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1966	Hi	Lo	Snow	Prev.	45	Hi	Lo
July 5	74	63				74	59
July 6	79	64		.12		79	58
July 7	80	60		.06		77	57
July 8	79	62		.02		82	62
July 9	77	56				81	60
July 10	77	56				75	63
July 11	86	62				79	63

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LOCAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OCCUPIES IMPOSING EDIFICE.

45th Anniversary Noted Savings & Loan Building Called Finest In Region

Open House Is To Be Feature Of Week End

An open house Friday and Saturday at Watauga Savings & Loan Association will mark the completion of the firm's \$100,000 expansion program. The modernistic facility, which takes in its former offices and a building once occupied by Western Auto, has been called the most up-to-date building west of Winston-Salem.

The 50' by 100' structure features new furniture, fixtures and carpeting throughout, plus glass-encased entrances, new vault and a special depositor's window for children.

The upstairs is rental property.

James Marsh, secretary-treasurer of Savings & Loan, said Monday some doors must be finished and the walk poured in front, but that this should be done by July 18.

Established 1921

Organized in April, 1921, the Association was chartered to "Encourage Thrift Through Home Ownership".

The first office was upstairs in the Watauga County Bank building, now the West King Street office of Northwestern Bank.

Marsh said Jones Cottrell was the first president, and his successors were R. H. Hardin (to August, 1937), L. A. Greene (September, 1937 to February, 1942), H. Grady Farthing (from March, 1942, to present) and W. H. Gragg served as secretary-treasurer from 1924 to 1960.

Vice-presidents were R. C. Rivers, Sr., A. W. Smith, C. M. Critcher and R. C. Rivers, Jr. Marsh has served as secretary-treasurer since September of 1960.

Directors are H. Grady Farthing, president; R. C. Rivers, Jr., vice-president; Wayne Richardson, Guy Hunt, H. W. Mast, Sr., Dr. William M. Matheson, Walter H. Greene, Howard P. Holsinger, G. Perry Greene; Paul Smith, assistant treasurer; and James Marsh, secretary-treasurer.

Former Office

In 1950, the Watauga Savings & Loan Association purchased the old Post Office building (continued on page three)



Moose Lodge To Be Built

At ground-breaking ceremonies last week on Deerfield Road, members of the Boone Moose Lodge met. Pictured, left to right, are Joe Veit, secretary; Fred Gragg, past governor, and Bob Brown, also past governor. The occasion marked the beginning of the Lodge's building of new quarters. Veit said the fill has been started to bring

the building surface well above flood level, and the Lodge hopes to start construction as soon as the fill has compacted sufficiently to support the structure. The Lodge will be built of concrete blocks with brick veneer, and will house a meeting room, club room and office. (Weston photo)

NW Development Board To Gather At Seven Devils

The directors of Northwest North Carolina Development Association will hold their monthly meeting at the Seven Devils Recreation Area the afternoon of July 20.

President James S. Boyles of Pinnacle will preside at a business meeting at 2 p. m. in the convention area of the main headquarters building. Reports will be made by the various division chairmen of the organization, and routine business will be transacted.

At 5 p. m. the Home Demonstration Clubs of Watauga County, under the leadership of Mrs. Lillian Danner, Home Agent, will serve a picnic dinner to the directors and their guests in one of the picnic areas on the grounds.

The management of Seven Devils has thrown out the red carpet, so to speak, by giving free access and use of the various entertainment features in the spacious area. This will include the long chair lift to the top of the ski area, the beach area with swimming and boat-

ing, and numerous other items of interest.

Mr. Bill Shepherd, manager of Seven Devils, is a member of the Travel and Recreation Committee of the Northwest Organization. Mr. Frank Reynolds, one of the developers of Seven Devils, will assist Mr. Shepherd in greeting the directors and in showing them over the area.

The Northwest Development Association has contributed much to the growth of industry, agriculture, community development, and travel and recreation throughout the eleven counties which it represents. The counties are Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Caldwell, Davie, Forsyth,

Stokes, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes and Yadkin.

The directors for Watauga County are Ralph G. Greene, Chairman; Edgar Greene and Jerry Adams.

Dr. W. H. Plemons of ASTC is a former president of the organization, as well as a past Chairman of the Board. Edwin Duncan Jr. of North Wilkesboro is presently Chairman of the Board. Neil Bolton of Winston-Salem is secretary.

All counties of the organization are always represented. In addition, representatives of State College, county extension services, and the press attend regularly. Around 75 persons are expected for this meeting.



FRANK HAYES

Frank Hayes Is Given Coveted Eagle Award

In a court of honor at St. Mary's Episcopal Church June 30, Frank Hayes received the Eagle award, Scouting's highest award. Frank, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hayes, Grandview Heights, Boone, has been in Scouting nine years. At present he is a member of Explorer Post III and has been tapped for membership in Order of the Arrow.

A 1966 graduate of Watauga High School, Frank will enter North Carolina State University's School of Engineering. He was an honor student and received an I.R.C. scholarship and the mathematics award. In high school he participated in Beta Club, Letterman's Club, chorus, paper staff, basketball and football.

