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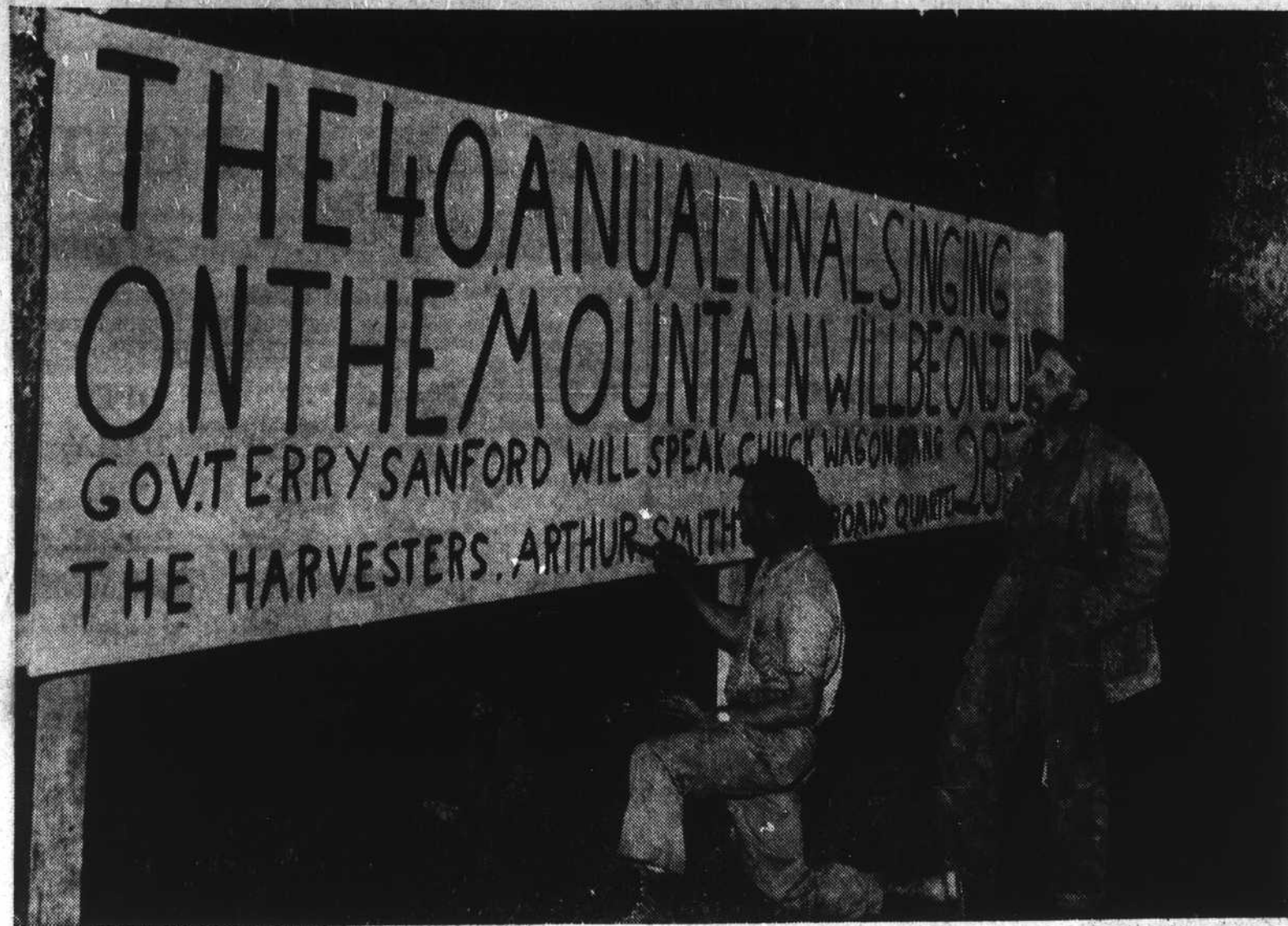
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40th Year For Sing Chairman

Joe L. Hartley admires the sign erected under his supervision on the grounds where "Singing on the Mountain"

will take place next Sunday (June 28) for the 40th consecutive year under his personal direction.

