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## Legion Votes To Sponsor WNC District Tourney

The Waycaster-McFee Post 129, American Legion, in a regular meeting held at the Claude Betts hall Tuesday night voted to sponsor the Western North Carolina district tournament which will be held here in early February. The winner of the district will advance to the state which will be held in the spacious gym at Asheboro.

Coach Carl Myers, whose Legionnaires hold undisputed possession of first place in the WNC league, reported at the meeting that the local post had been asked to conduct the tournament and the suggestion was accepted without opposition. Myers was named general chairman of the arrangements committee and immediately selected Paul Richardson as first assistant. Other committees will be appointed within a short while.

The Legion team last year amassed one of the best records in this part of the state and advanced to the state finals before losing to the state champions. For their outstanding play and sportsmanship their sponsors, the local post of the American Legion, was requested to conduct this year's district meet.

One of the largest crowds in recent years was present at the Tuesday meeting to hear J. L. Potter, chairman of the Legion membership committee, report that the post had already passed its assigned quota and now had 85 members. Commander W. C. Honeycutt has set 200 as the goal.

The new uniforms for the basketball team have not arrived but are expected to be here before the opening of the second half of league play. The post voted to enter the team in the Valley Springs tournament and appointed Pete Earle, star center, to direct the team in the absence of Coach Myers, who will be away on vacation. Leslie McDaniels of Oteen, new member of the state legislature, spoke briefly. Following the business meeting refreshments were served in the kitchen of the new hall. Under the direction of Commander Honeycutt and Claude Betts the hall has undergone a great change during the past few weeks. The floors have been waxed, walls painted, lights fixed, a shower and toilet installed, and a kitchen prepared, complete with electric stove and grill. The new arrangements give the Legion one of the finest halls to be found in Black Mountain.

### SPORTS SCHEDULE

Western North Carolina League  
December 10  
Legion and Auxiliary at Haw Creek  
December 15  
Valley Springs at Moore VA Gym  
Church League  
December 13  
Meth. vs. Ridge ..... (girls)  
Meth. vs. Ridge ..... (boys)  
Bapt. vs. Pres. .... (girls)  
Bapt. vs. Pres. .... (boys)

### WHO TOOK CANES?

Police today are looking for the person or persons who removed three of the candy canes from the light poles in front of the city hall. Penn Hunter, chairman of the decorating committee of the Junior Chamber of Commerce said this morning.

### MAN - OF - THE - YEAR

The contest to pick the outstanding young man of the year in Black Mountain is off to a good start. Bill Ellington, committee chairman, reports and many entries have been received. The deadline for filing entries is December 20. The selection will be announced early in January.

## Goode, Nanney Win High Scout Honors

Bobby Goode and Cecil Nanney, members of Troop 25 of Black Mountain, were inducted into "Order of the Arrow" in ceremonies held at Daniel Boone November 24-26.

Cecil was tapped while in camp last summer and returned to take the final steps. Bobby was tapped two years ago.

In order to become eligible for this high honor a candidate must be a first class Scout and a second year camper. He is put through a series of strenuous tests to prove his right to belong to the "Order." Cecil and Bobby were inducted during an impressive ceremony.

## Valley Springs Here Friday

The high school basketball teams will taper off today with a light signal drill as they complete preparations for the invasion tomorrow night of Valley Springs. The locals won their first games by dumping Old Fort last week end.

While the center of attraction will be the boys, who are defending champions of Buncombe county, the visiting girls will offer one of the county's outstanding performers in Diane Miller, sling shot artist who shoots from any and all angles.

Fans will remember Miss Miller as the girl who weaved through the Black Mountain defense in the county quarter finals last spring for 16 points during the first half to give her team a 20 to 14 half-time advantage. But during the third and fourth periods the Nightmare guards, McDougle, Burnette, and Fortune slipped a bridle on this young lady and held her to four points.

All three of these guards — all of whom were named on either the first or second all-county teams — will be missing when the teams pair off here tomorrow night, but fans are confident that Coach Eugene Byrd will come up with the right combination to solve the problem.

Back for Valley Springs are several of the boys who won the county title last spring. Friday night should determine just how far the locals will go in county competition.

