

Poppy Memorial Flower For War Dead

Memorial poppies which will be worn here on Poppy Day, May 24, in honor of the dead of both wars are crepe paper replicas of the wild poppies which grow in France and Belgium where so many of the battles of both wars were fought. They are the poppies which grew between the crosses, row on row, in the World War I battle cemeteries and so became the memorial flower for the war dead. Now they symbolize memory for those who died for America on land, sea, and in the air in every part of the world.

Each flower is made by hand by a disabled veteran, the paper petals carefully attached to the wire stem and shaped to resemble the blooms with which nature decorated the battle field graves. The work gives the disabled men something interesting to do during the long hours of hospitalization and convalescence. It occupies their hands and minds, helping them get well. It also enables them to earn money, which builds their morale and makes things easier for themselves and families.

The poppies will be ready for the volunteer workers who will distribute them in all parts of the city on Poppy Day. No price will be asked for the little flowers but everyone receiving one will be asked to contribute something for the welfare of the disabled veterans, their families and the families of the dead.

If You Dumped Trash By Club House, Call 3301 And Get "Reward"

Evidently someone in Black Mountain doesn't believe in clean up—paint up campaigns. Last week while the city was engaged in the annual drive to make the town more presentable, a certain party drove out and dumped a load of trash in front of the club house.

Mayor Potter is not only interested in learning the identity of the individual but also interested in arranging a date with him at the city hall at which time the gentlemen or lady in question will be the center of attraction.

Anyone knowing the gentleman will do him a big favor by having him contact the mayor or any member of the town board. They'll be more than glad to hear from him.

Hosiery Mill Will Play Jaycees Here Friday

The up and coming Junior Chamber of Commerce, featuring the antics of Beddingfield, Morgan, Styles, Dr. Brake, Tinney, Brantley, Tyson, Dougherty, Richardson, Holman, Mashburn, Eckles, Kerlee, and others will attempt to get the victory cart set right again Friday when they take on the tough Black Mountain Hosiery Mill team at the grade school field. Starting time has been set for 5:30.

Sunday Movies Discussed By Town Board

To the best knowledge of the mayor and town board, Sunday movies are prohibited by the Blue Sky law, it was brought out at the council meeting at the city hall Tuesday night. Prior to the regular meeting Mayor J. L. Potter was sworn in for a second term and he in turn swore in the members of the council, including J. M. Lanct who was elected at the recent election along with Dr. F. H. Richardson and J. G. Northcott.

Several council members pointed out to Albert J. Terrell, New Theater owner, that while they had no personal objections to Sunday movies their actions in this case would have to be governed by the will of the people. After a lengthy discussion the decision was reached that Sunday movies in Black Mountain are prohibited by the Blue Sky law and that no further action is necessary. Mayor Potter emphasized that he would not sign an ordinance authorizing Sunday movies.

Ross Taylor was present to ask that the club house be repaired, repainted, and that screens be provided. "The golf course is in good shape and we expect a good year," the Black Mountain pro told the city fathers, "But the club house does need some repair." He was instructed to get an estimate on the cost and to report back to the council.

A. R. Rudisill reported that the sidewalk in front of the Key City Cab building on Cherry street was not level and that this caused water to stand next to the building. It was voted to repair it with asphalt and the city clerk was instructed to make the arrangements.

In other business the council heard the clerk read two letters in regard to leasing the club house for the summer, discussed ways and means of increasing the efficiency of the fire department, and called two special meetings for next week the notice of which appears elsewhere on this page.

"MISS BERMUDA"



ALICE GIBSON of Swannanoa, winner of the Swannanoa Valley popularity contest sponsored by the Black Mountain Lions Club. A graduate of the Swannanoa High school Miss Gibson will carry the Flag of Bermuda at the Flag of Nations ceremony in Asheville.

Ellingtons Have Moved Here

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ellington have arrived to make their home in Black Mountain. They are living in the upstairs apartment at their studio which they have purchased from Grage.

The shop will occupy the room just north of the one used at present, allowing additional space for dark room for photo-finishing.

The public is cordially invited to visit the studio at any time.

Rummage Sale Friday And Saturday

The St. James Episcopal church will hold a church rummage sale Friday and Saturday, May 16 and 17, in the flower shop back of Lance's Filling station on Montreat road.

WHO SAID "JOHNNY APPLE SEED" WAS DEAD?



Aided by Thad Burnette and three representatives from TVA, these modern Johnny Apple Seeds recently planted thousands of trees on the Black Mountain and Asheville watersheds. That they took their work seriously is shown by the fact that Kenneth Glenn, Donald Jackson, and Arthur Hemphill set 800 trees each in an eight hour day. Not present when Photographer Thomas E. Walters of Ridgecrest persuaded the boys to pose for a picture in the gym, was C. J. Rick, vocational instructor of agriculture at the Black Mountain High school. Shown here are: First row, left to right, Lawrence Bartlett, Ben Leatherman, Cecil Wilson, Bill Morris, Edwin Smith, Kenneth Fortune, Donald Jackson. Second row left to right, Joe Gilliam, Guy Ledbetter, Clifton Moffitt, Bill Reynolds, Jimmy Milbee, Charles Henderson, Clingman Capps, Kenneth Glenn. Third row, left to right, Edward Polson, B. H. Chandler, Bobby Swayngim, Carol Stevens, Clarence Padgett, Max Morris, Michael Ledbetter, Roland Osteen, Harry Atkins, and Bobby Blair.

