

NEWS PRESS IS BEING
INSTALLED THIS WEEK

The News press, to print the Black Mountain News was delivered Thursday, and is being installed. By Jack Harrison, a press engineer from Columbia, S. C.

The News experts to publish the paper every Thursday, on time if possible. We want to thank the people of the Community for their patience and sticking by us in our trouble of getting started.

We can by running our own press get later news, and more up to the minute-articles of interest.

Our dead-line for news or ads will be on Tuesdays before 10:00 A. M. Please have your articles in by that time. You people are helping to make the paper by sending in your news articles and we want you to know that we appreciate it.

Again we thank you
The Black Mountain News

Mr. J. R. Hodson whose car was stolen about five weeks reported that it was found Saturday.

Ted Hodson a first cousin of Mr. Hodson who had stolen the car came back to his home in Mocksville and left the stolen car in Barbourville, Ky., where Mr. Hodson found it.

Mr. Flake Hodson a brother of Mr. Hodson saw the boy, when he came home and literally grabbed him by the nap of the neck and the seat of the pants and took him to the Sheriff's office where he was charged with car stealing and is in jail awaiting trial. The offense carried from 3 to 12 years.

The car was found with 4 tires and one wheel gone and was wrecked side.



SGT. WALTER B. GRAGG JR.

Sgt. Walter B. Gragg Jr., in the Air Service Since March 3rd 1943 has really seen some service. He sailed from Seattle, Wash., on Sept. 10 for the Pacific.

Sgt. Gragg received his basic training at Miami Beach, Fla. from there he was transferred to Buckley-Lowry Fields in Denver, Colo., and Tyndall Field, at Panama City, Fla.

Mr. Gragg was recently married to Miss Athleen McHan of Asheville, N. C.

Write to Walter, at:
Squad C-1 APO 19682 A-Z
Care Post Master
San Francisco, California.

PRESBYTERIANS WILL
CONVENE IN WEST
ASHEVILLE OCT. 2-3

The 31st annual conference of the Women's Auxiliary, Synod of Appalachia, will be held with the Presbyterian Church of West Asheville October 2 and 3, with the executive board convening Monday, October 1. The conference will be held at 6 p. m. Monday. The business session will begin at 9 a. m. Tuesday, and an interesting program has been arranged for the conference, with a number of prominent speakers slated to appear.

Charles Furniture
Store Add New
Designs in Furniture

The Charles Furniture Store of this city, is expanding and adding many new pieces of furniture to their stock. They are getting ready to make some new displays of their line.

They have recently bought many Christmas toys and furniture for children.

Some of these things were bought at war time prices, but they intend to sell them at greatly reduced prices.

It is nice to know that people of Black Mountain can buy their furniture here at prices they can afford to pay.

They have linoleum of all kinds and they are very attractive designs. One can replenish their old furniture now with new at this Store, and be assured of getting good Furniture.

Montreat News

Circle number one of the Presbyterian Women's Auxiliary met on Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock at the home of Mrs. L. Nelson Bell, Mrs. C. E. Henderson, the chairman presided over a short business session. Mrs. Geo. Hudson is the secretary of this circle and Miss Virginia Sinclair, the treasurer. Mrs. John H. Robertson gave the Bible Study, found in Acts 8:26-40 and discussed the subject "What shall I say?" The emphasis for this year's study in the Auxiliary is on Evangelism with the theme "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so," as its basis.

The hostess served delicious hot spiced punch with wafers and open faced sandwiches. She was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Billy Frank Graham.

Sixteen members and six visitors attended.

Circle number two met with Mrs. Helen Armstrong on Florida Terrace, Miss Jessie Stackard is the chairman Miss Ida Tipton, Secretary and Miss Sallie Liddell, treasurer.

Mrs. John Nisbet taught the Bible lesson. Miss Roberta Daniels reviewed an article in the Presbyterian Survey by Dr. H. H. Thompson, who is the Assembly's Chairman of Evangelism.

Fifteen members and one visitor were present. The hostess served Russian tea, home made cookies and delicious apples.

