

'Sound Of Music' At Mars Hill

One of America's most delightful musicals, "The Sound of Music", will be staged in Owen Theatre in Mars Hill by the Southern Appalachian Repertory Theatre beginning July 7 and running through July 18 at 8:15 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinees.

The play was the last musical collaboration of composer Richard Rodgers and lyricist Oscar Hammerstein. The story is based on "The Trapp Family Singers" by Maria Augusta Trapp and chronicles the events leading up to the Austrian family's flight from Nazi invasion prior to World War II. "The Sound of Music" premiered at the Lunt-Fontanne Theatre in New York City on Nov. 16, 1959, and continued for 1,442 performances. It starred Mary Martin and Theodore Bikel. The 1965 film featured Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer.

The SART cast features Linda Edwards as Maria Rainer and Earl Leininger as Captain von Trapp. Cast in the roles of the von Trapp children are Dona Wheeler as Liesl, Steve Fish as Friedrich, Amy Knisley as Louisa, Fred Holtkamp as Kurt, Lora Cunsford as Brigitta, Maria Cassida as Marta, and Jennifer Gault as Gretl.

Supporting roles will be played by Connie Foster as the Mother Abbess, Tony Haire as Wolf Gruber, Pam Smith as Elsa Schraeder, and Michael Deepas Max Detweiler.

Other featured performers

include Angel Jackson, Susan Hensley, Debbie Deaton, Keith Sargent, Susan King, Nancy Sultan, Arthur Cain, David Motte, Diana McWilliams.

Mark Moore, Ken Wilson, Dwight Bradley, Carlene Griffin, and Debbie Wagoner. Understudies for the von Trapp children include Keith

Kramer and Kris Kramer and Janet Grose.

Reservations may be made by calling the Owen Theatre Box Office at 689-1239.



MR. AND MRS. G. D. MACE, of Marshall, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Ann, to Gary Wayne Dillon, of Morristown, Tenn. Miss Mace is a graduate of A-B Tech and is presently employed by CARE, Inc. of Jefferson City, Tenn., as a licensed practical nurse. Dillon is a graduate of Hot Springs high school and a veteran of the U. S. Army. The wedding will take place August 21, at 7 p.m. at Grapevine Baptist Church. All friends and relatives are invited.

Bake Sale

The Madison County CB Club will sponsor a bake sale at the Madison Plaza on Saturday beginning at 10 a.m., it was announced this week.

The benefit sale is for the James Cutshall family who lost their home and everything in it in a fire on June 27 on Sprouse Town Road.

"We will accept donations of anything else," Clarence Henderson, president of the CB Club stated.

Hospital News

To Mr. and Mrs. Phillip D. Anderson of Mars Hill, a daughter, June 29, in Memorial Mission Hospital.

Mrs. Effie Morgan of Route 2, Marshall is a patient in Mercy Hospital, Charlotte, where her condition is critical.

Breaks Ankle

Mrs. Lucille Cantrell of Walnut accidentally fell at her home last week and sustained a broken ankle. She is recuperating at her home.

One of the best cures for optimism is a political race.

Joyner-Reid Wedding Site Is Changed

The Brenda Joyner-J. B. Reid Jr., wedding site, originally set for 2 p.m. at the Long Branch Baptist Church on July 11, has been changed to the Madison Seminary Baptist Church at 2:30 p.m. on July 11, due to conflict in interest.

All friends and relatives are invited.

Successful Homecoming

Homecoming for all former residents of the Walnut area was held Sunday at the Walnut Presbyterian Church. The bicentennial celebration was sponsored by the four Walnut churches.

The Rev. James Buckner, pastor of the Walnut Missionary Baptist Church, delivered the sermon. Singing was by both youth and adult choirs, directed by Mrs. Cloice Plemmons, Mrs. Plummer Cody and Mrs. J. Bates

Hot Springs Dance Friday Night

On July 9, there will be a free bicentennial dance sponsored by the Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce. The dance will be in Hot Springs School gym from 8 p.m. until 12 midnight.

All residences of the Hot Springs area, age 12 years and older, are invited. Bicentennial costumes may be worn.

Decoration

A decoration will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at the J. Lee Henderson Cemetery located above the home of Mrs. R. H. Clark on Davis Chapel Church Road.

All relatives and friends are invited.

Summer School Starts Here

Summer school session will begin at Madison High School on July 12 and end July 30.

