



MRS. E. B. BANNAN PRESENTS BREAD TO DAUGHTER'S SON, DAVID ERIC, 9-YEAR-OLD SON OF PRESIDENT OF MARS HILL COLLEGE, SERVING BANANA BREAD TO HER 9-YEAR-OLD SON, DAVID ERIC.

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### Extra Time Is A Rare Item For College President's Wife

By CATHERINE GAINES

One day a young man who was clutching a furry object appeared at the door and stammered: "Lady, do you want a cat? Y'see I'm a student and I found it in my room and I know THEY won't let me keep it..." "Lady" smiled, took the little animal in, and sat down for a quiet chuckle. She is the wife of that man with a right to frown over kittens in dormitories, Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, president of Mars Hill College. Mrs. Blackwell, by virtue of her own three children, has a deep understanding of young people. A house overlooking a campus filled with more than a thousand students is her idea of the perfect place to be. Mrs. Blackwell's home, the college and Mars Hill Baptist Church are her main interests. She is a member of the Woman's Missionary

Union of the church and teaches a Sunday School class for young women. She has been an active member of the Mars Hill Parent-Teachers Association for many years. Her sons, Albert, 17, and Eric, 10, are now attending schools in Mars Hill. Hannah Brown is a Junior at Wake Forest College. Extra time is an item Mrs. Blackwell has very little of, since as the wife of a college president, she must be ready for impromptu entertaining. Her latch string is always out for visiting dignitaries, old friends, and streams of former students. "Of course, hobbies," she laughs, "involve having time." But she does claim one, reading, a carryover from days when she majored in English literature. Mrs. Blackwell is a graduate of Carson-Newman College, where her father, the late Albert R.

### Sub-District Meeting At Hot Springs Mon.

The Methodist Youth Sub-district met at the Hot Springs church Monday evening at 7:30. A very inspirational musical program was had with the Rev. Jack Alber at the organ and the youth of the church participating. Business session was presided over by the president, Mr. Pender McElroy. Refreshments were had in the church basement and informal singing was enjoyed by the group.

### TRAPPED BY PENNY

Cleveland, Ohio — Shortly after a passenger handed him five pennies for a tip, Lou Takacs, a taxi driver, was held up by a gunman and robbed of \$10. Police arrested a suspect, who protested his innocence. Takacs remembered that one of the pennies had been blackened and had a dent in it. Sure enough, that penny was in the suspect's pocket.

Brown, was a trustee.

A second hobby, and certainly appreciation, goes to music. The Blackwell home is always filled with the musical strains since all three children have studied the piano for many years.

Albert carries his love for music a step farther with hours of practice on a trumpet. His interest in horns, Mrs. Blackwell says, goes back to a day when at seven he emptied his piggy-bank, took his "life savings," and bought a bugle.

The college, itself, is a source of pride and inspiration for Mrs. Blackwell who has seen it grow during the last 26 years, under her husband's presidency. Their house is situated on a hill above the campus, a prime vantage point for watching the placing of new bricks in new buildings.

Tradition is also preserved at the college and one of the president's wife's favorite student stories revolves around a marker on the main street.

The marker, which rests on the site of the first college building, reads, "N. W. Corner, First Building." "Mrs. Blackwell," a worried looking freshman asked her one day, "who was that Mr. Corner buried out there?"

### TO CONDUCT REVIVAL



REV. RAY ALBER

### Revival Services At Hot Springs Methodist Church

There will be revival services at the Hot Springs Methodist Church, April 16-20 at 7:30 each evening. The guest speaker for the meeting will be the Rev. Ray M. Alber, father of the pastor, the Rev. Jack Alber.

Rev. Ray Alber, former pastor in Kannapolis and Peachland, is now serving in Charlotte. He is known throughout Indiana and North Carolina for his outstanding work as a minister of the Gospel. Rev. Mr. Alber will be preaching each evening, Monday through Friday. Each service will feature special music, hymn singing and special nights for different groups. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Schedule Of Home Demonstration Clubs in County

- Monday, April 16 — Beech Glen — Mrs. Claud Gibbs, hostess.
- Tuesday, April 17 — Little Pine — Mrs. Wiley Roberts, hostess.
- Wednesday, April 18 — Mars Hill.
- Thursday, April 19 — Laurel — Mrs. W. W. Gahagan, hostess.
- Friday, April 20 — Grapevine — Mrs. J. D. Gosnell, hostess.

