

**THE YOUNGER SET**

By ROSE WOMACK



(Note: the first part of the column was written by Eileen Gerring.) After the graduation exercises at WTHS Friday night, the Younger Set was invited to the Elks Club for dancing. Nancy Bischoff, Carolyn Bischoff, Linda Sloan, Julia Ann Stovall, Sally Stovall, and Mary Ann Byrd were hostesses for the farewell party to their classmates. The senior class colors, maroon and gray, were carried out in the beautiful decoration, and the cake had gray icing with '53 in maroon on each individual piece. All of the college students home for summer vacations, came to congratulate the graduating class and to help them celebrate this important event. Quite a few of the faculty members came by for a few minutes to wish the class success in their new life and to bid them one last farewell.

Of course the first thing everyone wanted to do was, the new rage, the Bunny Hop. Led by Jimmy Davis, this got the party off to a swell start, and the fun never ceased. There was round dancing, square dancing—called by anyone who thought he had a good style—and a tap dance by Bobby Edge from Clyde, who has become very popular with the high school crowd with his Indian dances. The night wouldn't have been complete without Stanford Massie doing the rumba and John Calhoun, Ted Owen, Bobby Kuykendall, and several others giving Frankie Laine some very stiff competition with their arrangement of "I Believe."

At midnight, amid tears of joy and sadness the party broke up with everyone joining together to sing "O' Lang Sayne." Most of the crowd went to Sally Stovall's for more fun and dancing and then breakfast. It was a never-to-be-forgotten night, and its memories will linger with the Class of '53 long after they have each gone their separate ways.

Leaving at the crack of dawn Sunday morning for Duke University were Nancy Bischoff, Mary Lou Gerring and Katherine Hyatt. These three girls have begun three

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**BIRTHS**

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clark of Waynesville, a son, June 5.  
Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Carswell of Hazelwood, a daughter, June 7.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Haney of Waynesville, a daughter, June 7.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lorian McDowell of Canton, a daughter, June 7.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rogers of Hazelwood, a son, June 7.

American League umpire Bill McGowan is starting his 28th year as an arbiter in the junior circuit.

years of hard work in the field of nursing. Though we're very proud of them for making such a wise choice, they certainly will be missed this summer. If they should come back to Waynesville to do their nursing, I have a strong feeling that the hospital will be awfully crowded with these gals tending the patients.

If you have never attended an "all night singing," then you just don't know what you're missing. Everybody has a good time! Last Saturday night the Asheville City Auditorium was filled to capacity and I'd say about half the people were from in or around Waynesville. "The Younger Set" seems to just now be catching on to the singing and now its hard for them to stay away. It's something new and entirely different in the form of entertainment for those of us who have just discovered how much fun they are to attend.

**St. John's Class  
Hears Col. Putnam**

In the final commencement exercises to be held in Haywood County this year, St. John's School on Sunday night presented diplomas to three high school graduates, as well as certificates and other awards to eighth-graders and non-graduates.

Principal speaker was Col. Robert J. Putnam, assistant for community relations at Champion Paper and Fibre Company, who is resigning Friday to devote his entire time to touring the country in an effort to combat the influences of communism.

Col. Putnam struck out against the evils of communism, stating that "now is the time for a re-awakening of the truth and the fundamental issues involved." He pointed out the conflict of the Christian philosophy that good is more powerful than evil with the "atheistic materialistic" philosophy that evil is more powerful than good. His concluding admonition was: "Hold close and guard zealously the heritage of your fathers."

Diplomas were presented by Msgr. Bour, of Asheville, Dean of the Western North Carolina Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church; and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Vincent Stokes of Brevard.

High School graduates were Susan Swapper, Robert Edge and Gene Duckett.

Grade school graduates included Paula Mooneyham, James McGowan, Ronnie Arch, John David Arch, Gerhard Liebscher, John David Henry and Joel Kuykendall.

A number of the graduates, as well as several undergraduates, received special awards. Joel Kuykendall received an award for the greatest improvement. Gerhard Liebscher received the grade-school scholarship award, and Roman Kolodj, the high school. A Gregg 100-word shorthand pin went to Susan Swanger, and an 80-word pin to Robert Edge. Gene Duckett received the athletics medal and Bill Rogers, the English medal.

Music awards for the highest average of pupils attending St. John's went to Myrna Miller, in the senior department; and to Terry Gregory in the junior.

Susan Swanger was awarded the National Shorthand Award Certificate, and Isle Feichter received the corresponding certificate in typing.

Three students received honors in the diocese-wide Knights of Columbus essay contest. Roy Walker

**East Waynesville  
Baptist Begins  
Bible School Fri.**

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Refreshments will be served in the middle of the sessions which will be held from 9 to 12 six days a week.

was given a medal for having placed second; and Myrna Miller and Kay Groover received honorable mention.

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