

KIDD BREWER'S Raleigh Roundup

DOWNWARD. - When the Legislature came to Raleigh, five months ago last week...

After the Legislature had been here for about four months, the amount on new taxes needed was reduced to \$37,000,000 for the biennium.

Three weeks later the need for new revenue plunged again. This time she slipped to about \$28,000,000.

There was some more figuring. We heard whispers that all signs pointed to an estimate showing we could struggle along during the 1955-57 biennium on \$25,000,000 new taxes or less.

Then, on Friday, Governor Luther H. Hodges addressed a specially called joint session of the House and the Senate.

He said the new tax requirements would be \$20,000,000—ten million for each year of the biennium—and he would leave it to the General Assembly as to where this money should come from.

DIVIDENDS. - All of these reductions from \$52,000,000 in January to \$20,000,000 in May—led some wag to remark that we would be down to even money if the Legislature could stay here until June.

FEW DAYS TO GO. - If the Legislature stays here until May 25—and that's just around the corner—it will establish a modern record for the number of days spent in the service of the State.

TEN COUNTIES. - Approximately one-half of all money coming to the General Fund—the fund which runs the schools, the State colleges, etc.—comes from only ten counties.

TO GIVE you an idea of the uneven distribution of wealth in North Carolina, Mecklenburg brought to the State \$18,133,715 while Clay at the bottom, brought in \$52,248.

BASTARDY. - In his interesting little weekly called "Facts" and facts they are—Felix Grisette shows that one out of every 12 children born in North Carolina is born out of wedlock.

Mr. Grisette makes an informative observation as follows: "It is also interesting to note that births out of wedlock fluctuate up and down from year to year in about the same manner as total births.

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The story, over three pages in length, tells about the fun of catching drum—referred to more frequently as channel bass—around Oregon Inlet.

There is one paragraph from the piece: "I've had a crack at many a game fish in all kinds of waters. I am writing this atop an alp in Central Europe. I shall come home this spring. I shall go channel-bass fishing off Manteo, for that is what the heart yearns for, the wonderfully exciting spray-whipped coasts of the Carolinas and the exquisite and lively thrill of the blue waters turned to crimson by the rising of the red drum."

WEDDING BELLS. - Speaking of Dickie Henric reminds me that the Jonesville giant in June gets a bride along with his diploma at Wake Forest.

Dickie Henric, six-foot-six, is marrying Janice Saunders of Richmond. She is a shade over five feet.

On the night the people of his section of the country honored him with a big to-do in Jonesville, giving him a new car, he gave his bride-to-be a diamond.

LETTERS VIEW OF THE BEST Ridge Spring, S. C. April 8, 1955. Black Mountain News, Black Mountain, N. C. Dear Editor:

While on a recent trip to my home at Black Mountain, the week end of April 3, I visited Mountain View church on the North Fork road. I stopped there primarily to get the view from this spot.

FROM SEATTLE 1854 North 52nd Street, Seattle 3, Washington, April 6, 1955. Black Mountain News, Dear Sir:

A few weeks ago some one (probably Miss S. Kate Davidson, Swannanoa), sent me a copy of your very interesting paper. Having mislaid the paper, I have no idea how far one dollar will go, but at least it will give me a few copies.

GOOD SAMARITAN Dear Editor: The Lord will provide. Sometimes he uses a 12 year old lad as in the Bible times the loaves and fishes of a lad were used to feed the 5,000.

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"YOU MAKE THE NEWS"

Baptist Circles Meet. Emma Baker. The Emma Baker circle with Mrs. J. P. Bennett in charge of the program met Monday evening, May 2, at the home of Mrs. Veda Brooks.

The program topic was "Up and Down the City Streets." The opening prayer was given by Mrs. Hazel Penley and all of the group joined in singing "Wonderful Words of Life." Minutes of the last meeting were read, new business was discussed and taken care of. Mrs. W. C. Shope then led the group in prayer and supervised the group during a Bible study period, the subject being taken from "Colossians."

Elizabeth Hale. The members of the Elizabeth Hale circle met with Mrs. Mary McCurry at her home Tuesday afternoon May 3, with Mrs. A. R. Reed, circle chairman, in charge of the business session and Mrs. Fred Davidson acting as program chairman. The program was built around the theme, "Give Attention to Reading."

