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June 25	76	48		81 58
June 26	73	48		75 58
June 27	73	60	.15	66 60
June 28	78	58	.24	64 58
June 29	80	59	.32	77 47
June 30	76	58	.26	74 59
July 1	83	63	.02	78 59



Wagon Train Parade

A multitude of people lined the route of the parade up King Street Saturday. Shown in front is an authentic western stage coach.—Staff photo.

"DAN'L WOULD'A LIKED IT"

Parade Covered Wagons Draws Throngs To City

Hillmen, Old Cars, Bathing Beauties Compete

By DALE GADDY

Time, 11:45. People were gathering in clusters along the parade route, talking in excited tones. The sun shined brightly, a brisk wind fought carefully combed hair, and powder puff clouds dotted the crystal sky above.

It was a beautiful day—a perfect day for a parade. And everyone and his cousin was in town to see the Wagon Train.

Dan'l Boone himself couldn't have brought more people to the town which bears his surname. They formed a blanket of many-colored clothes on the Daniel Boone Hotel lawn. They stood thick as molasses along the narrow sidewalks.

They sat in second story windows and waved to persons below. And the usual number made their way back and forth between Northwestern and the theater, "socializing."

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Time, 12:30. A siren whined in the distance. Chief Thomas led the procession in. "Right on time," one Floridian said with amazement. One by one the covered wagons rolled by. Drivers and passengers waved to the throngs which lined the streets. Periodically a rumble of applause passed through the crowd as an especially authentic wagon passed by, or as familiar faces were seen.

People liked the wagons and the hearty mountaineers who had made the two-day trek over the mountainous wilderness, as Boone the pioneer, had done nearly 200 years before.

The smell of animal droppings brought back nostalgic memories of the times when Boone, the town, was just a village with dirt streets and horse-drawn carriages. The town has grown; yet, her people are no less friendly, no less homey, than the original wagoners.

A chubby little lady, who looked like Mrs. Santa Claus, drew quick breaths in the heat of the afternoon sun. Fanning her round face with a newspaper, she never once relaxed her smiling expression.

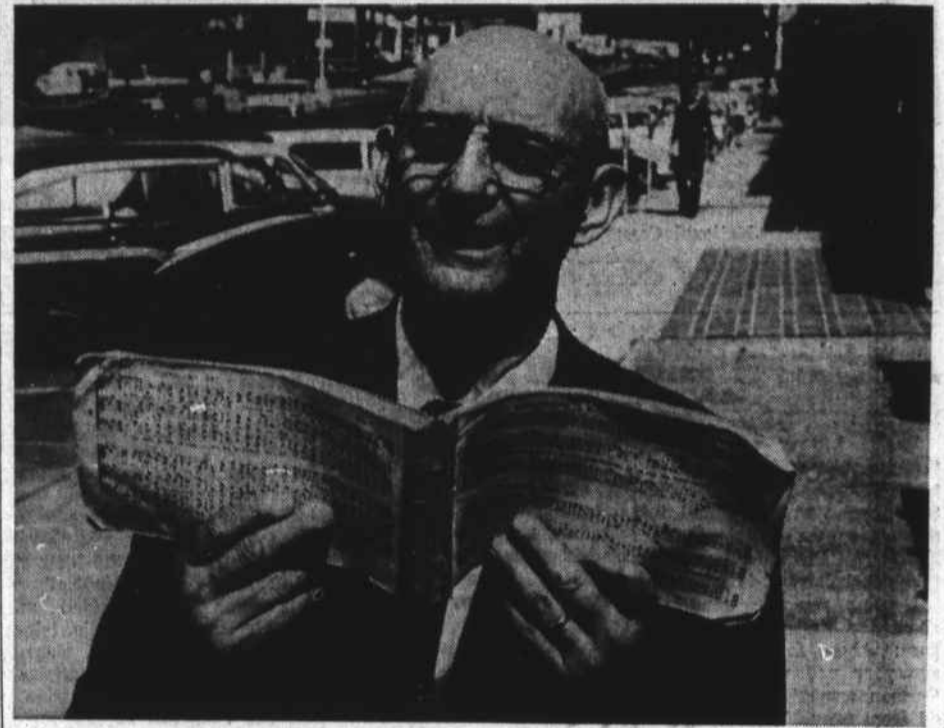
Three dogs—probably strays—scattered down the street, barking madly.

A small colored girl, her hair in pig-tails, gazed intently at the proceedings.

Newsman from TV stations, radio stations, and newspapers far and near wrote, snapped pictures, and danced in front of the lines of people, trying to get into "just the right position" for that next shot.

