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Dec. 9	55	33		40
Dec. 10	54	37		35
Dec. 11	64	29		50
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Boone Minister Dies Monday Of Heart Attack

Rev. William Leonard Trivette, 85, of Route 4, Boone, died Monday in Hickory, where he had gone to attend a meeting. He was stricken with what was believed to have been a heart attack and died shortly after he was taken to a hospital.

Mr. Trivette was a native of Watauga County, and a son of the late John Calvin and Caroline Hayes Trivette. He had been engaged in farming, was at one time rural mail carrier on Route 1, Boone, and for a number of years had been a minister in the Advent Christian Church.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at 2 p. m. at the Boone Advent Christian Church. Officiating were the Rev. Floyd Boston and Rev. Charles L. Smith. Burial was in the Edmisten cemetery.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Ruby Sherrill of Hudson; Mrs. Mary Ann West of Wheeling, West Virginia; Mrs. Nell Fairchild of Winston-Salem; one son, Blaine Trivette of Boone; three brothers, George Trivette of Limestone, Tenn.; Grant Trivette of Birmingham, Alabama; Joseph Trivette of Johnson City, Tenn.; four sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Baird of Bluff City, Tenn.; Mrs. Irene Brewer and Mrs. Jennie Holfars, both of Boone and Mrs. Annie Lee Cooke of Lenoir; nine grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren.

Pleads Guilty To Shoplifting

One youth answered charges of shoplifting this week in Juvenile Court, pleaded guilty and was released on probation.

Orville Foster, juvenile judge, said that a second youth, also from Watauga County, did not attend the hearing on Monday. Foster estimated the value of the stolen goods at between \$15 and \$20.

Weed Sales Drop Due To Weather

Dry weather threw off poundage in the Boone burley tobacco market last week. Reports for five sales days up to Monday, Dec. 13, were:

Tuesday, Dec. 7, 155,774 pounds at \$103,574.92; Wednesday, Dec. 8, 74,492 pounds at \$50,014.76; Thursday, Dec. 9, 38,324 pounds at \$25,710.02; Friday, Dec. 10, 36,940 pounds at \$24,243.50; and Monday, Dec. 13, 73,623 pounds at \$49,000.08.

Register Of Deeds

Holiday Hours Noted

The Register of Deeds office will be closed Friday, Dec. 24th, Sat., Dec. 25th and Mon., Dec. 27th in observance of Christmas.



THIS STATUE OF JESUS IN MOUNT LAWN CEMETERY portrays the reverence for life that comes with the annual observance of Christmas. Both symbol and embodiment of Christmas, it is a reminder that one night there was no room in the inn. Several civic and church groups, as well as

individuals, have been working on various projects for the underprivileged for several weeks, in order that the meaning of Christmas—and a good measure of holiday abundance—will be in many more homes this season. (Staff photo)

'Great-Grandfathers Day' To Be First Event Of New Year

The calendars show Jan. 1 as New Year's Day—but the kickoff day for 1966 will be "Great-Grandfathers Day" in North Carolina. Focal point for the special occasion will be North Carolina's famous Grandfather Mountain, highest peak in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

This word comes from Rob Rivers, Great-Grandfather Mountain promotion chairman, who has been designated to provide publicity for the event by Dr. Daniel T. Young, UNC School of Medicine Heart Specialist and president of the North Carolina Heart Association.

The mountain top, heretofore closed to visitors in mid-winter, will be the scene of a gathering of grandfathers and great-grandfathers brought together by the North Carolina Heart Association to "rechristen" the venerable landmark.

The mountain, near Linville, will be honored with a new name, "Great-Grandfather Mountain", and will thus become the symbol of the state's 1966 "Hope for Hearts Crusade".

The crusade will be a year-long community health education effort of the North Carolina Heart Association. The purpose of the New Year's Day renaming ceremony is to call proper public attention in the state to its many citizens who are great-grandfathers. A lot of hullabaloo over nothing? Not at all.

