

NORTH FORK NEWS

OR

MOUNTAIN VIEWS

By Oden Walker

A couple of artists have been trying to transfer the beauty of our valley to canvas this past week.

Mrs. Carl Patton who has been very sick for some time is much better, and is painting the interior of her home.

Ben Morris had a very sick cow last week. The veterinarian diagnosed the case as shock from lightning, but Ben seemed to think the cow had partook of a poisonous herb.

Mrs. Blane Morris painted our yard for us last week, and she says they are living in tents, but he hopes for something better before winter sets in. After being used to the salubrious climate of Western N. C. the sub-zero weather will be tough. Mack says that the G.I.s are going to build a church for a group of Japanese Christians in a small town near where he is posted.

This seems a queer time of year to start talking about hunting, but this is the most interesting time for the bear and 'coon hunters. This is the time when they start trading with each other, in order to get their packs in shape for

the hunting season. The trading is usually better sport than the hunting. Last week Ben Morris got Thomas Morris to go with him to Earl Meeses' to pass judgement on a dog. With upraised hand Earl confirmed that this was an animal of outstanding achievements, and Ben was almost in the notion of buying him. Thomas also liked the dog, and as soon as they got back home he turned about and burnt the roads back to Lakewood, and bought the canine wonder, thereby beating Ben to the trade. This may not sound ethical, but as in love and war anything goes in dog trading.

Harry Morris did not have a dog, and Thomas felt sorry for him and gave him a promising looking hound pup. Everything went well until Harry discovered that the pup liked to have three freshly laid eggs for his breakfast, served uncooked in the shell. Pretty soon a salesman came along selling a famous product from house to house, and was lamenting because Harry never bought anything from him. So Harry bantered the salesman to trade some of his products for his pup, now the salesman has a hunting dog and Harry has a supply of extracts home remedies, etc.

We visited Tommy and Roxie Edwards of Lakewood last week, and found that the grandchaps, Toni and Cindy, were doing fine.

Mrs. Joe Bruner and children, Ralph and Wanda, and Mrs. Floyd Bruner and daughter, Jenell, of East Marion visited us last Wednesday.

The Barlow family has moved away from North Fork.

We thought that the baseball story turned in by Bascom Burnett, and printed in last week's Reflections, one of the most amusing that we have heard. We have a dim memory of these old time games the best part of which was the "fist and skull" fight that generally followed before the score was settled.

Charles and Daphne Taylor and family have gotten back from Columbus, Ohio, and report hot and dry weather but a good time. Connie brought back a handful of interesting Ohio pebbles.

Thomas Morris and family went to Carolina Hemlock last Saturday afternoon, but owing to the heavy rain they gave it up and came back to the warmth of their own home.

Our vacation Bible school closed last Friday with a picnic lunch. The school was very successful, and had an average of 31.

Bill and Irene Blankenship hooked up their house trailer last week and went to Orlando, Fla., where they expect to live for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Morris and Betty Jo Cordell have returned from a trip to Maryland where they visited George Rickman and family. The Rickmans came home with them and Mrs. Rickman and children are going

Smokey Says:



Carelessness is only a matter of not thinking about what causes all those forest fires.

to spend the summer in Jacktown.

The following young ladies were baptized in the sparkling North Fork waters last Sunday: Lillian and Laura Williams, Pauline Vanover, Hazel Burnett, and Betty Jean Shook.

Alice Burnett is attending the Plunk School in Asheville while she is at home this summer.

Maude and Katherine Williams returned last Sunday from Hattiesburg, Miss., where they have been visiting friends.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Shook last week was Mr. Shook's sister, Mrs. Martha Welborn, and nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hawkins of Alexandria, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Harwkins attended the wedding of their daughter, Shelby, who was married to Harvey Fox in the Assembly of God at Greenville, S. C. They were married by candlelight on a stage decorated with white gladiolas. The bride wore a white suit and a pink corsage. The young couple left shortly after the ceremony on their honeymoon trip through the south, from which they will return to Alexandria where they will make their home.

Minnie, and this reporter had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Burnett last Sunday. She really excels at the culinary art, and had a dinner that was fit for the gods. The Burnetts' daughter-in-law, Mrs. Leon Burnett, and small daughters, Joan and Carol, of Chapel Hill spent the week end with them. Sue says that baby Carol reminds her so much of Leon when he was a baby. We whiled away the afternoon listening to the gentle summer rain patter on the beautiful greenery around the Burnetts' home, and Bascom reminisces about the old days on North Fork.

We note that the City of Asheville has bought Thad Burnett a new Ford.

Pansy Morton and Hazel Roberts visited at the home of the Propsts last Sunday.

Mrs. Ben Strazier and son, "Benjy", of Rock Hill are coming this week to stay for an indefinite period with Mrs. Strazier's mother, Mrs. James P. Kinard.

Dr. Hess of Winthrop college and Mrs. Vaughn of Meredith college spent last week end with the Kinards.

Miss Cornelia Adair of Richmond, Mrs. Root, her sister of New York, and Mrs. Meadows of Fredricksburg visited at Wickersham recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kirbo and children, Sam and Margaret, of Atlanta, Ga., and Mr. Kirbo's small nephew of Bainbridge, Ga., and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Fields of Bainbridge, spent last week in the "cabin" at Wickersham. The little nephew, Ralph Smith, jumped off the porch and broke his arm while they were there.

Smokey Says:



Raging fires from little blazes grow. Be extra careful!

Fraternal Order Meeting Schedule

MASONS

Black Mountain Lodge No. 663 AF & AM. Stated Communications First Friday of each month 7:30 P. M. Leroy H. Mashburn, Master.

ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Black Mountain Chapter No. 200 First and third Tuesdays of each month 7:30 P. M. Mrs. Reva Hinkle, W. M.

JUNIOR ORDER UNITED AMERICAN MECHANICS

Black Mountain Council No. 145 First and third Mondays of each month 7:30 P. M. Clarence Pegg, Councilor.

Swannanoa Camp 970

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD

Swannanoa Camp 970 Woodmen of the World meets first and third Thursday, Woodmen Hall Buckner building, Swannanoa. Phil McElrath, council commander.

HERE LAST WEEK END

Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin H. Flowe of Durham arrived Wednesday to spend several days with Mrs. Flowe's mother, Mrs. G. F. Bell. Paul Bell of Charlotte spent last week end here with his mother.

● READ THE CLASSIFIEDS!

SHORT VISIT

Lt. and Mrs. Max Flack of Norfolk, Va., spent the week end here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Flack and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Norton.

HOME FROM MICHIGAN

Mrs. B. G. Byron and Stewart have returned from a 12 days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Byron Jr. in Lansing, Mich.

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