

Mars Hill's CEP Offers Reading

Mars Hill College's Continuing Education Program (CEP), an education plan aimed at the needs of adults in the region, will offer courses this year which will eventually lead to a state certificate in reading. This certificate would allow the student to become a special reading teacher in grades K-12 who could teach reading to small groups or tutor individuals; on the high school level the certificate would allow the holder to teach reading as a subject; and the certificate would also allow the holder to work clinically in diagnosing reading needs and tutoring.

Three of the courses will be offered this fall. Library Science 311 - Selection of Instructional Materials - will be offered in Asheville at Reynolds High School; Education 321 and 323 -

Language Arts in the Early Childhood and Intermediate Grade Programs - will be offered in Burnsville at East Yancey Middle School; Education 404 - Reading Instruction in Grades K-12 - will be offered in Asheville at the First Baptist Church; and Education 430 - Trends and Issues in Reading - will be offered in Asheville at the First Baptist Church and on the college campus.

The CEP has a split term registration. The first registration for the fall has already been held. However the registration for the second fall term will be held on the Mars Hill College campus Saturday, Sept. 17, from 8 a.m. through 1 p.m. For further details on class meeting times and registration, contact Dr. John Hough, director, or Dr. Harold Holcombe, assistant director. The Continuing Education Program, Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, 28754 or call 689-1202.



VICKY NARRON of Mars Hill is shown holding a 14-inch long okra, grown by Mr. and Mrs. Guy Buckner of Mars Hill.

Hayes Run

4-H Club

Makes Plans

The Hayes Run 4-H Club held its regular monthly meeting on Sept. 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Wise.

Greg Lisenbee and Mark Reitor presided over the meeting. Renee Wyatt led the American pledge. Warren Wise led the 4-H pledge, and Jackie Buckner read devotions.

Several upcoming activities were discussed. Among them were plans for a pet show to be presented at the Madison Shopping Plaza for Oct. 1 during County Exhibit Day; also planned for Oct. 9, 4-H Church Sunday to be held at Madison Seminary Baptist Church.

Hickory Fork

KKK Meeting

Sept. 17-18

There will be a KKK meeting at Claude Sheltons on Hickory Fork, just off Highway 212 on Laurel, on Sept. 17 and 18, beginning each night at 7.

C. L. Letterman, charter member, states that there will absolutely be no drinking allowed; white public invited; and guards will be on duty at all times.

A number of speakers will be on hand, Letterman stated.

Circus Tuesday

Continued from Page 1 workmen spreading canvas and pulling cables, acrobats warming-up, all in preparation for the local exhibition of the fabulous new 1977 edition of Roberts Bros. Circus. Performances are scheduled for 6 and 8:30 p.m. to raise funds for the Mars Hill P.T.A.

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Corn Crop Value Down \$161 Million

Drought and other factors will reduce the value of the North Carolina corn crop an estimated \$161 million compared to the 1976 crop, a North Carolina State University economist predicts.

Production last year had a value of \$359 million. This year it will be around \$198 million, said Dr. T. Everett Nichols Jr., grain marketing economist with the Agricultural Extension Service at NCSU. "Prices have slipped since last year," said Nichols, "and we planted about 10 per cent fewer acres this year, but a good portion of the value reduction of the current crop is directly attributable to the drought."

The best indicator of the effect of weather is the anticipated per acre yield, Nichols explained. This will be down around 33 per cent - 80 bushels per acre in 1976 to 53 bushels this year.

Estimates of the current crop point to the Southern Piedmont area as the hardest hit. Average yields in this area have been reduced a devastating 60 per cent to around 28 bushels an acre. Yields will be down in all sections. Lightest hit is the mountain area.

Madison County is expected to have very little damage due to the drought reported W. B. Zink, county executive director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS).

tradition all presented in the truly American three-ring format under a real circus big top. See you there Tuesday!