The Business Woman's Circle with Miss Zoulean Anderson, chairman, met Tuesday evening at Webbwood apartments with Misses Annie Webb, Annie Bell Hill and Mrs. W. H. Admstead as hostesses. Miss Witmer is the secretary of this group and Miss Webb its treasurer.

Mrs. John Nisbet brought the Bible Lesson and talk of the evening to this group, also. She is an exceptionally fine teacher and speaker. The hostesses served delightful punch and cookies to twenty-two regulars and one new member.

Mrs. Marshall Doggett and children left Saturday for Kenosha, Wisconsin. Their address will be 4057 30th Ave. They have spent the two last years in Montreat while chaplain Doggett has been overseas in the Pacific area. He is now located at this Great Lakes Station and while the family will be greatly missed in Montreat, we are happy for them they can be reunited.

Mrs. A. C. Astrom, from Statesville is visiting Miss Estelle Lumpkin, both of these ladies were formerly missionaries to Japan. Dr. S. C. Mitchell, formerly President of the university of South Carolina at Columbia, is spending the winter in Montreat.

Mrs. Mildred Byers has as a visitor her niece, Mrs. Estelle Stinson, from Handover, Miss., who will be with her for sometime.

Mrs. Emma Lou Browne is now employed at Assembly Inn, while her husband is located at Moore General Hospital. She is relieving Mrs. C. E. Dorsey who will give all her time to her teaching duties in the college.

Ralph Randall, who has been at the Inn, is leaving to resume his studies in Erling College. Due West, S. C. George Calhoun returned to his home in Laurel Hill, N. C., to enter school there.

Chaplain, Habel McElwaine, who was born in Japan, his parents being pioneer missionaries to that country, has been visiting Dr. and Mrs. L. Nelson Bell. He became ill while on Leyte Island and has been a patient at Moore General Hospital. He left Tuesday for Statesville, N. C., where he is located.

Mrs. J. W. Burgess is returning to her home in Black Mountain, N. C., after spending some time there. We'll be glad to see her again.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Clifton are planning an interesting program for the conference. They have 125 cents in their pockets, formerly secretary of the N. C. A. there. He is also, president of the Chambers Association, and has been some time conference groups here.

Mrs. Johnnie Cort, recently of Banner Elk has returned to Montreat to make her home. She will occupy her cottage on Look Out Road. She will be joined by her sister-in-law Mrs. J. K. Cort, who has been in New York with her son, John Knox Cort, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson Watkins are frequent visitors to Montreat and are returning to their home in Atlanta after a week at the Inn. They were accompanied this time by Mr. J. H. Glasure, who is associated with Mr. Watkins in the auditing business for Armour and Company.

Mrs. Robert L. Nut, was called to her home in Sebring, Fla., as her house was badly damaged by the recent hurricane.

Mrs. Ralph Bowden, and small son, Ralph, Jr. are returning to their home in Savannah, Ga., after spending a year here. We shall miss them from our neighborhood. Captain from our neighborhood. Captain Bowden will remain at Moore Gen.



CARROLL

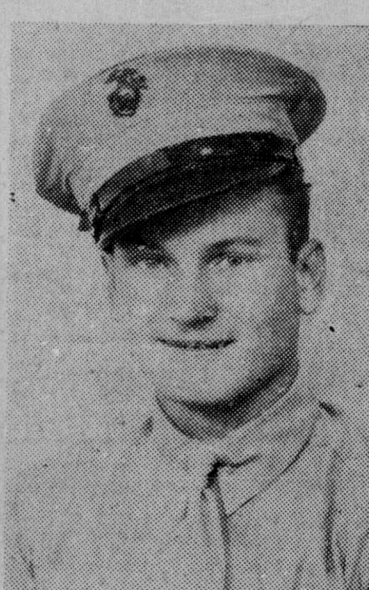
THREE BURNETT BROTHERS IN SERVICE—Pvt. Carroll Burnett of U. S. Army Medical Corps has been overseas in the Philippine area. He took his boot training at Ft. Bragg and Camp McCall, N. C., and from there went to Hawaiian Islands. From there he saw the Marshalls and has 67 points to his credit.

