

# Naming Names

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Family pride, or geographic passion, is responsible for the home-made sign at right on the Goforth Creek in Cherokee County just south

of Boiling Springs. The state-manufactured sign at left is on the north bank of the creek; on the south bank is the home-made name.

J. W. Hamrick has a list of names two miles long. The dairy farmer is determined that state road 1158 be named Hamrick Road when the county commissioners meet next month to select names for all numbered roads in Cleveland County. And to support his nomination, he memorized the history of a two-mile stretch of 1158 where each plot of land "either come through a Hamrick or was owned by a Hamrick."

There was no Hamrick in the name for 1158 tentatively offered by the commissioners at the Jan. 26 meeting to take suggestions from the public and to try out new names. Beaver Dam Church Road is the name offered tentatively for roads 1158 and 1153, a two-lane stretch of blacktop that runs through Boiling Springs from Highway 74 at the east to the city limits on the west.

Hamrick has no quarrel with naming 1153 after the Baptist church up the road from his farm; but the two-mile stretch of 1158 from his farm to the city's western limits, he maintains, should be Hamrick Road.

He has the names to back him up. At the January meeting Hamrick recounted the histories of 11 farms along 1158 that entail the Hamrick name. Tuesday he repeated them for a reporter. It's a remarkable feat: detailed genealogies of a surname that is more common in Cleveland County than elsewhere in the country.

"That's her on both sides of the creek," Hamrick begins, speaking of a Hamrick descendent and her property as one. Then Hamrick, a short, stout man, firmly plants both his feet and calls the roll of living and dead farmers along 1158: "Wiley Hamrick, Ostice Hamrick, Elijah Bly Hamrick, Elijah Wright Hamrick, Clifford Elijah Hamrick."

It takes more than a quarter of an hour for J. W. Hamrick to complete his roll. After hearing it at

the January meeting, the commissioners voted to consider naming 1158 the Hamrick Road. But the man who originally proposed Beaver Dam Church Road is opposed to the idea.

"I know that I'm stepping on some toes by not using family names," said Hunt Hannah at the county tax map office Monday. Hannah picked the names tentatively offered by the commissioners. "But we have duplication with the Hamrick name on a street inside Shelby city limits. I don't even like to use names that sound similiar."

Hannah pointed out that the reason for naming county numbered roads was to speed emergency answering calls, and that duplicated or

homonymous names could confuse dispatchers and slow those calls.

The commission will meet in March to fix permanent names. The date of that public meeting has not been set.

At that meeting the commission will act on three other suggested name changes in this area:

naming state road 1148 to Flint Hill Church Road;

renaming Jolley Road and state road 1197 the Jimmy Hamrick Road or the Dellinger Ferry Road;

renaming a stretch of the Frazier Road and state road 1172 to Sandy Run Church Road.

# The Foothills View

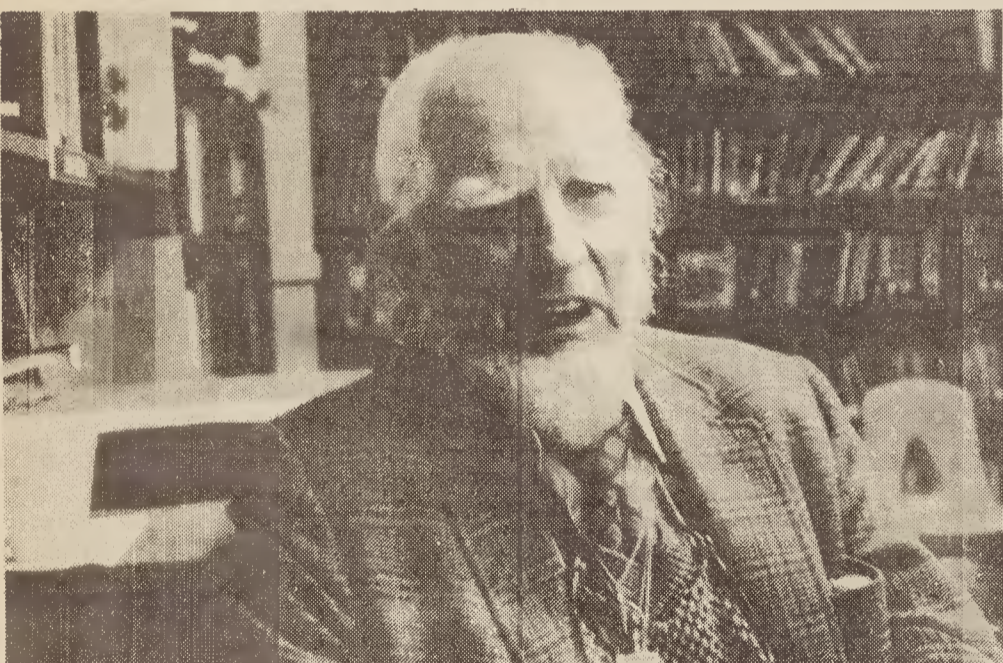
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## Master of Jack



Richard Chase, folklorist in residence at Lenoir-Rhyne College, spins a traditional "Jack" tale for boys and girls at Boiling Springs Elementary School Wednesday morning. Chase

78, prefers the title "leader of games" to that of folklorist or scholar; he is, in fact, all three. Chase will speak Thursday at Gardner-Webb College.

