

Green Valley School

During this month of Thanksgiving, we realize there are many things for which we are truly grateful.

We thank the Watauga Democrat for the complimentary copies of The Watauga Democrat which they give to Green Valley School each week. These are read in the library and classrooms, and are later given to the children to take home for other members of their family to read.

We are grateful to our many parents and friends who helped in many ways to make our Halloween Carnival successful. The boys who were chosen for the Halloween Carnival were Mike Greene, Don Stevens, Danny Trivette, Dale Watson, Mike McGuire, Allen Trivette, Billy Ragan, Mike Trivette, Fred Miller, Johnny Jones and Butch Miller.

The girls who were queens are Marie Greene, Sandra Lewis, Donna Jones, Katie Greene, Mary Ann Coffey, Lanetta Greene, Denise Bayne Sandra South, Sarah Winebarger, Diana Miller and Judy Stevens.

The two students who were crowned as king and queen of Green Valley School were Billy Ragan and Diana Miller.

Another thing for which our school is thankful is our fine PTA. At its last meeting our grading system was discussed. Each parent visited his child's classroom where he met with the teacher and saw some of his child's work and received the child's report card.

Mrs. Winkler's Room

The following boys and girls have been elected as group captains for our physical education period: Bertha Bryan, Deborah Mc-

Neil, Barney Hodgson and Jonas Moretz. They will serve for the month of November.

Trudy Miller, Linda Miller, Bertha Bryan, and Deborah McNeil have charge of our science bulletin board for this month.

In our science class we have been studying "Rocks and Minerals." We have been making a collection and have 122 specimens. It includes rocks formed by volcanic action and petrified wood. The collection has rocks and minerals from various sections of the United States.

Morris Penley, Jonas Moretz, Norman Norris, and Gary Miller were helpful in planning and fixing the Presidential bulletin board in the hall.

Mr. Marsh visited our room Friday afternoon and we had an excellent discussion about World War II. He plans to continue talking to the boys and girls for several more days on this subject.

Mrs. Norris' Fourth Grade

We wish to thank the following people for contributing to our country store and our Halloween Carnival: Mesdames Burl Greene, John Hayes, Earl Jones, Alfred McNeil, Odell Moretz, Dean Profit, Herman Coffey, Edward Greene Clayton Moretz, Fate Potter, Austin South, Stanford Storie, Blaine Eggers, Sherman Bryan, Lloyd Bryan, John Clawson, Walter Coffey, Hernando Coffey, Willard Greene, Glenn Greer, Lee Hayes, Arlie Hicks, Jim Penley, Fred Ragan, Blaine Stanbery, Johnny Walsh, Worth Winebarger, Mack Hodges and Suma Jones.

Mary Ann Coffey, Linda Greene, Connie Stanbery, and Donald Hayes won the prizes in our room for

bringing the most different things to the country store. We all want to say thank you parents for making our carnival a success.

We are sorry that Dianne Clawson and her family moved to Morganton.

Judy Hayes, Mary Frances Ragan, and Dorothy Walsh have birthdays this month.

Mrs. Baebanan's Room

Since the election, our class has been very interested in our new officials. Loretta South has put up a bulletin board on "Our New President." Libbie Storie and Diana Foster are putting up a bulletin board on our new national, State, and county officials.

Third Grade News

We have five girls and four boys who have had birthdays since school started. The girls are Geraldine Brown, Phyllis Carter, Deborah Ewell, Zola Winebarger and Jo Ann Miller. The boys are Jimmy Miller, Larry Hodges, David Winebarger and Dale Davis.

Mrs. Luther's Fifth Grade

We are proud to have Allen Trivette and Loretta Greene as our Halloween King and Queen. Our room won the prize for the best country store. We want to thank all the mothers who helped make this possible.

Several children have been sick. Lona and Cecil Stevens are out with chickenpox.

Sharon Burkette, who came to us from Tripoli, has moved to Biloxi, Miss., where her father is stationed.

Mrs. Adams' Second Grade

We have been writing about Thanksgiving and the following are a few of our stories:

The Pilgrims came across the Atlantic Ocean in a Mayflower. They came to America in 1620. Some of the Indians were friendly but some of them were not friendly. I like to pray on Thanksgiving day.

