

Linda Lee Stockton Makes Fine Record In Va. As 4-H'er

Granddaughter Of A. E. Cantrell Member Of Worsham Club

Linda Lee Stockton, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Stockton of the Abilene community in Virginia and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cantrell of Marshall, has been an active member of 4-H ever since she entered the club at Worsham, Va.

A shy, frightened little girl then, her determination to speak up in meetings, and to do whatever came to hand in club activities, is shown by her record. Secretary of the club for a number of years, and then its president, she has also been first vice president of the 4-H County Council, also its reporter. Member and frequently chairman of club and county committees, her ideas and energies have been felt in many directions. The Worsham-Darlington Heights Club in which she has been active has profited by her support, enthusiasm, and sustained interest.

Living on the family farm in the southwestern part of Prince Edward County, Virginia, Linda eight years ago started a home vegetable garden that through the years has developed into "the kind one reads about but seldom sees." No matter what time of year, it is well cared for. Enclosed in a white picket fence, flower outlined, no weeds can be found — even around its borders. Plants are uniform and healthy, insect-free; and she plans a succession of crops that keeps the whole in use.

Her family and friends enjoy the produce. Growing a little each year, the plot now includes almost 30,000 sq. feet. She has followed CPI recommendations as to soil tests and fertilizers, seed varieties and insecticides. The family learned to enjoy vegetables they never ate before (she has planted 32 varieties) and she has branched into planting strawberries and raspberries.

Her projects in canning and freezing have won her renown.

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The garden brought her top honors in county and district contests, and her ability in food preservation was noted at the Sears, Roebuck exhibits in Lynchburg, as well as at the Five County Fairs. Skill in demonstrating techniques of preparing and freezing foods have impressed audiences at district and state contests, and she has won the frozen food district contest for two years.

While gardening and food preservation have had major emphasis, Linda has always carried and completed an amazing variety of projects. Prior to 1963, she had completed 51 projects and eight activities. During the current year she has carried 24 projects, embracing a great span of interests in which 4-H offers help.

This project work has netted her 17 medals, 23 ribbons, more than \$100 in cash — plus the intangibles she lists as "a wealth of experience, also improvement in the well-being of my family as well as myself." Among these she treasures self-confidence, and good sportsmanship, as well as knowledge. Linda keeps her head when she wins, and her heart when she loses.

Besides working well with fel-

low club members and local club leaders, Linda is a frequent visitor in the Extension Service office. Discussing club matters or projects with Mrs. Eunice M. Mottley, home demonstration agent for Prince Edward County, gives Linda access to the resources of the Extension Service and VPI as well as the state's 4-H Club Department.

The oldest of three children, Linda's enthusiasm brought her whole family into club work. Her parents serve as club advisers, are always willing to work on activities involving putting up fair booths, renovating a former Grange building to be used as a community club house, carrying groups to picnics, and helping where needed. Her brother and sister are following the pattern she established in active participation and achievement.

Linda has served as a junior leader at Holiday Lake 4-H Camp, and during the year as a junior leader of the Worsham Club girls. Along with helping the younger girls with projects and record books, she has encouraged them to take advantage of the many opportunities 4-H has to offer. Her vital feeling for 4-H is contagious; her willingness to demonstrate and share what she has learned (coupled with innate humility) has carried her to many Home Demonstration Club meetings as well as 4-H gatherings other than her own club.

As an officer of the 4-H County Council, Linda has worked on many successful county events such as the Achievement Program, Share-the-Fun Contest, Rural Life Sunday, parade float, fair booths, picnics, vespers services; and has with her customary energy helped put over successful fund-raising projects.

Tapped as All Star in 1962, simultaneously with her brother, Kenneth, this 4-H Club state honor acknowledged her top-quality work and the fact that to anything she undertakes she gives her best. A good follower as well as an able leader, she does not try to dominate members, meetings, or events. Rather, she is always ready to say, "I'll try!" and then really follows through.

As an active member in the Bethpeor Baptist Church, she has for five years been an officer of her Sunday School class and the Girls' Auxiliary. She is a rising



THE LAND OF THE SKY CHORUS will be a featured attraction at the annual Parade of Quartets to be presented Saturday at 8 p. m., in City Auditorium. Members of the chorus are (L-R): front row—Jim Mills, Tom Johnson, Louie Luther, Al Duckett, formerly of Marshall, leader; Bill Sisk, Bob Sisk, Roger Neilson. Second row—Hub Miller, Doyle Keller, Jack Cole, Bird Waddell, Frank Turner, Paul Amshary. Third row—Kyle Carter, Bill Embler, Dick Moseley, Dick Lamb, Ron Woodbery. Fourth row—Leroy Beaver, Howard Ruckman, Tom Donnelly, Paul Leavitt, Ray Sawyer. Other star attractions will in-

clude The Buffalo Bills, stars of the Broadway show and movie, "Music Man," The Dignitaries, present Dixie District champions, and The Skylanders, local quartet. The Parade of Quartets is sponsored by the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbership Quartet Singing in America. Tickets may be obtained at Talman's downtown, Westgate and Northland shopping centers, Dunham's Music House and Jackie's Record Shop, and at the door. There will be no reserved seats except patrons' tickets.