Floats came, bearing bathing beauties. Antique cars—some 30 in all—passed down the narrow street.

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Songs Of Long Ago

S. C. Eggers practices a folk tune that the "Old Christian Harmony Singers presented in a special "Horn in the West" prologue Sunday night in the Daniel Boone Theatre. The hymn book from which Mr. Eggers is singing

dates back to Daniel Boone days and was used in the Three Forks Baptist Church, established near Boone in 1790. Boone's brother was a member of the church before his ouster because of using profane language.

Inflated Valuation Reduces Tax Rate; Budget Approved

Democrat Group Meets Saturday

Mr. C. H. Hendrix, chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of Watauga County, has called a meeting of the committee to be held at the courthouse in Boone next Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, for the purpose of recommending a member of the Watauga County Board of Elections.

The new Democratic member will succeed Archie Dancy, who recently resigned.

Blowing Rock Buys New Truck

The Blowing Rock Town Council voted June 25 to buy a new one-half ton pickup truck for general use.

Mayor Robert Hardin said the present pickup truck used by the town is worn out. Bids for the truck were opened last Saturday but the decision on what make to buy was not made until Tuesday.

The regular meeting of the Town Council will be next Wednesday night, July 3.

At a call meeting of the town council and the tax auditors last week, officials lowered the city tax rate from \$1.25 per hundred to \$1.10. "This was made possible," Mayor Wade Brown said, "because of the increased valuation."

He explained that even with a lower tax rate, the total revenue will equal or surpass that for the year just ended. The budget, details of which will be released for publication next week, will amount to approximately \$175,000.

The budget was adopted by the town council Monday night at the Town Hall. Also on the agenda was the swearing in of the mayor and town council.

Elected in light mid-June balloting were incumbents Wade E. Brown, mayor, and Conrad Yates, Harry Hamilton, and Howard Cottrell, councilmen. They began their new two-year terms July 1.

It was observed by the Mayor at the meeting this week that two new fire units were added to the town fire department out of last year's budget. "Both trucks—one new one, another overhauled truck—are completely paid for," Mayor Brown said.

U. S. fears drop in export sales to Canada.



A. E. McCREARY

A. E. McCreary New President Optimist Club

Installed as president of the Optimists Club for 1963-64 at a special dinner meeting of the organization June 24 was A. E. McCreary, owner and operator of Thrift Food Store in Boone.

A resident of Boone for the past six years and active in the Chamber of Commerce, McCreary also serves as a member of the Watauga County Hospital's board of directors. Married and the father of two boys, he resides with his family at 210 Crest Drive.

The installation service was staged at the Moose Lodge. Members and their wives present numbered 30.

Nick Stakias was installed as vice-president of the organization. David Spahnour and Frank Andrews assumed responsibilities as secretary-treasurer and sergeant-at-arms respectively.

Presiding at the meeting was Lloyd Smith of Lenoir, Lt. Gov. of District 18 in the Optimists International.

More Than 1,000 Expected At Land Bank Meeting Sat.

Many of the more than a thousand persons expected to attend the annual stockholders meeting of the Federal Land Bank Association of Boone Saturday morning will go home richer in money or merchandise prizes, according to John H. Holler, manager and appraiser of the local association.

Mr. Holler has assembled a large array of merchandise prizes, gift cash certificates and cash prizes, will be given away by T. E. Haigler, assistant vice president of the Federal Land Bank of Columbia. Mr. Haigler has acted as quiz master for many of the previous stockholders meetings in Boone, and his popularity is attested to by the large crowds that attend the meetings.

S. C. Eggers, president of the Boone association, has announced that D. M. Dowdell Jr., president of the Federal Land Bank of Columbia, will speak to the gathering. Mr. Dowdell has been associated with the Land Bank Association since 1933.

Mr. Holler said that plenty of off-street parking will be available at the Boone Elementary School where the meeting will take place at 10:30 a. m. Prizes will include a \$10 cash



T. E. HAIGLER

award to the person who brings the largest number of people to the meeting. One hundred silver dollars will be given away during the meeting.

Grand prize will be a table model television set donated by Lowe's North Wilkesboro Hardware. A ton of Vertagreen given by Armour Fertilizer will be given away. Other prizes include:

\$25 cash certificate by Southern Insecticides, Radio by Modern Appliance Co.

Electric percolator and electric clock by Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation.

Electric iron by Farmers Hardware & Supply Co., Inc. Deluxe storm door, Miller Industries, Inc.

