

# Personal Mention—Social Activities

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## Local Affairs

Mrs. Jack Thomas and son, Jack Martin, and Mrs. Henry Gaither spent Saturday in Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Robbins of Raleigh spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robbins.

Miss Eula Mae Woodring of Lenoir visited Sunday with Mrs. D. E. Benfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Richardson of Sparta visited Thursday with Mrs. M. P. Critcher.

Miss Arlene Mast of Kannapolis spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Edward Mast.

Larry Klutz of State College visited Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Klutz.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Ragan are spending two weeks in Florida with Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCrary.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Hatley of Johnson City, Tennessee spent Sunday with Mr. Hartley's sister, Mrs. Cleve Gross.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Champion of Forest City were recent visitors with Mrs. Champion's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brendall.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Edmisten and family of Kingsport, Tenn. visited with relatives and friends during the past week end.

Mrs. Paul Fox of Hickory spent Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cooke. Mr. Cooke celebrated his birthday Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Little of Jefferson, N. C., and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cline spent the week end in Charleston, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Gragg and Mr. Sam Harrell of Gastonia visited Sunday with Mrs. W. R. Gragg and Miss Bernice Gragg.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Norris of Madison, N. C., were week end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lewis and Janice.

Mr. Homer Brown attended a library workshop at the new Charlotte Public Library in Charlotte last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Con Yates left Sunday morning for a two-week vacation in Plant City and other points of interest in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hendrix spent Saturday in Shelby visiting with Mr. and Mrs. D. Z. Newton and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. West.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Andrews were week end visitors with their son, Mr. Bob Andrews, and Mrs. Andrews, in Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Whatley left Sunday for Griffin, Georgia to visit a few days with Mr. Whatley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Whatley.

Miss Mary Helen Isaacs, nurse at Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill, spent the week end with her father, Mr. T. E. Isaacs, and her sister, Miss Bunny Isaacs.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Adams and Miss Nancy Adams of Greenville, Tennessee visited over the week end with Mrs. Adams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Greer.

Mrs. Mabel Danforth of Bangor, Maine and New York City is the guest of Dr. Mary Michal for two weeks. They spent the week end with Mr. Michal in Waynesville.

Mrs. John Cox is spending a few weeks in Mountain City, Tennessee visiting three sisters, Mrs. Fay Dickens, Mrs. Carl Maddron and Mrs. Dave Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keller and Mr. Verlin Keller of Lenoir were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Roberts and Mrs. Charlie Keller.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Caudill, Jr., and daughters, Barbara Lee, Vicki, Debbie and Junola, of Waynesville visited over the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Jake Caudill.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Crook spent two days last week visiting in the home of Mr. Crook's brother, Mr. U. G. Crook and family, in Columbia, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. King announce the birth of a son, John Thomas King III, born February 13 in Anson County Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Barnard Dougherty, Mr. Howard Cottrell, Mr. Charlie Hartley and Mr. John Welborn returned to their homes Monday from a five-day fishing trip to Vero Beach, Florida. They visited Dr. B. B. Dougherty, Mrs. Bernard Dougherty and family, who are spending six months in Vero Beach.

## Miss Moretz, Mr. Hart Married

Mrs. Mont Glover has accepted a part-time position with the District Health Department under the Federal polio program.

Mr. and Mrs. Cline Mabry and daughter, Betty Brown and Sara Lynn, of Concord spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. John K. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Norris and children, Patricia and Bill, Jr., of Hickory were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brown over the week end.

Dr. Len D. Hagaman will leave Friday for Washington, D. C., to serve two weeks in the Naval Reserve. His office will be closed during his absence.

Mr. Grady Farthing returned home Sunday after visiting a few days in Wilmington with his nephew, Dr. Watts Farthing, who has been seriously ill for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Combs of Mabel, N. C., Mrs. Robert Honeycutt and Mrs. Robert Honeycutt, Jr., of Perkinsville visited with Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Greene on Route 2 last Sunday.

Week end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Farthing were Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hood and children, Donna and Bill, Jr., of Lenoir and Miss Ruth Farthing of Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Finley Norris of Marion, N. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Clinard and daughter, Bridget, of Winston-Salem were week end visitors with Mrs. Granville Norris.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moody returned home Wednesday from a ten-day vacation in Florida. While there they spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rivers in Sarasota.

