

Saturday Is Last Day To Register For Primary



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PETER BROWN, actor featured on several of the television network Western shows and who made personal appearances at Tweetsie Railroad summer before last, is shown being welcomed back to North Carolina at the Azalea Festival in Wilmington by Mary Selene Duncan (right), Rhododendron Queen, and Bonita Sue George, North Carolina Blueberry Queen (left).—(Photograph by Hugh Morton)

Registration Activity Light

Republicans To Slate Board Ticket From 8

Democrats In No Contests In May Voting

The chairman of Watauga's Board of Elections Tuesday reported that registration for the Saturday-May 2 primary is "very slow."

This Saturday, the 18th, is the last chance for registration and the following Saturday will be challenge day.

Two of the five Democrats who filed for the Board of Commissioners have withdrawn, bypassing the primary. Running next fall will be Hayden Pitts of Blowing Rock, Jack E. Williams of Boone and J. D. Shoemaker, also of Boone.

But the primary will offer Republicans a choice of three from a slate of eight candidates for commissioner.

Running with the incumbent board which comprises G. Perry Greene as chairman and Gene Wilson and Kenneth Wilcox are: James M. Cole of Route 4, Boone; David Bingham of Route 1, Sugar Grove; Robert K. Moore of Route 1, Vilas; B. K. Dorsey of Boone; and Randal J. Foster of Blowing Rock.

The present Commissioners all have Boone addresses. Incumbent Sheriff Ward G. Carroll, a Democrat, faces no opposition. But three Republicans will vie in the primary for the spot opposite Carroll in next fall's election. They are Turner Storie of Boone, Howard Poindexter of Route 4, Boone and Ralph Hayes of Triplet.

A primary will not be held for the Board of Education, since fewer than 10 filed. The election is held on a non-partisan basis for two-year terms.

The five current board members filed for re-election. They are James Marsh, Hugh Hagan, S. C. Eggers Sr., John Hollar (chairman) and Edsel Cook. Also filed are John H. Williams of Boone, Joe Hartley of Route 4, Boone and Eddie P. Norris of Vilas.

State Rep. Jim Holshouser who is seeking re-election in the 44 District (Watauga, Avery and Mitchell) will face Republicans Wood Hal Young and Mack S. Isaacs in the primary. The winner then will oppose Democrat M. Rany Phillips of Boone in the November election.

Two Democrats will do battle in the state primary May 2 for the office of Judge of Court of Appeals. They are R. A. (Fred) Hedrick and Harry C. Martin.

A Republican primary also is being held in the 25th Senatorial District of Watauga, Wilkes, Yadkin and Davie counties. Murray Coffey of Route 1, Blowing Rock, will oppose former Rep. Donald R. Binham of Davie County.

Other elections in the fall will be for Clerk of Superior Court, with Republican O. H. Foster seeking his third term and Democrat G. C. Norris of Route 2, Boone, having filed for the office.

In the Tenth Congressional District, incumbent Congressman Jim Broyles, a Republican, and former Congressman Basil Whitener are pitted against each other.

And R. Howard Coffey of Blowing Rock has filed for re-election in the county's only constable race.

The County Elections Board is comprised of Dayton Winebarger as chairman and Stacy Eggers Jr., of Boone, with Dallas Hodges, a Vilas resident, serving this year in place of John H. Bingham of Boone.



VOLUNTEERS in the heart scanner program which seeks to test some 13,000 mountain school children for murmurs were in training recently in the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church of Boone. Here Paul Hirschauer of the N. C. Heart

Association, which is sponsoring the program, explains the operation of the Phono-Cardio-Scan to some of the local women who are devoting their time to the project.

Program Details Given

Scott Will Officiate At Wey Inaugural

North Carolina's chief executive will conduct the investiture of Dr. Herbert Walter Wey as Appalachian State University's fourth president, according to Bob Allen chairman of the Central Inaugural Committee, who today announced final details on the April 24 ceremony.

At the end of Gov. Bob Scott's inaugural address, John P. Frank, chairman of ASU's Board of Trustees, will call to the podium Dr. Wey and president-elect Dr. W. H. Plemmons who will bear the university's mace, a symbol of presidential authority.

Gov. Scott will then direct Dr. Plemmons to pass the mace to Dr. Wey and will charge the new president with the responsibilities of his office.

The order of the academic procession which will begin the inaugural ceremony was also confirmed today by the Inaugural Committee.

Eight student marshals, selected on the basis of their academic standing, will lead the procession followed by the delegates and other visiting dignitaries.

Registrar-emeritus of the university, Herman R. Eggers, will lead the ASU faculty next

in the procession followed by the university's Board of Trustees.

Last in the procession will be the platform party led by Dr. Plemmons carrying the presidential mace. Following him will be the Rev. Edwin F. Troutman, Dr. Paul Sanders, Provost of the university, Ava Creech, president of ASU's student body, John P. Frank, Gov. Scott, Dr. Hugh Daniel of the Board of Trustees, Mark Davis president of the Alumni Association, James Marsh of the Community-Campus Relations Committee and Dr. Wey.

Dr. Wey will bear the mace and lead the recessional at the end of the inauguration.