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NEWS from the Services

USS Shangri-la (FHTNC) — Guy V. Tweed Jr., son of Mrs. Hilliard C. Rector Jr., of Rt. 5, Marshall, recently returned from a six-week midshipman training course aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Shangri-La in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland and down the St. Lawrence Seaway to Quebec, Canada.

Designed to prepare midshipmen as Navy officers, the ship provides practical experience in shipboard operations. The Shangri-La is an Atlantic Fleet unit operating out of Mayport, Fla.

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junior at Prince Edward Academy in Farmville, where she is a good, conscientious student, and is planning to major in home economics at college.

Representing Prince Edward County at 4-H State Sort Course in Blacksburg for several years, Linda was this year a member of its state-wide nominating committee. Now she has been selected as Virginia's girl delegate to North Carolina's 4-H Week, to be held at Raleigh this summer. This honor indicates the recognition of her leadership and constructive ability, not only in her own club and county, but on the state-wide level of 4-H Club and Extension Service work. She with Joseph Meredith of Richmond, will represent Virginia's 70,000 club members — proof positive of what 4-H membership means.

Honor Students At M.H. College

Among the 92 persons achieving recognition as honor students at Mars Hill College for the spring semester of the 1962-63 school year were six from Madison County:

Judy Gail Ball, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ball of RFD 5, Marshall; Paul L. Houston, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Houston of RFD 2, Marshall; John A. Huff, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Huff of Mars Hill; Nancy Kendall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill; Mrs. Irene M. Metcalf, daughter of Mrs. Jerome Metcalf of RFD 2, Mars Hill; Janice Carole Plemmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Woodard Plemmons of Marshall.

Houston, a rising junior, has been on the Dean's list for two other school terms and has served as a college marshal.

Huff was on the dean's list for the fall term of 1962-63.

Miss Kendall has been on the dean's list for the previous two terms.

Mrs. Metcalf was also on the dean's list for the fall term of 1962-63.

Also receiving recognition as an honor student was James M. Baley III, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baley of Asheville, formerly of Marshall.

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FOX DORMITORY FOR WOMEN at Mars Hill College echoes with the sounds of workmen putting the final touches to the half million dollar structure which is scheduled to open

in September, with living facilities for 118 co-eds. Extensive landscaping, including the construction of a large parking lot in front, will be completed after the opening.

—Cut courtesy Asheville Citizen

4th Year, 4th Girls' Dormitory

Faced with a steadily increasing number of applications for admission, Mars Hill College is moving ahead in its building program as well as in its academic development.

A new dormitory for women, which will permit the college to increase its enrollment by nearly 10 percent, is nearing completion and will be ready for use in September, when the 107-year-old Baptist institution becomes a full fledged liberal arts college.

Still, the college is unable to keep up with its applications from prospective students. Even with the new dorm there is a waiting list of students who want to live on campus. Day students, who plan to commute, are still being accepted. Last year admissions officials were forced to turn away 150 students because of insufficient housing facilities.

The additional enrollment made possible by the opening of the new dorm will swell the student body past the 1,200 mark when school begins in September. The first senior (fourth-year) class will number around 160, according to Registrar Robert Chapman. The other classes will include approximately 235 juniors, 375 sophomores and 450 freshmen, he said.

The new dormitory has been named in honor of C. G. Fox of Hickory, a trustee, and his wife, who have been generous in their support of the college for many years.

Formal dedication ceremonies will be held on Founders Day in mid-October, but the handsome red brick and limestone-trimmed four-story structure will already

be in use. Constructed on the suite system — two rooms with two women in each and a connecting bath — the building will contain apartments for the hostess and for the dean of women. Other provisions include parlors, a recreation room, storage space and a utility area for vending machines and laundry facilities. It will contain an elevator and will be attractively decorated with new and modern furniture.

Designed by Six Associates of Asheville and erected by E. B. Robinson Construction Co., also of Asheville, the new dorm will cost approximately half a million dollars. Situated on a hillside near the college's three other modern dormitories for women, it is of the same general appearance.

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