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BRANCH OFFICE

Brush Creek Homemakers Met

The outgoing president, Mrs. Dempsey Hopson, installed Blair, reporter.

The Brush Creek Extension these new officers for 1973-74: Homemakers Club met Thurs- Miss Lydia Deyton, president; day night, January 18, 1973 at Mrs. W. N. Gortney, vice presithe home of Miss Lydia Deyton. dent; Mrs. Nelle Johnson, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. John C. In Our Opinion:

Heritage Worth Preserving

The cause of preserving the folkways and traditions of the Southern Appalachians, and those of Yancey County in particular, is a worthwhile undertaking. We feel, as does the Appalachian Consortium, that the culture of this area is on the "endangered species" list.

The Appalachian Consortium, whose aim is to preserve the culture of the Southern Appalachian region, is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The Consortium has four major programs in the works for docu menting and saving elements of folkways in this region.

One of these programs, the First Annual Appalachian Art Exposition (appalachian Expo) is an attempt to involve everyone from pre-schoolers through retirees, amateurs and professionals in arts competition. The nature of the entries and of the prizes to be given are explained in the Expo dis-

To succeed, this phase of the program must have local support. Contestants are needed, and more important, sponsors are needed. Anyone can be a sponsor-the newspaper, the radio station, civic organizations, women's clubs, the library, churches, church groups, etc. Being a sponsor requires little effort. Simply obtain a poster and entry blanks from the Yancey Journal office and let it be known that your organization is sponsoring contestants for the Expo. Those contestants obtaining entry blanks from you as a sponsor will return them to your group, which in turn selects ten best entries. These winning entries must then be turned over to the Consortium by February 20 for further judging by that group.

Yancey County has a rich and varied culture which should be preserved. Through the Consortium, and especially through the Appalachian Expo Contest, we have an opportunity to do our part in gathering the folkways and traditions that have made our county as well as the entire southern Appalachian region the unique place that it is today. The roots of our heritage still exist in the remaining fragments of the mountain culture, however, these elements are in danger of dying out unless we help.

Yancey Countians have proven support for such "cultural" undertakings as Music In The Mountains and The Parkway Playhouse. The tremendous success of the Mt. Mitchell Crafts Festival and Youth Jamboree is evidence that interest does exist in yet another type of culture--the traditional mountain culture.

We urge everyone--young and old alike--to take an interest in the Consortium Expo program. If you are interested in preserving the past-be a sponsor; if you have a talent that reflects the past-be a contestant,



out and seek my fortune if I wasn't so badly needed at home as a de-

Our Mountain Heritage is Worth Saving Help Us Preserve it by Entering

More than \$1,500 in Cash Prises

Here's What Expo's About

The Appalachian Consortium, along with groups in your community, is sponsoring the first annual Appalachian Art Exposition, a competition which we hope will help people preserve and appreciate the heritage of our mountain culture. We want to preserve the best of our past before it's

Your Entry-

A Vote to Save the Past

Enter the Appalachian Expo in any of the categories below. Your entry can be anything that shows your feeling about our Appalachian culture. Everyone can enter. There are amateur and professional divisions for children and adults.

Visual Art

Crayon drawings

Photography (prints, slides, movies) Wood Carving Handcrafts, etc.

Written Art

Performing Art

(from 1 to 1000 words) Personal prose, etc. Short stories Poems Plays Mini-drama scripts

Story telling Music Dancing Mini-drama, etc.

Here Are The Prizes

	VISUAL ART	WRITTEN ART	PERFORMING A	ú
Age 60 and over 1st prize	\$100,00	\$100.00	\$100.00	
Ages 18-59 1st prize 2nd prize	\$100.00 25.00	\$100.00 25.00	\$100.00 25.00	
Ages 10-17 1st prize 2nd prize 3rd prize 4th prize 5th prize 6th prize	\$50.00 25.00 15.00 10.00 5.00 3.00	\$50.00 25.00 15.00 10.00 5.00 3.00	\$50.00 25.00 15.00 10.00 5.00 3.00	
Under age 10 1st prize 2nd prize 3rd prize	\$10.00 5.00 3.00	\$10.00 5.00 3.00	\$10.00 5.00 3.00	
180 additional prizes	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	
PROFESSIONAL 1st prize	SI00.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	

Expo's Themes

Your entry in the Appalachian Exposition should reflect in

"The role of proud and independent mountain people in today's world "The Impact of Urbanization on rural Southern Appalachia"

How We'll Judge Your Entry

All entries will be submitted to participating local organizations (see the sponsor box below), and local judges will choose the ten best local entries. Their decisions will be based on pertinence of theme (60%) and quality of execution

Each of the ten local winners will receive Certificates of Merit, and their entries will be forwarded to the Appalachian Consortium for final judging (same criteria as above). Winners in the final judging will receive cash awards. The ten local entries selected will first be on local exhibition and later may become part of a traveling exhibition for Appalachian Fairs being scheduled throughout the mountain region.

