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Weather

Date	High	Low	Prec.
Nov. 8	67	26	
Nov. 9	44	32	.77
Nov. 10	53	31	
Nov. 11	61	30	
Nov. 12	70	39	
Nov. 13	72	40	
Nov. 14	65	48	

REFLECTIONS

By Gordon Greenwood

"Look! What a pretty mail box. Uncle Sam has certainly made a great improvement there."

This is typical of the comments which have been heard around town this week as the citizens have noticed the new coat of paint which Uncle Sam (Bill Gudger) has applied to the mail box which hangs on the outside wall of the post office building.

The neatly painted box surely has brought class to that end of town. Now Bill will have to start praying that he can paint. After seeing the job he did there I can imagine that his services are going to be in demand for all his spare moments for the next few months.

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What young man **beat his card home from Florida last week? He must have been in a hurry to get back to the mountains,** or maybe he was **afraid of the** Florida hills. His **card has not been interpreted yet. It might mean anything or nothing. If that sounds like double talk, you should see the card.**

—R—

Vandals are on the loose or the owl at Ridgecrest. Seems that they have gone into the yard at the home of the Rev. Tom Walters and stolen peonies, hydrangeas, and his choice iris.

He might have thought some of it was an accident but for the fact that they had to dig the flowers. No one goes around digging flowers by accident. But if they'll bring them back all will be forgiven and no charges will be filed.

—R—

Sign in a navy **yard shop:** "To All Women **Workers: If your coveralls are too big, beware of the machines; If too tight, beware of the machinists.**

—R—

It's a comparatively short distance from Hendersonville to Waynesville but for the **1955 Owen** High School Warhorses the two are worlds apart.

Those looking on Friday evening at Memorial stadium **as the locals** hit the skids under **highly rated** Waynesville, could hardly conceive that this was the same team which looked so weak in losing on the same field to Hendersonville a short 10 weeks ago. Playing heads up ball all the way, the Warhorses were never behind as they used excellent blocking, long runs, expert ball handling, and superb line play to beat Western North Carolina's No. 4 club.

This made it 6-4 for the season and enabled the Warhorses to keep intact the winning season record which was started at Black Mountain shortly after the war under Greene Byrd and has been kept alive through the years.

Following the Hendersonville debacle, if defeat by **genial Bob** Yates's Blue Ridge **championship** eleven can be called **that, the Owen** High boys didn't **show too much in** the first part of the **Lee Edwards** game. But **something happened** in the half and **they have been a** different team since. **They beat** Erwin, Biltmore, **Reynolds, North** Buncombe, Asheville **School, and** Waynesville. Other than **Hendersonville** they lost to **Lee Edwards,** Tuska, and Brevard.

That was a fitting close to the season for a group of boys who had to play hard **for every point.**

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Somebody did a golden deed;
Somebody proved a friend in need;
Somebody sang a beautiful song;
Somebody thought, "'Tis sweet to live";
Somebody said, "I'm glad to give";
Somebody fought a valiant fight;

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Members Asked to Have Dues Ready

All merchants, business men and friends of the town were urged today to pay their Chamber of Commerce dues as soon as possible.

The membership drive is in its final stages and it is very important that all those who plan to support the work of the group show their interest by paying their dues, officials said at the regular meeting of the directors at the town hall Tuesday evening.

"Some directors have spent an entire day trying to collect dues but have been put off by many merchants and asked to come back. This is unfair to the directors who give freely of their time to try to help the town. The least that Chamber members can do is to cooperate by paying dues promptly so that the solicitor does not have to lose any more time than necessary from his own business" one officer pointed out. "None of us mind doing the work required but we have to go back three or four times in order to collect dues. Our time is as valuable as that of the person paying" he concluded.

The membership drive was the only major business to come up for discussion at the Tuesday meeting.

Warhorses Fool Experts, Defeat Waynesville

The experts had installed the Waynesville High school 11, No. 4 team in Western North Carolina, as 12 point favorites over Coach Vernon Kyker's Owen High team, but the Warhorses forgot to read the script. They didn't know that they were supposed to lose so all they did was step out at Memorial Stadium last Friday night and whale the daylights out of the Mountaineers, 27 to 21, in a thrilling finish to the local season.