Wagon Train Schedule Is Given Out

The 1964 Daniel Boone Wagon Train program and schedule have been released by Herman W. Wilcox, co-chairman of the local phase of the event.

June 27
Participants go to Memorial Park in North Wilkesboro, register and take position in train.

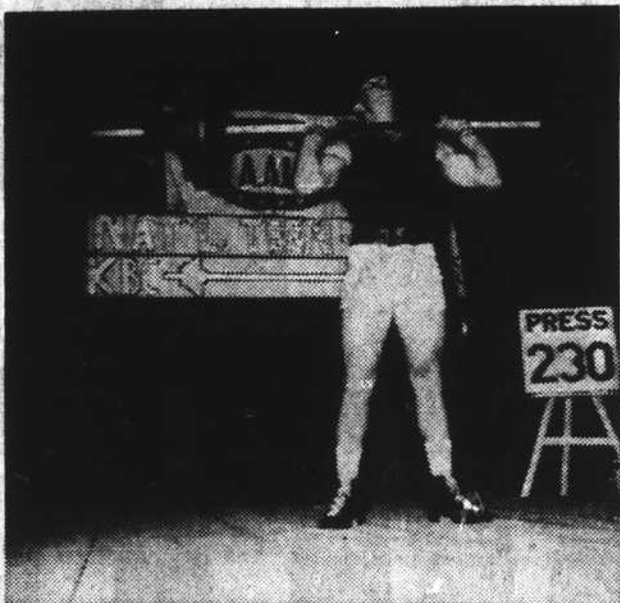
June 28
Afternoon singing begins at 2 p. m. Boat races: Kerr Lake.

June 29
Wagon train parades through North Wilkesboro, 10:30 a. m. Games in the North Wilkesboro Park, beginning at 2 p. m. Games include horseshoe pitching, climbing pole, catching pig, and shooting. Games for women include sack race and hog calling. Music and square dance at 7:30 p. m. Prizes will be given for best performances.

June 30
Devotion, 8 a. m. Wagon train leaves camp in North Wilkesboro and parades through Wilkesboro, 8:30 a. m. Wagon grounds, 3:30 p. m., and makes train arrives at Ferguson Camp camp. Evening festivities include shooting contests, singing, band music, dancing, and hog calling.

July 1
Wagon train leaves Darby, Ar. (Continued on page two)

"Singing On The Mountain" To Have 40th Session Sunday



JOHNNY ROTEN

Johnny Roten Is Winner National Sports Crown

Johnny Roten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Roten of Boone, has become the first local athlete to win a national championship.

The 100 degree heat had its effects on all the contestants, and Johnny's performance wasn't as sharp as usual; however, it was 25 pounds in front of the second place man. Roten's (continued on page two)

An occurrence that may be unprecedented in the entire United States where one man has been general chairman of a public event for 40 consecutive years will take place at Grandfather Mountain on Sunday, June 28 when Joe L. Hartley, now 93, serves once more as chairman of the 40th annual "Singing on the Mountain."

The mountain religious singing convention has become the largest annual event in the mountains of the South, drawing up to 50,000 persons each fourth Sunday in June for the last four decades.

No admission is charged, and in Chairman Hartley's words, "Whosoever will, may come."

The 1964 program will be something special, because of the 40th anniversary of the event and Mr. Hartley's long service as its chairman. For one thing, the famous Chuck Wagon Gang from Dallas, Texas, will be there, and it is a group that Hartley has long attempted to interest in taking part in the religious songfest.

Governor of North Carolina Terry Sanford will be there, too, as principal speaker. In addition the Chuck Wagon Gang, singing will be by Arthur Smith's Crossroads Quartet, the Harvesters Quartet, and scores of lesser known musical groups.

The all-day event actually gets under way the day before, with as many as 10,000 participants camping overnight at or near the spacious meadow beside U. S. 221 at the base of 6,000-foot Grandfather Mountain, highest peak in the Blue Ridge.

