

'Open House' Set Friday At 7 For New Rooms At High School Here

New Rooms To Be Shown By Students And Faculty

A large number of parents of the 1,500 students of Junior and High School here, together with other patrons of the school, are expected to visit the five new classrooms, library, study hall, and audio-visual education room Friday night from 7 to 8 p.m.

The "open house" will be held just prior to the Christmas concert to be given by the band in the gym. The concert will begin at 8 p.m. with Charles Isley, directing.

C. E. Weatherby, principal, said all 49 teachers of the faculty would be present, and in their homes for the open house event. Students will serve as guides to their parents, taking them directly to the parts of the building they wish to see.

The new rooms were made from the auditorium. The study hall, seating about 150, is next to the hallway at the front of the building, and the library occupies the space formerly used as the stage of the auditorium. The former auditorium has been converted into two classrooms.

The second floor of the "old auditorium space" has been converted into three classrooms, accommodating 35 students each, and a large audio-visual education room, about 40 by 80 feet.

All the floors in the new classrooms, library, study hall, and audio-visual room have tile floors. The hall floor in the front of the building was also tiled.

The project was started last summer and completed early this fall. The contract price was a little more than \$22,000.

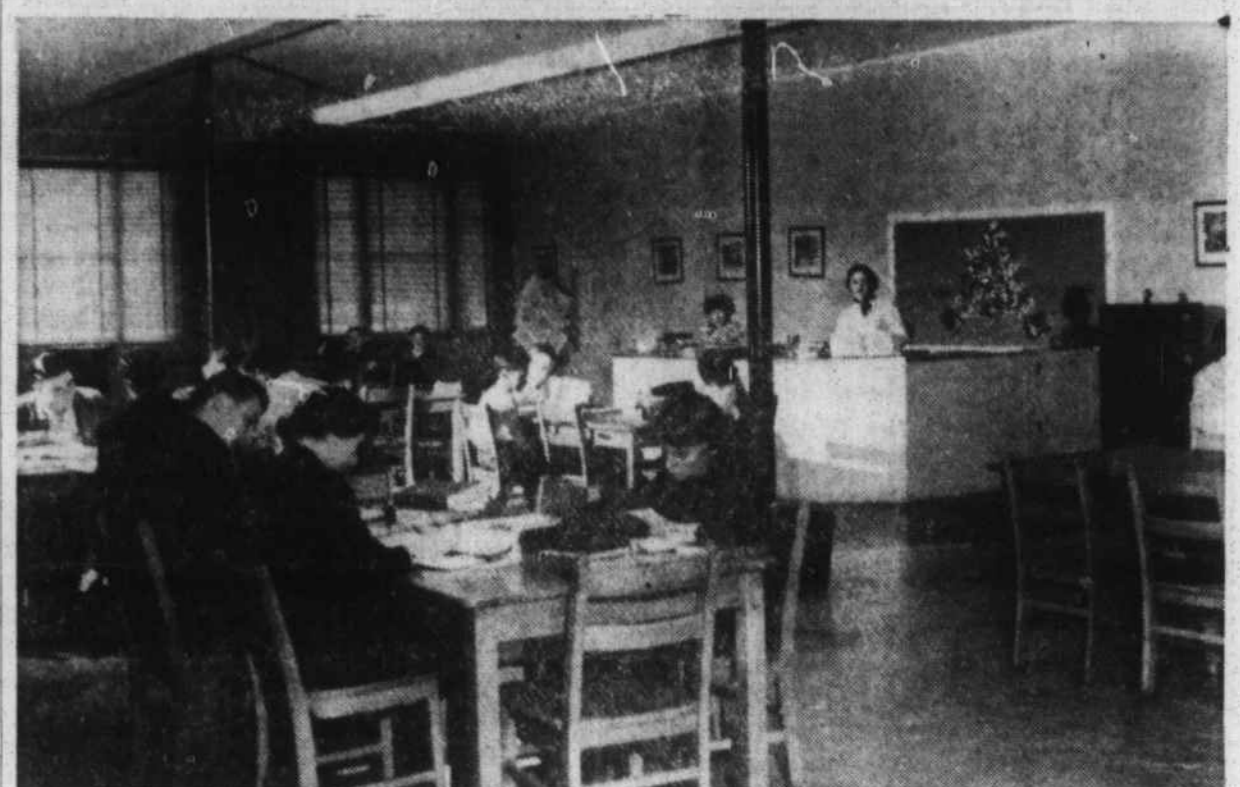
M. H. Bowles, superintendent, said that the gym would be used for an auditorium as much as practical, although far from ideal. The bleacher seats are used for all gatherings in the gym.