Mrs. Shope gave the invocation reading I Timothy 4:13, her subject was "What Does the Bible Say About Reading." Mrs. Shope closed her discussion with prayer. Three letterettes were then read by Mrs. George McElrath, Mrs. Floyd Hensley, and Mrs. Tom Cole respectively. The letterettes were written by missionaries, expressing their views on the missionaries need for reading.

Mrs. Davidson gave a short summary of the recent annual association meeting of the W. M. U. which was held in April at the Calvary Baptist church in West Asheville.

After closing prayer the members were served delightful refreshments and joined in greeting two visitors, who were Mrs. Oliver Gragg and Mrs. James McKinney. Also present were Mrs. Avery Buchanan, Mrs. Noel Wilhite, Mrs. C. W. Smith, Mrs. A. R. Reed Jr., Mrs. Clarence Wood, Mrs. Bessie Flynn, and Miss Lelia Jenkins as well as those who took part in the program.

Mrs. McCurry, who is the counselor for the Junior Girls Auxiliary was assisted in serving the guests by Miss Joan Barnwell, one of the Junior G. A. girls. Virginia Fowler. The May meeting of the Virginia Fowler circle was held Tuesday morning May 3, at the home of Mrs. R. L. Carson, 150 Morgan street, Swannanoa. The program opened with everyone singing a hymn. Mrs. W. C. Shope lead the group in prayer and Mrs. Charles English read I Tim. 4:13 from the Scriptures.

Letterettes were read by Mrs. Ray Lyda, Mrs. Henry Gibbs and Mrs. Paul Wagner. A prayer for missionaries was read by Mrs. Bob Lowe and then Mrs. Shope sang the hymn "There's a Wilderness." The business session was held and was followed by a social hour. Mrs. Myrtle Buchanan, Mrs. Floyd Morgan, Mrs. Bridges joined those on the program in partaking of refreshments. Lucy Wright. The members of the Lucy Wright circle met with Mrs. George Penley at her home, on the evening of May 3. Those in attendance were Mrs. Fred McCuen, Mrs. W. P. Ford, Mrs. Frank Allen, Mrs. O. R. Harding, Mrs. Grady McCrain, Mrs. Fox, Mrs. H. H. Ingle, Mrs. W. A. Ledford and Mrs. Penley. The meeting was opened with a hymn "Wonderful Words of Life." The opening prayer was given by Mrs. Fox. Mrs. McCuen gave a reading entitled "Look His Mission Aries," and Mrs. Ledford read a letterette from a missionary, Jane McRae. Mrs. McCrain also read a letter from Mrs. Stanley Ray, a missionary. The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. McCuen after Mrs. Ford had given her reading. Neale Young. The women of the Neale Young circle were together with Mrs. M. C. Taylor at her home in Swannanoa, Tuesday evening, May 3. Present were Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Dora McKinney, Mrs. Edison Allen and Mrs. Blease Farr. Prayer was led by Mrs. McKinney and Mrs. Taylor gave a reading from the Scriptures. The program was built around the topic, "Give Attention to Reading." Letterettes were read which had been written by missionaries in various parts of the world. They were from Miss Jane McRae in Gaza, Arabia, Mrs. Stanley Ray in Nigeria, Africa, and from Miss Emily Ruth Helm, student missionary in Bowling Green, Ky. The circle will have charge of flower placement in the church for May. At the close of the meeting the group