The Owen High rooters gasped when they saw the size of the Waynesville team which in its last time out overpowered Elizabethton, Tenn., and has made a good showing all season long.

But the dismay turned to glee a short time thereafter when they saw the Owen boys take the kickoff and march 65 yards for a score. Freddy Ensley set the pace for the evening when he raced around his own right end for 20 yards on the first play from scrimmage. A few plays later Edwin Gill hammered six yards for the score and Pruitt added the extra point.

But school was not over for the day. The Mountaineers took the kickoff and put together a sustained drive to knot the count. Early in the second period Larry Gravette, quarterback, tossed a pass to Co-Captain David Hamby for the second score and Gill carried the extra point. Waynesville tied it up just before the half at 14-all and it was a new ball game.

The third quarter was only a few minutes old when the Warhorses broke the game wide open with a pair of touchdowns. Pruitt scored from five yards out and a short time later Gill gathered in a punt on his own 20, cut to his right to pick up blocking and raced 80 yards to sew up the victory. Ensley converted. It was on this run that the superb blocking of the locals told the story. Two Waynesville men closed in on the fleet Owen back around the 35 but a couple of key blocks erased them from the danger list and Gill trotted on unmolested.

The Warhorses drove deep into Mountaineer territory in the fourth period but lost the ball on downs. Waynesville used power plays to push over a touchdown with only two minutes left in the game.

The Owen High coaching staff, showing the respect with which they held the opposition's ground attack, played most of the game with what amounted to an eight man line. Although the losers scored once on a pass, they were held to a minimum of long ground gains and were forced to grind out the yardage in small chunks throughout the contest. This was especially beneficial to the Warhorses who forced the losers to use up much valuable time in short gains during the closing stages.

The victory gave Owen a record of 6-4 for the season.

Score by quarters:

Waynesville	7	7	0	7	—21
Owen	7	7	13	0	—27

Owen High 4-H Club Elects Annette Hall

The Owen High School 4-H club met Nov. 8 and elected officers for the coming year. They are as follows: president, Annette Hall; vice president, Edwin Gill; secretary, Gloria Brookshire; reporter, Brenda Perkins; song leaders, Nancy Allen and Carolyn Goguen.

They heard a talk on sportsmanship by the home demonstration agent, Mrs. L. E. Farmer.

Jr. Women Will Help You Shop

Mrs. Margaret Rich of Enka joins the Black Mountain Junior Woman's club in inviting you to sit down while doing your Christmas shopping. This miracle can be accomplished at the exciting Tupperware party planned for Tuesday, Nov. 29 at the Monta Vista hotel at 7:30.

Mark the date and stop worrying about presents for aunts, cousins, friends and even yourself—you'll find things to please you and your pocketbook.

Everyone is invited. Refreshments will be served.

FRIENDSHIP WOMEN WILL MEET FRIDAY

An important general meeting of the Friendship Presbyterian Women of the Church will be held at 7:30 Friday evening, Nov. 18, at the church. There will be an election of officers and the Thanksgiving Offering of money and food gifts for the Mountain Orphanage will be received.

You may not have seen us before. You see we arrived at The Mountain Orphanage since school closed last June. Our picture was taken just as we got home a few days ago.

Are we proud! A new tractor with full equipment became a "must" during the harvesting season. Our old tractor had worked hard for seven years. With the generous trade in allowance and the gifts of three friends, we were able to get an Allis-Chalmers for $1,800.00.

The boys do the farm work under guidance of a competent supervisor.

Mayor Sets Aside Dec. 1 As "Safe Driving Day"

WHEREAS the appalling accident rate on public highways is a matter of immediate and serious concern to all citizens; and

WHEREAS nearly 200 national organizations have joined with the President's Committee for Traffic Safety in sponsoring the second nationwide "S-D Day" — Safe Driving Day—Thursday, December 1; and

WHEREAS it has been demonstrated that highway accidents can be reduced when motorists and pedestrians practice safe driving and safe walking;

WHEREAS the purpose of Safe-Driving Day is to demonstrate the necessity for year around public support of sound, proven, year-around traffic safety programs;

NOW THEREFORE, as Mayor of the City of Black Mountain, I designate the first day of December, 1955, "S-D Day"—Safe Driving Day and urge all citizens to practice safe driving, not only on that day—in daylight, dusk and darkness—but every day the year around, starting today.