Widened roads and additional parking have made the handling of the crowd more efficient in recent years, and a good turnout is expected for the 40th anniversary of the event.

Tom Pease Hurt At Pool Friday

Tom Pease, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Pease, received a fractured skull in an accident at Blowing Rock Swimming Pool Friday afternoon. He was turning a flip from the high diving board and apparently flipped over the wrong direction and hit his head on the edge of the pool.

He is a patient at Watauga Hospital where he is improving satisfactorily.

To Hear Election Results 'Horn In West' To Open 13th Year On Saturday

Ampitheatre Draws Praise Of Dr. Greer

The 13th season opening of "Horn in the West," Saturday, June 27, has been designated Watauga County Night.

Local citizens are expected to turn out in large numbers to witness the first performance of the 1964 production directed by Gene Wilson, inspect the renovated Daniel Boone Theatre, hear election results and vie for cash prizes.

Opening ceremonies will include a welcome to local citizens by Dr. I. G. Greer, president of the sponsoring Southern Appalachian Historical Association, and recognition of director Gene Wilson, executive vice-president Herman W. Wilcox, production chairman Dr. R. H. Harmon, curator Mrs. B. W. Stallings, and the association board of directors.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Cannon, of Kannapolis, will also be recognized. Mrs. Cannon, who was influential in organizing the outdoor drama, will be attending the opening for her 13th time.

During intermission, \$25, \$15 and \$10 cash prizes will be given to lucky ticket holders.

Latest election results of the second primary also will be announced during the intermission.

Veteran "Horn in the West" principals Charles Elledge, Bill Ross and Glenn Causey will return for their 13th season with the production.

Director Wilson has made many improvements in the show and features a number of new faces in various roles this year.

Bill Williams of Concord will do the thrilling Indian fire sequence. "His handling of this dangerous stunt is superb," report director Wilson.

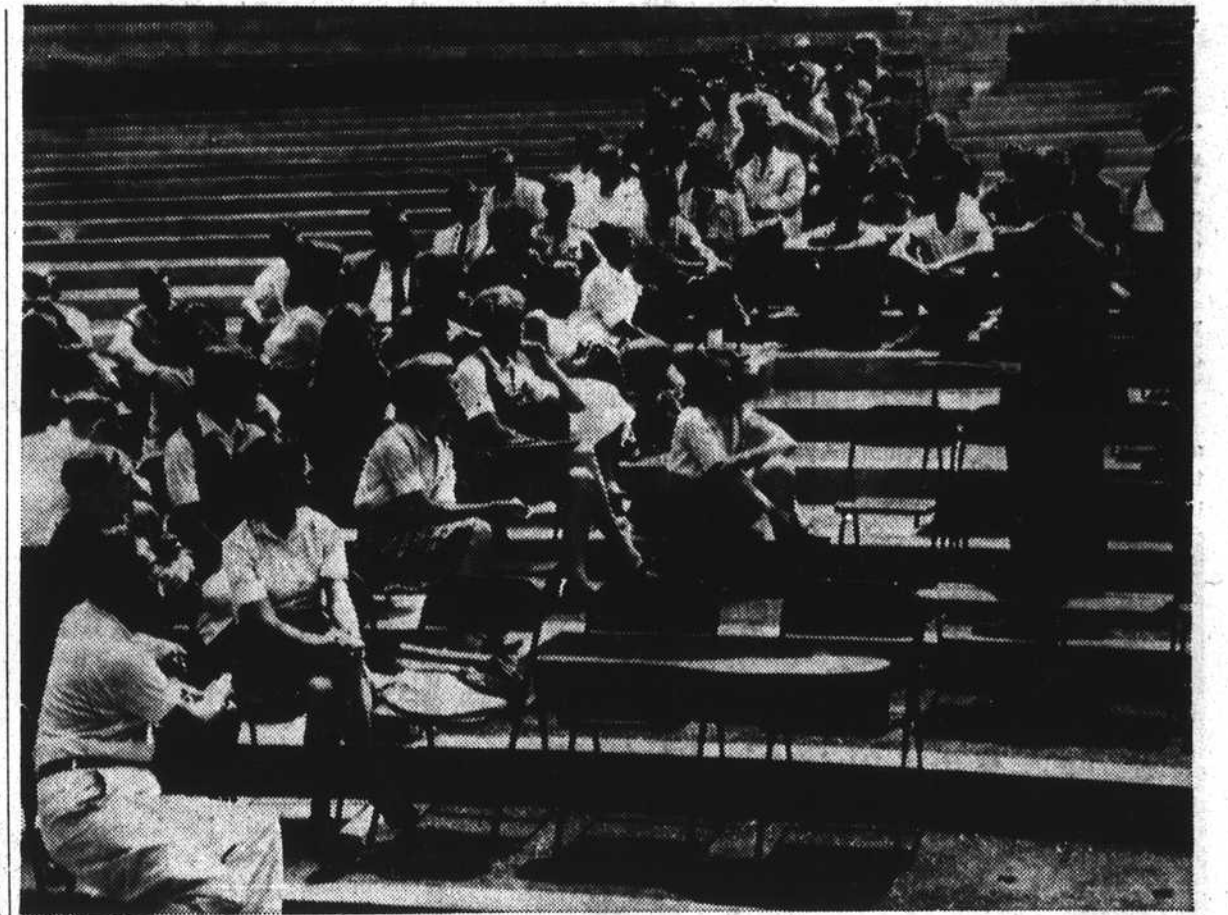
Music will be conducted by Charles Tedford of Huntsville, Ala. Choreography is by Charles Nichol of New York.

