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Wilcoxes Asked To Go To Calif. For Launching

Mr. and Mrs. Herman W. Wilcox have been invited to attend the commissioning of the Submarine Daniel Boone at Mare Island Shipyard, California. The invitation says:

"The Prospective Commanding Officers, Officers and Crews request the honor of your presence on the occasion of the commissioning of the United States Ship Daniel Boone SSB(N) 629, at Mare Island Naval Shipyard, Vallejo Calif., Thursday, the twenty-third of April nineteen hundred and sixty-four at two thirty o'clock."

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox state they will not be able to attend.

Arrangements have been made with Mr. George C. Thomas,



COMMANDER STEELE Of USS Daniel Boone

who will be on the West Coast at this time, to represent the "Horn in the West" drama. Mr. Thomas will attend the commissioning as well as the reception, and will go aboard the submarine, have pictures made in costume of Daniel Boone, and promote our drama and the area, Wilcox stated.

Cottrell To Go To Launching

Herman W. Wilcox says that Howard Cottrell has been invited to attend the commissioning of USS Daniel Boone at Mare Island, California, this Thursday, to represent the Town of Boone and "Horn in the West."

Mr. Cottrell was scheduled to attend a convention in Los Angeles this week, in connection with the ASTC Book Store. George Thomas, who is visiting his parents in the State of Washington, has consented to attend this commissioning. "We are grateful to him since he has volunteered his time and services to go on to Mare Island to attend this historical event," Mr. Wilcox said.



MRS. WALTER GREENE

Mrs. Greene Dies Of Sudden Illness Friday

Mrs. Celia Ellen Greene, 74, wife of Walter Greene, Boone, Route 2, died from a sudden illness Friday, following what was believed to have been a heart attack.

She was born in Watauga County to the late John I. Greene and Mrs. Laura Hayes Greene. She was married to Walter H. Greene February 26, 1912, and was a faithful mem-

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CROWD VIEWS GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONIES AT BAPTIST CHURCH.

Ground Is Broken For New Boone Baptist Church Plant

The construction of the Educational Building and Chapel of the First Baptist Church began with ground breaking ceremonies Wednesday, April 15 at 6.

Mr. A. L. Cook, who was ordained as a deacon of the church more than 50 years ago, turned the first shovel of dirt to begin the building program. He was followed by Mr. Clyde R. Greene who was church treasurer during the construction of the present facilities.

Others taking part in the service were Dr. Ray Lawrence and James P. Marsh, chairmen of the Building and the Construction committees, Mrs. Herman W. Wilcox, W.M.U. president; Perry Greene, chairman of deacons; John Edwards, S. U. President; Randy Farthing and Linda Danner, representing the future of the church, and the Rev. J. Boyce Brooks, pastor of the church.

Early this week the clearing and grading of the building site had been completed and work was progressing in preparation for the foundations of the building. The work is being done by Pennell and Haiger Construction Co. of Lenoir. Mr. F. Arthur Hazard of Augusta, Ga., is the architect.

Appalachian PTA Meets Mon.

The Appalachian High School division of the Boone Parent-Teachers Association will meet in the high school auditorium Monday, April 27, at 7:30 p. m.

Registration for courses for the 1964-1965 school year will be the topic for discussion. Members of the high school staff will present information on the high school curriculum, summer school courses, and participation in the summer language institute.

Dr. Roy Blanton, principal, extends an invitation to parents of all eighth grade students in the Green Valley, Parkway, and Appalachian Elementary schools to attend the meeting. Teachers will be available to answer questions of parents concerning the high school program and selection of courses.

Registration will be held during the week of April 27 to May 1.

Coca-Cola Sweepstakes Offers Trips To World's Fair, Cash

"Win a World's Fair trip for yourself and 25 friends, or \$25,000 in cash." This out-of-the-world prize may be won by some lucky resident of Watauga or Ashe county. The trip, or the cash, is the grand prize in the "See-The-Fair" Sweepstakes sponsored by the Hickory Coca-Cola Bottling Co. and other Coca-Cola Bottlers throughout the country. James G. Penden, Manager of Hickory Coca-Cola said the 5 week national Sweepstakes begins April 13 and will run through June 1.



