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**Wagons Roll On Boone Trail**

This scene can be seen somewhere along the old Boone Trail up the Appalachians to Boone. The picture was made last this week as the Daniel Boone Wagon Train winds its way year by Miriam Rabb of the N. C. Travel Bureau.

## Horn's 13th Opening Is Hailed As Huge Success



DAN K. MOORE

BOB SCOTT

## Moore, Scott Win Top Party Posts

Judge Dan K. Moore walked away with the Democratic nomination for Governor in North Carolina in Saturday's voting, swamping his opponent, Judge Richardson Preyer, by a record landslide majority of close to 200,000 votes.

Preyer, who led in the first primary, carried only seven counties in the Moore sweep, which reached into all areas of the State.

Unofficial returns gave Moore 486,323, Preyer 295,370.

Dr. Beverly Lake who ran third in the first primary, came out in support of Mr. Moore,

and was able to take his 200,000 votes to the Canton man, almost without exception, thus assuring his easy victory.

Bob Scott won for Lieutenant Governor over Clifton Blue, but his lead was narrowed to about 14,000 votes.

In Watauga county both Moore and Scott increased their leads. Moore received 1,479 votes to 921 for Richardson Preyer. Scott polled 1,781 to Clifton Blue's 521.

In a Republican runoff for the State Senate in this district, T. E. Story received 120 votes to F. D. B. Harding's 50.

## Mrs. VanDuesen Dies Of Injuries From Car Crash

Mrs. Chloe Lewis VanDuesen, 70, of Delaware, Ohio, died last Thursday morning at James M. Case hospital in that city, as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident June 3.

Born in Cove Creek township, Watauga County, September 3, 1893, she was a daughter of the late Jacob and Julia Mast Lewis. She was educated at Appalachian Training School, and at Carson-Newman College, where she was the president of her class. She was married to

Dr. Albert VanDeusen, and lived in Syracuse, Canton, Dryden, New York and towns in New England, during her husband's career as a teacher in various colleges and universities. Since his death she has served on the staff of Austin Hall at Ohio Wesleyan University as night hostess. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Delaware.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Peter Lage Jr. of Denver, (Continued on page six)

"Horn in the West" opened its thirteenth season Saturday night and was well received by over 700 who were in attendance.

Watauga County citizens and other guests displayed their enthusiasm and support and applauded the splendid performances of all members of the cast. In evidence was the capable direction of both the veterans and newcomers to the cast of the drama who displayed their talents in a superb fashion, moving the sequences of the drama along smoothly. Spectators displayed their appreciation by applauding intermittently throughout the performance.

Dr. I. G. Greer, president of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association, welcomed those in attendance giving special recognition to the efforts of Gene Wilson, director of the drama, Herman W. Wilcox, executive vice-president of the association, Dr. R. H. Harmon, production chairman, Mrs. B. W. Stallings, curator, and the board of directors.

Among those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Cannon of Kannapolis, who were instrumental in organizing the drama at its beginning and many other out-of-town and state guests.

Watauga County and Boone ladies dressed in costumes indicative of the era depicted in the drama served as hostesses during the opening night activities, adding color to the occasion.

It is the consensus that the renovation of the Daniel Boone Theatre has added much to the effectiveness of the drama and all can be justly proud of their efforts in this rebuilding.

## Jaycees Sell Horn Booklets

The Junior Chamber of Commerce has volunteered to sell our Daniel Boone booklets through this week. They will have them for sale on the streets and "Horn in the West" partying lot.

They will also have available confections and drinks on the street Saturday, July 4.

The "Horn in the West" officials express their appreciation for this assistance.



ELIE S. MATTAR

## Elie S. Mattar, Blowing Rock Leader, Dies

Services for Elie Selim Mattar, 53, who died Thursday afternoon at Blowing Rock Community Hospital were held at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Mary's of the Hills Episcopal Church. Mr. Mattar had been hospitalized since a heart attack three weeks ago.

