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MEMORIES

Just now we met up with Bill Cavalho; now Bill is a wonderful guy and a great sportsman. Before I could say hello, he started to tell me about the football game. They must have had a wonderful time because each time I exerted myself in opening my mouth to ask that I hadn't even thought of.

Wake Forrest nearly beat Tennessee. The score reaching a close margin of 7-6 as the ball was carried down in the end zone which earned our friends and the dime once again went on the march. That trip was a fine one it turned out better than the week before when Bill Henry Bunell Horace Stroupe and Drowsy Hardin started to see the Detroit Tigers and Washington Senators play baseball. This trip was terrible it all but broke our sportsman's heart because by the time they got to Staunton, the timing gear went bad and the trip stopped short.

LITTLE BUNDLE FROM HEAVEN

Rev. and Mrs. Grady Shope of How Creek announce the birth of a daughter, Nancy Jo. Rev. Shope is pastor of Swannanovia Gospel Tabernacle in Swannanovia.

By Lawrence Pembroke

Hear is some news, Mr. Editor from the Swannanovia section. My step father came in Thursday night and has to be back at Camp next Thursday. His name is Glenn Teague. He is in the Navy.

By Margaret White

Cpl. Joy Blankenship of Swannanovia, arrived in the States safely after being in Germany for about two years. His wife learned Thursday, September 20 after receiving a telegram from the war department. He saw his son, Joy Blankenship Jr., for the first time when he came home September 27.

NEW STUDENT

I am pleased to send you the news of the past week. I am a new student of Swannanovia High School and have been attending regular and my opinion of Swannanovia school is that it is line, the students take a great interest in their work and show a good school spirit. The school has a fine ball club and their fighting spirit was shown Friday's game with the Black Mountain gridders. I enjoy going to Swannanovia school and like my subjects and teachers and formally I attended school at Lee Edwards High School in Asheville.

SWANNANOVA TOWNSHIP

Kenny Mills Swannanovia township has just about as many sections as New York City, but people in Swannanovia cannot seem to realize this.

New Village, Old Village, Swannanovia Heights Nigor Hill, Grovemount and Black Bottom are what most people think is Swannanovia, but it isn't. No, there is Moore General Hospital, Buckeye, Warren Wilson College, Bee Tree and Christian Creek.

The business section of Swannanovia is known as "The Station". The Beacon Mfg. Co. was first built, the also built a village. The village was located on the south side of the mill. This is what is known as "The Old Village."

Later on where the mill grew larger, they built another village in the north side of the mill. This is what is known as "The New Village."

Not over five years ago places such as Black Bottom, Nigor Hill, Buckeye, Grovemount, and Swannanovia Heights were very small sections of the community. Now every place is built, just to look like one of the Beacon villages.

Where Moore General Hospital now stands, then used to be the apple orchid, chicken farm and the grape vineyards, of the North Carolina State Test Farm. Now one of the biggest Government hospitals in the state stands right in the mists of our community.

WARREN WILSON BUYS AIRPLANE

Ray Cordell Last week Warren Wilson College purchased a reconitioned airplane from the government. It has been brought to the Black Mountain Air Port.

Mr. Nichols who is in charge, says that the plane is in very good condition. They took it over the college for a reconnaissance mission so to speak to see the field where they will land there today. Although the plane is in good flying condition, it will not be taken off the ground again; once they get it to the college.

They purchased the plane for educational purposes only, that is to tear down the plane, then reconstruct over and over; so as to teach the students he parts which are essential to a plane. In this course they will become familiar with the controls and parts of the engine.

I think it is a very good thing the benefit of air-minded world to which we are approaching.

Miss Jeanette Shelton

SWANNANOVA, N. C.—Miss Klemm, chemistry instructor at Warren Wilson College accompanied by the chemistry class visited the Black Mountain Ice Co. in Black Mountain, October 2.

They are cordially received by Mrs. Hoffman the owner of the plant.

Both Miss Klemm and students found it both interesting and educational.

FLASH CARROLL BECOMES "UNCLE"

"Dugan" Nichols L. E. Carroll, better known as Flash Carroll has become an uncle. His sister, Nancy Brooks has a fine baby boy. She came home Sunday October 7. The mother is fine and if the baby takes after L. E., he will grow up to be a very fine boy. Her husband, who is in the Navy is expected home soon.

"SWAN" RANKS FOURTH

James I. Enloe "Swan", Swannanovia High School paper is expected soon. Ranking fourth in a nation wide survey of school papers, "The Swan" will consist of news from in and around this community and will still be priced at five cents. Speaking of your article on the artist, Artus Moser (Black Mountain News first edition). I speak for everyone in saying, it was great. We, the students, are happy to have him in our midst as a member of the faculty of this school. Until next week.

