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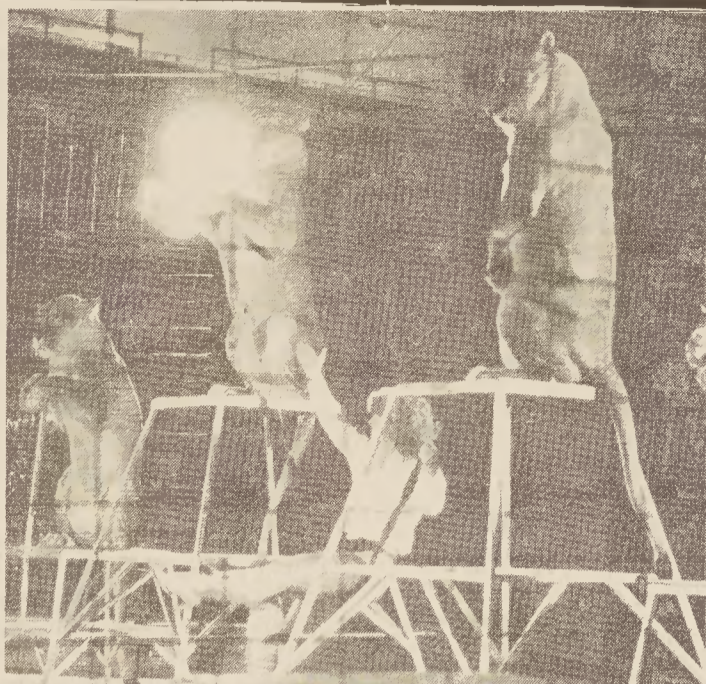
Boiling Springs town residents will go to the polls Tuesday to choose three town councilmen from a field of four.

Incumbents Albert Glenn, John Washburn and Jerry Bryson will be joined in the race by challenger Barry Hartis. Glenn, who is in the lumber business, has served over 16 years on the council. Crawley Memorial Hospital administrator Washburn has served 13 and a half years, and Bryson, who teaches school in Rutherford County, is finishing his first four-year term.

Hartis, who ran for council once previously, is the business administrator at Gardner-Webb College.

The polls will open at the Town Hall polling place at 6:30 a.m. Tuesday and will remain open until 7:30 p.m. There is no provision for absentee ballots.

Due to staggered four-year terms, Mayor James Greene and councilmen Max Hamrick and Graham C. Hamrick are midway in their terms and are not up for re-election.



Circus Scenes

The Royal Hanneford Circus came to Gardner-Webb College Tuesday, delighting those who got to ride the elephant as well as those who watched from a safe distance. The tamer and her lions. - Photos by Dwight Reid.



A.J. Fletcher

Auditions Open For Music Scholarships

Gardner-Webb College has received a \$7500 grant from the A.J. Fletcher Educational and Opera Foundation for the establishment of a music scholars program.

The grant, which will be renewed annually by the foundation, will provide scholarships yearly to seven entering full-time G-W students based on their demonstrated knowledge of music and their performance ability as displayed during auditions.

"This is a very prestigious scholarship that will attract to Gardner-Webb a highly talented group of students," noted Dr. George Cribb, chairman of Gardner-Webb's department of fine arts. "The scholarship will be adequate to compete with any music scholarship offered by colleges throughout the country."

Auditions for the first A.J. Fletcher Scholarships, which will be awarded to new students enrolling in the spring of 1984, will be held on Saturday, December 10. Each year thereafter, auditions will be held

in the spring for new students who enroll the following fall.

Persons interested in applying for the scholarships may obtain the repertoire requirements by contacting Dr. Crigg at Gardner-Webb's fine arts department.

Accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music, Gardner-Webb offers through its music degree program concentrations in music education, sacred music, sacred music/religion, performance, composition and research.

Students majoring in music also have the opportunity to participate in a number of performing organizations sponsored by the music department including three choral groups, a band and an orchestra.

In addition to the college's performing groups, Gardner-Webb's music program also brings guest performers to the campus through its Distinguished Artist Series. These performances are open to the general public as well as to students at no charge.

Golden Day For Couple



Boiling Springs Baptist Church Fellowship Hall was the setting on Sunday afternoon for a reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. James McSwain of Boiling Springs, who celebrated their 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary on October 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McKinney, the couple's daughter and son-in-law, were host for this occasion.

Mrs. Gene Parris of Burlington, greeted their 153 guests who called between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m. The couple's grandchildren, Susan and Gregg McKinney of Boiling Springs, along with nieces Jane Childers of Gaffney, S.C., Nicole Parris

of Spartanburg, S.C., and Shannon Beason of Fort Mill, S.C., assisted with opening and displaying gifts.

Mrs. Gayle Costner of Boiling Springs, Mrs. Patsy Beason of Fort Mill, S.C., and Mrs. Marshall Beason of Gaffney, S.C., Mrs. Betty Edwards of Charlotte, and Mrs. Russell Davis of Shelby assisted with serving of refreshments. Anniversary cake, along with mints, cheese pennies, vegetable and ham sandwiches, sausage balls, nuts and punch was served.

