



In July of 1971, the North Carolina General Assembly approved the establishment of Mayland Technical Institute to serve Mitchell, Avery, and Yancey Counties. In August of that year, a Board of Trustees was appointed: four by the Governor, three by each county Board of Commissioners, three by each local school Board of Education, one by the joint Boards of County Commissioners and one by the joint school Boards of Education. The present Board of Trustees of Mayland Technical Institute is as follows: Chairman, W. B. (Bill) Wilkins, (Avery); Vice Chairman, James R. Fox (Yancey); Secretary, Richard B. Dobbin (Mitchell); Jason Hughes (Avery); Mark Bennett (Yancey); O.V. Tally (Mitchell); S.B. Lacey, Jr. (Avery); and Hazen Ledford (Yancey). Due to the untimely death of Warren Pritchard, there is a vacancy on the Board at present.

Dr. O.M. Blake, Jr. was recommended by the Board of Trustees to become President, and the State Board of Education approved his appointment in September, 1971.

From September, 1971, to June, 1972, Mayland Tech offered only adult and extension courses. In September of 1972, the following full-time curricula were begun: Automotive Mechanics, Business Administration, Executive Secretarial, and Practical Nurse Education. Mr. Hugo Peterson, Mr. Ralph Rice, Miss Trina Hunter, Miss Irene Blevins, and Mrs. Hattie Keller were employed as the first faculty members.

In September of 1972, Mayland Tech enrolled 80 students. Our curricula and in the fall of 1973, enrolled 283 students. Seven curricula—a gain of 200 students in one year! Enrollment for spring quarter 1974 was 302 students—the largest enrollment to date.

Mayland Tech has been approved by the State Board of Education to offer the following programs:

TECHNICAL
Accounting, Business Administration, Early Childhood Specialist, Minerals Technology, Office Technology, Secretarial-Executive, Secretarial-Legal, Secretarial-Medical, Technical Guided Studies.

VOCATIONAL
Automotive Mechanics, Child Care Worker, Cosmetology, Diesel Mechanics, Electrical Installation and Maintenance, Light Construction, Practical Nurse Education, Vocational Guided Studies.

Mayland Tech's personnel totals 40 full-time employees—23 staff members and 17 faculty members.

During 1973-74, temporary facilities consisted of about 29,000 square feet located in various buildings on Oak Avenue in Spruce Pine. Mayland Technical Institute is looking forward to occupying a new permanent building on its own campus. In November of 1972, the Board of Trustees approved unanimously the Lentz property—38.6 acres—located on 19E at the Avery-Mitchell line as the permanent site. Funds in the

amount of \$1,754,277 have been allotted for the construction program with Charles L. McMurray, a contract for construction is expected to be let by November of 1974, with occupancy of the building on approximately April 15, 1976.

In March of 1972, Mayland Technical Institute was awarded "Correspondent" Status, and in December of 1973, the "Candidate for Accreditation" Status by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

As early as 1963, there was some interest in having a technical institute in our area. This beginning interest has become a reality, due to many people's valuable contributions and untiring efforts.

During the first year, Mayland Tech had 24 graduates from curriculum programs. This year, we have 69 candidates for graduation from curriculum programs and approximately 100 students will be recognized for passing the GED or high school equivalency test. Graduation will be held Thursday night, August 22 at the Grassy Creek Baptist Church at 8:00 in the evening.



Tall Corn In Jack's Creek

Corn grows tall in the Jack's Creek Community. It grows high on the stalk too! In fact an ear was found growing in the tassel at the top of a corn plant by Ray Bailey on the farm of Pauline Peterson. "It's just a freak of nature", says W. C. Bledsoe, County Extension Chairman. "We are so accustomed to nature being uniform that something of this type is interesting to observe. Although uncommon, such odd growth habits have been observed before". Mr. Bailey has planned to save any mature seed for planting, but the attachment was so frail that it broke from the tassel.



For And About Homemakers

Yancey Extension Service

Parent Education

Why is it considered more of a problem to raise children today than it used to be? Many parents are puzzled to know why there is so much spoken and written about child rearing practices. "Our parents raised us without so much fuss over whether they were doing everything just right. Why is it necessary all of a sudden to make such a to-do about being parents?"

This is a very natural question, for the changes that have made raising a family a different matter from what it was only a relatively few years ago came about gradually. We accept them so matter-of-factly that we do not realize our children are living in another world from that in which we grew up...not to mention the difference in the world of their grandparents. If parents have more problems now it is partly because they are so much more aware of their children's needs and possibilities, but are confused as to how to go about them.

The Need For Help

Why do modern parents need more information in child training than their grandparents did? The answer may lie in the fact that the vast majority of parents today are living under entirely different circumstances than their grandparents who, as young people, gained experience in child upbringing and housekeeping in large, closely knit families. They knew how to look after a crying baby, do the chores, and take major respon-

sibilities long before they started their own families. The situation is somewhat different today for a girl is going to high school and college or working right up until marriage, and has fewer opportunities for "home training."

