## Mr., Mrs. Arnold Beerkens At Home Folk School Folks Mrs. Mattie A.' Taylor and son After Holland Wedding, Paris Trip LAST WEEK The second week of the annual short course is recreation is now

Probably the most married coup le in Murphy today are newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Beerkens who arrived here last week to

Onake their home. After an unofficial engagement of one year, a formal engagement period of five months, a civil ceremony in December and finally the big church wedding May 11, the Beerkens are making their home in Murphy on Bayless St.

Mr. Beerkens, who is associated in business at Timber Products Company, has lived in Murphy for several years-but his radiant bride, the former Helen Gockel, is a newcomer to the United States and the North Carolina mountains.

The bride and bridegroom are both Hollanders and their wedding -the real one on May 11-took place at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Hilversum, Holland home town of the bride.

The couple have known each other for four years, having met at a party on Helen's graduation from high school. (She is now 21.) son. Shortly after their meeting, Arnold came to the U.S., but they kept in touch with one another through correspondence.

Their unofficial engagement las ted for about a year. About one month prior to the formal engagement announcement-which was made at a party at the bride's home-the engagement was announced by law. At this time application for marriage license was made and the names of the prospective bride and bridegroom were "pinned up in a box" where everyone could see them-and protest, if t h e y had a protest.

At this time Arnold was still in , of their families depiciting the U. S. and so his part was done scenes from the couple's courtby proxy and over the telephone ship. all the way from Murphy to Holland.

About a week after they were "pinned up in the box", the names flowers. The gown had long sleevof the couple were called out in church. After this ca mea period known as the "time of the bride", was of Brussels lace and was atwhen friends called on the bride- tached to a small band of lillies a Dutch and International License to-be, wished her well and she in of the valley. She also worv long turn offered them refreshments of special "sweets" used by brides during this time.

ENGAGEMENT PARTY

gandy over blush pink tulle. They About three weeks later-during wore Dutch bonnets and carried Christmas time-while Arnold was gathered handbags matching their at home in Holland, on vacation frocks. They also had nosegays of -the formal engagement party lillies of the valley. was held. Two days later the civil marriage ceremony, required by law, was conducted.

The formal and final wedding ceremony was held May 11, at 9:30 a. m., followed by high mass. As is customary in Holland, the bride was not given away as she is in this country. About an hour before the ceremony, the bridegroom went to the home of the bride, carrying the bridal bouquet. In Helen's case the bou-

ushers. was a cascade arrange-



THE GOCKEL-BEERKENS WEDDING PARTY, photog the garden of the bride's home. Left to right are Gneke, Leonie, Mr. and Mrs. Beerkens, Carola and Elizabe th. All of the brides maids are sisters of the bride, except Carola, who is a cousin.

Brussels, Belgium, and the foled in Murphy for a while. lowing day to Paris where they The bride's family are the mother (father deceased) and 11 chilspent a week, staying at the Ho dren-seven daughters and four tel Castiglione. They went by auto on the wedding trip-using the Beerkens' family Volkswa-The breaktast was over about noon and the wedding party went gen. to the home of the bride-"Kan-In Paris the couple attended sev

nesheuvel"-to be photographed. reception at the home with some guests. After the reception to Baden-Baden and Frankfort, the couple grabbed about an hour Germany for a few days and then of rest before being off on the next returned to Holland for another lap of the wedding day. week. They then flew to New York

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About 5 p. m. they went to Amsterdam (about 20 miles away) to the Amstel Hotel for a brief drop-in followed by a dinner party in the ballroom. After dinner the couple were entertained with skits by members

white kid gloves.

dress.

All day the bride wore her wed-Hobbies include playing the ing dress which was designed of brocade satin with appliqued keeping house and using frozen es and a cathedral length train.

foods (wonderful!) and acquiring Her veil, also of cathedral, length, an N. C. driver's license. She has (to drive in all countries in Europe.)

to Murphy.

The Beerkens attend St. Wil-The pridesmaids wore long full dresses of white enibroidered or- liam's Catholic Church here.

year secretarial course.