Jaycees Dig Holes For Poles To Light Field

Mayor J. L. Potter turned the first shovel of dirt Wednesday afternoon at 1:20 when the Black Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce members met at the grade school field and dug the holes for the light poles. Hopes are now high that lights will be installed sooner than had been anticipated.

Although the Jaycees were on hand to finish the job, the city was represented by Mayor Potter, J. G. Northcott, J. M. Lance, and Dr. F. H. Richardson of the town board, and the schools by Superintendent A. W. McDougle, all of whom took their turn on the spade as work got under way.

Using the plan which had been laid out earlier in the day by Greer Johnson of Montreat, a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce board of directors, assisted by Penn Hunter, the Jaycee members who dug the holes included: Walter H. Styles, president, Alfred F. Tyson, Jr., vice-president, Oscar W. Tinney, secretary, Bill Holcombe, Penn Hunter, Marcus Begley, Robert Eckles, Woodrow Morgan, Albert J. Terrell, Bill Ellington, and Carl Kerlee. Supervising the work was Bill Holcombe, local representative of Carolina Power and Light company.

The Jaycees, who saved more than \$75.00 by digging the holes themselves, were served ice cream during the afternoon through the courtesy of Dr. E. H. Knight of Knight's Pharmacy. Soft drinks for the occasion were furnished by Ross Taylor.

Council Will Hold Special Sessions

The city council will meet in special session at the city hall Tuesday night, May 20, to discuss the applications which have been received in regard to renting or leasing the club house for the summer. All members of the American Legion are especially invited to be present.

The city council will meet in special session Tuesday, May 21, at 7:30 p. m., to discuss the possibility of establishing a city bus line in Black Mountain and adjacent area. All interested persons are invited to be present and to express their views.

—Mrs. A. R. Rudisill and daughter Linda Jo left Saturday for Dallas, N. C., to spend Mother's Day with Mrs. Rudisill's mother, Mrs. C. Hoffman.

BEAUTIFUL—BUT SMART



Miss Martha Davis and Miss Pauline Ledbetter, seniors at the Black Mountain High school, who have been chosen valedictorian and salutatorian. Miss Davis has a four year average of 95 and Miss Ledbetter an average of 94 over the four year course. (Photo by Tom Walters)

Martha Davis, Virginia Ledbetter Win High Scholastic Honors

Outstanding Students Over 4 Year Period

Miss Martha Virginia Davis, daughter of Mrs. Lydia S. Davis of Black Mountain has been chosen valedictorian of the 1947 graduating class at the high school. Her four year average is 95. Chosen salutatorian was Pauline Ledbetter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rector Ledbetter of the star route. Her four year average is 94.

Miss Davis has been a member of the glee club and of the annual staff. Now employed at the Black Mountain Drug company, she plans to enter Berea college this fall.

Miss Ledbetter is a member of the student council and will enter college this fall to work toward a degree in business administration.

There Is Something New—And It's In Black Mountain

Lost something? Want to meet a friend downtown? Want to leave a message for someone you believe is running loose around town?

You do! Then go to Rice's Quality store and sign the book which they have there for that purpose. Known as a message, registration, and appointment book, the new venture is offered by Mr. Rice as a community service and he invites the public to take advantage of it.

Go in now before you forget and let the folks know you are in town.

NEW PASTOR



DR. R. L. OWNBEY, outstanding leader in the religious field, will be here Sunday morning to assume his new duties as pastor of the First Methodist church in Black Mountain. Dr. Ownbey succeeds the Rev. H. Grady Hardin who is now one of the pastors of the First Methodist church at Houston, Texas.

Dr. and Mrs. Ownbey will arrive Saturday from Charlotte, on Monday they will return here to complete their arrangements and on Wednesday they will come back to Black Mountain.

ATTENDS DANCE

Miss Fate Burnette attended the spring dance of the School of Pharmacy at the University of North Carolina last week-end, as a guest of Ralph Knox.

Committee Intensifies Efforts As Clean Up—Paint Up Drive Swings Into Final Two Weeks

Alice Gibson Is Chosen "Miss Bermuda"

Declared winner of the Swannanoa Valley popularity contest conducted by the Black Mountain Lions club, Miss Alice Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Whitt Gibson of Swannanoa, will carry the flag of Bermuda at the flag of nations ceremony, Sunday, May 25, at the 25th silver jubilee convention of Lions in Asheville. The festivities have been set for 8:00 p. m.

Although leading by a comfortable margin when the NEWS went to press last week, last minute spurts by Miss Weeta Simmons, Black Mountain entry, and Miss Oreta Hollifield, Ridgecrest hope, tightened the race and the outcome was in doubt until the last vote was counted.