But, don't wait until Tuesday to buy your family's tickets. Not only does the P.T.A. make more from its advance ticket sales, you save money too. Advance tickets are available from any student or at those business places displaying "tickets on sale here" signs. Those advance tickets are just \$1.50 for students and \$2.50 for adults (age 15 and up). At the circus box office, on show day, the admission price will be \$2 for students and \$3 for adults. Remember the circus will be here one day only, so don't miss it.

Greater Ivy Represents County At Luncheon

The communities and organizations in Western North Carolina judged to have done the best job on beautification projects during 1977 were honored at a 12 noon luncheon today (Thursday) at the S&W Cafeteria in the Asheville Mall.

Announcement of the winners of the beautification competition of the 1977 WNC Community Development Program were made on this occasion. Presentation of

\$1,800 in awards to the winners will be made in conjunction with a planning meeting of the steering committee which represents 18 Western counties.

The beautification contest - WNC Beautiful - is sponsored by the Western North Carolina Community Development Association and the N.C. Agricultural Extension Service in the 18 Western counties and the Cherokee Indian Reservation. Purpose is to

encourage organized clean-up programs and beautification projects and to recognize communities and organizations doing an outstanding job.

The program is set up in two divisions, one for organized community clubs and another for organizations and groups such as garden clubs, extension homemakers clubs and scout troops. County and area judging is held in each division and identical area awards are

provided. A total of 92 organized community clubs entered the beautification phase of the program this year, and 20 organizations in nine counties took part in the noncommunity club division. Fifteen county winners from among the community clubs were judged on Aug. 29-31 in area competition.

The Greater Ivy Community represented Madison County at the luncheon.

Blindness: What It Is And Who It Affects

By DIANE C. LEACH

Home and Community Adjustment Instructor Orientation and Mobility Instructor with Services for the Blind

Blindness can be defined in a number of ways. Most definitions refer to how well a person can see even with the best corrective lenses. An individual is considered "legally blind" if he or she can see no more at a distance of 20 feet than an individual with normal sight can see at a distance of 200 feet. Most persons considered "blind" do have some usable vision. Blindness is handicapping to the degree that it prevents the individual from leading what for him or her is a normal life.

According to the American Foundation for the Blind, statistical estimates indicate that there are about 6.4 million people in the United States with some kind of visual impairment; in other words people who have trouble seeing even with corrective lenses. Of these, 1.7 million are severely impaired. This means that they are either "legally blind" or that they function as if they were "legally blind" even though their vision does not fall into that definition. Over one million persons are 65 years of age or older. This is because the diseases which are the major causes of blindness in this country are associated primarily with aging. Twenty-five per cent of the severely visually impaired are in the 45- to 64-year-old age group, 8 percent are 25 to 44 years of

age, and only 4 per cent are under 25 years of age.

This is the first in a continuing series of articles on blindness.

Next week: Blindness - Its Causes.

Sale of Florida to the U.S. by Spain in 1819 for \$5 million rounded out the southeastern boundary of the continental United States.

Walnut Club

Will Convene

Next Tuesday

The Walnut Development Club will meet next Thursday night at the Walnut School at 7:30.

Mrs. Lucille Burnette, president, will preside.

All members are urged to attend.

Your Pharmacist Bill Powell Says

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Thyroid cancer from X-rays

Question: Are dental X-rays included in the latest thyroid cancer scare? Answer: No. A warning was issued to those people having had X-ray treatment for conditions such as enlargement of the tonsils, adenoids or the thymus gland, acne, ringworm of the scalp, or deafness due to lymphoid tissue

around the Eustachian tube.

The warning urged such people to let their physician examine their throat and neck, right away, and to repeat the exam at two or three year intervals. Such patients are said to have above-average chances of developing thyroid tumors.

Bill Powell, Your Pharmacist.