## Griffin In Dog House

Charles Albert Griffin is the new coach on the block at Gardner-Webb College. Griffin has joined the Bulldog's football staff as end and defensive linebacker coach.

"Coach Griffin is a fine addition to our present staff," stated head football coach Tom Moore. "He is an excellent defensive coach and he proved his ability when he went to Winston-Salem University in 1976. He took the worst defensive team in the CIAA and developed it into the best defensive unit in the conference."

Griffin, from Baltimore, has a solid football coaching background, having coached the linebackers as a graduate assistant at the University of Maryland in 1972 and 1973. The Terps went to the 1973 Peach Bowl. Griffin was defensive coordinator at Mansfield State College from 1974 to 1975, and in 1976 moved to Winston-Salem State and started work on the Ram defensive team.

The Rams played in the 1977 Gold Bowl and they got to the 1978 NCAA Division II

semifinals. Griffin's coaching record as an assistant is 67-34-2 at the college level.

Griffin, who is married to Sue

Nicholson Griffin, received his Bachelor of

Science degree from Frostburg State in 1970. He received his Master of Arts degree in physical education from the University of Maryland in 1974.



Charles Griffin, new defensive linebacker and end coach at Gardner-Webb College.

## G-W Adds Top Two To Nursing Program

Officials of the Davis Hospital board of trustees, the L.C. Wagner Foundation board of trustees, and Gardner-Webb College today signed a letter of intent which, if approved by their respective boards, will result in the establishment of a Bachelor of Science in nursing program in Statesville.

The school of nursing of Gardner-Webb College recently received a grant of \$143,060 from the Kate B. Reynolds Health Care Trust of Winston-Salem to provide a "Two-Plus-Two" BSN nursing program. The College has for 16 years operated a two-year associate degree in nursing (ADN) program. The grant will enable the college to add the upper two years which will be based in Statesville, with BSN offerings also presented on the college's main campus in Boiling Springs.

According to the terms, the trustees of Davis Hospital will upon its sale use the income to establish a trust to support the nursing program. The L.C. Wagner foundation will also annually contribute to the support of the program. In addition, both boards will, on an annual basis, receive special purpose requests from the school of nursing, and will provide scholarship assistance to Iredell County students.

Gardner-Webb will employ the faculty, design the curriculum, and present the program in Iredell County. The new arrangement between the three institutions, along with the recent announcement by Mitchell Community College to offer an associate degree nursing program, will result in a full four year nursing program in Statesville. The school of nursing will be known as the Davis School of Nursing at Gardner-Webb College.

College President Craven Williams described the new program as a logical outgrowth of the successful GOAL program, an adult education program offered by Gardner-Webb to area residents in conjunction with Mitchell Community College.

"This will be the first major program we have based in an off-campus setting," he stated. "However, we are fully confident that the new arrangement can provide to be the most effective in addressing the national concern of health care officials regarding the severe shortage of nurses."

"We are pleased to enter into this additional relationship with Mitchell Community College, the trustees of Davis Hospital, and the L.C. Wagner Foundation," Dr. Williams said.

Gardner-Webb's program will be designed specifically to accommodate the needs of practicing RN's within commuting distance of Statesville and Boiling Springs. The program will be designed to enable registered nurses to expand their competencies in both supervisory and clinical roles. The "Two-Plus-Two" format is the first program of its sort in North Carolina.

John West, a member of the Davis Hospital board of trustees and chairman of the board's education committee, stated: "This arrangement with Mitchell College and Gardner-Webb College will enable the Davis Hospital trustees to fulfill a primary goal of providing a high quality nursing education program for Iredell County."

## Area News

Boiling Springs Baptist Church approved the hiring of Christopher E. Winans to serve as Children and Youth worker for the summer of 1982. Chris, whose home is Fairview, N.C., is a junior at Gardner-Webb College studying for a major in sacred music and religious education. He plans to continue his education at Southern Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., or perhaps serve two years as a journeyman on the foreign mission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Chris has worked as a music intern under the direction of the minister of music, Dr. Phil Perrin, and has directed the adult handbell ensemble. He is currently directing "HIS," a vocal ensemble of college students who sing contemporary religious music.

Susan Wallace, a sacred music major at Gardner-Webb College, will present her senior recital Monday, March 1, at 8 p.m. at the O. Max Gardner Recital Hall.

Miss Wallace, a piano student of Carolyn Billings, will perform "Toccata in D Major" by J.S. Bach, "Piano Concerto in A Major, K. 488" by Mozart and "Polo-naise in F Sharp Minor" by Chopin.

Susan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Warren Wallace, Sr., of Cherryville, and is member of the First Wesleyan Church.

The recital is free and open to the public.