Visit With Ernestons

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Dishbrow of Jackson, Michigan are spending several days with Dr. and Mrs. Nicholas Erneston.

Winkler Named Area Chairman N. C. Auto Assn.

W. R. Winkler, Winkler Motor Co., Inc., Boone, has been re-appointed to his eleventh term as Area Chairman of the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association for Watauga County, according to an announcement made today by NCADA President C. Odell Matthews of Winston-Salem.

Mr. Winkler will act as liaison officer between new car and truck dealers in this area and NCADA and the National Automobile Dealers Association. He will keep his area informed of state and national affairs at (Continued on page three)

Thos. Holloway Inspects New Geodetic Satellite

An earth mapping satellite which arrived at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., last month was looked over carefully by Goodyear engineers, Donald Wright, Steve Jacoby and Tom Holloway. Holloway's father is Tom Holloway Sr., Route 3, Boone.

A Lompoc, Calif., newspaper, located near the base, reported that the satellite was scheduled for launch on the Thor-Agena vehicle and that it would be the first passive geodetic satellite to be put in orbit under the NASA-managed Geodetic Satellite Program.

The 125-pound plastic balloon, coated with aluminum, was pushed into orbit by a thrust-augmented Thor-Agena-D rocket combination and is taking a circular orbital path 2,600 miles above the earth.

In orbit, the balloon popped out of its canister and the gas bag expanded to provide a pin-

point of reflected light near the horizon nightly. The pinpoint of light is being photographed from several points on earth against a background of stars and ultimately will provide the prime reference for a five-year study aimed at correcting the world's maps.



Grady Farthing (standing) president of the Watauga Savings & Loan Association, reviews the recent expansion of the firm with James Marsh, secretary-treasurer.

Governor Moore To Speak At Appalachian Finals

Governor Dan K. Moore will speak at summer commencement exercises at Appalachian State Teachers College Thursday, Aug. 18, according to announcement by Dr. W. H. Plemons, president.

The graduation program is scheduled for 10 a.m. in the college's gymnasium. Approximately 400 students

will be candidates either for masters or bachelors degrees. The graduate school expects about 250 students to complete requirements for the advanced degrees.

Second term of the summer school sessions starts Friday, July 15, following registration Thursday, July 14. Examinations

for the first term are scheduled Tuesday and Wednesday, July 12-13.

Final examinations for the second session are set for Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 16-17.

Enrollment for the first term hit a figure of 2,707. An enrollment of slightly fewer students is expected for the second term.

Watauga County Schools Will Be Open August 22

Watauga County Schools will open Monday, August 22, according to W. Guy Angell, Watauga County Superintendent of Schools.

Students will be required to attend for only a half day Monday, August 22, it is said. The first full day of the regular term will be Tuesday, August 22.

Teachers will report for work Thursday, August 18, to make advance preparations for the registration of students on the 22nd.

Holidays Slated

The following holidays

have been scheduled for the 1966-67 school term:

District NCEA meeting in Boone, September 23.

Thanksgiving, November 24-25.

Christmas, December 22, through December 30.

Easter holidays, March 24, through March 27.

Schools are scheduled to close Wednesday, May 17th, in the event there is no loss of time due to bad weather and road conditions. Teachers will complete work Friday, May 19.



Richard Greer To Be Ordained Sunday Night

A native of Boone will be ordained for the gospel ministry in special services Sunday evening, July 17, at the Greenway Baptist Church.

Richard Mack Greer, son of Mack E. Greer of Orlando, Fla., and the late Mrs. Greer, and grandson of Mrs. W. C. Greer of Boone and the late Mr. Greer, is a student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary of Louisville, Ky., and has recently been called to be pastor of the Clay City (Ky.) Baptist Church.

He is a graduate of Appalachian High School and Appalachian State Teachers College and taught in the Wilkes County school system after receiving his B. S. degree from Appalachian.

A former member of the Boone Baptist Church, Greer came to Greenway Church as music director in July, 1962, and began studying for the (Continued on page three)

Miss Watauga Enters N. C. Beauty Contest

Fifty-four young women from across the state are in Greensboro this week for the Miss North Carolina Pageant, and Miss Patti Jones, sponsored by the Boone Jaycees, will compete Wednesday in bathing suit competition, Thursday in evening gown competition and Friday night in the talent competition.

Crowned Miss Watauga in 1965, Patti will do an original skit in the talent division. She has studied tap dancing and ballet eight years and won the title, Miss High School Talent Queen, in 1965.

The County Queen is the daughter of Mr. Grant Jones of West Jefferson and was Miss Ashe County in 1964.

A rising junior at Appalachian State Teachers College, Patti graduated from Beaver Creek High School. She has been on the Christmas court at ASTC and was the second runner-up to the Apple Queen, 1965.

On Roan Mountain this summer, Patti was first runner-up in the 1966 Miss Rhododendron Festival.

The state pageant will climax Saturday night when Gov. Dan K. Moore will crown the 1966 Miss North Carolina.



MISS PATTI JONES