

BOONE WEATHER				
1968	Hi	Lo	Snow Prec.	'67 Hi Lo
Oct. 8	64	48		63 48
Oct. 9	59	49		62 54
Oct. 10	57	48	.02	59 48
Oct. 11	66	57	.02	57 46
Oct. 12	71	51		63 40
Oct. 13	69	53		69 45
Oct. 14	71	46	.13	69 45



"THE SCARLET OF THE MAPLES can shake me like a cry of bugles going by."—Carman, (Staff photo)

WHITENER TO LEAD CARAVAN

Democratic Rally, Dinner Friday

Bob Scott To Be In Boone Next Wednesday

Lieut. Governor Bob Scott will be at Democratic headquarters on West King Street, Boone, Wednesday October 23 at 10 o'clock a.m.

The Democratic candidate for Governor will hold a press conference during his hour-long visit which could very well pin-point his policies.

Noted News Analyst To Be ASU Speaker

Kenneth G. Crawford, a noted author, news analyst and Washington columnist for Newsweek magazine, will speak at Appalachian State University Wednesday, Oct. 23.

Crawford, who has known personally every President from Coolidge to Johnson, will lecture on "Politics—1968" in the I.G. Greer Auditorium at 8 p.m. His visit is to be sponsored by Appalachian's Artist and Lecture Series.



KENNETH CRAWFORD

Citizens For Better Housing To Have Community Meeting

The newly-organized Boone Citizens for Better Housing will hold a general community-wide meeting starting at 7:30 Tuesday night, Oct. 22, in the Appalachian Elementary School auditorium.

Featured speakers will be C. N. Huggins, executive director of the Hickory Public Housing Authority, and Jim Barker, chairman of the Hickory public housing agency.

The public will be given an opportunity to ask questions, according to Carl Bredow, acting chairman of Boone Citizens for Better Housing.

Parkway Colors Expected To Peak During The Week

Western North Carolina's famous autumn color season, already in evidence at higher elevations along the Blue Ridge Parkway, is expected to reach a peak during this week.

Drought conditions in the mountain region as elsewhere across the State are expected to have little effect on the leaf coloration.

"This probably won't be one of our better years, but we are expecting a very satisfactory fall color season," reported John H. Davis, assistant superintendent of the Blue Ridge Parkway.

frost is required to bring about proper coloration, severe cold and wind during the peak of the season could cause deciduous trees and shrubs to shed their leaves "almost overnight". He explained, however, that with ideal weather conditions the fall color season should last a couple of weeks.

Highland forests along some sections of the Parkway are already beginning to show brilliant hues of crimson and gold. Early coloration along the Parkway can be seen between Blowing Rock and the Virginia line; between Mount Mitchell and the Craggy Mountains, just

north of Asheville; and in areas above 5,000 feet west of Asheville. Popular high-altitude vantage points for viewing the fall color parade include Mount Pisgah, Richland Balsam, Grandfather Mountain, Newfound Gap and Clingman's Dome in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Roan Mountain, Wayah Bald Mountain and Mount Jefferson.

Davis pointed out that daily autumn color reports may be obtained from the Blue Ridge Parkway office in Roanoke, Virginia. Visitor centers along the Parkway will remain open until November 1.

3:20 to 3:30, Mrs. Bill Kridler's home, Bald Mountain. At 4 p.m., the caravan will be treated to a reception given by the University Y.D.C. at the Student Center at Appalachian State University.

At the dinner and rally that night at Watauga High School Congressman Whitener will join other special guests Pat Taylor, candidate for the Lieutenant-Governorship, and Mrs. Bob Scott, wife of Lt. Gov. Scott who is candidate for Governor. The dinner will begin at 7 p.m. Entertainment will be presented and short speeches heard.

Registration Books Will Be Open Saturday

Last Saturday was the first day to register for the November election and while J.D. Wineberger, County Board of Elections Chairman, does not have the information from all the precincts, he says that registration appears to have been heavy in Boone.

Mr. Wineberger points out that there is no general registration but that those qualified who have not heretofore registered will be able to enroll next Saturday and Sunday, October 26, until 6:30 p.m. when the books will close.

The Watauga Election Service feature carries list of Registrars in this edition.

Saturday November 2 will be observed as challenge day.

AT WATAUGA HIGH There has been some misunderstanding where residents of New River Township are to register. They will appear at the regular polling place at Watauga High School.

Boone Artists Will Exhibit In Twin City

The Gallery of Contemporary Art in Winston-Salem, held its twenty-ninth jury Saturday, October 5. Tony Bower, editor of "Art in America," selected 223 works from among 600 works submitted by 158 artists. In commenting on contemporary art, Bower pointed out that the general public is "engaged in art appreciation more than ever before. And the artist is much more aware of the general public and of appealing to the general public."

James L. Burton of Boone received honorable mention. Work of Mr. Burton and John Andrikopoulos, also of Boone was selected to be shown at the Gallery beginning October 10.

Gay Parade Saturday Morning 4,000 Alumni Expected For Homecoming Event

Class Of 1943 Will Observe Anniversary

A record number of alumni activities have been planned to entertain a record number of returning students and friends at Appalachian State University's 1968 Homecoming this weekend.

"We expect 4,000 alumni to return to the campus," said Bob Snead, Director of Alumni Affairs. "The prediction is especially high because of the football team's 4-0 record, the big win over Lenoir Rhyne last week, and because of the fine rivalry we have with Catawba," he added.