Sgt. Horace Burnett of the U. S. Marines took his boot training at Paris Island and from there he was sent to Cuba and then to the Solomon Islands; he also was at Guadalcanal for twenty months and from there to New Georgia and the Mariannas. Horace landed at San Francisco January 1st. He is expecting his discharge soon.

Seaman First Class Eugene Burnett entered service in 1944 and received his training at Sheepshead Bay, New York. From there he was sent to Guam. He returned to the States September 1st of this year. They are the sons of Mrs. Claude Owenby of Black Mountain.



EUGENE



HORACE

Old Resident Recalls
Boyhood Days

Route 1, Box 10
Swannanoa, N. C.
Sept. 24, 1945

The Black Mountain News
Black Mountain, N. C.
Dear Sir:

Inclosed here is (\$1.25) one dollar and twenty-five cents for which send me the Black Mountain News for 6 mo. We received the free copy and enjoyed it very much. Every one should be proud of it because it brings us the news of our community. I love this paper because I was borned and raised in Black Mountain. I was borned across the street in front of the Black Mountain laundry.

I have plowed corn. About where every house stands in a quarter of a mile of where I was born. This was known as the old Joe Stepp Property. Later it fell into the hands of his son Mont Stepp. I was born April 10, the year of the surrender. I remember when there wasn't more there a dozen houses in a mile of this spot, the best I remember. The Stepp House where I was born.

2nd the Henry Goodson House last owned by the Gustavino's the next was Mrs. Everline Dougherty same road. Grandmother of John Stepp and Walt Stepp, the next on the same road was old man Jesse Watkins, father of Fleet Watkins. Now owned by Mrs. Anne Wilson, I believe, the next was old man, Silas Daugherty, down at the Hegman Place, the next was up near Blue Ridge, Lem Dougherty, brother to Silas D. The next was Mrs. E. Everline Dougherty mother of Louis Daugherty (Building Contractor). The next was Squire John Stepp, where Mrs. Tom Gilbert now lives. The next was old man, Dan Walker, Out Nockford Rd., where the milk dairy is 3 on. The next was Bill Kerle, about where the Montreat Gate is. Next was Bill Padgett, brother of Jim and Penn Padgett, the next was the 2 old Kelly Brothers' place. Father and uncle of Howard Kelly. This was an old stage. Quite a business spot. The next was Rile Allison at the mouth of Swannanoa Furnel, owner of where Ridge Crest is now. I only know of 2 men living that I would know of this by. Howard Kelly and Anderson Kelly as we played and hunted all over this property. I am now 80 years old, I wish to print this, I can tell you more each week on the history of Black Mt.

eral Hospital where he is a physician-patient a while longer.

Mrs. C. W. Clifford has been added to the College faculty. She will assist Miss Ruth Farrior with the Physical Education classes and also teach physiology. Sgt. and Mrs. Clifford has been occupying the Pixie Pent-House on Missouri Rd. for some months.

Mr. Chas Cottingham presented some very interesting films of travel pictures to the College student body on Saturday evening in Anderson Chapel. They were very enjoyable as well as instructive.

Miss Virginia Leftwich Graham, made her adment into the world at 7:30 Saturday morning. She is the seven and one half pound daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Billy Frank Graham and the first grandchild of Dr. and Mrs. L. Nelson Bell. Congratulations to all of them.

Beacon Mills defeated the Old Fort Steamers in a baseball game by a score of 7-6.

\$178,957 IS GOAL SET FOR
OCTOBER COMMUNITY DRIVE

As a prelude to the opening of the United War and Community Fund, campaign in Buncombe County next month, Charles S. Walters, general chairman, addressed a dinner meeting of his colonels of civic clubs in the Men's division at the Manor last Monday evening. A goal of \$178,957 is sought.

