

Bethel

YMCA

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Due to be opened this Thursday with a game against Hendersonville, the use of the gymnasium has been held up because of a delay in shipment of "foldaway" seats which will accommodate 1,100 fans when installed. The gym is expected to be ready about the second week in January.

The gym, which measures 90 by 106 feet, contains two large dressing rooms with 13 showers for the boys, 10 for the girls (with separate "stalls") and space for lockers and storage facilities.

The floor itself has markings for basketball, tennis, and volley ball and contains two large white "B's" on a field of blue.

The two baskets have large glass backboards. Four other backboards, made by students of M. C. Nix vocational agriculture classes, will be installed on the sides for intramural and practice use.

The gym also has trophy cases for Bethel's bulging collection of trophies and cups; a ticket office, concession room, storage room, and restrooms.

Corridors link all three building units, permitting access to each of them without having to go outside.

Some distance to the southwest of the new school building is a

speaker, as well as other Canton "Y" directors, including Jack Justice, manager, Ralph Goforth, Walter Holtz, and Bruce Nanney.

After the address, the speaker answered a number of questions, pointing out that a YMCA could be started with just a small room for an office for the manager and a secretary. As to the needs in the way of a building, he said that would have to be ascertained after a complete survey of the community, and to take into consideration existing facilities for recreation and other needs essential in carrying on a successful "Y" program.

Several of the Canton "Y" officials talked to individuals after the meeting, answering questions about operations in Canton, and the different phases of the successful program being carried on at the YMCA in Canton.

The U. S. Office of Education estimates that between 10 and 12 million dollars worth of building is needed for classrooms in U. S. schools.

new water tank which will supply the structure with its water. Later the name "Bethel" will be painted on both sides of the tank.



THESE SENIOR MEMBERS of the Tally Ho Club at Waynesville Township High School were presented club pins at a Christmas party given by the organization Saturday night at the Towne House.

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Indians

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tional facilities for the Cherokee Indian children, to begin a program of education so that when the withdrawal comes our schools both elementary and high schools will be of such standing as will be accepted by the State Board of Education of the State of North Carolina.

"5. To induce industrial enterprises, to establish manufacturing plants within the reservation for the manufacturing of merchandise where Cherokee Indians may find employment and our young men and women may learn useful trades and arts so that eventually the Cherokee Indians can become better prepared to meet the high standards of citizenship.

"6. To put on a housing program throughout the reservation to raise the living standards of the tribe and place them on a higher standard of economics. To provide proper facilities for the care and maintenance of the aged and infirmed Cherokees who by reason of poverty or other unfortunate circumstances are unable to take care of themselves.

"7. To preserve our natural forests, wild game and fish and to continue the sustained yield by selective cutting of merchantable timber, and use every precaution in preventing forest fires.

"All of this to be accomplished by full cooperation and approval of the Field Office and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs."

He traced the history of the Cherokee charter of 1889, and the special roll call of 1923, when every Cherokee with as much as one-one-hundred-twenty-eighth Indian blood was included. The lands were assigned, and deeds made to the Federal Government, with the lands to remain tax free.

Chief Saunooke said, "We are not ready at Cherokee for the Federal Government to pull right out. To be successful, it must be a gradual procedure — travel slowly, and the entire program studied."

"The Cherokees do not want to be a burden on the county, state or Federal government, but the Federal Government is in no position to withdraw until my program is put into force," he said with feeling.

"We have been citizens since 1924, but it must be remembered we met the Mayflower — and met it with a lending hand," the Chief continued.

Chief Saunooke, when taking office in 1951, made one of his projects, that provision be made for the care of aged and infirm. "A survey was made by two welfare workers with the Cherokee Historical Association paying for half of the survey. We found we had our share of those who need such a home, just as is operated in many adjoining counties."

The speaker paid special tribute to the Cherokee Historical Association for their "masterful job during the past five years. They have recognized the problems of the Cherokee Indians.

"I feel sure we can formulate a program whereby Cherokee Indians can take their place in the white man's world."

Chief Saunooke said about 25 per cent of the present 3,300 Indians on the Reservation are full-blooded Cherokees.

Box Supper Is Planned For Wednesday Night

A box supper will be held in the Fines Creek High School Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

The supper is being sponsored by a group of women from the Fines Creek Memorial Baptist Church to raise funds for payment of a carpet in the church.

Everyone is invited and boxes will be appreciated.

Concert

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cert will be made up of a number of special selections, including: A Christmas reading by Gail Camlin, harp solo, "Noel," by Rosalind Ammons; soprano solo, "The Birthday of a King" by Faye Sease; tenor solo, "Sweet Little Jesus Boy," by Bobby Hill; tenor solo, "O Holy Night," by Jimmy

Robert Massie Joins Air ROTC Society

Robert Massie is among 18 university of North Carolina students initiated into the Jesse J. Moorehead Chapter of the Arnold Society at the University. The society, composed of Air ROTC students, includes leaders in scholarship and student activities.

Massie, a senior at the University, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Massie.

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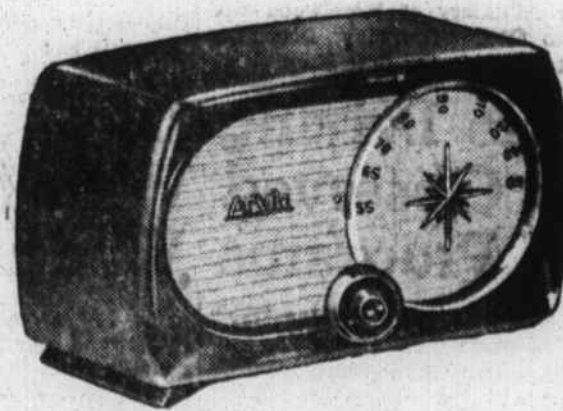
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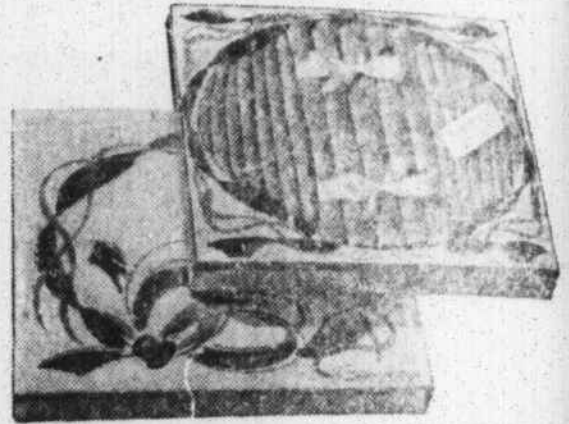
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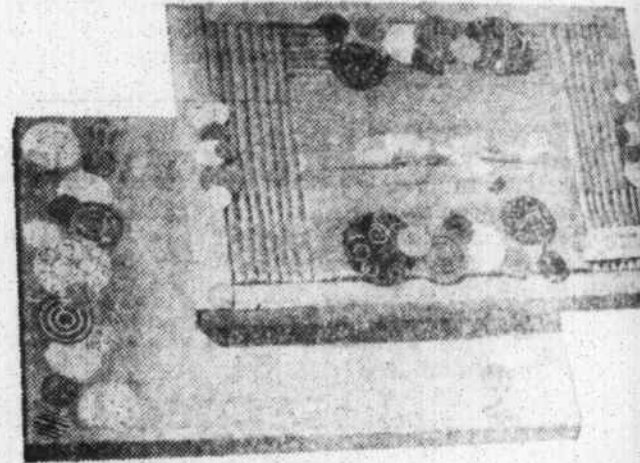
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