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Sept. 1	81	55	79
Sept. 2	80	55	79
Sept. 3	76	63	82

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Producers Of Wool To Vote During Month

Watauga County wool producers will vote to indicate approval of advertising and sales promotion deductions during the period of September 10 through 21, it was announced by Roy Isley, ASCS county office manager.

Ballots, self addressed envelopes marked "Wool Ballot" and a copy of the statement "Referendum on Advertising and Sales Promotion for Lamb and Wool" will be mailed to all 242 known wool producers by September 10, Mr. Isley said. These ballots are self-explanatory and should be checked and returned immediately.

Producers may mail their ballots in to the Watauga County ASCS office or bring them in during this time period. A ballot box will be provided in the county office.

Producers will vote on whether or not they wish advertising and promotion funds as provided by agreement between the Secretary of Agriculture and the American Sheep Producer's Council, Inc., as authorized under section 708 of the National Wool Act of 1954 as amended to be deducted from their incentive payments for the years 1962, 63, 64, and 65.

An individual, corporation, partnership or legal entity which has an interest as owner or partial owner in one or more sheep six months of age or older, located in Watauga county for any period of at least 30 days from January 1, 1962, to the day his ballot is cast is an eligible voter. No person wishing to cast a ballot will be denied the privilege of doing so even though it appears at the time of voting (Continued on page three)

United Fund Goal Set At \$13,872.72

Joe G. McClung, president of Watauga County Fund, has announced the goal for the United Fund's forthcoming campaign.

"The goal," Mr. McClung said, "is based on our proposed budget for 1963, which has been set for \$13,872.72. We are hopeful for one of the biggest and best campaigns."

According to Mr. McClung, it was decided at the last executive board meeting that the campaign would be held in the early part of October. The definite date has not been set, he said.

Johnston To Address Masons



IRA T. JOHNSTON

Members of Snow Lodge, their wives and friends are invited to hear the Honorable Ira T. Johnston of Jefferson on Friday evening at eight o'clock, in the Masonic Lodge Hall, according to B. W. Stallings, lodge spokesman.

Mr. Johnston will be speaking to the group on the occasion when 13 lodge members will be issued certificates certifying 25 years of service, and two will be given 50-year gold emblems.

Dick Farthing and his Hillbillies will furnish music for the occasion. Refreshments will be served following the awards event, Mr. Stallings said.



10TH BIRTHDAY FOR MILE HIGH SWINGING BRIDGE.—Sharon Mathis, freshman at Appalachian State Teachers College who is "Miss Carolinas Press Photographer" (right), and Betty Lawhorn, "North Carolina Rhododendron Queen" helped celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Mile High Swinging Bridge stop Grandfather Mountain on September 2 as a part of the festivities at the Grandfather Mountain Camera Clinic sponsored by the Carolinas Press Association. Photographers from the two Carolinas, Tennessee, and Virginia attended.

FIRST IN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

Election Board Orders New Registration Of All Voters

The Watauga County Board of Elections issued a statement Monday calling for a new county-wide registration of voters, the first such large scale operation in the county in at least a quarter of a century. October 6 has been set as the first registration day.

"This applies to every voter in the county," said Stacy C. Eggers, board member. In making an official statement for the board, Eggers said, "It is absolutely necessary that each person in Watauga County re-register in order to vote in the next general election.

"Only those persons who re-register or are first time registrants will be entitled to vote."

By "first time registrants," Eggers referred to persons who had not registered for a previous election. He explained that of course the new names would be entered in the new registration books.

The board stated that at all 16 county precincts there will be four consecutive Saturdays beginning Saturday, October 6, on which voters may register or re-register, whatever the case may be. The registration days will be followed by a "challenge day."

The board gave as its reason for the new registration "the bad shape the old books are in." One member observed that in some instances the books are incomplete.

The board stated that it did not know when the last registration (county wide) took place. Roby Greer, chairman of the board and a member since 1940, related that during his 22

years on the board there has been no call issued for a new registration.

A copy of names registered prior to 1950 was made in that year by state request. That was under a new system of book-keeping introduced in 1950. "But as far as a new county-wide re-registration, Watauga county has had none in at least 25 years," said John Council, board secretary.

Eggers added, "This is merely an effort to bring the records

up to date."

He stated that the board's decision to call for a re-registration was made solely on its own. "There was no outside element involved," he said, inferring Raleigh.

The 16 county precinct books will be open on the following Saturdays for persons who wish to register: October 6, 13, 20, and 27.

The next general election will be held on Tuesday, November 6.