Mr. D. O. Ray, who has been critically ill at City Memorial Hospital in Winston-Salem for two and one-half weeks, will undergo surgery there today (Wednesday). Mrs. Ray has been with him since he entered the hospital.

Mrs. Troy Norris returned home Friday after having spent three weeks in Wadesboro with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John T. King. She was accompanied home by Mr. King and small daughter, Martha Elizabeth King.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray A. Farthing of Sugar Grove and Miss Debra Greer of Kingsport, Tenn. have returned home after a two week vacation visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Mast at Winter Beach, Fla., and Miss Ophelia Bingham of Ft. Pierce, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Coffey spent last Thursday in Charlotte, where Mr. Coffey attended a Rulane Gas Company meeting at Hotel Charlotte. Mrs. Coffey stopped in Hickory and spent Thursday night and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Campbell.

Mr. Walter Boone of Valdese spent Thursday night with his mother, Mrs. John A. Boone. On Friday he took Mrs. Boone and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Stansbury to Greensboro to attend Mrs. R. L. Clay's funeral. Mrs. Boone accompanied Walter home Friday night where she visited until Sunday.

## Engaged



MISS ELIZABETH EGGERS

Mr. and Mrs. Herman R. Eggers announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth, to Mr. Jerry Randolph Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hill of Shelby.

The wedding will take place May 26.

## Miss Williams On Dean's List

Greensboro.—Woman's College registrar's office has released the names of 364 juniors and seniors whose academic records for the semester make them eligible for the dean's list.

Included on the list is Shirley Jean Williams, of Zionville.

Miss Williams, along with other students making the dean's list, is granted special class attendance allowances.

The Wildlife Club will hold its regular meeting Monday night March 11 at the Elementary School at Valle Crucis, starting at 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Kenneth J. Chivaette, big game specialist of the N. C. Wildlife Resources Commission will discuss some of the work being done in North Carolina. The public is invited.

## Legion Meet Next Friday

Watauga Post 130 The American Legion and the ladies of the Auxiliary will have their regular meeting at the Legion Post Home on Friday night March 8 at 7:30 p. m.

All members and prospective members are invited to be present as there is a lot of business to be taken care of, such as the Legion Birthday Ball.

## Teen Canteen Group To Meet

There will be a joint meeting of the Recreation Committee and the Teen Canteen Parents Council in the high school building Thursday, March 7, at 7:30 p. m.

It will be an open meeting to discuss ways and means of providing much-needed recreation facilities, and everyone interested in this matter is invited to attend.

## Auxiliary Is Entertained

The American Legion Auxiliary held a special meeting Tuesday evening, February 26 at Mrs. Cleve Gross' apartment on Howard St. in honor of the State Department President, Mrs. Paul J. Johnson.

The meeting was begun with a covered dish supper. Mrs. Johnson then discussed the aims and purpose of the auxiliary for the coming year. The following members were present: Mrs. Cleve Gross, president; Mrs. Lionel Ward, vice-president; Mrs. J. W. Norris, secretary; Mrs. Roy Ruffy, treasurer; Mrs. Elsie Hagaman, Mrs. Cliff McConnell, Mrs. Homer Brown, Mrs. Kelley Osborne, and Mrs. Chas. Dougherty.

## Miss Lawrence In Honor Club

One hundred thirty-four new members have been accepted for membership in the nine honor clubs at Mars Hill College.

Miss Glenda Leigh Lawrence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas George Lawrence of Sherwood was recently inducted into the International Relations Club.

Miss Lawrence is a 1956 graduate of Cove Creek High School where she was a member of the national honor society and a senior superlative.

In order to be eligible for membership, a student must make B in the subject represented in the club, a passing grade in all other subjects, and thirty quality credits.

Thrift is helping to curb inflation.

## Used Car Ad Gets Results

The Greene Buick Co., who frequently advertise used cars in the Democrat get good results, and a few days ago had a reply from a man in Nottingham, Pa., who wanted to purchase a used truck they had advertised in the Democrat.

