

Strout Realty Adds To Staff At Celo

Strout Realty, Inc. has opened a branch office in Celo, North Carolina, it was announced this week.

Mrs. Margaret Zellmer of Celo has joined the office according to information from the Company's Home office.

Mrs. Zellmer and her husband came to this area from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. They purchased property in the Celo area 7 years ago and moved here permanently in 1974. Last year they purchased the Riverside Mobile Home Park.

In addition to selling real estate in Florida, Mrs. Zellmer has wide business experience including over 8 years in the field of vocational education. As a member of Beta Sigma Phi International sor-

ority since 1949, she served on or chaired numerous committees in charitable and community assistance programs since that time. She is now becoming active in local civic groups and attends Celo Methodist Church.

Having observed the growth in South Florida and Gatlinburg, Tennessee, since 1948, Mrs. Zellmer feels that this area has more growth potential now than they did then. With the continuing interest in environmental protection today, she feels that public awareness will prevent making the mistakes of overcrowding here that has occurred elsewhere. In this regard, she believes that Yancey County is doubly blessed by this awareness and



Margaret Zellmer

the high percentage of government owned land here which provides a barrier to encroachment.

Strout Realty, Inc. has over 600 offices throughout the United States, selling all types of real estate. Mrs. Zellmer invites property owners to avail themselves to Strout's Nationwide service.

The new office is located 4 miles south of Micaville on Highway 80.

Navy News

Navy Airman Apprentice Billy C. Higgins of Burnsville, N.C. is serving aboard the Aircraft Carrier USS Independence and recently participated in Fleet Exercise "National Week XX" in which 26 ships and over 17,000 men took part.

A former student of Cane River High School, he joined the Navy in June 1974.

Folk-Ways and Folk-Speech

OF SOUTHERN APPALACHIA
with Rogers Whitmore

A few columns ago we published a playground song called *King William*, which, like the traditional ballads and other mountain songs, apparently has a number of variants.

At any rate it brought a response from an unidentified Taylorsville, North Carolina, reader who sends us her own version or "the verses we had

back when I was a young girl going to tobacco poke tyings and corn chuckings."

KING WILLIAM
King William was King George's son.
From the royal race he run.

Were two stars upon his breast,
One to the east and one to the west.

Go choose your East,
Go choose your West.
Choose the one that you love best.

He's not here for to take your part.
Choose you another will all your heart.

Down on this carpet you must kneel,

Sure as the grass grows in the field. When you rise upon your feet,
Kiss your bride and kiss her sweet.

And now you're married you must be good;

Make your husband chop your wood.
Chop it fine and carry it in.
Now you're married you can kiss her again!

Were it not for the fertile memory of Edwin Judkins of Bristol, Va. *Folk-Ways* would be sadly lacking in personal reminiscence. Thanks to his generosity making our weekly deadline also has often been a pleasure rather than a chore.

The following mini-remembrance he has entitled *Going West*.

"From the beginning of time men have followed the setting sun. Going West is a phrase that is ingrained in our language. Our people in the Appalachian region have responded to this urge and in



connection therewith many interesting episodes have occurred.

"I was told that this is a true story. A farmer decided to sell out and migrate west. After selling his farm he put on a sale of his livestock, household goods, and farming tools. When his friends asked him where he was going, his answer always was 'going west'. When the time came for him to leave he took his family to the railroad station and told the ticket agent that he wanted tickets out west. He actually did not know where he wanted to go! After a brief conversation the agent sold him tickets to Kansas City and he was never heard from after that."

RACKEN SACK
"Also there is the story about the man going west who painted on his covered wagon 'Racken Sack,' his destination, but when he got out there and did not like it and decided to return, he repainted his wagon to read 'Racken Back'."

"Starting in the eighteen thirties and forties and following the decades after the Mexican War to the nineteen hundreds, going to Texas to escape the clutches of the law was the usual procedure. In a reply to an inquiry, 'Where is so and so?' the answer always was, 'He has either gone to hell or to Texas!'"

Readers are invited to send folk material to *Folk-Ways and Folk-Speech*, Box 376, Appalachian State University, Boone, N.C. 28608.

Ground School Slated

The Mountain Wilderness Civil Air Patrol Squadron welcomes Miss Gwen Harris as a new member.

Miss Gwen Harris is a teacher at East Yancey High School and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harris of Burnsville.

Miss Harris is very interested in flying and plans to learn to fly. She has enrolled in the Ground School scheduled to begin April 6 at the Courthouse in Burnsville, which will have classes from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for approximately 10 weeks.

Persons who are interested in learning to fly who would like to attend this school may sign up with Mr. Ed Gouge or contact any member of the Civil Air Patrol for information. Also anyone interested in joining the CAP Squadron should contact Lt. Ray V. Miller or 2nd Lt. Kenneth Laughrun: 682-2262, 682-2219.

