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Inn On 321 Destroyed

Flames shoot skyward as the former Troubadour Inn on the Blowing Rock Road is consumed. The fire departments of Boone and Blowing Rock were called shortly before 2 a. m. Thursday morning and found the large three-story frame building engulfed in the blaze when they arrived. The building was owned by Mrs. Virginia Burgess and was then under lease to the Candlelight and Silver Restaurant, Boone Fire Chief R. D.

Hodges stated that the blaze was of undetermined origin. The fire reportedly was spotted by a young couple en route from Columbia, S. C., to Virginia. They were said to have reported it to a nearby resident, who phoned fire-fighters immediately. Pumping water from a nearby stream, firemen were able to contain the blaze and prevent it from spreading into a wooded area near by. The building and its contents were leveled. (Burns photo)

Fall Quarter Begins

4,600 Are Expected At University Monday

Registration Will Begin At 8 Friday

Approximately 4,600 students are expected to attend opening classes of Appalachian State University's fall quarter Monday.

The official start of the academic year was Wednesday, when the faculty opened a two-day workshop.

Dormitories will open for freshmen and transfer students Thursday, while dormitories for upper classmen will open on the following morning.

Registration will be staged from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. on Friday, and from 8 a. m. to noon on Saturday. The university cafeteria will open at noon Thursday.

The fall quarter convocation is slated for next Wednesday. Mid-term examination is scheduled for Oct. 18-25 and registration for the winter

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Tens of thousands of North Carolina's high school students will witness a demonstration of "This Atomic World" during the current school year during a statewide tour being conducted by North Carolina State University and the Atomic Energy Commission. Dr. Ralph E. Fadum, dean of engineering at NCSU; Eugene O. Eagle of Greensboro, nuclear engineering graduate of NCSU; and Chancellor John T. Caldwell inspected the atomic accelerator as the display was readied to leave the NCSU campus over the weekend.

Also Heads Youth Corps

Moretz Named To Serve As Interim Director Of WAMY

Cottrell New Keeper Watauga County Jail

After more than 13 years on the Boone Police Department, W. Raleigh Cottrell has resigned to become Watauga County jailer with the Sheriff's Department.

Officer Cottrell resides with his wife, Velma, at 406 E. Howard St., Boone. His wife is a member of the faculty of Appalachian Elementary School. They have one daughter, Ann, who with her husband, J. C. Boone Jr., is a member of the faculty of Wingate (N. C.) Junior College.

Mr. and Mrs. Cottrell have two grandchildren, Kathy, 6, and David, 18 months.

Asked about his plans, Cottrell said he is looking forward to the day when he and his wife



W. R. COTTRELL

can retire and travel, play golf and fish, but for the immediate future he would be working for Watauga County.

Most of his years of service in the Police Department consisted of duties as desk sergeant and advice and work with young people.

The Cottrells attend the First Baptist Church of Boone.

Bill Gregg To Play Part In "Green Beret"

Hollywood's John Wayne, television's David Janssen (The Fugitive) and Bill Gregg have something in common.

It's the movie, "The Green Beret", now being filmed at Ft. Benning, Ga. Grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen Gregg of Boone, Gregg has been assigned as an extra in the film, which is being directed by Wayne. He will play in various Navy scenes concerning the role of the United States Special Forces in Vietnam.

Later this month, Gregg will enter Auburn University. He is from Tuskegee, Ala.

District Gathering NCEA In Boone 19th

Increased attention will go to associational affairs when more than 1500 educators convene in Boone for the 45th Northwestern District Convention of the North Carolina Education Association. During the General Session, Dr. A. C. Dawson, NCEA Executive Secretary, will preside over a panel which will discuss sanctions, legislation, progress toward merger with the NCTA, and other associational activities. The day-long meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, features as a highlight of the General Session an address by Dr. John Harris, Superintendent of Nashville, Tennessee, city schools.

Thomas Hartley, Crossnore, will furnish organ music. Mrs. Nancy Stroupe, of Newland, will preside over the General Session. Other district officers are: Alexander F. Neely, Morganton, Vice-President; D. Reece Shugart, Jonesville, Secretary; and Herman R. Griffin, Pilot Mountain, District Director.

The Northwestern District includes the counties of Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes and Yadkin. In addition to the main pro-

gram scheduled for Appalachian State University's Brooke-Kirk Gymnasium, the six NCEA district divisions will hold sessions. The divisions are: Classroom Teachers, Supervisors (Continued on page two)

31-B Governor Of Lions Clubs Coming To Town

L. Neil Summers of Hiddenite, member of the Taylorsville Lions Club, was elected District Governor 31-B Lions International at the State Convention in Charlotte June 6, 1967. As Governor, he will be serving the 42 clubs in the District and will visit the Boone Club at its next Tuesday evening meeting.

Neil is a native of Iredell County, son of Mrs. L. N. Summers, who resides in the Monticello School Community, and the late Mr. Summers. He attended Sharon High School and graduated from North Carolina State University. He served as a

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H. C. Moretz Jr. of Boone has been named to serve as interim executive director of WAMY Community Action while the agency's Board of Directors considers applications for the position.

Moretz, who is also director of the Neighborhood Youth Corps, was appointed to the interim position Friday by unanimous vote of a committee composed of corporation of WAMY's Board of Directors, according to Board Chairman Dr. W. H. Plemmons.

