

Mrs. Jeffress Observed 90th Birthday Last Friday

Few people are privileged to live ninety years and remain as active, alert, and independent as Mrs. M. L. Jeffress, who lives on Walnut Street.

Mrs. Jeffress observed her 90th birthday on Friday, October 26. She didn't have a special celebration but a number of friends dropped in during the day and she greeted each one with a twinkle in her eye, showing her pleasure and having friends to share the occasion.

Mrs. Jeffress keeps house for herself. She "doesn't like to stay in bed much." She retires for the night about midnight and is up and going around 5 or 6 o'clock in the morning. She spends many hours reading "about a thousand different things" like The Mountaineer, The Greensboro Daily News, The Asheville Citizen, Life, and The Ladies Home Journal.

When she isn't reading and the weather is good, she gets in her gardening. She only "had a little garden this summer—just tomatoes, beans, spinach, mustard, and lettuce" which she cultivated herself. Now it is time to rake leaves and she says she's going to get to that right away.

Mrs. Jeffress' answer to the question, "How do you feel?" is typical of her keen sense of humor—"Well I mustn't brag and I mustn't complain."

She did have a piece of bad luck about a year and a half ago when she broke her arm on the steps at the Presbyterian Church where she is a regular attendant. There followed a long stay in the hospital, which she endured with great patience—and even a time when she went home that she had to have help with her housekeeping—which she endured without too much patience. Now after all these months of putting her arm in hot paraffin twice a day for 30 minutes, the arm and hand are almost as good as ever.

Mrs. Jeffress was born at the Osborne Farm in Pigeon Valley, October 26, 1866, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Osborne, and was christened Maria Love. Since there were no schools in the vicinity she was educated by private tutors.

She was married in 1884 to Mr. Jeffress of South Boston, Va., who was employed at the time in Canton with the Southern Railway. They started housekeeping at the old Penland house in Canton, later lived for ten years in South Boston and finally came to Henderson County. Mr. Jeffress died July 18, 1933.

For the past twenty years, Mrs. Jeffress has lived in her present home on Walnut Street.

She has five children, Edwin B. Jeffress, former publisher of the Greensboro Daily News, now living in Chapel Hill; Mrs. W. W. Whaley of Greensboro; Ernest J. Jeffress of Goldsboro, who operates a chain of ice and coal plants; Horace L. Jeffress of New Orleans, who owns an extermination business; and Cary Jeffress, mining engineer with the atomic plant at Oak Ridge, Tenn. She also has 13 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren. A second daughter, Mrs. Florence Jeffress Hamilton of Raleigh, died 10 years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Whaley, Edwin Jeffress, and Mr. and Mrs. Cary Jeffress were here last week for a visit with their mother. When called for information as to other members of the family visiting her.

One Hurt And Three Wrecks Wed.

One person was injured, and four vehicles damaged for a total of \$1,050 in three accidents Wednesday night. All accidents were attributed to slick pavements, according to Patrolman W. R. Wooten, investigator.

The first was at 7 p.m. on NC 110, near Abel's Grocery, when a 1944 station wagon, driven by Joseph Swafford, 16, Canton, turned over on its side, after going into a spin on a curve and the pavement wet.

Patrolman Wooten said the damages were about \$300, and Swafford was not injured.

IMPROPER PARKING

Two cars collided about 10:30 on US 19, near the Parkway Motor Court, when a 1948 Chevrolet, driven by Doyle Edward Rose, 16, route 2, ran into a parked 1952 Chevrolet, driven by Harold Reece, Waynesville.

Patrolman Wooten said Reece had parked on the left side of the road as he attempted to pick up something from the floorboard of the car, and Rose tried to pass. Both cars were damaged in the right front fender and grill. There were three minor injuries, and Douglas Evans, 17, route 2, had a cut on his head which required six stitches. The others, all passengers in the Rose car, suffered abrasions.

Reece was charged with improper parking.

CAR TURNS OVER

Lowell Thomas Hannah had a narrow escape when his 1951 Mercury skidded on the wet pavement near the road leading to Fie Top, and turned over. The car was damaged about \$200, and Hannah was not hurt. Patrolman Wooten investigated the accident which was timed at 11:25.

Haywood Summer Resident Taken By Death Monday

O. J. (Skipper) Coffin, former head of the University of North Carolina School of Journalism, died at Rex Hospital in Raleigh Monday night. He was 69.

Coffin and his wife, the former Gertrude Wilson of Haywood County, had a home in the Bethel section where they spent the past several summers. They had lived in Raleigh since his retirement from the University last year.

Coffin had been under treatment for diabetes. He entered the hospital early Sunday evening and death came approximately 24 hours later. His physician said Coffin died of pneumonia, complicated by a long-time asthmatic condition.

A native of Carthage Mills in Moore County, he was graduated from the University in 1909 and taught for one year. In 1910 he became a reporter for the Asheville Courier, beginning a career that was to see him identified in various editorial and executive capacities with many of North Carolina's newspapers, among them the Winston-Salem Journal, the Charlotte Observer, the Raleigh Times, and the Greensboro Daily News.