Patrolman Jones Gains Promotion

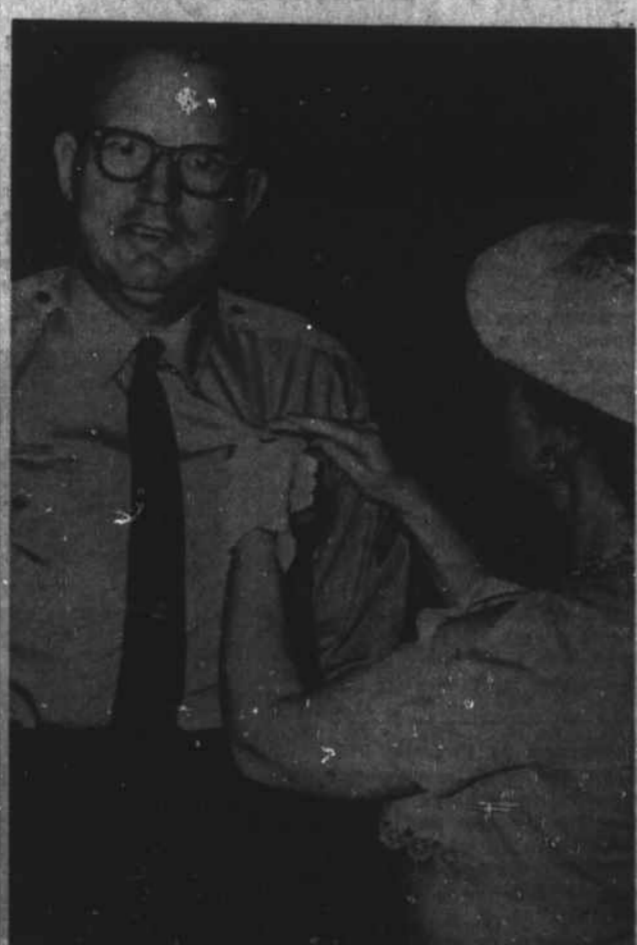
State Highway Patrolman C. M. Jones, former resident of Boone, was sworn in as Patrol Sergeant by Secretary of State Thad Eure in ceremonies performed in Raleigh Friday.

Sergeant Jones, who has been with the State Highway Patrol for 23 years was the first officer to be stationed in Boone and lived here eight years. He served in Statesville four years, Roxboro one, and has been in Lenoir 10 years. He

has held the rank of Corporal since July 1, 1951.

Sgt. Jones will remain in Lenoir as district sergeant of District I of Troop F which is comprised of Caldwell, Watauga, Ashe and Avery counties. The patrol headquarters building at Hudson is expected to be ready for occupancy in about 30 days, Jones stated.

As district sergeant, Jones succeeds Sgt. M. S. Parvin, who (Continued on page three)



MRS. C. M. JONES proudly pins the Sergeant's badge on her husband, Highway Patrolman Jones, who was promoted last week.

26TH ANNUAL GATHERING

Blue Ridge Electric Will Refund Nearly \$67,000

Power Users' Rebates Go Up To \$5,000

Members of the Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation who attend the annual meeting of the corporation will return home with some \$67,000 which will be refunded them during the afternoon-long event Saturday.

This announcement was made earlier in the week when officials of the group stated that plans had been completed for the 26th annual meeting of electric users. The meeting will be held in Boone in the new gymnasium of Appalachian State Teachers College, and will begin at 1:30 p. m., and last until 4 o'clock.

Actually registration will begin at 11:30 a. m. and continue to the beginning of the meeting, according to the announcement.

The refunding of these capital credits checks to the members who were receiving service from 1950 through 1963 is a milestone in the operation of the cooperative, according to C. E. Viverette, general manager of the Blue Ridge Membership Corporation.

This is member contributed capital used to help pay the indebtedness of the cooperative to the Rural Electrification Administration. These refunds will continue to be made annually, under the present policy, on an eight-year revolving basis.

This year's checks will vary according to the amount of power used during the four years mentioned. They will range from a few cents to over \$5,000.

Each member should have with him the card he received in the mail stating the amount of his capital credits check. No check will be issued without this card.

A program of entertainment will begin at 12:45 p. m., and continue until 1:30, the time for the first major prize drawing and the start of the program.

The Rev. Edwin F. Troutman, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, will give the invocation. A welcoming address will be given by Wade E. Brown, mayor of Boone.

A brief period will be observed in honor and memory of A. E. Hurt, president of Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation from 1952 until September 18, 1961, the time of his death.

