

## Democrats To Serve Kickoff Luncheon Friday

The Watauga County Democratic Executive Committee, jointly with the precinct chairmen and committees, will serve a free meal at noon Saturday at the Appalachian Elementary School for Democrats of all the county precincts.

W. R. Winkler, executive

## ASCS Tally Tuesday

Ballots in the 1970-71 community committee elections were to be counted on Tuesday, Sept. 15, at the Watauga County ASCS Office according to Roy W. Isley, Watauga County Executive Director.

The person in each community who receives the most votes will be the community committee chairman; second most votes will be the vice-chairman; and third most votes the regular member. The next two persons will be first and second alternates.

The three newly-elected community committeemen for each community will meet in county convention Monday, Sept. 21, to elect a three-year term county committeeman and two alternates to the county committee.

The delegates will select a chairman and vice-chairman of the county committee from the three regular members. All newly elected committeemen will take office Oct. 1.

## Tourist Attractions Remain Open In Area

GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN—Although Labor Day weekend has passed and most vacationers have completed their summertime jaunts, attractions here and in nearby vicinity are remaining open for the next couple of months.

Grandfather Mountain, featuring twice-daily bear shows with Mildred and her cubs Mini and Maxi, will be open every day through Nov. 15. The bear shows are staged each morning at 10 o'clock and again every afternoon at 3 o'clock. The mountain gates are open from 8 a. m. until dark.

Tweetsie Railroad also is to remain open every day through the fall season, with the Palace shows being held only on weekends.

Beech Mountain's "Land of Oz" will be open on weekends only through September and October.

With the fall color due to explode in the next few weeks,

### Sales Tax Take

Watauga County paid \$44,933.38 in August through the one per cent special sales tax levy, it is noted in a report from I. L. Clayton, State Commissioner of Revenue.

## Virginia Main Memorial Fund To Pay Expenses, Buy Marker

The pastor of the Proffit's Grove Baptist Church has begun the Virginia Main Memorial Fund to help the girl's family pay her funeral expenses and purchase a monument for the grave.

The Rev. Archie Clawson said all contributions will be appreciated and may be sent to him in care of Route 4, Box 263, Boone or directly to the Northwestern Bank of Boone where the fund has been set up. Mr. Clawson is serving as treasurer.

Miss Main, a native of Todd, was found dead Sept. 2 just off

committee chairman, says that the fact that the food will be served free at the countywide rally was a regular practice of the party several years ago.

Former Congressman Basil Whitener, who is campaigning for election in the Tenth District, will give the feature address. And special invitations are to be sent to candidates for the Board of Education, a non-partisan ticket here.

Wednesday of this week, Democratic Headquarters opened on Howard Street next to the Boone Upholstery Shop. Headquarters' telephone number is 264-2771.

The Saturday menu will comprise chicken and ham, potato salad, green beans, sweet potatoes, rolls, baked beans, slaw, tea or coffee and assorted cake.

Vice-chairman of the county executive committee is Mrs. Robert Bingham and secretary is Mrs. R. C. Rivers, also a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee. This group will meet immediately after the luncheon session.

District committee leaders are Mack Brown and Howard Mast Jr., judicial; David Spainhour and Dr. Robert Randall, Congressional; Wade Wilmoth and Ned Trivette, Senatorial; Grady Moretz Jr. and George Flowers, House of Representatives Committee; and by-laws committeewoman, Mrs. Earleen Pritchett.

A special guest at the meal will be Robert Bingham, president of the State Young Democratic Club.

holiday and weekend travelers will continue to find a wide range of enjoyable activities in the Grandfather Mountain area as they come this way to view the brilliant autumn leaves in their most spectacular setting.

## First Area Steer Sale

Beef cattle producers of Watauga County and nearby areas sold 606 steers in the first 1970 Boone graded steer sale for a total of \$123,801.55, an average price of \$204 per head.

An additional 33 head were graded short and sold separately, according to the County Extension Chairman, L. E. Tuckwiller, who released the information.

Five per cent, or 318 were graded choice and good and sold for an average of \$218 per head. They averaged weighing almost 800 pounds each.

The 241 head that graded medium sold for \$193 per head and weighed 662 pounds each. "We also sold 47 cattle that graded common and sold for \$164 per head," the extension chairman added.

a rural road north of Dallas. She had been reported missing Aug. 21 from the home of the Gastonia couple who employed her. Gaston County Coroner Bill McLean said the girl had been dead about 12 days when she was found.

