



SOIL RECLAIMED — Harold Peedin (left) has used soil conservation practices to reclaim acres of sour, in-arable swamp land by substituting tile and closing every open ditch on his 60 acres. He and C. W. Warrick, work unit conservationist for Johnston County, walk where a 5-foot ditch and hedgerow once ran. Peedin is competing in the soil building phase of the "Finer Carolina" contest sponsored by Carolina Power & Light Co.



We went to the Arts club meeting at the club house Tuesday night, August 21. First there was a delicious covered dish supper and delightful fellowship, and then a long business session presided over by Mr. E. M. Hoffman. Afterward there was a most satisfying program that had been arranged by Mrs. N. L. Perkins—Charlene Maydwell gave us some fine music with her violin. Gene Hudson demonstrated his wizardry at the keyboard, and Shelton Summerlin rendered a couple of lovely solos. (We had quite a time running over the vocalist, who was out playing on the lake shore when the time came for him to perform).

The Bible school is running at Mountain View church this week, and the attendance is gratifying. The school is from 9:00 to 11:30 a. m. There will be a covered dish supper Friday evening at

7:00, followed by commencement exercises. Why not come out and be with us in this little party? Miss Frances Haynes of Asheville is directing this school. Her father conducted prayer meeting last Wednesday night, and did a very good job of it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bergthold and Mrs. Bergthold's mother, Mrs. H. F. Eger of Delaware, Ohio, visited us last Thursday evening. We are always glad to see the Bergtholds coming, they are real "kindred spirits." Later we went out to Tommy Edward's and got Roxie and the children and went to visit Alice Burnette and Dean Ryan.

Alice and Dean are going to give another concert at the Black Mountain club house August 13. I will tell you more of this before the time comes. Our daughter, Polly Bruner, and Minnie's sister, Mrs. John Bruner, of Marion, came to see us last Saturday, but we were gone. We don't know just who was along, but they brought Minnie a number of nice presents. Incidentally, the Bergtholds brought us a mess of beans that had been raised in an organic garden, and they were most delicious.

Blaine Morris injured his back some weeks ago lifting a heavy can, and has been in a painful condition since but is getting some better.

The foundation for the parsonage at Mountain View is finished, dish supper Friday evening at

way this week. Rance Williams and the Rev. Chester Miller did most of the work on the foundation. I. T. Brooks is to be foreman of the building.

Betty Jean Shook was "laid up" over the week-end with an allergy from eating certain vegetables. Judy Byrd had to take over the piano playing at church services and did an outstanding job. Judy has many admirable points like screening sand for her father to make concrete, washing dishes, helping to cook, and tending to her baby sister, besides her charm and beauty.

Miss Ruth Richardson enthralled our congregation last Sunday morning with a medley of hymns rendered on her accordion. We are anxious indeed for her to come again!

Some of my gentle readers from Kannapolis, N. C. were at church services—two ladies by the name of Nelson, and a Mrs. Joyner. I never can get used to the fact that total strangers read this stuff.

Minnie and I had dinner last Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Walker of the Beaver Lake section. Ernest is still in poor health, and is making slow progress toward recovery. He told me many tall tales of the old days on North Fork. One thing that he told me was that Col. Connally used to send a dressed goat to all mothers that had recently indulged in a blessed event. He didn't say whether the colonel was trying to encourage, or discourage propagation. Anyhow, it was Ernest's job to kill, dress, and deliver the goat. Another thing he used to do was to carry Aunt Sally Burnett, who was a skilled midwife, to these frolics. He would take her on horseback to the remote coves, she in the saddle and he on behind. Uncle Fayette used to grumble mightily, in a good-natured way, about him taking his woman away.

Mae Burnette, Minnie and I went to the Burnette-Shope reunion last Sunday. We got there late but in time for the most ambrosial dinner. The afternoon program was very good, and we saw many friends and relatives. We went with the Rev. Gene Byrd.

Notes On North Carolina Travel

Popular Old Smoky

Estimated travel to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, athwart the North Carolina-Tennessee line, was 394,342 persons in June. This compared with 298,525 in June of 1952, an increase of 95,817 visitors during the month to the most visited of all national parks. . . . Fontana Dam, in the North Carolina Great Smokies, had 124,000 visitors in June, which was 22,400 more than were counted there in June, 1952.

Indians At Work

It takes an hour to tour the recreated Cherokee Indian village near the entrance to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in North Carolina. Visitors find Cherokees garbed and living as they did 200 years ago and native guides explain the interesting tribal customs. Camera fans never lack for subjects, some highly colorful, as the Indians pose readily at picturesque pursuits such as building dug-out canoes, grinding maize, and shooting blow guns. The village, known as Oconaluftee, is sponsored by the Cherokee Historical Association which also sponsors the outdoor summer drama "Unto These Hills." It is open weekdays from 9:30 until 4:30 and Sundays from 1 until 4:30 p. m.

Music Festival

Special bus service from Asheville, N. C., to the Brevard Music Festival, August 7-23, and for the Sunday afternoon concerts of the Transylvania Music Camp, is available through Smoky Mountains Trailways. Joseph Fuchs, internationally-known violinist, will be the soloist at the opening festival concert on Aug. 7. Other artists on programs of this outstanding southern musical event include: Jorge Bolet, pianist; Olin Downes, commentator; Richard Dyer-Bennett, tenor; Eileen Farrell, soprano; Beverly Wolff, contralto; Andrew McKinley, tenor, and Andrew White, baritone. Highlight of the 1953 festival will be the presentation of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, scheduled for August 21 and 23. Also featured will be the Festival chorus under the direction of Lester McCoy, and the Brevard symphony under the direction of John Christian Pfohl.

