

## Lions To Meet At Assembly Inn Monday Night

The Lions club will meet at Assembly Inn, Montreat, Monday night at 7:00 o'clock for dinner, after which will be shown the travelogue—"North Carolina" and a Red Cross film. The movies will run for approximately 50 minutes. It will be ladies' night and wives of members may go as guests. However, it will be necessary for Lions who intend to take either their wives or other guests to secure tickets not later than Friday in order that those in charge may know how many to plan for. Tickets may be secured at the Black Mountain Drug store, at the Swannanoa Bank, or from Charlie Spencer.

## Father Raises Son In Masonic Ceremony

The Black Mountain Masonic Lodge No. 663 met in special communication at the J. O. U. A. M. hall Friday, February 14, and conferred the sublime degree of Master Mason on Troy Fortner and Leroy Mashburn. The degrees were conferred by G. L. Kirkpatrick past master and the lecture was conferred by Cecil Hamm, worshipful master.

An unusual incident, which happened but few times in the Masonic Lodge, occurred when the candidate, Leroy Mashburn, was raised by his father, L. H. Mashburn.

## Community Chorus Officers Are Reelected

The community chorus will meet next Wednesday night, February 26, at the State Street Methodist church at 7:30. All members are urged to attend. The nominating committee, composed of Reed Hill, Dr. A. L. Hooker, and Mrs. George Stone conferred and decided that the officers for the ensuing year would be the same as in 1946. Officers who will serve another year include: Robert Guy, director; E. N. Howell, assistant director; A. W. McDougle, president; Dr. A. L. Hooker, librarian; Miss Nora Summey, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. A. W. McDougle, accompanist.

## Dr. R. Mattuck Visits Black Mtn. College

Dr. Robert Mattuck, professor of English at Goddard College, Vermont, is spending a few days at Black Mountain college. Goddard college is a progressive college established upon some of the same educational ideas as those of Black Mountain college. Dr. Mattuck plans to visit as many classes as possible and to talk with students and faculty.



SHOWN ABOVE is a general view of the main plant of the Grove Stone and Sand company which is located on the Asheville highway two miles west of Black Mountain. Managed by J. G. Northcott, the company recently received nationwide publicity through the pages of "Rock Products," a magazine devoted entirely to subjects related to the building industry and which has the largest net paid circulation of any publication in its field. When present improvements are completed, and new machinery installed, the plant will have a capacity of 150-200 tons per hour. The chief products are stone of all sizes, sand, and brick.

## Grove Stone Doubles Capacity In Planning Future Expansion

How the Grove Stone and Sand company doubled the capacity by installation of new equipment and how plans call for the addition of more machinery which will triple the capacity is told in an article, "Portable Pays Big Dividend," which appeared in the January edition of "Rock Products," the building industry's recognized authority. A magazine of national circulation the publication is devoted entirely to subjects related to the building industry.

As one of the roving reporters who tour the nation constantly on the watch for companies with outstanding production records, H. E. Swanson, associate editor, spent several days at Grove Stone in the company of J. G. Northcott and other officials gathering materials for the article. But before it could be published he had the misfortune of losing his life in the tragic hotel fire in Atlanta.

Founded in 1924 the Grove Stone and Sand company has grown into one of the ranking industries of the Valley. Repairs which are now under way and new equipment which is being added will cost approximately \$25,000, Mr. Northcott, who came to the company in 1939 after having spent several years with the state highway department as material engineer, told an interviewer. The new equipment includes a super scrubber and a new 4 x 12 three deck screen for screening materials. When the present work is completed and the new machinery installed, the plant will have a capacity of approximately 150-200 tons per hour.

Sand and stone were first brought down from the North Fork beds on dump cars pulled by Plymouth locomotives. With the passing of the years this changed and at present they are hauled down by a fleet of Euclid trucks, equipped with 150-hp Cummings Diesel motors. Each hauls 18 tons. The plant specializes in all sizes of crushed stone and concrete and asphalt sand. A new machine has been added which removes the clay and mica from the sand and assures a cleaner product. Although the products are sold to anyone, the chief customers have been the state highway and public works commission, Reed and Abee of Asheville, and general contractors. The company maintains a fleet

## Blue Ridge Board Meets In Knoxville

J. G. Northcott, assistant treasurer, E. S. Jackson, executive secretary, and Herbert W. Sanders, manager, are in Knoxville today to attend the annual board meeting of the Blue Ridge assembly. The board, which will hear reports for the current year and discuss plans for the coming season, is composed of three representatives from each of 10 southern states, plus the officers of the corporation, making a total of 43 members.

Asheville members, who with J. G. Northcott, E. S. Jackson, and H. W. Sanders, comprise the local operating committee attending the meeting were Judge H. C. Jarvis, C. E. Morgan, and D. W. Glover.

