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Boone Weather					
1970	HI	Lo	Prec.	Snow	'69 HI Lo
Nov. 10	52	42	.88		52 34
Nov. 11	53	40	.89		60 34
Nov. 12	55	39			53 43
Nov. 13	52	33	.03		48 39
Nov. 14	51	29			34 19
Nov. 15	-	22			28 8
Nov. 16	52	18	.19	1/2 in.	51 17

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Burley Pours Onto Warehouse Floors

By Monday afternoon more than 800,000 pounds of burley had been placed on the Big Burley Warehouse floors to fill the sprawling house to capacity.

Tuesday morning tobacco was being received on the floors of the Farmers' Warehouse in West Boone.

Joe Coleman, R. C. Coleman Jr. and Mrs. Harriet Sikes, warehouse owners and operators of Tabor City are here and say the quality of the tobacco they have examined appears about average.

The first auctions will be held at Big Burley and when the weed there has been sold, sales will be moved to Farmers Burley in west Boone.

Sales will be held the 23rd, 24th, 25th and 27th, with sales thereafter the first four days of each week. A market recess will begin at the close of the sales December 17 and immediately thereafter the committee will determine the reopening date.



Carrying a moon rock bound for a showing at Appalachian State University, this Piper Cherokee 250 was landed in a pasture near Independence, Va. Sunday a week ago. (Photo—Larry Chambers, Galax Gazette)

2,200 See Moon Rock In Couple Of Days

One of only five or six moon rocks available for tour in the country was being flown to Boone Sunday a week ago when pilot Joe Cain of Riverdale, Md., switched to a reserve fuel tank, the fuel system

malfunctioned and the single engine stalled.

He brought the plane, its rock and three passengers down in a field a couple of miles west of Independence, Va. At the end of the

emergency landing, it was reported, the plane's wings and landing gear were destroyed.

But the journey wasn't over for the precious rock. Dr. Frank McKinney of the geology faculty of Appalachian State University drove to Virginia to get it and it was a subject of excitement and awe in Rankin Science Hall until 5 last Wednesday afternoon.

"Liked Us" During the day, the 2.58 billion-year-old rock was under guard and at night it was in a vault.

By noon on Wednesday, more than 1,000 schoolchildren saw it, said McKinney, there having been some 2,200 there in the first two days. The display

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The rock was brought the rest of the way by Dr. Frank McKinney, seen here during the showing at the university. (Staff photo—Armfield Coffey)

Santa Coming To Boone Nov. 27th

The official opening of the 1970 Christmas season in Boone has been set for Friday, Nov. 27, by the Merchants Association of the Boone Area Chamber of Commerce.

Association chairman John B. Robinson announces that Santa Claus will be in town from 4 to 6 p. m. that date with goodies for the children.

All stores are being asked to remain open Friday nights until 9 starting Nov. 27 and to be open each night until 9, except Saturday, beginning Monday, Dec. 14.

"In recent years," Wey said, "it has become apparent that state-assisted institutions must seek private support if they are to fulfill their responsibilities."

"Appalachian could probably operate indefinitely, though modestly, with state funds and student fees alone. But programs that make the difference between service and mediocrity have to be supported in other ways," he said.

Tax monies now represent 49.8 per cent of Appalachian's total operating budget with another 30 per cent coming from student fees. The remaining 20.2 per cent comes from grants, gifts and auxiliary services of the university. ASU's current endowment totals some \$600,000.

The needs to be met with expected income from the development campaign were listed by Wey in categories of current operations, plant expansion and endowment.

His requests, totaling \$2,200,000, for current operations include:

—\$1,000,000 for additional books, manuscripts, special collections and media equipment in the university's Carol G. Belk Library.

—\$400,000 for scholarships, specialized equipment and endowments for ASU's College of Business.

—\$550,000 for non-duplicating need of Appalachian's five colleges and 24 academic departments.

—\$250,000 for additional student financial support including athletic scholarships and recruitment.

Six needs in the area of physical plant additions totaled \$2,300,000. The specific requests are for:

—\$1,000,000 to supplement \$2,000,000 in available monies for the construction and operation of ASU's new center for continuing education.

—\$400,000 for the construction of a planetarium.

—\$500,000 for an Appalachian Studies Center which would research and record the history and culture of the Blue Ridge section of the Southern Appalachian chain.

—\$100,000 for a center honoring university founders.

—\$200,000 for a student life building.