## Tea And Topic Club Ready Dime Board

The Tea and Topic club will sponsor the dime board in Black Mountain again this year. Opening date has been set for Friday, December 17. The final dimes will be received at noon on December 24. For details of what happened to the money which you left on the dime board last year, see editorial on page 1, section II.

## Smokey Says:



Use Your Ashtray When Driving

## Annual Christmas Cantata Will Be December 21

The Community Chorus will present "The First Christmas", a cantata by Coombs on Tuesday evening, December 21, at 8 o'clock at the Methodist church.

Directed by John Connett, head of the music department at Warren Wilson college, the chorus will be composed of 40 voices. Soloists will be Mrs. Roy Alexander, soprano, Miss Marjorie Lisherness, contralto, Edward Dupuy, tenor, and Robert Guy, baritone. Mrs. A. W. McDougle will be at the organ and Miss Doris Byrd at the piano.

For the past several years the Christmas Cantata has been one of the musical highlights of the community and annually features the best talent available. Under the able direction of Mr. Connett, an excellent performance is assured.

## Full House Cheers Minstrel Show

A full house was present to cheer approval when the Swananoa Men's club presented its first annual minstrel at the school auditorium Friday night. Proceeds will be used to help build the Swananoa community house which has been under consideration for some time.

The fun for the evening was highlighted by Meat Ball played by Boyd Owenby, Eight Ball played by Earl Gill, and Screw Ball played by Carrol Johnson. Bob Muellor as interlocutor kept the program moving at a fast clip. The crowd called Meat Ball and Bill Creasman back for a second tap dance and cheered the all girl chorus composed of Swananoa high school girls.

## Dr. Richardson, Albers Honored

Two Black Mountain residents received international recognition by the inclusion of their biographies in "World Biography," the largest international biographical reference book, just published. Comprising two volumes totalling 5,120 pages, "World Biography" lists sketches of 40,000 living men and women distinguished in the arts and sciences, politics, education, literature, commerce and industry, military and naval affairs, and other fields of endeavor. The work is published by Institute for Research in Biography, New York City.

Included from Black Mountain are Dr. Frank Howard Richardson, pediatrician, and Professor Joseph Albers, painter and lecturer, author, instructor, Black Mountain college.

"World Biography" was prepared with the cooperation of numerous scientific, cultural and learned societies, and was compiled with the aid of governmental agencies in sixty countries.

### THANKS JAYCEES

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our many white friends of Black Mountain for the lovely Christmas surprise given by Santa Claus Saturday afternoon to our colored children at the preschool. They were more than delighted and words can not tell what the visit meant to them.

Teacher and pupils.

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## Church League Results

Dec. 6

GIRLS		Meth. (8)	
Pres. (30)		Free (2)	
Cooper (15)	F	Timmerman 2	
Nichols (10)	F	Gibbs (3)	
Knoefel (3)	F	Slagle	
Brown	G	Justus	
Packett	G	Dinwiddie	
Massas	G		
Subs: Presbyterian, McElhaney, Payne (2), Johnson, Black. Meth. odists, B. Justus (1), McDonald.			
Ridgecrest (11)		Bapt. (15)	
Quinn (3)	F	Roberson	
Turner (4)	F	Hill (5)	
Belcher (4)	F	Carver	
Allred	G	McMahan	
Hamby	G	Blankinship	
Hollifield	G	Carver	
Subs: Ridgecrest, Smith, Baptists, Goodman (6), Simmons, Higginbotham (2), Watkins, Burnette (2).			
BOYS		Meth. (10)	
Pres. (6)		Atkins (4)	
McIntosh (3)	F	Longcoy	
Styles (3)	F	Shuford (4)	
Holt	C	Sarti	
White	G	Osteen (2)	
Reese	G		
Subs: Pres., Smathers.			
Ridge. (27)		Baptist (9)	
Turner (6)	F	Hill	
McElrath (3)	F	Swayngim	
Turner (6)	C	Robertson	
Snipes (2)	G	Morgan	
C. Gray (2)	C	Roland (4)	
Subs: Ridge., Johnson, Bailey, Renolds (2), Hentchel (6), Burgin, York. Baptists, O. Reese (2), Burgess, Nanney (1), Ramsey (2).			