The deal hasn't been closed yet, but readers of the Democrat, even though they reside at distant points, keep up with the ads.

## Musical Show Set By Legion

The Blue Ridge Fardners will be at the courthouse with a good clean musical show on Saturday night, March 9 at 7:30 p. m. Sponsored by Watauga Post 130. The admission will be 60c for adults and 30c for children under 12.

The Legion will appreciate everyone coming to the part the Legion gets will go on the building program at the Legion Hut.

## Worthwhile Group To Meet

The Literature and Education department of the Worthwhile Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. Ed Qualls Thursday evening at 7:30.

## Girl Scouts Week To Be Celebrated Here

During the week of March 10-16, more than three million Girl Scouts and adults will celebrate the forty-fifth anniversary of Girl Scouts.

Girl Scouts and Girl Guides in thirty-five countries around the world join together, regardless of religion, creed or color, to observe the same Scout laws and use the treefold emblem.

The theme of the Girl Scouts for this year is "Girl Scouting Is a Family Affair." Mothers, fathers and daughters join together to help build a better community.

The following program has been planned:

Sunday—Girls will attend the church of their choice.

Monday—Girls will be guests of the Appalachian Theatre.

Tuesday—Regular meetings.

Wednesday—Radio program at 12:15. Guests of the Chamber of Commerce.

Thursday—Banquet at the Boone Baptist Church.

Friday—Chapel program at the Appalachian Elementary School.

There will be a display prepared by the Girl Scouts in a window at Belk's Department Store.

Leaders for troops two and three are Mrs. Lee Reynolds and Miss Pattie Cole. The committee is composed of Mrs. Lowman, Mrs. Yoder, Mrs. Broome, Miss Cynthia Stiles and Wade Brown.

Leaders for troop four are Mrs. Crew and Mrs. Hoffman. Others on the committee are Mrs. Erneston, Mrs. Congleton and William Spencer.

Leaders for troop five are Mrs. Tom Wright and J. B. Hagaman, Jr., Mrs. John Marsh, Mrs. Ernie Lewis, and Grant Ayers are on the committee.

Leaders for troop six are Mrs. H. M. Cooke and Mrs. John Anderson, Mrs. A. E. Hamby, Jr., Mrs. Jessie Warman, Mrs. C. A. Price, T. K. Pease and Dr. Buckland are on the committee.

During Girl Scout week, the girls will sell cookies.

## Rain Divides Cemetery

West Jefferson, March 3—High on a hill in the Sutherland community, overlooking New River, members of the Cornett family and others have been laid to rest in a peaceful cemetery for nearly a century.

But the peaceful rest of the last earthly remains of some of the dead was disturbed recently when the earth literally opened up.

A crevice, which started at the foot of the hill on the highway far below, climbed until it reached the cemetery and then spread across leaving a crack which divided some of the older graves taking a part or all of a few of them down the hill a short distance.

There were around 16 of these graves which had to be moved. Some of them were children's, some were unmarked except by native stones, which bore no inscriptions. Most of them had been there many, many years with the exception of a soldier, a Cornett, who was buried there in 1948.

Some of the graves were moved to the upper part of the cemetery, higher up on the hill and some others up to the cemetery of the Rock Creek Methodist Church and the Osborne cemetery back of

the Robinson home.

Some relatives and friends gathered as workmen and a local funeral home began the removal task. There are many members of the Cornett family buried here but there are more Ashe County names, Osborne, Lewis, Turman, Cox and others on tombstones.

How did it happen? There are some oldtimers who were not too surprised, because the highway, while completed several years ago, slightly undermines the foot of the hill. The heavy rains this year and freezes probably had something to do with it, too.

The highway department bore the expense of the removal of the graves and yesterday began clearing the tons of dirt. More than 12,000 yards were taken off to the hillside, whose burden apparently became more than it could stand up under.

The Interstate Commerce Commission recently approved a five per cent increase in interstate passenger fares of sixteen more Eastern railroads, to become effective February 1st, or later. A similar increase was authorized December 31 for eight major Eastern roads and for those operating west of the Mississippi.

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