

**Annual Masonic Banquet
will be Friday, Dec. 12**
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REFLECTIONS

Gordon Greenwood

Life is still complicated in the big city. Last week as I watched the crowds hurry along in New York, I couldn't help feeling sorry for the older people who found it necessary to keep up and "push" their way through the mobs that warm over the town at all times of the year. Try as you will you can't get an early enough start in New York to get ahead of ANYBODY. No matter what time you go, everybody is always there.

We hurried last week, moved the publication day of the paper up to Tuesday morning at 7:00 o'clock, and left for the city via Richmond and Washington at 11:00. The cooperation of advertisers, printing customers, subscribers and all others in making this possible is very much appreciated.

The city is interesting, a good place to visit to see the sights, but a place to hurry away from when the shadows deepen over Times Square. You soon get used to it, I'm told, but I have my doubts.

The Carl Trickett family, Carl and Betsy, former residents of Black Mountain, have solved the problem. Carl works in the city but they live in the country.

When he was transferred to New York by the United Merchants company at Old Fort, Mr. and Mrs. Trickett first lived at Hightstown, N. J. Later they found a house to their liking, bought it, and moved over to Princeton Junction, a few miles west and right under the dome, almost of the Princeton University campus. They live 50 miles out, or 55 minutes by train. Only five minutes from the railroad station, Carl doesn't believe in wasting any more time than necessary at the depot.

As I waited to take him over to catch the 8:07 train into New York on Friday morning, I started getting anxious about 7:45 and was walking the floor by 7:55. Then the long hand neared the figure 12 I could stand the suspense no longer and reminded: "I'm ready when you are."

At this diplomatic, I hope, hint, Carl set his coffee down and explained: "It's only 8:00 o'clock."

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Walter H. Styles Accepts Call To Florida Church

The Rev. Walter H. Styles, former pastor of the Black Mountain Presbyterian church and for the past nine years pastor of the Waldensian Presbyterian church at Valdese, has accepted a call to the Faith Presbyterian Church at Tallahassee, Fla.

Mr. Styles and his family will leave Valdese on Dec. 16 and be ready for the first service in Tallahassee on Dec. 21.

The church to which Mr. Styles is going is a new church in a rapidly growing residential section of Tallahassee and is said to be one of the most promising works in the Synod of Florida.

His resignation at Valdese caught most of the community and the press by surprise. The News-Herald of Morganton commented editorially:

"After almost nine years as pastor of the Waldensian Presbyterian church of Valdese, the resignation yesterday of the Rev. Walter H. Styles caught us by surprise—as it did the Valdese community.

"Mr. Styles had become such an important part of his community it seemed that he was a 'permanent fixture.' It is understandable, however, that he should feel a great appeal of the comparatively new but extremely promising church in Tallahassee, the State capital of Florida, to which he is going as pastor.

"After all, Valdese could not expect to keep him indefinitely, however much he will be missed.

"Mr. Styles served the Waldensian Presbyterian church well. The record of his nine fruitful years there is evidence of that fact. And he has occupied a respected place in the councils of the Concord Presbytery.

"But his service extended beyond the boundaries of his own parish and outside the roster of his church. Somehow, he was regarded as 'the preacher' by all who knew him. He was the perennial president of the Valdese Ministerial association, which was not due to the fact that he was the oldest church in the community. It reflected, instead, the respect which his colleagues in the ministry held for him because they knew he was a level-headed, articulate spokesman for the Christian religion with a rare ability to get things done and with a love for all Valdese and its people."

Annual B.&P.W. Christmas Party Will Be Monday

Largest and most colorful social gathering of the Business and Professional Women's club year, the annual Christmas party for members and guests, will be held on Monday, Dec. 8, at 8 p.m., in line with tradition of seasons past, will be at the home of Miss M. Sanchez Mott, past president and currently district director of the state B. and P. W. Federation.

Officers of the local club will be hostesses for the program which will include the singing of Christmas carols with the four Haney Sisters as special guests and song leaders. Each member is asked to bring a gaily-wrapped Christmas gift as a part of club gifts annually made to patients at Western Carolina Sanatorium.