Mr. A. L. Cook turns first shovel of dirt at the ground-breaking ceremonies which started the huge expansion program of the First Baptist Church.—Flowers photos.

AHS Band Proud Recipient Of Excellent State Rating

The Appalachian High School Band were proud recipients of an excellent rating at the 1964 State Band Contest held in Greensboro.

Judges for the contest were Donald McGinnis of Ohio State University, Everett L. Roberts of St. Petersburg, Florida, and Richard Brittain of the Vandercook School of Music in Chicago, Illinois.

Appalachian's band competed in Group V which is the next to the most advanced division. Of the eleven bands that competed in Group V, three received superior ratings, seven received excellent ratings, and one received a good rating.

For their warm-up number, the Appalachian Band played a concert march—Block M by Jerry H. Bilik. The band was then allowed to choose one of four prepared numbers for contest performance. They performed Toccata For Band by Frank Erickson. From the remaining three the judges chose Ballad For Band by Morton Gould.

The band director, James Shugert, was very proud of the performance of his band. This pride was shared by the parents and friends who met the band at the Parkway School and led them into Boone in a welcoming caravan.

"If a local resident doesn't claim the first prize-winner, there are over 4,000 other prizes a local resident may win," Hoy Greene, Boone Warehouse Manager, said. Every week during the five-week activity, 20 families father, mother, and up to 4 dependent children will win 5-day expense paid trips to the Fair. And every week 800 other winners will receive Kodak movie cameras, projectors, slide cameras, and other valuable prizes. Theme of the Sweepstakes is the 1964-1965 New York

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Arrest Made In Golf Club Burglaries

Joseph Smathers, 17 years old, resident of Boone, was arrested Saturday midnight, and jailed on four counts of breaking and entering and larceny, growing out of a series of burglaries at the Boone Golf Club pro shop.

Justice of the Peace Dave Hodges set bond at \$3,000, which was filled Monday. Smathers will be tried at the September term of Watauga Superior Court. Mr. Hodges said, having waived a preliminary hearing.

Smathers' arrest followed three robberies at the Golf Shop. Joe Maples, local golf professional, says the shop was entered Monday, Wednesday and Thursday nights, with \$50, \$114 and \$74, respectively, being taken. One carton of cigarettes was taken the second trip, no other merchandise being missing.

Mr. Maples discovered that entrance had been made by removing a screen from the wash room area of the men's locker room, and that exit was made through the front door, the intruder being careful to replace the window screen each time. Mr. Maples and Patrolman William Teem spent Friday night at the golf shop, with no results. Saturday there were reports that there was to be some vandalism on the golf course, so Mr. Maples stationed David (Hindu) Henderson in the building, while he, Alfred Adams and Hugh Hampton toured the course, being in touch with Henderson on a two-way radio system.

The men on the course found no miscreants, only a couple of fellows getting night crawlers for fishing and one couple. At 12 o'clock, however, they were notified by Hindu that a man was entering the building. The trio ran to the golf shop where they found young Smathers on the floor with Hindu holding him at gunpoint. Officer Teem was called by radio and made the arrest.

Mr. Maples says the young (continued on page six)

Founders Day Sale To Be Big Event At Belk's

W. W. Chester of Belk's Department Store announces the opening of the annual Founders Day Sale on April 23. The event marks 75 years of retail leadership by the huge Carolina firm founded by merchant Henry Belk, Mr. Chester said.

The sale will continue until May 2.

Mr. Chester, who has consistently relied on the Watauga Democrat for coverage of his merchandising events, uses five pages of this edition to tell of the many outstanding values which are to be found in every department of the big store. The attention of readers is directed to this important business announcement.

City Gives \$500 To Little League

The Town of Boone has contributed \$500 to the Optimist Club for buying baseball uniforms for the Little League teams the Club sponsors. The Little League schedule of games will be released when formulated.

