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Reflections

By JACK GREENWOOD

Shortly after the paper was out last Thursday, a Montreat subscriber called to say that Dr. and Mrs. Will Reynolds, who now reside on Tennessee road, Montreat, celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary on May 5. The Reynolds have moved here to retire following years spent as missionaries in Korea.

J. G. Northcott, genial manager of Grovestone, will receive an award which is unique in the annals of Lionism at the Lions club meeting tonight. We have been sworn to secrecy by those in on the know, but it is an award to be proud of, as no record can be found of any living man ever having received one before.

The telephone jingled impatiently in the Herbert Sanders' home early Monday morning while the master of the house stumbled over chairs and rugs on the way to answer. "Hello," the Blue Ridge manager yawned into the phone as he attempted to rub some of the sleep from his eyes. There was a slight hesitation on the other end of the line and then a voice with an unmistakable accent said:

"The Immortal Robert E. Lee and Southern Confederacy, one and all, long may they live. Happy Memorial Day."

The Confederate enthusiasts heard Herb draw a quick breath on the other end of the line and then this droned over the wires: "Well, that's fine. I'll put on my little gray suit, get my popgun, and be right down. Brother, we'll go gunning for those carpet-baggers today."

It's a small world.

Friday night at the Spring Follies show produced at the Swannanoa high school, Mrs. Gordon Greenwood noticed on the program Sol B. Cohen, violinist. It might be but it can't be, she thought, because the Sol B. Cohen I knew taught music in the Champaign, Illinois, high school. But just to make sure she went to investigate and found it was the Sol B. Cohen of Champaign who is now teaching at the Springdale School for Boys over at Canton. His latest pupil is the son of the movie actor, Frederic March.

A former student at the Berlin Conservatory of Music, Cohen is a nationally known teacher, violinist, and director of symphony orchestras. He organized and directed the Champaign-Urbana symphony and has appeared as soloist with many leading orchestras in the country.

He is a friend of Harry Bigler of Urbana, Illinois, who is owner of the Bigler Coal company. Mr. Bigler is an uncle of George Dougherty, co-owner of the NEWS.

Mark Ferguson, member of Chick Hipp's Beaconites, won more than his share of opening day honors when the Swannanoans opened the season against Martel Mills. Ferguson walked off with the following prizes: first three base hit, first two base hit, highest batting average in game, first run batted in, and best fielding average.

Other winners included Ossie Waldrup, first hit, Dennis Hall, first run scored, Leroy Bailey, first walk, Ray Nichols, first put-

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Jaycees Elect New Officers

Oscar Tinney was elected president and Penn Hunter vice-president at the regular meeting held by the Black Mountain junior chamber of commerce at Sarg's Food house on Highway 70 Monday evening. Dean Willis was selected as secretary and Joe Mackney treasurer.

Six directors were chosen. They are Dr. E. K. Brake, W. L. Wheelon, Alfred Tyson, Jr., Dempsey Whitaker, Robert Free, and Gordon Greenwood. Retiring President Styles, E. S. Jackson, and Mr. Tyson were selected as state directors.

Reporting for the stadium committee Bill Ellington told of the work which had been done toward the building of seats at the softball field. His group was empowered to make plans for the project after which a report will be made to the club. Bill Holcombe and his committee composed of Charles Gwaltney and Worth Cook will supervise stepping of the light poles at the field as well as the erection of a back stop. It was agreed to bill the members for their meals at the beginning of each quarter along with the quarterly dues. This practice will go into effect July 1. Alfred Tyson, Jr., vice-president, presided in the absence of President Walter Styles.

Group Observes Fellowship Day

The Black Mountain United Council of Church Women observed May Fellowship Day, Friday, May 7, at the Baptist church. The meeting was well attended, the local churches participating. Judge Jarvis spoke on the theme for the day, "Every Child is My Child in the Fabric of Fellowship." He emphasized the importance of a good home—it must be a happy place for the child, loved by mother and father. The child, too, he went on to say, is entitled to good health, good school, fine teachers, a community interested in his welfare, wholesome recreation, and places to play. We must always remember the child of today is the leader of tomorrow's world. Every adult, whether a parent or not, should care about "our" children.

City Council Approves Zone Committee Report

The city council accepted the recommendations of the zoning committee and expressed thanks to the members for their fine work at a regular meeting held at the town hall Tuesday night. The Ordinance was passed on its first reading.

