

Interior New Courthouse May Be Finished By October 7th

According to reports from Tax Supervisor Claude Danner and Building Superintendent John Thompson, construction is "very close" to schedule on the new county court house. Danner also noted that "special items" (plumbing, electrical work, heating) "are up with the contract."

Work on the court room located on the top floor is near-

ing complete. Thompson said that the flooring and ceiling would be installed by the first of this week and then the seating could be installed. The addition of carpeting to the bar area and the installation of an amplifying system in the court room will bring the work here very close to the finishing point.

Thompson said that the gal-

lery area of the court room will have a vinyl asbestos floor and will have a seating capacity of 400. Danner added that the gallery seats will be opera style seats.

Two jury boxes are in the court room, one to the left and one to the right of the large judge's bench. Seats in the jury boxes will be cushioned. There are also two witness stands.

Directly behind the court room is an overpass to the existing county jail. There will be no detention rooms in the new court house.

On the top floor along with the court room are two jury rooms and one large room for the grand jury. Also on this floor are offices of the Council in Probate, Solicitor, judges chamber; the Law Library will also be located on this floor.

On the ground floor are the offices of the sheriff, clerk of court, register of deeds, the tax collector and the tax supervisor. The tax offices are connected by a workroom and a vault. Fireproof vaults are also located in the offices of the clerk of court and the register of deeds.

Underground is a basement area about one-third the size of the overlying floors; this will be used for storage and filing.

The front and back of the court house will be glassed and will be similar in construction.

Superintendent Thompson said that work on the inside of the building is ahead of the outside work. This is being done so that the court house can be occupied as soon as possible. Thompson said that the heating and electrical work could proceed only as fast as the building construction and agreed with Danner that these special contracts were up to date. He added that the plumbing is complete except for the installation of the fixtures.

Tax Supervisor Danner noted that completion of the inside work is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 7. He said that the outside work should be complete by Nov. 4. A good deal of work remains to be done on the outside and on the grounds. Danner said that sidewalks around the building would be added as well as retaining walls where digging has taken place.



Most Boone residents haven't seen this side of the new court house yet. This is the back of the new building being built on West King Street and at the top of the picture is a passageway leading from the county jail to the new 400-seat court room. A retaining wall will be built against the dirt bank in the background for support. Sidewalks will be added around the new structure to complete the project in early November.

Variety Strange And Modern Instruments At Music Workshop

Some most unusual sounds seen out of Appalachian State University's music building these days.

During the 17th annual Music Education Workshop currently underway, a group of talented musicians employ an assortment of musical instruments to turn out some rather odd tones.

Large voodoo drums original-

ly acquired in Haiti, small drums from the East Indies, brake drums from automobiles, and a big hollow box with attached chello strings are being used to provide the workshop students a unique look at music.

The instruments, some cheap and simple and some expensive and rare, are the property of Mrs. Joanne McGhee of Atlanta, Ga. The purpose of their

introduction in the workshop program, she says, is "to get music teachers to use various sound-making objects correctly and intelligently."

"By using these instruments, we can highlight rhythm patterns and sound qualities," Mrs. McGhee states. "And in this way, the teachers can return to their schools and involve their students in really good sound."

Her "Mar Jo Glow," the hollow box which she constructed along with two other persons, is based on an African thumb piano. The chello strings are tightened by use of a turnbuckle. The string lengths vary from pitch differences.

When added to the variety of tones produced by the drums, the sounds emitted from the box could lead a passerby to picture himself surrounded by natives in the wilds of Africa.

Screen Rescues Homely House

A tall screen built in the front yard can conceal a homely house front and create an interesting entrance courtyard. It can be built with cedar 2x4s set edge out between top and bottom rails and spaced six inches apart.

An interesting pattern develops with short 2x4 pieces inserted crosswise between the up-

rights, placed at irregular intervals. Panels of colored plastic or painted hardboard also can be used as inserts, held in place between grooved crosspieces.

Cuba said to disapprove of hijackers.



Making use of drums from Haiti and the East Indies, music teachers enrolled in the 17th annual Music Education Workshop at Appalachian State University are learning new tones and rhythms. Left to right are Mrs. Imogene Hilyard of Columbus, Ohio; Charles Ellis, Howard Burnett and Mrs. Rosalie Burnett, all of Greenville, S. C.; and Mrs. Joanne McGhee of Atlanta, Ga.



