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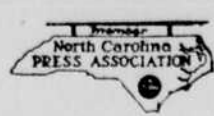
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Congratulations to Town Officials!

Black Mountain is fast getting out of the dust. Maybe we should say mud but there hasn't been enough rain around here since last spring to settle the dust, let alone cause mud.

Be that as it may Town of Black Mountain officials—Councilmen F. H. Richardson, Melvin Lance, and Dempsey Whitaker, Mayor G. L. Kirkpatrick, and town business manager, R. T. Greene—have done a masterful job with the Powel bill money in paving streets of the town. Best information is that within one more year every street within the town limits will have felt the

wrath of the town fathers and be tarred if not feathered.

Those of us who have to live on a limited budget—and who doesn't, can sympathize with the board, mayor, and business manager as they try to make the dollars stretch to cover the most ground possible, and attempt to keep the citizens satisfied. They have done well at both.

There are so many times that public officials are criticized that we thought it would be nice to give them a pat on their collective backs. It is well deserved.

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Black Mountain High School AS WE SEE OURSELVES

By Barbara Nesbitt

There were many moans and grumbles, a few exclamations of joy, and a few relieved sighs last Monday when report cards came out for the first time, and on the whole I think everyone has decided to settle down to work.

Friday afternoon the Dark-horses played the Sand Hill Comets and emerged victorious from the tussle with a convincing score of 27-0. Keep up the good work, boys!

Friday night the Junior class sponsored a dance in the school gym. The music for the square

dance was furnished by some of our own Junior boys, who did a marvelous job. The dance was well attended and the Juniors are well on the way to having a wonderful Jr.-Sr. banquet this spring (at least we seniors hope so).

The Senior English classes are participating in a course on "Personality and Human Relations", in which they are trying to analyze and improve their own personalities, by constructive criticism and helpful hints and suggestions, offered by others. The

climax of this unit is to be a five minute oral report, by us, about ourselves, about what we are doing to improve ourselves.

Tuesday the Latin club held its second meeting in the gym. The old members had the program, and refreshments followed. Plans are being made for the initiation of the new members.

Monday afternoon the steering committee of the "Homes of Tomorrow" group met in Asheville. Members of the committee from Black Mountain are: Scotty Gragg, Eugene Knoefel, John Williams, and Jack Farr. The first general meeting will be a dance at the Y.M.C.A. next Monday night. Black Mountain is in charge of decorations.

Mrs. Humphries is starting a dancing class for all those who are interested. A number of the parents and students have ex-

R. B. Rhymer With Indian Head Div.

WITH THE 2nd INFANTRY DIV. IN KOREA — Pvt. R. B. Rhymer, son of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Rhymer, Swannanoa, N. C., recently arrived in Korea and is now serving with the 2nd Infantry Division.

The 2nd Division took part in two of the Korean conflict's most historic battles. It captured "Heartbreak Ridge" after weeks of bitter fighting in October 1951 and took "Old Baldy" in July 1952. A mechanic in civilian life, Rhymer entered the Army last February and completed basic training at Camp Pickett, Va.

Week Of Prayer Observance Set

From Oct. 25 to 31 is the week of prayer and self-denial. Instead of having an all-day meeting a covered dish supper will be held at the Methodist church Tuesday, Oct. 27, at 6:30. A program on "Prayer and Self-Denial" will follow. Chaplain Eugene Bauer will be guest speaker. A trio from Montreat college will present several selections.

pressed an interest in having these lessons, and they are being greeted with much enthusiasm. Classes start next Tuesday.

The faculty of Black Mountain High School seems to be on the move. Mr. Shuford has moved to Grovesmont, and so have the Humphries, who have just built a new house. The Nesbitts have moved also but they are still on the Montreat road, and the Scorzas of course moved from Asheville.

Know Your School

Inasmuch as a great part of a person's life from ages six to 18 is spent in public school, it would seem only natural that much community interest would be manifest in this institution. It is obvious that every individual in the community is affected by the content of the school curriculum and the quality of its faculty, while the buildings and their upkeep play an important part, too.