Health News & Views

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Charles Gillespie & Ferril McCurry's

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Agri-Vues

BY WM. C. BLEDSOE
EXTENSION CHAIRMAN

WARNING: The importation of out-of-state tobacco transplants represents a very high risk for the introduction of exotic strains of disease-causing organisms, especially pathogens of black shank, bluemold, root knot and vein banding. The potential economic loss of epidemics resulting from these introductions can more than offset the economic advantage of using imported transplants.

You will be winner in lots of ways. A good garden helps the family nutrition, cuts the grocery bill, provides outdoor activity and exercise and allows young and old to "get with nature". A garden can be large or small, even grown as a border around your lawn if no other space is available.

Tickets Are Available

Tickets are still available for a special appreciation dinner to be held on Saturday, April 10, honoring N.C. Commissioner of Agriculture James A. Graham according to Carl Rice, Yancey County Chairman for the event. The dinner will be held at 6:00 p.m. at Pisgah High School in Canton, followed by a program in the school auditorium.

Note Of Thanks

The family of Shirley Ann Ayers would like to express their sincere appreciation for the flowers, food, cards of sympathy and other kindnesses shown to them at the tragic death of their loved one. The thoughtful and sympathetic help which was given in so many ways by so many people will long be remembered.

DAIRYMEN: Don't forget to vote in the ADA Referendum next Tuesday, April 6. See news article on this elsewhere in the paper. Vote your conviction, YES or NO, but please vote.

HOG PRODUCTION in Yancey? It's a good possibility and a real opportunity, especially feeder pig production. If you are interested in learning more, call me to register for next Thursday's (April 8) WNC Swine Conference at Maggie Valley.

SPRING STOCKER SALE: will be held April 13 at 10:00 a.m. at WNC Livestock Yard. If you are selling, weigh-in is Monday, April 12. Holstein Steers will be accepted too! If you need some stockers, this is a good place to buy. Cattle are on the move-up, we hope.

GARDENING IS FOR EVERYONE. Get into the act.

REPORT FROM

U.S. Senator

JESSE ★★

HELMS

WASHINGTON—It was just after midnight, and I sighed with relief as I climbed into the taxicab that had come to pick me up at the Washington studios of NBC Television. A few minutes earlier, I had reluctantly made a brief appearance on a national television program which, as hosts David Brinkley and John Chancellor had put it, "wrapped up NBC's coverage of the presidential primary in North Carolina in which Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan scored stunning victories."

It had been a long day. The Senate had been in session Tuesday, and I was unable to go home to vote. Anticipating that, I had mailed my absentee ballot some two weeks earlier. Now, it was all over.

GHOSTLY—Washington is an almost ghostly town at midnight. As the taxicab moved through the empty streets, and across Memorial Bridge into Virginia, the driver took note of my Southern accent—and remarked that I must be from out of town.

He likes North Carolina, he said. He had been stationed at Fort Bragg some years ago. Inasmuch as I had not identified myself, he assumed that I was a stranger in Washington. He began pointing out the various sights—the Capitol, the Pentagon, the Lincoln Memorial. Even the Washington Monument. All of these were a part of the impressive panorama of Washington, glowing in the subdued lights of Washington at night.

ROLLED—As we rolled along, I thought of the awesome responsibility that my fellow North Carolinians had exercised the day before. Those "stunning victories" that Carter and Reagan had scored—what impact would they have on the course of history?

I always think of the losers in any contest. I thought of George Wallace, and that day more than a decade ago when I first met him in Raleigh. I thought of Jerry Ford, a gracious friend. And then I thought of Ronald Reagan, with whom I began an enduring friendship years ago, and with whom I had talked by telephone just a few minutes before leaving for the television studios. His success in North Carolina had exceeded anything he could have hoped for. I do not know Jimmy Carter, but I could imagine the joy he was experiencing as a result of his solid victory in North Carolina.

PRIMARIES—But the thought would not go away: Are these presidential primaries really worth the time and money and effort? Are they meaningful to the people? If so, why do not more citizens participate? Why is the voter turnout so relatively small?

I thought of the hundreds of North Carolina Democrats who had gone to the polls on Tuesday, fully intending to vote for Ronald Reagan. They could not, of course. Under North Carolina law, voters may not cross party lines. It was surprising, I pondered, that so many Tar Heels were unaware of that. Hundreds of them were irate, because they wanted to vote for Ronald Reagan.

Their discontent, however, was an indication that Governor Reagan, if nominated by his party, will be able to put together a coalition of support—Democrats, Republicans and Independents—just as he did when he was twice elected Governor of California. He won office by a margin of more than a million votes.

ISSUES—The issues in the North Carolina primary centered around the economy, the U. S. defense posture, the proposed give-away of the Panama Canal, and other matters involving the future of our nation, and perhaps its very survival.

Finally, the taxicab pulled up in front of my home in Virginia. The driver and I exchanged good wishes, and he expressed the hope that I would enjoy my stay in the Washington area.

I shall and I do. But I am awfully glad that presidential election years roll around only once every four years. And I suspect most other Americans feel the very same way.

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