Heading the hostess group is Mrs. Edith Holcombe, first vice president, aided by the other officers: Miss Lillian Russell, president; Miss Lillian Higginbotham, second vice president; Mrs. Marguerite Ledbetter, recording secretary; Mrs. Lee Wells, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Ruth Queen, treasurer; and Mrs. Laura O'Connor, parliamentarian.

Girl Scouts Will Help With Civil Defense Day

When the Nation observes National Civil Defense Day on Sunday, Dec. 7—just 17 years after the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor which caught the United States off guard—the Girl Scouts of the U. S. A. will have played a major role.

Girl Scout Councils throughout the country will go into action on Friday, Dec. 5, to distribute civil defense preparedness cards to school children. These are wallet-sized cards containing basic civil defense preparedness measures.

OCDM Director Leo A. Hoegh, in expressing his appreciation of this huge civil defense effort by 2,270,000 girls and adults in 156,000 Girl Scout troops, asked that Americans reflect on the message carried on the cards their children will bring home.

The cards urge Americans to take these basic steps toward protection and survival in the event of enemy attack:

Prepare a family shelter and equip it with a two-week supply of food and water, plus essentials such as first aid kit and battery radio.

Learn warning signals and what they mean, the community plan for emergency action, protection from radioactive fallout, first aid and some emergency preparedness, and the use of CONELRAD for emergency radio information—640 and 1240 on the dial.

Dr. Love Returns From Meetings

Dr. James Love has returned from Texas and Mexico where he attended the American Dental Association meeting at Dallas and the Pan-American Dental Congress at Mexico City. He flew via Delta, Eastern, and American Airlines.

In Dallas there were 35 dentists from North Carolina and nine of them continued on to the meeting in Mexico City. The sessions were devoted chiefly to new methods and materials used in dentistry.

Most impressive sights on the trip, Dr. Love said, were the buildings at the University of Mexico, which has 26,000 students. He attended the Sunday afternoon bullfights in Mexico City. Six bulls were killed, but all matadors came away without serious injury.

The bullfights are a national sport in Mexico and mean the same to Mexicans as baseball does to Americans.



Mrs. Richard Seth Tarbert, Jr.

BLACK MOUNTAIN MASONRY WILL ELECT OFFICERS FRIDAY

Black Mountain Masonic Lodge 663 will hold a stated communication Friday night, Dec. 5, at 7:30. An election of officers will be held.

All members are urged to attend. Plans for the annual banquet on Dec. 12 will be discussed and reports of committee chairmen heard.

Rotary Club Will Observe Charter Night Monday

The charter night banquet of the Black Mountain-Swannanoa Rotary club will be held at the Swannanoa community clubhouse at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 8, Ross Taylor, president, has announced.

Kelly Roberts of the sponsoring West Asheville Rotary club will preside. Charles (Buzz) Tennent, past president of Rotary International, will give a talk on Rotary. Presentation of the charter will be by Gordon Butler, district governor and the response by Mr. Taylor.

Charter members include, in addition to Mr. Taylor, John E. Benedict, Donald Burgin, Raymond Caell, Bill Costner, Sidney Croy, Robert S. Eckles, J. William Faucette, Frank L. Huggins, Durwood Johnson, Ossie Osteen, Charles Riley, A. R. Rudisill, Fred B. Stenell, Marion Stubbs, Albert J. Terrell, Sam Tocco, Wilbur S. Ward, and Louis Ronquillo.

Montreat Adds 10 Scholarships

Ten additional \$100 scholarships from the Living Endowment Fund were announced at the Montreat College Homecoming banquet last evening. Miss Elizabeth Hoyt, coordinator of the fund, made the announcement and presented the \$1,000 check to the college treasurer, Kay Stutts.

In September, 14 scholarships were awarded from the Living Endowment Fund which was begun in May by the 1958 Senior class as their gift to the college.



—Photo by DuPuy

The above picture was taken in December, 1956, when William Carrington Richardson gave from memory selections of Dickens' Christmas Carol at Hilltop, the home of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Howard Richardson. This year Sunday afternoon at 2:30, Dec. 7, a reception will be held in his honor. He will give a short passage from the Carol for the sake of old times. He used to recite it from cover to cover on Christmas Eve when the family, young and old, gathered around the tree. Now it is a community affair for all to enjoy. Old timers and new comers will be welcome. There will be singing of Christmas Carols. A one way road starts up the hill at the bridge. There are parking spaces at the top, but if any one prefers to park at the foot of the hill there will be cars to take them to the house.