"Special honor classes for the weekend event are 1928, 1938, 1948 and 1958. In addition the class of 1943 will celebrate its silver anniversary," Snead commented.

The alumni official also announced a series of alumni activities for Homecoming:

The Mountaineer Kickoff party will be held Friday night at the Chalet Restaurant at 6:30 p.m. "It will be an informal party with talk, dining and dancing—no formal program or speeches," Snead said.

Alumni registration follows in the lobby of the B. B. Dougherty Administration Building Saturday morning from 8 to 11:30.

After they have registered, alumni will be taken on open-house tours of five new campus buildings: the new library, Varsity Gym, the Dougherty Administration Building, Kerr Scott Hall's new addition and the new wing of I. G. Greer Hall.

The annual Homecoming Parade which will honor the Homecoming Court, Appalachian's trustees and alumni officers, will begin at 10 a.m.

At the noon Alumni Luncheon, Jim Whittington of Salisbury will be installed as the new president of the Alumni Association. Mark Davis of Hickory will assume the office of president-elect and Harold Lawing of Lenoir will be installed as vice-president. Carolyn Harmon of Raleigh again will be installed as secretary-treasurer of the alumni group.

The biggest crowd in the history of Conrad Stadium is expected for the Homecoming football game against Catawba at 2:00 Saturday afternoon. Catawba is Appalachian's oldest rival, and the Apps, undefeated through four games, will be head hunting after their 18-17 loss to the Indians at Homecoming two years ago.

ASU's Homecoming Court (Continued on page six)



APPALACHIAN STATE'S MAJORETTES—These prancing majorettes will be leading Appalachian State University's marching band in ceremonies surrounding the Mountaineers' Homecoming weekend Oct. 18-20. They will perform in the annual Homecoming Parade at 10 a.m. and at the ASU-Catawba football game slated for 2 p.m. in Conrad Stadium. They are (left to right) Vicki Yeargan, freshman of Cumberland, Md.; Sharon Morris, freshman from Hampton, Va.; Nancy Stacy, freshman of Boone; Debbie Webster, sophomore of Miami, Fla.; Diane Cater, freshman of Charlotte; and Margaret Wright, freshman of Bristol, Va.

Boone Water Situation Is Said To Be Improving

As of Tuesday, City Hall still was advising residents to boil water before consuming it, although this precaution may not be necessary by the end of the week.

City Manager H. Neal Blair Jr. said he should know by Thursday whether State health authorities will release the town from the mandate.

The bad water problem dates back to the last Saturday in September when Boone residents began calling city headquarters for an answer. The situation was two-fold: heavy

algae growth in the city reservoir and rainless skies.

The drought sharply reduced the water level in the 39-million-gallon lake and compounded the algae situation. "Now the algae have settled down to within two or three feet of the bottom," Blair said. The algae spread was curbed by chemicals added to the water.

Augmenting the lake supply with three wells, the city last week installed a new pump in the largest producing well, which is located in the South Depot Street area.

The Town owns a well on the Horn in the West property that has never had a pump in it. Blair says the well is being checked for production and may be added to the city supply.

Tuesday morning, Richard Pease of the State Water Resources Commission went with Blair to the reservoir to consider the prospect of drilling a well there to tie into the system. The drilling would be done below the lake because "We can pump into our system from up there without having to

pump against pressure." In the Boone Valley, he said well pumps must push water into city lines containing 130 to 150 pounds of pressure. Therefore, "The advantage up (Continued on page six)

890 Calves Sold For \$104,293 In Feeder Event

A total of 890 calves were sold in the 1968 Boone Feeder Calf sale for \$104,293 for an average of \$117 per head.

The 506 steer calves weighed an average of 475 pounds each and sold for \$66,577.12 or \$131.39 each.

The 384 heifer calves weighed an average of 428 pounds each and sold for an average price of \$98.06 each. More than 100 Watauga farmers sold calves in this sale.

More than 66 per cent of the calves graded good or better. This is 4 per cent better than the total of all the 1967 State Sponsored Feeder Calf Sales.

Local Payroll Now \$10,560,000

Watauga County supports a greater number of business establishments—small, medium and large—than do many communities of its size.

And they have been showing sturdy growth, as evidenced by the number of people they employ and by the bigger payrolls they are carrying.

The findings are from a new government survey, released by the Department of Commerce. It is based upon data compiled by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare from tax reports filed by employers for 1967.

Presented, for every county in the United States, are comparable figures on employment and payroll for firms engaged in retail and wholesale trade, manufacturing, finance, services and other fields.

In Watauga County, the report shows, there are some 304 separate businesses that employ one or more people.

A breakdown of this total reveals that 173 of them have from 1 to 3 employees each, that there are 60 with from 4 to 7 and 48 with from 8 to 19. The others are larger.

The great majority of these businesses are well

established and of long standing. In addition, a certain number of new ones start up each year as well as some that discontinue for one reason or another.

The payrolls of these local establishments reached a new peak in the year of \$10,560,000.

The figures cover all persons gainfully employed in private, non-farm jobs subject to social security. The total so-employed in Watauga County is given as 2,971.

This is exclusive of members of the armed forces, of domestic workers, the self-employed and civilian government personnel.

Business establishments in the local area with fewer than 20 employees continue to thrive despite the competition of big business, the report indicates.

As is the case in most communities across the country, they far outnumber the larger ones. Currently, in the county, they constitute 92 percent of the total.

Elsewhere throughout the nation, by way of comparison, 89 percent of all businesses operate with less than 20 employees.