The girl's mother, Mrs. Biddie Main, was widowed July 21 when her husband died in a drowning accident.

The funeral was held the following Saturday, Sept. 5, at Blackburn Tabernacle, Todd, and burial was in the Hopewell Cemetery.



This is a picture of Boone Police Chief Clyde Tester. Can you spot anything wrong with the cap or the uniform?



It would take a quick eye to notice that the pen in the chief's pocket is slightly larger than it should be—but not enough to be noticeable. Here Officer Zane Tester looks at a display which shows the way the Pen Pistol will contain and fire a .22-calibre pistol. (Staff photos)

## Arrested Man Has "Pen Pistol"

A "Pen Pistol", a spring-operated single-shot weapon, was found last week on a man stopped in downtown Boone by two members of the Boone Police Department.

Charged with carrying a concealed weapon was Phillip Fausnet, whose age was put at 20 by the department. He is originally from California. Fausnet posted a \$500 cash bond and is to face the charge in District Court Friday, Oct. 2.

The officers who made the arrest were Zane Tester and Larry Keese. The pen-type pistol was found in Fausnet's right trouser pocket and was loaded with a solid point .22-calibre bullet.

The police department received word from the Wilkes County Sheriff's Department that Fausnet was "armed and dangerous", according to Chief Clyde Tester. The information was logged to the Watauga Sheriff's Department through the area communications

center at Salisbury. Tester said he personally double-checked the report by calling to Salisbury. He said the information was that the suspect had "been seen around the ASU campus often," and that this is contained in the log.

That was last Thursday. And Fausnet's 1967 Chevrolet, bearing a California license, was described.

About 1:45 p. m. Thursday, Officers Keese and Tester saw this vehicle headed east on US 421 in front of Miller Industries. They tailed the Chevrolet down King Street and as it turned right on Depot, called Police Car 3, which was on Faculty Street in the vicinity, in case the subject put up resistance.

Fausnet was alone in the car when the policemen stopped him on South Depot Street in front of the bus terminal.

Officer Zane Tester entered the concealed weapon charge against the man.

## Broyhill Is Rally Speaker

# Says GOP Needs More Members In Assembly

BY RACHEL R. COFFEY  
Congressman James T. Broyhill told county Republicans Saturday night that they are "badly outnumbered" in registration across the Tenth District.

But he said he had been told "more Democrats vote for me than Republicans, and I hope that's true."

He said years ago, the national Democratic Party "left those Democrats who live in this part of the country," adding "I'm proud of Dick Nixon and I'm proud of Spiro Agnew, who's going around the country campaigning when President Nixon can't."

He urged local Republicans to ask Democrats "for their support and their vote." Across the state, the Congressman asserted, "the key to winning the governorship" is putting people into the Legislature, so to elect a Republican Governor in 1972 "with a friendly legislature and not one that is hostile to it."

He said in this way the party is providing "the underpinnings on which to build," rather than trying to put the roof on first.

**Local Races Important**  
Broyhill said all of his election campaigns have been important to him, "but this election is the most important in which I've been involved."

During eight years in Washington, he said he has fought for "urgently needed changes in government." The first big change was Richard

Nixon. Broyhill commended the President, saying "For the first time in these last several years, we are beginning to wind down things there in Southeast Asia," and through withdrawal of troops from there and other bases around the world.

And he was critical of the Johnson Administration's handling of Federal tax money and the inflationary pressures

resultant of deficit spending. "Deficit spending—increasing the National Debt—this never seems to worry the Democrats. They believe in credit card government, but they're not willing to pay the bill when it comes due next month."

"Well, we are paying for it through higher interest rates and increases in the price of everything we buy. This is a very cruel tax that hit the poor harder than anyone else."

He said people don't get as excited about an off-year election as they do when the Presidential and Gubernatorial races also are on the ticket.

"But the stakes in this election are enormous. The County Courthouse is the basic element in political party strength and if we are to make any gains, we must support these men." Broyhill pledged to campaign alongside the Republican candidates in Watauga.

And again he stressed the necessity this year of placing more and more men and women in the State House of Representatives and the State Senate, "to lay the groundwork for election in 1972," and enact "alternative ways to run the state."

Broyhill said there are 150,000 fewer men in Vietnam today than when President Nixon took over; Communist strongholds were cleaned out; that national defenses are being kept up "but not continuing on the road of the arms race in which we're in."

The Congressman, who was introduced to the assembly by Clyde R. Greene, told his audience that they had only to leave their names and addresses to receive copies of an 11,000-word document the President had sent to Congress.

