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BLACK MOUNTAIN NEWS

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Weather

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March 22	33	21	
March 23	47	27	
March 24	55	21	
March 25	55	25	
March 26	50	26	
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REFLECTIONS

Gordon Greenwood

Since grade school days I read and heard about the Ku Klux Klan and their exploits during and after the Civil War but had never seen a live or dead one. If I remember correctly, they were known in the mountain area as the White Cappers. Anytime they rode high, wide and handsome for some years. Two weeks ago on the highway between Marietta and Atlanta, Ga., I came over a hill and there on the right stretched out for what seemed like an endless distance on a side road were dozens of the Klan with their loose fitting suits fanning in the breeze. These I had a good look at seemed to be young boys in their teens. But there were all sizes and shapes further back along the road and it was hard to tell their ages. I watched the Atlanta papers to see what they (the Klan) were up to but didn't see it mentioned.

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TRUE STATEMENT
"There were just as many reckless drivers 50 years ago," says a judge, "but in the good old days they drove something that had more sense than they."

GOOD NEIGHBOR
The following letter is typical of how many people have felt in regard to those who offered help to their neighbors during heavy snows that paralyzed the community for several days during February and March.
"The papers are full of the heroic relief of the snowbound in northwestern North Carolina, so I want to give a little cheer for our good neighbor, Howard Willet. Twice during our snow block, Howard has borrowed his brother's tractor and blade, and plowed out two roads off of North Fork, of approximately half a mile each. Not only that, he has cleaned out four driveways so the occupants of those houses could get to town for supplies. "All of this has been done in addition to a heavy schedule at the Veterans hospital. In fact, Howard is one of those fellows who has cast his lot on the waters of brotherhood. It seems almost time for some cake of appreciation to return to him. With gratitude for our neighbors, I am, Ila B. Brown.

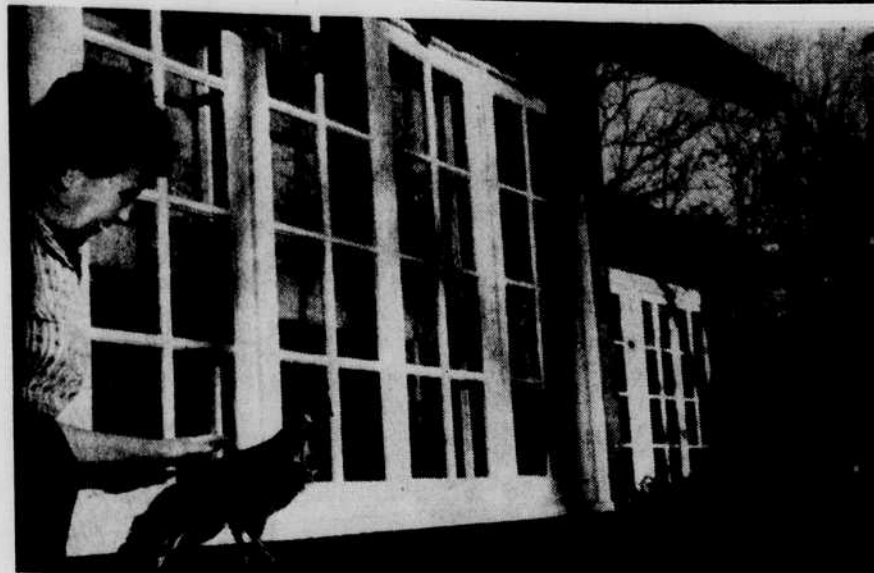
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OTHERS HELPED, TOO!
Other citizens of the community helped to relieve what could have been a serious situation by taking their tractors and bulldozers and clearing the side-roads and parking lots. Don Burgin of North Fork road and Finley Stepp had their machines working overtime pushing the snow aside so that cars with chains —Turn to Page 8

Electricity To Be Off 1-3 P.M. Here April 1
The electricity will be off in areas of the Black Mountain community between the hours of 1:00-3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 1.
Electrical service interruption will affect Carolina Power & Light customers in Lakewood and Spring Hills from Rhododendron avenue and Ninth street thru North Fork.

This interruption is necessary in order to make improvements to the company's facilities in the affected area. The hours indicated were chosen because it is felt less inconvenience will result during the hours selected than at any other similar period. The nature of the work to be done is such that it cannot be performed safely without a temporary interruption of service.
In case of rain or extreme cold weather this interruption will be scheduled at a later date.

BAND WILL PLAY AT PTA MEETING
The Owen High School Band will play at the regular meeting of the Black Mountain PTA at 7:30 p.m., Thursday night (tonight) at the Primary School building.

All parents and others interested in the schools are invited to attend.



Among local residents feeding birds during the heavy snows of February and March were Mr. and Mrs. James C. Bartholomew who took the above pictures to prove their point. From the list of birds visiting them at Tall Oaks you gain the impression that the small feathered animals knew a good thing when they found it and passed the word along. How else do you account for the growing list of "visitors" that came their way? Mr. Bartholomew calls his article "Snow Blues and Birds".

