

Teen-Age Center Seeks Home; Will Meet Tonight

The board of directors and officers of the Franklin Teen-Age Center will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at Horsley's Restaurant to hear a report about buildings available to the center.

Opening of the center has been delayed because no build-

ing has been obtained to house it.

Harry Corbin will make the building report.

At a meeting last Thursday night, the directors and officers talked about holding square dances every week end under the sponsorship of the Teen-Age Center, with proceeds going to the center.

Mrs. Lasca Horsley, president, said she believed the dances would be successful, particularly during the summer tourist season. She said that Helen's Barn, in Highlands, does a good square dance business, boosted by tourists.



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FEDERATION STOCKHOLDERS SET MEETING

Gather Tomorrow At Franklin Store: Election Planned

Annual meeting of Farmers Federation stockholders in Macon County is set for tomorrow (Friday) at the Franklin store at 10 a. m., it has been announced.

The Franklin store committee will be up for reelection and new members will be nominated at this time. One county director also is to be nominated by the stockholders and his election will hinge on the approval of all Federation stockholders at the annual meeting March 23 in Asheville.

Mrs. C. S. Slagle and James Raby are presently serving as directors for Macon.

Members of the store committee E. V. Ammons, Billie Barnard, Robert Bennett, E. J. Bradley, Ed Byrd, R. C. Enloe, Jerry Franklin, Weaver Gibson, Woodrow Gibson, Fred Hannah, Charles W. Henderson, Weaver Holbrook, Mrs. Effie Hunt, B. W. Justice, Dr. Frank M. Killian, Bryant McClure, Wallace Morgan, Clayton Ramsey, James Raby, Fred Saunders, Mrs. C. S. Slagle, Siler Slagle, Woodrow Teague, J. Harry Thomas, the Rev. J. I. Vinson, and Jim Young.

Demonstration Club Meetings For Week Are Announced

Meeting of home demonstration clubs in this county for the coming week have been announced by Mrs. Florence S Sherrill, county home demonstration agent. They are as follows:

Today (Thursday): Sandtown club at 1:30 p. m. with Mrs. Bryan Setser.

Friday: Cullasaja club at the home of Mrs. H. T. Horsley at 2 p. m.

Monday: Sealy club at 2 p. m. with Mrs. Hugh Dryman

Tuesday: Carson club at the home of Mrs. J. C. Dowdle at 1:30 p. m.

Wednesday: Iotia club with Mrs. Bayse Penland at 1:30 p. m.; Patton club at 7:30 p. m. at the community building.

Thursday: Holly Springs at 1:30 p. m. with Mrs. Paul Ammons, Mrs. Frank Cabe as co-hostess.

The first day of operation of the Soil Bank acreage program in North Carolina saw 11,810 farmers sign up to participate in the program by reducing their plantings of allotment crops this year.



Mrs. Baldwin



Miss Moody

College Superlative List Names Two Macon Students

Macon students were voted the most popular and most studious by members of the Western Carolina College student body in the recent annual selection of superlatives at Cullowhee.

Mrs. C. Jack Baldwin was chosen most studious and Miss Julia Moody was elected most popular.

Mrs. Baldwin, the former Miss Sue Elaine Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Haughton Williams, of Franklin, Route 3, is a W.C.C. senior. She is majoring in general science with a concentration on chemistry.

She will do her practice teaching next quarter, probably in Bryson City. She and her husband commute to W.C.C. from their home in the Brewer apartment on the Bryson City road. Mrs. Bald-

win was on the Beta honor roll last quarter.

Mrs. Baldwin is a member of the Science Club, the Future Teachers of America, and has been a member of the Baptist Choir.

Miss Moody's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Truman Moody, of Franklin. Miss Moody is a member of the student senate at W.C.C. and president of the Women's House Government.

In 1955, she was selected "best college citizen" and this fall was named for listing in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities". She has been on the dean's list every quarter for the past two years and will serve in the W.C.C. May Court this spring.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

By MRS. BETH GUFFEY
(Elementary Supervisor)

Fifth grade pupils in Miss Ethel Calloway's class at Highlands School are learning how to get more enjoyment out of reading, how to increase their reading speeds, and to improve the effectiveness of their reading comprehension.

This group of youngsters devised an original and unique game for reading improvement. Most of the work is on the mechanics of reading, but speed in reading has been doubled for some pupils and significant gains in reading comprehension have been noted.

The class is divided into groups. Each group represents law enforcement officers — policemen, sheriffs, patrolmen, F. B. I. agents etc. Each group of officers has specific duties to perform.

In the process of reading a new story, any unfamiliar word is considered a "criminal", because it deprives the reader of completing his thoughts. So, at the first reading of the story, all unfamiliar words found by the readers are

immediately tabbed as "criminals". The law enforcement officers go into action. Dictionaries are whisked off book shelves and the records of the "criminals" are investigated. First, the scheme for showing pronunciation by phonetic respelling and diacritical marks are reviewed. Then, the record of the "criminal" (unfamiliar word) is studied. The syllabification and markings are observed and the correct pronunciation is obtained. Often the class finds that a word has different meanings. So, the officers must hasten to the story and find where the particular "criminal" is hiding and how it is used in the story.