was dismissed by Mrs. Allen. Josephine Mumpower. The Josephine Mumpower Auxiliary met Tuesday night in the Fellowship hall of the parsonage. Mrs. Lewis Metcalf, vice-president, presided over the business meeting. A film on mission work in Cuba "A Letter to Melitins" was shown, followed by prayer, and a short talk on Missions by the Rev. John Cansler. A special offering was taken for foreign missions. A large number of people of the church attended. Woodman of The World. The W.O.W. met Monday evening, May 2, with their leader, Joe Porcher. The members practiced and their knowledge of first aid. Further plans were discussed to erect a flag pole on the grounds of Swannanoa grade school which will be similar to the one which was placed at Owen High School. Revival Swannanoa Heights. The "Missionary Baptist church held a very successful revival during the week beginning Monday, May 2, and continuing through Saturday, May 7. Conducting the revival was Preacher Wade Huntly from the Missionary Baptist church in Broad River. Garden Club. The Garden division of the Swannanoa Woman's club met in the Fellowship room at the Methodist church, Thursday, May 5, with 19 members and two guests present. The guests were Mrs. Hancock and Mrs. Mitchell. Mrs. John Brown introduced a new member, Mrs. Herman Cole. Members and guests then enjoyed a color film on flower arrangements of Williamsburg. The film showed flowers, beautifully arranged to blend with both walls and furniture. After the film refreshments were served by hostesses Mrs. Brown, Mrs. McInturf and Mrs. Wolf to the following: Mrs. Sam Davidson, Mrs. J. M. Buckner, Mrs. T. J. Hunter, Mrs. George Lucke, Mrs. Tugene Lovens, Mrs. J. B. Nichols, Mrs. Henry Peters, Mrs. Carrie Porter, Mrs. W. A. Ward, Mrs. Frank Vincent, Mrs. A. B. Whitt, Mrs. J. H. Williams, Mrs. D. C. Martin, Mrs. Joe Porcher and Mrs. Herman Cole and to their guests. W. S. C. S. Mrs. C. W. Bates, Mrs. Alfred Arley, and Mrs. Harry Barnes were hostesses for the May 3 meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, which was held at the Methodist parsonage. A summary of the past year's work was given by the various officers in the form of reports and an exhibition of posters and scrapbooks illustrating projects accomplished. Mrs. C. W. Bates conducted an installation service for the new officers. Those who are to serve for the coming year include Mrs. Bates as president, with Miss Laura Shuford, Mrs. Elmer Webruhl, Mrs. Whitt Gibson, Mrs. Ernest Holbert, Mrs. Jeanette Gwaltney, Mrs. B. M. Blair, Mrs. Nellie Wilkins, Mrs. Louise Ward, Mrs. George Johnston, Mrs. Lois Gibbs, Mrs. J. M. Powlas, Mrs. W. G. Harrison and Mrs. Mildred Scott assisting her. An officer's training class is scheduled for Tuesday evening, May 24. Mrs. Gibson closed the meeting with a devotional program and a pledge service. Daughters of Confederacy Meet. Fannie Patton Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met Friday afternoon, May 6, at the Swannanoa Community club house in Grovemont. Mrs. G. C. Crisp, president presided. Several members gave highlights of the district meeting in Canton last week. Mrs. C. O. Deese district chairman, was the speaker for the meeting. Twenty-nine members and one visitor were present. Hostesses were Mrs. W. B. Stone, Mrs. Edd Fraytor, Mrs. C. W. Bates, Mrs. Lester Connelly and Mrs. A. B. Whitt. The next meeting will be a picnic at Rhododendron Park, W. Asheville. Presbyterian Circles Meet. Circle No. 1 met with Mrs. Joe Porcher Monday afternoon, May 9, with the following members present in addition to the hostess, Mrs. Charles Porter, Mrs. Eugene Lovens, Mrs. G. B. Talbot, Mrs. J. B. Buckner, Mrs. D. M. Connelly, Mrs. Elizabeth Connelly, Mrs. J. C. Davidson, Mrs. Yancey Fortune, Mrs. Annie Young, and Mrs. Wendell Patton. Mrs. Porter showed a film on mission work in foreign lands then the business session was held. Mrs. Connelly supervised the Bible studies after which those present enjoyed refreshments served by Mrs. Porcher with Mrs. Talbot assisting her. Circle No. 2 met at 2:30 Monday afternoon with Mrs. John Brown. Mrs. Huber Clapp gave a reading on "Personal Christian Faith"; Mrs. W. A. Ward taught the Bible session "Newness of Life", Romans 6:1-14, 23. Mrs. A. C. Campfield, chairman, presided over the business session. Donations were taken for equipment for the church kitchen. A circle of prayer was led by Mrs. Ward. A most interesting program showing slides of Osaka, Japan, where a new hospital is to be built with the May birthday offering was given. The meeting closed with the "Mizpa." The meeting in June will be with the chairman, Mrs. Campfield. Mrs. Brown served refreshments to nine members. Altar Society Meets. The Altar Society of St. Margaret Mary's church in Grovemont was attended by 11 ladies on May 9, at 7:30 p. m. Following opening prayer the treasurer's report was given. Mrs. Alma Lennie reported on Thursday's discussion group. A note of thanks was extended Mrs. Ralph Magnant for her work as chairman for the covered dish supper recently held. The group unanimously agreed that every member act as hostess to Sunday mass visitors during the summer months. A program of training Lay Teachers for next year's catechism classes was outlined. Miss Elizabeth Harness from Chicago, a

