

Western Carolina Will Feature Field Of Music During Summer Session

New Courses In Child Growth To Be Offered During This Session

CULLOWHEE—During the first session of summer school at Western Carolina Teachers College, June 16 to July 19, the field of music will be featured, along with regular courses, with the development of the Regional Opera Training School.

Headed by Mr. Clifford E. Bair, Director of the Training program of Winston-Salem, a two week program will be carried out for the benefit of those musical students who wish to go into opera. The program will provide training not only for opera, dramatics, repertoire, and techniques, but also for participation in a major opera production that will be presented at Cullowhee at the close of the training period, according to Dean W. E. Bird.

Scenes from other standard works will also be presented. These will constitute a regional opera festival utilizing the talents of those students who won awards or acclamation in the state musical contest recently held in the eastern part of the state. Several music instructors will be imported to assist Mr. Bair and to teach the regular music courses. They are Mrs. Theo Risebrook, sister of Mrs. Charles G. Gulley, regular voice teacher of the college, Mr. Vernon Hammond, Dr. Ilse Huebner from Out-of-Door Training School, Sarasota, Florida, who is director of the Smoky Mountains Music Center which will enter this summer upon its fifth consecutive program.

From this Regional Opera Training School and other similar programs of other regions, representatives will be selected to participate in the National Opera Festival to be presented in Milwaukee in the summer of 1948 as a feature of the Wisconsin State Centennial Celebration.

The Smoky Mountains Music Center will offer courses in Music Appreciation, Harmony, Ear-

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Oce Sends Delegates To Grand Chapter

Four delegates of the O.C.E. Chapter O.E.S. attended the Grand Chapter meeting at Salemburg the first of this week. They left here Sunday and returned Wednesday night from the "streamlined" three day session. The delegates were Mrs. Dexter Hooper, Sylva; Mrs. Betty Parnell, Dillsboro; Mrs. Hazel Carlson and Mrs. Edna Ealy, both of Cherokee.

The meeting was held at Pine-land College, located at Salemburg, and dormitories of the college were used by the delegates.

Sylva Power Rates Discussed At Board Meeting Thursday

At the regular weekly meeting of the board of aldermen on last Thursday night the question of a lower electric power rate for the town was discussed with officials of the Nantahala Power and Light Company, of Franklin, which now furnishes the local power company with current which is in turn distributed over the local system to customers in the city. Representing the power company were, J. E. S. Thorpe, president, and John Archer, general manager. No definite action was taken at this meeting.

The board was notified by the police; Don Davis, James Mason, and George Evans, that they were entitled to ten days leave and that beginning Friday morning, June 6 their leave would begin. This left the city without police protection since the men were expected to remain on duty until the 15th after which they were to be paid for ten days extra. Chief Karl Warlick, who had already been employed and was to have started on duty June 15, was notified and came to Sylva Thursday night, beginning his duties here Friday morning.

Mayor Allison stated that Chief of Police Warlick is chief in fact; that

4-H Clubs Of County Striving To Raise Funds For Camp Cabin

The Cope Creek 4-H Club has won the prize of \$15 which was offered by the County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs for the 4-H club which turned in the highest percentage of completed record books, Miss Helen Sossamon, County Home Demonstration agent, has announced. The prize was offered with the understanding that the money would be used in the raising of funds to build the Jackson County cabin at the new camp site near Waynesville. The 4-H boys and girls are striving to raise \$700 as their quota in the building of the cabin. The Beta 4-H club was runner-up in the contest.

FILM WOOS ALABAMA AWAY FROM FLORIDA

Raleigh, June 9—North Carolina's old travelogue movie, "Variety Vacationland," distributed by the State Advertising division, is still getting customers.

The Alexander City, Alabama Kiwanis bulletin says: "We don't know how many A. C. Kiwanians we lost to the state of North Carolina, but if N. C. is half as good as the propaganda film shown last week, we couldn't blame anyone for wanting to go there. Art Surprise says North Carolina hasn't got any thing Alabama hasn't got—North Carolina just shows it off to better advantage. Alabama has the assets—lets advertise them. It can be done as so clearly demonstrated by North Carolina."

In an accompanying letter to the advertising division, the club secretary says: "Fred Dobbs, at the close of the film, immediately stated he was not going to Florida on his vacation, but was going to North Carolina. Please send him a mountain folder."

AAA OFFICE MOVED TO COURT HOUSE

D. C. Higdon, chairman of Jackson county AAA committee, announces that after June 15 the AAA office, which is now located over Stovall's Cafe, will be located in the county court-house. Mr. Higdon asks that all farmers keep this in mind when they need to contact the AAA office after June 15.