On hand to see the winner crowned and to see the final votes counted, was one of the largest crowds to attend a Lions meeting in a long time, including members of the cage teams from both Swannanoa and Black Mountain.

Principal E. N. Howell of Swannanoa introduced Woodrow Patton and Miss Ann Davidson, Swannanoa coaches, and both spoke briefly. Presented by Principal Tom Nesbitt, Coach Eugene Byrd lauded Swannanoa for the fine sportsmanship shown the past year and thanked his own players for their fine efforts. All teams were introduced as a group.

Pauline Arnold Circle Will Entertain Team

Winners of the title in the church softball league last year, members of the men's team of the First Baptist church will be guests of the Pauline Arnold Circle at a dinner Monday evening at 6:00 p. m. in the Billy Burnette memorial room. The Baptists lost only one game last year and that to the Presbyterians.

Special guests at the dinner will include members of the athletic committee of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, as well as representatives of other teams in the league. The trophy will be presented during the evening.

Following the supper the athletic committee and representatives will meet to formulate plans for the coming season. Eugene Byrd, high school athletic director, is chairman of the committee.

Flight Students Will Begin Cross Country Hops

Fifteen boys from Black Mountain and Swannanoa have completed the first stage of their training at Nichols Field and soloed, according to field officials. These fellows have soloed and are ready for the second stage of their training the report said.

As a part of their training the students will begin cross country hops in the immediate future, first dual, then solo, in order that they may learn landing on strange fields, W. C. Nichols, owner and manager, revealed. Fields they will visit include Salisbury, Morganton, Greenville, and Charlotte.

Mr. Nichols pointed out that it takes only about three weeks to learn to fly.

Those who have advanced past the solo stage include D. B. McInturff, William A. Rudisill, E. M. Norton, Jess Cook, Lewis Stafford, J. H. Myers, James A. Osteen, Lindy Fortune, Everett Stevenson, Elmer Dees, Caswell T. Moser, Duke Scott, Edward Hutchins, J. C. Bagie, and others. Swannanoa.

Chamber Of Commerce And Lions Offer Prizes

As the clean up—paint up drive in the Black Mountain area entered the final two weeks, Chairman Roy A. Taylor and the various committees have intensified efforts to make the residents "clean up" conscious and to get as large a number of participants as possible. The drive runs through May 31.

PRIZES OFFERED IN CLEAN UP—PAINT UP DRIVE

BUSINESS EXTERIOR
First Prize \$50.00
Second Prize \$30.00
RESIDENCE EXTERIOR
First Prize \$50.00
Second Prize \$30.00
VACANT LOT
First Prize \$25.00
Second Prize \$15.00

With Garland Home and Auto store adding \$10.00 additional for the first prize winner, and Black Mountain Lumber company 1000 feet of fibre glass insulation, the participants are assured of being amply repaid for their efforts.

At the committee meeting held at the city hall Monday night, Father John H. Rhys submitted a report which disclosed that the vacant lot committee had located many lots suitable for the flower garden project and was now trying to find organized groups to assume charge of each. J. A. Dougherty reported for the finance committee and A. F. Tyson, Jr., for advertising. The chairman was slightly disappointed with the publicity, or lack of it, and asked Gordon Greenwood, the publicity head, to place more emphasis on the drive during the next two weeks.

While it is not mandatory to winning all entrants are again asked to call some committee member in order that their improvements may be checked carefully.

Although the clean up—paint up campaign runs only through the month of May, Mayor J. L. Potter, who was present Monday night, pointed out that there is an ordinance calling for a fine of \$25.00 for those who fail to keep their premises clean throughout the year.

Shortly before adjournment Mr. Taylor appointed Mrs. Douglas Jones chairman of the personal contact committee. Other members are W. C. Honeycutt, Mrs. R. C. Eckles, and Mrs. A. F. Tyson, Jr.

Burnette Guest Of Eastman Kodak Company

Tad Burnette of Black Mountain, a senior at Georgia Tech in Atlanta, left by plane for Rochester, New York where he will be a guest of the Eastman Kodak company. Mr. Burnette, who will be graduated from Tech in June, was a guest last week-end of the Standard Oil company at Cleveland, Ohio where he was interviewed for a position with that company.

Mrs. Burnette, the former Ruth Collins of Black Mountain, is spending the time while Mr. Burnette is away with her parents at Hickory.

Kennet Poteat Returns To U. S. S. Sicily

Kenneth Poteat, S 1-c, of the U. S. Naval Air Corps, left by plane Wednesday night following a 10-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Poteat. He is returning to his ship, the aircraft carrier U. S. S. Sicily which has recently been on maneuvers in southern waters.

In service for more than 18 months, Kenneth took his boot training at the Naval Air station at Jacksonville, Florida and at Lakehurst, N. J.

O. E. S. TO MEET

Swannanoa chapter 132 O. E. S. will hold its regular meeting at the Masonic hall in Swannanoa on Thursday, May 22, at 8:00 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the Eastern star who may be visiting in this section.