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Parkway Will Open April 1st

Asheville—The Blue Ridge Parkway operations office has announced April 1 as the date for the spring opening of the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Robert N. McIntyre, assistant operations superintendent, said that all rock slides and ice falls would be cleared by opening day, weather permitting.

Traffic will be rerouted through Asheville to ease the expected heavy traffic. The area affected is the 3.7-mile stretch between the parkway exit at Oteen and the Bent Creek exit at the French Broad River Bridge southwest of the city.

Directional signs will be posted on opening day for two-way traffic along N. C. 191 from the parkway at French Broad River, north to I-40; then east along I-40 to U. S. 25 at Blittmore; then north along U. S. 25 to N. C. 81; then east along N. C. 81 to U. S. 70; and then east to the parkway at Oteen.

Visitors coming to the center of Asheville can follow signs south on U. S. 25 to the Blittmore area, where they can pick up the parkway signs directing them north or south.

McIntyre also said a new section of the parkway around Asheville should be ready for use on a trial basis by Labor Day.

Easter Seal Drive Ending

Maurice Ritchie, Watauga County Chairman of the Society for Crippled Children and Adults, announces that the Easter Seal Campaign will draw to a close this week.

The sale of Easter Seal lilies on the streets last Saturday marked the last official campaign effort to solicit funds.

Dr. James Greene, treasurer of the Society, announces that this year's contributions will exceed last year's by at least \$100. He emphasized that with the increasing cost of medical services it is necessary for the Society to increase its revenue as much as possible.

Both men point out that contributions to the Society will be welcome anytime during the next 30 days, and they extend their appreciation to all who have assisted in any way in the campaign for '67.



MRS. STANLEY

Public Health Nurse Is Named

Dr. Mary B. H. Michal, local health director, announces the appointment of Mrs. Nancy Hart Stanley, R. N., P. H. N., to the public health nursing staff of the District Health Department in Watauga County.

Mrs. Stanley's appointment was effective March 1, after the resignations of Mrs. Josephine G. Harrison and Mrs. Helen S. Rominger, public health nurses, who were employed here with funds from special grants from the State Board of Health for programs in chronic disease home care and child health supervision.

Mrs. Stanley is employed full time with funds from the Child Health Grant, but participates, as all staff nurses, in a generalized public health nursing program to intensify this special area of care.

The district budget, Dr. Michal notes, provides for the employment of one public health (continued on page two)



Hospital Patients Are Moved On Thursday

Careful planning and pretty weather aided Watauga Hospital officials in moving 34 patients and a baby from the old hospital to the new Tuesday, Mrs. Virginia A. Groce, hospital administrator, said the operation went smoothly and all patients were in their new quarters by noon that day.

The first patient, and her newborn baby, left the old hospital just after 8 a. m. After that, three regular ambulances and the Watauga Rescue Squad ambulance shuttled back and forth between the two locations.

Mrs. Groce said two ambulances were from Reins-Sturdivant and the third from Newland. All vehicles used in the move, gave their services voluntarily, she noted.

For several weeks, the transition has been going on, and after moving the patients, little remained to be done.

Most of the equipment in the new hospital on Deerfield Road is new, although some from the former institution could be used and has been installed.

The telephone number for the new hospital is 264-2431 and Mrs. Groce urges that citizens make this change in their directories.



Packing up the last items on third floor of the old hospital, Mrs. Nancy Hass, R. N. (left), and Mrs. Betty Bumgardner.

Men's Glee Club To Give Free Concert On Friday

In conjunction with the Fine Arts Festival, the music department of Appalachian State Teachers College will present the Men's Glee Club in concert at 8 p. m. Friday, March 31, in I. G. Greer Auditorium. Admission is free.

The ASTC Men's Glee Club,

formerly known as the ASTC Men's Chorus, was organized in the fall of 1962. Membership is open to men with a 2:00 quality point average and college credit is offered for participation. The club rehearses as a scheduled chorus, under the direction of music faculty

member, Philip M. Paul.