Other new persons to be seen are Jimmie Ralson, Paula Thompson, Joseph Gerrity and Martha Youngson.

The rebuilt Daniel Boone Theatre is a "gem," commented Dr. I. G. Greer, the association president and native of Watauga County, after he inspected the ampitheatre last week.

The Perry Greene Construction Company of Boone did the major portion of construction. New chairs have been bought and old ones repainted.

Drama officials hope that town and county citizens will show their support of the show by being present Saturday night.

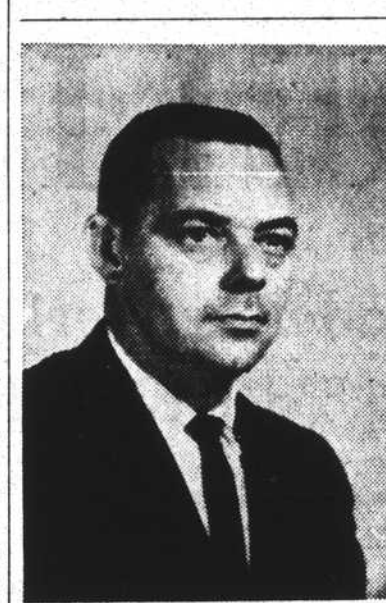


Horn Cast Orientated

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Wataugans To Go To Polls In State Primary Saturday



JAMES A. GREENE

James Greene Will Manage Horn Theatre

A veteran schoolman has been named theatre manager of "Horn in the West" outdoor drama. He is James A. Greene, principal of the Parkway Elementary School in Watauga County.

In addition to managing the (continued on page six)

Wataugans will go to the polls Saturday to decide who will be their next Democratic candidate for Governor, for Lieutenant Governor, and to determine which of two Republican candidates will represent this new district in the next session of the General Assembly.

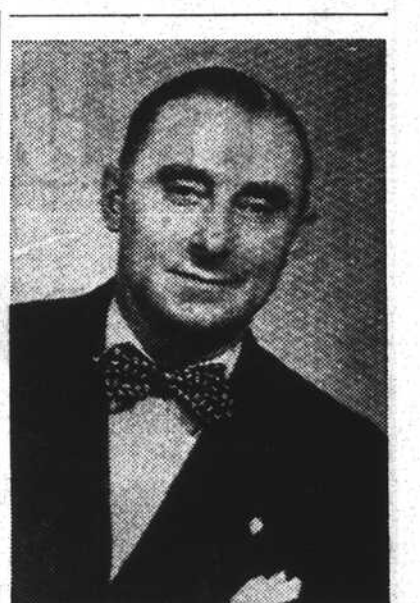
Streetside opinion seems to be that there will be a smaller vote cast in the county than in the first primary May 30th when some three thousand voters went to the polls.

