

Don't Lose the Election By Default!

Citizens of Buncombe county will have an opportunity on Tuesday, May 10, to help relieve the crisis which the schools are facing.

The bond money voted four years ago did not complete the job. Neither will this 25-cent tax, but it will provide increased revenue which must be found if the buildings are to be maintained on an adequate basis.

It is false economy to spend millions to construct buildings and then close the purse strings with such vigor that nothing is appropriated for maintaining those plants. That is economy in reverse.

Some of us have the mistaken idea that the state provides all the funds for operation of the schools. Nothing could be further

from the truth. The county must furnish 52 per cent of the coal, 40 per cent of the cost of water and electricity, all the money for new school buses, 84 per cent of telephone bills, and all the maintenance.

If this is not enough to convince us that more funds are necessary for the schools, consider the fact that in 1935 there were 9,000 children in the public schools of the county. Today there are approximately 17,000 and this number will be substantially increased this fall.

Don't take it for granted that the straw vote won't count. The county commissioners will be watching the results very closely. They might be convinced by a light vote that we are satisfied to let things remain as they are.

But consider the cost if it should lose by default.

SWANNANOVA NEWS

Annual Associational Meeting

The annual associational meeting of the W. M. U. was held Wednesday, April 27, at the Calvary Baptist church in West Asheville.

The program was "Go Quickly and Tell." Mrs. T. O. Derle, wife of the music director of the church, gave the devotional.

The "Half Has Never Been Told" was sung by Mrs. E. V. Hawkins, after which the reports of the various chairmen were given.

Mrs. V. L. Frank, who is a missionary in a Baptist seminary in Zurich, Switzerland, gave a very interesting commentary on the subject "Welding the Story in Europe."

Work of F. Dixon Results In State Society

Dr. H. W. Stevens was elected temporary chairman and Mrs. Josephine L. Lively was elected secretary and treasurer at the organizational meeting of the North Carolina Humane Federation, Inc., in Asheville last week.

Representatives from Black Mountain included F. W. Dixon, Mountain and Mrs. H. M. Wood, Miss Sally Kitchen, and Mrs. Walter Burgess.

Mr. Dixon has been active in the work of the Humane Society in North Carolina for many years and it was his initiative and hard work that brought about the organization of the group last week.

MRS. FORTUNE HAS HOME D. PROGRAM

The Broad River Home Demonstration club met on Friday, April 22 with 11 members and one visitor present.

Mrs. Charles Fortune had charge of the program and the importance of eggs in the diet was stressed and recipes were given the members.

Mrs. Charles Fortune and Mrs. Herman Marlowe were hostesses. Tea, ice cream, sponge cake and jello were served.

The club voted to meet at the home of Mrs. Rector Ledbetter for the May meeting.

Those present were Mrs. Rector Ledbetter, Mrs. John Benedict, Mrs. E. B. Kimery, Mrs. Emil Kirstein, Mrs. Dick Tarbert, Mrs. Roy Marlowe, Mrs. Ray Kirstein, Mrs.

SWANNANOVA CAFE IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

The restaurant next to the Roxy Theatre in Swannanoa has reopened, and is operating under the name of Swannanoa Cafe. Regular meals, ala-carte, short orders and sandwiches will be served.

The new managers are Lenna and Luke Riddle of Swannanoa.

Horace Moore, Mrs. Dewey Kirstein, Mrs. Charles Fortune, Mrs. Herman Marlowe, Visitor was Mrs. Paul Marlowe.

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TAXES. - The reason the members of the Legislature haven't returned home is because they are still trying to find some one who doesn't mind being taxed.

They have been suggesting various taxes to be levied on various groups, but each time they hold a hearing, they find to their dismay - and to no one's surprise - that the folks concerned don't want the tax placed on them.

Looking all over again. This week it is back to a tax on the automobile and truck owners.

There is one thing sure. Now is the time for the Carolina Motor Club to prove to its members and to the automobile owners who are not members that they can do something besides solicit insurance and make a neat profit from the sale of automobile license plates for the State of North Carolina.

Now is the time for them to lead the fight against this tax. They are reputed to have enough political power to continue year in and year out to hold on to the questionable arrangement with the Motor Vehicles Department with regard to the distribution of license plates. They should now demonstrate some of this power in behalf of the motoring public.

Incidentally, next year there will be one license plate instead of two. We understand it would cost the tax payers eight cents to have that plate sent out by mail. Now the Carolina Motor Club is paid to distribute the same plate - seven cents. If the difference could be saved it would be that much less some one would have to be taxed. Get it!