The concert will include "Fratres in Unum" by Richard Fitzgerald; "Song of Peace", Vincent Persichetti; "Music for the Worship of God in the Twentieth Century", Herbert G. Draesel Jr.; "O Sons and Daughters", Geoffrey Butcher; "For Men Only", Sigmund Romberg; "Rio Grande" (soloist, Tom Carlton), by Sea Shanties; and four Negro Spirituals including "Little Innocent Lamb" to be directed by Robert Price, and "Ride the Chariot", soloist, Gary Pruett.

Accompanist will be Jim Miller, a senior majoring in special education. Glee Club officers are: President, Robert Price; vice-president, Gary Pruett; and secretary-treasurer, Wallace Carroll.

The Club has given concerts and performed programs for various state alumni associations, as well as for club and civic organizations in the Boone area. A tour of high schools is planned for the spring quarter.

Members are Larry Andrews, Donald Austin, Tom Carlton, Wallace Carroll, Robert Carter, Joe Cochran, Tony Corriher, Clark Craver, Larry Elledge, Allen Griffin, Andy Hardin, Bill Henderson, Larry Julian, Worth Kenyon, Kenneth Kulp, Neal Laxton, Andrew Lindsay, John McAllister, Jim Miller, Randy Money, Harry Phillips, Robert Price, Gary Pruttee, Marty Ramsbotham, Dale Riley, Dale Simons, Carter Sisk, Bill Smith, Steve Stewart, Jack Stone, Jerry Sullivan, Ken Sumlin, Bob VanAntwerp, Daniel White and Ronald Whitener.

WAMY To Pioneer In Human Resources Project

A pioneering project aimed at creating new opportunities for low-income rural people will be undertaken by WAMY Community Action, Inc., with the start of a Human Resources Planning Project.

The job of the planning project will be to systematically gather information on the problems facing low-income persons, resources available for solving the problems and formation of planning committees to help in resources to meet the needs.

The project will operate in Watauga, Avery, Mitchell and Yancey counties, and will be financed for the first eight months by grants of \$25,000 apiece from the North Carolina Fund and the U. S. Office of Economic Opportunity. It will be administered by WAMY.

Eight persons will be employed on the planning staff. One staff member will concentrate on data on the needs of the low-income persons and measure their progress; another will concentrate on finding and securing resources from Federal and state govern-

Loan Approved For Building ASTC Dorm

The Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced approval of an \$880,000 loan for construction of a new men's dormitory at Appalachian State Teachers College.

The new dorm, which will house 300 students, was approved by the General Assembly in 1965. The loan will be reserved pending final application by the college, which will supplement the building project with \$20,000 in college funds.

Three Cars Pile Up Trooper, Two Others Hurt At End Of Chase

One Charged On 5 Traffic Violations

A Highway Patrolman and an expectant mother and her four-year-old daughter were seriously injured in a high-speed wreck Wednesday, March 22, some seven miles east of Boone on Highway 421.

Patrolman W. D. Teem, 35, of Boone was pursuing a Watauga County man, Lloyd Lee Cox, 30, of Triplett, who, according to Highway Patrol Cpl. F. B. Trivette, swerved his late model Chevrolet into the oncoming lane, so that the left rear of the Chevrolet hit the front of Mrs. Betty Wellborn Upchurch's 1959 Ford.

Cpl. Trivette said the impact of the collision knocked the Ford into the path of the oncoming patrol car where a head-on wreck forced Mrs. Upchurch's car off a 10-foot embankment. The Cox car had gone out of control, heading into a yard where it uprooted a tree before stopping.

The 1966 patrol car spun and came to a stop against a tree.

Mrs. Upchurch of Route 1, Boone, was admitted to Watauga Hospital for treatment of a broken arm, neck injuries, and bruises and abrasions, according to Cpl. Trivette. Her little daughter, Kimberly Ann, was admitted for treatment of severe lacerations of the head and face and a neck injury.