guest of Mrs. Helen Oates, was a visitor at the meeting. Following the end of the meeting, a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. G. C. Rayfield and Mrs. H. J. Beha. Personal. Corporal Richard Randolph and Sgt. James Brumley spent Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1, visiting with Cpl. Randolph's mother, Mrs. Max Austin of Grovemont. The men were on leave from Fort Bragg. Sgt. Brumley's home is in Louisiana. Mrs. Julie Williams from Black Water, Va., visited with her daughter, Mrs. Porter Ammons of Swannanoa, during the month of April. Mrs. Willis left to return to her home on Sunday, May 1. Mrs. Ammon's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sadkelex were also here on a visit from Baltimore, Md. Mr. Sadkelex ended his visit on Saturday, April 30. Mrs. Sadkelex however will remain somewhat longer, joining her husband in Baltimore some time in June. James E. Webb Jr., of Swannanoa, now attending the North Carolina State college, has been listed among the 13 top ranking students at the college. Mr. Webb has been initiated into the college chapter of Alpha Zeta, the national honorary agricultural fraternity. Master Sgt. Albert Aiken with his wife and three children arrived Thursday morning, May 5, to visit with Sgt. Aiken's mother, Mrs. Martha Aiken of Swannanoa Heights. Sgt. Aiken left Monday, May 9, for El Paso, Tex., where he will be stationed on new assignment. Boxholders on the route of Mr. Huber Patton are so glad to welcome him back. Mr. Patton was ill in Moore General hospital for quite sometime. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lewis left Saturday, May 7, to visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Evans in Chattanooga, Tenn. The Evans' are the parents of Mrs. Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dorato left Sunday, May 8, to spend a week with brothers and sisters in Pell City, Ala. Mrs. Charles Hendrix visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Hensley Saturday evening, May 7. Mrs. Hendrix has been a regular visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hensleys for the week-end as to visit her husband at Moore General hospital. Their home is in Hickory, N. C. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hensley with their son, Roger Hensley, and his family visited Sunday afternoon, May 8, with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hensley. Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Tipton spent last week-end with their son John and his family in Sewanee, Tenn., where John is attending the University of the South. Mr. and Mrs. Charles English left Friday evening, May 6, for a trip to Lumberton, N. C., to visit with Mrs. Ellis P. Branch, mother of Mr. English. Miss Della Pamplin accompanied Mr. and Mrs. English as far as McCall, S. C., where she left them to visit with her mother for the week-end. Sunday morning Mr. and Mrs. English attended services at the Antioch Baptist church in Lumberton, the church Mr. English attended as a child. In the afternoon they visited and had dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Branch in Charlotte. Mrs. George Williams returned to her home Saturday, May 7, after undergoing an emergency appendicitis operation last week. CHURCH IS HAVING SPECIAL S. S. DRIVE The Church of God on Lakey street in Black Mountain is having a special drive in the Sunday school May 15, and are expecting to break all previous records in attendance. There will be two prizes given, one for the largest family and one for the person who brings the most pupils. Every one is cordially invited to attend. Any one who doesn't have a way to come, call 5461. With The Sick J. M. Goodman is improving at St. Joseph's hospital. He expects to come home within a few days. David Barnwell is sick at his home. Mrs. Everett A. Prechel has returned to her home in Washington, D. C., after a visit with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Duffy at their home in Oteen. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Heatherly and sons Ray Jr., and Marvin of Charlotte were visitors last week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. White of Alexander, N. C., parents of Mrs. Heatherly, and Mrs. Fred Watson, mother of Mr. Heatherly. Mrs. Dell Shapley has moved back to her home in Oteen Park place. She has been for the past two years living in the nurses' quarters of the Oteen hospital. LAYCEE OFFICERS Are Installed Ronald E. Finch, attorney, was the principal speaker at the annual installation banquet of the Black Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce last week at the fellowship room of the Episcopal church. Retiring president Richard B. Stone presided. Officers for the year include: Bill