Woman's Club Has Workshop On Decorations

The Christmas meeting of the Black Mountain Woman's club will be held at Bridewood, the home of Mrs. Harold S. Coburn, on Wednesday, Dec. 10th, at 3 o'clock. Honored guests will be the older women of the community, and special hostesses for the day in addition to Mrs. Coburn, are Mrs. Albert Jern, chairman, assisted by Mesdames Charles E. Spencer, J. E. Benedict, Edna Johnson, M. E. Head, A. M. McCoy, M. J. Wyrick, Miss Madge Duke.

On Monday, Dec. 1, a special meeting of the club was held in the educational rooms of the Methodist church between the hours of 10 and 2, a workshop for making Christmas decorations for home and table. Mrs. William Styles was in charge of this group, and shared her skill and ingenuity with all. Assisting her were the following: Mesdames W. B. Kyles, J. B. Martin, B. S. Meeks, W. M. Pate, William Pollard, H. C. Bates and Miss Edith VanDuzen.

Operation Youth Reports More Gifts, Pledges

A year-round gift to youth of the community will come a step nearer realization when work begins shortly before Christmas on hearing the ground for erection of a permanent youth center under auspices of "Operation Youth," a "Finer Carolina" project in Black Mountain under auspices of Kiwanis, Junior Woman's, Junior Home and Civic clubs, and other organizations.

Numerous civic clubs and business firms and private citizens have contributed financially to the project and other gifts are needed for realization of the \$7500 fund necessary to erecting a permanent youth center on land provided by the Town of Black Mountain on a long-time lease basis.

"No better Christmas gift could be made to your boys and girls and to your community," R. C. Bowness, chairman of the sponsoring organization, "Operation Youth," reminded this week. "More than \$3000 in such gifts has been received—but more are needed to carry out the plans the community has made." (Checks may be made to "Operation Youth" and addressed to Steve Uzzell, treasurer, in care of the Black Mountain Drug Co.)

When clearing and bulldozing of the land for the center is begun in the next two weeks, the corps of workers will include a number of local young people who will aid in the job of making the proposed center a reality. Plans call for grading for a baseball field at the same time that grading is done for the center itself.

Additional gifts reported this week include the following: Black Mountain Hosiery Mill (concession fund for employees), \$90.00; Dr. Otis R. Thompson, Jr., \$75.00; Marcus F. Begley, \$25.00; Miss Irene B. Watson, \$20.00; A & P Tea Co., \$110.00. Additional pledges are: Black Mountain Ice Co., \$50.00; Key City Laundry, \$50.00; J. M. Woodcock, \$100.00; Frank Courtmeyer (Valley Ins. Agency), \$25.00; Sinclair Service Station (Tom Massey) \$25.00; Frank Howard Richardson, M.D., \$50.00.

The treasurer reports total to date of \$3,304.00. The goal is \$7,500. The committee expects the Christmas spirit to move other substantial gifts this month.

NATIONAL WRITERS HONOR RICHARDSON

Recognition of outstanding merit as a writer was given to Dr. Frank Howard Richardson, Black Mountain, by the National Writers Club, Denver, Colo., this week. Only 50 other writers of the organizations 3,000 international membership received Certificates of Achievement this year. Especial recognition was given to Dr. Richardson's newspaper column, "Teen Agers and You."

Legion Turkey Shoot Saturday

Arnold Jones, commander, Waycaster McFee Post of the American Legion, announces that there will be a turkey and ham shoot at Legion property on Blue Ridge road Saturday, Dec. 6.

Only shot guns will be used. The public is invited.

MONTREAT SINGERS TO PRESENT PROGRAM AT PRESBYTERIAN CH.

Under the direction of Allan Guy, the 31-voice Montreat Singers will give a program of sacred music in the First Presbyterian church, Black Mountain, Sunday night, Dec. 7, at 7:30.