The USDA has reported that the Commodity Credit Corporation has completed purchases of 154,700 bales of cotton for the UNRRA.

he has the authority to direct the police department, including the hiring and firing of officer personnel. Mr. Earl Childers has already been employed as assistant police. Bud Enslay is doing some night supply work, pending employment of a permanent officer.

Special Father's Day Service At Scott's Creek

Special services honoring the fathers of the church will be held at the morning worship hour at Scott's Creek Baptist church. Music fitting for the occasion and a special message by the pastor will be features of the service. All fathers of the community are invited to be present.

Following this service the members of the T. E. L. class, an adult woman's class in the Sunday school, will entertain their husbands with a dinner in the school cafeteria.

A loan of \$2,669,000 to rural electric cooperatives in six states was approved by the REA. These funds will be used to finance rural electric facilities including 1,562 miles of rural distribution lines to serve 4,366 farms.

CUT IN FSA BUDGET WOULD RETARD FARM PROGRAM IN COUNTY

603 Jackson Families Receive Loans For Improving, Owning Farms

In a check this week of the records of the Jackson County Unit of the Farm Security Administration it was found that since the program was started a few years ago that 603 farm families have received aid through the agency to buy seed, fertilizer, livestock, farm equipment, etc. It was further learned that the approximate amount of money involved in loans for farm operation was \$341,400.00 with better than 90 per cent of maturities collected; that only 12 families have been dropped because of no further possibilities of collection; that 34 tenant farmers have bought and improved their own farm; that the amount of money involved in the purchase and improvement of farms for tenants amounted to \$96,165.00; that this money was loaned on a 40 year basis and that \$62,612.00 has been repaid within eight years; that the average tenant who purchased a farm is about six years ahead of scheduled payments.

The record speaks for itself as to the help the program has been to agriculture in Jackson County, yet in the face of this record and thousands of other such records over the country, congress contemplates drastic reductions in appropriations to carry on the work.

Sylva Firemen Will Go To State Meeting

Sylva's fire chief W. B. Cope, and fireman Felix Picklesimer will leave Monday for Durham to attend the annual State Fire College and Drill School which will be held in that city June 17, 18 and 19. This school is sponsored by the State Firemen's Association for the purpose of instructing the various local fire departments in the latest methods of fire fighting, safety and first aid to firemen or individuals who may be overcome by smoke, gas, or injured in any way.

FUNERAL FOR JOHN A. BUCHANAN HELD AT OLD SAVANNAH

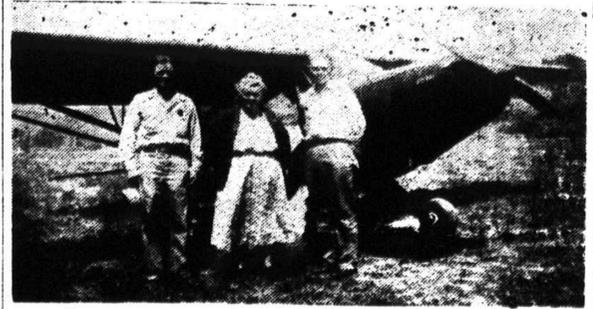
Funeral services for John A. Buchanan, who died on Saturday, May 10, were held on Monday, May 12 at 11 o'clock at the Old Savannah Baptist church. Burial was in the church cemetery. The Rev. Corsey Hooper, officiated, assisted by the Rev. R. W. Green.

Mr. Buchanan was born August 21, 1865, being 82 years of age at death. He married Miss Callie Beasley on November 15, 1890, who died in 1944. He was a charter member and deacon of the Greens Creek Baptist church.

Surviving are the two sons, two daughters, two brothers, two sisters, seventeen grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Total consumption of cotton in foreign countries during 1946-47 is expected to exceed the 1945-46 rate by about two million bales and it is estimated that world consumption will be about 26 million bales, according to the Bureau of

BEGINS FLYING CAREER AT TENDER AGE OF 72



Shown above is Mrs. L. E. Hooper standing between her son, Tom R. Hooper on left and Pilot Johnny Watson on right, just after landing from her first airplane ride which was a birthday present from her son, on the occasion of her 72nd anniversary. Mrs. Hooper was most enthusiastic about the trip in the air, stating that the only thing wrong was that it was too short, and remarked that she hopes to do more flying. Mrs. Hooper is the mother of 7 children, has 29 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Her home is at East Laporte.

