

The RAMBLER

One person has come to the rescue of Dr. A. J. Headrick. "On my word of honor, you can stand under trees and hear those worms chewing. I'm just sorry they are gone and you can't go out and listen to them chomp away," Mrs. Jeanett Newman said. Mrs. Newman said the worms were plentiful around her home and some of the trees are almost striped. The worms, we understand, will return shortly in the form of white moths.

Highway Patrolman Ray Heffner had a hard night recently. He was asked to help out capturing the men that shot at officers during a still raid in Graham County. Mr. Heffner was waiting for the bounds to drive the men past him so he could catch the offender. Sure enough, the dogs forced one of the men past him and Ray made a grab for him and missed. The chase was on. Ray ran and ran, tearing his clothes on bushes and trees. Finally, the two men came to a fence. The outlaw managed to leap over the fence but he fell on his back and knocked the breath out of himself. He lay stunned for a time on the ground. But Ray couldn't get over the fence or under it. "I was too short to go over and too fat to get under," Mr. Heffner said. The man got away. But, he was caught the next day.

E. L. Shields, operator of Murphy Motor Court, has this one to tell about kids and money. Mr. Shields once asked a little girl how much she would take for her boxer dog. The little girl pondered the matter for a few minutes and then with a very serious expression answered, "Well, I'll take \$50 in cash or a \$100 check." This leads Mr. Shields to believe that children know more about the value of money than their parents believe.

The Little League season has started and if you haven't seen a game, you should take time to go out and watch the kids play. The youngsters take the game very seriously and put everything they have into it. Even if you are not interested in baseball, it is worth the time and energy just to see Hugh Hensley or Doug Singleton umpiring a game. The kids have been known to disagree with their calls.

Folk School Group Plans Creative Course

The John C. Campbell Folk School will hold its annual course in creative recreation June 16-27. American squares, English and Danish Country Dances will be taught.

Philip Merrill, head musician and on the staff of the County Dance Society of America with headquarters in New York, will teach American Squares and Contras, and conduct an orchestra. Marie Marvel of Homeplace, Kentucky, will be in charge of the song sessions.

Raymond McLain, Director of Hindman Settlement School in Kentucky, will assist the Folk School staff.

There will be classes in carving, the making of puppets and in playing recorders, the ancient end blown flute.

Robbinsville Girl Wins Beauty

Miss Joyce Lawanda Stratton a 19 year old Lenoir Rhyne college coed from Robbinsville was crowned Miss Hickory Saturday night. Some 1,200 persons attended the pageant sponsored by the Hickory Junior Chamber of Commerce and saw Miss Stratton shed a tear or two as she was crowned by Miss Helgi Kuuskraas Hickory's 1958 queen.

A native of Robbinsville and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stratton. Miss Stratton is majoring in business. She also won first place in the South Western Beauty Contest in the Fourth of July celebration held in Andrews in 1957.

Her hobbies include bridge, sports of all kinds, cartooning and dramatics.

In the evening gown competition, Miss Stratton greeted the audience in a full white net and lace gown. She paraded in a white bathing suit dotted with green leaves and in talent competition she sang "My Hero."

As a finalist, she quickly and deliberately answered the three questions posed as a test of her ability to think.

Miss Stratton will enter the Miss North Carolina Pageant at Durham July 7. She received with her crown \$150 cash and an evening gown from the Hickory Jaycees and numerous prizes from Hickory and Newton merchants.



WINS CROWN
Miss Joyce Stratton

Two Men Shot During Still Raid

ROBBINSVILLE—Three Graham County officers jumped a still Monday morning, and shortly afterward two of them were grazed by a single bullet fired from ambush. During the hunt through the afternoon and night, three men were arrested and charged with operating an illegal still, and a warrant bearing the same charge was issued for a fourth, Sheriff Boyd Crisp reported.

The sheriff said after they were from the woods, struck Deputy Sheriff Jack Hill in the scalp, went through the confiscated 50-gallon copper still he was carrying, hit his left fore-and middle-fingers, then scaled off the top of Deputy Taylor Lovin's right forefinger. Lovin was walking on Hill's left carrying the confiscated five gallons of whisky in a sack over his shoulder.

The sheriff said the shot, fired wounded, he got help, and the three men were arrested Monday night, following a search with bloodhounds of Santeehah Wildlife Refuge Manager Jimmy Goodson.