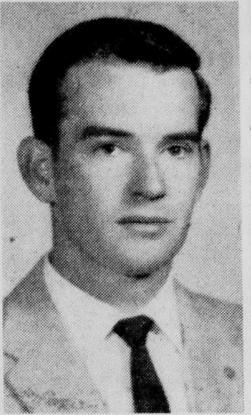
Miss Mary Mangrum, Sherman, Tex., is accompanist.

The singers will visit churches and schools in Eastern North Carolina and South Carolina on their annual tour in February.

The public is invited.

MRS. MERTLE HOME

Mrs. Charles Mertle has returned to the Monte Vista hotel after visiting members of her family in Conneaut, Ohio. Mrs. Mertle says "She spent most of her time digging out of the snow."



William R. Cooke, Jr.

Southern Bell Promotes Cooke, D. B. Sprinkle

William R. Cooke, Jr., has been named Manager of the Asheville Office of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company, by which the Black Mountain area is served. Announcement was made by J. Lovell Smith, district manager.

Mr. Cooke succeeds Donald B. Sprinkle, who has been appointed to the newly created position of district commercial supervisor of the Asheville district.

Cooke, a native of Asheville, was graduated from Lee Edwards High school and attended Davidson college. He joined the Telephone company in 1952 and has held several responsible posts in the Asheville district. He is being promoted from the position of Asheville Office Manager.

Sprinkle joined the Telephone company in 1953 in Asheville and has been manager there since November, 1957. Also a native of Asheville, he attended Lee Edwards High school and was graduated from the University of Kansas in 1949.

In his new duties Mr. Sprinkle will have overall supervision of the Asheville business office and will assist in handling matters pertaining to other business offices in the Asheville district.

Blue R. Chapel Youth Attend Convention

Four qualified young people and their pastor from the Blue Ridge chapel were happily on their way at 5:45 last Friday morning to Concord, to enjoy the State Youth convention.

The entire day was geared to the needs of the youth of this state. Following registration at 9:30, the young folks gathered in the church for their morning devotion. From 2-5 p.m., the recreational activities, held at the new recreational center, were well accepted by all. The First Church of God at Concord was host for the noon meal as well as the lovely banquet served at 6:00 o'clock that evening.

"The One Great Day of Opportunity" was consummated with a worship service in the church sanctuary.

The tired, but elated group arrived home at 12:30 a.m. Saturday. Those privileged to attend from Black Mountain were: Carolyn Clevenger, Linda Allen, Dallas Gragg, and Jerry Nanney. Their pastor, the Rev. Ned V. Harpest, was the convention speaker.

Dunfords Will Present Recital Monday Night

Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin C. Dunford of the Montreat College Music faculty will present a duo-piano recital Monday night, Dec. 8, at 8:30 p.m. in Galther chapel.

Representative compositions from Baroque, Bach, Scarlatti, Dvorak, Debussy, and Ravel will be featured. The main work is Schumann's "Introduction and Allegro Appassionato, Opus 9."

One of their numbers will be Dr. Dunford's composition "Little Sister" from the suite, "Cherchez la femme."

Jim Steele Heads New Club Here

A group of Young Republicans met Saturday night, Nov. 15, at the home of Ernest Hofffield for the purpose of organizing a Young Republican club in the Black Mountain area.

Nominations and elections were held and the following officers were named to serve until the first of the year when new officers will be elected: president, Jim Steele; vice-president, Mrs. James Byrd; secretary, Mrs. Ruth Holcomb; asst. secretary, Mrs. Charles Greer; treasurer, Charles Greer; advisors, Troy Fortner and Claude Runion; program committee chairman, Ernest Hofffield; publicity chairman, Mrs. James Byrd.

It was proclaimed that the club would be known as the Black Mountain Young Republicans club, and that regular meetings would be held the first Saturday of each month.

The next meeting will be Saturday night, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. at the home of James Byrd. The speaker will be a representative of party headquarters and his theme will be "Party Structure". All members and others interested in better government through a two party system are urged to attend.

Turkey Shoot Set By Club Saturday

The Buncombe County Outdoor Sportsman's club will have a ham and turkey shoot Saturday, Dec. 6, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Slagle's sawmill, one mile east of Black Mountain on old highway 70.

The public is invited to come out and take home a turkey or ham for the Christmas dinner. Many people are doing it—why not you?