In the first trip to the polls 1,112 voted for Judge Moore while 1,016 went along with Judge Preyer, giving Moore an 106 vote lead. Other candidates garnered 127 votes.

In the race for the Lieutenant-Governorship Robert Scott got 1345, while Clifton Blue was tallying only 473. John R. Jordan got 174.

Both the Moore and the Preyer forces appear to be well organized, and every effort will be made to widen the gap which hitherto existed between the two strong contenders. Speculation on who the likely local leader will be depends upon whether one is talking to a Moore or Preyer supporter.

In the race for the Lieutenant-Governorship (Continued on page six)



W. R. WINKLER

W. R. Winkler Is Reappointed To Auto Group

Raleigh, June 17 — W. R. Winkler, Winkler Motor Company, Inc., Boone, has been reappointed Area Chairman of the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association for Watauga County, according to an announcement made today by E. B. Gamble, president. Winkler will act as liaison officer between new car and truck dealers in Watauga County and NCADA and the National Automobile Dealers Association.

It will be Winkler's responsibility to keep his area informed of state and national affairs affecting the automotive industry and, in turn, to advise (Continued on page two)

Ladies To 'Dress' For Horn Opening

Watauga County and Boone ladies will serve as hostesses during "Horn in the West" opening night activities this Saturday, June 27.

Mrs. Lillian Danner is asking that all ladies with old-fashioned dresses contact her so they can be assigned duties for the evening.

First Annual State Lily Show In Boone Is Called Success

The first annual State Lily Show, held in Boone Saturday and Sunday, June 20 and 21, was a success from every standpoint. The arrangements showed originality and imagination, the horticulture specimens were exceptional, and attendance was beyond the expectations of the sponsors.

Exhibits from many parts of the state and commercial and privately grown exhibits from other states presented dozens of varieties of lilies. Many of these were very rare varieties and new hybrids.

The visiting judges of the Horticulture Division: Mr. Roy-all Bemis of Blackthorne Gardens of Massachusetts; Professor

A. M. Showalter of Harrisonburg, Virginia; and Dr. George Doak of Chapel Hill were enthusiastic in their praise—both of the show and of the horticulture specimens.

Mrs. W. C. Landolina of Clemmons, N. C.; Mrs. W. F. Sturtevant, Mt. Airy, N. C.; and Mrs. Robert Sloan, Winston-Salem, served as judges in the Artistic Division. In this division the following classes—all featuring lilies—were exhibited: arrangements Suitable for the Church, Sanctuary, Oriental Arrangements, Bold and Modern Arrangements, Naturalistic, and Pastel Hues.

In addition to the competitive horticulture and arrange-

ment exhibits, the sponsors featured a special display of locally grown delphinium and clematis—both of which drew much attention from the visitors from other parts of the state.

Winners in the Artistic Arrangement Division of the show were:

Church Arrangements—first, Mrs. James B. Winkler; second, Mrs. E. T. Glenn; third, Mrs. D. L. Wilcox and Mrs. E. S. Qualls.

Pastels — first, Mrs. Robert King; second, Mrs. Ralph Buchanan; third, Mrs. Wiley Smith and Mrs. G. T. Buckland.

Naturalistic—first, Mrs. Vernon Lafone, Hickory; second, (Continued on page two)



Wagon Train Plans Complete

Participants of the 1964 Daniel Boone Wagon Train holiday gather at Triplett for last minute plans. Standing is Herman W.

Wilcox, co-chairman of the Wagon Train event. Next to him is T. E. Story of North Wilkesboro, co-chairman.