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Site Of A Second Campus?

The picturesque State Farm near Watauga County Hospital will give Appalachian State University a chance to stretch its legs in the recreation department. According to Business Manager Ned Trivette, plans are to but the football team from the present campus to the Farm where practice areas are to be laid out. The university's athletic field is overcrowded, as it is used in the fall for baseball, football, soccer, intramurals and the general recreation program. By using some of the State Farm acreage, which totals in excess of 100 acres, the football squad will be able to practice earlier in 1968. Hopefully, by next year

a baseball field will be there. Trivette says commuting from campus to the Farm will be tried with an eye to enlarging the entire role of the Farm. It was abandoned as a cattle farm in 1964. Since, New River Light & Power Company has been housed there, and some of the barns have been used for storage of surplus materials. It could be that the Farm has "tremendous potential" as a full-fledged campus No. 2, in the realm but, for the time being, its value is in the realm of recreation and physical education, Trivette says. (Staff photo)

Senator Ervin, Daniel Boone Honored At Horn In The West

U. S. Sen. Sam J. Ervin (D-N.C.) joined with one of Daniel Boone's younger descendants and members of the North Carolina Press Association at a dinner staged at the Holiday Inn last Friday by sponsors of "Horn in the West" outdoor drama.

Sen. Ervin, of Morganton, spoke to the press organization members and their families at the dinner, and later addressed the audience prior to the drama performance.

The newsmen were feted on Saturday by Grandfather Moun-

tain owner Hugh Morton who then hosted them at the annual Highland Games and Gathering of Scottish Clans. Daniel Boone, U. S. Army specialist at Ft. Lee, Va., who is the great-great-great-grandson of the legendary pioneer whose famous life is portrayed in "Horn in the West," presented prologues prior to the drama on Thursday and Friday nights.

The latest Daniel Boone, who along with his wife and three young daughters was making his initial visit in Western North Carolina, said it was an honor to appear here.

"It isn't very often that a grandson has the opportunity to pay tribute to his grandfather, and I am most grateful for this opportunity to acknowledge the heritage that he and so many great men, before and after him, gave us," the 32-year-old Boone stated on the Daniel Boone Theater stage. "Those great men of yesterday were men of vision and great courage, men who could conquer and hold the mountains. They carried with them a hope for a better life and dreamed of more freedom with a belief that their fortunes could be carved out of the wilderness. "It is fitting to note that

they took with them not just their guns and powder, but also took their faith in God, knowing that as long as they had him they could not fail.

"Out of these pioneers rose one man whose skills and inspired determination made him a natural choice to lead the movement. Daniel Boone had a vision which transformed the wilderness of a bloody battlefield full of terror and hard-

ship into a settled, peaceful place for Americans to live and enjoy a better life.

"He was laid to final rest at the age of 85, leaving behind a legacy to future generations . . . a complete faith in the land he loved. It is most fitting that this drama be presented here in Boone. If he could look in on us tonight, he would be proud of its accomplishments."



Sen. Sam J. Ervin lauds Boone's outdoor drama in a prologue Friday night in the Daniel Boone Theatre.

Judge Farthing Named To New Appeals Court

Superior Court Judge James C. Farthing of Lenoir has been officially appointed by Governor Dan K. Moore, to serve as one of the judges of the recently created North Carolina Intermediate Court of Appeals.

Judge Farthing of the 25th Judicial District of the Superior Court will receive the oath of his new office when he returns from the International Lions Convention. Due to his record as an outstanding jurist on the Superior Court bench, his appointment to the new court was expected.

The new appeals court is designed to relieve the heavy caseload of the North Carolina Supreme Court. Governor Moore's appointees will serve until the general election in 1968 when they will be eligible to seek election to eight-year regular terms.

Judge Farthing, a former district solicitor, has served on the Superior Court bench for the (Continued on page two)

Bloodmobile Coming Friday

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be stationed outside East Hall on the campus of Appalachian State University from 11 a. m. until 4:30 p. m. Friday.

Local Red Cross Chapter officials have noted that 125 pints of blood must be donated if the chapter's quota for the first quarter of the 1967-68 year is to be filled.

Blowing Rock Horse Show Is On The Way

The 44th annual Blowing Rock Horse Show is in the making. Mrs. Francis Hyatt (Gilbert), show secretary, said Monday that entries close Saturday for the program and that other entries will be subject to approval by the board.

She allayed any fears that the horseshow ball and breakfast would be called off, since Mayview Manor is not open this season. The social events, a climax to the summer season,

planned for the Green Park Hotel and this year will include patrons and contributors in addition to exhibitors.

Regularly scheduled for the first week in August, show dates will be Thursday, Aug. 3, through Sunday, the 6th.

Boxes for the Broyhill Park show can be secured through Mrs. Hyatt, who has offices at the Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce.

Federal Money Available Airport Commission Can Condemn Property

Isaacs' Bill Gets Approval In Legislature

The General Assembly has ratified legislation to allow the Watauga Airport Commission to acquire property by condemnation.

The bill, HB 1397, was introduced by Rep. Mack Isaacs June 21.

Former Mayor Wade E. Brown described the legislation as an "enabling act", which lets the Commission do what the towns of Boone and Blowing Rock with the County could have done before.

He explained that the legislation came about because there would have been diversified interests among the municipalities and the County.