MORE TAXES. - There are a few groups who would welcome a tax under certain conditions. The people who are in favor of permitting dog-racing would be glad to be taxed heavily, provided in turn they could operate throughout the State.

The advocate of legalized gambling are willing and anxious to be taxed to the hilt, and point to the fact that if a state lottery were legalized and operated by the state that it would raise the necessary wherewithal.

No doubt the beer and liquor groups would accept a heavier tax in exchange for state-wide county by county distribution of their products.

The picture seems to be that we must not compromise in order to raise the needed money. So as some one said, "Looks as though those who holler the loudest will be taxed the least."

So brother, you better start yelling because these boys here in the Legislature want to go home, and they can't hear as well today as they could when they came here way back in January. Matter of fact, they began to be hard of hearing along about the time their pay stopped.

Somebody is going to be nominated and elected to pick up the check in the amount of millions of dollars here in the next few days and everyone has his hat on and is crowding for the door. Will that somebody be you? It depends on how loud you yell. So brother, you better start yelling and loud!

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MONTREAT

By Miss Julia Stokes

The Montreat Presbyterian church held the worship service in Gaither Chapel at 11 o'clock.

The pastor the Rev. Stanley Bennett preached on "Rebuilding the Walls." The High School Glee club under the direction of Mrs. Allan Guy led the music.

The young people held their meeting at 4:30 p. m. in the sun parlor of the Assembly Inn.

The Young Adult group met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Meeks. The subject for discussion was the "Apostle's Creed."

The Men of Montreat entertained the Women of Montreat in the lobby of Assembly Inn at 8 p. m. on Monday, May 2. The president Dr. A. C. Holt presided. The program of music was arranged by Mrs. Harold Frantz and was greatly enjoyed by a large gathering. A social hour was enjoyed.

The Executive Board of the Women of the Church was held in the sun parlor of the Assembly Inn at 4 p. m. on Tuesday, May 3. The president, Mrs. L. Nelson Bell presided.

A Communicants class is held each Tuesday and Friday at 4:30 p. m. in the pastor's study at the Inn.

The Wednesday prayer meetings are held in the sun parlor of the Assembly Inn at 4 p. m. and in Gaither Chapel at 7:30 p. m.

The circles of the Women of the Church will be held on Tuesday, May 10. Circle No. 1, Mrs. W. J. Gammon, chairman will meet in the home of the Misses Edith and Jean Tait on Assembly drive at 4 p. m. Miss Sallie Liddell will be co-hostess.

Circle No. 2, Mrs. Noyes Wilson, chairman will meet with Mrs. Samuel Woods in the Grier cottage on Virginia road at 4 p. m.

The Business Woman's circle will meet in the home of Mrs. U. J. Peoples on North Carolina terrace at 7:45 p. m.

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilson are rejoicing over the arrival of a young son, Riley Knox on April 28. The other children are Joseph Jr. and Mary Stuart. They are living in the Tait cottage on Assembly drive.

The Misses Edith and Jean Tait are spending a few days this week in Charlotte visiting their sister, Mrs. Charles U. Hill.

Mrs. Fred Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Peters of Kingsport, Tenn., are in Montreat for the week-end.

Miss Elizabeth Sloan and Mrs. Alton White are spending the week-end with Miss Sarah Mosley in her home on Montreat.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Legerton of Charleston, S. C., are in their cottage on Alabama terrace.

Miss Claudia Edwards of the Music Department of the Schools in York, S. C., spent the week-end in her cottage on Mississippi road.

Miss Florence Hilde has as her guest for a few weeks, Mrs. Penar Shaw of Lancaster, Pa.

Mrs. Kenneth Richardson of Seneca, S. C., is spending this week with her daughter, Dr. Martha Wilson in the Tait cottage on Assembly drive.

Mrs. Betsy Wilson is home from Queens college, Charlotte, for a few days.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jon K. Crow and family, missionaries of the Presbyterian church U. S. of the Recife Station, Brazil are in the Robert's cottage "Happy Hut" for a week. They are on furlough and have been visiting their family in Alabama.

Mrs. George White of Charlotte is the guest of Miss Alice Hardie for this month. Mrs. Albert Sumner and Miss Ellen Brice of Charlotte visited Miss Hardie over the week-end.