Mrs. Petty Parris of Cliffside and Mrs. Bud McSwain of Boiling Springs said goodbyes to guests.

How Leaves And Trees Part Ways In Autumn

"Why do leaves fall from trees?"

Leaf loss is a complex process which has developed over millions of years of plant evolution. In the fall, the days are shorter, the hours of sunshine are fewer, and cooler temperatures prevail. As a result, less of the green chlorophyll, responsible for food production, is made by the tree, and less water is needed for photosynthesis.

Since, however, most of the tree's water is lost through the leaves, the tree can conserve the water needed for its health by eliminating its leaves. Reduction of the flow of water through the trees to the leaves also

decreases the possibility of premature freezing of those leaves still functioning.

The mechanism by which trees shed their leaves is complicated. The cells at the base of the leaf stalk become thinner, forming what is called an abscission layer, and the cells over time gradually disintegrate and separate; at this stage, the leaf barely holds on to the stem by means of the vascular bundles, the tiny plumbing tubes used earlier to carry water to the leaf. Ultimately, the drying autumn winds and frost action complete the process, and the leaf separates and falls.

Summy McSwain: A "Tenderhearted Man"

Summy McSwain, 97, was buried Tuesday at Boiling Springs Cemetery. Born in Cleveland County in May of 1886, he was five years old when his mother died and he went to live with his grandparents. In the early 1890s, they moved from Mooresboro to Henrietta, and Summy went to work in the cotton mill there when he was about eight.

"We used to play together," says his first cousin Mrs. Etta McSwain, who turned 98 last month. He was always a good boy. He didn't get into mischief, and he didn't mind work."

When the United States got involved in World War I, Mrs. McSwain remembers, Summy was already too old for the draft. So he went to work in a defense plant. But his aunt El Kistler's only son was taken, and she prevailed upon her nephew to come and stay with her. Her son returned only to die very shortly of lung damage suffered from poison gas, in the war, and Summy remained with her, for more

than 40 more years, until her death in the 1960s.

He never went back to the cotton mill; "he bought him a big old truck, and did public hauling," Mrs. McSwain recalls. He never married. As he got older, a cousin and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. David Weese, of Henrietta, looked out for him. When Mrs. Weese died, her husband continued to befriend him. After Mr. McSwain died Sunday, at Rutherford County Hospital, the family, many from the Boiling Springs area, gathered at the home of David Weese in Henrietta. Survivors included nieces, nephews and cousins.

Mrs. Etta McSwain remembers her cousin as a kind and gentle man. "He was awful accommodating," she says, "and awful tender-hearted." After funeral services Tuesday morning at Harrelson Funeral Home, conducted by Rev. James Yelton and Rev. Billy Holland, Mr. McSwain was laid to rest in Boiling Springs among his people.

Anthony Town Jeweler

Austin Anthony Services Held

Boiling Springs jeweler Austin Odell Anthony died Friday at his home, after a long period of declining health. He was 78.

Born in Coater Back community, in Lincoln County, he was one of the 12 children of the late Joseph Robert and Maggie Black Anthony. In infancy he was brought to Cleveland County, and the family settled on a tract south of Boiling Springs, in an area that became known as Anthony town, where his parents ran a store for many years.

Austin Anthony dropped out of Sharon School in the fifth grade, when he was nine years old, to go to work and help make the living. He married Lucille Blanton on July 27, 1929, and they had six children, all of whom survive him.

His advent into the jewelry business, which eventually brought him customers from many other towns, was gradual. Ill health plagued him for about 30 years, and he first enjoyed trading watches as a hobby and a small source of income.

"It used to be he would follow the trade days," his widow remembers. "He'd sell a few watches. Then he got to repairing watches. Here in our bedroom we had a watch desk. He started out carrying his watches in a cigar box. And then he went to a suitcase. Then he started his shop."

The first shop, on Highway 150 south of town, was destroyed in the tornado of 1973. Temporarily he moved into the Cleveland Sandwich Company building, and kept up his growing business while he rebuilt a home for Anthony's Jewelry and Sporting Goods. His sons Joe and Donald had joined him in the business.



Austin Anthony

"Daddy loved people. He loved to sit in that shop and talk and joke with people," says his daughter Nancy Poston. He had been to the shop for a couple of hours on Friday, Mrs. Poston says, and came home took a nap after lunch. He died in his sleep.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ed Sessom, Dr. Eugene Poston and Rev. Ed Brown at Flint Hill Baptist Church, where Mr. Anthony was a former deacon. Burial was in Cleveland Memorial Park.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, R. Donald Anthony and Joe Herbert Anthony of Boiling Springs; four daughters, Mrs. E. Eugene Poston of Kings Mountain; Mrs. Bobby Penson of Boiling Springs; Mrs. Robert Randolph of Gaffney and Mrs. Randolph A. Raynor of Shelby; four brothers, Frank D. Anthony, Marvin L. Anthony, Solomon H. Anthony and Hazel "Bill" Anthony of Rt. 2, Shelby; two sisters, Mrs. Blando Clary and Mrs. J.T. Martin of Rt. 2, Shelby, and 17 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.