Brown said it is his understanding that there is "no immediate, definite reason" for the legislation, but pointed out that the Federal government has notified the Commission that money is available for the building of an improved airport.

The present airport, an unpaved landing strip, is on Deerfield Road. Several citizens have been interested in improving airport facilities in Watauga County.

The State Legislature established the Watauga Airport Commission in 1961.

Chairman of the Commission is Joe Maples; vice-chairman, Dr. Charles Davant; and secretary-treasurer, Robert Bingham. Members are James A. Dugger, Boone Mayor Clyde R. Greene and Dr. Lawrence A. Heavrin.

Cove Creek Riding Club Plans Show

The Cove Creek Riding Club will sponsor an open horse show in September.

Tentative date selected at the Friday meeting in Cove Creek School was the first Saturday. The Rev. Ed. J. Crump was asked to get in touch with Hudson (N.C.) Judge Res Watts about coming here.

On a suggestion by club member Robert Shipley, who has managed the Cove Creek Horse Show four years, the Club initially voted to keep part of the classes restricted to Watauga riders.

Later, members decided to use the slate of classes from the Cove Creek Show in June as a guide. The Board of Directors will meet this week to finalize plans.

Saturday afternoon and evening performances are planned.



RAIN, RAIN, GO AWAY—Come again another day. Oft thought, if not voiced the last few days, as an old saying about rain after a day spell came true. In June, a little more than an inch and a half of rain fell, and in the first three days of July, .18 of an inch was measured at the local U. S. Weather Station. Then, during three days last week, 4.39 inches of precipitation came. On July 6, the rain began. By the next morning, 1.85 had fallen. On the 8th, 1.35 was registered. On Sunday, the gauge showed another 1.19. Monday afternoon, it began raining again and fell intermittently during the night for a total of .21 inch at 7 a. m. Tuesday. It was sunny at 8:30 Tuesday morning. Maybe there's an old saying about a dry spell coming after the rain. (Staff photo)

Florida Man Charged With Assault University Woman

A 25-year-old Florida man was arrested in Boone Sunday night and charged with assault with intent to commit rape upon an Appalachian State University graduate student early Saturday morning.

Charles McLendon, a Negro construction worker of Plalba, Fla., was being held Monday

after his arrest, which resulted from a combined investigation by three law enforcement agencies, Sheriff Ward Carroll said.

At work on the case were the university's security police, the Watauga County Sheriff's Department staff and Boone city policemen.

The Sheriff said Monday he called in SBI Agent Charlie Whitman to assist in the investigation.

Authorities stated that the 26-year-old woman reported she was accosted by a Negro man shortly after midnight Friday as she returned to her dormitory quarters in Watauga Hall. She was quoted by authorities as saying she was grabbed just outside the building and wrestled to the ground. Her screams apparently caused the man to become frightened and he fled from the scene which

was described as "well-lighted" by university officials.

Police said she immediately reported the incident to ASU campus security officers prior to being treated in the university infirmary for facial bruises and scratches. The young woman was further quoted as saying that the man was about six feet tall and wore a yellow shirt.

McLendon, being held in the Watauga County jail, reportedly was a temporary resident of Boone while engaged in a water-sewer construction project by the town.

No bond had been set Monday afternoon, and a hearing date had not been determined.

Wins Jackpot With 34-lb. Fish

Homer Lane of Boone caught a 39-inch carp Saturday at Roy Jones' Carp Lake in Sands and won jackpot prizes amounting to nearly \$40.

The big fish, which was put back in the lake, weighed 34 pounds and measured 10 inches wide across the tail fins. Lane baited his hook with dough balls to catch the big boy.

and one blue eye, was easily identified by the motel owner, Carl Fidler. He had the mare returned to the Daniel Boone Theatre—with three minutes to spare. Then Polly pulled her wagon across center stage in the Horn's exodus scene as if nothing had happened.

While most of the "Horn in the West" cast breathed a sigh of relief, one dancer was unaffected by the gravity of the situation. He quipped: "Dumb horse—should've known the motel was full."

Horn In West Horse Fails To Show At Curtain Time

A director can fire an actor who doesn't show up for a performance, but what's he going to do when a horse doesn't make it to the theatre on time?

When old Polly, the "Horn in the West" horse, disappeared one night last week, there was more panic backstage at the outdoor drama than if one of the leading actors had broken a leg. They have understudies ready to fill their roles, but Polly doesn't.

Thanks to a passing truck driver, however, Polly faced

the footlights on schedule. The nine-year-old farm horse who has been in the Kermit Hunter outdoor drama for the past four years, is kept on the theatre grounds during the summer months. But just after intermission last night, she broke her tether and headed for her winter home some four miles away.

The truck driver spotted Polly about a mile from the theatre and postponed his haul long enough to lead the horse to a near-by motel.

Polly, a paint with one brown

Annual Budget Meeting United Fund On Friday

The annual budget meeting of the Watauga County United Fund will be held at 3 p. m., Friday in the Directors' room of the Watauga Savings & Loan Association.

Mark W. Hodges, president, says that representatives of participating agencies must be on hand to present a short statement of accomplishments in 1967 and their suggested program for 1968.

For the campaign, Oct. 3-11, each agency will be required to supply a working team of at least five. If the request exceeds \$1,000, three workers will be needed for each additional \$1,000.