Mis. Gockel, mother of the bride, wore a full length gown of for propagating each kind of tree, royal blue lace. Mrs. Beerkens, shrub or plant. We cannot discuss mother of the bridegroom, wore a all of them here but there are a full length light blue brocade satin few plants that are most successfully propagated at this season of Hans Beerkens, brother of the the year.

bridegroom and Rudolf Brennin- For example, many gardners in kmeyer, cousin of the bride, were Eastern North Carolina are growing the evergreen species of azaleas. Of course it is easy to pur-Baskets and altar vase arrange-

ments of white flowers were used chase azaleas from the nurseries that takes money and growing in decorations at the church.

THE MOTHERS

clude people from Colorado, New New York, Massachusetts, Florida Mrs. F. T. Grozier spent Sunday Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, Georgia at Topton with Mrs. John E. Nelson and family. and North Carolina. Twenty-two of the community young people are also registered. A high light of the course was the 25th Anniversary Day, held on

her home.

Saturday, with many former short coursers taking part in the festivities. After a tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Georg Bidstrup, a buffet supper was served at Keith House. This was followed by an evening of folk songs and games.

The regular community night will be held on Friday, and will feature a special program, with folk songs, a puppet play, exhibition dances and games for everyone. All are invited to attend.

## SHORT COURSE IN HANDICRAFTS

The annual short course in hand rafts will be held at the John C. Campbell Folk School from June 21 to July 3. The following crafts will be offered: vegetable dyeing, weaving, pottery, wood carving, and simple furniture making. eral shows, including the folies. There will be tea every afternoon From 1:30 until 3:30 p. m. the and visited Montmartre and Mont and recreation at night. Call the bride's mother entertained at a Parnasse and did some shopping. Folk School for further informa-On leaving Paris they motored tion COUNTRY DANCING

> May Gadd, Director of the Coun try Dance Society of America, is now at the Folk School as instrucspent four days and motored down tor in English country dancing.

> Miss Gadd, formerly of London, Fluent in El.glish, Helen was England, has been in this country born in England, and lived there many years, and is one of the outuntil she was three. On graduastanding leaders of this traditiontion from high school she spent al folk art. She is well known to another year in England at Weymany of the recreation workers of bridge in finishing school. She althe southern mountain area, havso speaks German, French and ing been on the staff of the Chris-Dutch. Helen has completed a one tmas Country Dance School at

> Berea for a number of year.s Phillip Merril, the musician for piano and drawing "a bit". Her | the Country Dance Society of Afirst projects are to catch up on merica, will be at the Folk School until the middle of July. He is playing for the Danish folk games and the evening folk parties during the course in recreation, and will be one of the leaders for the Little Folk School during July. This is his fifteenth year at the Folk School.

## PROGRAM

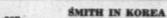
W. M. Landis or the Tennessee Valley Authority, with his headquarters in Knoxville, and Mrs. Rosslyn Wilson of the University of Tennessee Agriculture Exten sion Service, presented a program at the Folk School in connection with the short course in recreation. Using slides, and quoting from the writings of men concern ed about the enrichment of rural living, they discussed the relation-

ship of the land with the quality of living. Special emphasis was placed on the contribution of the Folk School, with its adaptation of the Danish folk scsool philosophy

distributors toured the Andrews

for dinner at the Nantahala Inn.