HOLY LAND R.R. STATION BLASTED



THIS RAILROAD STATION at Ramleh, Palestine, was dynamited by four men who police say were masked and disguised in police uniforms. The station master's wife was the only one injured in the blast. Ramleh is a town with a population of about 10,000 Arabs. (International)

CHAMBER OFFICIALS THANK PUBLIC FOR SUPPORT IN DRIVE

The board of directors and Felix Picklesimer, president of the Chamber of Commerce wish to thank the citizens of the county for their splendid response and support in the recent membership drive.

Mr. Picklesimer stated that through an oversight the following names were left off the list published last week: Stovall's 5 and 10 cent store, Elder's Garage, J. D. Moore, and Moody Funeral Home.

"Although our goal has almost been reached financially we still need plenty of individuals to help boost our Chamber of Commerce. We hope to have a sign erected in our information office at an early date on which will be placed the names and locations of all our tourist places that have contributed this year. This does not mean that your name will not be carried on our regular tourist accommodation list because you have not joined the chamber of commerce, but is just a special advertisement for the ones who are members. Any suggestion along this line will be greatly appreciated.

"We are always glad to have anyone list with us who have rooms for rent or property for sale."

Judy Campbell Receives Painful Burn

Judy Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Campbell, was painfully burned on the back Monday morning when her father accidentally turned the percolator of hot coffee over, some of spilling on Judy, who was sitting near in her high chair. She was given first aid at the local hospital but was then returned to her home. She is reported to be getting along nicely.

Crawford Gives Ruling On School Attendance In County Districts

According to a ruling by the State Board of Education, no children shall be allowed to reside in one school district and attend school in another school district, unless such attendance is authorized by the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education states that no attendance credit be allowed for children who reside in one district and attend school in another district unless they are transferred by the State Board of Education. Where there is agreement between the governing boards of the administrative units with reference to the transfer of pupils, the matter shall be handled subject to approval by the Controller of the State Board of Education.

Parents will please bear this ruling in mind when making plans for their children attending school for the coming year.

Master Of Medical Art Is New Science Degree

In Dallas, Texas, about two hundred doctors, artists and educators gathered last week to celebrate a marriage of art and science and the birth of a new academic degree—Master of Medical Art.

The dinner was largely a tribute to Prof. Lewis Waters, chairman of Southwestern Medical College's medical art and visual education department and brother of Mrs. Fred M. Williams of Sylva.

Six speakers spoke at the dinner in the Melrose Hotel praising the accomplishment of Southwestern Medical College in establishing courses leading to the new degree. The first MMA in history was awarded later in the week to Miss Patricia O'Neill.

In 1943 Waters organized a medical art department for the college and he has been crusading ever since for the professional standing for the medical artists, who must be scientists as well.

Visiting Musicians Render Special Music At Cullowhee Baptist

The Cullowhee Baptist congregation was favored last Sunday at the morning worship hour with special music by a mixed chorus composed of persons from Cullowhee and Sylva. Included in this group were Misses Alice Weaver, Ruth Hooper, Mesdames Paul Ellis, Mark Osborne, Jr.; John Echols, Rev. Mark Osborne, Jr., and Mrs. Grover Wilkes, pianist. They sang "The Beautiful Garden of Prayer" by Fillmore. Also Mr. Thomas Parker of Raleigh, a student at the University of North Carolina, was guest organist during the service.

Mr. Osborne used as his sermon subject, "The Fine Art of Listening."

Legionnaires of Two Wars Envade Carolina Beach In Annual Convention

Kermit Harris And Others Injured In Car Wreck

Kermit Harris remains in a critical condition at the C. J. Harris hospital where he is receiving treatment for injuries received Friday night, June 6, in an automobile accident. The bones below the knee of the left leg were broken, the left pelvis fractured in several places, and other cuts and bruises about his body received.

The accident occurred in a curve on highway 28, just before entering Ela from Cherokee. The car, not making the curve, struck a telephone pole, severing it completely and damaging the car beyond repair.

Other occupants at the time of the accident were Nina Cable and Dorothy Crisp of Bryson City, and R. L. Haskett of Sylva. They all received minor, yet painful cuts and bruises.

CRASH ON COWEE MOUNTAIN FATAL TO MACON YOUTHS

Carl Dietz and Dewey Medlin, both of the West Mill section of Macon county near Franklin, were killed in a motorcycle accident Saturday afternoon when Medlin, who was the operator of the motorcycle, lost control while passing a truck on a curve of Cowee mountain and collided with a car coming in the opposite direction. Dietz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dietz, was not thought to be seriously injured at the time and was taken to Angel hospital in Franklin, where he later died of a fractured skull and other injuries. Medlin, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. Judson Medlin, died almost instantly.