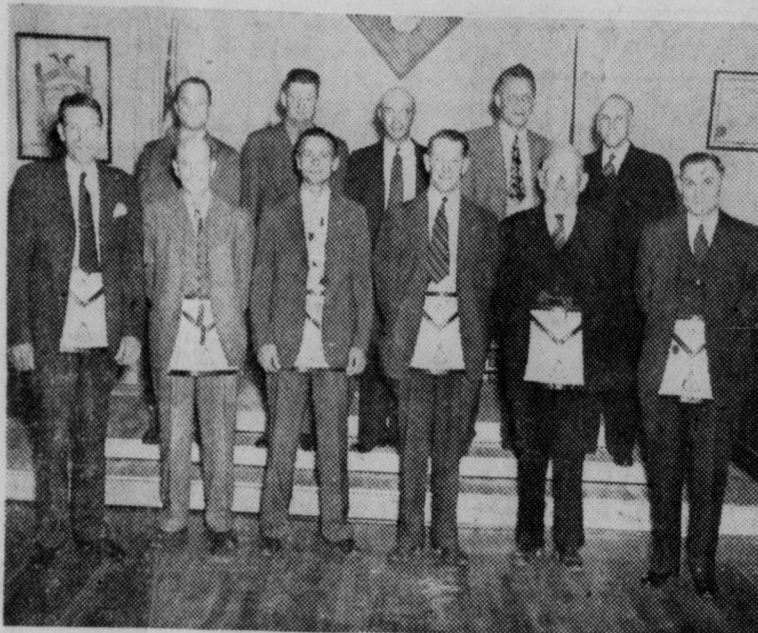
The ordinance set up definite zones for business, industry, and residences, and recommended that the fire zone follow the business lines. Chairman of the committee, which has worked on the project for the past several weeks, was R. T. Green. William Hickey was secretary. Other members were W. C. Honeycutt, W. W. White, A. F. Tyson, Jr., and J. L. Holman, Jr.

Will Present Second Annual Bible Program

The second annual Bible program, presented by the children of the Bible classes of the grammar school, will be held at the First Baptist church on Sunday evening, May 16, at 8 o'clock. Dr. L. Nelson Bell will be guest speaker.

The program will be similar to that of last year. The public is cordially invited to attend.

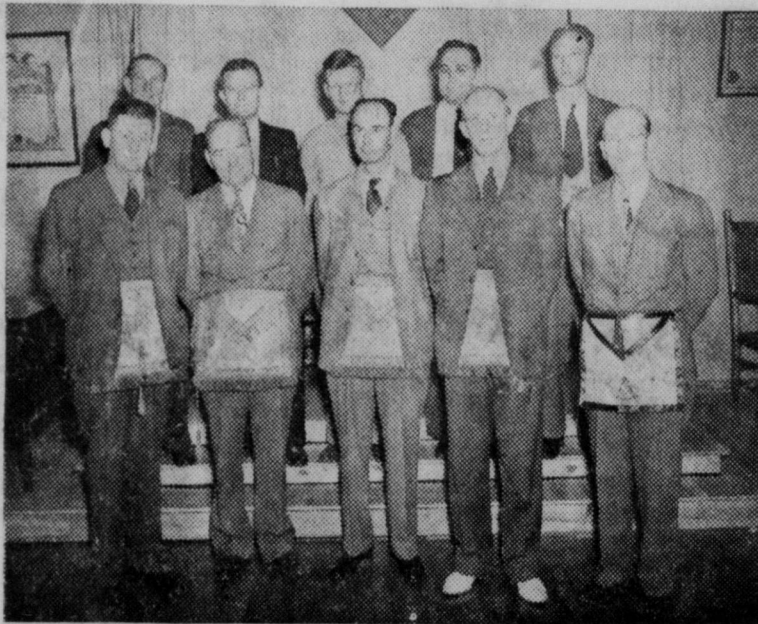
RECEIVE HIGH HONOR . . .



Nine men were presented with the past master's jewel in a ceremony held Friday night by the Black Mountain Lodge No. 663, A. F. and A. M. R. E. Finch, who presented the awards and C. L. Ham, who are included in the group, had received theirs previously. Shown here shortly after the presentations had been made are C. A. Burgin, W. B. Kyles, R. E. Williams, H. A. Kerlee, G. E. Kerlee, A. G. Callison, H. D. Crawford, R. T. Greene, G. L. Kirkpatrick, R. E. Finch, and C. L. Ham.

Photo by Ellington

LODGE OFFICERS . . .



