

## Area Obituaries



**EARL B. SEARCY, SR.**  
**Earl B. Searcy**  
**Funeral Held**  
**Last Friday**

Mr. Earl B. Searcy Sr., vice-president of Waldensian Bakeries, Inc. of Valdese, N. C. died Wednesday evening, Oct. 28, in the Valdese General Hospital after an illness of four weeks.

He was born in 1900 in the Hominy Creek area of Buncombe County and was the son of the late Joshua Boyd Donald Searcy and Amelia May Bright Searcy. His early years were spent in the Asheville area and he came to Valdese to work for the Waldensian Bakery as a craft baker in 1922.

Mr. Searcy, who owned quite a bit of property in Avery and Watauga counties, made his home in Valdese and in Blowing Rock. Much involved in getting the ski industry underway here, he was an active member of the board of directors of Appalachian Ski Mtn.

Until his death, Mr. Searcy also was active in the management of Waldensian Bakeries which he had served as baker, plant manager and director of production and maintenance. Until recently he had been very active in community affairs, having served on the Town Board of Valdese, as a member of the Burke County Board of Education and as a charter member and past president of the Valdese Lions Club.

Also, he served on the local board of The Northwestern Bank, was a past Deacon and Elder in the Waldensian Presbyterian Church, was past president of the N. C. Angus Association, a founding grantor of the Valdese Public Library, director and trustee of the Valdese General Hospital and a member of the Board of the Valdese Savings and Loan Association. When his children were young, he was active in the Scouting program.

Mr. Searcy is survived by his

widow, the former Mae Bungarner; three sons, Earl B. Jr. and Donald of Valdese, and Alvin of Wilkesboro; three daughters, Mrs. William D. Owens Jr. of Rutherford College, Mrs. Robert C. Berry of Wilkesboro and Mrs. Paul Justice of Hildebran; a sister, Miss Mildred Searcy; and 14 grandchildren.

The funeral was held at 2 p.m. Friday afternoon in the Waldensian Presbyterian Church in Valdese and burial was in the family plot of Forest Hills Cemetery, Morganton.

The family requests that in lieu of other remembrances, memorials be sent to the Building Fund, Valdese General Hospital; to the Valdese Public Library; to the Building Fund, Waldensian Presbyterian Church; or to the American Cancer Society.

### Howard B. Knight

Howard Burton Knight, 64, of Triplett died Thursday last week at Watauga County Hospital.

He was born in Watauga County and was a member of Mount Ephraim Baptist Church. He was a retired brick mason.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Edith Miller Knight; five daughters, Mrs. Edward Lyons of Elizabethton, Tenn., Mrs. Howard Simerley of Knoxville, Tenn., Mrs. Pauline Sneath of Lakeville, Ind., Mrs. Henry Aldridge of West Palm Beach, Fla. and Mrs. Barbara Whisnat of Charlotte; three sons, Frank and Wayne Knight of South Bend, Ind., and William Knight of Elizabethton; a brother, Frank Knight of Lenoir; 18 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

The funeral was held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Mount Ephraim Baptist Church with the Rev. Roscoe Greene and the Rev. Bill Hamby officiating. Interment was in the Simmons Cemetery.

### Enough

Louisville, Ky.—Mrs. Mary Morgan, a waitress at a downtown restaurant for the last 13 years, quit her job there after the 23rd robbery while she was working. Mrs. Morgan was beaten and kicked when two men walked into the restaurant and took \$17. They also threatened her with a screwdriver.

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## Trotters Will Play Mediamen

The Harlem Globetrotters, who play ball Saturday night at ASU, will have a rough five-minute in store for them at half-time.

Tom Corbitt, director of sports information at Appalachian, says he will be the star of a news media team he is putting together and to whom he is extending invitations this week.

He had four men down as of deadline Tuesday. In addition to Corbitt, they are Bob White, Jerry Burns and Brent Hackney.

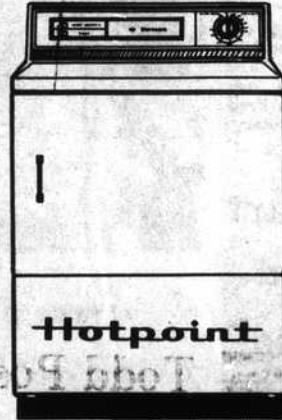
"Can he dribble?" Corbitt asked when he contacted the Watauga Democrat about Burn's invitation.

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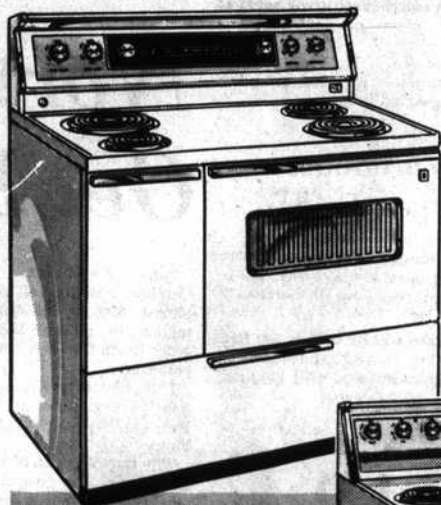
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