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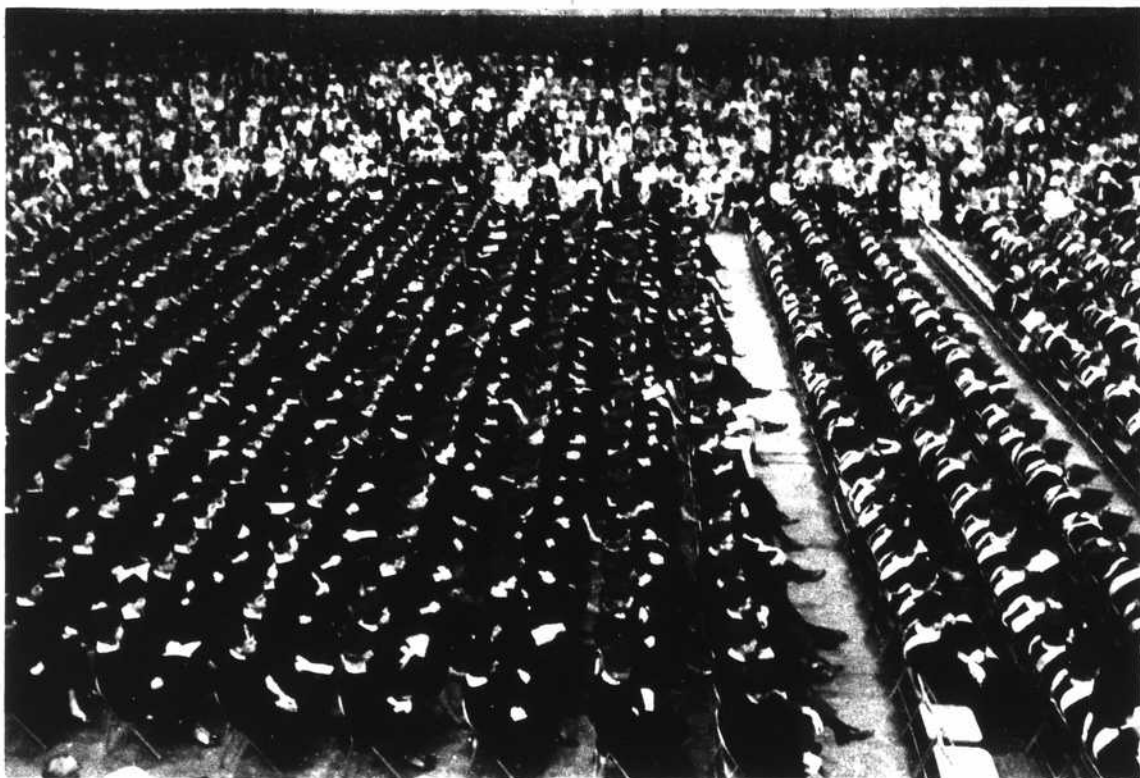
BOONE WEATHER					
1967	Hi	Lo	Snow Prec.	Hi	Lo
May 30	70	53	.14	68	46
May 31	60	51	.22	67	54
June 1	52	43	1.02	60	34
June 2	62	42	.42	64	33
June 3	55	48		76	68
June 4	60	52	.27	74	59
June 5	69	53	.48	77	47

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The Rank and File of Appalachian's 1967 Graduating Class

ASC Graduates Are Told Of Incredible Opportunity

Will Your Vote Count?

Saturday is the last day residents of Boone may register to vote in the city contest, June 20.

And election officials stress that registration on the County books does not entitle citizens to vote in town elections, as they must be registered separately for this privilege.

Mrs. Fred Mast, registrar, will be in charge of the books at City Hall June 10. The following Saturday, the 17th, will be challenge day.

All those who have been taken into the town by annexation and those who have otherwise become eligible to vote here since the last election must register Saturday.

"In order to realize your greatest potential, you must have disciplined lives, faith and dedication to duty."

The Hon. David M. Britt, speaker of the N. C. House of Representatives, addressed a capacity crowd during commencement exercises Saturday at Appalachian State Teachers College.

For the second year, inclement weather forced a last minute change to an indoor program, Conrad Stadium having been scheduled as the site of graduation.

The commencement speaker told 577 students "You must have faith—in God and self—and you must have dedication—to your country and fellowman—to conquer the frontiers which stand before you."

Describing current times as "the incredible 20th Century," Britt predicted that during the remaining one-third of this century, progress will be made in many areas which will minimize the great progress of the first two-thirds of the century.