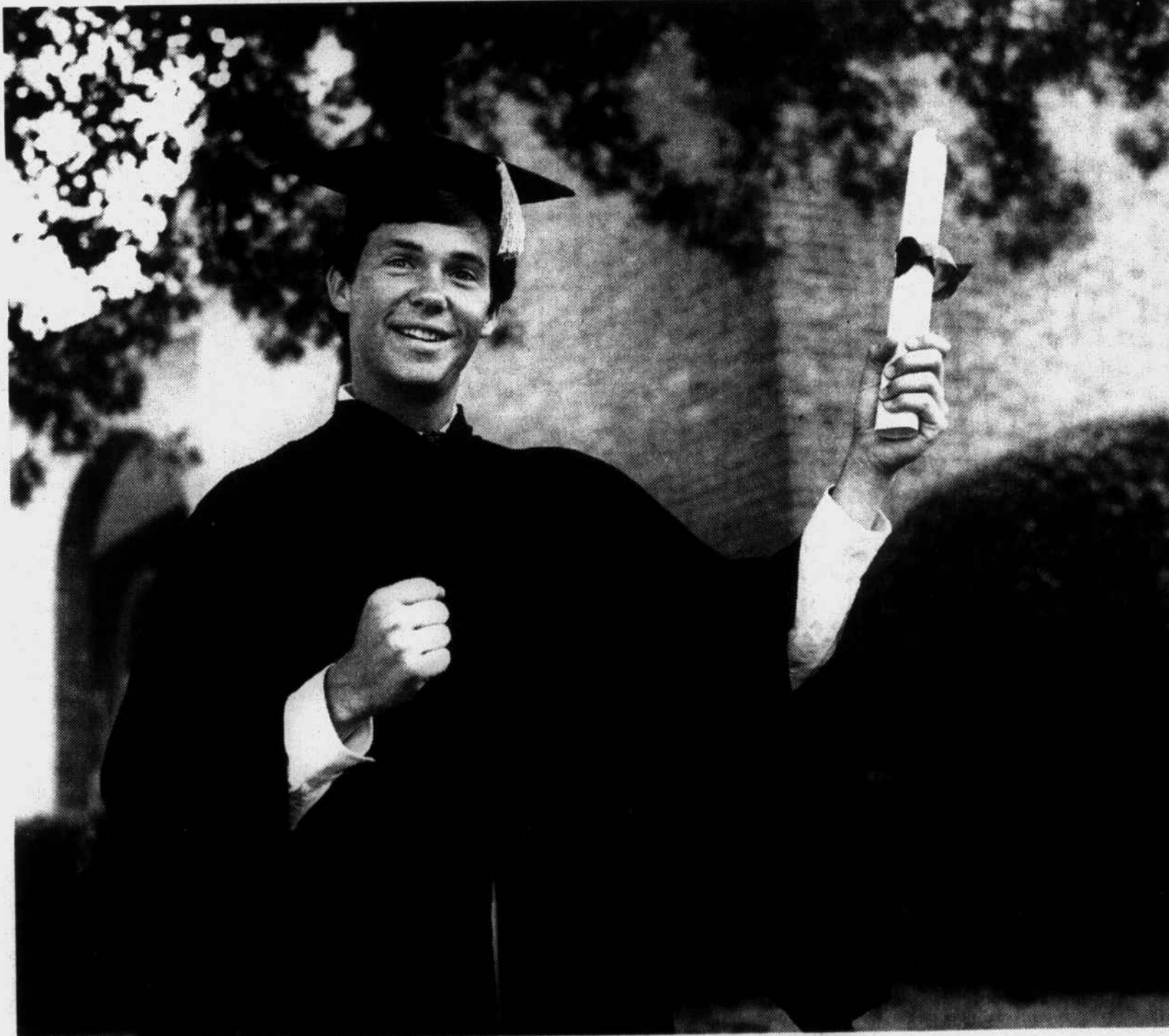
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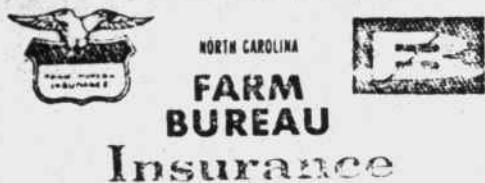
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