

In 1943, As War Raged, 950 Enrolled At ASTC

In 1943, the purpose of Appalachian State Teachers College was "to prepare teachers for the public schools of North Carolina." This week, as the class of '43 celebrates its silver anniversary, homecoming activities will take visitors across a whole new campus. Student enrollment was about 950 in 1943 and since that was a critical year in World War II,

a large majority of the students were women. The ASTC catalogue for that year showed that most of the students were from North Carolina, while most out-of-staters hailed from South Carolina.

Dormitory costs were \$309 yearly for out-of-state students and \$100 for North Carolinians.

As a member of the North

State Athletic Conference, Appalachian sponsored teams in football, basketball, baseball, wrestling and tennis.

Since examinations were administered under the honor system, students had to sign their names on test papers under the statement, "I have not knowingly given or received help on this test."

The school could expel any student at any time for any reason. Also, it was preferred that students not leave campus on weekends.

Majors could be had in primary and elementary education, music, English, French, physical education, history, science, home economics and library science.

Faculty members who taught that year and who are still at the institution are Dr. Graydon Eggers, Dr. Julian Yoder, R. W. "Red" Watkins, Mrs. Cleone Hodges, Mrs. Allie Hodgins (then Allie Austin), Leonard Eury and Melba Tugman.

Buildings used that year and still standing today are Smith-Wright Hall, built in 1940; the old library, 1935; Dolph-Blair Hall, 1929, now called Watauga; Newland Hall, 1939; North Hall, 1940; and the power plant, put up in 1924.

The former Appalachian High School building is now used for university instruction, since all county high schools are consolidated into Watauga High School.

The handsome administration building of that day was lost by fire, and in 1967, the old home economics building—once home of Appalachian Training School—was wrecked to make way for the new administration building.

The men's gym and the women's gym are gone and Lovell and White halls were pulled down in 1967 and 1968 respectively. The old Justice Hall and its annex are other campus buildings replaced by a sprawling, modern university.



James Leroy Moretz, photography student from Randolph Technical Institute, was among a group of 14 students to attend a specialized tour of Colortronics, Inc. and Charles E. Talton's Color Lab, Inc., in Winston-Salem October 10. Shown here with Mr. Terry Walls, General Manager of Colortronics is Mr. Moretz appraising the latest type of electronically automated equipment in the color processing lab. Randolph Technical Institute began its new program in photography in September. The curriculum is 24 months, with the first year to cover fundamentals, black and white processes, and previsualization techniques.

Gardner Travels With Reagan In N. Carolina

Congressman James Gardner will be traveling all day Thursday, October 16, with Ronald Reagan. The event will begin with a luncheon in Asheville, followed by a reception in Charlotte, and the tour will end with a dinner in Gastonia. On Wednesday, October 9, the Rocky Mount lawmaker will go to Winston-Salem for lunch with the executives of the Chatham Manufacturing Company. He will be in Stokes County at a Rally and Bar-B-Q that evening.

Congressman Gardner will be at the Army in Ahoskie on Friday, October 11, at a rally. On Saturday, October 12, he will end his week's activities with a tour of Northampton and Halifax Counties and a rally in Roanoke Rapids that evening.

On Monday the Congressman was in the greeting party for the arrival of Spiro T. Agnew in Raleigh and participated in the motorcade to downtown Raleigh. That evening he spoke at

a Bar-B-Q Rally at the National Guard Armory in Salisbury.

Today Gardner was at a luncheon in Albemarle, and this evening he will address the members of the Exchange Club in Charlotte, later speaking to the National Association of Accountants there.

Davis To Instruct In Auto Mechanics

Bob Davis will instruct another class in auto mechanics beginning at 7 this Wednesday evening.

Men interested in the course should register not later than Wednesday, Oct. 23. Since the mechanics course is popular at Watauga High School, prospective enrollees are asked to contact Davis at the WHS principal's office now.

Region V College Unions Have Montreat Gathering

The Region V Association of College Unions International Conference took place at Montreat-Anderson College at Montreat, N.C., Oct 12-15.

Delegates representing the W.H. Plemmons Student Center at the five-state conference were Patsy Bohlen, Student Center Board chairman; Carolyn Haynes, social committee; Carter Sink, games committee; Philip West, fine arts committee; and William Manus, publicity committee. This group was accompanied by Mr. Nance and Mr. Whittaker of the Student Center staff.

