

Firemen Elated Over Fire Drill Results At Schools

Students at three Waynesville schools responded quickly, calmly and quietly Tuesday morning to an alarm that looked like an actual fire.

Working with the school principals, the fire department here staged the drill, without even a teacher being aware of what was going on.

James G. Turner, driver, Ben Turner, assistant chief, and Henry H. Turner, alderman, went to the schools in the fire truck, turned on the siren and timed the drill. At Central Elementary, it took an even minute for the 400 students to clear the building.

The teachers and students were calm and moved quickly," said Henry Turner. "It was encouraging to see how fast the building was cleared."

When it was found that the drill was such a success at Central Elementary, the fire truck moved to

Noland-Ferguson Clan Have Large Gathering At Fines Creek

By MRS. SAM FERGUSON
Community Reporter

Attending the Noland-Ferguson reunion Sunday at Queen's Farm on Fines Creek were Mr. and Mrs. Grover Ferguson and Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Green, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carpenter and son, Mike, Mr. and Mrs. Marv Green and Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Walker and Stephen, and Mr. and Mrs. Furman Noland.

Among out-of-town guests were Mrs. Cumi Parton and her son, Tommy, Mrs. Earl Webb and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilder, all of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Arthur Allison, Mrs. Velma Hold and daughter from Hartford, Tenn.; Mrs. Bob Ferguson of Swannanoa; and Miss Muriel Ferguson from Oak Park, Tenn., as well as relatives from different parts of Haywood County.

Mrs. R. N. Rogers was honored Sunday in observance of her 103rd birthday. A bountiful lunch was served to friends and relatives as well as members of her own family. After the picnic, as many as could gathered in the living room with Mrs. Rogers to sing songs and listen to an interesting talk by Mr. W. C. Medford, one of the many friends who were present.

Mr. Medford, a writer for The Mountaineer, has been doing a fascinating series of historical articles on the county, and I am sure the write-up about this occasion will be of interest to all.

There were 21 grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren and one great grandchild present.

Mark Noland from Tennessee, spent Saturday night with his cousin, Grover Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Plemmons spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nease of

East Waynesville, where a similar drill was staged, and the 250 students there cleared the building in three minutes.

From East Waynesville the fire truck moved to the Pigeon Street school, where the 32 students moved out in mere seconds.

Other similar drills are being considered by the department at various schools in the area.

This drill was one feature of the observance of Fire Prevention Week.



COLOR PHOTOGRAPHERS can be found at every turn and at every look-out on the beautiful Western North Carolina roads these days as the color peak of the season approaches this week end. Foliage is expected to be at its height of color on the peaks this week and in the lower areas the following week. Now's the time to get that perfect color shot.

Asheville were dinner guests of Mrs. R. C. James and Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Brummitt Sunday.

Mrs. R. C. James is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. Floyd Smathers of Biltmore.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Kirkpatrick over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence and Jean from Banner Elk, also Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kirkpatrick and daughter from Tennessee.

Stewart McCracken with his daughters, Sarah and Geneva, visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. McCracken Tuesday.

John West, who has just returned from overseas duty, is spending a 15-day leave with his mother, Mrs. J. D. West. Mrs. West is

Fall Coloration At Its Best On Peaks This Week

The maples and sourwoods will be at their peak of color this week end, so say those who are closest to the mountains and who work in the out-of-doors. However the leaves are falling fast so that visits to the higher peaks like Newfound Gap, Heintooa, Mile High and Pisgah should be their most rewarding within the next few days. The full palette of color probably will not come into its own in the lower elevations for another

week or so as the color changes gradually creep down into the foothills.

With the exception of the oaks, nearly every species can now be seen in its autumn full dress. The deep purple of the dogwood and the red of the sourwood trees are complemented by the orange-red of the maple and the yellow of the black locust and chestnut oak.

Generally speaking it has been noted that this year's colors are softer, less brilliant, than in some preceding years. This is probably due to the long dry spell. But this very softness has its own beauty just as do the forests on a cloudy,

new home they have recently completed on a section of Mr. Arrington's old home place on Pinnacle Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Alexander of Copperhill, Tenn., spent the week-end here with Mrs. Alexander's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sparks.

Pvt. Jimmie Hooper, also of Camp Rucker, is spending his furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hooper.

Friends of Mrs. Herman Burgess are sorry to learn that she is very ill in the Haywood County Hospital.

Mrs. Martha Plemmons has returned to her home here after a visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Plemmons, at Spring Creek in Madison County.