Owner-operator of the Blowing Rock Art Gallery for 15 years, he had been a respected community leader, serving at the time of the attack as President of the Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce and sergeant-at-arms in the Blowing Rock Rotary Club. He was to be installed as president of the (Continued on page six)

## Ralph Greene Joins Local Draft Board

At a regular meeting on June 25, Mr. Ralph G. Greene was sworn in as a member of the local board No. 96. The oath of office was administered by Joe W. Todd, chairman of the board, in the presence of John D. Marsh, board member, and the local board clerk. Members of the local board serve under Presidential appointments and are uncompensated.

Mr. Greene succeeds Mr. John F. Cook who recently resigned after serving on the board for nearly three years. In May of this year, Mr. Todd completed fifteen years of service as a local board member, and Mr. Marsh has given fourteen years service.

## Caravan Will Roll Into City Next Friday

"There'll be a hot time in the old town Friday and Saturday (July 3-4), says Herman W. Wilcox of "Horn in the West."

The 1964 Daniel Boone Wagon Train consisting of 75 covered wagons and nearly 600 human and animal participants is scheduled to roll into the "Horn in the West" camping grounds Friday at 3:30 p. m.

Next day at 10 a. m. the wagons will grind ruts in the asphalt streets and over 100 outriders will raise clouds of dust on the flanks as the adventurers parade through Boone.

Thousands are expected to line the streets to view the parade.

Dewitt Barnett, wagon master, and Ivey Moore, scout, will take the train through Boone.

Parade Marshall Austin Adams has a number of colorful entries lined up to lead the train. Included are a National Guard Color Guard, the Appalachian High School Band, Miss Rhododendron, Miss Watauga County, "Horn in the West" stars and Indians, Fred Kirby of Tweetsie Railroad and many others.

The train began its trek from North Wilkesboro Tuesday morning, spent the night at Ferguson, rolled on to Darby Wednesday and spent the evening in that Wilkes village.

The train encamps at Triplet Thursday night. It will arrive in the hamlet late in the afternoon.

The caravan makes the final leg of the journey Friday, arriving at the Daniel Boone Theatre around 3:30 p. m.

## List Of Stores To Be Closed

The Chamber of Commerce, Merchants Division, recommends that all places of business close between 10 a. m. and 1 p. m. on Saturday for the Wagon Train Parade.

These plan to close all day July 4: Auto parts and recapping firms and furniture and electrical appliances stores. Most other stores will remain open.

I. B. Wilson, county tax supervisor, has announced that all county offices will close at noon Friday and remain closed until Monday, July 6.

## Costume Contest Set For Thursday, Friday

Watauga County citizens wishing to have their costumes judged during the Wagon Train holidays are asked to appear on King Street in the business district sometime on Thursday and Friday.

Best costume winners will be announced Saturday night prior to the "Horn in the West" performance.

Mrs. Carrie Winkler of Boone is chairman of the judging committee and is in charge of award presentations at the Daniel Boone Theatre Saturday.

## Robert Randall Is M. C. In Talent Show

Robert Randall of Appalachian State Teachers College served Friday night as master of ceremonies for the big Daniel Boone Wagon Train talent show in North Wilkesboro.

The winners of the talent show will present their acts at the Daniel Boone Theatre in Boone Friday, July 3, in a special show prior to the "Horn in the West" performance.

## 75 Vehicles Expected

# 'Hot Time In Old Town' Seen For Wagon Train



**Original Civitan Club Members**

CHARTER MEMBERS of the Boone Civitan Club from left to right: Clyde R. Greene, Dr. G. K. Moose, Cicero Greer, H. W. Horton, George P. Hagaman, and A. E. South.



**Installation Of Officers**

INSTALLING NEW CIVITAN officers is W. K. Richardson, Lt. Governor, Zone 3 of the North Carolina District. Officers (l-r) are: Treasurer, Bobby Sherrill; secretary, Ernest Dancy; president-elect, Bob Davis; president, Edgar Greene; and directors, Howard Edmisten and Norman Critcher.—Story page 4, section C. (Photos by Rachel Rivers.)

