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Mrs. J. E. Gwatkin and Miss Mary Cody of New Orleans are at the Gwatkin cottage overlooking Lake Ridgecrest. For many years Miss Cody was a teacher of Bible at the New Orleans seminary.

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usually pretty as it passes its beautiful waxy-white bloom. The scenery on and around the campus of the Assembly will be a veritable fairy land in a few more days.

Mrs. John Mayo of Rocky Mount is spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Tom E. Walters. This scribe, Perry Morgan, and his wife had dinner at Galax lodge Sunday evening with Mrs. Edith Beam and her sister, Mary Ward, who are in their cottage for the summer. Galax lodge is one of the show places in Ridgecrest. Practically hidden among beautiful oak, rhododendron, laurel, spruce, and hemlock, with its wide front porch looking toward Swannanoa valley to the west revealing sky line peaks like a herd of great blue elephants silhouetted against the sky, and the gorgeous sun sets with all the colors of the rainbow it thrills one's heart to see the vistas of unexcelled beauty.

Dr. B. A. Bowers celebrated his birthday last Monday by taking a holiday and going with W. M. Pate on a fishing trip. He received many messages of congratulations in the form of birthday cards and telephone calls.

Dr. and Mrs. Walter R. Alexander, Dallas, Texas, now in their cottage on Royal gorge, celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary on Monday. Dr. Alexander is a former pastor of the First Baptist church of Florence, South Carolina, and now secretary of the Southern Baptist Relief and Annuity board located in Dallas.

Plans are under way to complete the educational building of the Ridgecrest Baptist church looking forward to a dedicatory service the latter part of August.

**Old Fort News**

Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Caplan have returned to Old Fort after a week's visit to Atlantic Beach and points in eastern Carolina.

Mrs. James Thomas and daughter, Cheryl of Greensboro are spending several weeks at the home of Mrs. Thomas's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. LeFevre in Old Fort.

Mrs. W. C. Macon and daughter, Barbara and son, Tom, have returned to Old Fort after a three weeks' visit with relatives in Miami.

Mrs. T. R. Kanipe is spending this week with relatives at Roxboro.

Miss Margaret Marley, who is a faculty member of the High Point school system, is spending the summer vacation at her home in Old Fort.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crawford have arrived in Old Fort from their home in Tampa for a two month's stay in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. William Forrester and young daughter, Agnes, have returned to Old Fort after a ten days' visit with relatives in New York City.

Kimball Miller, Paul Richardson, Don Jones, Guy Hogan, and I. L. Caplan, Jr., will leave Old Fort on Sunday to attend the National convention of American Business men which will be held in Savannah, Ga., June 28 through June 30.

Mrs. Clyde Miller, Jr., and children have arrived in Old Fort from their home in Fort Worth, Texas, for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Clyde Miller.

The Old Fort Woman's club will meet on Friday at three thirty o'clock at the home of Mrs. Vann Hughes. Installation of incoming officers will be held. Meeting for the month of August will be suspended. Mrs. W. C. Macon will be installed as president for the ensuing year, succeeding Mrs. Kimball Miller who has served for the past two years.

A daily vacation Bible school will begin at Old Fort Methodist church on Monday, July 5, and continue through July 11. Children from cradle roll to 15 years-of-age will be welcomed. Games, Bible study and music will be included in the program.

**AT SUMMER HOME**  
Miss Mary Elizabeth and Miss Nancy Copeland from Davidson, N. C., are spending a few weeks at their summer home in Montreat. Miss Nancy Copeland has been awarded a scholarship to the Plymouth playhouse at Plymouth, Mass., and will go there in July to study for six weeks.

**VISITING DR. ANTHONY**  
Mrs. Manley Roose and children, Sarah and Tony, from Silver Springs, Md., are visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Anthony.

**GUEST OF GRANDPARENTS**  
Margaret Ann Pyatt of Marion is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Flack.

**W. B. BLANKENSHIP**

W. B. (Taylor) Blankenship, 70, retired carpenter contractor, died at his home in Black Mountain June 25 following a long illness. Funeral services were held at the Harrison Funeral home at 3 p. m. Sunday with the Rev. W. A. Hunneycutt officiating. Burial was in Memorial park cemetery.

A resident of this community since 1916, Mr. Blankenship is survived by his widow, Mrs. Harriett R. Blankenship, a daughter, Mrs. Brooks Woodell of Black Mountain, four brothers, Garrett of Biltmore, John of Paint Gap, N. C., George of Just, N. C., and Zeb of Burnsville, and a sister, Mrs. Matilda Greenwood of West Asheville.

Pallbearers were G. V. and Daniel Nanney, June and Phil Glenn, J. M. Carver, and Gregg Sawyer.

**Montreat News**

Mrs. S. B. Woods is visiting her mother, Dr. Nettie Grier at the Grier Cottage on Virginia road.

Mrs. J. W. Stokes of Atlanta and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Stokes of Charlotte were week end guests of Mrs. Mellinger Henry and Misses Minnie and Julia Stokes at their home on Virginia road.

Mrs. Eloise Watkins has gone to Anderson, S. C., for a short visit.

Little Ellen Fraser of Clinton, S. C., has been a guest at the Malcum McDonald home on Appalachian Way while her father Dr. Layton Fraser of Presbyterian college, was in attendance at the Educational Conference, June 23 through 29.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hutton of Louisiana have opened their home on Virginia road for the summer.

Miss Florence Townsend of Banner Elk and is spending the summer with Miss Florence Illedge at her home on Mississippi road.

**H. A. McDOUGLES HERE**

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McDougle of Apopka, Fla., will leave Tuesday for a visit with friends and relatives at Greenville and Tarboro, N. C. They were here to attend the McDougle reunion held last Sunday. A former supervisor of instrumental music in the city school at Greenville, Mr. McDougle is now in charge of music for the schools of Apopka.

**ARRIVE FOR SUMMER**

Miss Penelope Claytor and Miss Bessie Claytor from Goldsboro have arrived for the summer. They have an apartment with their sister, Mrs. Annie H. Wallace.

**BURGESS GUEST**

Miss Mary Glenn Burgess spent Friday and Saturday with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Burgess.

**HERE FROM DETROIT**

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Antico have arrived from Detroit, Mich., for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gasperson.

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Mrs. J. W. Russen, Mary Gardner, Mildred Gardner and Hazel Bartlett went to a picnic at Camp Alice near Point Lookout Sunday.

**BIBLE SCHOOL BEGINS**

Bible school at Montreat started last week, June 21, and will continue through this week. Dr. Robert King and Mrs. Humphrey Armistead are in charge.

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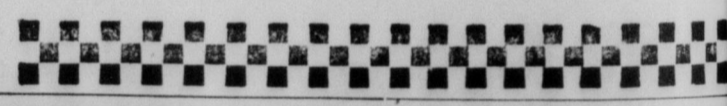
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