Electric iron, Builders' Supermarket, Inc.

Camera, Flowers Photo Shop. Electric clock, Watauga Insurance Agency.

Ham, Watauga Insurance Agency.

Sunbeam electric iron, Greene Furniture Co.

Recap tire, Vance Recapping Co.

2 gallons paint, Watauga FCX.

10 gallons gas and grease job—Fox 66 Service Station.

Thermos jug, Thrift Food Center.

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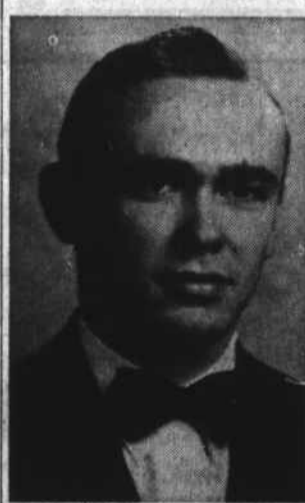
Most Stores To Close Doors For Fourth Of July

Most of the stores and other business places in the town of Boone are expected to be closed today, for observance of the fourth of July.

Mr. Herman Wilcox, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association, says it is recommended that all those who find it possible close their doors for the legal holiday.

Great numbers of visitors are expected in the Boone, Blowing Rock Linville scenic triangle for the long holiday week end, and travel is expected to reach something of a record in this area.

Dr. Furman Locates Here



DR. FURMAN

Dr. Lowell Furman, formerly of Harlan, Ky., has joined the medical staff of Watauga Hospital, Inc. It was announced this week. Dr. Furman will be associated with Dr. Curtis McGown in the practice of general surgery.

Dr. Furman was born in Rockwood, Tenn., and spent his early years in Lexington, Ky., and Harlan, Tenn. He attended the University of Tennessee for his pre-medical work and was graduated from the University of Tennessee Medical School in 1955. Dr. Furman interned at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Mich. He entered the Navy in December of 1956 and spent two and a half years in the navy as a flight surgeon. He then returned to Harlan for a general surgical residency which he completed last month.

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National Bank Has Opening

The First National Bank of Boone held its official opening Monday, and large numbers of people of the town and county came to visit the new financial institution and to take part in the open house reception.

Bank officials, members of the Board of Directors and their wives received the guests, refreshments were served and favors distributed.



JOHN D. BROYHILL

John Broyhill Is Associated With Coe Ins.

Mr. John D. Broyhill will be associated with the Coe Insurance and Realty Co. beginning July 8th.

Mr. Broyhill has been employed by Shadowline Inc. for the past six years. He was born and reared in Watauga County, and is a graduate of Blowing Rock High School and Appalachian State Teachers College, where he majored in business administration.

He is married to the former Billie Kern of Star, N. C. They have three children and reside at 308 Farthing Street.

Mr. Coe feels, with Mr. Broyhill's well rounded background, that the Coe Insurance will be able to provide a better service to clients, and Mr. Broyhill will be trained in all phases of insurance. He will attend training schools provided by the insurance companies represented by the Coe Insurance & Realty Co.

Pet Milk Buys Catawba Dairy

Hickory, June 28—The Catawba Cooperative Dairy of Hickory has been acquired by Pet Milk Company, Dairy Division, (Continued on page two)

Tax Official Talks To Group World Tourists

Mr. Ivy B. Wilson, county tax supervisor, delivered an address of welcome on behalf of the County of Watauga, when the foreign visitors were entertained in the county a few days ago. Mr. Wilson acted for the Board of County Commissioners, due to the illness of Mr. Eynum Greene, the chairman of the Board.

It is regretted that at press time, the portion of the story carrying this information was accidentally omitted. Of course it was intended that this important part of the story be printed.

Horn Opening Crowns Day Of Gay Festivity

Intermittent rains failed to halt the outdoor drama, Horn in the West, from opening its 12th season Saturday night in Boone, as the crowning point of the Carolina Charter Tercentenary Celebration.

British diplomat Dennis Greenhill addressed the crowds in a prologue to the drama. Congressman James T. Broyhill, the Ninth District, introduced the Queen's minister.

Longtime cast members Wil-

liam Ross, as Dr. Geoffrey Stuart, Glenn Causey, as Daniel Boone and Charles Elledge, as the popular Preacher Sims, gave stirring performances as Watauga valley settlers defended themselves against "Redcoats" and Indians at the 12th opening.

The new director, Gene Wilson, said continuing rain has seriously hampered rehearsals for several weeks. The Friday night rehearsal lasted until after midnight because of rain.