Street Dances

The street dances with the mountain music flavor are going full blast Monday nights in Hendersonville, center of one of the oldest resort areas in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. The Chamber of Commerce, of which Dave Cooley is manager, is sponsor of this popular tourist attraction. On Friday nights, the Kiwanis club sponsors round dancing at Jump Off Pavilion.

Street dances are held Friday nights in Black Mountain. Developments Big Fairfield Inn, a 70-room resort hotel in North Carolina on a 6,000-acre estate including a lake, golf course and private mountain on U. S. 64 between Brevard and Highlands, is under new ownership. A corporation headed by Ralph T. Stevens of Miami, Fla., purchased it from Wofford Tatem, also of Miami, who operated it for several years as Tatem's Sky Club. The Inn opened July 3 with plans to remain open through October 23. . . . In Asheville, where motor court building has gone ahead at a furious rate since World War II, 14-unit Beaver Lake Court is being converted into a nursing home. . . . Mattamuskeet Lodge, which has a fabulous history in connection with the attempt to convert this 30,000-acre lake into farm land, and is famous with hunters and fishermen, is now operated by Dick O'Neal of New Holland. The lodge was formerly operated by Axson Smith of Belhaven. . . . Col. H. R. Soderston, who engineered the Alcan Highway, is retiring to the world's winter golfing capital. He is constructing a 17-unit motor court near Southern Pines. The court, with unique and luxurious features, will be known as "Carolina Crest" and is expected to be completed this autumn.



CHURCH NOTICES

BLACK MOUNTAIN CHRISTIAN CHURCH

M. J. Jeffers, Minister
Worship service, 2nd and 4th Sundays, 11:00 a. m. Fellowship dinner for members and friends of the church, first Wednesday in the month, 6:30 p. m. Christian Women's Fellowship, 2nd Monday, 7:30 p. m.

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Wednesday: 8:00 p. m. . . . regular service
5:00 p. m. . . . "Love" is the topic of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, next Sunday.

The Golden Text is from II Corinthians 13:11 "Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you." Passages from the Bible include: " . . . let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the Lord which exercise loving-kindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the Lord." Jeremiah 9:24.

And from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, "Universal Love is the divine way in Christian Science." p. 266.

BEE TREE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

M. L. Jeffers, Minister
Bible School, 10:00 a. m. each Sunday. Jim Adams, superintendent. Worship service, 1st and 3rd Sunday, 11:00 a. m. Women's Council, 2nd Wednesday in each month. Official Board meeting the first Sunday following worship service.

CHURCH OF GOD MOUNTAIN ASSEMBLY

The Church of God Mountain Assembly extends a hearty welcome to the public to attend church services at 125 Cherry street.

Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday school at 2 p. m. and church service at 3 p. m. The Rev. Loyd Camp is pastor. Everyone is welcome. Mrs. Ade Frady is state secretary and treasurer.

TRIO ENTERTAIN WITH BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. Ruth Cunningham, Mrs. T. W. Nesbitt and Mrs. Woodrow Beddingfield entertained with a lovely dessert bridge last Tuesday evening at the Beddingfield home, Montreat road. A color scheme of white and green was carried out in the tallies and refreshments. Mixed summer flowers were used to decorate. At the end of play Mrs. Frank Buckner held high. Mrs. Jack Shaw, low. Mrs. Stuart Miller, floating, and Mrs. W. A. Allison, bingo. Others playing were: Mrs. Frank Wade, Mrs. Harry Barkley, Mrs. J. L. Potter, Mrs. C. C. Godfrey, Mrs. Ashby McCoy, Mrs. A. C. Leonard, Mrs. W. C. Honeycutt, Mrs. G. L. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. L. C. Jumper, Mrs. Betty Wrenn, Mrs. Harrie Danenhower, Mrs. Allen Perley III, Mrs. Worth Burgess, Mrs. Ralph Humphries, Mrs. A. J. Hemphill, Mrs. E. E. White, Mrs. Don Wright, Mrs. Madelon Parks, Mrs. Jeter Riddle, and Mrs. H. A. Kerlee.

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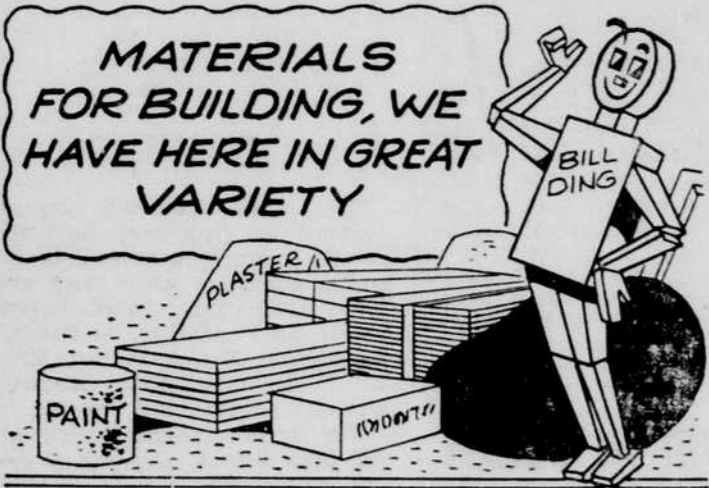
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