The Democratic representative from Robeson County and member of the General Assembly since 1959, told the graduating class that "you are better prepared than any graduating class that has preceded you."

Dr. W. H. Plemmons, president of the college, conferred degrees and awarded diplomas. Twenty-two students received Bachelor of Arts degrees while 450 obtained Bachelor of Science degrees.

M. A. degrees were conferred upon 105 graduate students. Dr. Paul Sanders, Dean of (Continued on page three)



BOB SHORE

Robert Shore Is Employed By Land Bank Assn.

Robert H. Shore has recently been employed by the Federal Land Bank Association of Boone, according to an announcement by John H. Hollar, Manager of the Association.

Shore is a native of Watauga County and is married to the former Betty Jo Miller of Boone. They have two children and reside on a farm at Route 1, Blowing Rock.

Shore served in the U. S. Air Force, and after completing military service returned to Watauga to major in business education at Appalachian State Teachers College, during which time he operated his farm at Blowing Rock.

For five years, he has been employed by the N. C. State Highway Commission as a right-of-way agent, with the last two years devoted to real estate appraising. He has successfully completed real estate courses I and II, which are sponsored by the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers. (Continued on page three)

From 100 Counties State Farm Agents Assn. To Meet Friday In Boone

Mayor Brown, ASTC Professors To Be Speakers

The North Carolina Association of County Agricultural Agents will be in Boone Friday.

The 1967 annual state-wide meeting is slated for Holiday Inn and agents from all the 100 counties have been invited, according to Extension Agent L. E. Tuckwiller.

Registration for the big event will begin at 9 a. m. in the lobby of Holiday Inn and at 12:15, the program officially will open with a luncheon.

The Hon. Wade E. Brown, Mayor of Boone, will give the welcome.

The luncheon address will be given by Dr. Cratis Williams, Dean of Graduate School, ASTC. Agriculture Extension Agent W. C. Richardson will introduce Dr. Williams.

The Agricultural Extension Service personnel will elect officers for 1967-68 in business session in the afternoon. Committee reports will be heard and plans made for next year.

Wives of the visiting county agents will tour points of interest, including Daniel Boone Native Gardens, Cone Memorial Craft Center, Tweetsie Railroad, Museum of the American Indian and Grandfather Mountain Friday afternoon.

That night, a 7 o'clock banquet will feature a talk by Dr. C. M. Ferguson, visiting professor of adult education, N. C. State University, and former director of the Federal Extension Service, Washington, D. C.

Awards will be made at the business meeting, as well as the closing banquet.

Items of business will include talks and discussions on professional training, 4-Hand YMC, the Extension program, Association policy, public information, supplies and services, legislation and promotion and information on the national meeting in Honolulu, Hawaii.

"Horn" Cast Is Selected; Rehearsals Starting Sat.

Set-up week has begun at the Daniel Boone Theater, and all is expected to be ready for Horn in The West rehearsals to begin on Saturday.



At his desk at Appalachian Elementary School, John T. Howell. He retires from the principalship June 30. (Staff photo)

Howell Is Honored At End Of His Last Term Of School

BY JOE MINOR

Daniel Boone Coming

Dan'l Boone's a-comin' to Boone this summer, according to Herman W. Wilcox, General Manager of the Horn, who has received a letter from Robert O. Graham, Jr., Colonel QMC, Fort Lee, Va.

As recently related in the Democrat, Daniel Boone of the Army is a great-great-great-grandson of the famed pioneer, and his visit had been requested by Mr. Wilcox of Boone's outdoor drama for this reason. Others with the name Boone will perhaps be invited to a special "Boone Day" observance.

Col Graham's letter says:

Dear Mr. Wilcox:

"Regarding your letter of May 26, it is a pleasure to inform you that Specialist Boone of this command will be provided leave for the purpose of attending a performance of Horn in the West."

"Specialist Boone is aware of the fact that leave will be granted for this purpose and will coordinate the details of his travel and appearance directly with you. Of course, all arrangements must be at no expense to the Government.

"If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to write."

"We hate to see you go, but we hope you will enjoy the time you will have on your hands; and we would like to put more time on your hands.

"As a token of our appreciation, we present to you this watch."

Young Bobby Denton, speaking for the students of Appalachian Elementary School on Wednesday, thus bid a farewell and happy retirement to John T. Howell, teacher there since 1930, and principal since 1937. Said Denton: "We thank you for your leadership, guidance, understanding, and for the friendship you have shown us through the many years of service to this community."

The watch was a gift of the present student body, though the words could have come from the many who attended Appalachian before them. "Mr. Howell" has been at Appalachian for 38 years.

