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PLAN BIBLE CONFERENCES NEXT WEEK

F. Crossley Morgan Will Conduct Studies At Presbyterian

Dr. F. Crossley Morgan, a leading minister, Bible scholar and author, will conduct a Bible conference next week at the Waldensian Presbyterian church.

Morning sessions will be held at 10 a. m. Monday through Friday and the evening sessions at 8 o'clock each night. The public is invited to hear this outstanding speaker.

At the evening services Dr. Morgan will take his subjects from the New Testament, and at the morning meetings he will teach the book of the prophet Habakkuk. Evening topics are: Monday, The Supreme Tragedy in a Church's History; Tuesday, The Christian Warfare; Wednesday, The Central Fact of the Christian Faith; Thursday, The Central Person of the Christian Faith; Friday, The Second Coming of Christ.

Dr. Morgan will also speak Sunday morning and Sunday evening. Subjects for the morning worship will be "Christ's Charge to the Church" and his evening subject will be "Christ's Challenging Disciples."

Dr. Morgan is noted for the breadth and the depth of his teaching and his work has been wholeheartedly praised by laymen and ministers of all Christian denominations. He was born in London, England. (Continued on page two)

PILOT MILL'S OFFICE CHANGE COMPLETE

Larger Quarters Include More Offices, Conference Room For Mill.

The handsome new addition to the main offices of the Pilot Fulling Mill is now complete and as a result of the change, the office space has been more than doubled, in addition to numerous other advantages the management affords.

Various shades of green harmonize beautifully to give a most pleasing effect. The floor is finished in mottled-green in rubber tile, the doors and walls done in appropriate shades of green. Modern lighting fixtures have also been installed throughout the office.

On the first floor, the office formerly utilized by the payroll department, the bookkeeping department and the billing department, has been converted into four separate offices and a conference room. The new office of the knit-ting room superintendent is also located on the first floor now.

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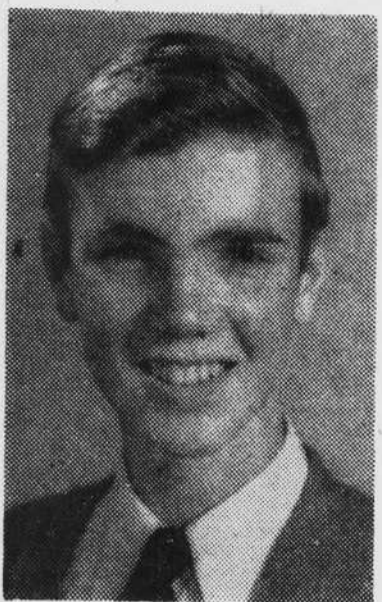
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Edwin has been active in school activities. In her freshman year, she was treasurer of the English Club and a member of the Scribble Club. When a Junior, she was elected to the Beta Club, secretary in chief of the school, and was a delegate to Girls' State.

Win Scholastic Honors



Janet McDonald, left, has been named valedictorian of the 1949 graduating class of the Valdese high school, and Edwin Houk, right, has been named salutatorian. Janet is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norwood McDonald of Valdese, and Edwin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Houk of Rutherford College.

County Music Festival To Be Held Here May 18

Bible Instructor



Dr. F. Crossley Morgan, above, will conduct a Bible conference Sunday through Friday at the Waldensian Presbyterian church, teaching the book of Habakkuk. He is considered one of the outstanding Bible teachers of this day.

The Burke County schools will present the annual spring music festival Wednesday evening, May 18, at 7 o'clock at the Valdese elementary school. In case of rain, the festival will be held on Friday, May 20.

All the schools in the county are expected to take part in the event, which drew an audience estimated at more than a thousand people last year.

The program will include numbers by a combined primary chorus, a combined grammar school chorus, a high school boys' chorus, a high school girls' chorus, the Valdese high school and the Valdese second grade rhythm band.

Miss Ruth Bolick of Rutherford College will direct the primary chorus, Miss Mary Dudley Hamer of Hildebran the high school girls' chorus, and Robert Gourley of Valdese the high school boys' chorus. The directors for the grammar grade chorus is still to be selected. Jane Goode will direct the rhythm band.