Sheriff Crisp said the three being held are Gardner Millsaps, about 45; Wade Millsaps, about 38, Gardner's brother; and Hubert Millsaps, about 20, Gardner's son. Another man was arrested Tuesday morning.

The sheriff reported when he and his deputies hit the still about 11 a.m., four men ran. Aiding in the search following the shooting were Goodson, State Highway Patrolman W. R. Boyles and Ray Heffner, State Bureau of Investigation Agent M. G. Crawford, Lincoln Long, assistant Santeehah Refuge manager; and County Wildlife Protector Tom Davis.

The sheriff said the bloodhounds tracked down Hubert Millsaps in the woods and Davis arrested him. Wade Millsaps was found at a cousin's house, he added, and Gardner was at his own home when the officers came.

Besides the whisky and still, the officers found about 150 gallons of beer at the scene when they made the morning raid.

WMS MEET SET

A meeting is planned for Valley River Baptist Church Sunday at 2 p.m. to organize a Sunday school program.

Beautification Week Planned For Andrews

Andrews Plans for a general beautification drive for Andrews was officially declared for the week of June 22 through 27th as "Clean up and Paint Up Week" at a meeting of the Board of Aldermen last week. Percy B. Ferebee, mayor, stated, it is hoped that the citizens will join in this endeavor and see if we can give the town a better look and make a better impression on visitors and those passing through.

Civic clubs will be contacted to secure their cooperation with the project which is being planned to improve the general appearance of the town.

Mrs. Wilson, 97, Buried At Atlanta

ANDREWS—Grave side services for Mrs. Donald Wilson, 97, who passed away in Atlanta on June 4th were held Friday at 3:30 p.m. at Westview Cemetery in Atlanta.

Dr. Wallace Riston, a nephew, president of Agnes Scott College and the Rev. Eugene Witherspoon pastor of the Andrews Presbyterian Church officiated.

Mrs. Wilson until quite recently made her home at "Tranquilla" in Valleytown one mile from Andrews. She was the former Miss Frances Wallace of Atlanta, Ga., prior to her marriage to Dr. Wilson. They lived first in New York and Pennsylvania, then coming to Andrews, they bought the old Walker home that had been an Inn before the Civil War, and a stopping place for the stage coach from Asheville to Murphy.

Mrs. Wilson was a leader in church, civic, and social life of the community. She served for a number of years as a member of board of trustees of the Andrews Carnegie Library and was a pioneer in library work.

Survivors are a sister, Mrs. Ann Howland of San Francisco, Calif. Patterson's Funeral Home of Atlanta was in charge of arrangements.

Peachtree Store, Home Damaged In Early Morning Blaze Tuesday

Swimming Lessons Will Be Offered At Murphy Pool Beginning June 15

John Jordan, summer recreation Director, announces that swimming lessons will begin June 15 at the Murphy Swimming Pool.

He states that for the first two or three weeks classes will be set up for beginners and those working for the intermediate swimming card.

Classes will begin at 10:00 each day except Saturday and Sunday. On these days there will not be classes at all. Later on classes in advanced swimming and diving will be worked out.

The only cost for swimming lessons will be two dollars registration fee and admission to the pool each day. One may buy a season ticket which will be good for swim-

ming each day as well as swimming lessons.

About seventy five or more boys and girls registered last year and Mr. Jordan says he expects this year's number to exceed that.

The director says that he is well pleased with the staff this year and feel sure they will turn out some excellent swimmers. In addition to the regular staff at the pool Mrs. George Size will be on hand each day representing the local Red Cross, helping with the program.

Mr. Jordan says that boys and girls attending Bible School will not affect in swimming lessons. They will merely pick up where they left off.

Jan Davidson Attends Special Classes

Jan Davidson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Davidson, is registered in the special class for gifted children at Western Carolina College at Cullowhee.

He is one of about 100 children from throughout the state who will spend six weeks at Cullowhee in this experimental program which is geared for the child with a superior IQ.

Jan, who has recently completed the fifth grade, was picked by his teacher and principal to go to the special school. He successfully passed test given at the college before entering.

The children are given class instruction from 9 a. m. until noon daily and are taken on field trips or given supervision in sports in the afternoons.

Sunday School Meet Planned For Peachtree

The Western North Carolina Association Sunday School meeting will be held with Peachtree Memorial Baptist Church Sunday June 14th 2:30 p. m.

