

## The Weather

	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Aug. 5	80	55	.00
Aug. 6	77	58	.00
Aug. 7	75	58	.00
Aug. 8	70	60	.05
Aug. 9	65	60	.46
Aug. 10	64	60	1.99
Aug. 11	64	56	.06

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## "Warm Peninsula" Will Play Aug. 13-16 and 21-22 At HCT

Highlands Community Theatre director Michael Hall has scheduled two hold-over performances of "The Warm Peninsula" next week end, following four showings tonight through Sunday afternoon, Aug. 13-16. Last weekend's capacity crowds for "The Mousetrap" prompted the Community Theatre group to increase its performance schedule.

"The Warm Peninsula" is a romantic comedy by Joe Masteroff featuring Broadway actress Claire Luce in the "guest artist" role of a witty silent screen star. Appearing in the two leading roles are Debby Russell and Susan Hatfield.

Miss Russell plays Ruth Ar-

nold, a loveable but plain girl from Milwaukee who hopes to find a husband while vacationing in Miami Beach. Susan Hatfield plays Joanne, the love-lorn chorus girl who befriends her. The roles were originally played by Julie Harris and June Havoc.

Romantic interest is provided by Robby Smith, Bob Hancock and Bob Jones. Original music has been written for the production by Jones, who will perform backstage with assistance from Jacqui Karns and Gene Neilsen. Lighting technician is Jim Painter. The Miami setting has been designed by Frank Bennett.

Tickets are now on sale at Wit's End Shop between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Headquarters will be open again next Tuesday through Saturday for the additional performances next week-end. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. Patrons are urged to call 526-2695 for extra tickets or cancellations.

"The Warm Peninsula" is suitable entertainment for students. It is a "summer romance", at once comic and dramatic. The play has seldom been produced in this area and presents Highlands' theatre-goers with an excellent change of pace from the usual comedy fare.

Dr. Edmund D. Brodie, Jr., of Clemson University will present an illustrated lecture Wednesday night, August 19, at the Highlands Museum of Natural History, beginning at 8 o'clock.

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### Attention

### Book Lovers

Here is your chance. A Silent Auction, sponsored by the Hudson Library will be held at the Library on Tuesday, August 18th, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. A carefully selected assortment of books, both old and new, all interesting and some unusual, will be on display. Come in and browse.

Should you desire to own one or more of these attractive volumes, write your bid on the bidders' sheet provided with each book. If no one raises the bid the book will be yours when the bidding stops at 3 p.m. You may raise your own bid or others' bids if you wish. You do not need to be present to receive your selection, but be sure to register your address and telephone number.

Also, this is the season of the Library's annual clearance sale. You will want to look through the books on the bargain bookshelf.

The Silent Auction is an opportunity you will not want to miss. Please note the date: Tuesday, August 18, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.



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The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Town

### Commends Firemen

At the regular meeting of the Highlands Town Board of Commissioners last Monday night it was voted to send a letter of commendation to the Highlands Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department in recognition of the valuable service rendered by them to the town of Highlands and surrounding area.

The men who make up this volunteer organization are Jimmy Talley, Chief; Olin Vinson, Assistant Chief; Bobby Houston, Captain; Bobby Creswell, Lieutenant; Sam Zachary, Lieutenant; Herbert James, Secretary-Treasurer; Gilbert Beck, Ambulance Captain; Bud Lamb, Ambulance Lieutenant; and L. C. Billingsley, Maurice Cleaveland, William Creswell, Guy Crisp, Arnold Keener, Floyd Lamb, Fred Munger, Lawrence Munger, Romaine Owens, Benson Picklesimer, Roy Potts, Furman Reese, R. L. Reese, Jr., Arthur Rogers, Jr., George Schmitt, Bobby Talley, Paul Waldon, Curt Wilson, Mike Zachary and Richard Zoellner.



Members of the Highlands Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department donned white aprons and served barbecue most of the day Saturday. (H.H. Photo).

## King's Inn Fashion Show And Dinner Highlands-Cashiers Hospital Benefit

An outstanding event of August is the 3rd Annual Ball, Dinner and Fashion Show at King's Inn, scheduled this year for Wednesday, August 19, at 7:30 p.m. In addition to providing a full evening's entertainment and pleasure, the

major portion of the event's proceeds go to Highlands-Cashiers Hospital which has been serving this mountain town and surrounding communities for almost twenty years.