The steps of the Valdese elementary school will form the stage for the program, with the band seated on the walk in front of the steps. Last year two bands took part in the festival, but one of them is temporarily inactivated. Plans are being made to provide seating for the audience, with bleachers arranged in a semi-circle in front of the school.

CANCER DRIVE NETS \$1104.88

The cancer drive in Valdese, which closed on Saturday, April 30, brought in a total of \$1104.88. Just what percentage of the total raised in the county this amount will be is not yet known, but the drive was considered most successful and it is believed that the Valdese total will rank very high.

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NEW MAYOR ASKS HELP OF ALL CITIZENS

New Valdese Officials May Take Office This Week Or At Later Date.

Although there was no official confirmation of the fact, it was reliably reported Tuesday that the new town board would be sworn in Wednesday morning by Jim Short, local justice of peace who usually does the job.

The law says that the new board may be sworn in any time after the first Monday following the election. Since this provision gives considerable leeway as to when a new group takes office, it is possible that Mayor "Trigger" Pons and the board elected May 3 may wait several days before taking the oath of office. Presumably the first board meeting will be held Monday, June 6, the regulate date that the board meets.

In a statement released this week, the newly-elected mayor called on the citizens of Valdese to cooperate with his administration 100 per cent for the good of the town. "I want to thank everyone for their support in the recent elections," Pons said. "I solicit your continued support as we all work to make Valdese a better place in which to live. With your help, we'll make it the best town in North Carolina."

SINGING MEET PLANNED FOR MAY 21 HERE

Many Popular Out-of-County Groups Expected To Attend Event.

A real old fashioned singing convention is being planned for Saturday, May 21, at the Valdese Community Center, with vocalists coming "a fur piece" to take part. Among the entries in the convention, the one that comes the farthest so far is the Rainbow Quartet of Micaville, of which W. G. Robinson is the leader.

Other groups that signed up include the L and H Quartet of Newton, Mr. Hass director; the Valdese high school quartet; and the Songsters of Morganton, led by Wilson Bowman. Letters are being received every day, Mr. Chambers said, from groups in Lenoir, Valdese, Morganton, Granite Falls and other surrounding towns, who want to enter the musical jamboree.

JUNIOR MUSIC HYMN FESTIVAL SUNDAY MAY 22

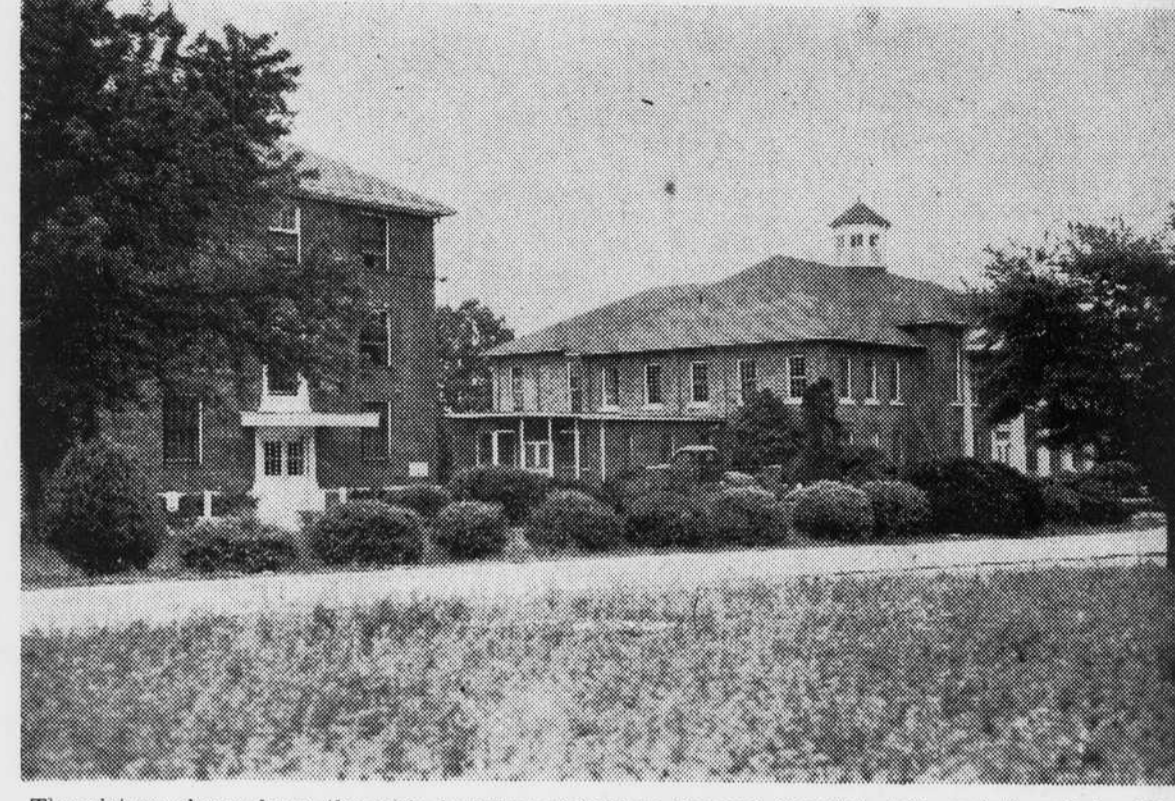
Junior Choirs of Churches To Present Program Of Sacred Numbers.