DEMPSEY WHITAKER,
Mayor of the Town of
Black Mountain.

LEGION AUXILIARY TO MEET MONDAY NIGHT

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet Monday night Nov. 21, at the home of Mrs. H. E. Stinchcomb. All members are cordially invited to attend.

CO-WORKERS SUPPER MEETING SET FRIDAY

The Co-Workers Sunday school class of the Methodist church will hold its monthly covered dish supper Friday evening, Nov. 18, at 6:30. Everyone is asked to bring something for a white elephant

Here's an aerial view of the Mountain Orphanage which has not been published before. The Orphanage is located on a 150 acre tract, two miles west of Black Mountain on Old 70. It is a home for 56 boys and girls from the mountain counties. At this time of year hundreds of friends of many denominations unite to aid in the support of this home which accepts all, regardless of their faith. Donations may be sent directly to The Mountain Orphanage, Black Mountain, N. C.

To the left are pictures showing some of the children and their activities at the Orphanage. Read the story below for details.

Solicitation of Gifts For Mountain Orphanage Is Under Way Here

JUNIOR WOMEN ARE COLLECTING BOXES FOR CASWELL SCHOOL

The Black Mountain Junior Woman's club has this year taken Caswell Training School as their main project outside of their town projects.

So far four boxes have been sent containing educational toys, Hallowe'en favors, Christmas gifts and Christmas decorations.

If anyone has good magazines, true comic books, records, curtains, lamps, decorations for Christmas or Easter, that they would like to give to Caswell, please contact Mrs. Wm. Brown, phone 7382, for pick-up.

PTA Gives Hours That Patrol Is At Danger Points

At the request of the P.T.A. the Patrol Board of the Black Mountain Elementary school wishes to announce the following schedule, and asks the cooperation of parents who wish their children to take advantage of this protection by seeing that they arrange to come by protected areas during times given.

Morning schedule:

Railroad crossing and Montreat road, 8:05-8:20.

Lights and school approaches, 8:15-8:30.

Primary school dismissal 2:00-2:15—Lights and Montreat road. Afternoon dismissal, 3:00-3:20, all points.

If parents will encourage cooperation with the Patrol, the work of the Patrol will be easier and the safety of children increased.

MASONIC BANQUET WILL BE DEC. 9

The annual banquet for Black Mountain Lodge 663 AF&AM will be held at 7:00 o'clock, Friday, Dec. 9, at the Monte Vista hotel. Clyde Watkins is general chairman of arrangements.

Tickets will be $1.50 and will go on sale soon throughout the community. Watch the News next week for full details.

The Thanksgiving drive which is conducted annually for benefit of the Mountain Orphanage by the Asheville Presbytery will open this week and close the day before Thanksgiving, it has been announced. The purpose is to raise approximately $12,000 for the support of the Orphanage for the year 1956. This will be a supplement to the benevolent giving of the Presbytery.

Boxes will be placed in various stores throughout the community and a solicitation made by members of the Presbyterian churches. The boxes will be collected the day the campaign is to end, the day before Thanksgiving.

Though the Orphanage is supported by the Asheville Presbytery, it is not restricted to Presbyterian children. In fact the majority of the 56 boys and girls there now belong to other denominations. This is one of two orphanages of this type in Western North Carolina. The majority of the children, who perform all the farm and house work under supervision, come from Buncombe county. Harry Barkley is superintendent. The farm manager supervises the work on the farm.

But the children do more than work. Each has an opportunity to use the gymnasium and the swimming pool which are located on the grounds. Observers and visitors have remarked many times "that they are greatly impressed by the Christian atmosphere which is to be found at the Orphanage." All the boys and girls participate, at one time or another, in the devotions. Every effort is made to provide, as nearly as possible, the atmosphere of a Christian home. They attend mid-week prayer services, Sunday school and church at the Black Mountain Presbyterian church.

