. Boyce Brooks, pastor of Boone First Baptist Church, and the benediction by the Rev. Preston Hughes, pastor of the Boone Methodist Church.

The college choir, under the

direction of Mrs. Virginia Linney, sang, and music was provided by the college orchestra, directed by Dr. Nicholas Erneston. Organist for the occasion was Emy Hotard.

Marjorie Ann Cole of Rutherford was Chief Junior Marshal for the graduation exercises.

Immediately after the graduation program there was a reception. (Continued on page two)

## Storie Is Promoted At Mitchell College

Statesville—James M. Storie, new administrative assistant at Mitchell College, is a veteran North Carolina educator who will now devote full-time to interesting high school students in Statesville's community junior college.

Storie, 41, recently was named to the newly-created post by the college's board of trustees. Until his selection for the student procurement position, he was dean of students and head of the physical education department at Mitchell.

Popular among the students, Storie came to Statesville and Mitchell College in 1959 as dean of men. The next year he was tapped as dean of students.

Prior to coming to Statesville



JAMES M. STORIE

## Boone Moose Lodge Lifts Realty Debt

Dr. John Van Noppen, Governor of the local Moose Lodge, announced this week that Mr. H. Neal Blair, from whom the Lodge purchased their property opposite Hole 3 of the Golf Course on Deerfield Road, had been paid in full.

Dr. Van Noppen stated that he had spent several days at the site of the new Moose Home with Architect Clarence P. Coffey, and that Mr. Coffey is very much impressed with the location. It was also announced that as soon as Mr. Coffey completes his design and specifications, and they are approved, bids will be obtained, contracts let, and construction

will begin. It is hoped that construction will be completed this summer.

Joe Veit, Secretary of the Lodge, announced that as of May 25th, the enrollment fee had increased to \$20.00, but that annual dues would remain at \$20.00. Mr. Veit urged those present, as well as all members, to talk Moose to all worthy persons, using the famed Moose 4-point program as a selling point. Mr. Veit pointed out that the first three points of the fraternity's program, as follows, are every bit as important, if not more so, than the fourth:

Protection: At Mooseheart, (Continued on page two)

## Contract For Stadium Seats And Field House To Be Let

The contract for 10,000 seats and a field house for the new all-purpose outdoor stadium at Appalachian State Teachers College is expected to be let in a few days, according to announcement today by D. B. Dougherty, ASTC vice-president and comptroller.

Hickory Construction Company submitted the low bid for

the permanent seats which will be of pre-cast concrete construction.

Crowder Construction Company of Charlotte submitted the low bid for the new field house which will be of brick-block construction.

Part of the project will include a modern press box. Mr. Dougherty said that the

bids have been submitted to the State Division of Property Control for their review and approval and that work should begin in a few days. The new facilities will be completed in time for the first football game in September.

Refining the urgency of having the facilities for the opening



CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES ON ASTC's NEW FOOTBALL STADIUM