Patrolman Teem also was hospitalized, having suffered facial lacerations. Cpl. Trivette said Cox received lacerations of the head, but refused medical treatment. Cox reportedly fled the scene of the accident on foot and was arrested later at a home near the scene of the accident.

Cox will face five charges in a hearing to be held before Justice of the Peace Dave Hodges. Listed are careless and reckless driving, speeding 100 miles per hour, driving while intoxicated, failing to stop for a blue light and siren and hit and run.

Cpl. Trivette reported that Cox told him he did not know he was being chased by a law enforcement officer. Cox was released late Wednesday on \$2,000 bond.

The officer said the vehicles all were damaged beyond their market price.

Hospital spokesmen said Tuesday that Mrs. Upchurch's condition was listed as satisfactory, her daughter Kimberly had been transported to Charlotte for further treatment and Patrolman Teem had been released Monday.

Gospel Singing Nets Rescue Squad \$2,550

The Gospel Singing Society of the Watauga County Rescue Squad two weeks ago netted the public service organization \$2,550 toward their new ambulance.

According to Milton Moretz, the fully equipped ambulance, a 1967 model, has been ordered and is expected to be delivered any day now. This will give the Squad two ambulances and a crash truck.

The Chuck Wagon Gang and the Oak Ridge Boys performed at Watauga High School two weeks ago. Moretz said response to the program is appreciated by the Squad and especially thanked County businesses for helping make the gospel program a success.



The car in which Mrs. Betty Wellborn Upchurch and her daughter were injured. (Flowers photo)

Trout Fishing To Start Saturday

It started with talk of rods, reels, lures, bait, fly-tying and if you're a trout fisherman, it will culminate with the opening of the season, 7 a. m. Saturday.

Anglers will be at creek-side and lakeside, some taking to the waters in canoes and hip-boats. More than 7,000 trout have been stocked in designated waters, according to Walter Edmisten, wildlife protector. He said restocking will be shortly after the season opens.

Edmisten urges that everyone have the proper license. A minimum fine of \$10, plus court costs, is applied for illegal fishing. Officials will have helpers checking fishing licenses.

As last year, only artificial lure, single hook, can be allowed in waters on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Limit is 5 trout, each not less than 10 inches long. Natural bait is allowed in open waters and no size limit is imposed. Catch shall not exceed 10 trout.

Horn Seeking Recipes From Olden Times

The gourmet and the antiquarian will join forces to produce a special "old-timey recipes" section in this year's Horn in the West souvenir program.

A panel of judges appointed by the outdoor drama is looking for recipes from the frontier and old south eras, anything from the 1700's and 1800's.

The best 25 recipes submitted to Mrs. Jean Rivers, Mrs. Verna Wilcox and Mrs. Vivian Reynolds will be printed in the Horn's program, which will be sold at the dramas nightly, except Sunday, June 23 through Aug. 26. Names and addresses of those submitting the top 25 entries will be listed with their recipes. The deadline for submitting recipes is May 15.

"The recipe contest is being held as another effort of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association to preserve North Carolina's pioneer heritage," added Herman W. Wilcox, general manager of the drama.

Entries should be mailed to Horn in the West, Box 33, Boone, N. C. 28607.

Dr. Graham To Join Faculty At Appalachian

Dr. George Graham, executive vice president of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas, will join the faculty of Appalachian State Teachers College Sept. 1.

Dr. Graham, a member of the Hardin-Simmons staff since 1956, has been granted a leave of absence for one year to accept a teaching post with the student-teacher program at ASTC.

A 25-year veteran of public school work in Texas, he has served as a teacher, coach and principal in high schools. He was superintendent of Hereford, Texas public school for 10 years before joining the Hardin-Simmons staff.

Born in 1911 in Rich Springs, Okla., Dr. Graham received his bachelor's and master's degrees in education from West Texas State University. He holds the honorary Doctor of Laws degree from HSU.

Dr. Graham has served for the last three years as an Abilene City councilman.



A string of rainbow trout, caught last season at Tater Hill Lake, on their way to the skillet. (Staff photo)