The Rev. O. J. Beck has been holding a revival at Savannah in

Saunook CDP To Meet Friday At The School

By MRS. JULIA McCLURE
Community Reporter

The Saunook CDP will hold an important meeting Friday evening at 8 p.m. at the Saunook School. W. W. Rowland, president, has urged that the whole community attend as there are only two meetings left for this year and some special business will be discussed. Also a report will be made on the opinion of the CDP judges.

The Saunook PTA met last Tuesday evening with a good attendance and a nice little profit was made on the sale of pies, ice cream, lemonade, and candy.

Lawrence Leatherwood, county superintendent of schools, gave an interesting talk on the bond election. This was Mr. Leatherwood's first meeting with us and everyone enjoyed having him and look forward to his presence at more of our meetings.

Mrs. Vincent Ellis of Miami, Fla., spent the week-end with her parents at their home on Saunook Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hooper of Newport News, Va., spent a few days here last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Hooper.

Guy Henry is in Delaware this week on a business trip.

Pvt. Kenneth Smathers of the U. S. Army at Camp Rucker, Ala., is home for a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Smathers.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dearms have returned to their home in Miami, Fla., for the winter months.

Friends of Lawrence Hooper will be glad to know he is improving after a serious operation in an Asheville hospital.

We are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Hobert Arrington and their small son to our community. They are at home now in the beautiful

hazy day as well as a sunny one.

Maps showing some of the best and highest lookouts in Western North Carolina are available at the Chamber of Commerce office on Main Street.



LACKLAND AIR FORCE BASE, Texas—Joe Wayne Palmer, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Palmer, Rt. 3, Waynesville, is completing his AF basic airmen indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base, the "Gateway to the Air Force."

Lackland, situated near San Antonio, is the world's largest air force base.

Palmer's basic training is preparing him for entrance into Air Force technical training and for assignment in specialized work. The course includes a scientific evaluation of his aptitude and inclination for following a particular vocation and career.

Quartette To Give Program Sunday Night At Antioch Baptist

The Skyland quartette, of Hot Springs, will give a special program at the Antioch Baptist church, Iron Duff, Sunday night, starting at 7:30. The group of singers are popular in this area, and a large audience is expected to hear them. Rev. Frank Early is pastor of the church.

Maggie School Getting Out First Year Book

The Maggie School has started work on their first year book. They plan to incorporate pictures of all activities, as well as pictures of the students, and faculty.

The booklet will be distributed about the end of the school year.

Jackson County for the past three weeks.

Clifton Shook and James Hall, both with the Highway Commission in Salisbury, spent the week-end with their families here.

Miss Bobby Sparks and Miss Doris Burgess are attending Blanton's Business College in Asheville.

Miss Alawayne McClure has returned to Berea College where she is a senior. Following her graduation Miss McClure plans to teach Home Economics in the state of Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude C. McClure, Jr., have made quite a bit of improvement on their home on Balsam Road.

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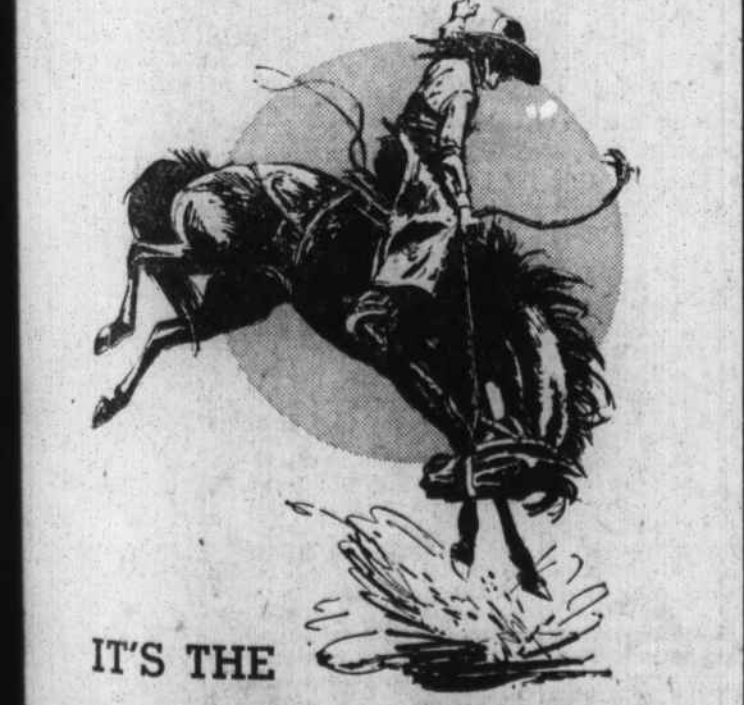
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