Population

Watauga County 22,660

10 Year Gain 132.39%

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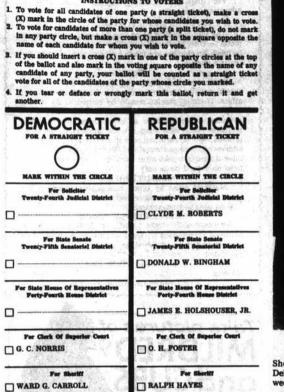
These Are The Ballots You'll Mark Tuesday

Constitutional Amendment Ballot on Another Page

SAMPLE BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR DISTRICT SOLICITOR, STATE SENATOR, STATE REPRESENTATIVE, AND COUNTY OFFICERS

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS



GENE WILSON HAYDEN PITTS G. PERRY GREENE J. D. SHOEMAKE DW incharger

For County Commissioner (You may vote for three)

KENNETH WILCOX

For County Commission (You may vote for three

JACK E. WILLIAMS

SAMPLE BALLOT OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR WATAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

INSTRUCTIONS

1. To vote for a candidate on the ballot make a cross (X) mark in the square at the left of his name.

2. If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to the registrar and get another.

(You may vote for Five)

HUGH B. HAGAMAN

JOE W. HARTLEY JOHN H. WILLIAMS

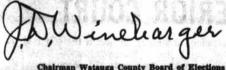
☐ JAMES P. MARSH

☐ JOHN H. HOLLAR

S. C. EGGERS, SR.

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General Election, Nov. 3, 1970



OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR MEMBER OF CONSTESS

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REPUBLICAN



New Queen

She's pushing 18, laments Deborah Payne, and has no



Nancy Faye Stacy, Miss Watauga of 1970, says goodbye-standing footlights at of the ramp.

Deep Gap Fire Dept. Prevents Costly Blaze

A quick response from the Deep Gap Fire Department prevented a costly blaze to the residence of Sammy Critcher Tuesday, Oct. 20.

owner discovered a small but rapidly spreading blaze on the second floor of the home that afternoon and called James Watson, chief of the Deep Gap Volunteer Fire

Department.

Within minutes, seven of the firemen had responded. They were able to extinguish the blaze with only minor water damage. The owners were high in their praise of the department, giving their quick response and efficient methods full credit for saving their full credit for saving their

Water Shortage Faces

Boone And University

Could Reach Serious Stage

Graham. Whitener To Speak

Jim Graham, the State Commissioner of Agriculture, will be the featured speaker at a Democratic rally Thursday tonight) at the Appalachian
Elementary School in Boone.
Special guest at the dinner
meeting, which begins at 6:30
p. m. (new Eastern Standard
Time) will be Congressman
Basil Whitspan.

Basil Whitener The rally is being held in honor of Democrat candidates according to W. R. Winkler, chairman of the Democrat Executive Committee in the

He says tickets, available for a \$5 donation, may be had from precinct organizations, the Democrat Headquarters in Boone or at the door Thursday

Says Winkler, "A delicious meal will be served. Hope to see you there!"

State Dept. Official To Speak At ASU

Michael Wygant, an official from the U. S. Department of State, will speak on Soviet-American relations before Appalachian State University's dent body here Oct. 28.

A former staff member of the American embassy in Moscow, Wygant now serves in the department's Bureau of In-telligence and Research

He will headline activities at the university's fall con-vocation which begins Wednesday at 2 p. m in Broome-Kirk Gymnasiu..

The assembly is sponsored by Appalachian's student government association which will make a series of citations to campus service clubs during vocation.

Dr. Braxton Harris, new dean of student affairs here, also is scheduled to address the

to members of the public.

CHARLOTTE-North Carolina National Bank has filed an application with the U. S. Comptroller of the Currency for permission to open an office

Luther H. Hodges Jr.,

executive vice president of NCNB, said the location of the

proposed office has not been finally determined but several

sites are under consideration. Hodges said the bank is

future of Western North

"We are certain that great

things are happening in the Blue Ridge and we definitely want to support and be a part of the fantastic growth that is ahead." Hodges said.

He cited the bank's survey of the economic potential of Boone and Watauga County.



Walting their turn while Edward Lowrance shears the locks from David Shrake are Delmer Triplett (center) and Michael Hardy, (Staff photo)

"Starting A New Fad"

Three young men with relatively long hair were preceded to Central Barber Shop Thursday by five other students of Watauga High School who had the same goal in mind.

They wanted a burr hair cut—a really close-to-the scalp

shearing—and they got it.

Barber Edward Lowrance
was peeling off the blond locks
of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Shrake's
son David, who explained
simply, "We just thought of it."