## Black Mtn. Drug Announces New Improvements

While plans are being made and discussed for building new buildings, remodeling, painting, and cleaning up lawns, and vacant lots, the Black Mountain Drug company which is owned and managed by C. C. Uzzell, has just finished enlarging and improving its prescription department. A new ten-inch daylight neon sign now covers the front of this department.

Dr. L. G. Kirkpatrick, who is in charge, along with Mr. Uzzell invites the public to visit and to inspect the prescription department as well as the modern fountain and sandwich bar. They now have in stock all the latest vaccines and vitamins.

A member of the Rexall chain which stretches from coast to coast, the Black Mountain Drug company is one of the oldest business establishments in the town.

**ATTENDS MEETING**  
Mrs. Bessie Carr attended a meeting of executive secretaries in Asheville at the S. & W. Wednesday.

## Well, Why Not???

During the past few weeks and months there has been talk about converting Black Mountain into a year around tourist center, or else attracting more industry to the city to give the community more payrolls which will be steady throughout the year.

Long noted as an ideal summer resort and assembly ground for the various religious groups, it is only recently that the city has stepped into the picture as a possible industrial site. Although such institutions as the Black Mountain Hosiery Mill, Black Mountain Lumber company, Morgan Manufacturing company, Beacon, and Grovestone are definitely the industrial backbone of the area, the need is great for another plant or plants that will supply payrolls throughout the year.

This end of the county is growing at a fast clip but during the next few months greater effort than ever must be expended to get the "right" kind of industry for the community.

Then, too, why not make Black Mountain a year around tourist center? The climate is mild, the scenery is still here during the winter months, and the facilities are available all year long. They do it at Tryon, why not Black Mountain?

## Black Mountain Men Join Naval Reserve

The following Black Mountain men were sworn into the U. S. Naval reserve (inactive) Thursday, February 13, at the naval recruiting sub-station in the Federal building: Garland Frank Bryson, Crawford A. Willoughby, Irvin B. Willis, David B. Longcoy, Gene A. Hughey, Max H. Morris, Charles E. Henderson, Bill Reynolds, Kenneth E. Glenn, Harry Atkins, Charles E. Brown, C. Brittain, and Frederick M. Burnette.

All former navy and coast guardsmen may now enlist in the V-6 Naval reserve, with the rate they held when discharged. Army and marine corps personnel may enlist with the same rate up through the rank of corporal, it was announced. Former service men who are interested are asked to go to the navy recruiting office in the Federal building.

## Episcopalians Elect Rhys, Greenwood

The convocation of Asheville, western half of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, had its pre-Lent session at the St. James church, Hendersonville, N. C., February 11 and 12.

At the business session the Rev. W. Greenwood, former priest of St. James church of Black Mountain, was elected dean of convocation in succession to the Rev. A. W. Farnum, while the Rev. J. Howard Ryhs of Black Mountain was reelected secretary-treasurer.

The program included a paper by the Rev. Howard Ryhs on "Reflection of a Hospital Chaplain;" one by the Rev. Frank Saylor of Bat Cave on "Use of the Book of Common Prayer in the Rural Field;" a sermon by the Rev. Asaac N. Northup of Biltmore; and three meditations by the Rev. A. W. Farnum of Asheville.

## Stines Points Out Need For Tolerance

Intelligence and tolerance go hand in hand, members of the Lions club and their guests were told Thursday night by E. Z. Stines of Asheville, deputy district governor and past president of the Asheville club.

"A real lion is one who has a desire for service to the community and is willing to make whatever sacrifice is necessary to render it," Mr. Stines continued. "The war just closed has erased the veneer of civilization and left the world filled with group and race hatred. Tolerance and understanding will do much toward leading the nations back to friendship and understanding." An intelligent man is a tolerant man," he concluded.

Twelve new members were inducted into the club Thursday night. They were: Douglas Jones, Dr. E. K. Brake, George Sarti, W. B. Beddingfield, Dean Willis, A. L. Hooker, Jr., O. W. Tinney, R. E. Free, J. R. Tucker, Gordon Greenwood, and George Dougherty.

The Rev. H. W. Baucom and George Stone returned Wednesday from a trip to Louisville and Indianapolis.

## Montreat Juniors Will Present Annual Entertainment Saturday

**SCHOOLS CLOSED ALL OVER W. N. C. BECAUSE OF SNOW**  
Schools at Swannanoa and Black Mountain were among those in the western part of the state forced to close because of the snow storm which struck the area late Wednesday night. Asheville city schools suspended classes, too. Whether or not schools in Black Mountain reopen Friday morning will depend on whether the weather moderates in time for the snow to melt off the roads, A. W. McDougle told the NEWS this morning.

## Many Regard Sacrinty As Wake's Best

WAKE FOREST, N. C., Jan. 28—Nick Sacrinty, Wake Forest senior from Reidsville, is regarded by many individuals as the best combination student-athlete in Wake Forest's long history.