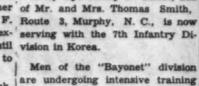
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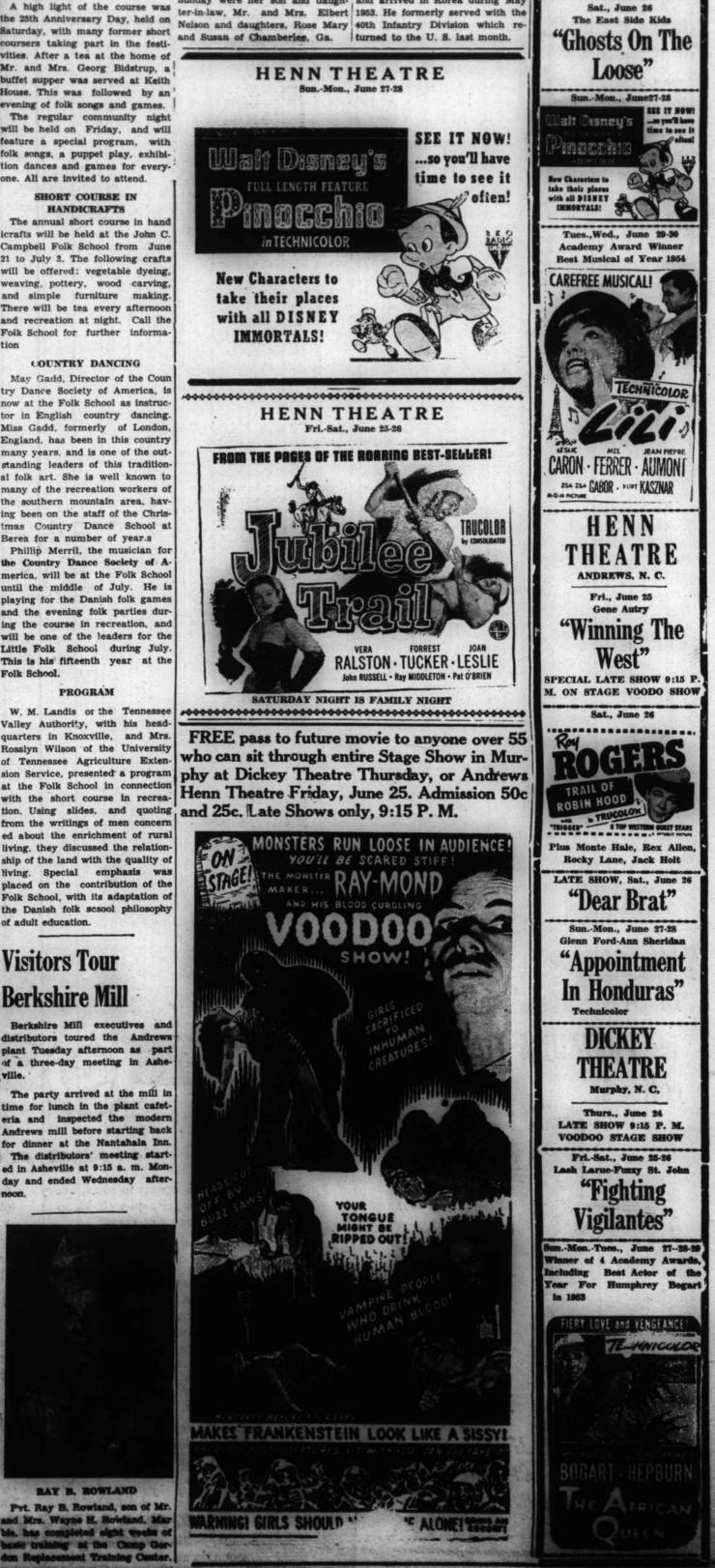


Frank had as their guests last Army Cpl. Henry P. Smith, son week Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Ruffner of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith, of Dandridge, Tenn., and Mrs. F. Route 3, Murphy, N. C., is now T. Groizer of Corpus Christi, Tex- serving with the 7th Infantry Dias. Mrs. Grozier will remain until vision in Korea. Sunday when she will return to

Sunday were her son and daugh- and arrived in Korea during May ter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert 1953. He formerly served with the Nelson and daughters, Rose Mary 40th Infantry Division which re-