So the modern young mother, often backed by less personal experience, and aware that there is new knowledge available, tends to turn to others for guidance. The term parent education is commonly used to cover the many ways by which parents are assisted in bringing up physically and emotionally healthy children. This applies to everything from your doctor's advice to hints-picked up at a parents' meeting. There is so much of this information and from so many sources that it is little wonder that sometimes parent education appears to be so confusing! Let's see why it is receiving so much attention these days. 1. We now have at our disposal added scientific knowledge about the way children grow and develop. 2. Parents feel they need more outside help.

Child Development

Careful studies have yielded a lot of information about how we develop physically and emotionally, how our mode of living affects our lives and those of our children. From this knowledge comes the question, "If this is how a child grows, then how can parents and society create the best conditions for this growth?" It is in seeking the answer to a question such as this that investigators have been able to provide some reliable guides for parents. As new knowledge is made available it is translated into parent education.

Earlier Outside Influences

A child now gets out into the stream of things earlier...in fact, the world comes right into our homes via mass media—by television, radio, newspapers and magazines. This means that parents are dealing with a child who is much more "knowing" than they were at his age; who has been exposed to more aspects of life and the world. It is for this reason that parents who are up against very different problems, and a wider variety of them than they used to be. Important as it has always been to understand our children, there are pressures on us nowadays that did not exist earlier. Meeting them calls for great skill.

In Summary

Parent education can reduce worry and increase enjoyment in being a parent.

DON'T

--try to follow a general "rule" without adapting it to your own situation.
--expect to find an easy solution to every problem
--forget all parents differ as do all children
--forget parents as well as children have their special needs.

DO

--Keep aware of the informational materials available to parents
--take advantage of meetings, lectures, and discussion groups
--seek expert help when necessary
--relax and stop trying to be "perfect".

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Report From Cattail Creek

By Mrs. Neva Renaldo
The Bruce Davenports have just returned from their home in St. Petersburg where they entertained their children who flew in from Germany and London.

The Mozart Cabin housed a honeymoon couple for the second time this year. Bruce and his bride were here around Easter—now son Scott and his bride are enjoying their honeymoon here. We wish you many years of wedded bliss.

The Harold Cramptons of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida have arrived to spend a few weeks, but hope to come back in October to enjoy the fall colors when Harold retires.

The Joe Wards have just returned from their honeymoon trip—some 8000 miles in the Northwest including Bamff, Jasper, Lake Louise, the Ice Fields, through Winnipeg into Wisconsin and Minnesota where they visited the bride's relatives. Then back to Cattail for a few days and on to St. Petersburg, Florida where they attended a wedding. Now they are settled in for a month in their charming cabin in Cattail. Welcome home you happy people.

Story Book Home has a new guest this week, Mrs. Davis Horsburgh of Bradenton, Fla. She finds the area most interesting.

Dr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Reed and their two small daughters of Livingston, Alabama are guests at the "Flora-Days" cabin. They are regular visitors each summer.

The Elmer Days have just returned from a three day visit to Lake Lure.

The Gahagens are entertaining Mrs. Gahagen's sister, Mrs. Lois Stewart of Farmville, Va., also Mrs. Stewart's daughter and family, the Earl Lees

who are also from Farmville.

The Jerry Tanners arrived in time for the fair and are staying on with Mrs. Tanner's mother, Mrs. Dorothy Fisher. Jerry returned to Miami on the 7th, but Todd and his mother are staying on to spend another weekend before closing the cabin and returning to Miami for the winter.

The Don Dolles have had a pleasant week enjoying a visit from their children, the David Zimmermans of Jacksonville

and their grandchildren Tracy and Ginny who really enjoy the freedom this area affords. They plan a trip to New Jersey before returning home.

Leo Schnupp has returned after making a business trip to Miami for a couple of weeks. We are happy to have him back in our midst.

Barbara Bailey who has been visiting in Deep Gap is spending a few days with Mary Ann Batcheller. Barbara is librarian at Rockaway School in Miami

where Mary Ann is a counselor.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee and daughters of Greensboro spent the weekend with the Gronquist family. Lisa Ray is in also spending a week with grandmother Gronquist.

Your reporter is just back from a hurried trip to Miami where the temperature was in the low 90's. I'm really happy to be back in these cool, cool mountains—and hope you will all join us at Bingo Wednesday nite—7:30 you all.

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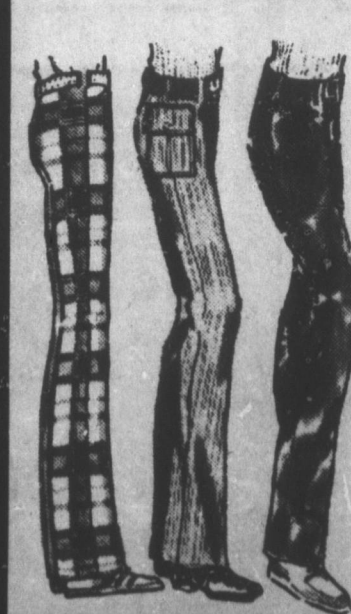
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