Rev. G. E. Scruggs will speak on "The Value of Training In The Sunday School."

Miss Frankie Martin, graduate of the Carver School of Missions will bring an inspirational message.

All of the Sunday Schools of the Association are urged to send a large group to this meeting.

MOVES OFFICE

Dr. George Size recently moved his offices from Providence Hospital to Protestant Hospital.

Civic Clubs Hear Red Cross Representative

ANDREWS—James McDaniel of Asheville administrator of Regional Program of the American Red Cross spoke to a group representing various civic organizations of the town Monday evening in the town hall.

Mr. McDaniel emphasized the importance of a well organized program and a full scale community wide preparations being intensified by civic clubs, business organizations, churches residents and other groups through out the area.

He outlined a five point contact in an all-out effort to meet the quota which has been lagging behind as follows: through the medium of newspaper and radio publicity, through church bulletins, civic clubs, plants and telephone comments.

Much interest was shown and a willingness to cooperate in providing the blood that is so urgently needed and cited the value of having the blood insurance that can be obtained through giving a single pint of blood.

Interest Is Good

Dear Mr. Editor:

I sure am glad to hear there is so much interest on the little league ball teams. I'm sure the kids are even more glad to see all the grown folks taking an interest in them.

It seems like here lately that grownups take little or no interest in the young people until the kids get in their way or start stealing cars of such like.

If there were more activities such as the little league for the kids to take their energy out on, then there would probably be a heck of a lot less stealing and fighting going on hereabouts.

It ain't like it use to be. Nowadays, the young folks don't go to work in the fields as soon as they walk five or six miles home from school. They have a lot more time and ways to get into a whole lot more trouble.

It would be nice if some sort of organized sport for these kids could be continued year around. All of them can't play football or basketball and such like where everything is based on winning. If they have a sport that could be played for the sake of the sport rather than fighting to win, it would be a help.

Them folks that are spending a great deal of their time getting this little league going deserves a great big thanks from the rest of us and it's little enough for the rest if us to go out and see the kids play ball.

Sincerely,
I. D. Clare

John T. Gill Attends Banking School

John T. Gill, Cashier of the Citizens Bank & Trust Co. is a member of the class of bank officers who entered The Graduate School of Banking at its annual summer session in June. The sessions will be held at Rutgers-The State University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, June 8 through 20.

Mr. Gill is one of nearly 1,100 bankers who is attending the two-week session of the school, which is sponsored by the American Bankers Association. The student body from 44 states; the District of Columbia; Puerto Rico; and Colombia, South American represents a capacity enrollment.

The Graduate School was founded in 1953 to provide an opportunity to experienced bankers for advanced study in banking and related subjects.

The faculty for the 1959 session numbers approximately 100 leading bankers, lawyers, educators, and government representatives. Three major subjects are offered by the School commercial banking, trusts, and savings management and real estate financing. Mr. Gill is majoring in Commercial Banking.

To qualify for graduation, Mr. Gill must attend similar summer sessions again in 1960 and 1961. In addition, he must complete two years of extension work at home and will be required to write a thesis based upon original research in some phase of finance.

Rev. Tom Houts Named Head Of Ministers Assoc.

The Rev. T. J. Houts Jr., minister of First Methodist church, was named president of the Cherokee Minister's Association at the June meeting of the body Tuesday.

Serving with Mr. Houts, the Rev. Vitold Gobins of the Lutheran church, Andrews, was chosen vice-president; and the Rev. Alex B. Hanson, Episcopal Church of the Messiah, secretary-treasurer.

Appointed on the institutional committee along with Mr. Hanson were Mr. Gobins and the Rev. J. Alton Morris of Murphy.

Methodist Youths Return From St. Simons Island

Members of the MYF of the First Methodist Church returned on Friday from a five-day stay at the Methodist Assembly Ground, "Epporth-By the Sea", at St. Simons Island.

Young people who made the trip were Judy Brittain, Jan and Lynn Whitley, Treacy Nugent, Kay Davidson, Linda Houts, Brenda Quinn, Mary Linda Hytte, Shellah and Mike Sneed, Billy and Bobby Forsyth, Frank and Jerry Dickey, Billy Gulledge, Jan Davidson, Phil Mattox, Don Carter, Bobby Weaver, Ronnie R. Hodes, Johnny Moore, Lewis Martin, David Alverson, and Lamar Haggard.