Col. and Mrs. Benjamin Murph have as their guest this week their sister-in-law, Mrs. F. L. Clendening of Aransas Pass, Tex.

Mrs. S. C. Farris of Concord, N. C., is spending this week in Bridewood. Mrs. F. L. Eyer of Gaffney, S. C., who formerly had a home on Assembly drive will be in Bridewood for sometime.

Miss Leila Kirtland has returned to Bridewood after spending a few weeks in Memorial Mission hospital.

Miss Pearl Jones who has been spending the winter in Mississippi and Alabama has returned to her home on Assembly drive.

Miss Julia Grier who is teaching in Atlanta and Miss Virginia Neville of Decatur, Ga., spent the week-end in the Neville cottage.

The Rev. John R. Williams is conducting special services in the Denton Heights Presbyterian church, Monroe, N. C., May 1 through 14. The Rev. Huch Pollard is the pastor of the church. Mr. Williams was in Montreat this last week and could enjoy being with his son and family, Dr. and Mrs. J. Rodman Williams, Jr., and two children, John R. 3rd and Andy of Rockford, Ill., and his daughter and family Dr. and Mrs. John W. Watts and children, Cherry, Ricky, and Linda of Zurich, Switzerland.

A 3c Robert Neal Kelly (Bobby) is stationed at Travis Air Force Base, Calif., after completing his basic training at Sampson Air Force Base, Geneva, N. Y. He is

WILSONS HONORED AT HOUSE WARMING

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilson were pleasantly surprised last Friday night in their new home on Louisa street with a house warming.

Acting as hosts and hostesses were: Mr. and Mrs. Wade Rowland, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Boone, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brandon, Mr. and Mrs. Thad Burnette, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Reese, and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hamby, Jr.

Those taking part were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. K. V. McCurry, Mrs. Orna Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hall, the Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Binford, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Aldridge, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cockrell, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ledbetter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. James Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Page, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Nanney, Mr. and Mrs. Kermil Allison, Mrs. Lawrence Barnhill, Mrs. Ed Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Rice, Mrs. James Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. June Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Mott, Mrs. James Biddix, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. James Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. John Love, Mrs. W. B. Kyles, Mr. and Mrs. George Tatham, Mr. and Mrs. Conway Tatham, Mr. and Mrs. Al White, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Tyson, Jr., Mrs. Ralph Reed, Mrs. Ed Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Blizard, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Nanney, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bullock, Mrs. W. A. Huneycutt. Those unable to attend but who sent gifts were: Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hamby, Sr., Mrs. Richard Seawright, Mr. and Mrs. John Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Dennie Clark, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Queen.

The Fellowship class of the First Baptist church presented the Wilsons with a pair of pin-up lamps and brass candle holders.

BIRTHDAY SUPPER GIVEN FOR RAYMOND BRACKETT

A birthday supper was given for Raymond Brackett Saturday, April 30, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson of Horse Shoe.

Those present were Mrs. Raymond Brackett, Mrs. Mammie Chandler, Mrs. B. H. Chandler, Miss Thelma Williams, Charles Wilson, the host and hostess, and the honored guest.

DAVID H. CORKRAN RECEIVES PROMOTION

David H. Corkran of Black Mountain was among 44 Middleburg college ROTC cadets promoted to rank of cadet sergeant first class and cadet sergeant in an order published recently by Lt. Col. Charles W. Adcock, professor of military science and tactics at the college.

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THE SICK

J. M. Goodman is improving. St. Joseph's hospital where he has been a patient for the past days.

W. N. Brown has returned to his home after undergoing surgery at Moore VA hospital.

GROVE STONE OFFERING GRAVEL AS PRIZE

The manager of Grove Stone and Sand company is offering a bucket of mixed gravel and a shovelful of sand to the person who will give the meaning of "Aqueous" "Flume" - "Semantics."

BAKE SALE FRIDAY

The Ladies of the First Christian church are holding a pre-Memorial Day bake sale on Friday, May 6 on the Black Mountain Ice company's lawn. A rummage sale will be held in connection with the bake sale.

FLACK IN EUROPE

Lt. Max Flack left on board the U. S. S. Leya, a Craft Carrier, for a month's tour in Portugal. Mrs. Flack and Mr. Flack are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Norton and Lt. Flack's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Flack.