Music during the ceremony will be provided by the University Band under the direction of Charles Isley, Dr. Max Smith at the organ, and the combined University Choirs who will sing W. A. Mozart's Laudate Pueri under the Direction of Dr. Joseph Logan.

Proceeding the ceremony, an 11:30 Inaugural Luncheon will be hosted and conducted by the university's students, and following the ceremony, all doors at the Plemmons Center will be open for a faculty-hosted reception following the ceremony. (Continued on page two)



WADE WILMOTH

New President Boone Jaycees

Wade Wilmoth, this year's recipient at the Distinguished Service Award, was elected president of the Boone Jaycees Monday night.

Those elected to serve with Wade for the coming year are: Ron Hester, internal vice-president; Stuart Tugman, ex-

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Spring Democrat Rally To Hear Gates County Leader

Rep. Philip Pittman Godwin of Gatesville, N. C., will be the featured speaker Friday night at the Spring Democratic Rally at Holiday Inn of Boone.

For further information and reservations, Democrats are urged to call 267-2648. The dinner meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Friday night and local Democrats who are up for election this year are expected to be there.

Representative Godwin was elected in 1961 to the N. C. House of Representatives from Gates County and has served in the General Assembly since. The counties of the First House District which he serves are Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Pasquotank and Perquimans (two representatives).

Last July, Godwin was elected interim speaker of the House and presently is co-chairman of the Legislative Research Commission and co-chairman of the Legislative Services Commission.



PHILIP GODWIN

He recently was appointed to a special commission to study the Democratic Party in North Carolina. Also, he has served on the executive committee of

the State Democratic Party from Gates County.

Rep. Godwin has been a Deacon of the Baptist Church in Gatesville where he was born. From 1943-45 he was a Staff Sergeant in the U. S. Fifth Air Force, serving in the Pacific Theatre.

He and his wife, the former Anita Thomas Freeman, are the parents of Philip Pittman Godwin Jr., age 17.

The Representative received his higher education at Wake Forest Law School, LL.B. degree.

His memberships include the North Carolina Bar Association and the First District Bar of which he is president.

Godwin has served on the State Judicial Council and on the N. C. Tax Study Commission.

Enrollment At University Reaches 6,682

Appalachian State University has enrolled a total of 6,682 students for spring quarter classes, a 4.5 per cent increase over the preceding term.

Of the grand total, 5,106 are resident undergraduate students, 537 are residents enrolled in the Graduate School, and 1,039 are registered for extension classes.

Some 780 of the on-campus students are non-residents of North Carolina.

The university saw a 13 per cent increase in its enrollment last September, and the size of the student body has tripled in the last decade.



Showing the proper use of the machine is Mrs. Lois E. Harrill. The test is painless, takes about two and a half minutes and is given to children grades 1-12 only with the permission of their parents. Some of the screening, which test for abnormalities in heart beat before serious damage can occur, is being carried out in Watauga this spring, with the remaining schools slated for next fall. Other counties involved are Avery, Mitchell and Yancey and Mrs. John H. Bingham is the local co-ordinator for volunteers for Heart Sound Screening. (Staff photos)

Watauga Democrat Election Service

This Saturday will be the last day for registering voters before the May 2 primary election in Watauga County.

The chairman of the Board of Elections, Dayton Winebarger says the books will be open in the precincts from 9 a. m. to 6:30 p. m. on April 18.

Unless one registered in last year's special registration or in the current registration period, he will be ineligible to vote in the primary, no matter

how long he previously has voted in local elections.

Winebarger points out that the new registration started in North Carolina last year and lists of voters kept up to that time became null and void so the state could set up its permanent, loose-leaf system.

A week from Saturday will be challenge day and the Saturday there-following the primary election will be held.

In the case of a primary, only military personnel may vote absentee ballots.

ELECTION FACTS

In order to vote in the primary, you must have resided in North Carolina for one year and in the precinct in which you are qualified to register and vote for not less than 30 days.

Disallowed are persons under 21 years of age, idiots and lunatics and anyone whose rights of citizenship have not been lawfully restored following his imprisonment in the state's prison.

(Persons sentenced to serve prison terms also may not vote.)

The election laws of North Carolina specify that "Only such persons as are able to read and write any section of the Constitution (of the State) in the English language shall be entitled to

register and vote in any primary or election held under this chapter."

Under 163-57, entitled "Residence Defined for Registration and Voting", the law notes "A person shall not be considered

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School Board Withholds Funds From Contractors

The Watauga County Board of Education is withholding \$3,450 of its accounts due from each of two contractors on the vocational wing of the Watauga High School.

Swanson Richards, Superintendent of Schools, said Tuesday the board is continuing its debate with Foster-Sturdivant of North Wilkesboro and Electrical Wiring Company of Hickory over a penalty clause contained in the contract.

The vocational wing was to be occupied last Aug. 4, but Richards pointed out that the opening of the new facility was delayed until Nov. 12.

Excluding weekends and holidays, 69 penalty days were amassed by the two companies, Richards reported, and the rate of penalty is \$100 per day.

He noted that delays in the completion date has been requested by the firms but denied by the Board of Education.