Once in the hands of these efficient officers, all information is obtained and the "criminal" is captured. When the correct pronunciation and meaning of the word are understood by all members of the class, the word is no longer considered a "criminal". It then undergoes a program of rehabilitation, which is making sure the pupils use the word often so they will remember it. Later in

the day, the story is reread for fun.

The underlying purpose of this work is to increase reading enjoyment. The pupils look forward with eagerness to their reading period, they work energetically, and enjoy the session. They are not only improving their reading

ability, but are becoming "vocabulary conscious".

If they hear a teacher or visitor use an unfamiliar word ("criminal") it is not surprising for the pupils to "capture" the word for investigation.

The reading period in this class is certainly one of interest and action.

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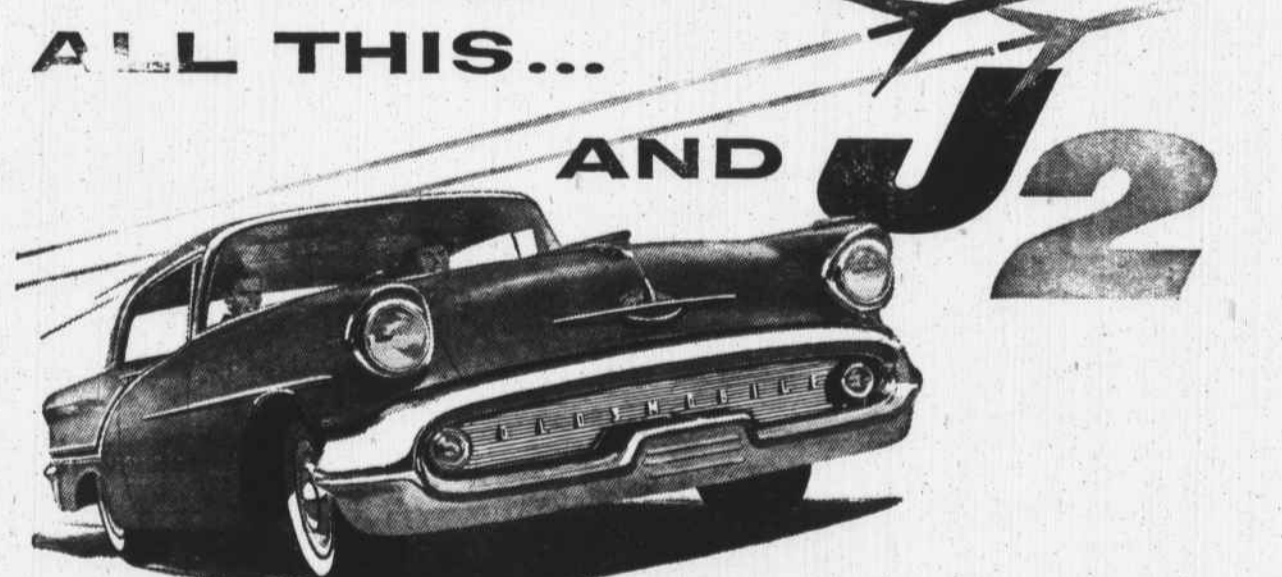
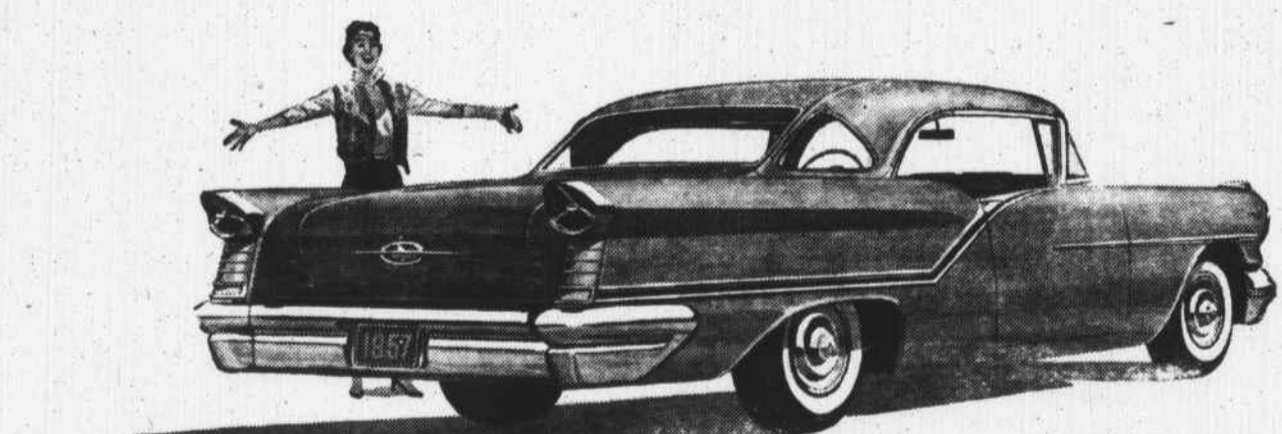
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