Since people want to know the how and why of our public school system, the Swannanoa PTA has taken for this year's theme "Know Your School." The September meeting was devoted to the statewide bond issue as it pertains to helping realize our building program, begun several years ago.

The next step is to the heart of the buildings, or office, where every one finds himself sooner or later. This can be likened also to the nerve center of the body or to the cleaning house of a business establishment, and it would require a full time secretary to record all business following through this center daily. The principal, Mr. E. N. Howell, who manipulates this center and its parts, was at the helm for the October meeting to give an insight into this intriguing job and place.

Incidentally, if you have not yet joined the association the membership chairman is now accepting membership.

Mrs. W. H. Noah,
Publicity Chairman.

ASHEVILLE BRANCH PEN WOMEN HEAR FAMOUS COMPOSER

The Asheville branch of the National League of American Pen Women met Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Edgar Ford, Kenilworth road, Asheville.

Mrs. Thomas Sharp, president, conducted the business session, followed by a program of music by Miss Sarah Dittenhaber, nationally known composer of music for children. Miss Dittenhaber presented a delightful program of her own compositions. Mrs. John McMullen, soprano, gave several numbers accompanied by Miss Dittenhaber. The home was beautifully decorated with arrangements of mixed fall flowers.

After the meeting a coffee hour was enjoyed by the guests. Mrs. Ford was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. R. R. King.

WORKER'S CLASS WILL STUDY CHURCH HISTORY

The Worker's Training class of the First Christian church will meet at Oak Knoll Sunday evening at 7:30.

They are studying the history of the Restoration movement, especially the part played by the Disciples of Christ. Mrs. Mary Aleshire will teach, substituting for Dr. Homer W. Haislip, who will be in Kentucky on assembly business.



When I see de way some folks drives dese days it sho' do make me wonder if they is in a hurry to git to de promised land ahead of de rest of de folks.

Poel's Corner

Conducted by
Anne K. Sharp, Chairman,
Creative Writing Group

AURA

October noon—
Brilliance of miracles,
Time of gold;
A flurry of crisp leaves
Along the edge of cold.
These autumn days
Are days of Saints
Splashed with warmth
Heartfelt, and potter's paints.

Robert F. Looney.
Mrs. Clara Crawford has graciously given us permission to print this picturesque poem. It is from one of her "Poetic Notes," and it is so artistically and vividly illustrated by Miss Nancy Mauldin of the Little Arts Gallery, another member of our Pen Women, that the "crisp leaves of gold" seem to be fluttering down.

Robert Leonard is a musician as well as a poet. At present he is a student at the University of North Carolina.
Anne K. Sharp,
Chr. Poet's Corner,
Creative Writing Club.

The trio is composed of Ann Broom, Mary Ruth Marshall, and Dorothy Jane Warner.

Activities Set For Broad River

A work party for Saturday, Oct. 24, at the Broad River community club house was set at a meeting of the council Monday evening. The members raised \$32.16 Monday evening with which the council hopes to put the finishing touches on the community building. On Saturday concrete floors will be poured and the windows finished.

The committee has called a mass meeting of all the residents of Broad River for Monday, Oct. 26, at 7:30 p.m. for the election of officers for the new year. On the night of Halloween a masquerade party for all the people of the community will be held. Prizes will be given for the best dressed and the most unusual costume. Apple cider and cookies will be served. Festivities will start at 7:00 p.m.

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

Girl scout troop 55 met at the Methodist church last Thursday afternoon for its regular weekly meeting.

Members attending were: Carolyn Dotson, Brenda Garland, Wanda Lunsford, Vivian Stewart, Mary Ham, Judy Croop, Nana Beha, Louise Norton, Harriett Hubbard, Connie Taylor, Ramey Solomon, Sandra Cook, Regina Stafford, Judy Raines, Judy Marret and Beverly Bryant, scribe.

NEEDLECRAFT MEMBERS MAKE BEDSTEAD POCKETS FOR SAN PATIENTS

The Needlecraft division of the Arts club met Monday afternoon at "Fairlawn Lodge" with Miss Caroline Hall serving as hostess. Miss Emma Reid Southworth, president, presided during the business session. Members worked on bedstead pockets for the patients at the Western North Carolina Sanatorium. At the end of the meeting six pockets had been completed. Refreshments were served by the hostess during the social hour.