It costs $900.00 per child to keep them in the Mountain Orphanage which is next to the lowest, compared to other Presbyterian homes, in the state. The Mountain Orphanage represents an investment of $200,000. The farm has 49 cows, 30 pigs, and 450 chickens. Each year 4,000 pounds of beef and pork are killed to feed the children.

Mr. Barkley, who last year was president of the North Carolina Orphanage association, is a leader

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—Photo by Harold Hyatt

Two were injured when this plane crashed into a tree near the Nichols Airport on Highway 70, one mile west of Black Mountain, late Sunday afternoon, Nov. 6.

Wanda Mae Wheeler, 12, visitor from Albany, Ga., passenger in the plane, received a fractured leg and other injuries. The pilot, W. B. Reed of Black Mountain, route 1, suffered a broken collar bone and severe bruises.

Byrd, Straehla Face Rebuilding Tasks At Owen

Coaches Eugene Byrd and Ned Straehla have been driving their Owen High school charges hard as they prepare for the opening of the basketball season against Reynolds here on Friday, Dec. 2. The locals will meet Hendersonville there on Dec. 6, Lee Edwards here on Dec. 9 and Biltmore on Dec. 16. They travel to the county seat for a battle with the LE cagers on Dec. 13.

Both Byrd and Straehla face rebuilding tasks. Gone via graduation are most of Coach Byrd's lassies who lost a thrilling two-point decision to North Buncombe in the finals of the Buncombe county tournament last March. With the boys Straehla must find replacements for five lettermen who stepped up to claim their sheepskins last June.

The lettermen lost by Straehla include Dale Ritchie, center, Wayne Cordell and Stanley Gregory, forwards, and George Thompson and Donald Barnwell, guards.

To fill the gap the former Western Carolina college and Enka star will select from the following: Bill Belcher, Larry Gravette, George Pate, Jerry Bridges, Jerry Rhymer, Joe Stanley, Timmy Timmerman, Johnny Mills, and Charles Moore, guards.

Forecurt hopefuls include Tommy Thompson, Albert Richardson, James Watkins, David Luckadoo, Bobby Sparks, Arthur Clayton, Bobby Harrison, Leroy Brown, David Tyson, and Laurence Henderson.

For the center post 6' 6" Tony Gardner is battling it out with David Carson, a transfer.

Indications are that Straehla will be faced with the problem of sacrificing speed or height. He'll have a young, fast team which should develop as the season progresses.

Laura Smith has been elected captain and Myrna Bartlett co-captain of the Owen High school girls' basketball team, Eugene Byrd, coach, has announced.

Those on the varsity squad at present include, forwards, Captain Smith, Lula Osteen, Charlotte Knoefel, Gwen Nanney, Margaret Watkins, Lynn Morgan, and Kay Robinson.

Those making a bid for a starting berth at guard are, Co-Captain Bartlett, Mary Catherine Woodcock, Wanda Bartlett, Jo Ann Creasman, Frances Kaplan, Yvonne

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Attractive Card Arranged For Gym Dedication

The Beacon boys will meet Champion Y of Canton and the Owen High faculty will play the parents of the Black Mountain-Swannanoa community in the dedication of the Owen High gymnasium which has been set for Friday, Nov. 25.

This attractive card has been arranged by Max Woodcock, chairman of publicity, and J. D. Hardin, chairman of arrangements, for the Valley Booster club which is sponsoring the event. All proceeds will be used to help light the new athletic field at the school. The lights have been selected as the major project of the club which is headed by Dick Stone as president with a board of directors composed of three from each community.

The Beacon team, coached by Mr. Hardin, has been working out for the past three weeks and will be in top shape for the Champion Y battle. He will select his starters from 14 boys, all former high school or college stars. The Blanketeers swept to the title in the textile tournament at Greenville last year and will be just as strong this season.

Owen High Athletic Director Tommy Hornaday is coaching the faculty which will be led by Ned Straehla, Cullowhee star, Vernon Kyker, Carson-Newman, Bob Sluder, Kenny Mills, Jug Walden, and a host of others who have made cage history wherever they have shown their wares.