Announcing the appointment, Dr. Plemmons said the executive committee was "extremely happy that a member of WAMY's staff was both qualified and willing to take on the job of directing the four-county agency during the interim period."

"The Executive Committee feels," he concluded, "that because Moretz is already familiar with the overall WAMY program, he will be able to keep things running smoothly and give our personnel committee the time and freedom it needs to find and recommend the best man available to fill the position."

Moretz will continue to serve as director of the Neighborhood Youth Corps and will receive a salary increase to compensate for his extra duties during the interim period, Dr. Plemmons said.

No drastic change in WAMY's program or personnel are anticipated, Moretz said Monday.

"We will be busy for the next two months changing over from one program year to the next," he said. "We'll be concentrating on making sure all our workers understand the new program, and are working together in a co-ordinated effort."

William H. Thomas will continue to serve as deputy director during the interim period. Thomas is also acting director of the program's planning staff. Moretz has served as director of the Neighborhood Youth Corps for 15 months. During that period, the local program has become one of the best rural Youth Corps programs in the nation, according to Department of Labor officials.

Moretz is a native of Watauga (Continued on page two)

Immunization Census To Be Held In County

Information about the extent to which children are immunized against smallpox, polio, measles, diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus and mumps will be obtained in a survey here the week of September 18, Director Joseph R. Norwood of the Census Bureau Regional Office in Charlotte announced.

Local residents will also be asked about the medical care received by children under 13 who have not been immunized against all of these diseases. The information will be used in research by the U.S. Public Health Service.

In addition, the surveyors will obtain information about employment and unemployment to be used by the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics in preparing current national figures.

The survey will be taken simultaneously in other areas of the U.S. to obtain data from a representative sample of the nation's households. All answers will be confidential, and the facts obtained will be used for statistical purposes only.

Rotary Club Leader Likes Local Effort

Boone Rotary Club committee chairmen representing the four areas of Rotary service, met in a club assembly with District Governor Nicholas Semaschko Jr. of District 767 last Tuesday afternoon, preceding the club meeting, to share his suggestions on work of the various committees.

The District Governor expressed himself as well pleased with progress that has been made so far. Each of the some 25 committees has been asked by Max Dixon, president of the Boone club, to turn in a detailed report of plans of the committee for the year.

The four avenues or areas of local club service with the overall director for each one: Club service, Alfred Adams; community service, Tom Winkler; international service, Hal Johnson; vocational service, E. G. Wagner. Each has several sub-committee chairmen working under his direction.

After the afternoon session, Governor Semaschko spoke to the club, outlining his objectives for the district this Rotary year.

NCSU Atomic Vehicle At WHS On First Leg Of Tour

Raleigh—A truck loaded with atomic equipment rolled off the North Carolina State University campus last weekend to start an educational chain reaction that will cover Tar Heel high schools from the Appalachians to the Atlantic.

The truck made its first stop at Watauga High School in Boone Monday.

NCSU, the first university in the nation to operate a nuclear reactor, and the Atomic Energy Commission are joining forces to tell the story of atomic energy and engineering to tens of thousands of North Carolinians.

NCSU and the AEC are co-sponsoring a year-long series of lectures and demonstrations on "This Atomic World."

Eugene O. Eagle Jr. of Greensboro, a nuclear engineering graduate of NCSU, will present the programs in more than 100 high schools during the school year.

The North Carolina Engineering Foundation, a private organization which supports the School of Engineering at NCSU, is financing the statewide tour.

Eagle, who took intensive studies in nuclear engineering and science at the AEC Laboratories at Oak Ridge, Tenn. this summer, is lecturing in everyday language—on the structure of atoms, radiation, reactors and fusion.

Dr. Ralph E. Fadum, dean

of engineering at NCSU, said: "The School of Engineering at North Carolina State University is delighted for the opportunity to join with the Atomic Energy Commission in giving high school students of this State a close-up look at atomic energy—which increasingly will make the wheels of industry turn and serve other peacetime purposes."

One of the chief benefits of the tour, Fadum noted, is that high school students will be advised of career opportunities in engineering.

Noted Baritone To Open Artist Series



McHENRY BOATWRIGHT

McHenry Boatwright, acclaimed internationally as one of America's great bass-baritones, will open the Appalachian State University Artist and Lecture Series Monday, Sept. 18, at 8 p. m. in I. G. Greer Hall.

Boatwright, an accomplished pianist as well as vocalist, has been winner of four international vocal competitions. He has sung with most of the major American symphony orchestras in major operatic roles, appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show and other television showcases and

has appeared in recital throughout the United States and in foreign countries.

Most noteworthy of Boatwright's performances has been of Carter Jones in Gunther Schuller's "The Visitation" an opera based on Franz Kafka's "The Trial."

In the 1966 Hamburg premiere, Boatwright received 51 curtain calls and a 30-minute ovation.

At Appalachian, Boatwright will present selections from Handel, Beethoven, Schubert Strauss, Verdi and various contemporary composers. He will also do one group of Negro spirituals, including "Deep River," "Live A Humble," "The Crucifixion," and "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands."

Other Artists and Lecture programs scheduled for 1967-68 include the Glompl-Withers violin and piano duo on Oct. 16, the Danish Gym Team Nov. 30, the Baltimore Symphony Jan. 31, the Yugoslav National Folk Ensemble March 11, Jean Racine's "Phedre" April 1 and poet John Ciardi April 17. All programs will be open to the public.