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MISS SARA RICE WILL BE COLLEGE MAY QUEEN

Blue Mountain, Miss., May 3. - May Day ceremonies will be held on Saturday at 4:00 p. m. The theme "The Wizard of Oz" will be presented in a most interesting and unique way. Sara Rice, Black Mountain, N. C., will be crowned Queen of the May by her Maid of Honor, Faye Morrow, Norfolk, Va.

CPL. MARTIN HERE

Cpl. Ray Martin of Camp Gordon, Ga., and Williamsburg, Va., spent the week-end with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilson.

the son of Robert A. Kelley of Virginia road.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Mr. John S. Haw who died on April 26 in his home in Richmond, Va. He is the brother-in-law of Miss Margaret Davis who has a summer home on Virginia road. Mr. and Mrs. Haw have spent many summers in Davista and have made many friends here. Two years ago Mr. Haw retired from a bank in Richmond, Va. They were able to spend the entire summer here. He was an active member of the Guinter Park Presbyterian and the services were held there.

Word has come of the death of Mr. Robert B. Cunningham in his home in Columbia, S. C., last winter. He has spent many summers in his summer home on Assembly drive, and has made many friends here. Sympathy is extended to his family. He survived by his wife and two sons.

Arbor Day program was held Thursday, April 28 at the Swannanoa grade school. The first portion of the program was given by students in grades one, two, three and four, and the last part by the upper grades.

Mr. Talmage Burnette spoke to those present and awarded prizes to students having written outstanding poems as essays about trees. Miss Peggy Joe Burrell won a prize for the best poem and Rankin Hipp won a prize for the best essay. Two trees were planted on the school grounds during the ceremonies.

Arts and Crafts club met Thursday evening, April 28 at the home of Mrs. Robert Brown. Plans were discussed for the next project which will be basket-weaving. A surprise of the meeting was the presentation of a baby gift to Mrs. Allie Lou Patton. Those who attended were Mrs. Faye Darby, Mrs. Ruth Bennett, Mrs. Patton, and Mrs. Norma Hussey. Following the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Hussey.

Youth Banquet. A youth banquet sponsored by the First Baptist church was held Tuesday evening, April 26, at the Community building in Grove-mont as a climax to youth week. Over 100 young people attended.

Mrs. Clarence Hood opened the program with selected passages from the Scriptures. Two hymns, "Heavenly Sunlight," and "Showers of Blessings," were sung by all those present. The Rev. Charles Smith gave the invocation followed by a speech of welcome by Mr. Albert Reed.

After dinner, which was prepared and served by Mrs. Jessie Aiken, Mrs. Gladys Shaver, Mrs. Myrtle Walker, Mrs. Katie McPet-

ersonals.

Miss Della Pamplin was an overnight guest Thursday, April 28 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles English. Miss Pamplin is secretary at the Highway Patrol troop headquarters in Asheville.

Mr. Grady L. McCrain of 18 Richmond avenue, Swannanoa, returned to his home from Moore General hospital Wednesday, April 27. Mr. McCrain recently underwent surgery there.

Mr. W. H. Noah of Buckeye Cove road left Memorial Mission hospital Friday, April 27, after a stay of several weeks due to a heart attack.

Mrs. Thelma Gash and her son James R. Owenby left Saturday evening, April 30, to attend the annual Macon County Singing convention at the Briar Town Baptist church. They returned to Swannanoa Sunday evening. Mrs. Gash is a former resident of that section and she had a very enjoyable visit with many friends.

Mrs. Ruth Bernette of Grove-mont and Mrs. Lewis Phillips of Black Mountain attended the Federation of Women's club convention in Greensboro, N. C., Tuesday, April 26, through Thursday, April 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gallant and son, Fred Gallant, Jr., and his wife visited Sunday, May 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hensley. The Gallants live in Kings Mountain, N. C.

The Thad Burnette family was very pleased to have as their guests Sunday, May 1, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Collins and family from Hickory, N. C. Mr. Collins is Mrs. Burnette's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sawyer left May 4 for a ten-day vacation in Daytona Beach, Fla. Men's Club.

The Swannanoa Men's club met at the Community Hall in Grove-mont Monday night, May 2, with Mr. Charles Porter presiding. Mr. Fred Davidson was program chairman.

After supper was served a debate on the proposed airport bond issue was held. James S. Howell, Asheville attorney, spoke in favor of the measure while Dr. H. E. Hinman, Asheville physician, opposed it. Many interesting views were expressed by both men.

Following the debate a very impressive film on "Junior Achievement" was shown to those attending. Paul Young and J. J. Walden were in charge of the youth division of the program.

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