Those present were: Miss Helen Miles, Mrs. L. A. Oates, Miss Edna Zickler, Mrs. Fannie Fitzgerald, Miss Southworth, Miss Ruby Hall, and the hostess.

MRS. BENGE WILL HAVE CHARGE OF MYF SUPPER

Circle No. 1, Mrs. Kelly Bengé, chairman, will be in charge of the supper for the MYF in the fellowship room at 6:30 p. m. Sunday.

Donny Brown will be in charge of the devotionals.

Speaker will be the Rev. W. Scott Root, pastor of the St. James Episcopal church. His subject will be "Family Relationships."

Cline Drowns In Lake James

Funeral services for Bill Eugene Cline, 23, of Swannanoa, drowned Sunday afternoon in Lake James, were held Tuesday at 4 p. m. in First Baptist church at Swannanoa with the Rev. Charles Smith officiating. Burial was in Mountain View Memorial Park here.

Coroner S. J. Westmoreland of McDowell county said Cline was trying out a new motor on a small boat when the boat capsized. Cline was a non-swimmer.

The accident occurred at Edwards Boat Landing at 4:45 p. m. The body was recovered about 7 p. m. Westmoreland termed the death due to accidental drowning and said there will be no inquest. Cline, who resided at Swannanoa most of his life, was recently employed in Detroit, Mich. He was formerly employed by Beacon Manufacturing company.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Ruth Cline; one son, Steve; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hazel Cline of Swannanoa; three brothers, Frank, Jerry and Douglas of Swannanoa, and two sisters, Miss Imogene Cline and Mrs. Junior Moody of Swannanoa. Harrison Funeral home was in charge.

Bridge Parties Held At Rangoon Lodge

Rangoon Lodge, home of Mr. and Mrs. William Styles, was the scene of two lovely parties last Friday afternoon and evening.

In the afternoon Mrs. Styles and Mrs. Stanley Garland entertained with four tables of bridge. At the end of play a salad course was served to Mrs. Dinsmore Crawford, Mrs. Andrew Allison, Mrs. H. A. Kerlee, Mrs. Frank Buckner, Miss Mary Hooker, Miss Susan Hooker, Mrs. Clyde Jumper, Mrs. J. L. Potter, Mrs. Harry Barkley, Mrs. Lee Seagle, Mrs. J. H. Riddle, Mrs. Ray Harrison, Miss Ruby Hall, Miss Caroline Hall, and Mrs. B. G. Byron.

Miss Susan Hooker held high score and Mrs. Potter, low. Miss Caroline Hall won the bingo prize. In the evening Mrs. Styles, Mrs. Garland and Mrs. G. R. Damenhower entertained with dessert bridge, at which nine tables were in play. Mrs. R. T. Greene won the prize for high score, Mrs. Ashby McCoy, second high, Mrs. D. P. Dinwiddie, low, and Mrs. Arnold Powell, bingo. Others enjoying the delightful occasion were: Mrs. William Phillips, Mrs. Walter Burgess, Mrs. Roy Taylor, Mrs. G. L. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. W. W. White, Mrs. E. E. White, Mrs. Gordon Greenwood, Mrs. Steve Uzzell, Mrs. William Honeycutt, Miss Martha Covin, Mrs. Carl Trickett, Mrs. John Bumgarner, Mrs. Dempsey Whitaker, Mrs. J. G. Northcott, Mrs. Ruth Cunningham, Mrs. W. B. Beddingfield, Mrs. Chester Sobol, Mrs. C. C. Godfrey, Mrs. Tom Nesbitt, Mrs. Stuart Miller, Mrs. Wiggins, Mrs. Harry Clark, Mrs. John Vaillancourt, Mrs. Ralph Humphries, Miss Lou Lindsey, Mrs. Max Woodcock, Mrs. J. L. Koonce, Mrs. Don Wright, Mrs. Charles Carpenter, Mrs. John Ramsey, Mrs. B. E. Nordheim, Mrs. Albert Garland, Mrs. Frank Wade, Mrs. Douglas Jones, and Mrs. Alma Shaw.