Sacrinty enjoyed four brilliant seasons of football at Wake Forest (1943-46) and was chosen All-Southern for the past three years. He led the 1945 Gator Bowl champions in individual scoring with 48 points and last fall he proved the big factor on a team which ranked the 23rd best eleven in the nation. It was his spectacular passing that produced the majority of Wake Forest's victories including, of course, the memorable 19 to 6 upset of the Tennessee Vols.

Nick attained the pinnacle of his football success at San Francisco on New Year's Day when he was chosen the most valuable player in the East-West Shrine game. Many of the nation's outstanding collegians took part in this game and several had previously been chosen All-American. To this writer's knowledge it marks the first time in history that an athlete from the Carolinas has been chosen the most valuable player in this game and from time to time several men who made All-American while playing in the Carolinas have taken part in this contest.

## Guys Entertain Arts Club At Ridgecrest

Don Shoemaker, editorial writer for an Asheville newspaper, was the speaker at the February meeting of the Black Mountain Arts club which was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Guy at Ridgecrest. He spoke on "The Writing of Editorials."

The speaker pointed out that the newspaper of today tries to represent a certain policy, a system of philosophy, a reflection of the opinion of that newspaper as an institution. As a result what the editor writes is not entirely his own but the opinion of the paper's board.

Mr. Shoemaker discussed the type of editorials which appear during a period of history and the influence which some newspapers have had in political campaigns. While the reporter writing for the news page must write objectively, it is the job of the editorial writer to form opinion.

Prior to the talk Dr. and Mrs. Lowinsky rendered Handel's Sonata No. 1 in E Major, Mozart's Sonata No. 4 in E Minor and as an encore, the second movement of Brahms' Sonata in A Major. Dr. Lowinsky played the piano and Mrs. Lowinsky the violin.

Miss Mary Young, acting as president, and Mrs. Robert Guy, the hostess, served assisted by Mrs. George Stone, Miss Edith Chaterton, Mrs. Harrie Danenhower, Miss A. Howell, and Mrs. C. Spencer. Members of the reception committee were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Guy, Edward Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McDougle, and Dr. and Mrs. Frank Richardson.

## King And Queen Will Be Crowned During Evening

The Junior Class of the high school department of Montreat college will present its annual entertainment at Anderson Chapel Saturday evening at 7:30.

The program will begin with a one-act play entitled "On the Air," to be followed by an interlude of musical numbers by the Junior Chorus. An unusual feature of the evening will be a mock audience-participation program simulating the "Truth or Consequences" of radio fame.

The main event of the evening will be the crowning of the King and Queen and Prince and Princess, who are being chosen by popular vote during the week. Their identities will not be revealed until that time.

Following the program, hot dogs, ice cream, cold drinks, and candy will be sold in booths.

Mrs. Elma Randall, class sponsor, is directing the preparation of this event, assisted by Miss Karen Johnson of Weaverville, president of the class.

## Gleaner Leaders Urge Attendance At Sunday School

Mrs. Eugene Byrd, president of the Gleaner's class of the First Baptist church, urges each member to come to Sunday school to help their side win the contest now in progress. Mrs. R. T. Hill and Mrs. William Fortune are the leaders of the two teams.

The purpose of the contest is to gain new members and bring back old ones.

Each Sunday Mrs. W. B. Kyles, class teacher, brings interesting lessons that should not be missed. The leaders urge all to join them in their worship.

## Henry Hall Dies In Denver

Word was received here today that Henry Hall, son of W. W. Hall, Grovestone employee, died in an army hospital in Denver.

Grovestone officials reported that Mr. Hall left Wednesday for Denver and that efforts were being made to intercept him enroute.

## Surplus Reported Among Unskilled Labor Groups

While there is now a surplus of labor among the unskilled class, construction employment, now at a seasonal low, is expected to expand appreciably in the spring and take up most of the slack, according to a report which has just been issued by P. Lane Gaston, manager of the Asheville office of the U. S. Employment service.

Industries having the greatest demand for workers at this time are furniture and finished lumber products, textiles, apparel, communications, domestic service, and road maintenance. Professional workers are short in a variety of occupations, such as nurses, pharmacists, and engineers. A demand continues for experienced, high type salespersons, which are scarce.

## Fred Manchester To Address Methodists

As a part of the observance of Layman's Day, Fred Manchester, one of the leading laymen of the Central Methodist church in Asheville will speak at the State Street Methodist church Sunday Morning, February 23.

Buncombe was the first county in North Carolina to cooperate with the State in Forest Fire Control.

**WEATHER**

Below are the reports of the U. S. Forest Service weather station at Point Lookout. Readings are made twice daily by W. G. Alley.

	5 p. m.	8 a. m.	Prec.
Feb. 13	53	33	.00
Feb. 14	57	34	.00
Feb. 15	56	45	.00
Feb. 16	50	31	.00
Feb. 17	65	46	.00
Feb. 18	78	37	.00
Feb. 19	32	38	½"

Snow