—Brenda Coe.

I'm thankful our homes and food. I'm thankful for the flowers and I'm thankful for the Bibles and churches. I'm thankful for God and the people.

—Judy Carroll.

A long time ago there was some Pilgrims who did not like the church that they went to. So they got on a ship. The ship's name was May Flower. That has been 340 years ago. The Pilgrims met some friendly Indians. So the Indians and Pilgrims got together and had a big dinner. That's why we have Thanksgiving now.

—Judy Moretz.

The first Thanksgiving was 339 years ago. I like Thanksgiving Day very much. I'm thankful for my parents, and my sister, for my friends, too. I'm thankful for the flowers that bloom, and for the birds that sing. I'm thankful for

Washington Comments

Washington, D. C.—Now that the voting is over, and the great American process of executive election is finished, for four years, one can look back over the 1960 campaign and analyze certain moves and controversies.

First, the television debates were novel and historically significant. Most people say they will not be held in 1964—because the President would not want to risk putting himself and his office on a plane with a mere challenger. Many believe Vice President Nixon took an unnecessary and very costly risk when he agreed to meet Senator John Kennedy in a series of debates.

Nixon improved after his first debate defeat, in the eyes of a majority, but he was already Vice President, and better known, and he publicized his opponent by getting into face-to-face exchanges with him. Kennedy was careful to avoid losing his poise or restraint, which would have played into the hands of those pushing the theme that he was too inexperienced and young to be entrusted with the nation's top job.

Jim Farley, who managed President Franklin D. Roosevelt's first two victorious presidential campaigns, was among the most far-out forecasters on the day before the recent election. Farley said on a television program just before the vote that Kennedy could win 454 electoral votes, in a rout of Nixon. He gave Nixon 83, plus a possible 21 more, or 104, at best.

Practically all the nationwide polls showed Kennedy ahead but all of them hedged. They added that catch-all qualification: this is the way it is now but a last-minute surge might change it. Or: This is the way it is now but a silent or religious influence might change things. That gave the polls an out. Few predicted a solid victory, one way or the other.

The New York Times survey, the day before the election, gave Kennedy 244 electoral votes, Nixon 109 and the rest undecided. U. S. News & World Report, Newsweek and Time all predicted a Kennedy victory.

The new Congress is going to be as balky as the traditional Democratic mule. The conservatives will have to fight to hold on to their power, but the chances are

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they will hold on to it. Changing Congress, and its methods, is a rugged job.

The House Rules Committee may see its membership changed somewhat. And an effort will be made to knock out Rule 22 in the U. S. Senate. This is the rule which requires a vote of two-thirds of these voting to shut off free speech in the upper legislative body.

A barrage of publicity and criticism from the so-called liberals holds that this is an unfair rule, an unfair majority. But the rule has been liberalized twice in the past fifteen years. It was reduced from a three-fourths majority to a two-thirds majority in the Democratic days of President Harry Truman.

Both these necessary majorities were constitutional majorities. That is, three-fourths and two-thirds of the Senate membership had to vote to end debate—to apply cloture. Last year Majority Senate Leader Lyndon Johnson agreed to another change—making Rule 22 applicable by the vote of only two-thirds of those voting. Thus the total for cloture would not have to be 67.

Congress is almost sure to face requests for additional defense spending totaling three or four, or even five, billion dollars. The general belief is that most of the money asked will be voted. And government income must increase above present intake levels if this is to be financed in a balanced budget.

Grateful For Invitation

We are grateful to you for joining in extending the North Carolina State Grange an invitation to hold the 1961 convention in your city. We are delighted to inform you that the invitation has been accepted subject to assurance that adequate housing and meeting facilities are available. We shall visit Boone in December to check facilities and make tentative arrangements.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Harry B. Caldwell
Greensboro, N. C.

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the food we eat. Thanksgiving is a special day. I can't wait until that turkey is on the table ready to eat.—Nellie Moretz.

223 Students Are Married

Of the 2,191 undergraduate students enrolled at Appalachian State Teachers College this fall, 223 of them are married, according to a survey made by Dean of Women Maxie Edmisten.

Three-fourths of the married students are between 21 and 24 years of age.

Over half of them reside in town apartments.

Seventy-five have children.

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