He returned to the University in 1926, serving as head of the department of journalism until 1950 when it was converted to the School of Journalism and he was named dean.

Bright Bird

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Helene Brotman says her parakeet has taken to screeching. "This darn smog is killing me." Curiously, she adds, no one taught the bird to say it.

Mrs. Jeffress could not be reached. She was out in the yard raking leaves!



MRS. M. L. JEFFRESS, who was born October 26, 1866, at the Osborne Farm on Pigeon, observed her 90th birthday last week. She had no special celebration but many friends called during the day to congratulate her.

Fines Creek School Peak-A-Views

By JOAN DAVIS and FRANCES RECTOR

The Halloween Carnival which was held last Friday night was a big success. Everyone attending seemed to have lots of fun and the school is considerably better off financially as a result of the carnival.

Winners of the High School Queen and King contest were Joretta Clark and Jane Davis who tied for first place in the Queen Contest and Joe Jenkins, the winner of the King contest. Winners of the elementary king and queen contest were Etta Rogers and Larry Wolf.

This year the senior class is planning to have "a whale" of a Yearbook! Subscriptions for the yearbook are now being taken. We urge everyone to subscribe as soon as possible since the subscription campaign will not continue much longer.

The workmen have been very busy working on a new parking lot which will make parking more convenient, especially for ball games and other school activities.

Mrs. Stamey, our supervisor, has been coming down to F.C.H.S. and teaching some of the Home Ec. girls how to make dried flower arrangements. All the girls seem to be taking a special interest in this type of decoration for their homes. They hope to complete an arrangement and have it on display for a Flower Show.

Frank Arnette from the Delmar

Bright Star



By VERA WINSTON

A STAR in the fashion firmament is vivid red jersey. It appears in smart separates, in sheaths, in casual numbers and also for informal evening wear. Bright red jersey comes through nicely in a street dress that should see plenty of service. The dress features a squared-off yoke with cowl drape that terminates in a narrow, high V in back above the zipped back fastening. The effect is repeated in front below the waist. Three covered buttons at the peplum balance those at the neckline.

DEATHS

ALICE LEMMING SILVERS

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning in the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Clyde for Mrs. Alice Lemming Silvers, 53, of Clyde, who died Monday in the Haywood County Hospital.

The Rev. Kenneth George officiated and burial was in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Nephews served as pallbearers.

Surviving are five sons, Lloyd Pantner of Waynesville, and Roy, Joe, Eugene, and Charles Silvers of Clyde; five daughters, Mrs. Rose Watkins of Murphy, Mrs. Bob Palmer of Waynesville, and the Misses Willie, Catherine, and Joyce Silvers of the home; seven brothers, Paul, Carl, Fred, Robert, Harry, and Ed Lemming of Adairsville, Ga.; a sister, Mrs. Bill Moody of Waynesville; the father, A. K. Lemming of Adairsville; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Crawford funeral home.

CLEVELAND STEWART

Funeral services were held Tuesday in the East First Street Baptist Church, Conover, for Cleveland John Stewart, 72, father of Major Stewart of Canton, who died Sunday at his home in Conover.

Burial was in East View Cemetery.

Surviving, in addition to the son in Canton, are the wife, Mrs. Rosa Whitner Stewart; another son, Gerald Stewart of Newton; a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Houston of the home; two brothers, A. W. Stewart of Tennessee and the Rev. E. R. Stewart of Hickory, Va.; and 11 grandchildren.

JOHN C. LEDFORD

Funeral services will be held Friday at 10 a.m. in the Piney Grove Methodist Church for John Cordell Ledford, 64, of Clyde, Route 1, who died Wednesday of a heart attack.

The Rev. Mrs. M. B. Lee will officiate and burial will be in Piney Grove Cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be Elmer Rogers, Steve Foye, and Woodfin Ledford, Cleve Ewart, and Homer Trantham.

The body has been taken to the home to await the funeral hour. Ledford was a son of the late Jimmy and Charlotte Logers Ledford of Haywood County. He was a farmer.

Surviving are a son, Dee Ledford, in the Army at Durham; three daughters, Mrs. Joseph Thompson of Fairfax, Va., and Mrs. Dewey Smith and Mrs. Ralph Thompson of Clyde, Route 1; four



MISS MARY CORNWELL, Haywood County Home Demonstration Agent, was presented a distinguished service award last night by the National Home Demonstration Agents Association in session at the Sherman Hotel in Chicago. The award is based on service to rural women and is a result of the outstanding achievements of Haywood's twenty-eight home demonstration clubs. Miss Cornwell is president of the North Carolina Home Agents Association and is participating on the program at the national meeting.

brothers, Zeb Ledford of South Carolina, Tom of Waynesville, Route 1, and Wiley and Newton of Clyde, Route 1; two sisters, Mrs. Theodore Ledford of Clyde, Route 1, and Mrs. Robert Kent of Hot Springs; and 11 grandchildren.