Mr. Walters made it plain that funds collected during the drive will be allotted to local organizations and to the USO, as well as to a number of relief organizations which will take care of needs for the next 15 months or until they are liquidated.

Jack Barfield, chairman of the Men's division, presided at the meeting. Among other speakers at the gathering were Clarence Morgan, city chairman, Roy Phillips, publicity chairman, and George Searle, H. H. Pressley of the Coca-Cola Bottling Company, presented a film "Here Come the Yanks."

Julian A. Woodcock, Jr., chairman and Daniel W. Glover, vice-chairman of the employee group solicitation division, talked to 200 executives of firms at a meeting in the Governor Vance room at the Langren Hotel Tuesday afternoon.

Tuesday morning an exhibit of campaign posters and other display materials was held at Buckler's studio.

In announcing the goal for this year's drive, Mr. Walters gave a breakdown of the war fund dollar. He said, "Over and above administrative and campaign expenses, which are held at the remarkably low figure of five per cent, approximately 50 per cent of each war fund dollar goes to the 18 National War Fund agencies and the same amount to the

"The Village Work
Shop"

A Black Mountain enterprise, that a few new comers probably know much about is the handmade furniture center. "The Village Workshop," owned and operated by E. L. Dupuy Jr., who here in Black Mountain for over ten years has been building special furniture pieces and art-furniture to order of the finest native and tropical woods and sending them to customers, some as off as Washington State and California, some to New England and New York and Florida.

His policy has always been that no material is too good or too expensive for the pieces he turns out.

On the morning of the day this was written there were seen in his work-department three logs (the best suited name for them), of partly known and sawn tropical furniture mahogany just in direct from New Orleans. This is expensive but he says it brings him future orders and he does not hesitate to put it into his work. He also uses Satin wood and others in his imported wood list and special selections of mountain walnut, cherry and others among the native woods.

Mr. Dupuy could fill other responsible places in different lines of work and accomplishment but says his own work gives him the most pleasure. His individual high standard of quality is often much appreciated by his customers. The writer happened to know of a recent order from a New York man for a special kind of writing desk for his wife. Upon receiving the desk he was so much pleased that he voluntarily added a bonus of about twenty-five dollars to the price of the desk, though a stranger and this was his first order, though it probably will not be his last.

13 local agencies of the Asheville Community Welfare Council.

Mr. Walters added: "The National War Fund is asking our help in one more federated drive for funds for war service and relief agencies. Winthrop Aldrich, president of the National War Fund, has pointed out that the next six months will be one of the most critical periods in human history. The climax in the Pacific war, and the morale problems of occupation, mean a peak load for the USO and USO-Camp Shows. The rises in Europe, in China, and the Philippines, with the Axis defeated, but with victory not yet won, means that these six months will settle for millions of the liberated the grim question of sheer survival, and also will largely shape the kind of peace and the kind of world with which we shall have to live. During this period the private foreign relief agencies are prepared, with our support, to aid the many brave peoples who are as yet so stunned, exhausted, cold and hungry to stand on their own feet unaided."

Agencies Included

Agencies included in the National War Fund are USO, United Seamen's service, and War Prisoners' Aid, serving American men, and the following foreign war relief organizations: American Relief for Czechoslovakia, Belgian War Relief society, United China Relief, American Relief for France, American Relief for Holland, American Relief for Italy, United Lithuanian Relief fund, Friends of Luxembourg, American Relief for Norway, Philippines War Relief, Polish War Relief, United Yugoslav Relief fund, Refugee Relief trustees, Greek War Relief society, and the United States Committee for the Care of European children.

The local agencies included in the Asheville Community Welfare Council are: Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of America, Asheville Colored hospital, Community Recreation and Social Service league, Travelers' Aid, Salvation Army, Y. W. C. A., Y. M. C. A., Phyllis Wheatley branch of the Y. W. C. A., Good Samaritan Mission, Family Service bureau, Welfare Planning bureau, and local USO.

New Business Opens In
In Black Mountain

Mr. J. W. Burgess, from Rutherford County, is opening up a new filling station on the Ridgecrest Road just opposite the Grammar School.

