

Population

Watauga County 22,660
10 Year Gain 29.27%
Boone 8,566
10 Year Gain 132.39%
1970 Preliminary Census Report

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Boone Weather

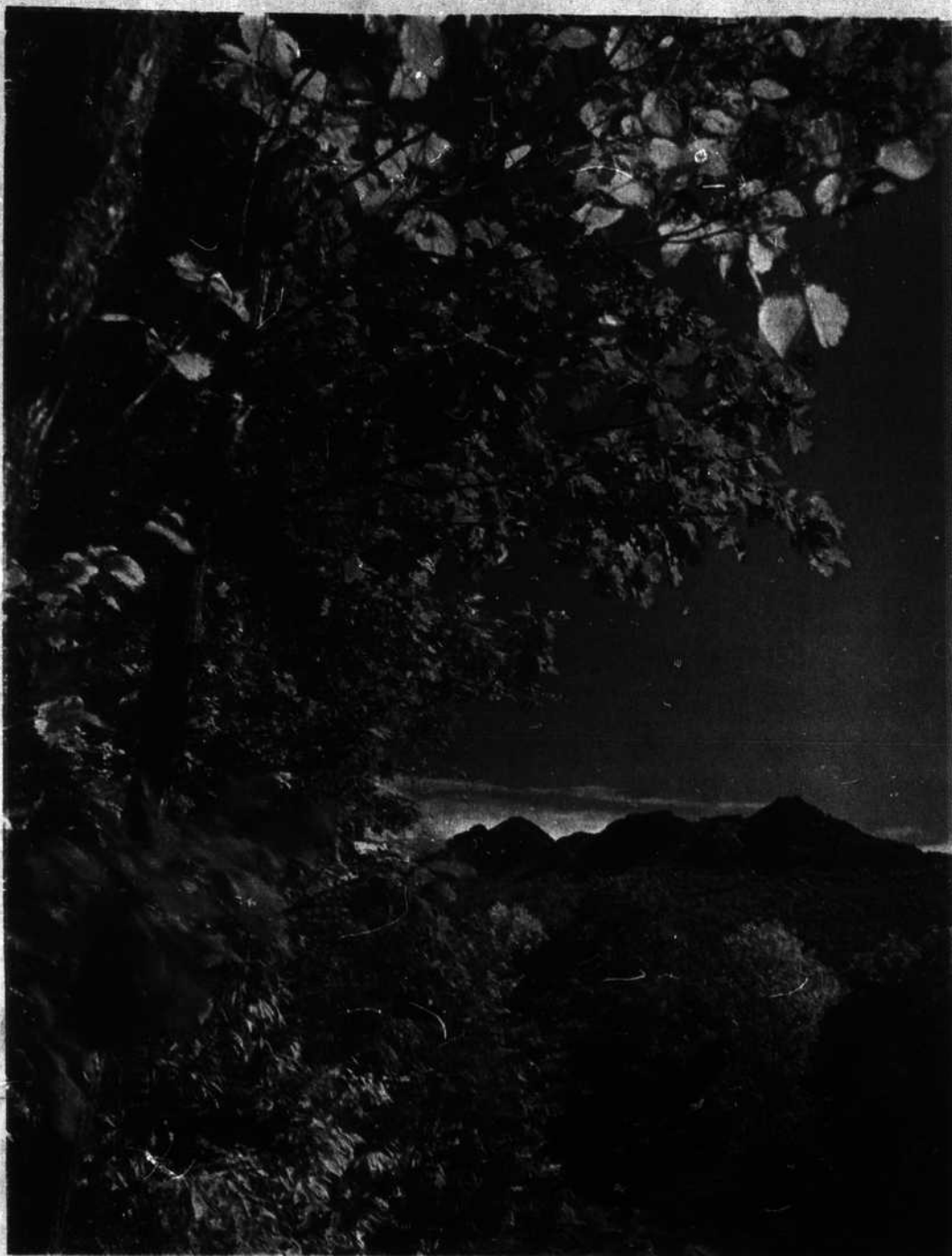
1970	HI	Lo	Préc.	Snow	'69	HI	Lo
Oct. 13	68	47			77	51	
Oct. 14	68	50	.02		67	49	
Oct. 15	70	52	.02		54	44	
Oct. 16	61	34			44	43	
Oct. 17	58	23			57	41	
Oct. 18	42	20			41	30	
Oct. 19	42	25			73	35	

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The fall color season is now at its peak in the Northwest Carolina Mountains and this view of Grandfather Mountain framed in autumn foliage is typical of the sights that are being seen. Color should remain good for the next ten days. Color photograph courtesy of Hugh Morton.