Junior music clubs of Valdese will conduct a hymn festival Sunday evening, May 22, at 6 o'clock at the Valdese elementary school. The program will include sacred numbers by the junior choirs of the Waldensian Presbyterian church and of the First Baptist church, as well as congregational singing of hymns.

Accompanists will be members of the Czerny club. The Valdese Senior Music Club is sponsoring the festival, with the following committee in charge of arrangements: Mrs. A. T. Justice, chairman; Mrs. Henry J. Pascal, Mrs. Charles Burgin and Miss Frieda Culbertson.

Valdese General Hospital Will Hold Open House On Thursday

Scenes At Modernized Valdese General Hospital



The picture above shows the main building of Valdese General Hospital, left, and the clinic, right. Connecting the two buildings is an enclosed passageway, which also serves as an ambulance entrance. The building at the left is the former dormitory of Rutherford College, and the clinic occupies the old administration building. Visitors at the Hospital's open house Thursday evening from 6 to 9 o'clock are asked to go first to the clinic, the building with the columns.



Shown above is the lobby in the new clinic of the Valdese General Hospital. To people who knew the old building, used until recently as a nurses' home, the transformation is as miraculous as the making of a silk purse from a sow's ear. Walls are a soft green, and the floors of red tile. The day of the antiseptically white hospital no longer prevails, and the hospital becomes a friendly personal place.

NEW, LARGER FACILITIES ARE COMPLETE

Public Invited To Inspect Additions and Remodeled Hospital Buildings

The Valdese General Hospital will hold open house Thursday, May 12, which is National Hospital Day. The day, however, marks more than just a national observance for the hospital. It means that the much needed expansion program has progressed to the point where the new clinic can be used and can be opened to the public. The nurses' home has been in use for several months.

From 6 p. m. to 9 p. m., the hospital, the clinic and the new nurses' home will be open, and the public is invited to visit the hospital between those hours. Visitors are asked to go to the new clinic, which is the middle of a group of the three buildings that comprise the hospital plant. There, members of the hospital personnel will meet them and take them through the hospital.

Refreshments will be served. Actually, the hospital belongs to the people who will be visiting it, for it is a community owned hospital, operated on a non-profit basis, for the purpose of administering medical care to the people of this area.

According to hospital statistics for the United States, one to three people out of every family will go to a hospital this year. But the patient does not have the opportunity to lift the veil and see the inside workings of his hospital then that he will have Thursday evening, when every department will be open for his inspection.