One Is Unopposed 28 Candidates File For Public Office In County



MRS. DEAS RECEIVING AWARD

Mrs. Deas Wears Six Diamond Phone Award

Mrs. Margaret Deas of Boone is wearing with pride this week a six-diamond pin, symbol of almost 30 years with the telephone company.

She received the pin at a luncheon held for her Friday in honor of her retirement. E. R. Lawson, district manager, Asheville, presented her the pin, which has a diamond for each five years of service.

Others attending the luncheon were Mr. Deas, W. R. Cooke, Jr., manager of the Lenoir-Boone offices and former manager, H. M. Inabinet, Mrs. Jessie Norris, Mrs. Flavel Eggers, G. M. Tisdale, and H. L. McAulay. Mrs. Deas began her career with the telephone company on December 3, 1934, as an operator in Lenoir. In November, 1946, she moved to Florence, S. C., and worked in the business office for ten years. In 1956 Mrs. Deas transferred to Morganton, and on November 26, transferred to the Boone business office as a service representative until her recent retirement.

She and her husband, John, have recently purchased a new home in Boone and Margaret is now looking forward to "just taking it easy" in her retirement.



ROBERT DAVIS

Robert Davis To Visit Boone

Mr. Robert Davis of Salisbury, 9th District Democratic candidate for Congress will be in Watauga County Monday April 27 to meet and speak to the voting public.

A group of the YDC members will form a motorcade and meet him and Mrs. Davis at Blowing Rock post office at 10:30; from there they will go to the Daniel Boone Inn at (Continued on page six)

Filing Deadline Sees Flurry Of Local Activity

The Democrat will publish pictures and information about all the candidates in the next edition.

Twenty-four Republicans and Democrats had filed for county office when the deadline arrived at noon last Friday, there being only one candidate who will be unopposed in November.

No Republican candidate filed against Helen Underdown, Register of Deeds, who has held the office continuously since 1928.

Only four candidates filed for township offices.

S. Clyde Eggers, former Watauga County Representative in the General Assembly filed as a Republican candidate for the State Senate from the 29th district. He will be opposed for the nomination by Senator T. E. Story of North Wilkesboro.

Representative J. E. Holsouser, Jr., Republican incumbent, will have opposition either from George Flowers of Boone, or L. H. Smith of Blowing Rock, both of whom filed for the Democratic nomination for the Assembly.

Neither Mr. Smith, an attorney, nor Mr. Flowers, a professional photographer, has previously sought public office.

For the Board of County Commissioners, Republican incumbents Bynum Greene, John Greene and J. C. Lyons filed, along with Elmer Miller, Fred Michael and John Wellborn, also Republicans.

Democrats running for Commissioner are: Gordon H. Winkler, Hayden Pitts, J. B. Ragan, L. A. Henson, David Spainhour, Aud Ward, Mrs. Edna Brittain and Robert W. Davis.

For the Board of Education Democrat incumbent Grady Moretz, Jr. is being opposed by A. E. South, veteran Superior Court Clerk. Republican incumbents John H. Hollar and Farris D. Bumgardner filed, along with James Stout, also a Republican.

For Township Offices For township offices the following are running:

New River township: For Justices of the Peace, Dave P. Hodges; For Constable, Emmitt Oliver.

Blowing Rock township: For Justice of the Peace, Rhonda L. Coffey; For Constable, Howard Coffey.

International Night Observed

The Boone Junior Chamber of Commerce observed International night at their regular meeting on Monday, April 20, at the Daniel Boone Inn.

Four students at Appalachian State Teachers College from foreign countries were the guests of the Jaycees. The guests were Maya Masumoto from Japan, Anna Chow from Japan, Cheryle Shiek from Formosa, and Grace Yang from Formosa.

Each told the group about herself, her country, and why she decided to come to Appalachian for her education. There are more than a dozen foreign students attending Appalachian this year.

Return From Florida Mr. and Mrs. Turner Watson returned last week to their home on Route 4, Boone after spending the winter in Vero Beach, Florida.

Court Report Will Be Published Next Week

Watauga Superior Court convened Monday, with Judge George Patton of Franklin presiding, and the term will likely end today.

A report of the judgments of the court will appear in the next edition of the Democrat.