## Land Bank To Feature Distinguished Speakers

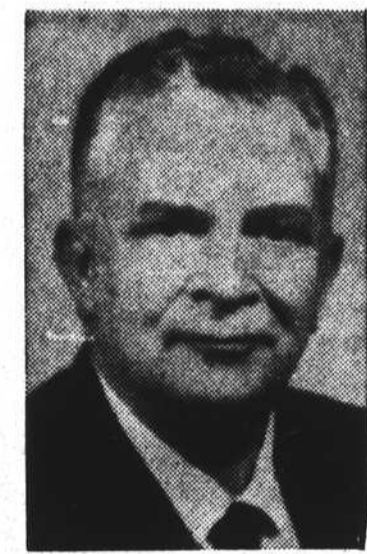
The annual meeting of Federal Land Bank Association stockholders this year will feature addresses by Harold T. Mason, deputy governor of the Farm Credit Administration, and D. M. Dowdell, Jr., president of the Federal Land Bank of Columbia.

S. C. Eggers and John H. Hollar, president and manager of the local association, will preside over the meeting, 10:30 a.m., Saturday, July 11, at the Boone Elementary School. As a bonus, the person who brings the largest number of people will receive \$10. Grand prize will be a table model television, donated by Lowe's North Wilkesboro Hardware.

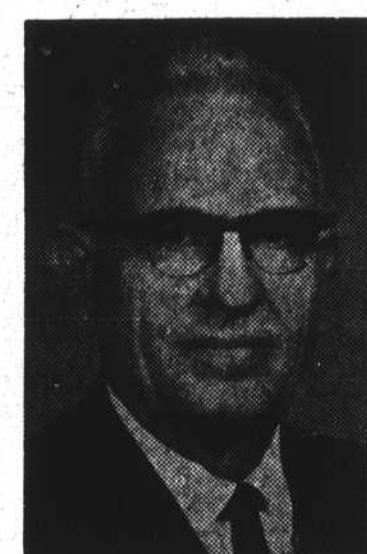
Again conducting the quiz program will be T. E. Haigler, assistant vice-president of FLEB of Columbia, who will award 30 prizes in addition to a \$25 certificate from Southern Insecticides, a radio from Modern Appliances and Furniture Co., and 100 silver dollars from the Federal Land Bank Assn.

Contributors of other prizes are: Greene Furniture Co.; Miller Industries, Inc.; Lowe's Sparta Hardware; Watauga Insurance Agency; Blue Ridge Electric;

Flowers' Photo Shop; Glenn Miller Insurance Agency; Farmers Hardware & Supply Co. (Continued on page six)



HAROLD T. MASON



D. M. DOWDELL, JR.

## Larry Walker, 65, Dies In Blowing Rock On Monday

Larry Walker, 65, retired concert and vaudeville pianist, died Monday morning in Blowing Rock Hospital after a long period of declining health.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, July 1, at the Harry-Bryant Funeral Chapel in Charlotte by Dr. James S. Potter of Prichard Memorial Baptist Church.

A prayer service for the Walker family was conducted at 11 a. m. Wednesday by the Rev. C. Ward Courtney at St. Mary's of the Hills Episcopal Church.

Mr. Walker was known nationally for his concert and stage performances and was active in almost all fields of entertainment. His long career began in the early 1920's in vaudeville.

In 1930 he joined radio station WJSU in Washington, D. C., where he embarked upon a career that was to lead to the establishment of two television stations. During this period, he composed a variety of musical numbers, becoming one of the first commercial musical writers. His best known composition was "My Castle of Dreams" in the early 30's.

In 1933, he married the former Miss Alberta Curlliss of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mr. Walker joined WBT radio in Charlotte in 1929 and remained there until 1933. In 1953 he went to WSOC-TV in Charlotte to head their program planning. When the station was awarded Channel 9 in 1954, Mr. Walker became president and held this position (Continued on page six)

## Park Rangers Act To Stop Wave Violations

Rangers along the Blue Ridge Parkway are stepping up night patrol activities in order to quell vandalism, racing along the Parkway, and other unlawful acts.

Weekend use of the Parkway is becoming heavier and heavier. Because of this it is imperative that each and every person on the road follow safe-driving practices. On Sunday, June 21, when traffic was at its maximum, a driver was observed weaving across both lanes and driving under the influence, failure to stop for red light and siren, and resultantly was fined \$250.

Saturday night, June 20, a high speed chase near Cumberland Knob resulted in the apprehension and conviction of an offender. This individual was charged with reckless driving, driving under the influence, (Continued on page six)