And Mrs. Irene Hardy's son Michael said they aim to be "A mch of egghe

And, said Mike, the fact is that "everybody's got long hair. It's nothing new. "We're starting a new fad."

Deborah Payne Is New MissWatauga

BY RACHEL R. COFFEY

The judges' decision was no doubt a tough one, but make it they did, and Miss Deborah Payne, one of the performing Dorothys at Land of Oz this year, emerged as Miss Watauga of 1971.

The pageant was staged in croome-Kirk Gym Saturday night by the Boone Jaycees and Jaycettes. They preceded the big event with three nights of preliminary staging capsuling Friday with a dress rehearsal for the eight contestants.

The theme. "The Look of eight admirable talent entries and for the swim suit and

NC National Bank

Seeks Boone Office

"Our studies of Boone and Watauga County show they

have grown in many ways faster than North Carolina as a

whole. Boone's population for

example, has grown a remarkable 132 per cent over the last 10 years," Hodges said.

State University and the ex-

pansion of winter recreation

facilities in the area have contributed to this growth.

"Boone and Watauga are

well ahead of the state in retail

sales, effective buying income

and selected service receipts.

Total employment is also growing faster in Watauga than in the state as a whole," Hodges said.

He said NCNB believes the community needs and will support additional banking

growth of Appalachian

evening competition that combined to result petite Queen Payne, her first runner-up Luci Welborn and second

runner-up Lynne Palmer.
Miss Colette Lee Carpenter
was selected by her fellow contestants as Miss

Miss Payne was sponsored in

Cook Ford of Boone.

A special performance by Miss Pauletta Pearson, second runner-up in the Miss North Carolina Pageant, treated the dramatically restrained, engaging, and professional

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Candidates Give Views At Community Meeting

Five times have public candidates' meetings been held in Watauga County prior to General Election.

And this year's rendition—a format in which each candidate Donations was allowed a three-minute talk before questions were take from the audience-drew between 250 and 300 people to the Appalachian Elementary School in the fog and rain of Tuesday, Oct. 20.

In order to give as full coverage as possible to each candidate, the newspaper tape-recorded the evening session and has solicited statements from other local candidates unable to attend in order that they might be represented in this final edition before next Tuesday's General Election.

Because of the volume of this material, it cannot possibly be grouped, although some portions of the meeting have been combined into a lead news story. Each individual's statement, along with his picture when available, will appear under the kicker-headline "Candidate"

We commend to you each of these stories so that you can become more thoroughly familiar with the campaign positions of the Republican, the Democratic and the non-partisan can-

The colors were presented by members of Mrs. Mary Owens' Girl Scout Troop 195 and the moderator was Rogers V. Whitener, associate professor of English and chairman of the Artist and Lecture Series at Appalachian.

The meeting was co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Watauga County and the Boone Jaycees. Brief opening talks were made by Mrs. Leland Cooper and by Wade Wilmoth, who are presidents, respectively, of the sponsoring

City, ASU Make Joint Statement

A water shortage in the town of Boone could reach critical proportions unless relief comes quickly, according to an an-nouncement released this week by the town and the university.

A joint statement issued by Mayor Gordon Winkler, the town aldermen and Ned Trivette of Appalachian State University requested that residents of the town and the campus make "every effort to conserve water until the long expected fall rains relieve the situation."

The statement explained:
"Due to the two extended dry
periods experienced in the
Boone area during the past
four months, the Town of
Boone and Appalachian State
University are experiencing a
rather severe water shortage.
The recent light rain failed to
have any significant effect on
either system."

The statement continued The statement continued, "For the University to remain open, it is presently necessary that it draw approximately 100,000 gallons of water per day from the Town system Monday through Friday.

"On weekends when the university demand is less, it is pumping water back into the Town system.

"With this cooperative ef-fort, however, both systems are reaching a critical level,"

The university's water system depends on five wells and an old system of piped spring water. The wells, ac-cording to Trivette, normally produce 800,000 gallons per day compared to 86,400 gallons per

day for the spring system.

The university's supply of spring water has slowed to some 23,000 gallons per day and is the major cause of the shortage, Trivette

Public schools in nearby Mountain City, Tenn., have been closed by a similar water

Yule Program Being Asked

Bev Russing is asking business firms in Boone to mail in their donations toward the 1970 Christmas decorations

program.

The address to write is Box 627, Boone, 28607, and all donations will be most welcome. Individuals interested in upholding the tradition of decorations are urged to join businessmen in

urged to join businessmen in supporting this project.

Mrs. Russing says business checks not received by Friday will be picked up by her.

The goal is \$2,000 and the New River Light & Power Company has agreed to put up the lights. The latest deadline in the project is Tuesday, Nov. 10. If the money is not received by then, Mrs. Russing says lights will not be put up.