Interesting, beautiful and unusual arrangements of wild flowers, seeds, and pods as well as attractively arranged colorful autumn leaves were used throughout the home.

JUNIOR ORDER GUESTS OF EASTERN STAR

Black Mountain Chapter 200 Order of Eastern Star entertained members of the Junior Order with a buffet supper on Monday evening. Approximately 35 attended.

Clyde Watkins was spokesman for the Junior Order and William Hinkle for the Eastern Star. Mrs. Rhoda Riddle was chairman of the planning committee with the following as assistants: Mrs. Reva Hinkle, Mrs. Mary Martin, Mrs. Beulah Mashburn, and Mrs. Sadie Gouge. All members of the OES furnished food.

IS CIRCLE HOSTESS

The Naomi Schell circle of the First Baptist church met at the home of Mrs. Cecil Nanney on Oct. 13, with Mrs. Frank Hudson serving as co-hostess. Mrs. W. A. Honeycutt presided over the meeting. The Rev. Mr. Honeycutt reviewed the circle's study book, "Sacrifice and Song." A sweet course was served during the social hour by the hostesses.

Those attending were: Mrs. Lewis Phillips, Mrs. Claude Swann, Mrs. Doug Hamby, Jr., Mrs. Brody Warren, Mrs. Thad Burnette Jr., Mrs. L. E. Huffman, Mrs. Clarence Wilson, Mrs. Gary Carson, Mrs. Conway Tatham, Mrs. Frank Watkins and Miss Katherine Billingsley. Visitors present were: Mrs. W. E. Holmes and Mrs. Aron Belt.

Look Who's Here!

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lowery, a son, Oct. 13, in Victoria hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Edison P. Banks of Swannanoa are parents of a daughter born Oct. 14 in St. Joseph's hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. H. R. Miller announce the birth of a daughter Oct. 17, in St. Joseph's hospital.

A/1c and Mrs. H. Borden Sabiston Jr. of Brookley Air Force base, Ala., announce the birth of a son, Oct. 13, in the base hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Williams are parents of a son born Oct. 14, in St. Joseph's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hensley have a son born Oct. 12 in Victoria hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther G. Melton have a daughter born Oct. 17 in St. Joseph's hospital.

ROBERT LEE GRAGG, 35, DIES UNEXPECTEDLY

Robert Lee Gragg, 35, of Craigmont road, died unexpectedly at his home Friday afternoon, Oct. 16.

The body was taken to McColl Funeral home, Marion, for funeral services and burial.

Rufus M. Poteat Is On Okinawa

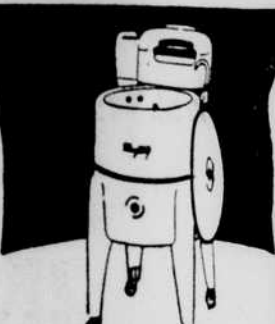
OKINAWA—Rufus M. Poteat, whose wife, Bertie, lives in Black Mountain, N. C., was recently promoted to sergeant while serving with the 97th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Group on Okinawa.

A strong U. S. outpost in the Far East, Okinawa is located off the coast of China between Formosa and the southern tip of Japan. The island is the home of the Ryukyus Command headquarters.

Sergeant Poteat, motor sergeant

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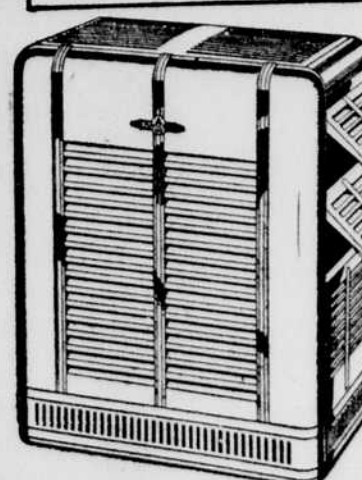
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