Always drawing special attention is the fashion show,

under the direction of Mary Norton's House of Fashion, whose gowns have adorned the "Miss Universe" contestants at Miami Beach for a number of years.

Models for Wednesday night's affair have been chosen from

full-time and part-time residents of Highlands, and some special visitors.

Heading the list of special visitors this year will be Claire Luce, well-known Broadway and London stage star who is currently in Highlands performing at Highlands Community Theatre.

Other attractive ladies who will model include Gary Phelan, Gary Ritter, Eileen Long, Mary Fish, Jane Schroeder, Lib Boutwell, Rae Keating, Becky Phelps, Anne Matlock, Martha Whithead, Will Allen, Virginia Horn, Carlie Laskey and Martha Minter.

Dinner in one of Highlands' oldest and most picturesque inns, followed by a special fashion show and dancing make this 3rd annual hospital benefit at King's Inn an occasion that shouldn't be missed.

Reservations may be made by calling King's Inn.

## Humane Society Meeting

The annual meeting of the Macon County Humane Society will be held at 2 p.m. August 20, in the Macon Building and Loan building in Franklin.

Members of the Humane Society urge all citizens who are interested in animals, especially homeless domestic animals, to attend.

This is a very important meeting to determine whether or not the Humane Society in Macon can continue to function.

## Broadway Actress Claire Luce Appears Tonight At HCT

Broadway and London stage star Claire Luce opens tonight in "The Warm Peninsula" at the Highlands Community Theatre and will continue her stay in Highlands for a second appearance in William Saroyan's "The Cave Dwellers" Aug. 27-30.

Miss Luce is appearing in Highlands at the invitation of director Michael Hall and designer Frank Bennett who worked with her in Florida. Introduced by mutual friend and actress Julie Hayden of "Glass Menagerie" fame, Hall and Bennett first met Claire Luce in Gramercy Park, N.Y. City. She accepted Hall's offer to play leading roles in three plays entitled "Three With Claire" at the Ocala Civic Theatre in 1967. She has made several recent appearances in Florida, notably at the Asolo Theatre, Sarasota; Central Florida Civic Theatre, Orlando; and with Ruth Foreman's theatre group in

Miami. A long and glamorous career has taken Claire Luce across the world in musical comedy, drama and Shakespeare. As a Ziegfeld Girl she danced her way into the leading role opposite Fred Astaire in Cole Porter's "Gay Divorcee" where she and Astaire introduced the song "Night and Day".

She was cast as Curley's wife in John Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men" and later played almost every major Shakespearean heroine as special "invited" actress at the exclusive Royal Shakespeare Academy in London.

Of local interest, Miss Luce and Highlands' actress Collin Wilcox appeared together in a bill of Tennessee Williams' plays in a stock production in New Jersey. The performance rates a special rave in Gilbert Maxwell's biography of the playwright, "Tennessee Williams and Friends".

Claire Luce has always wanted to play the Queen in William Saroyan's beautiful fantasy, "Cave Dwellers", and director Hall's invitation was at once accepted because the Saroyan play is so special to her. The play about homeless actors, clowns and circus performers who find shelter in an abandoned but soon-to-be demolished old theatre is a "timely play, very pertinent to today", says Miss Luce.

"Today, when people's beautiful old homes and buildings are being destroyed by the wrecker's ball and chain, this play speaks out as an eloquent plea for preservation of beauty and dignity", she says. "Saroyan writes about beautiful people who have great humanity and charm. His play is very special."

Miss Luce will play the Queen when "Cave Dwellers" is presented Aug. 27-30 at the Community Theatre. During her stay in Highlands, she will be feted at a luncheon by members of the "Elsies" ladies auxiliary.

## Auction To Benefit Local Hospital

One of the nation's notable collections of American and English antiques will be publically auctioned September 9-12 at Highlands, on VZTOP, the estate of the late Blanche Edmondson Rainwater, by O. Rundle Gilbert, nationally known auctioneer of New York. The forty room residence and grounds have been donated by the Rainwater family to the Highlands-Cashiers Hospital, Inc., and Baptist Hospital of Pensacola, Florida. Mr. Rainwater and his three sons are all Pensacola residents.