—\$100,000 for campus paving to provide minimum parking areas and walkways beyond those furnished by state appropriation.

Under his largest category, Wey listed needs of \$3,500,000 for endowment of three programs for students and three for the faculty of the institution.

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First In History Of University

\$8 Million Development Campaign Starts At ASU



THE CHORAL ENSEMBLE

Watauga High Choral Ensemble To Stage Annual Fall Concert

The annual fall concert of the Choral Ensemble of Watauga High School will be presented in the school auditorium at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, Nov. 19.

The public is cordially invited to attend by choral director Eugene Wilson.

Selections from the Renaissance, Baroque, Classical, Romantic and Contemporary periods will be conducted by Wilson and his assistant director, Michael W. Morgan. Soloists are Bill Agle and Danny Whittington and piano accompanists will be

Janie Ray and Elsie Erneston.

A portion of the program will be sung by the Octet, consisting of members from the Ensemble.

The program includes "Suddenly There Came A Sound From Heaven" by Aichinger; "Exultate Deo" by Scarlatti; "Lacrymosa" by Cherubini; "Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee" by Brahms; "Cantique de Jean Racine" by Faure; and "Song of Exaltation" by Beck.

The Octet will sing "Dancing and Springing" by Hassler; "Czecho-Slovakian Dance Song"; a folk song; "On Saturday Night" by Rowley; and "Christmas Song" by Torne.

The Ensemble concludes with "Six Folk Songs" by

Brahms; "The Turtle Dove" by Vaughan Williams; and "I Got A Key" arranged by Robert Shaw.

The Choral Ensemble, earning the rating of "superior" yearly in North Carolina district and state contests, was organized four years ago to give outstanding singers and accompanists an opportunity to develop their musical potential to the fullest through study and performance of great ensemble music of the past and present.

The group also participates in the All-State Choral Festival, the Mars Hill College Choral Clinic, area school, church and civic programs. Past performances have included Pergolesi's Magnificat; Bach's Cantata

No. 142; Vivaldi's Gloria; and Mozart's Regina Coeli.

Members of the Choral Ensemble are Bill Agle, Danny Ailey, Junior Allen, Tena Blackburn, Jenny Cole, Deryl Danner, Elsie Erneston.

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Letters To Santa

Mr. Santa Claus of the North Pole has received messages from two Watauga County tots, and they are herewith printed: "Melissa Lynn Cook has been good, Santa Claus." And, "Debra Ann Cook has been good, Santa Claus. Debra is 5."

Parkway Travel Up

More than eleven and a half million people have visited the Blue Ridge Parkway during 1970, according to National Park Service calculations.

In 1969 10,770,865 people toured the scenic highway as against 11,549,033 this year, an increase for 1970 of 7%.

In October 1,522,965 visited the Parkway for a loss of 5% from the 1,608,498 tallied last year.

The October count for the four Parkway divisions follows, the first figure in each case being for 1970, the last for 1969:

James River, Va., mile 0 to 105, 200,538; 191,696.

Rocky Knob, Va., mile 105 to 217, 347,361; 358,855.

Bluffs, N. C., mile 217 to 305, 231,066; 253,176.

Asheville, mile 305 to 369, 744,000; 804,771.

Boone Area Chamber Of Commerce Passes Goal

Membership Chairman Lee Barnett announced Thursday night at the Farm-City Dinner that the Boone Area Chamber of Commerce reached and surpassed its goal of 500 members.

He stated there are 504 members, including the 157 new members, a 45 per cent increase in membership. The membership fees increase is \$3,228, a 33 per cent in cash and pledges.

The success of the campaign was due to the hard work of many Chamber Board

members and other Chamber members, he stated. Thanks and special recognition go to Velma Burnley, publicity director; the Watauga Democrat, WATA Radio, president Harold Rice, Chamber Manager Fred McNeal, Team Captains Frank Auten, Grant Ayers, Barney Hampton, Ranny Phillips, David Spainhour and Nick Stakias for their outstanding work.

The Barney Hampton and Nick Stakias teams sold the most memberships with 40

each, he stated. He said, "I especially want to thank our new members who had the faith in our organization to want to become a part of this ACTION Chamber. Our membership drive hasn't ended, we have just reached a plateau, we want everyone, we need everyone to be a part of the Boone Area Chamber of Commerce. If you haven't joined, see a Chamber member tonight or call the Chamber office tomorrow and be a part of the ACTION."