ARLTON COLE

Arlton Cole To Enter UNC Law School

Arlton G. Cole of Vilas will be among entrants this fall at the University of North Carolina School of Law. The 1968-69 school year at Chapel Hill is slated to begin Sept. 16.

A 1957 graduate of Cove Creek High School, Cole is a veteran of the Marine Corps. He received his B.S. degree from East Tennessee State University in 1965, and his M.A. from Appalachian this August. He taught school for three years at Hudson High in Caldwell County.

Study at the UNC Law School is a three-year program leading to the degree of Doctor of Jurisprudence. Cole expects to become a practicing attorney. He is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Cole.

MORE REST AREAS

The Department of Transportation said there have been more than 1,100 rest areas approved since the Highway Beautification Act of 1965. At the end of 1967, there were 6,756 rest areas in the nation, most of them on the Federal-aid system.



PHOTO QUEEN FOR 1969—Sybil Fuller, 18-year old brunette from Greenwood, S. C., is the new "Miss Carolinas Press Photographer", selected by the press photographers of the two Carolinas at the annual Camera Clinic atop Grandfather Mountain. Miss Fuller, winner in a field of 11 contestants, will represent the news lensmen at various special events for the next year. She is the successor in the title to Pat Mazingo, former student at Appalachian State University and former "Miss Watauga County".

Dedication Tate Memorial Chapel In Banner Elk Sun.

The dedication of the W. C. Tate Memorial Chapel at the Charles A. Cannon Jr. Memorial Hospital in Banner Elk will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. on the hospital lawn.

The speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Joseph H. Carter of Statesville, president of the Edgar Tufts Memorial Association and of Lees-McRae College from 1957 to 1958. He is now working in the development office of Mitchell College. Special music will be provided by Mrs. Dorothy Chapman of Banner Elk.

The Chapel will be dedicated to Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Tate

in recognition of their many years of devoted service to the healing of the sick in this area. The Chapel was erected under the sponsorship of the Avery County Presbyterian Men and made possible by gifts of friends of the Tates and Cannon Memorial Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Tate arrived in Banner Elk in 1910 and established the first hospital in the area in the frame building which also served as their residence. During Dr. Tate's years of service in Banner Elk, the hospital grew from two beds to plans for the erection of the present 100-bed hospital. Dr. Tate died in 1960, having

devoted his medical career to the people of Avery and surrounding counties. Mrs. W. C. Tate, who came to Banner Elk as a bride, still resides in the community. The public is cordially invited to the dedication service and the informal reception afterwards.

Senior Citizens Name New Officers

The Senior Citizens of Watauga County met at the home of Mr. Guy Goodman of Boone Friday.

The President presided and Dr. John G. Barden said the invocation.

During lunch all the members started singing "Happy Birthday, Mr. President." Someone had learned that the retiring President Mr. Eugene N. Apel Sr. was to celebrate his birthday the following day, so all wished him well and expressed their appreciation for a job he did so well during the past several years. Mr. Apel expressed his gratitude for the kindness of the members.

New officers of the Watauga Senior Citizens for the coming year were elected as follows:

President, Mrs. John G. Barden, Boone; Vice-President, Mrs. C. E. Housman, Boone; Secretary, Mrs. Carter Farthing, Boone; Treasurer, Mr. Eugene N. Apel Sr., Blowing Rock.

Three new members were received: Miss Nancy Beyer, Mrs. Charles F. Brown, Blowing Rock; Mrs. Mary Goodnight, Boone.

Dr. and Mrs. Barden gave the program, which related to a 30 day tour they had taken that started in Charlotte, went to the west coast and various points of interest such as Disneyland, Grand Canyon, Pike's Peak, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Everyone enjoyed the program and the meeting was adjourned after 3 p. m.

The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Bea Reed in Blowing Rock Friday, September 20 at 12 p. m. with the new officers presiding.

ONE WAY

Telephone Operator—It costs 75 cents to talk to Bloomfield. Caller—Can't you make a special rate for just listening? I want to call my wife.

QUIETLY

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