



THE ART EXHIBIT

THE BLACK MOUNTAIN LIONS CLUB

The Black Mountain Arts Club is holding an exhibition of paintings, music, literature, and crafts at the local Methodist Church. The regular hours are from 2 to 4 P.M. daily except Saturday and from 7 to 9 on Tuesdays and Thursdays only. The exhibit will also be open from 12 to 1 P.M. on Sundays, for the accommodation of those who attend the Sunday Morning Services at the various Churches.

The Black Mountain Arts Club was organized in 1921, and with the exception of about three seasons, it has held annual exhibits since that time. Such showings have mostly been held in some members home. Mrs. Daisy E. Erb has played a large part in the organization, being a charter member and president of the club. Perhaps the most outstanding event was an exhibit which was put on lately through the effort of Dr. Weatherford, at Blue Ridge. About 2500 pictures were entered for the showing, which was held at Lee Hall.

Extension workers from the Art Department at Chapel Hill have given their assistance at various times, free of charge. The club has also had representatives from the Brooklyn N. Y. and the Cleveland O. Art Museum lend a helping hand. Several of the club members do not live here, but they have given the club a membership support while vacationing here.

In the Club's effort to carry on, the executive committee recently abolished all honorary membership and started a drive for annual paid up members. The scope of activity was broadened to include almost all arts and crafts, and to co-operate with the schools in discovering new talent.

Herein we cannot mention a list of all the exhibitors, but the work of three non-resident lenders are worthy of special mention. Mr. Wilford Conroe, who has a studio in Carnegie Hall, he has two large paintings well worth a trip to the gallery. Cuthbert Lee of 327 Charlotte Street, Asheville, has a portrait of Col. Armstrong in army uniform which is very good. There are several portraits by Angie W. Wright also of Asheville, and all of them are worth a lot of your time.

The exhibit is for the entire public, who are welcome during all exhibition hours. The following clubs have been asked to come on special designated occasions: the Tea and Topic Club on August 28 - 7 to 9 P. M. the Womans Club on August 30, - 7 to 9 P. M. the Lions Club and Lionesses Sept. 6 7 to 9 P. M. — Teachers in the High Schools are asked to bring their pupils by special arrangement.

The exhibit last year was held at Oak Knoll, the home of Mrs. Aleshire, and Miss Erb; and the monthly meetings have recently been held there, except when the club met at the home of the president, Dr. Weatherford, on last August th 15th.

In 1914 Melvin Jones conceived the idea of uniting business men for unselfish service. This was a distinct departure from the practice of forming business mens clubs primarily for business purposes. The International Association of Lions Clubs, was founded, in 1917, when an organization meeting was held in Chicago. The first annual convention of the International Lions Club was held in Dallas in October, 1917, with about fifty clubs represented.

There are now some 45.. clubs. Most of them are in the U. S. A., though thirteen foreign countries are represented when the international convention is held. The membership is now more than 150,000.

The above picture was taken on June the 12, when Lions of District 31-A held their annual meeting, and this year they were the guests of the Black Mountain Lions Club. There are thirty eight clubs in 31-A with a total membership of 1803 members. The average size of all Lions Clubs is approximately 33 members. Havana Cuba, has the largest club with a membership of 1000.

The Black MOUNTAIN Club was organized in 1935., and was reorganized in 1937. Since the reorganization it has had a wholesome growth. On account of the limited dining room facility the membership is limited to fifty members. It is the only Mens Service Club in Black Mountain, and aside from its chief service— Aid to the Blind—it has at various times contributed to local projects, meetings etc. held semi-monthly.

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Peace has come again to the face of the earth, and at this time man turns again to a source of self preservation.

With the tolling of school bells almost within hearing it is at this time that those who are chosen to lead and impress in the minds of our children a way of making and maintaining their own way is in great need. Certainly those who lead the young F. F. of A. has a tremendous job.

The idea and thought expressed in the class room in a large sense governs the livelihood which the boys and girls follows. Good wholesome advice given them and an incentive to go ahead are the products that make a good student of agriculture. Our government has ask us to raise all we can, to preserve the products of the soil, and this leads up to self preservation

It is easy to maintain ones self by searing his needs from the merchants shelf. But it takes stamina and forethought for those who go ahead on their own initiative. Therefore the seriousness of the thought should be brought out in the first few days of class. With agriculture rating as one of the big industries of the state, it is apparent that good schooling should be an objective.