The two boys had been visiting briefly with relatives and friends in Sylva Saturday, having talked with various friends on the streets of the town just before leaving Sylva to meet with the accident on Cowee mountain.

State Highway Patrolman Pritenard Smith, Jr., who investigated, listed Mrs. James G. Spencer and Mrs. George A. Cordell, both of Pine Knot, Ky., as injured occupants of the car, and James G. Spencer as driver. He said no charges were brought.

Funeral For Mrs. Bumgarner At Cashiers

Funeral services were held Monday at Cashiers for Mrs. Artie Kirby Bumgarner, 73, who died Saturday, June 7. She was the wife of H. F. Bumgarner. She came from Macon county about six years ago to make her home in the Cashiers community of Jackson county.

Jackson County Had 42 Forest Fires During Fiscal Year 46-47

Jackson county had 42 fires in the fiscal year 1946-47, J. Fred Bryson, project leader of TVA Project No. 3, has announced. These fires burned 964 acres of the forests of Jackson county, averaging 16.5 acres burned per fire.

Although the average number of fires for each year over the past six years has been 30 fires, the acreage per fire has been greatly reduced, showing an improvement in fire loss. The six-year average was a burn of 1624 acres per year and an average of 54.2 acres per fire. This important reduction in loss for the average fire has been due to improvement in fire detection and suppression techniques and increased vigilance on the part of the foresters.

The increased number of fires this year is because of the larger number of people using the forest areas of the county than during the war years when tourist travel was greatly reduced. Organized fire crews now enable the wardens to actually begin work on the fires with a much shorter lapse of time than formerly because of report of a fire and the beginning of work, causing the drop in the acreage

Members Of Local Post And Auxiliary Delegates Plan To Attend Meeting

CAROLINA BEACH, June 9—A crowd of 100,000 people, the largest in its history, is expected to pack this seaside resort town Monday afternoon, June 16, to watch a Navy-Marine task force "invade" a quarter of a mile stretch of beach on the third day of the North Carolina American Legion Department's four-day convention, according to flat predictions made today by Legion officials.

Convention Chairman W. L. Farmer and Commander W. E. Matthews of Carolina Beach Legion Post 272, convention hosts, disclosed that a movement is now underway to have mayors, county board chairmen and presidents of merchants associations in Southeastern North Carolina declare a half-holiday beginning at noon of the mock D-Day so that "the people of this region may see with their own eyes how the American forces won the beachhead battles of World War II."

If the holiday movement is successful, as the officials anticipate, almost all towns in Southeastern North Carolina will become ghost towns for half a day as their residents pour into the Carolina Beach "battle" area.

Gen. Jacob L. Devers, commanding Army ground forces, will deliver the main address of the convention on Monday.

The Legion officials said they are also expecting crowds approaching the "D-Day" dimensions on Sunday, June 15, to view the beauty pageant from which "Miss North Carolina American Legion of 1947" will be picked. Similar throngs are anticipated for the \$1,500 fireworks show over the ocean at 11:30 p. m. Monday, June 16, and for the "world's largest fish dinner" at 1:30 p. m. the following day.

To accommodate the unprecedented crowds, Carolina Beach has expanded housing and eating facilities and set up a regularly-scheduled water-taxi service which will operate through the sounds and the inland waterway between Carolina Beach and Wrightsville Beach.

Local Legionnaires To Attend

Five delegates of the William E. Dillard post of the American Legion from Sylva will leave Saturday for Carolina Beach to attend the convention. The delegates who will attend from the local post are: Dan Tompkins, D. W. Tallent, Ed Bryson, L. H. Higdon, and Rev. W. Q. Grigg. Delegates elected from the auxiliary are: Mrs. Fred Williams, Mrs. Dan Tompkins, and Mrs. Porter Scroggs.

Sister Of W. T. Wise Receives Degree At Columbia University

On Tuesday, June 3, the graduation exercises at Columbia University Teachers College, Mrs. Virginia Wise Schoenberg, sister of W. T. Wise of Sylva, and daughter of Mrs. Sara Wise formerly of Sylva, received her degree. During the colorful ceremony honorary degrees were conferred upon Hon. Bernard Baruch, Stimson, Patterson, Forrestal, and others.

There were 7000 graduates and 10,000 spectators. The parade of graduates to the stands, the music and choir, and the colorful robes of the faculties of Columbia were all very impressive.