APPRECIATION

Given at the last chapel program last week, the watch was one of several tokens of appreciation given the veteran educator. It bears the words: In Appreciation, A. E. S. Students 1967.

Each class presented cards bearing the name of each student. Altogether, there were 832 signatures.

The Parent-Teachers Association gave a gift of fishing tackle for his retirement years. Mrs. Jerry Coe, recalling her years as a student under Mr. Howell, made the presentation.

For a man who has been in education 43 years, retirement may not come easy, but the outgoing principal promised that the tackle would be used and the watch would be a continual reminder of his days at Appalachian.

How did he become principal? (Continued on page three)

"This Is Your Business" Theme Of BREMCO Meet

Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation will hold its 31st Annual Meeting Saturday, June 10.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock in the Broome-Kirk Gymnasium on the campus of Appalachian State College. Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation was founded to provide much needed services to the people of Northwest North Carolina. This is still the number one concern of the cooperative; service to its owner-members and the area in which they live.

The highlights will be the special youth programs of the

cooperative, and area development. All high school students from throughout the service area have been invited as special guests of the cooperative to see and hear what transpires at a corporation annual meeting. Special recognition will be given to nine of these students for accomplishments in this year's program for youth. Four college scholarships will be awarded to outstanding students and five winners of the youth tour to Washington contest will be announced.

A more vigorous program is to be announced which is geared to helping our young people bet-

ter understand the business community—industry, professions, and services, and how they can best become a part of this community; how they can both receive its rewards and contribute to its betterment.

Another highlight of this annual meeting will be the participation of United States Congressman James T. Broyhill and Eleventh District Highway Commissioner, Raymond Smith, Sr. on matters of legislation and roads affecting the people and the development of Northwest North Carolina. Their presentations will relate to pro-

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Matheson Is No. 1 Draft Choice Browns

Boone's Bob Matheson, no. 1 draft choice of the Cleveland Browns football team, signed with them last month.

With the signing, he apparently made everyone concerned happy: Himself, because he feels he has a good chance of playing football for some time; the Brown's owner, Art Modell; and Coach Blanton Collier, who will try to fit the young rookie into the team's lineup.

Robert, home for his marriage to Miss Pam Hamby (June 17), says he is "happy to have been drafted by the Cleveland Browns, because it is a good contending team and in the National Football League, I think I'll have a good opportunity to play—if I make the team—because, being one of the first drafts means the team needs someone for the position I'll be trying for. The future of foot-

ball looks good to me and I'll be doing something I like to do."

Bob was an outstanding player with Appalachian High School's Blue Devils under Coach Jack Groce. He went on to make a name for himself on the Duke University's Blue Devils squad and was named to the Associated Press All-American Team.

He played the middle linebacker position for Duke. The draftee will be trying out for the outside linebacker and middle linebacker positions with the Browns.

He doesn't consider the job of placing on the team's active roster to be easy, as there will be 30 other signed rookies. (Continued on page three)

WHS Summer School Starts Next Monday

Watauga High School's summer term of eight weeks will open Monday, June 12, to run through Aug. 3.

Classes meet daily from 8:30 to 12:30 to provide enrichment and remedial courses for high school students.

The summer program is operated in co-operation with Appalachian State Teachers College to provide opportunity for observation and student teaching experiences for college students.

Summer courses include English I-IV, United States history, world history, physical science, biology, general math, algebra I and II, geometry and personal typing.

Students interested in attending summer school should see Dr. N. A. Miller, principal, before June 12, to register for the eight weeks' term.



Travel Editors Tour Native Garden

Virtually wading the flame azaleas of Daniel Boone Native Garden Friday—a few of the nation's best-known travel editors. Their stop in Boone was arranged by Mrs. Miriam Rabb, with the N. C. Travel and Promotion Division, Department of Conservation, Mrs. Constance Stallings, (far left), chairman of the trustees of the N. C. Garden Club, Inc., led the tour. Others from left are Leavitt Morris, travel editor of the Christian Science Monitor, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Nell Cody of Boone; George

Bush, eastern editor, Better Homes and Gardens Magazine, Des Moines, Iowa; Bill Ross, Boone, principal player in "Horn in the West" outdoor drama; Mrs. Jean Simmons, travel editor of the Dallas Morning News; Mrs. Rabb; and Mrs. Melissa Richardson of Boone. Out of sight, behind Mrs. Rabb, is Richard Acheson, travel editor of Holiday Magazine, New York. The Editors were entertained at Hound Ears Friday night and Saturday morning. (Staff photo)