Crawford Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

CAROLYN MAULDIN

Carolyn Ann Mauldin, 2, of Waynesville, died at 11 a.m. Wednesday after a short illness. She was dead on arrival at the hospital here.

Surviving are her mother, Mrs. Louise Mauldin; a sister, Sandra Kay Mauldin; and her grandparents, Roy Mauldin of Waynesville, and Mrs. Ned Brown of Waynesville, Route 2.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Victory Baptist Church.

The Rev. Rufus Finger will officiate.

Burial will be in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens.

The body will be taken to the home of an aunt, Mrs. John Jordan of near Waynesville, at 10 a.m. Friday.

Attention bird watchers: The Peregrine Falcon is one of the speediest flyers in the bird world. It has been clocked at 175 miles an hour in a dive.

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clude music, announcing the winner of the county contest, awarding of \$1,000 in cash to be distributed to the seven communities, a beauty contest and an address.

MORE ABOUT

Halloween

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ages were reported. The steady rain sent most of the Halloweeners in early, and by 9 p.m. things had gotten rather quiet.

Special guards were placed around the schools, and no damages were reported.

The highway patrol reported three accidents Wednesday night. None were attributed to Halloween, but rather to slick pavements.

Eighteen Baptist young people and 32 Methodist young folk went out in behalf of the United National Children's Emergency Fund, and instead of asking for "treats" solicited funds. The Baptists reported \$57.91, and the Methodists \$52. Both groups reported a lot of fun in the campaign, and enjoyed the evening more than usual.

Fiery Praise

RACINE, Wis. (AP)—James Isbell, was fined \$100 for putting out too many fires in his company's beautiful ultra-modern tower.

Isbell told the judge he liked the raise he received from his boss and his fellow employees when he put out a blaze that started accidentally, so he set a few fires of his own and extinguished them in hopes of winning more attention.

No 'Brief Candle'



ON HER 101st birthday, Mrs. Julia Early blows out a large candle at a party staged for her at the Waldorf Nursing Home in New York. She has spent her life in and around Manhattan and has followed, with great interest, the historic changes in the city.

Fine Gift

OMAHA (AP)—Offenders appearing before Traffic Judge James O'Brien got the usual fine and lecture plus a "gift." The gift was a bumper tag for each offender's car. The tag proclaimed "Slow Down and Live."

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Glamor Girls Swim All Day And Call It Work

By GENE HANDSAKER

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A green-eyed blonde and a green-eyed brunette have unusual jobs at a swimsuit factory here.

They test new-model bathing suits in the factory pool. Give 'em, you might say, sort of the opposite of a dry run.

How do you test a bathing suit? Just put it on and jump into the water? Yes, but there's considerably more to it than that.

"I'm told to look for whether it's too long or too short or too tight or too loose or too hard to get into," said Sue Higgins, 19.

She's the blonde. Size: A perfect 12. Former San Bernardino, Calif., Valley Junior College student. "Miss San Bernardino of 1956." Visited her sister's mother-in-law at the factory one day and was offered a job. Real pretty.

A big part of her work is standing around in the boss's office in a bathing suit while the boss experimentally pins new fabrics, proposed pockets and tentative trims here and there on her.

The boss is pert Rose Marie Reid, whose name is on the factory. Sue comes to work in pedal pushers, dons a bathing suit and changes suits "lots" of times during an average working day.

"Twenty times, say?" she was asked.

"Oh, lots more than that," Sue replied.

The girl who does most of the water-testing of new suits is Chris Clark. Excellent swimmer and diver. Learned to swim in an irrigation ditch near her native Orem, Utah. Graduated from Utah State. Taught elementary school in Hawaii; Anchorage, Alaska, and Seattle.

She's married to an ex-GI. Took the suit-testing job, for lack of a teaching credential, when they moved here. Won't tell her age: early twenty-ish; attractive; bright.

"Quality Control," she said, nodding toward a section of the factory, "tests everything from fabric and thread to zippers and sequins. They leave foot-square swatches of material in the sun and in chlorinated water and then in salt water for 40 hours at a time, to see if it fades.

"But strength — and whether there's anything objectionable in the fabric, or the way it's sewn, or the style—can only be tested by a girl in the water."

Some suit models have what Chris called a standaway bra. Sort of a false front that stands like two shields over the inner, working bra. To the casual observer it



BATHING SUIT TESTERS... Sue Higgins wears a "continental" swim suit of striped wool and lastex as Chris Clark kneels to measure length of suit when dry. Girls test suits all day long.

gives an illusion of more bosom than may exist. A factory assistant, Miss Hazel Fath, explained:

"Unfortunately most women are not as big in the bust as they are in the hips. The double bra gives a more balancing effect."

"On white or light suits we look for transparency after they're wet," Chris continued.

"We test for shrinkage, before and after a suit is wet, with a tape measure. We also test for 'growth' of the fabric—whether it's baggy and unfit to wear after it's wet—or whether colors hold up or fade.

"One claret-colored suit had denim pants under it. But when the suit was wet, the pants came out red, so that material couldn't be used."

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