The puma, panther, cougar, catamount, mountain lion, American lion are all the same animal.



A GENERAL VIEW of the modern study hall at WTMS which is one of the six rooms made from the auditorium. The study hall is on the first floor, and will accommodate about 150 students, who

study under strict supervision. This hall will be open for inspection Friday night, 7 to 8 p.m.



THE NEW LIBRARY at WTMS is what was originally part of the stage of the auditorium. There are eight study tables in the library which joins the study hall, but only students which required

reference study are permitted to study here instead of the study hall. This library is about 400 per cent larger than the old unit.

Wayward Geese Fail To Realize When They Are Well Off; Leave Good Home, Now Several Missing

Geese sometimes act a lot like people, and get into trouble, all because they cannot realize when they are well off.

For 11 years, a goose had found plenty to eat, and had received gentle care on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. John Plott. The veteran goose, because of her age, was the leader of 11 other geese — three of them her 6-month-old goslings. The other eight were about 3 to 4 years old.

Everything was lovely about the Plott farm—plenty of water to swim in, and an abundance of food from the Plott barns. Then out of the bright blue

younder one morning, some strangers flew over—geese, that is—and the apparently contented Plott geese could not resist the temptation and lure to join the travelers and "see the world."

So off they took from the Plott farm, all 12 of them, with the old 11-year in the lead.

What has happened to eight of the flock is a matter of guess work, but it is believed that some hunter's aim was mighty good, and the eight ended up roasting in some oven.

The other four made it to Lake Junaluska where they are now making their home on the waters there.

Just how long they will be there is uncertain, because having once tasted a bit of travel, they are likely to take off any time for parts unknown. As for the Plotts trying to get them back to the farm, that poses a big problem first in catching them, and then in keeping them, since all four geese are excellent fliers.

Yes, geese are sometimes very much like people, they don't know when they are well off.

Tryon Man Acquitted In Hunt Death

G. H. Bridgeman, 52-year-old Tryon real estate man, was freed of a manslaughter charge at Brevard Tuesday in the hunting accident death of Charles Berry Ballard last November 21.

Superior Court Judge P. C. Fronsberger of Gastonia, sitting as a justice of the peace, ruled no probable cause following a hearing.

Sheriff E. V. Dillingham said after the hearing he saw no reason to continue pressing the prosecution.

The 34-year-old Ballard of Turkey Creek, Buncombe County, died in an Asheville hospital after he was wounded in a thigh Nov. 20 while on a deer hunt in the Pink Beds section of the Pisgah National Forest.

Witnesses testified today Bridgeman said he fired at a deer and was going to the animal when he heard Ballard call, then came toward him. Bridgeman fired more shots to summon help, they said.

Bridgeman did not testify. A coroner's jury a week after the shooting decided it did not know who had fired the fatal shot.

Sheriff Dillingham issued the warrant following receipt of a report on a State Bureau of Investigation ballistics examination.

The testimony today was however, that the slug that struck Ballard went through his leg and was not found.

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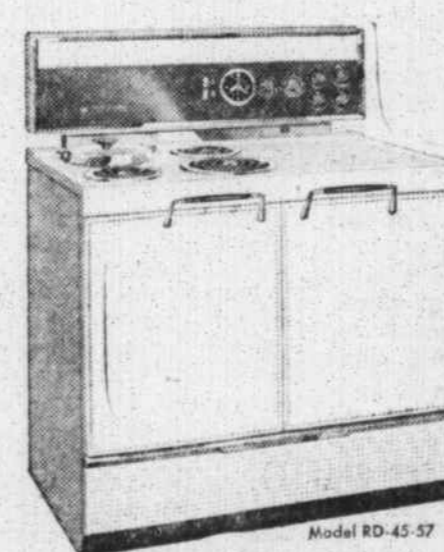
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