

Mrs. McElyea Resigns Pisgah Girl Scout Post

Former Marshall Resident To Serve In Florida; Great Loss

Mrs. Atwood McElyea, of Asheville, formerly of Marshall, executive director of the Pisgah Girl Scout council since January, 1958, has resigned to take a similar position with the Gulf Coast Girl Scout council with headquarters in Sarasota, Fla.

In making the announcement, Mrs. O. A. Gregory, of Marshall, president of the council, expressed the regret of the Board and stated, that the change will be effective June 30. She commended the work of Mrs. McElyea with the Pisgah council and the "growth not only in geographic areas and other impressive statistics, but in the scope and depth of program to girls."

She said, "Surely it is evident to all members of the Western North Carolina community that there is now a greater awareness of Girl Scouting than ever before." She praised the long range planning and organization of the executive director and pointed out the new Girl Scout Servicerenter which will be built next to the Boy Scout Servicerenter on King Street near Asheville. Baltimore college will be continuing reminder of the Pisgah council, Mrs. Gregory added.

"The Pisgah council has grown in the period of Mrs. McElyea's tenure from seven counties to a jurisdiction over 36 Western North Carolina counties. Girl membership has increased from 1,800 in 1958 to nearly 5,000 who are led by adult volunteers numbering 1,100 and serving as troop leaders, board and committee members and other positions.

"Camping has been one of the outstanding areas of growth. From one established camp at Brevard suitable for troop camping for small groups of girls, the camping program has grown to include the established camp at Brevard now able to serve 96 girls at a time, seven other camp sites, three

Resigns Post



Mrs. McElyea

owned and four leased, for use of girls in day or troop camping throughout the area. Cookie sales net profit which is used for the camps and the Servicerenter now has been raised from \$4,000 in 1958 to \$26,000 this year," Mrs. Gregory said.

She said it is hoped that an announcement of Mrs. McElyea's successor can be made prior to her leaving.

Mrs. McElyea, in announcing the change, stated that she leaves the Pisgah council and Western North Carolina with genuine regret, having had a "challenging and educational experience in working with the enthusiastic and dedicated groups, of this area, not only in Girl Scouting, but many other community endeavors." Her hope is that it will be possible to maintain ties in this community by ownership of vacation property for regular visits.

While in Asheville she has been president of the Zonta Club, on the board of directors of the Business and Professional Women's Club, member of the Civic Arts Center, the National Recreation Association, American Re-

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Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bryan and nephew, Casey Frederick, who is here in college, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Frederick in Kinston last week-end.

Miss Sara Elmore is spending a few days here this week.

Mrs. Cline West spent a few days recently with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Singleton, near Morganton.

Mrs. Tilda Holcombe returned recently from a visit to her brother, Mr. Clyde Holcombe and family in Charleston, S. C. She went down with her brother, who had been visiting relatives, and returned with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tilson, of Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Griffin and daughter, of Columbia, S. C., visited their parents here last week-end.

Mr. Doug Robinson Jr., was up from Winston-Salem for a week-

end visit with his father. There was a large number of visitors on the campus last week-end for the May Day festivities.

HOT SPRINGS, 5; SPRING CREEK, 2

Phil Price of Spring Creek and Everett Shelton of Hot Springs hooked up in a pitchers' duel Tuesday at Hot Springs, but Hot Springs poured three runs across in the first inning, and two more in the third to win, 5-2.

Despite a three-hit performance, Price was the losing pitcher. Shelton spun a two-hitter in the loosely-played game. Both are righthanders.

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Price and Riddle. Shelton and Cantrell.

A. Jack Fortner, Native Of County, Buried Last Week

Amber Jack Fortner, 62, of Travelers Rest, S. C., and a native of Madison County died Monday, April 27, 1964, in a Greenville County Hospital following an illness of several years.

Gravesides rites were held Wednesday, April 29, with the Rev. Bill Pike officiating. Burial was in Shepherds Cemetery, of Travelers Rest. Pallbearers were H. P. Moody, Bill Cantrell, Dayton Bucanna, Weldon Chambers and Perry Bruce. Friends served as flower bearers.

A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Barnett Fortner, of Marshall, he is survived by his widow, Mrs. Madge Young Fortner; two sons, Roy Edward of the home, and Arthur of Travelers Rest; two sisters, Mrs. Sally Davis of Marshall and Mrs. Elbert McElroy of Asheville; and four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews of Marshall.

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