

# Book Week, Education Week Are Observed At Valle Crucis School

During November the learnings and understandings of children concerning their "American Heritage" was reviewed and enlarged as we studied and worked during Book Week and American Education Week. The November PTA program grew out of these activities.

The theme for the meeting was "Growing Up With Books". A large book had been built with the front cover title the theme of the meeting. As the meeting progressed, the cover was removed and revealed in the background a large open book which said, "Read With Your Children".

Parents were given tips and pointers on how to select books suitable for their children. Quiet reading at home was emphasized, and the suggestion that books be used as gifts on special occasions or even as casual everyday additions to the home, was given. Sometimes we have the opportunity to be where good books can be bought as we go about our daily business. We were happy to report that several such business establishments in Boone carry good literature.

Soon children dressed as book characters came through the book. A brief review of the type of literature represented by each character was given. The books were arranged in the order with which we usually "Grow up With Books."

Leading off with nursery rhymes: Jack Be Nimble, Donald Yates.

"Hickory Dickory Dock," Sybil Edmisten, Kathy Porch, Joy Edwards, Lucille Yates, Connie Presnell, Sandra Church, Suzanne Aldridge.

Little Boy Blue, Tommy Rupert.

From nursery rhymes we went to fables.

"The Man, the Wind, and the Sun," Grady Yates, John Elder, Richard McGuire, Susan Mast.

"Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp," Jerry Yates.

"William Tell" Boyd Whitley, Lynn Shook.

From fables the program moved to legends.

"Davy Crockett," J. C. Yates. "Paul Bunyan," Richard Mast.

"Old Stormalong," Billy Johnson.

Next came the mountain stories.

"Down, Down the Mountain," Lynn Shook, Sheila Hartley.

The fourth grade presented an original puppet show entitled: "Three Cheers for Books," Junior Allen, Carol Clark, Marie Townsend, Melinda Bumgardner, Mitchell Campbell, Ted Edwards, Peggy McGuire.

Next came the famous heroes and heroines in books which all people should be acquainted with.

Long John Silver in Treasure Island, Mike Yates.

Sarah Noble, Margaret Wallace.

Blackbeard and the Pirate, Jack Shook.

Robinson Crusoe, David Mast.

Pocahontas, Marsha Michael.

Concluding the student participation group of students stepped through the Book and gave Psalm 100, as a choral reading. They were: Mike Campbell, Ronna Storie, Sue Hupard, Karen Yates, Judy Yates, Floyd Moore, Wanda Townsend, Eugene Reece, Kitty Aldridge, Carolyn Hicks.

Those who had parts but were unable to attend were:

David Presnell, Ricky Aldridge, Elvane Whitley, Richard Wagener.

After the scripture, Mr. R. A. Farthing and Reverend Troutman were given a tribute of thanks and appreciation from the Valle Crucis PTA. Both have been faithful, helpful, encouraging, and staunch supporters of the school since the time PTA was organized.

Following this the parents visited the library where displays of class work from all grades were on display.

All parents are asked to attend PTA meetings in the future.

# Alexander Is Asked To Seek Old Seat

Salisbury — Former U. S. Rep. Hugh Q. Alexander of Kannapolis is giving indications that he will be in the running for Congress from the Ninth District next year.

On a whirlwind visit to Salisbury Friday, he was asked repeatedly: "Are you going to be a candidate?"

He didn't answer the queries, but his actions indicated he might seek the Democratic nomination next May for the seat he held 10 years before he was defeated in 1960 by Republican James T. Broyles of Lenoir.

Alexander said he had been unusually busy in Washington with his work as chief counsel of Senate Rules Committee, now probing the activities of Bobby Baker, former Senate majority secretary, and had not had time to give thought to his political plans.

Requests To Run He said that during recent weeks he had received many requests from his supporters in the district to run against Broyles next November.

Alexander said he was still in contact with many in the district and was rendering services to them when possible.

He said that in Washington many Democratic leaders in the Senate and House have requested him to seek the Democratic nomination for Congress. He said he appreciated the interest shown in his behalf, but added, "It's just a little bit early to make a formal announcement."

Several others in the district apparently are interested in becoming Democratic nominees, but seem to be waiting to hear official word from Alexander before deciding.

U. S., British aides criticize Europe farm plan.

# Soil Official To Be Elected

Election of a supervisor in the Watauga Soil and Water Conservation District will be held December 7. The term of office for the newly elected supervisor will be for three years beginning January 1, 1964. Clyde Moretz of Deep Gap, whose term as supervisor will expire December 31, has been nominated for re-election to this post.

Voting places will be located at Roy Jones' store at Sands, Deep Gap Post Office, Cove Creek store, Bill Farthing's store, and H. W. Mast's store.

# Eight Teachers Get Promotions

Eight Appalachian State Teachers College faculty members have received promotions, according to announcement by Dr. W. H. Plemmons, president of the college.

The ASTC Board of Trustees approved the following promotions:

Dr. Joseph Bryson, to associate professor of education; Dr. Nicholas Erneston, to professor of music; David A. French, to associate professor of speech; Dr. Isabel Jones, to professor of education; Mrs. Elsie C. Melton, to assistant professor of history; Kent Robinson, to associate professor of biology; Dr. William G. Spencer, to professor of music; and Mrs. Mary Jo Walkup, to assistant professor of health, physical education and recreation.

The president's office announced that Kent Robinson has completed his residency toward to doctorate at Ohio State University.

# U. S. KEEPS VIGIL

Fast, high-flying planes still keep watch over Cuba even though it has been a year since the Cuban missile crisis subsided to a peak.

The latest intelligence information indicates there has been no Soviet effort to reintroduce offensive missiles or bombers.

Swifter jet fighters are poised in Florida, Navy planes watch for large-hatch ships, and high-flying U-2's cover the island at least once a week.

# Christmas Seals Appearing On Letters With Health Message

The 1963 Christmas Seals are now appearing on many letters and packages, adding a message of holiday color to the special Christmas stamps, that has been issued for the second consecutive year by the Post Office Department.

Let there be no mistake about tuberculosis. It is still a menace. New drugs for treating and new surgical advances do much for those with active TB. Yet 10,000 Americans die of TB

each year, according to the American Medical Association's publication, "Today's Health." Even though 30 to 40 million persons in the United States have living tuberculosis germs in their bodies, it does not mean that they are sick, or even will be sick with TB. It is possible that 2 million persons of that group will develop active TB and possibly 67,000 of them will become active cases in the next 12 months. Inactive

TB becomes active TB generally because of excessive activity, poor diet, an illness, or by coming in contact with a big new dose of TB germs from an infected person.

TB does damage the lungs and breathing tracks and can spread to the spleen, kidneys, liver and central nervous system. A persistent cough or unusual shortness of breath could be a warning signal for an early visit to your family doctor.

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