Following the ceremony at which past masters of Black Mountain Lodge No. 663, A. F. and A. M. were honored, photographer Bill Ellington was called in to make this shot of the officers of the local post. They are as follows: Clyde Watkins, master; W. F. Hudson, senior warden, C. C. Nanney, junior warden; W. A. Hinkle, senior deacon; H. F. Dotson, junior deacon; L. H. Mashburn, treasurer; G. E. Kerlee, secretary; L. D. Mashburn, steward; R. E. Finch, marshal; and D. T. Dorroh, organist.

Photo by Ellington

Chamber Of Commerce Executives Will Hold Regional Institute Here

City Will Be Host To State Leaders On May 19

More than 50 members of the North Carolina association of chamber of commerce executives will gather here at 10:00 a. m. Wednesday, May 19, for the opening session of the regional institute. All business meetings will be held at the Black Mountain clubhouse with the luncheon and banquet scheduled for the Monte Vista. It will be an all day session, opening at 10:00 a. m. and closing with an address at the dinner meeting.

Plans for the affair, which is being sponsored by the Black Mountain chamber of commerce, were worked out at a meeting held at the city hall Monday night at which time preparations were made for the annual membership drive, which will be headed by Ronald E. Finch, assisted by Carter Uzzell and Herbert Sanders. Using workup teams and personal solicitation, officials hope to increase the present membership of 65 to include every business firm in the community. Unlike the 1947 campaign, Mr. Finch said Tuesday

that the committee plans a short intensive drive which will end June 1.

The regional institute will bring some of the outstanding public leaders of the state to Black Mountain on May 19 and will aid in the advertising campaign which the local chamber now has under way. Here to discuss chamber of commerce operations will be such outstanding men as Ed Cherry, assistant manager of the Southeastern division of the chamber of commerce of the United States; Thomas L. Carroll, personnel manager of the Wachovia Bank and Trust company; and Paul Lucas of the Duke Power company, who will make the final address.

Subjects on the program for discussion include: "Ways and Means for preparing Programs of Work for Chamber of Commerce"; "How to Prepare and Conduct a Membership Campaign"; "Tourist Activity in Western North Carolina"; and others. Harry J. Krusz, president of the North Carolina Association

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Field Improved At Swannanoa

Under the supervision and sponsorship of the Swannanoa Community Council, the football field at the Swannanoa high school has been regraded for proper drainage, covered with a coat of topsoil, given proper treatment of fertilizer, and sown with a mixture of clover and grass. Officials expect that the field will be covered with a good turf by the time football season comes. Instrumental in this work has been J. J. Walden, high school coach, who will head the community recreation program for the summer.

Other improvements scheduled for the immediate future include the planting of shrubbery around the newly installed fence and a beautification program for the school playground. The cost has exceeded \$500.

Donkey Game Set For Tomorrow

With a warning to come out firing and to protect themselves inside the ropes, the Black Mountain Jaycees bubbled over with excitement as they voted unanimously to accept the challenge flung so haughtily in their face last week by the Lions. In case you haven't heard, the occasion is the donkey base ball game which will be played at the grammar school field tomorrow (Friday) evening at 8:00 o'clock. "We did it once and we can do it again," growled the Lions, no doubt, remembering the lacing they handed the juniors last fall.

The festivities will be opened at 7:45 p. m. when Herbert Sanders, District Governor of 31A Lions International, will ride the first burro around the field at a dead gallop. Following him on mules of their own choosing will come the papa Lion, President Ronald E. Finch, Bill White, Charlie Spencer, and a host of others. The Jaycees are keeping their plans a secret, but Ted Holman, Ross Taylor, Pug Morgan, and Dean Willis have been, or so the rumors say practicing sliding down the banisters at the city hall.

Tickets are now on sale and President Finch expects a full house to be on hand when the donkey goes up and Sanders down at the grammar school field tomorrow evening.

Swannanoa Glee Clubs Give Musical Program

The Swannanoa glee clubs under the direction of Mrs. Elda Vettori, presented a delightful and colorful program of music at the Swannanoa high school last Friday night. Miss Blanche Lof-tain, pianist, and Sol B. Cohen, violinist, accompanied the singers in a variety of numbers ranging from cowboy tunes to grand opera.

Packed with talent, the entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed by a capacity crowd that registered approval of each number by demanding encores from the performers.

NOTICE!

Carolina Power and Light company officials have announced that there will be an interruption of service on Wednesday, May 19, from 1:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m. for all customers from the New Theatre in Black Mountain through Ridgerest.

EASTERN STAR MEETING NOTICE

Swannanoa Chapter No. 132 OES will meet Thursday evening at 8 p. m. at the Masonic Hall in Swannanoa. Degrees will be conferred and a social hour will follow. All Eastern Star members are invited.