The theme for the student planned and oriented conference is "Union Philosophy: Responsibility."

The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Chester A. Berry, executive secretary of the Association of College Unions International. After his address, Dr. Berry conducted a question and answer session for the delegates.

Sunday evening entertainment included "The Zoo Story" by Edward Albee and a concert by Donnelly and Rudd who just finished a Coffeehouse appearance at Appalachian.

Seminar topics for Monday were "The Union Acceptance of Responsibility by the Student,"

"Delegation of Responsibility by the Staff," and the "Purpose of the College Union." Other activities planned for Monday were a session on "Cinema Programing in the Union," a look into "Union Careers," a banquet, a concert by Hud Davis, and a dance featuring the Symbols.

Tuesday, Region 5 reports were submitted by the Region Games chairman, the Coffeehouse Circuit Coordinators and the National Entertainment Conference Directors.

A convention highlight, the election of new Region 5 student officers, was held Tuesday morning. This was followed by a brainstorming session for the delegation. The new officers were installed at the Tuesday luncheon.

Hickory Antique Fair Set For Next Week

The Hickory Antiques Fair will be held October 23, 24 and 25, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Hickory Community center under the sponsorship of the Hickory Service League.

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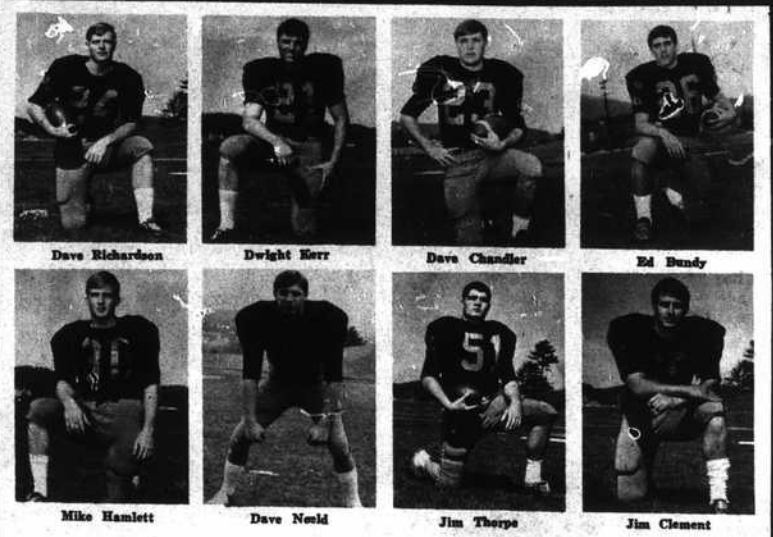
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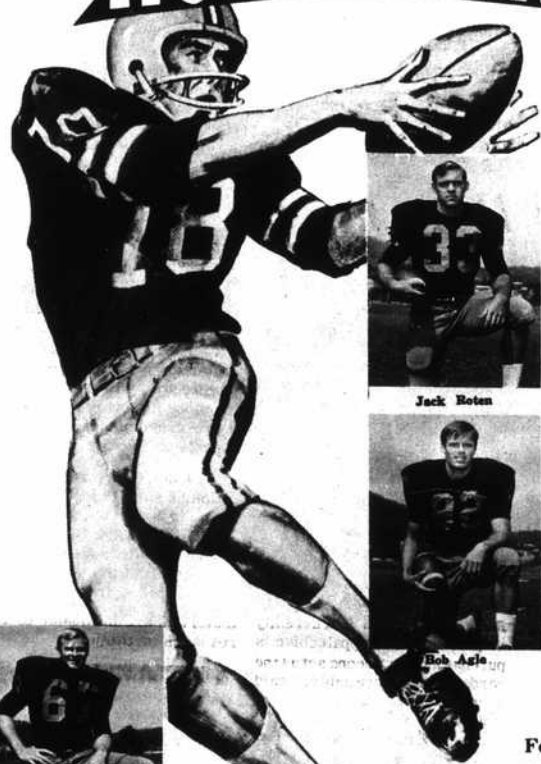
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