He intends to handle a full line of Crown products.

Mrs. Burgess has taught school here three years in the elementary School.

The place is undergoing a general change in appearance. A general clean up and painting job is now being done. Mr. Burgess invites the public to come and get acquainted.

Local Builder And
Contractor Dies

A. C. Lewis, 58, lumberman and building contractor, died at his home on the Black Mountain-Ridgecrest highway Saturday. He had been ill several months.

Surviving are his wife, a son, J. W. Lewis of Black Mountain; two daughters, Miss Reba Lewis of Black Mountain, and Mrs. J. A. Aldridge of Tennessee.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete Saturday night. Harrison funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

FREE WILL BAPTISTS PLAN
CHURCH RETREAT HERE

U. S. Employment
Service

RALEIGH, Sept.—Marked increase in demands for workers in industrial, business and service activities in North Carolina since V-J Day and in spite of the layoffs of more than 15,000 workers in war plants, are shown in the orders now on file in the local offices of the U. S. Employment Service.

On July 1 Local USES offices had 2,000 unfilled job openings on file. By August 1 the number had grown to 38,000, and by September 1 the total job openings went to 40,500, although in August the local USES offices had placed or assisted in placing 27,39 workers, Dr. J. S. Dorton, State manpower director, reveals.

Local USES office personnel have turned their efforts from manning war plants to supplying workers for peace-time operations, and have previously has been classed as less essential and had not been able to maintain normal forces. This backlog of demands, along with the needs of workers in many of the former essential plants and operations, such as textiles, lumbering, logging and pulpwood, has increased the shortage of workers from 27,000 to 40,500 in two months Dr. Norton shows.

RALEIGH Sept.—Reflecting the increased tempo in releasing veterans from the service in recent months, the numbers of veteran visits to local U. S. Employment Service offices have almost doubled, reaching 17,314 in August, as compared with 9,034 in March for example. The increase in recent months has been gradual but important, it is shown by Dr. J. S. Dorton, State director of the War Manpower Commission.

Local placements of veterans on jobs have increased, reaching 2,094 in August, the first month in which the number has exceeded 2,000. Of those completing applications for work in August, 31 were classed as handicapped, and 162 such veterans were placed in jobs.

Local U. S. Employment Service offices directed veterans to proper agencies to handle their problems during August as follows: Veterans Administration, 1,088; State Vocational Rehabilitation agency, 52; Selective Service, 58; training agency 238, and other agencies, 899.

Master Sgt. Purdy
At Moore General

Sgt. Purdy, his just returned from the Pacific. He is stationed at Moore General has been in the Philippines for some time. He has been in the service for 10 years.

Sgt. Purdy has seen plenty of fighting in the Philippines and Dutch East Indies and has been in the fight since it started.

He has about \$1000 dollars in Japanese, Dutch East Indies money as well as several hundred dollars in Philippine money. He also has a saber he took off a Jap General together with American watches that he took off Jap soldiers. He says that the Jap would take these watches off Dead American soldiers and would some time have 6 and 7 watches all strapped on one arm.

Mrs. Purdy is wearing one of the watches he retrieved.

Sgt. Purdy flew on the First China Clipper 80V also on her sister ship 81V-the Carabean.

Former Resident
Injured in accident

J. C. Wolcott of Lake Wales, Fla., who for many years operated Wolcott's Photo Shop in Black Mountain, recently suffered a broken arm in an accident at his Florida home, according to word received here.

For a number of summer seasons Mr. Wolcott and his wife came to Black Mountain to operate their summer photograph business. Due to war time travel restrictions and the scarcity of photographic materials, the Wolcotts decided to remain at their Florida business during the past summer. He reports that his business there has been exceptionally good this season.

A commercial photographer for more than 40 years, Mr. Wolcott began his profession in Kansas, going one of Topeka's outstanding photographers and at one time operated one of the largest photo supply houses in the mid-west. Later he moved to Florida, established a photo business there, and came to Black Mountain during the summer months to operate a commercial studio and kodak finishing shop.