## Presbyterians Plan Building

At a congregational meeting this past Sunday the Black Mountain Presbyterian Church voted in favor of a proposal by the officers of the church to erect an educational building at a cost of approximately \$15,000.00. The structure will be in the form of a wing at the north end of the present building and will contain of at least nine class rooms, two toilets, a kitchen and the pastor's study.

Construction will be started as soon as the congregation can raise \$6,500.00. J. O. Williams will head the finance committee.

## Santa Greeted By Large Crowd

The annual visit of Santa Claus to Black Mountain was a success. Arriving a few minutes after 1 p. m. Saturday afternoon, he was greeted by a large crowd in downtown Black Mountain. He later visited the outlying sections and distributed free gifts to all the children.

Because of the element of safety involved, officials of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, who sponsored the event, decided against having Santa visit the various stores.

Driven by Lee Marett and assisted by Penn Hunter, St. Nick came bouncing down State street aboard his trailer with the fire truck as escort. His trailer was surrounded within a matter of seconds and soon afterwards the gifts, which were contributed by the merchants, began to fly in all directions. The residents of Brookside and the Craigmont sections were looking forward to his visit and at Craigmont Santa was greeted with a special song. More than 500 bags of fruit and candy were distributed.

## Waiting Is Poor Way To Attract Industry: Thomen

"There is no reason why Black Mountain should not be able to attract several small industries without interfering with the tourist business in the least," Walter W. Thomen told members of the Chamber of Commerce and their guests at the Monte Vista Monday night. The dinner was in celebration of the 25th anniversary.

The speaker, who is executive vice-president of the Asheville Industrial Promotion Council, told of the job which his group has done since its organization more than a year ago. In discussing methods of attracting new industry Mr. Thomen emphasized that the poorest way was that of waiting for those interested to make inquiry. "We've been waiting since we were organized for the first inquiry," Thomen declared, "and at the present we are still waiting."

William Parker and Dr. L. G. Beall were present to receive certificates honoring them as charter members of the chamber of commerce.

A. F. Tyson, Jr., treasurer, reported that the Chamber spent \$400.00 more during the past year than was taken in, due largely to new activities. Carter Uzzell reported for the membership committee, Reed Hill's report on activity of the publicity committee was read by M. E. Rondel, who then reported on civic improvements. In the secretary's report R. S. Eckles pointed out that an organization was only as good as its members and called for cooperation of all concerned. W. C. Honeycutt told of the activity of the industrial committee.

The secretary attended a meeting of Chamber of Commerce executives at Atlantic Beach early last year and as a result the Chamber of Commerce regional meeting was held in Black Mountain. It was attended by 65 members from all parts of the state.

C. E. Spencer presided and H. W. Sanders had charge of the program. The Jaycees were guests.

New directors include Bill Ellington, owner and manager of Ellington Studios, H. B. Sabiston, president of the Black Mountain Freezer Locker company, A. F. Tyson, Jr., Gordon H. Greenwood, J. G. Northcott, C. E. Spencer, W. C. Honeycutt, Roy Taylor, R. E. Finch, E. L. Kirkpatrick, M. E. Rondel, and R. S. Eckles. An organizational meeting will be held in early January.

## Masons Elect Frank Hudson

Frank Hudson was elected worshipful master of Black Mountain Lodge No. 663 AF & AM at a meeting held Friday night at the Masonic hall.

Other officers named are Cecil Nanney, senior warden; Bill Hinkle, junior warden; G. E. Kerlee, secretary; L. H. Mashburn, treasurer; H. F. Dotson, senior deacon; A. L. Simmons, junior deacon; W. A. Huneycutt, chaplain; Robert Hauth, senior steward; George McAfee, junior steward; F. P. Higginbotham, tyler; and Clyde Watkins, marshal.

### BAKE SALE SATURDAY

Circle No. 2 of the Methodist church will sponsor a bake sale at the Black Mountain Hardware Saturday morning beginning at 9 o'clock.

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