Brown, president; H. C. (Bucky) Wright, first vice-president; Wilbur E. (Joe) Simons, second vice president; Ernest Hudgins, secretary; Dan Turner, treasurer; Richard B. Stone, state director; and Donald Vincent, Bud Norton, Scott Root, Harold Patton, and Bud Belts, director. Entertainment for the evening was provided by the Happy Four Quartet. In electing Mr. Brown president the Jaycees pointed out that he has been one of the most active members of the club in history and has played an important part in practically every Jaycee vote. He was elected by unanimous vote. SUSAN LYNN BRACKETT HAS BIRTHDAY DINNER A birthday dinner was given Sunday, May 8, for Susan Lynn Brackett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Brackett at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cordell. Others attending were Ted Bartlett, Mrs. Mamie Stanley, Mary and Michael Brackett, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson of Horse Shoe, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cordell and children, Tony and Teresa, of Shelby. METHODIST CIRCLES The circles of the Methodist church will meet Tuesday, May 17 as follows: Circle 1—Mrs. Charles Fortune at 10 a. m. Circle 2—Mrs. L. C. Jumper at 3 p. m. Circle 3—Mrs. Charles Mertle at 3 p. m. Circle 4—Mrs. Zeb Sawyer at 7:30 p. m. Oteen News Mrs. Fred Watson Miss Mildred Devlin, bride-elect of Bobby Rogers, was honored last Tuesday night with a lingerie shower given by her mother, Mrs. Stella Devlin, in Violet Hills apts. Games were played and prize won by Sandra Watson, after which Mildred opened her many lovely gifts. It being Mildred's birthday a huge birthday cake, soft drinks and mints were served to the following: Mrs. Nell Thompson, Mrs. Jean McCoy, Mrs. Margaret Smathers, Mrs. Fred Watson, Mrs. Lois Kitta, Mrs. Mart Rogers, Jr., Mrs. Verso, Mrs. Marg Rogers, Mrs. Miss Bernice Devlin, Miss Jackie Dolan, Miss Geraldine Haney, Sandra Watson, Miss Millicent Rogers, Miss Devlin, the honoree, and Mrs. Devlin. The Young Adult class of Oteen Baptist church met on Monday night 7:30 at the home of Miss Mable Maxwell, Riceville road. A business meeting was held and the following officers elected: Leo King, pres.; Reba Anderson, vice-pres.; Barbara Searcy, sec.; Julia Marley, treas.; Mary Frances Clayton, Wilma Fox, and LeRoy Brown, social committee; Peggy Shuler and Betty Mehaffey, flower committee; and visitation committee, Mable Maxwell and Betty Mehaffey. Refreshments were served by the hostess. Mrs. Everett A. Prechel has returned to her home in Washington, D. C., after a visit with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Duffy at their home in Oteen. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Heatherly and sons Ray Jr., and Marvin of Charlotte were visitors last week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. White of Alexander, N. C., parents of Mrs. Heatherly, and Mrs. Fred Watson, mother of Mr. Heatherly. Mrs. Dell Shapley has moved back to her home in Oteen Park place. She has been for the past two years living in the nurses' quarters of the Oteen hospital. 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TELL OF ATLANTA TRIP Miss Peggy Jo Rayburn and Mrs. Eloise Wheeler recently made a business trip to Atlanta as representatives of the Beacon Manufacturing company. In the following letter they tell of their experience.

When we were asked to tell about our trip to Atlanta, where we attended the International Business Machine school, we hardly knew where to begin. We left by plane on Sunday, April 17. Classes began Monday at 9:00 a. m. and ended at 4:00 p. m. with a 15 minute break in the morning, a 15 minute break in the afternoon, and an hour for lunch. Our particular interest was learning the card punch machine. This machine performed automatically the operations essential to record

keeping and analysis of management control. This machine requires an I. B. M. card, once punched and verified, this card is a permanent record of one transaction or one item of information. The operator reads the information from an original document and, by depressing keys on the card punch machine, punches the information into the cards. This is just a brief explanation of this machine and its operations.

Besides attending school each day we had time to see a few of the sights in Atlanta. One of the most interesting was our visit to Grant Park where we saw the Cyclorama. This is a painting which stands 50 feet high and 400 feet in circumference. It depicts the battle of Atlanta which was fought in 1864. There were many other sights to see but we didn't have time for everything.

It was a very interesting and educational trip. Peggy Rayburn and Eloise Wheeler, Swannanoa, N. C.

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