SGT. HARRY NOBLITT SOON TO BE DISCHARGED

Sgt. Harry M. Noblitt, of Swannanovia who has been in the service for over three and one half years soon will be discharged.

Mrs. Noblitt intends to resume his grocery business upon his return. He run his store for six years before entering the service.

Talk about team work the boys in service had it. And this is a sample of team work at home also.

Mr. C. T. Noblitt Harry's father took over the store when Harry left and left his business in Old Fort to do so Mr. Noblitt Sr. has only lost one day since this boy went away and has driven every day from Old Fort to carry on the business here.

That is real team work. We congratulate this "work-together attitude" between father and son, this is one boy that has a job for sure when he gets back.

GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

There was a great football match here last Friday afternoon between the Black Mountain High, Dark Horses and the Swannanovia High Warriors. The teams were well matched and played a tough game to the finish, the final score being a tie 6-6. Though the rain literally poured down may of the Swannanovia High school students stood on the open field to witness this match.

As a cheer leader and in behalf of our cheer squad we wish to congratulate the Black Mountain School in choosing such a fine cheer squad. They can really yell! The two teams met in fast moving game of clean sportsmanship and we hope we can play off this tie some day when it doesn't rain.

By Bett Burleson

I am very glad to send you the news that has happened, and is happening around my home.

My father is building a new house. It is made of pine and oak lumber. It has four rooms in it. He works most of his time on it. He says he will finish it by November if possible.

My brother came home last Saturday evening but he left Sunday morning. He is stationed at Bainbridge, Maryland. I also have 3 more brothers in the service. Two are in the army and one in the marines. They haven't been home in a long time.

My brother, Ned who is in the Navy sent me a beautiful scarf with the navy insignia on it. I was very well pleased.

I went to church yesterday and there was a big crowd there. We had a grand time.

A boy that lives down by us was reported killed by accident. I'm very sorry for his parents. He was the only boy in the family. His name was Paul Shoppe.

Will you please answer and tell me if you will except this news for your paper?

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR MISS MARION ASTLEY

Last Thursday night a bridal shower was held at the home of Mrs. A. F. Magnant. It was for Miss Marion Astley who is to be the bride of Tulio Nargaro Oct. 21 at Boston, Mass. Miss Astley received many nice gifts and appreciates them deeply.

The hostesses were Mrs. Nell Martin, Mrs. Bonnie Bass, and Mrs. Mary Powell.

MILDRED DAVIS ILL

Mildred Davis of the 10 grade has been absent from school due to illness.

We hope she will get well soon.

In the beautiful Valley of Swannanovia the Mountains have begun to color up in rainbow color with the clouds hanging low over the mountains making a very beautiful sight.

GOT SOMETHING TO SWAP-PUT IT IN THE SWAP COLUMN.

The 9th grade softball team played the 8th grade team. The 9th grade girls beat the 8th grade girls 1 to 0. The ball game was very hot all could be made was outs.

CHAS. TALENT IN AUTO WRECK

While returning from Asheville when their car left the road and struck a cement arch over a ditch Charles Talent was the only one who was seriously injured. He had a number of stitches taken in his head and neck. He was thrown through the front windshield. He is getting along fine now.

DAVID WILSON'S DEATH

David Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson of Swannanovia died Friday, October 5 in St. Joseph Hospital from pneumonia. His funeral was conducted by the Rev. Troy W. Lunford at the Christian Creek Baptist Church.

The Harrison Funeral home was in charge.

OLD TIME REVIVAL SWANNANOVA

If you are discouraged, sick in body, can't sleep at night, perplexed in business, worried about the future and world conditions, and need a spiritual uplift come to The Church of God Revival which begins Sunday October 14 at 7:15 o'clock each evening.

If you are a Christian come and help us. If you are not, come and let us help you.

Pastor Paul L. Thurman

BUSS AND NELL'S CAFE CHANGES OWNERSHIP

Mr. Burnette has bought the cafe in Swannanovia, known as the Bus and Nell's Cafe.

He has had considerable knowledge of the cafe business and is ready he says to give you good food as well as good service.

Virginia, his daughter with unerring efforts helps him in the cafe.

This is one of place where you can go and enjoy a good wholesome meal well cooked and just like mother used to cook. It is with great pleasure, we welcome Mr. Burnette as the new owner of the Cafe.