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Summer Theatre May Be On Way Porterfield Tells SAHA Gathering

At the annual banquet-meeting of the Southern Appalachian Historical Association last Monday night, the chairman of the Department of Speech and Drama at Appalachian said his department is now at the stage where "we have to have a summer program."

And Dr. Charles Porterfield told the assembly at Holiday Inn that there is a possibility that one of the barns at State Farm, which is owned by the university, will be converted into a summer theater.

Dr. Porterfield suggested his staff could be connected with the association's drama, Horn in the West, by offering course work and doing "some switching" of casts.

He said there is a tremendous market for a children's theater and felt co-operative ventures could make enough money so that SAHA could build a museum for the preservation of the area's archives.

Dr. Porterfield's associate, Charles Martin, told the audience that theater is coming to places like Ap-

palachian and Boone—that it is summer stock and educational theater.

He announced current rehearsals at the university of a play set in the Antebellum South and plans to stage the comedy at several area high schools.

They will follow with a children's play, The Emperor's New Clothes, and this will play in several schools in January, Martin said. The last two weekends in February, a serious play will be presented and a musical, as yet undetermined, will be put on next spring.

The Speech and Drama Department is hoping to get

"the cream of the crop" of young people, said Martin, working in its programs. And they are trying to get professional directors and actors to participate in their theater.

Martin said the Art Department's interest in the program could mean the development of an art center along with the theater, with all fine arts being brought together into one cultural program.

"With the two theaters—our summer theater and Horn in the West—working together," Martin concluded, "we could only grow together."



Dr. Robert Randall, president of SAHA, listens as Dr. Charles Porterfield delivers his talk. (Staff photo)

Saturday Is Last Day To Register

Saturday is the last day to register in Watauga County for the general election November 3.

Information from J. D. Winebarger, Chairman of the Watauga County Board of Elections is to the effect that there has been a marked upturn in registration during the past week but as this is written Saturday's figures have not been tabulated.

The books will be open at the various polling places all day Saturday and voters may apply at the home of the registrars for registration any day between now and Saturday.

Citizens are again reminded that if they didn't register for the election last fall or for last spring's primary, they must be enrolled this week, or they cannot vote.

Miss Watauga Pageant Saturday Local Beauties To Compete For Title

Clocks To Be Turned Back 25th

Before bedtime Saturday night, don't forget to set your clocks and watches back one hour.

Eastern Standard Time will be back in effect as of 2 a. m. Sunday—the last Sunday in October.

Under the Uniform Time Act of 1967, all states, the District of Columbia and U. S. possessions observe Daylight Saving Time beginning at 2 a. m. on the last Sunday in April through 2 a. m. the final Sunday in October every year.

Hawaii, Arizona and Michigan have exempted themselves from this practice through state legislative action and eight Midwestern and Western states have time zone variances because of local problems.



MISS WATAUGA, Nancy Faye Stacy

Jaycees To Have Event

Eight lovely young girls will appear Saturday night in three phases of competition for the title, Miss Watauga, in the 1971 pageant put on by the Boone Jaycees.

The girl to whom reigning Miss Watauga Nancy Faye Stacy passes her crown automatically will be entered in the Miss North Carolina Pageant, whose winner will compete for the Miss America title next year.

The Jaycees for years have staged the pageant to standing-room-only crowds in the auditorium of the Appalachian Elementary School. This year, the Miss Watauga Pageant moves into the wide open spaces of ASU's Broome-Kirk Gymnasium to accommodate the crowds.

Starting time will be 8:10 Saturday night, Oct. 24.

Judging the swim suit, talent and evening gown divisions of the pageant—long hailed as one of the best produced in North Carolina—will be Mrs. Paul Broyhill, former Miss North Carolina and third runnerup in the Miss America Pageant; Mrs. Barbara Deverick, a beauty pageant judge who is employed by Blue Ridge Electric in Lenoir; Dr. Jim Jackson, Dean of Educational Innovation and Change at ASU; Bob Bumgarner, a veteran pageant judge who is director of data processing for BREMCO, Lenoir; and Professor Glen Whitesides, chairman of the Department of English at Lenoir-Rhyne. Whitesides has judged numerous pageants including the Junior Miss and Miss Teenage America.

