

Down Main Street

Mr. and Mrs. T. Carl Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Martin of Raleigh were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Roberts Wednesday.

Dr. and Mrs. Kerry G. Mumford and daughter, Nancy of Raleigh and Mr. and Mrs. R. Cooper of Sanford, Florida were also guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rush T. Wray are visiting in Milwaukee, Wis. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hamrick of Charlotte were weekend guests of Mrs. C. R. Hamrick of Burnsville.

Mrs. Charles Trammel is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Trammel of Elkin this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hensley of Mt. Clemens, Mich., formerly of Burnsville, a daughter, Shelia Ann, on Aug. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Grahl Shaffert and children of Asheville, were guests of Mrs. C. R. Hamrick, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John English visited relatives in Burnsville over the weekend.

Miss Zoe B. Young of Durham visited relatives in Newdale and Burnsville last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis and son of Asheville visited relatives here last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ramsey and son are vacationing at Myrtle Beach this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Buckner of Johnson City visited relatives in Burnsville, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Greene and son, Marshall, and Miss Patsy Anderson of Asheville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Molt Hensley, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sardon Dillingham of Oklahoma City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Pollard last week. Mrs. Dillingham was the former Mrs. Roy Wilson of Bald Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Pollard spent Tuesday on a business trip to Knoxville.

Miss Geraldine Collins of West Asheville visited Barbara Geouge at her home last week.

FAMILY REUNION

A reunion of the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. Richmond L. Young of Newdale was held Sunday afternoon at the family home, now occupied by Miss Lora Young. Those present were the following and their families:

Mrs. Robert Presnell of Burnsville, Mrs. W. A. Presnell and Mrs. O. P. Blankenship of Newdale, Miss Zoe Young of Durham, Mrs. W. J. Murphy of Burnsville, Mrs. A. A. Young of Arlington, N. J. and Guy Young of Micaville.

A picnic lunch was enjoyed by the members of the family and children, and innumerable grandchildren.

DECORATION

The annual decoration and memorial service will be held in the Bailey Cemeteries Sunday, August 21 at 2:30 p. m. at Upper Jacks Creek. Rev. Jack Shankle will be in charge of the services.

LEGION AND AUXILIARY TO MEET

The American Legion and Auxiliary will meet Tuesday evening, August 23 at 7:00 o'clock at the Crestview Playground, through the courtesy and generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Banks. All legionnaires and their families in the county are urged to attend this meeting. Members are asked to bring a picnic lunch. Further information may be had by calling Mrs. George Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Tipton of Washington, D. C. visited relatives in Burnsville last weekend and attended the Y. C. I. Reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Clate Adkins Mrs. Shurl Whitson and son, Gary, Mrs. Raymon Wilson and sons, Royce and Ricky, spent last week visiting friends and relatives throughout S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bell visited Mrs. Clate Adkins Thursday night. Mrs. Park Adkins is very sick at her home at Sioux.

Burnsville Treated To The Best In "Our Town"

Having a great theme to work with does not insure the success of a play for either the playwright or the actors. On the contrary, the playwright is taking a bigger chance when he delves into the fundamentals of life—and even makes bold to suggest what the next life is like—than when he merely sets out to entertain. And if the playwright does succeed in distilling some great truth into dramatic form, the director and actors are biting off a big mouthful when they attempt to produce such a play. Personally we are grateful to Thornton Wilder for taking this chance and writing "Our Town". We are also grateful to the Drama Workshop for taking the risk of producing Wilder's tremendous work. Together they have given us an experience we shall never forget.

There is nothing more that a reviewer can say about "Our Town". Any observation about the play itself would be irrelevant in light of the great judgment of the American people.

We will say that the staff and cast of "Our Town" did not let the author down in their presentation of the play last Friday and Saturday. The spirit of the play was interpreted with real understanding not only by the director and stage manager but by the entire cast of characters.

W. C. "Mutt" Burton was as splendid as we expected him to be as stage manager. He set the pace of the play with complete confidence and a sensitive appreciation of the deep values of the play.

It is hard to pick one person as doing the outstanding job in building his character. In our estimation this distinction

goes to William Ferris as George Gibbs. But he had been competition for a close second by several, including Mrs. Exum Lewis as Mrs. Gibbs, Pat Clark as Mrs. Webb and Sharron Frye as Emily Webb.

The important aspects of the play were all well handled but few minor false notes could be pointed out. Surely, no one likes coffee as sweet as Mr. Webb did. How about it? Five spoonfuls of sugar in one cup of coffee! And Mrs. Webb was a little too busy during the breakfast scene. We found ourselves watching her break eggs into a skillet so realistically that we forgot about the real action taking place at the time. And then deciding that by the time they were served the eggs were as cold as a DAR's handshake! One more little item gets our gripes pretty well aired, Gloria Bassett's voice as the dead woman sounded too much like a voice from the grave to maintain the atmosphere created by the quiet normal sounding voices of all the other dead persons.

The few distracting elements pointed out here were not enough to classify the play as anything less than superb as staged by the Drama Workshop. Generally speaking all the acting was excellent. The play was a complete success in that it succeeded in providing a deep, meaningful emotional experience for those who attended.

The total number of victims of arthritis and related rheumatic diseases is greater than the combined populations of Chicago and Los Angeles and the sufferers sustain a personal wage loss of an estimated \$1 1/2 billion a year.

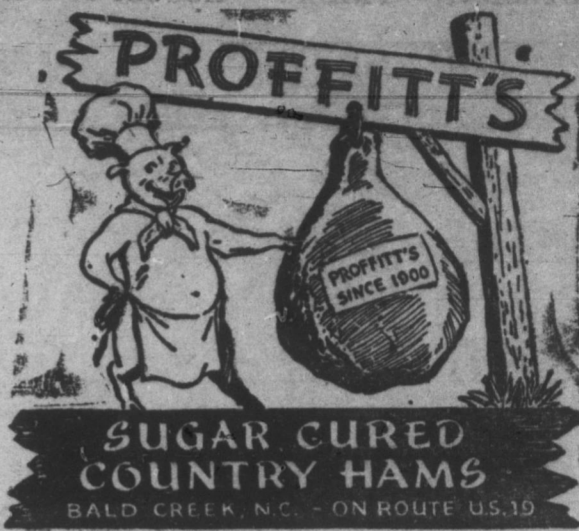
CHURCH SERVICES

Estatoa Presbyterian Church, Celso, 10:00 a. m.; Newdale Presbyterian Church, 11:15 a. m.; Micaville Presbyterian Church, 7:30 p. m.

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