An incentive offered on several occasions was this: a large well known farm implement manufacturer put at the disposal of the agricultural class one of the latest tractors, the students were allowed to pick to pieces and express any idea about the machine.

They were given credits for mechanics, this applied to regular class hours. They were taught the fundamentals of mechanics by a representative of the concern. Consequently when spring work opened up the young student had fair smattering of the operating fundamentals of the implement. This being the case dad would lean toward the sons and chances are benefited himself and in the meantime made business for the manufacturer.

On another occasion the agricultural class was allowed to judge several Belgian draft horses. They were invited by the owner to do this. This gave him wide acquaintance in the county. When the boys decided to purchase a horse, naturally they turner to this breed. Another time they were allowed to judge a new type of high bred field corn, to disqualify the bad and point out the good.

They were also allowed to judge a fine herd of registered Jersey Cattle all these things have a tendency to make a better agricultural student, so when he is interested, certainly he has a better way of self preservation.

Let's we forget, those that till the soil and reap its harvest are the very backbone of our civilization and reserve an equal seat in the great ring of industry who put forth their efforts to make this world a better place in which to live.

Regardless Of Personal Beliefs

LIFE IS THE GIFT OF GOD

To Be Accounted For By All

By MRS. J. C. SALES . . . FLETCHER, N. C.

As we look back over the years of war I imagine that all of us are thinking about the terrible price in lives that we have paid in order that we might have peace and that we may have a life free from fear. As I think of that I also am thinking what is life? And then what shall we do with life?

A great many of our wisest men have tried to define life. Burns said "O! Life thou art a lagging load. Along a rough, a weary road." Samuel Johnson expresses this sentiment: "Life's a short summer--man a flower. He dies--alas! How soon he dies."

Sir Walter Raleigh said "Life is a tragedy." Seneca said "Life is a war fare and a navigation" but the philosopher Shakespeare said "Life is a miracle." I like best what our own serious and spiritual poet, Whittier, said: "Our lives are albums, written through

With good or ill, with false or true And as the blessed angels turn The pages of the years God grant they read the good with smiles

And blot the bad with tears." What a mess some of us make of our lives. What shall you and I do with our life? If we fail to do something with life, life will do something with us. We live in deeds, not years. How shall we conduct ourselves and what shall our objectives be? Socrates, the Greek, speaking like a Christian uttered these profound words: "The end of life is to be like God, and the soul following God will be life unto Him, He being the beginning, middle and end of all things." Life is the gift of God and His Son said "I am come that you might have

life and have it more abundantly." In the abundant life we will not have all sunshine or all good but we will find that

"Life is a blend of the good and the bad

A bit of the glad and a bit of the sad,

A pinch of contentment, a time of unrest

A dash of the worst and a lot of the best.

A little of failure, a little of luck

A bit of disaster and plenty of pluck

And who would live long must be willing to know

Winter and summer and sunshine and snow.

Life is a mixture of laughter and tears

Hope and despair are a part of the years

Some one is born and then some body dies,

Some one is foolish and some one is wise.

Some one is false to us, some one is true.

Now it is play and then tasks we must do.

Who grows to manhood must learn how to take

Joy with its laughter and care with its ache.

Life is a blend of the good and the ill

And we must bear what shall come by His will;

There must come tears to the brightest of eyes

Care visits the rich and the strong and the wise,

No one escapes when the rain pelters down;

Today you may smile; but tomorrow may frown.

So stand to your portion of sorrow and strife

And know that it's all in the battle called life."

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PARAGRAPHS

By WALTER ALLISON

Hot dog! Phillip is coming back!

Good old Phillip! He used to be a big boy, but he looks pretty empty now.

Everyone came to see him before the war, and he was always there to greet them.

All the folks liked Phillip because he was so wrapped up in his work.

When dad came to see Phillip the boy would always have much in store for him.

Mother never had to worry because she knew Phillip would be there with the goods.

Sonny never went to school in a barrel, because Phillip felt blue if the kids didn't get denim.

Sister liked Phillip because he hung around Oxford and knew how to keep water out of the pumps.

Grandma thought Phillip was the stuff. He knew so many yarns.

And grandpa went crazy one time when Phillip gave him a good fit.

As the bus driver said to the folding door, "Phillip was going to town!"

Then the war came along during a blizzard and the lad had tough sledding.

Things got so bad Phillip had

the wind take the awning off to brighten up business.



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