MARIE BERGE NAMED TO COLLEGE HONOR ROLL

Marie Benge of Black Mountain has been named to the Brevard college Honor Roll for the mid-semester, according to Mrs. Brona N. Roy, recorder.

Miss Benge is a sophomore. In order to attain this honor, a student must make at least a "B" average.

YWCA TO DISCONTINUE TUESDAY FAMILY NIGHT

Due to the numerous other programs for the family sponsored by organizations in Asheville, the Y. W. C. A. has decided to discontinue the Tuesday Family Night.

Activities to serve needs not met by other groups will be substituted in its place.

Men's Club Cake Sale In Progress At Swannanoa

Roy Alexander, chairman of the annual cake sale conducted by the Swannanoa Men's club, has asked for increased efforts on the part of all members to dispose of the present supply before the Christmas holidays.

"We have 90 cakes left but these will be sold if each member will do his part and help. The sale is running behind last year but some members have not bought theirs yet and this will help," the chairman said. Cakes are on sale by each member and at the Swannanoa Bank.

The report was made at the regular meeting of the club at the community clubhouse in Grove-mont Monday evening. President D. W. Harrison presided.

Hardy Davidson, famous for his craftsmanship, gave a program on crafts. He had on display some of his own work and that of William T. Ratchford and others. Mr. Davidson explained that in former years an article was made entirely by one person, but that today as many as 20 may have a part in the making of one blanket. "Craftsmanship has suffered during the past few years because now most people work just for money," Mr. Davidson said, "and don't have the pride in their job that the people had a century ago."

In other business Mr. Harrison announced that William Faucette had replaced Sidney Croy as chairman of the attendance committee.

Rev. B. C. Owenby New Pastor Vance Avenue Church

The Rev. B. C. Owenby of Woodfin has accepted the pastorate of Vance Avenue Baptist church.

Rev. Owenby is a graduate of Mars Hill college and Furman University. He did graduate work at Furman, and attended Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest.

He is well known in Buncombe county, having supplied in several churches.

The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend services at Vance Avenue to hear the inspiring messages given by the Rev. Mr. Owenby.

New Christmas Lights Cheered By Community

The new Christmas lights were turned on in Black Mountain this week and have caused much favorable comment.

Sponsored jointly by the Chamber of Commerce and the town, the lighting project was promoted by a committee headed by A. M. McCoy of the Chamber of Commerce as chairman. He was assisted by employees of Carolina Power and Light company, Southern Bell Telephone company, the Town of Black Mountain, Walter Burgess, W. W. Earley, Harry Hyder, and others.

"The lights installed this year by Mr. McCoy and his committee are of a permanent nature and will be used from year to year," Bill McMurray, president of the Chamber of Commerce pointed out. "In all we spent approximately \$900 for lights and fixtures and we hope to add to this each year in the future," Mr. McMurray said.

The new lights and the welcome signs at each entrance of town give Black Mountain a holiday appearance and will help greatly in the appearance of the streets at night.

Owen High Band, Chorus Will Be Heard In Concert

The Owen High School Band and Chorus, under the direction of Woodfin C. Rhodes will be presented in concert at Owen High school, Monday evening, Dec. 15, at 8:00 o'clock. The program will feature Christmas music and is expected to be one of the high lights of the Christmas season in the Swannanoa Valley.

The regular meeting of the Owen High PTA ordinarily held on the first Thursday of the month has been deferred until Monday, Dec. 15, and the concert will be the program for the evening. The only business that will be handled will be the election of the Committee For Music in Swannanoa Valley schools. This will be done during the intermission between the band and chorus presentations.

There is no admission for this program, and the public is cordially invited.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP SPONSORS FILM

The Youth Fellowship of the Blue Ridge Chapel First Church of God sponsored a film Sunday, Nov. 30, 7:30 p.m.

Officers of the Youth Fellowship are Dallas Gragg, president; Carolyn Clevenger, vice-president; Barbara McDonald, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. James Clevenger and Mrs. Ned Harpest are the youth counselors.

—On Aug. 22, 1945 the Japanese garrison at Mili Atoll, Marshall Islands, surrendered aboard the Navy's USS Levy.