The many great-grandfathers who are alive today are largely alive as a result of the progress

made during this century in cardiovascular medicine and public health practice. The North Carolina Heart Association points out that it has been estimated that more than one-third of all human beings ever to reach the age of 80—since the beginning of recorded history—are alive today.

Many folks may sell the Heart Association short. A little investigation will show the tremendous impact by the American Heart Association (and its state affiliates such as the North Carolina Heart Association) since the voluntary health agency was founded less than two decades ago.

The local, state and national Heart groups form a vast home-front network of men and women rightfully indignant about the country's number one killer—concerned citizens, concerned enough to do something about it. Support of heart research, of course, has been a major Heart Association interest, but not only has the Heart Association already spent 2½ million Heart (Continued on page four)

Gifts Asked For Children At Grandfather

Contributions are again being sought in Boone for funds with which to provide some special Christmas joy for the children in residence at the Grandfather Home in Banner Elk.

The homeless youngsters are practically all from this area and people have always considered it a special privilege to help make them happy at this season.

Time is growing short. Those willing to make contributions are asked to leave them with James Marsh at the Watauga Savings & Loan, with Guy Hunt at Hunt's Department Store; with W. W. Chester at Belk's Department Store, or with Rob Rivers at the Watauga Democrat.

Two Injured In Accident In Wilkes County

North Wilkesboro, Dec. 13—Two Appalachian State Teachers College coeds were injured about 6:15 p. m. Sunday on U. S. 421 eight miles east of here when their car failed to negotiate a curve and crashed into an embankment.

State Highway Patrolman H. B. Coley said a 1963 Pontiac Tempest driven by Miss Judy Laner Winecoff, 22, of Statesville rounded the curve where the new part of the highway ends. Miss Winecoff lost control of the car, and it went straight off the highway. She pulled it back and it struck an embankment and threw out her and a passenger, Miss Margaret Jane Vass, 21, of 3906 Wayne Street, Winston-Salem.

Coley said both women received facial cuts and bruises. They were treated at Wilkes General Hospital.

The patrolman said the two were headed for Appalachian at Boone. He said no charges had been filed.

City Hall Offices To Close For Christmas

The Town Hall Business office will be closed Friday, Dec. 24, through Monday, Dec. 27, in observance of Christmas. The police department will remain open.

Spends Weekend Here

Miss Anita Winkler of Shelby spent the weekend at her home on the Blowing Rock Road.

At Elkin Meeting Watauga Wins First Spot In Travel, Recreation



Watauga: At Crossroads

The Travel and Recreation Committee of the Northwest North Carolina Development Association has again awarded Watauga County first place on the basis of its annual report to that Committee. Watauga County is fast becoming a year-round tourist center, as several recreation facilities are in the area. It is also a crossroads of progress on the part of business, civic, educational and religious organizations. The New River Valley Development Association is currently working for the improvement of Highway 221 from the Virginia line through several mountain counties, Watauga included. This would mean even greater accessibility to this area, and it is hoped that work on 221 will be part of Watauga County's report in 1966. The award was made for "progress in recreational and tourist facilities." (Staff photo)

Postmaster Asks That Yule Mail Be Posted This Week

It is urgent that any remaining Christmas mail be sent out over the weekend, Postmaster Ralph L. Beshears stressed today.

In the last three weeks, the nation has witnessed more people mailing gifts, cards and letters than ever before.

The Postmaster said that across the nation every piece of Christmas mail that can possibly be delivered will reach its destination on time. However, at this time of the year, the strain on transportation facilities and the unpredictability of weather can mean unexpected delays.

The Boone Postmaster thanked Mr. Beshears suggested that

mailers consider the use of air mail and special delivery, especially for out of town mail.

He noted that holiday schedules will be in effect on Saturday and Sunday, December 25 and 26. Although Christmas falls on a Saturday and many business firms will be letting their employees off Friday, a sufficient number of postal workers will remain on duty to see that all Christmas mail entering post offices in time for delivery will reach its destination. Only Special Delivery and perishable mail will be delivered on Christmas Day.