Mrs. Rainwater was the wife of Charles Veazey Rainwater, Coca-Cola Bottling Company executive, who directed the bot-

tle design, basic sales techniques and standard operation practices. VZTOP property, named for the Coca-Cola industrialist and the estate's location, is situated on fifty-one acres, the entire top of Little Yellow Mountain, 4,200 feet above sea level.

The 18th and 19th century furnishings of VZTOP are the finest to be seen anywhere in the South and were personally selected during the 1920s and 1930s by Mrs. Rainwater who died before she could occupy the home. Construction of VZTOP was started in 1937 and completed in 1940. The antique furnishings are not only the Southern hard-to-find

pieces but also from New England and New York as well as England. These are all beautifully arranged, giving one the feeling of perfect harmony, from the very rare important Connecticut walnut and birch highboy, circa 1750, to the set of twelve American mahogany dining chairs with pine seats, also of the 18th century, which are complemented by two Sheraton breakfronts. The table decor includes Georgian and Early American coin silver. The Grill Room furnishings were taken from the Paul Revere Room of Mrs. Rainwater's Atlanta house. In her husband's interest, Mrs. Rainwater also acquired a fabulous collection of Audubon bird prints including "The Great American Sea Eagle", "The Night Heron" and "The Brazilian Caracara Eagle."

## Cashiers Fish Fry

The annual Cashiers Fish Fry is coming up this Saturday, August 15, at Cashiers Community Center, beginning at 5 p.m. The sponsors are the Cashiers-Glenville Lions Club, Cashiers Community Council, and the Fire Department.

The Fish Fry is free and invitation is extended to Cashiers area residents to attend. Dancing and musical entertainment follow the Fish Fry, and drawings will be held for a color television set and Polaroid camera.

## Christian Science Lecture Aug. 22nd

Mrs. Florence C. Southwell of Miami, Florida, will present a free lecture on Christian

Science on Saturday, August 22, at 3:30 p.m. at the Highlands Methodist Church, titled "God's Love and the Human Need". The public is welcome.

## Wins Camper

Neville Wilson, native Highlander and employee of the U.S. Forest Service, held the lucky number Saturday when the drawing was made at the annual Firemen's Barbecue for the new camper trailer.

There was activity most of the day at the fire station, where the barbecue was held, and youngsters especially enjoyed the rides about town on the fire truck every thirty minutes or so.

Treasurer Herbert James reports that the amount cleared on the camper trailer raffle was \$1290, which will go into the fund toward a new ambulance which is needed to meet present day requirements. As to barbecue proceeds, Firemen expect to approximately break even, since it is primarily held for "fun" rather than "funds."

MRS. Southwell has been a Christian Scientist since early childhood. Christian Science came to her family when her father was instantaneously healed of a deadly illness. She has witnessed many physical healings in her family during the years since then. Before becoming a full time Christian Science practitioner, she was an assistant manager of a large business and so had many opportunities to prove the healing power of Christian Science in the business world. Mrs. Southwell is an authorized teacher of Christian Science and has lectured throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe. She has also served as a member of the Board of Trustees of The Christian Science Publishing Society.



Florence C. Southwell, Christian Science Lecturer

## Mrs. Worley Dies In Fla.

Mrs. George A. Worley, 73, long-time summer resident of Highlands, died August 5 at her home in Miami, Fla., from a stroke.

Mrs. Worley and her husband, who died in 1959, first started coming to Highlands in 1935, and owned a home on Satulah which is now the residence of their son, Richard, and family. Mr. Worley was a prominent attorney in Miami.

Survivors in addition to Richard are another son, William C. Worley, of Miami; a sister, Mrs. Mary Chase of Miami; and six grandchildren.

Services were held in Miami Saturday, August 8, with the Rev. Robert Hall, of Holy Comforter Episcopal Church officiating. Interment was in Miami City Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Worley returned to Highlands Sunday night from attending the funeral. They were joined in Miami by their daughter, Elizabeth Goldsmith, of Dallas, Texas, formerly of Highlands.



Rides on the big red fire truck were special treats for youngsters last Saturday at the Firemen's Annual Barbecue. (H.H. Photo).