### Miss Ramsey Is Bride Of James R. Woody Jr.

Miss Shelby Jean Ramsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ramsey of Hot Springs, became the bride of James R. Woody Jr., son of Mrs. James Woody of Hot Springs, Route 1, Saturday, March 31, 1954, at 7:00 p. m., in the Hot Springs Methodist Church.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Ralph Hogan, and organ music was presented by the Rev. Jack Alber.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Mr. Jack Ebbs. She wore a waltz length dress of lace and satin. Her shoulder length veil of net was held with orange blossoms. She carried a white Bible topped with a white orchid.

Miss Sue Ella Reeves of Hot Springs, served as maid of honor and only attendant. She wore a dress of yellow, fashioned like that of the bride.

Mr. Burder Woody, brother of the groom, served as best man.

Ushers were Bruce Woody and Tommy Harrison, of Hot Springs. Assisting at the reception in the recreation room of the church were Mrs. Jack Ebbs and Mrs. Floyd Gregory, sisters of the bride, both of Hot Springs.

Following the ceremony, the couple left by automobile for South Lebanon, Ohio, where they will reside.

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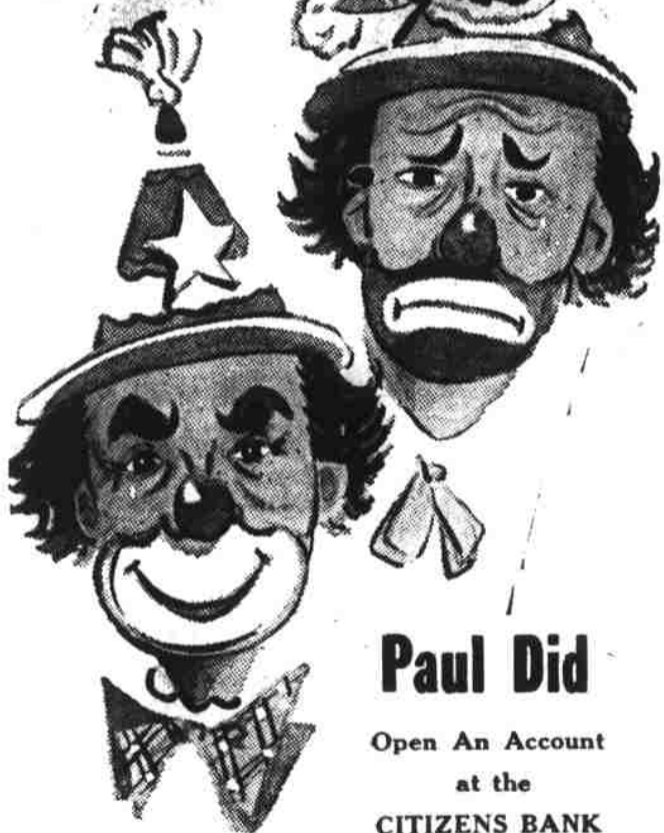
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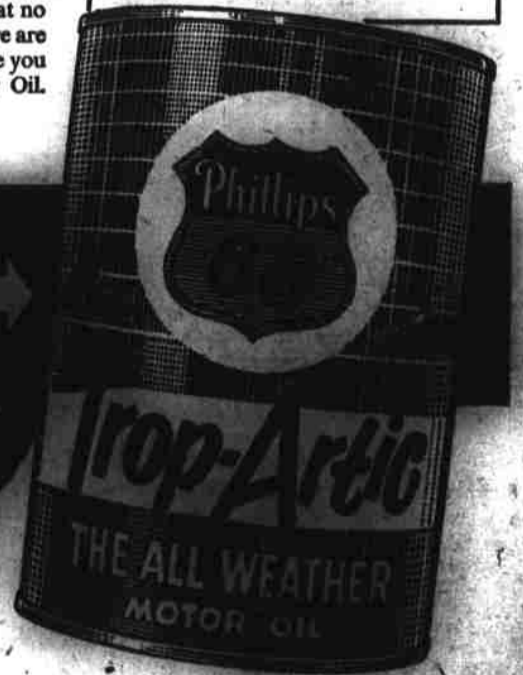
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