A special feature will be entertainment by Miss Pauletta Pearson, Miss Congeniality and third runner-up in the Miss North Carolina Pageant, and Miss Newton Conover, Miss Burlington and Miss Mayland are among queens invited to be here.

Herself a Miss Congeniality, Miss Nancy Faye Stacy will crown the lucky girl this weekend. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Starr N. Stacy, Miss Stacy is a pianist who performed a selection by Beethoven in the recent Miss North Carolina competition.

The pretty brunette was in the ASU Homecoming Parade last Saturday.

Tickets will be available at the door.

C. Of C. Members Are To Be Guests County Schools

Members of the Boone and Blowing Rock chambers of commerce are invited to be special guests in the Watauga County schools Thursday, Oct. 29, from 8:30-2:30.

The Association of Classroom Teachers (ACT) is sponsoring the county's first Business-Education Day, which it hopes will become an annual event.

The purpose of Business-Education Day is to give the businessmen and leaders in the county an opportunity to observe the educational activities in the schools.

They will be encouraged to observe classes, to talk with the teachers and students, and to ask questions about any of the programs.

The teachers feel that in many cases, too much publicity has been given to a very small percentage of our teenagers and would like for adults to observe the fine work being done by the majority of the young people.

Mrs. Lera Randall, ACT President, said "We are proud of our schools, and we believe the people in the county are proud of them too. For some reason our people pass school bond issues when they are falling to pass in many places."

If plans can be worked out, there will be an Education-Business Day later this year or next year, at which time the educators will be guests of the businessmen and industries of the community.

Teachers who have some knowledge about the industries and businesses of the county will be better prepared to help young people become aware of the educational opportunities available to them in Watauga County.

The Superintendent, the principals, and the Board of

Education join the Association of Classroom Teachers in extending this invitation to the leaders in the county.

Travel On Parkway Is Increasing

Visitor count on the Blue Ridge Parkway for September indicated that 1,330,134 persons had visited the scenic thru-fare for a gain of 18% over the 1,129,921 counted in September 1969, National Park service figures indicate.

It is also shown that for the calendar year 1970 to date as against the same period in 1969, there was a gain of 9.4%. In 1969, 9,162,367 people toured the mountain-top highway as against 10,026,068 in 1970.

The breakdown of September Parkway travel by districts follows, with the first figures in each case being for 1970, the latter 1969:

James River, Va., mile 0 to 105, 146,275; 156,630.

Rocky Knob, Va., mile 105 to 217, 367,860; 268,666.

Bluffs, N. C., mile 217 to 305, 203,313; 160,880.

Asheville mile 305 to 369, 612,686; 543,745.



BUMBAUGH

Bumbaugh Employed In Twin City

Mr. Robert M. Bumbaugh of Boone has been employed as Inhalation Therapy Technical Specialist by Air Products & Chemicals, Home Health Care Division, it has been announced by the Winston-Salem office of the Corporation.

Mr. Bumbaugh will be working and consulting with hospitals, nursing homes, doctors' clinics and offices and home patients. He will be involved in training personnel in contract hospitals in the area and counseling of patients, etc.

Mr. Bumbaugh has been active in civic affairs in Boone, where he has been a therapist at Watauga Hospital. He was

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Kilpatrick Says Notion Of Freedom Is Being Lost

Columnist James J. Kilpatrick told students at Appalachian State University Wednesday that America is losing sight of any notion of freedom.

The conservative illustrated his point with what he called a random selection of recent legislation from Washington.

He cited the congressional green light for 10-year-old's voting privileges as a "callisthetic piece of

the 14th Amendment.

"Surely up to this moment," he said, "the fixing of the qualification for the franchise has been reserved for the states. The idea that Congress can, under the last section of the 14th Amendment, declare it appropriate federal legislation, seems to me preposterous."

The journalist also attacked the appropriation of \$14 million toward the arts and the humanities. He said, "Again a

considerable piece of acrobatics was required to find any basis of the constitution by which this appropriation can be justified.

"But," he continued, "there it is, and an agency of the U. S. government is distributing tax funds to painters, dancers and actors under no construction of the constitution."

The upcoming question of federal support for the

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