Competition Divisions

A. Amateur Division -- to be further divided into four age

Ages 60 and over Ages 18-59

4. Under age 10 B. Professional Division -- those who indicate, on the basis of self-declaration, whether they have ever sold any art

Your Local Sponsor Is

See sponsor for official entry forms & rules ENTRY DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 20, 1973

Traditions of the Southern Appalachians in Transition-The Need for this Project

The Appalachian Consortium was formed with the goal of involving the entire region of Southern Appalachia in the appreciation and preservation of its unique traditions and culture. One of the basic means of accomplishing this goal is to encourage the people of the area to become actively involved in local history projects, such as the taping of recollections of older citizens about the past, or in such individual activities as obtaining copies of personal entries in family Bibles, taking rubbings from early tombstones, making maps of local landmarks and isolated family graveyards, and locating artifacts, old log cabins, old mills, Indian mounds, and early trails.

As another means of involving local residents of all ages in the preservation of their culture, the Appalachian Consor-tium, in conjunction with local organizations, is sponsoring this annual Art Exposition.

olk-Ways Folk-Speech



Eenie, meenie, minie moe Crack a feenie, finie, foe Dominoocher, popatoocher Ache, bake, bau do O-U-T spells out Out you go you dirty dishrag you!

Remember when you last heard this chant and waited with bated breath to see who was going to be "it"? Was it weeks, months, years ago? Maybe never if you are this side of fifty unless this old "count out" formula has been passed onto you by a grandparent or other representative from an older gen-

You might have simply decided that these are lyrics from some new rock song about to make it big. By the same token, "Anty-over" "King of the Mountain," and "Fox and Hounds" could be country music titles for all you know.

You may not even be aware of the mysterious and providental powers of the buckeye or know the proper charm to get rid of a wart. To you a blacksnake hung in a farmer's field during a dry spell might be only an object of curosity and a bothersome smell, especially toward the close of the

Sang might be nothing more than the past tense of sing and "Black Jack Davie" the possible name of a local policeman--the one with the bulging right rear pocket. Leather Britches? Undoubtedly just a type of mod pants or maybe those protective things that cowboys wear.

If you plead guilty to ignorance of these things and terms, don't be too downcast -- you have lots of company. You are of a generation which has largely lost touch with the old way of life--its speech, its games, its songs, its charms, its superstitions, its approach to life in general.

You are part of a standardized society wherein all members are encouraged to talk alike, play alike, act alike, and think alike. If you do occasionally wish for the good old days when things were different, you may simply be caught up in a nostalgia fad brought on through late-late shows or the diabolical schemes of fashion designers.

This is not to say, of course, that all genuine interest in the old ways has been cut off. Actually throughout these United States there are individuals, institutions, and associations attempting to rediscover and preserve the American

In recent months, for instance, in southern Appalachia the search for the past has received new emphasis through an association of colleges and universities called the Appalachian Consortium. Member institutions include Lees-McRae College, Mars Hill College, Western Carolina, East Tennessee, and Appalachian State universities, plus four service agencies: the Mountain Scenic Planning and Economic Development District, the First Virginia- Tennessee Development District, the Blue Ridge Parkway and the U.S. Forest Service.

Representatives of these schools are seeking through various means to discover, record, and interpret the early life and times of Appalachia.

This newspaper column is a part of that effort, for its intention is to appeal to you, its readers, to look back to your own early years and try to recall such things as the games you played, the songs you sang or heard, the home remedies your elders tried on you, the candies you ate, the expressions you used.

If you have old pictures, clippings, ghost stories or other interesting momentos of the past which you might share with the Consortium and readers of this newspaper, please send them to the address above. They will be carefully duplicated and returned to you with out thanks.

Your response to this column could render a valuable service to your community and to the entire Appalachian region since all items received will be filed in the libraries of participating schools and made available for study. In addition, of course, some of them will be used in future columns of this paper.

Westall Will Join Workshop

Mr. James W. Westall of Price's Creek community will attend the second annual Agricultural Opportunities Workshop in Muscle Shoals, Alabama on January 29, 30 and 31. This workshop, sponsored jointly by the Tennessee Valley Authori ty and the Valleywide Association of Demonstration Farmers, is intended to provide a look into the total, Valley-wide agricultural picture for a select group of participating farmers each year.

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North Carolina, with three delegates, will join with the other six Tennessee Valley states at TVA headquarters, Muscle Shoals, for a series of me etings and discussions designed to give the participants an up-to-date picture of the more important problems and opportunities facing valley farmers in the coming years.

Mr. Westall, who farms in partnership with his father, Grover Westall, has just com pleted his first year on the Resource Management Demonstration Program, sponsored jointly by the Tennessee Valley Auth ority and the Agricultural Extension Service.



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