By Ra Cordell

Swannanovia School's enrollment list climbed high this year. We have more pupils in school now than ever before. The School District extends from Government, Bee Tree, Riceville, Azela, Buckeye Cove to Swannanovia. Out of this territory you can easily see that many children would come between the ages of six and eighteen years.

Whether it is the Army Draft Law, that has thinned our boys out, or just nature, I really can not say; but the population through this section of Western North Carolina is strictly becoming feminine. In School on the highway at the show-in in town, you will see on the average of five girls per boy.

On my way to Columbia, S. C., last Saturday, I saw along the highway and in small towns between Swannanovia and Hendersonville, three hundred and forty three girls and women, while we only counted fifty-eight boys and men.

If this situation continues three or four years, women instead of picking a husband will be glad to grab anything that comes along. This should be avoided.

Perhaps the man shortage will improve in the coming years. Take notice to the pop. of people cover the same unbalanced ratio of man to women that I have.

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NEWS FROM BLACK BOTTOM

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NEW CHURCH

I am sending you the news of our community. There is not anything that's new going on except a church is being built in Hawie Cove. It is nearly finished. It likes the roof and windows.

LETTER FROM MRS. DAVIDSON TO MISS GUINN AT WARREN WILSON

I sat down pencil in hand to typewrite you a letter, Pardon the ink, I dont live where used to live because I moved to where I live now. When you come to see me, you can ask anyone the way because nobody knows. I am so sorry we are so far together, I wish we were closer apart.

My Aunt Burlie died and is doing nicely. I hope you are the same. My cousin has the mumps and is having a swell time; She is at deaths door and the doctor is trying to pull her through.

We are having more weather this year than we had last year. I sent you a coat by express. I cut th buttons off to make it lighter. If you want them, they are in one of the pockets. I started to St. Clair to see you. I saw a sign and it said "This will take you to "St. Clair." I got on the sign and set there for three hours but the darn thing didn't move.

My neighbor's baby swallowed some pins, but they fed it as a pin cushion so now everything is ok.

In case you don't get this letter let me know and I will send it to you. In this envelope is a picture, but for fear of losing it, I took it out. I hope you like it.

Miss Gary Steppe of Black Mountain is in the graduating class at Warren Wilson this year. She graduates in Advanced Business and assists in the college library. She is the daughter of the late and Mrs. Walter Steppe.

We are glad to have in our campus community. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Crooks and Rev. and Mrs. Edwin White.

The Crooks, who are living in the Laursen cabin, were former missionaries in Thailand.

Mr. White is a minister at a Presbyterian church in Kingsport, Tenn., and the author of "Highland Heritage", a book which is considered to be the most authoritative study of the Mountains region in recent years.

By Fredia Ownsby

I am going to write some of the things that have happened during the past week and week-end.

The Swannanovia School has got a new bus. This will enable the school to carry more children safely. Other buses will not have to make so many loads either.

Mrs. W. L. Martin station operator on the Asheville Black Mountain highway, is expecting her son, Ceel home any time now as she got a letter from him last week saying he was on his way then September 27th.

Betty Jean Vess of the 9th grade at Swannanovia has a brother that was discharged from the Army. His name is Kenneth Vess of Farm School.

Mrs. E. G. Lee of Swannanovia, N. C. got word from her son, Pvt. E. G. Lee that he would be coming home sometime in the next three months.

I have two cousins, Pvt. John P. Ownsby and Pvt. Herman P. Ownsby, by who is expecting to be home any time. Johnny had a 30 day sick leave about three weeks ago.

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MOORE GENERAL

SWANNANOVA N. C.—Major Earl W. Rothermel, stationed at Moore General Hospital since October 28, 1942, will be given his release from the Army Medical Corps sometime this week, it was learned at hospital headquarters this morning. His home is in Reading, Pennsylvania.

Major Rothermel came to Moore General as chief of physical therapy. Last December he was named chief of th hospital's Reconditioning Service.

He has also served as president of the Officers' Club at the hospital.

He entered on active extended duty in May 1942 and was stationed at Station Hospital, Fort Dix, N. J., before being transferred to Moore General.

Major Rothermel is a graduate of Temple University and of Franklin and Marshall College. He was engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery when called to the colors. His home address is 746 N. Pennsylvania Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Swannanovia N. C.—Last spring Captain Milton Lieberthal, chief of gastro-eteronology section in Moore General Hospital, Swannanovia, N. C. decided to enter a radio play he had written in off-duty hours in the Dr. Christian prize contest, heard over Columbia Broadcasting Co.

He didn't stop to think that the venture might take him along an unending road in the field of radio dramatics.