The visitors will first visit the clinic and doctor's offices in the newly remodeled central building. Entering the beautiful lobby and reception room, he will see on his left the pharmacy and on his right, the children's waiting room. Swinging doors will admit him to the clinic proper, with the "card" room or office on the left, then

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Swimming Pool Will Be Opened Here Next Tuesday

May 17 is a red letter day for Valdese boys and girls, and for grown-ups too. That is the day that the Community Center swimming pool is scheduled to open. The wading pool will also be open for the smaller children.

For those who belong to the community center there is no admission charge. The swimming is free. But for those who do not hold membership in the center, the admission fee is 50c.

Membership dues are \$12 a year for adults, \$6 for children. If the parents are members, however, the dues for the children are only \$3 a year.

FOLK SONGS, DANCES ON LIONS CLUB PROGRAM

The Lions Club of Valdese was entertained at its meeting Thursday evening with a program of folk songs and dances by four boys and four girls from the Crossnore School. Dr. Mary Martin Sloop, director of the school, accompanied the children.

John L. Johnson, principal of the Valdese elementary school, and a former Crossnore student, had charge of the program. A report on the progress of the committee working on housing for teachers was heard.

LT. GRILL GRADUATES Second Lt. Henry S. Grill of Valdese graduated in Class Number three, special associate basic course in anti-aircraft and guided missiles of the Coast Guard artillery school on Tuesday, May 3, at Fort Bliss, Texas.

COUNCIL OF PTA MET HERE

The Burke county council of the Parent-Teachers Association held its semi-annual meeting Monday, May 2, at the Valdese elementary school.

Mrs. Leon Guigou of Valdese was elected president for the coming year. Other officers are Reese Scull of Rutherford College, vice-president; and Mrs. Frances Penland of Icard, secretary-treasurer. The presidents of all the P.-T.A. organizations in the county gave reports on the accomplishments of their group during the year. Year books were displayed, to be judged for prizes.

Rev. A. B. McClure of Valdese conducted the devotionals, and a musical program was given by the Valdese elementary school chorus and the Valdese second grade rhythm band.

This Year's Edition of Valdese High Annual Is Dedicated To Coach

The 1949 edition of the Impersonator, Valdese High School annual, is dedicated to Coach Burton Barger, with the following inscription on the dedicatory page:

"We proudly honor 'Coach' Burton K. Barger who has made athletics a real sport. The student body as well as the boys who go out for his teams love and respect him. They strive to show good sportsmanship a swell as to win every game possible. We the students of the Valdese High School dedicate the tenth volume of the 1949 Impersonator."

This Week In Valdese

- Thursday, May 12
 - 3:30 p. m.—Girl Scout Troop No. 13 will meet.
 - 6 p. m.—Open house at Valdese General Hospital.
 - 7:15 p. m.—High Peak Council No. 355, Jr. O. U. A. M. will meet at the Junior Order Hall.
 - 7:30 p. m.—The Burke county sub-district of the Methodist Youth Fellowship will meet at Zion church.
 - 7:30 p. m.—The Pilot Club will meet at the Community Center.
- Friday, May 13
 - 7:30 p. m.—The DAR will meet at the home of Mrs. Julius Ramsey, Sr.
 - 8 p. m.—Grandpappy Jones and his Tennessee Playboys will give a program at the Community Center.
 - 9:30 p. m.—Square dance at the Community Center.
- Sunday, May 15
 - 11 a. m.—Worship services at all churches.
- Monday, May 16
 - 7 p. m.—Boy Scout Troop No. 2 will meet at the First Baptist church.
 - 7:30 p. m.—Lovelyday Chapter No. 147, O. E. S., will meet in the Masonic Hall.
- Tuesday, May 17
 - 12:30 p. m.—The Rotary club will meet at the Pilot Cafeteria.
 - 3 p. m.—The Rutherford College Home Demonstration Club will meet.
 - 7 p. m.—Boy Scout Troop No. 1 will meet at the St. Germain street Scout hut.
 - 7:30 p. m.—The American Legion will meet at the Legion Hut.
 - 7:30 p. m.—The Legion Auxiliary will meet at the Legion Hut.
 - 7:30 p. m.—The Valdese Music Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Armand Verreault.