He said a North Carolina daily "buried the story" on page four and used a headline saying Democrats ignored the President's message to Congress. Broyhill said the President has been using veto power to keep the Democratic Congress from enacting "Bills which were far above budget requests."

And he said many worthwhile legislative issues presented by Nixon in the past 18 months also have been ignored by the Congress.



Congressman Jim Broyhill appealed to his audience to help in the statewide drive to get Republicans in office and pave the way for putting a Republican in the Governor's Mansion in 1972. (Staff photos)

## Election Data Given By Board

The State Board of Elections, through executive secretary Alex K. Brock, has released procedures and general information about the Nov. 3 general election.

In Watauga, and in the other 37 counties not operating on full-time registration, the registration books will open Saturday, Oct. 3 at the voting places and will be available there on Saturday, Oct. 10 and Saturdays, Oct. 17 and 24.

On week days during this period, citizens may register at the home of their precinct registrar.

Citizens are permitted to vote an absentee ballot in the general election provided they make proper application. No application by civilians can be received earlier than this Saturday nor later than the Wednesday before the election.

Inquiries should be directed to the County Board of Elections, Watauga Courthouse, West King Street, Boone (28607).

North Carolina voters will decide their U. S. Congressmen, 29 State Judicial officers, solicitors and district judges, members of the State Senate and State House of Representatives and county officers.

Also to be voted upon are seven Constitutional Amendment questions, which will be introduced through the news media prior to election day.

The telephone number of the Watauga County Board of Elections, is 264-9259 and chairman is Dayton Winebarger.

Brock concludes, "All citizens are urged to participate and involve themselves in this true expression of Democracy. Our free elective process will survive only if it receives nourishment from its beneficiaries."

## Hampton Goes To Forum For Morticians

Barney Hampton of Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home, Boone is attending a management forum for funeral service managers at Southern Pines this week. He is one of 25 managers from North Carolina to participate in this three-day event.

Visiting Lecturers are Professor Robert Slater of the University of Minnesota, Donald Locke of Springfield, Illinois, W. G. Hardy of Louisville, Kentucky and Albert S. Lineberry of Greensboro.

Subjects discussed in the in-depth forum include the personality of a manager and overhead of a funeral home. A large portion of the schedule is devoted to examining the values of the funeral and what funeral directors can best do to make the ceremonies surrounding death more meaningful to those who survive. Mr. Hardy was a consultant to a recent film, "Too Personal To Be Private", in which Dr. Edgar N. Jackson explains that ceremony is healthy for man as it presents an avenue for release of emotions and gives value to a life having been lived.

Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home is a member of the sponsoring organization, the North Carolina Funeral Directors Association.

## Earthquake Felt In Northwest

For the second time in several months, the northwestern area felt strong earth tremors last Wednesday night between 9:30 and 9:45.

In Boone some thought the quake was more severe than the last and windows and dishes rattled. A sort of boom accompanied the tremors, causing some householders to think there had been a nearby explosion. Blowing Rock residents also reported fairly heavy quake effects.

The center of the disturbance is said to have been in Ashe County.

The National Earthquake Information Center at Rockville, Md., reported that its records from seismograph stations placed the center of the quake about latitude 36.5 degrees, longitude 81.5 degrees. This would be about midway between the Shatley Springs resort and the Crumpler Community.

Residents in Watauga, Ashe, Alleghany counties and the northern tip of Caldwell County reported feeling earth tremors. Dr. G. A. Bollinger of Virginia Polytechnical Institute at Blacksburg, Va., said that the reading on the University's seismograph showed that there was a localized earthquake about 100 miles from Blacksburg. It was not a tremor from a distant earthquake, he said.

The quake appeared to be minor, he said. The national center recorded it at a magnitude between 2-1/2 and 3 on the Richter scale. Damaging earthquakes record about 6, he said, and 9 is the top of the scale.

The earthquake was recorded at 9:41 p. m. with vibrations lasting about three minutes, he said.

Bollinger said that surface evidence of such a quake would seldom be seen as they are usually "deep down."

Boone Weather						
	1970	HI	Lo	Prec.	Snow '69	HI Lo
Sept. 8	8	77	46			73 59
Sept. 9	9	76	57			68 55
Sept. 10	10	77	56	.40		65 47
Sept. 11	11	76	58	.09		65 56
Sept. 12	12	66	54	Tr.		64 42
Sept. 13	13	78	50	.03		72 40
Sept. 14	14	80	50			72 45