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Finer Carolina Group Discusses Year's Projects

The Swannanoa community projects to be worked on during 1953 in the Finer Carolina contest were discussed in detail at a meeting held Jan. 16 at the home of the general chairman, Mrs. Nell H. Porter.

The meeting was held to discuss the goals of each project for the year in the contest sponsored by the Carolina Power & Light company.

J. Walden, chairman of the Swannanoa Parent-Teachers association project, described the goals expected to be achieved in remodeling the school auditorium.

John Kelly discussed the project of the Woman's club project, remodeling the kitchen of the community club house.

The fifth project, street improvement, sponsored by the Men's club, was not discussed because no member of the committee was able to be present.

Jaycees Hold Regular Meeting at Assembly Inn, Montreat



These are some of the guests who attended the regular monthly meeting of the Black Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce at Assembly Inn last Thursday night.

State And District Leaders Attend Junior Chamber Of Commerce Meeting

Wares Honored By Weatherfords At "Far Horizon"

Last Friday night Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Weatherford entertained at their home, "Far Horizon", Blue Ridge, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Ware who moved here recently from Mississippi.

Sam Alexander declared the Youth Recreation program, sponsored by Community council, has three goals. First, to provide needed equipment to be installed in the basement of the Community club house.

The American Legion and the Legion Auxiliary will sponsor a bingo party at Legion hall at 7:30 tonight (Thursday).

Faculty Member



Dr. E. Neal Harris, member of the faculty of Emory University School of Dentistry, was the speaker at the university's 116th anniversary celebration at the Central Methodist church in Asheville, Tuesday, Jan. 27.

LIONS CLUB MEMBERS HONORED AT MEETING

Members of the Lions club were presented attendance and membership pins at the regular meeting last week.

Those honored: Tom Nesbitt, pin for 10 years membership; W. W. White, 10 years membership and 10 years perfect attendance; William Hickey, Robert Williams, and J. G. Northcott, 10 years membership.

State and district leaders attended the regular monthly meeting of the Black Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce at Assembly Inn last Thursday evening.

Those present included Tom Posey, president of the Asheville Jaycees, Bill Snow, Asheville, state extension chairman, Dwight Beatty, Waynesville, district vice president, and Fred Muse, Asheville, state director.

Bill Gudger introduced local guests, pictured above, George Dougherty the members of the Black Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Tom Posey, Asheville guests.

Guests of honor at the meeting were prospective members from the community. "Although we invited as many as we could contact for the meeting last week, we know there are many young men here between the ages of 21 and 35 who should be members of their Junior Chamber of Commerce," President Dougherty said.

"We want those men as members and request that they contact Bill Gudger, membership chairman or Ken McCurry as soon as possible.

"The Jaycees are a working organization, an organization of action. We want any young man as a member—if he's interested in community improvement."

Turn On Your Porch Light Tonight At 7 Welcome Mothers In March On Polio

Desires Names Of The 25 Who Protest Pact

RFD 1, North Fork Rd. Black Mountain, N. C. January 19, 1953.

Mr. Gordon H. Greenwood, Editor, Black Mountain News, Black Mountain, N. C.

Dear Sir: On page eleven of the Asheville Times of this date, there is an item announcing that the residents of the Swannanoa Sanitary District will vote on February 28, 1953, on a proposed Pact with the City of Asheville.

You can do the residents of the District a great service if you will obtain and publish all the facts pertaining to the proposed pact before the vote is taken.

In 1939-40 I, as a member of the governing body of a New Jersey municipality and Chairman of its Water Committee, negotiated a water system for the town. The knowledge I gained in the numerous consultations with Water Engineers, Contractors and Water Company officials, leads me to believe that the proposed pact will not be fair to the residents of the District.

Since the information that I have comes from items appearing in the Asheville newspapers from time to time during the past three years could be wrong, it is for this reason I am asking that the facts be published in a form that can be understood by all.

Yours truly, W. N. Brown

Four Generations



Four generations are represented in the above picture taken while the family was gathered at the home of Mrs. Lula Edmunds in Government recently.

1953 Campaign Is Scheduled For Dramatic Windup

Porch lights will be burning for an hour throughout Black Mountain tonight (Thursday) when the "Mothers' March on Polio" will be launched as the climax of the 1953 March of Dimes, it was announced today by Mrs. Dorothy Burgess, campaign director.

The burning lights in hundreds of homes will be the signal to an army of volunteer mothers that they will be welcomed to receive contributions to the March of Dimes.

"Turn on your porch light to fight polio" is the theme of this special appeal by the mothers of the nation on behalf of the men, women and children who have suffered from infantile paralysis, the director said.

"Here's the way the Mothers' March will work," she said. "Between the hours designated, every resident in the community will be asked to turn on his porch light—or to burn a light in his window—if he wishes to make a contribution to the March of Dimes."

"Then the mothers will march, street by street, block by block, house to house receiving contributions to this year's campaign against polio."

"Last year," said Mrs. Burgess, "more than half a million mothers throughout America took part in the 'Mothers' March on Polio.' This year our community is part of a much larger effort."

Mrs. Burgess has made it clear that no club or organization is sponsoring the drive, but that it is a community project with volunteers from any and all that wish to help.

