

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.

A solo "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."

ers, Mrs. Clem Hunt, Mrs. Robbie Luckadood, and Mrs. Faye Darby, the program was continued. "Recognition of Seniors" was given by Mr. Lester Miller.

The entire program was met with so much enthusiasm by all with so much interest that plans are being considered for making the Youth

banquet an annual affair. Congratulations are extended to Mr. Wood and Mr. Reed and to all those who donated so freely of their time and effort to help in making this event so successful.

Work of F. Dixon Results In State Society

Dr. H. W. Stevens was elected temporary chairman and Mrs. Josephine 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.

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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.

Plans were discussed about a county-wide meeting to be held Monday, May 13, at the Court House in Asheville, at which time arrangements will be made for the Mobile Chest X-ray unit to visit the communities in Buncombe County.

The business meeting was presided over by Mrs. Lloyd Campbell, chairman.

Mrs. Kelly introduced Mr. Dancy from the Buncombe County Health department who outlined the proposed mobile chest X-ray which will be held in Swannanoa in the near future.

After the meeting a very delightful social hour was enjoyed by the members: Mrs. Bessie Carr, Mrs. Wm. Blaine, Mrs. Joy Hogsd, Mrs. Margaret Smolinski, Mrs. Felicia Walden, Mrs. Selma Neuge, Mrs. Lawrence Wainwright, Mrs. Charles Porter, Mrs. Pat Russell, Mrs. Rankin Miller, Mrs. Janet McLarin, Mrs. Oliver Alexander, Mrs. Guy West, Mrs. Clara Snyder, and two visitors, Mrs. Arnold Whitt and Mrs. John Brown.

The meeting of the Book Club was held Tuesday, April 26 at the home of Mrs. Joe Porcher with Mrs. Porcher and Mrs. W. W. Come acting as co-hostesses.

The Intermediate Girls Auxiliary met for a study hour Monday, April 25, at the home of their counselor, Mrs. Fred McCuen.

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

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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

HONORED WITH PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Stafford entertained with a party and square dance last Friday night at the Swannanoa Community building in honor of their daughter, Elaine who was celebrating her twelfth birthday anniversary.

Those enjoying the evening with Elaine were Vivian Stewart, Tom Blizard, Esther Fortune, Remona Griffin, Johnny and June Aline Runion, Toni and Alan Taylor, Dianne Nesbett, Carolyn Hudson, James Moyers, Cecelia Wyrick, Marie Halford, Elizabeth Ann Vaught, Jackie and Charles Rector, Olivia Penland, Anne Woodcock, Linda Creamsman, Carole, Regina and Shirley Stafford, Amelia Stafford, Vivian Buchanan, Harry Nanne, Linda Smith, Judy Raines, Charles Aiken, Betty Patton, Judy Gregg, Andy and Jerry Stafford, Jerry Bridges, Jackie Bennett, Jackie Rymer, Ronnie Kent, Carla Stone, Terry Buckner Jr. Those unable to attend but who sent gifts were: Johnny Woodcock and Earl Vaught. Assisting Mrs. Stafford in serving were Mrs. Martha Aiken and Mrs. Grady Stafford. Mrs. Ruth Penland played the piano for the dance.

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At 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.

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

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

Lt. Max Flack left aboard the U. S. S. Leyra, 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.

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. So they start looking all over again.

This week it is back to a tax on the automobile and truck owners. They don't want it either. Whether or not they can weather the storm is another matter.

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—seventeen 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

UMSTEAD. — John Umstead, the hard working representative from Chapel Hill has been over-doing it, and has been advised by his doctor to slow down.

TEACHER PAY.— Ralph Scott's bill to pay the teacher for the day just before the opening of school, and just after the closing of school, has merit. The teachers have to do extra work in both cases and should be paid.

Speaking of teacher pay, we have always wondered why other state employees get sick leave pay while teachers don't. The fact that we don't have the money is not reason enough. Either all should get sick leave pay or none.

REIDSVILLE. — We were the guest speaker of the annual in-law meeting of the Reidville Junior Chamber of Commerce last Saturday night, and after listening to retiring president, Allen Heyn, Jr. enumerate the various activities and projects completed during the year were so tired from the thought of the work accomplished we just wanted to lie down and rest. Those fellows are really doing a community job. Incidentally, I understand a wave of buying uranium stock swept Reidville recently, and they are still a little numb from the experience. I wonder how many other communities in the State have gone through the fever?

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. Nanne, 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 Nanne, 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.

—More than 678,000 persons were injured in week-end traffic accidents last year.

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.

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