Prior to this year his business was located in the building now occupied by the Black Mountain News office's.

\$15,000 Drive Launched
At Meeting

Wilson Sept. 25.—Officials of the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Church Association announced today that they had taken an option on 115 acres of land at Black Mountain that included a 35-room building and that an assembly group for the State association, to be known as Cragmont, would start operation there on November 1.

The mountain retreat will be much the same kind of a place as other such retreats of other churches in the State, the Rev. J. A. Evans, Middlesex, general chairman of the project, said today. The Rev. Mr. Evans is superintendent of the Free Will Baptist Orphanage at Middlesex.

At the same time, the Rev. Mr. Evans announced that a drive in the State to raise \$15,000 to help defray the expenses of the new program had already started. The church plans to extend the facilities at Cragmont that are already in existence. The retreat will be for young people ministers and Sunday School groups. The project is being sponsored by the State association of the church, the State League and the State Woman's Auxiliary.

A board of trustees has been set up, composed of the Rev. R. B. Spencer of Ayden, chairman; Mrs. J. C. Moye of SnSow Hill, secretary; and Fountain Taylor of Richlands, treasurer.

The place at Cragmont will be set up as a memorial to the members of the Free Will Baptist Church in the State who were killed in World War 11.

The Committee set up to raise the \$15,000 for the place includes: Taylor, Mrs. Moye, the Rev. Mr. Spencer, Mrs. L. E. Bird of Middlesex, the Rev. R. B. Knddy of Goldsboro, Mrs. J. C. Griffin of New Bern, Mr. N. E. Harris of Rocky Moun, the Rev. R. P. Harris of Enfield, the Rev. Henry Melvin of Durham, and Robert Godley of New Bern.

A meeting of the Assembly grounds Committee was held September 11, 1945. Plans were perfected for the campaign of raising \$15,000 to pay for the Cragmont Property to be used as Assembly Grounds. Rev. James A. E. Evans, the Campaign Manager, proposed the plan of the selection of 10 captains to raise \$1,000 each by October 8th. The captains chosen are:

Rev. Rashie Kennedy Mrs. J. C. Rev. R. B. Spencer, Mr. Fountain Taylor, Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Rev. Rashie Kennedy, Mr. Robert Godley, Mrs. J. C. Moye, Mrs. N. E. Harris, Rev. R. P. Harris, Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Rev. Henry Melvin.

A prospectus giving facts and a picture of the property was given to each captain.

THE PURPOSE OF CRAGMONT
ASSEMBLY GROUNDS

The Cragmont Assembly Grounds will be used (1) for the Sunday Schools and the Leagues to hold Summer Camps each year for recreation, Bible study, institute work, and revival services; (2) it will be used as a gathering place for Women's Auxiliary Camp and Convention meetings, Bible study and recreation; (3) the ministers will use it for Bible Conferences, Bible Institutes, District Assemblies and conferences from time to time; (4) and also it will be used for the entertainment of those who wish to spend a week or so, when it is not otherwise occupied, for a vacation in the mountains for rest and recreation.

The plan is for Cragmont to be occupied at all times by a superintendent or keeper and his family for the purpose of keeping the property in order, and to entertain guests, for a nominal price while there, when it is not otherwise occupied by assembly groups, of course. A board or committee of five members known as the HOLDINGS COMMITTEE, will have control of the management, upkeep, improvements, and government of the Cragmont Assembly Grounds for the welfare of the Free Will Baptist church.

It is the desire of the Assembly Grounds Committee and Board of Trustees of the same that Cragmont will become a lasting memorial, in the name of Christ and righteousness, for the church and its Christian, forward movement for the furtherance of the gospel.

SGT. JESSIE COOK

Sgt. Jessie Cook is home on a 7 day furlough after spending three years with the Army Transport Command. Jessie is crew chief on a B-29 and has stopped over to visit his parents before being transferred to Utah.

Sgt. Cook is the son of J. D. Cook of Black Mountain.