"As the porch lights are turned on here the workers and citizens will have the satisfaction of knowing that they are joining a nationwide movement in an effort to help those victims who are unable to help themselves," the chairman said.

The town has been assigned to mothers who have volunteered their time for one hour tonight. Drivers, cars, and transportation were furnished by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Darkhorses Keep Streak Going With Double Win

Woodfin proved but little opposition here Tuesday night as the Darkhorses won a double header.

The girls, keeping up the pace which they have set since the opening of the season, won handily, 69 to 28. In the nightcap the boys staged a brilliant second half rally to grab a 52 to 44 victory.

By winning their ninth straight without defeat the Black Mountain girls kept possession of first place in the Buncombe county standings. Leading the way was a trio of high scoring forwards.

Dale Ritchie poured in 20 points to pace the Darkhorses in the final game of the evening. He was given valuable assistance by Braska Odom and Gouge who scored 12 and 11 points respectively.

The Darkhorses were forced to rally strongly for the victory. The Woodfin cagers matched the locals point for point in the first half and were trailing only 27 to 26 at the rest period.

But great shooting by Ritchie, Gouge, and Odom, who is making a great comeback after having been injured during the football season, brought home the victory.

Black Mountain High School Girls Complete 1st Half Of Season Undefeated

The Black Mountain High school girls roared through the first half of the season undefeated while the Darkhorses compiled a 5 won and 3 lost record.

Their 8-0 record puts the girls at the top of the heap in the Buncombe County league and makes them favorites to cop the crown in the county tournament which starts on Feb. 27.

Although they are not leading the league, the Darkhorses have shown great improvement during the past few weeks and are, most believe, about ready to hit their stride for the season.

Madge Wilhide and Dale Ritchie continue to push the county leaders for honors in the scoring department. Miss Wilhide, with an average of 17.3 in eight games, is gaining. Ritchie has scored 136 points in eight games for an average of 17.0.

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The two-day clinic will consist of rehearsals and conferences, culminating in a concert in the auditorium Saturday evening.—Turn To Page 5

Davidson College Concert Band



DAVIDSON COLLEGE CONCERT BAND TO BE HEARD AT MONTREAT

The Davidson college concert band, frequently called one of the South's outstanding musical organizations, will present a concert in Caither Hall at Montreat at 8:15 p. m. on Feb. 9.

Kenneth R. Moore, band director, will conduct the Montreat concert, which is part of the band's annual spring tour.

Composed of 60 selected musicians, the Davidson band has won numerous honors in the past decade. Last Spring the band was invited to play at the convention of the National Music Educators association in Philadelphia.

Montreat college will play host to the Davidson College Concert Band Feb. 9 in Caither chapel. Shown here are Kenneth Moore, conductor of the band, and five band members in rehearsal for the current tour. The Montreat concert is open to the public and is scheduled to begin at 8:15 P. M. on Feb. 9.—Turn To Page 5

After 15 Years The Impossible Came To Pass

It couldn't happen, but it did. And upward of 70 Lions saw it happen and heard it with their own eyes and ears.

Charlie Spencer walked to the front of the room, cleared his throat, and called out in a deep bass voice, which is unusual for Charlie, "Will the following man please step forward and receive this award, one of the highest the Lions club can offer."

Every Lion present sat straight upright and grew tense, if they were honoring their most valuable member then Charlie would surely call his name in a second or two, each thought.

But he didn't, instead he called out again: "Herbert W. Sanders step up and receive this award. While 'Herb' is coming up I might tell you that he hasn't missed a meeting in 15 years. For that the Lions club is giving him here tonight a pin which he can wear proudly in future years."

"Come on up here, Herb Sanders, and get this award. Where's Lion Sanders?" Charlie's voice sounded a little impatient.

Then someone, an unkind fellow it must have been, let the cat out of the bag. Since 1937 Herbert W. Sanders had been to every Lions club meeting without a miss. During hot and cold weather, storm and slush or sunshine, he had found his way down from his observation tower at Blue Ridge to the Monte Vista or any place else the club happened to be meeting.

But tonight when the club had taken due notice of his faithfulness and was set to recognize his efforts and loyalty with a diamond, well, almost, studded pin, where on earth was "Herb?" He was absent.

Fire Destroys Home Of Lloyd Flynn Friday

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Flynn, just beyond Lakey Gap on Broad River, and all the furnishings were completely destroyed by fire Friday morning. The only thing saved was a sewing machine.

The family had left the house to come to Black Mountain but couldn't get the car started. Mrs. Flynn returned to the house and found the inside in flames. As it was a warm day the children were without heavy coats or sweaters which were destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Flynn are living in five small children are living in the house on the Montreat road next door to the Super Market.—Turn To Page 5

Radio Speaker



Rev. Wayne W. Smith, pastor of Swannanoa Free Will Baptist church, who will conduct a series of messages over an Asheville radio station, beginning Sunday, Feb. 1 at 2:30 until 3:00 p. m. The Rev. Mr. Smith has been pastor of the Free Will Baptist church at Swannanoa since Sept. 1950. He came to Swannanoa from the Canton Highland Park Free Will Baptist. He is a graduate of Fruitland Bible Institute.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

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