This will be a 3-week session from 8:30 a.m. until noon, 5 days per week. This is for grades 9 through 12 and will

A Woman's Observation

By DOROTHY BRIGMAN SHUPE

Well, did you have a glorious Fourth of July? I certainly enjoyed ours here at Walnut where we had all four churches together at the Presbyterian church and our Baptist minister, the Rev. Jimmy Buckner, delivered the sermon. The youth and adult choirs did a beautiful rendition of several religious and patriotic songs under the direction of Mrs. Cloice Plemmons, Mrs. J. Bates Henderson and Mrs. Plummer Cody.

Then we had our "dinner on the ground" in the community room of the church and the rain didn't take anything away

from the good food that was brought. Dear old Louise McClure said she would bring enough for both of us, so I didn't have to bring a basket! Shupe had to leave early to go to work, or I certainly would have had to bring some extra for him! Valarie Guthrie had arranged some lovely flowers to decorate the church, and other working for the success of the day were Lucille Burnette, Gwen Plemmons, Juanita Stackhouse, Freida Landers, and many others who brought that good tasty food.

Of course, many people don't remember that the declaring of our independence made us free all at once. We had to fight until 1783 before we really gained full recognition, although most of the actual fighting ended in 1781. I have been wondering for the past few days how many of my former students remember having to learn the last paragraph of the declaration and recite it for my history classes in Marshall and Walnut. I suppose with all this celebration, they just might have by now, forgiven me for stressing the document.

And I hope they remember how Washington had his "sunshine soldiers" — those fellows who would fight while we were winning battles, and then desert him when we would lose battles. And how only about one third of our nation was willing to break away from the king, one third strongly in favor of staying with the English, and the other third not caring either way. I have often wondered which stand I would have taken. We can all be proud now, but that was really a radical thing to do in those days.

We are real proud of our marker the bicentennial committee put up on the grounds of the Methodist

Church. I wonder how many people really knew that Walnut was the county seat for several years. I believe the name Jewell Hill was at one time Duell Hill because two fellows fought a duel on those grounds at one time. But, some say, a man whose last name was Jewell used to live on that hill and that is how the name came to be. Anyway, we are now Walnut and proud of it.

OBSERVED — I really enjoyed the bicentennial issue of The News Record — Pop, Mrs. Alexander, and all who wrote for the issue are to be congratulated for a fine edition — I think the new owner is doing a fine job in his capacity and I'm so glad he has connections with our county. I hope to meet him one of these days. Congratulations to Mrs. Stack (Lottie) Reeves for being the oldest at the celebration Sunday, and to Mrs. Carrie Rector for having the most descendants. You should have seen my cute little Caroline Leigh Tolley. She was there for that historic meeting. Just think, even she probably will not be here 100 years from now to celebrate since she is already one year old. Or will we have something to preserve life by that time that will enable her to live to be 125 or more. Who can tell, with all the improvements that have been made in our health these days, gee, we have a lot to be thankful for, don't we? Haven't got back to doing any house cleaning yet, but it will wait — as it has for several years. Have a good day!

The first American woman to fly a jet was Ann Baumgartner Carl in 1943. As a test pilot in California, she flew an experimental twin-jet plane that had been test-flown first in October 1942.

Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Sherrod of Dallas, Tex., have returned to their home after visiting Mrs. Sherrod's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Briggs, in Mars Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Gladson Shelton and son, Glenn, and daughter, Mrs. Patricia Harper, and son, Billy, of Lincoln Park, Mich., left Saturday after spending two weeks with Mrs. Shelton's mother, Mrs. Ollie Rhinehart, of Route 1, Marshall.

T. Sgt. and Mrs. Frank Treadway and children, Tommy, Donald and David, who have spent 4½ years at RAF Chicksands Base in England, are spending three weeks here with Mrs. Treadway's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Rector, on Redmon Road. Treadway will be stationed at Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, Ala., after his visit here. Mrs. Treadway is the former Miss Patty Rector.

SINGING

The second Sunday night singing will be held this Sunday at the Alexander Baptist Church beginning at 7.

The Rev. Joe Sprinkle, Dennis Parris and members invite everyone to attend.

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS



I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Register of Deeds for Madison County subject to the will of the Democratic voters in the August 17, 1976 Primary.

In my opinion, my experience as a legal secretary for five years, Deputy Register of Deeds for one year under the incumbent Hilliard Teague, and Bookkeeper-Secretary to the Madison County Board of Education for the past seventeen years qualifies me to do the job you as a taxpayer should expect.

If elected, I pledge to continue efficiency, accuracy and honesty in the Office of Register of Deeds. Jena Lee Buckner

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