They were accompanied by the following adults, Mrs. Bunch Nugent, Mrs. Duke Whitley, Mrs. John Davidson, Mrs. Edwina Hagaman, Mrs. Ruth Forsyth, Mrs. Frank Forsyth, and the Rev. and Mrs. Tom Houts.

Smoke, Fire Damages Goods Stored At Peachtree Farm And Home Supply



Jim Greene
NAMED COMMANDER

American Legion Installs 1960 Officers

Officers for the 1959-60 were installed at a special meeting of the Joe Miller Elkins Post 96, The American Legion, last Friday evening.

Jim Greene was re-elected commander, Hugh Hensley, first vice commander John Jordan, second vice Commander; John S. Smith adjutant and Robert Bruce, finance officer. Special guests included William F. Tyndall, immediate past division five commander, of Cherokee and Frank W. Swan, district 32 service officer.

Mr. Tyndall served as installing officer. He complimented Commander Greene on the accomplishments of the Post under his direction during the past year calling special attention to the fact that Post 96 now has an active membership of 234 members.

Delegates to the Department Convention to be held in Greensboro June 18-21, were appointed. The O'Henry Hotel is American Legion Headquarters for the Convention.

SECOND JOINT SERVICES SET FOR SUNDAY

The second of the Methodist Presbyterian summer union service will be held at 8 o'clock Sunday night at First Methodist church.

Choirs of the two churches are to unite in leading the music, and Robert A. Potter, Presbyterian minister, is to preach, his theme being "When the Silver Rises."

The first services was held at the Presbyterian church last Sunday night. Evening worship will alternate between the two churches during the summer months.

"Operation Bootstrap" To Purchase Trailer And Truck As Starter

"Operation Bootstrap" is getting ready to roll, although collection cans are still out in many of the 12 participating counties and more money is needed to really "put the show on the road."

Following a preliminary report by treasurer, J. C. Keetter, of Bryson City, at a meeting last week, the directors of Western North Carolina Industrial Development Corporation reached these decisions:

1. There is enough money now on hand to purchase a mobile trailer and a four-wheel drive truck to pull it. These two items will be purchased and the inside of the trailer will be equipped as the remaining money allows. "This will give 'Operation Bootstrap' something tangible," explains Helms Hollman, president, "and will show the people

The Peachtree Farm and Home Supply store was extensively damaged by fire about 6 p. m., Tuesday morning.

The volunteer fire department from Murphy battled the blaze for almost two hours before it was put out.

Assistant Fire Chief Edwin Cook said the blaze apparently started from an electric motor. The fire ran up the wall and was burning under the roof.

Most of the damage, Mr. Cook said, resulted from smoke.

The store, owned and operated by A. G. Kilpatrick, was closed at the time of the fire. Mr. Cook said the blaze was apparently discovered by Mr. Kilpatrick and his family.

The Kilpatrick family live in a section of the store building. Their home was not damaged by the fire.

The goods in the store part of the building were damaged by smoke more than fire, Mr. Cook said.

Burning between the walls, the fire ate its way into the roof and was burning around the insulation.

The fire department, Mr. Cook said had rip away part of the roof and ceiling to get at the fire.

The store is now open for business, according to Mr. Cook.

Approximately 12 members of the fire department answered the call.

No one was injured in the blaze, Mr. Cook said.

Presbyterians Start Vacation Bible Classes

Murphy Presbyterians begin their annual vacation church school next Monday, with five departments, nursery to Pioneer.

All girls and boys of the church (3 to 14) and others in the community not attending some Bible school are invited. The general theme for the year for the children is God and His nature and goodness.

Members of the staff include: Elizabeth Barrett, Mrs. W. M. Fain, Mrs. Paul Hill, Mrs. Holland McSwain, Mrs. Robert A. Potter, Mrs. W. A. Singleton, Mrs. R. M. White, and James A. Pippin, student minister at Hayesville and Bethel churches.

Closing worship service of the school and award of certificates is to be held at 7 p.m. Sunday June 28.

2. Once the trailer is equipped and ready to roll, it will be driven by representatives of W.N.C.I.D.C. through all the participating counties so the people who contributed their 33 cents to the industrial promotion program can see what this money is doing. In conjunction with this, a continued effort will be made to raise enough money to send the "Operation Bootstrap" trailer on its journey through the United States on its appointed task of "selling" the rest of the country on the industrial and tourist potential Western North Carolina.