The Boone Postmaster thanked Mr. Beshears suggested that

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Northwestern Association Makes Awards

Watauga County again won first place in progress in recreational and tourist facilities at the annual meeting of the Northwest North Carolina Development Association held in Elkin Tuesday night of last week.

The members of the Watauga County Travel and Recreation Committee are: Herman W. Wilcox, Chairman; Joe Maples, Harry Robbins and Col. Clyde Miller. Mr. Wilcox issues the following report for the year 1965 on the progress made in Watauga County which resulted in the recognition at Elkin.

Articles on travel and recreation for county carried in dozen of state, national and international magazines with millions of circulation.

Blowing Rock ski lodge spent several thousand dollars improving their facilities during the year.

Assisted in sending "Miss Rhododendron" Miss Judith Bryant to the Rose Bowl Parade and Rose Bowl Football game and on to Hawaii, where she promoted "Horn in the West" and this area.

\$36,000 Skyland Telephone Exchange built at Foscoe.

A 3,000 foot air strip built through the cooperation of Jack Norris, and Paul Brown, now in operation, located near the Boone Golf Club. Fuel and tie-down facilities.

Citizens of the county worked with Ashe and Alleghany to organize the New River Valley Development Association to promote recreational centers, highways, tourists attractions and accommodations in the three counties.

Promoted Daniel Boone Wagon Train with 65 wagons taking part, receiving national attention. Through one article in a national publication which brought in over 2,000 letters, every one of these letters were answered and sent promotional material on the entire area.

Chamber of Commerce, Boone and Blowing Rock, Horn in the West, Tweetsie Railroad, Grandfather Mountain, Blowing Rock chamber, Hound Ears and other attractions, printed over two million brochures on travel attractions.

Town of Boone voted \$1,800,000 bonds to improve and promote additional water and sewage facilities for tourists and its citizens.

The oldest school building in Watauga County restored and placed on the Horn in the West grounds.

Sponsored a state and national (Continued on page four)

Watauga Savings And Loan Raises Rate Of Dividend

The Watauga Savings and Loan Association will pay an increased dividend of 4¼% beginning January 1, it was announced by James P. Marsh, Secretary-Treasurer, following the meeting of the Board of Directors Monday night.

The new dividend rate will be payable in June and December, on any amount from one dollar up, and deposits made by the tenth of the month will earn interest from the first of the month.

In making the announcement, Mr. Marsh said the new rate would result in about thirty thousand dollars more being paid to the people of the county.

of the best. No losses have been recorded during our 44 years of operation.

The Watauga Savings and Loan is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank system, and all accounts are insured up to \$10,000 each by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, which was set up by Congress in 1934. Since that time no money has been lost in any insured Savings and Loan Association.

The Watauga Savings and Loan Association is the only locally-owned and operated financial institution in Watauga County," Mr. Marsh said.

Great-Grandfathers To Be Honored On Lofty Mountain

Donated prizes, consisting of cases of Grandfather honey, will be given to the oldest and youngest great-grandfathers in the state. Well, not really, the prizes will be given to the youngest and oldest great-grandfathers who make themselves known.

Any person wishing to participate in the Great-Grandfather Mountain ceremony should write or call this newspaper, and, if a great-grandfather, should let us know his age.

It would be nice to have hundreds of folks from Watauga County up there on "Great-Grandfather Mountain."

Oh yes, it might be a cold snowy day on January 1, but neither snow nor cold has ever deterred a Wataugan. What's more, the Heart Association folks and Hugh Morton have a standby procedure in the event that the mountain peak is inaccessible: in such event, the speeches, fellowship, ceremonies, and black-eyed peas will be served at the entrance to the mountain.

Mark your calendar. January 1. We will be coming 'round the mountain.



HARRIS-TEETER SUPER MARKET OPENED last Thursday in its new building on East King Street. Specifications for the brick structure are 128 feet by 83 feet. Two Boone

businesses—the Western Auto Store and the Boone Drug Company—are planning to put branch stores in the building sometime after the first of the year. (Weston photo)