TAYLOB'S GUESTS







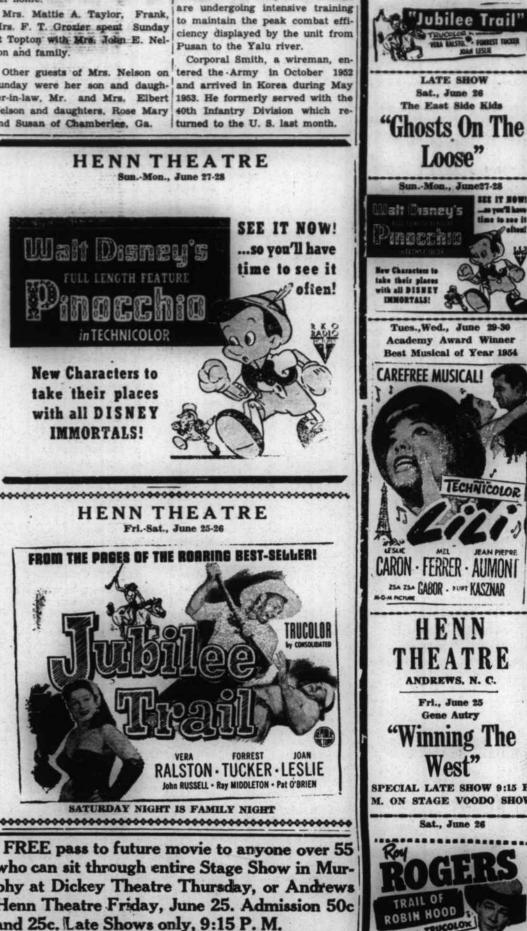
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Murphy, N. C.

Fri.-Sat., June 25-26

LATE SHOW





There is a best time and method

ment of lillies of the valley.

The bride descended the stairs There was beautiful weatherand accepted the bouquet. All this The first in days-for the wedding. time, and until after the I do's, At the end of the entertainment the bride wore a veil over her after dinner, the couple changed face. Theveil was lifted after "I at the hotel, to their traveling from the plant in June or July. to." I clothes. Helen's traveling outfit The cuttings should be made of Suly. The couple went to the church was a light gray spring suit and a the present season's wood, about Berkshire Mill do."

small green straw hat. Arnold wore a green sports outfit. GOING AWAY together.

BOYS CHOIR

For the mass there was special GOING AWAY music by a boy's choir from the After they were ready to leave, church in Haarlem, home town of the couple returned to the ballthe bridegroom. The entire cere- room and opened the dancing and mony lasted around an hour and a then left. (There was an orchestra for dancing, and the rest of the half.

Following mass the wedding party remained at the hotel.) party and relatives-numbering The couple went first to the around 75 persons-were enter- bride's home to pick up their lugtained at breakfast in the auditor- gage. By this time it was around ium of the school, adjoining the 1 a. m. They spent the first night church. In the family of the bride- in a small town not far from Hil-

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groom are the parents and six versum. sons, including twin boys who liv- The sext day they went to



your own is not very difficult if you are willing to give them some care. These azaleas may be eas-ily propagated by cuttings taken Visitors Tour the new stem has become partial-

ly matured. The best medium in which to plant Tuesday afternoon as part root azaleas is a mixture of half of a three-day meeting in Ashe-

pure sand and half peat moss. ville. This material may be put in a special frame or shallow box to a time for lunch in the plant cafetdepth of about 6 inches in a place eria and inspected the modern

where the frame can be shaded and watered when necessary. from the lower half of the cutting, The distributors' meeting startthe basal end with a short knife, and dipped in rootone powder. Then the cuttings are inserted in

the sand and peat mixture about half their length and firmed. They may be set close together in rows. Strict attention must be paid to shading and watering. In a few weeks roots will develop on most of the cuttings and they should be potted or transplanted to a cold from where they can be protected until ready to set out in a per-manent place. Rootone powder may be obtained in any large seed

The peach is another plant that must be propagated at this time of year. It will not come true to or year. It will not come true to variety from seed and therefore if you have any peach seedlings it is best to graft a known variety onto them. Since the peach cannot be grafted successfully in winter like the apple it must be budded like the apple it m during July or At mty agent at once for in-

are also bi

BAY B. BOWLAND

Pvt. Ray B. Rowland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne H. Rowland, ddad at this bie, has completed eight week an does not besic training at the Camp land, Ma at Training Ca