Hardin will have for his "'parents" Dr. E. K. Brake, all-North Carolina forward a year or so ago, Dwight Morgan, Phil McElrath, Pud Penley, Chic Hipp, Ken McCurry, Gene Mills and many others who will take turns in the lineup and on the rubbing table. This outfit will give their coach and the faculty a great deal of trouble, it is an open question as to which will suffer most.

Admission is 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students. Sponsors have emphasized that there will be plenty of seats for everyone. Tickets are on sale by members of the Valley Booster club but may be purchased the night of the game at the door. A full house is expected.

Mrs. Clara Crawford, representing the Black Mountain Woman's club, received the plaque and bond for $250.00 from Carol Lane at the meeting of the Safety Council in Chicago. Black Mountain won third place in the nation last year for the safety program which was sponsored by the Woman's club, the Black Mountain Safety council, and other civic groups. Mrs. Crawford made a full report at the meeting of the club at Assembly Inn on Nov. 9.

Miss Celeste McCall has been elected president of the student council at Barrett School of Nursing, University hospital, Augusta, Ga. Miss McCall served as secretary of the student council and student body last year. She is a graduate of Black Mountain High school.

Private James Daniel Wilhide who is with the 43rd Field Artillery Battalion at Fort Carson, Colo. After completion of his basic training on Jan. 6, 1956, he will be enrolled in Helicopter Mechanics school at Camp Rucker, Ala. Pvt. Wilhide is the son of Sgt. and Mrs. B. W. Wilhide of Lawton, Okla., and was graduated from Owen High school last spring. He entered the army in October.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. McKinney of Oteen announce the marriage of their daughter, Doris Darlene, to Charles W. Tallent of Swannanoa on October 29, in Greenville, S. C. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. K. Bauknite, pastor of the Monaghan Methodist church, Greenville.

The bride wore a slate blue suit and black accessories. Their only attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rigdon sister and brother-in-law

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Carol Lane Award Is Presented To BM Woman's Club

The meeting of the Woman's club at Assembly Inn on Nov. 9 opened with a beautiful Thanksgiving prayer offered by Miss Edith Chatterton. Miss Elizabeth Hoyt, legislative chairman, presented the suggestions of the Federation of Woman's clubs as to the points in national legislative action to be supported this year: statehood for Alaska, discontinuation of the present presidential electoral system, increase in the appropriation for exchange scholars, appointment of a committee to study the question of nurse shortage. The club went on record as endorsing such action.

It was voted to join with other clubs in the raising of funds to buy TV sets for Oteen VA hospital where the patients have to remain in bed for months. Five dollars was appropriated for this. It was also voted that a subscription for the General Federation magazine be taken for the club president. Mrs. James A. Crawford presented the carol Lane Safety Award plaque to the first vice-president for safe keeping and the bonds to the treasurer. Mrs. F. H. Richardson cordially invited each member of the club to the annual Christmas reading at her home.

After the adjournment of the business meeting, Miss Veronica Chow, a most attractive young woman, compared the China of today with China as she knew it. Miss Chow's home is now in Japan but at present she is a student at Montreat college. Mrs. Crawford then interestingly and enthusiastically told of her trip to Chicago; meeting of the National Safety Council luncheons, dinners, receptions, entertainments and the helpful and enjoyable contacts with other members of the convention. The highlight was, of course, the formal presentation of the awards.

Hostesses for the afternoon were the Montreat club members.

The December meeting will be at Bridewood and will be a Christmas party conducted along the lines of the one last year that was so much enjoyed.

Missing: the club punch bowl set. This was borrowed and cannot now be located. If anyone knows of its whereabouts will she please tell Mrs. J. A. Crawford, phone 8148.

Mrs. Allred Dies In High Point

Mrs. Daisy Brown Allred, 70, resident of 804 Ferndale drive, High Point, died in the High Point Memorial hospital Monday morning shortly after 4 o'clock. She had been a patient there for three weeks.

Mrs. Allred was born in Buncombe county May 3, 1885, a daughter of T. K. and Lydia Jane Fortune Brown. She was a graduate of the Asheville Normal school and taught school for two years in Black Mountain. On June

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