# Lunsford Festival Opens October 5 At Mars Hill

The first weekend in Ocober will be a busy one for Mars Hill College. The Bascomb Lamar Lunsford Mountain Music and Dance Festival will be held that weekend as will the school's Alumni Day.

The 12th annual "Minstrel of the Appalachias' will open Oct. 5, with a program featuring old time mountain fiddling. Of nearly all the instruments popular among mountain music aficionados, the fiddle remains the most celebrated. Easier to carry than the guitar or banjo, the fiddle was consequently the first instrument many of the early settlers of the region brought with them. Entitled "Mountain Fiddling: From Hornpipes to Hoedown," the Friday evening program will feature many of the region's best known fiddlers including Byard Ray, Liz Smathers-Shaw and Lynn Shaw, Luke Smathers, Tommy Hunter, Mac Snodderly, Gordon Freeman, and Arville Freeman. These musicians will present their program in a more intimate, workshop-type event in Owen Theatre beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday remains the bid day for the festival. Lunsford originally conceived of the festival as a celebration of the mountain way of life' a time when old friends could get together, play the familiar tunes, dance the dances, and preserve these traditional ways by passing them on to the new generation. To this



**HUBERT HAWKINS** 

### **Hawkins Gets** September Man Of Month

Hubert Hawkins has been named Man of the Month at Greater Ivy nutrition site. He is married to Delilah Buckner Hawkins and they have one son, Bruce Hawkins, a dentist at Mt. Holly.

Hawkins is a retired farmer who previously taught school, worked in the Mars Hill Post Office and served as clerk of Madison County Superior Court for 12 years. He is a member of Califor-

nia Creek Baptist Church where he has served as teacher of the adult men's Bible class. He has received numerous compliments for the beauty of his farm, especially his lawn.

## Hopewell **Club Meets** Thursday

The Hopewell-Walnut Gap Community Development Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 27 in the community room of Hopewell Baptist Church. Jeaneatte Plemmons, club president, urges all residents of the communities to attend the meeting.

#### Singing

The regular fifth Saturday night singing will be held at Memorial Church of God this Saturday beginning at 7:30 Everyone is invited.

#### Reunion

The annual Kent reunion will be held Oct. 6 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church beginning

at 10 a.m. Dinner will be on the grounds at 1 p.m.

Bessie Cook is secretary,
and Annie Sheppard is assisend, festival officials have woodburning stove, making sausage biscuits, buttermilk churning, and making apple butter.

enlisted the help of numerous

craftsmen, home-makers,

musicians, and dancers who

know the old ways intimately

and still practice them. Begin-

ning at 10 a.m. Oct. 6, demonstrations in spinning

and weaving, wood carving,

quilt and doll making, shingle

splitting, and whittling will be

held on the green in front of

the college's new administra-

tion building, Blackwell Hall.

There will be workshops in most of the musical instruments, a special attraction for children, and of course the jam sessions that go on all day. On Saturday evening, the "Minstrel of the Appalachia" will get started at 7 p.m. in Moore Auditorium. Musicians and dancers from throughout the region will gather to

dedicated himself to preserv-

Saturday will also be the day former students of the college return and celebrate Homecoming with a full slate of activities. Registration will begin at 8:30 p.m. in the first floor lobby of Blackwell Hall, and class reunions will start at 10 a.m. From 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., a Homecoming buffet will be available in Coyte Bridges Dining Hall, and at noon, a special luncheon will

Golden Year classes - all classes from 1900 through 1928 - will be held in the Blue Room of Bridges cafeteria. A Luncheon honoring the Alumnus and Alumna of the Year will also be held at noon, in the Gold Room of the cafeteria.

The traditional homecoming parade will begin winding its way to the athletic field at 1:15 p.m. and the football game between Mars Hill and Guilford will start at 2:30 p.m. An alumni dinner will be held

will wind up with a Theatre Arts and Dramateers alumnia celebration in Owen Theatre at 8 p.m.

Additional information concerning the festival is available from Dr. Harold Herzog, chairman of the Lunsford Festival committee, Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N.C. 28754, telephone 689-1332; and information concerning Alumni Day activities is available from the Alumni Office, Mars Hill College, Mars