First of all, the Dr. Christian judges liked the script so well that they requested Captain Lieberthal to withdraw it from the contest to enable them to buy it outright. They had signed up Claude Raines for a play and Lieberthal's "Diagnosis After Death" was just the vehicle they wanted for them. The play was heard on a Dr. Christian program over WWNC, Asheville, a member of the CBS chain.

Since that time Captain Lieberthal has sold three scripts to radio, one of which was broadcast on "The Sheriff" program heard over 180 stations of the American Broadcasting Company network every Friday at 8:30 p.m. EST. He has just completed a fourth script, which went into the mail Friday.

Captain Lieberthal, who was a practicing gastro-enterologist in Bridgeport, Conn., before entering the service, became interested in writing and producing the Moore General Varieties Show still being on WWNC. He had also been written-broadcast every Thursday evening and taking roles in musical comedies in his student days at Dartmouth undergraduate magazine "Jack L Lantern."

He received his bachelor of arts degree from Dartmouth and his medical degree from New York University. He has been certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine in internal medicine and in the sub-specialty of gastro-enterology. He has been chief of his section at Moore General for the past 30 months.

Captain Joseph E. Lantagne has been appointed Chief of the Reconditioning Service of Moore General Hospital, succeeding Major Earl W. Rothermel, retired, Colonel Frank W. Wilson, commanding officer of the hospital, announced Sunday.

Captain Lantagne, whose home address is 1036 College Avenue, Menlo Park, Calif., has been at Moore General Hospital since November 1944 where he has served as chief of physical reconditioning and post athletic officer.

He entered the service as a first lieutenant in the Air Corps. He served as director of physical training at the Portland Army Air Base and as chief of special services until December 1942 when he was transferred to Hamilton, Field, Calif., as director of physical training and special service officer. In August 1944 he was sent to Military Intelligence School at Camp Ritchie, Md., to prepare for duty in France. With the liberation of France, he was sent to Moore General via Lawson General in Atlanta.

Capt. Lantagne is a graduate of San Jose College where he was a four-letter man, in football baseball, boxing and wrestling and was an all-conference and in the Far Western Football Conference in 1934 (repeat 1934). He then took his master of arts degree at Stanford University where he was instructor in hygiene and physical education and had trainer for all athletics. In 1940 and 1941 he was at San Francisco Junior College as football, soccer, boxing and golf coach. He then went to Santa Barbara College as a football and boxing coach and instructor in statistic and physiology. He is married and has one son. His wife is on Standford's faculty.

NEW BUSINESS OPENS IN SWANNANOVA

W. M. and Everette Mills starting new feed store in Swannanovia N. C. W. M. worked on a farm in Tenn. raised a family of three boys, two who are in service and one at home. Charles Winfred finished school in Swannanovia and is now a 2nd Lt. in the Army Stationed at Boco-Raton, Fla., studying radar. Claude S 1-c of Navy overseas 30 months wounded in Asiatic Area April 16th is back in service. Bee n in a number of Major battles. Everette has been at home operating a chicken farm west of Swannanovia on highway 70.

They have operated their poultry farm for the past 9 years and have at present five thousand chicks. They have grown and put on the market twenty thousand broilers per year and their new brood will mature around Christmas. After the chickens are put in the brooder they never touch the ground but are changed from brooder to brooder over a period of twelve weeks which is the average time of maturity. The building are equiped with modern equipment.

Mr. Mills has had wide experience on poultry diseases and offers his knowledge to those who need it. They started in a small way using a furance brooder and later changing to electric. The building in which the poultry were kept a few years ago burned down causing considerable damage and loss, but they immediately fought more to build up the flock once again.

They supplied eggs for the hatchery but have eliminated this and changed to fattening poultry. Mr. Mills was employed at Beacon's for the past ten years but now invites his neighbors in to see for themselves his enterprise.

He expects to supply every need of the feeder as far as conditions will allow.

CLUBS FOR SWAN. SCHOOL

Swannanovia School has made several improvements this year. It has the following clubs for the students to take part in:

- Glee Club
Girl's Service Club
Dramatic Club
Journalism Club
Art Club
Band
Folk Music Club

FOLK DANCE CLUB

Latha Martin

We have a good football team and expect to have an equally good basketball team. Mrs. Horton is the girls' coach and Charles Talent is the boys' coach.

We have games lined up with Sand Hill, Tryon, and Black Mountain.

SWANNANOVA TO PLAY SAND HILL NEXT

The Swannanovia Warriors clashed with the Black Mountain Dark Horses Friday October 5 on the Swannanovia field. The teams were evenly matched and the final score a tie 6-6.

Next week the Warriors will play the Sand Hill School.