Most of the legislative candidates from the Blue Ridge Electric service area will be on hand for this meeting to hear of the progress made by the corporation and the problems facing it now and in the future, Mr. Viverette said. "This will be a wonderful opportunity for the members to get to know their candidates better," he added.

Mr. Viverette will introduce these honored guests and others to the membership present.

C. B. Price, chairman of The North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority, will make brief remarks on "Member Cooperation," and will make a formal presentation of capital credits checks. Mr. Price has been a member of Blue Ridge Electric since service was extended into Ashe county 22 years ago. He served on the board of directors for a while before being appointed to the State Rural Electrification Authority.

Special recognition of eight boys and girls, and the awarding of \$2,200 in scholarships will be a feature in the planned program this year. These youngsters were the system and district winners in the essay contest last spring.

Miss Linda Morrison will pre- (Continued on page three)



ASTC BUILDINGS get a new coat of paint as college gets ready for the start of the fall term.—Larry Penley Photo.

FALL QUARTER STARTS TUESDAY

840 Freshmen Arrive At College; Total Enrollment Set At 2,800

Approximately 1,000 new students at Appalachia State Teachers College will have arrived on the campus by the end of the week, according to college officials. More than 840 freshmen came to the mountain campus Tuesday; about 120 transfer students are expected to arrive in Boone Friday.

Fall quarter at the local institution officially began Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock with a faculty meeting. An hour later, freshmen began moving into the dorms.

Four days of freshmen orientation were scheduled for this week, beginning Wednesday at 8:30 a. m. At that time, test and registration schedules were announced to the first year collegians.

Transfer students will be permitted to move into the dorms Friday after 2 p. m. Orientation for the new upperclassmen students is slated for Saturday at 9 a. m.

Sophomores, juniors, seniors, and graduate students will arrive Sunday and register for classes on Monday. A combined total of enrolled students is expected to exceed 2,800. This figure, according to a news release from the Appalachian News Bureau, is about the same as last year's.

Dr. Cratis Williams, director of graduate studies, says that enrollment in the graduate division is ahead of any previous year, with a 10 per cent increase over last year. Between 880 and 1,000 students are expected in the resident, extension, and Saturday graduate classes at Appalachia this fall.

Among the graduate students will be 57 who have been appointed as teaching fellows, graduate assistants, departmental assistants, and research fel-

BULLETIN

The Watauga Democrat was denied Tuesday the list of jurors selected at the Watauga County Court House that morning. A spokesman at the office of the Tax Supervisor stated that the list for the forthcoming session of court is not available for publication.

He offered no further explanation.

During its entire history, the Democrat has published every list of jurors selected in the county for each session of court.

lows. Freshmen begin their classes Monday; upperclassmen begin Tuesday.

The first college-wide convocation is scheduled to be held in the auditorium of the physical education building on Thurs-

day, September 13, at 10 a. m. Further registration statistics will be published as soon as the information is released. Final tabulation is not expected until the middle or latter part of next week, according to a college spokesman.

"Meet Your Candidates" Meeting Slated By GOP

A "meet your candidates" gathering will be held at 4 o'clock Saturday September 8th at Horn in the West grounds, it is announced by Clyde R. Greene, Chairman of the Republican Executive Committee of Watauga County.

Claud L. Greene, Republican candidate for the United States Senate, and James T. Broynhill, Republican candidate for the House of Representatives in the ninth district, will be present and address the gathering, Mr. Greene said.

All Watauga County Republican candidates will be present, it is added.

This picnic meeting is being sponsored by the Republican Woman's Federation of Watauga county and the Watauga County Young Republican Club, with the assistance of the Republican County Executive Committee.

Refreshments will be served, string music provided, and the



JAMES T. BROYNHILL

official announcement extends a general invitation to Watauga county people to come out and meet these candidates.

Governor To Speak At Education Rally

Governor Terry Sanford will be in Boone Monday, September 17, it was announced by Hugh Hagaman, chairman of Watauga County Citizens Committee for Better Schools.

The governor will speak at a county-wide education rally in the new college stadium at 7 p. m. The rally is non-political, Mr. Hagaman pointed out, and everyone interested in education is urged to attend.

Mr. Hagaman said, "The Governor is especially anxious to talk to students and parents, from first grade through students at Appalachian State

Teachers College." He especially urged all teachers in the county and college to attend, but said the Governor will touch on points of education interesting to all citizens of the county.

The visit to Watauga county is part of the Governor's effort to visit every county in the State and speak on his better education program. He will be in Wilkes county Sunday afternoon attending the dedication of the new Yadkin River dam. Monday morning he will attend an educational rally in Wilkes, and during the afternoon will be in Ashe county on a similar visit.