Snow Blues and Birds

By James C. Bartholomew

"It is an ill wind that blows nobody any good". This Sunday morning, March 20, at 9:43 o'clock, ushers in the first day of spring, yet we still have with us a light blanket of snow. In a way we at "Tall Oaks" shall be rather sorry to see the snow go, because with it will probably go many extra and colorful birds that Mrs. Bartholomew and I have fed now for six weeks, along with our usual year-round family of 50 birds or more, who have been coming twice daily to our three feeders. The additional birds this past five or six weeks include some 24 evening grosbeaks and 12 purple finches, native to Canada, who regularly feed high

up in the mountains and make their winter home there, but heavy recent snows forced them down to humans and their kindness to acquire their sustenance. Every morning of the year I have been out at 7 a.m. and again about 4 p.m. to replenish our three bird feeders, and get great joy watching the birds stream in from the adjacent woods when I whistle them. Some timic have even brushed before I got away from placing their food in feeders. Birds eating with us this winter include four woodpeckers, four redbirds, about 16 towhees, 12 purple finches, two Carolina wrens, one or two mockingbirds, a dozen chickadees, some snowbirds (Junco), several nuthatches, two dozen tufted titmice, a large brown thrasher that flew inside the screened porch door one day, quite a few water thrushes, two robins, a couple of red-winged blackbirds, not to mention the usual

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Many From Area On Dean's List At Berea Coll.

Among those making the Dean's Honor List at Berea college, Berea, Ky., the first semester were the following students from Buncombe county:

Lynda Claudia McGraw, sophomore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary McGraw, and Sarah Louise Gouge, senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Gouge, Black Mountain; Katha Sue Reagan, senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milard Lee Reagan, Candler; Gerald Dean Roberts, sophomore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Roberts, Weaverville; Betty Jean Robinson, January, 1960 graduate, wife of Carson N. Robinson, Black Mountain; Bette Florence Wilson, sophomore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wilson, Asheville.

Wanda Parham Bays, senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Parham, Asheville; Linda Gayle Hall, freshman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hall, Asheville, and Elizabeth Victoria Haynes, senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes, Barnardsville.

Attaining the Dean's Honor List denotes excellence or near-excellence in studies, with at least a B average. Berea college is a liberal arts college with a Foundation High school, the college and high school both serving the Southern Appalachians. The combined enrollment of the two schools is about 1,500.

Band To Receive Proceeds From Jaycee Dance

The Maxine Gauble, Grove Park Inn orchestra, will provide music for dancing at the Black Mountain club house Saturday night from 9 to 1. This dance is being sponsored by the Black Mountain Jaycees and all money will go to the band uniform fund. Admission tickets are \$1.00 per person and will be on sale at the door.

The following is a list of contributors to the band uniform fund thus far:
Jr. Woman's club, \$65.00; American Legion, Waycaster-McFee Post, \$65.00; Tea and Topic club, \$65.00; Mary Louise H. Cooley, \$20.00; H. B. Teague, \$12.00; C. E. Spencer, \$65.00; Swannanoa PTA, \$150.00; Black Mountain-Swannanoa Kiwanis club, \$130.00; Black Mountain Lions club, \$65.00.

The above contributions will provide approximately 20 new uniforms. Leaders in the effort to outfit the band in time for the opening of the football season this fall hope that other individuals and groups will come forward with enough support to buy the other 30 uniforms that are needed.

Dr. Mary Bunch In Who's Who!

Dr. Mary Bunch will be listed in "Who's Who of American Women" that will be out in about two months. This book is published in Chicago and is the second edition. In private life Dr. Bunch is Mrs. James H. Love, wife of Dr. Love, a Black Mountain dentist.

Pfc. R. Hutchins Participates In Army Drill

FORT CAMPBELL, KY. (AHTNC) — Army Pfc. Robert T. Hutchins, 19, whose wife, Wanda, lives in Swannanoa, N. C., participated with other personnel from the 101st Airborne Division's 327th Infantry in Exercise Colorado Eagle 1, an air mobility maneuver at Fort Carson, Colo., Feb. 15-19.

The exercise, designed to determine unit effectiveness under realistic combat conditions, included an air movement from Fort Campbell, Ky., to Fort Carson, where a mock war was staged against a simulated enemy force. The 101st Airborne Division, a major STRAC (Strategic Army Command) unit, constantly maintains an immediate readiness force for —Turn to Page 4



Irvin Bryan Willis

Irvin Willis Named Agent For Allstate

Irvin Bryan Willis of 617 Broad street, Shelby, has been appointed an agent for Allstate Insurance companies in the Shelby area, Charles J. Amis, Carolina's regional sales manager, has announced.

Willis has recently completed an intensive training course in the company's Roanoke, Va., regional office. A native of Ridgecrest, he is a graduate of Black Mountain High school, Gardner-Webb Junior college, Boiling Springs (N. C.) and Lenoir-Rhyne college, Hickory (N. C.). He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Willis of Ridgecrest.

Willis is a member of the Cleveland County Boy Scout Commission and the Shelby Junior Chamber of Commerce. Mr. and Mrs. Willis have two children.

Rotary Club Sees Film On Nova Scotia

President Ross Taylor showed a colored film of the scenic land of Nova Scotia at the regular meeting of the Rotary club Monday, March 28, at the Monte Vista hotel. A country where the tourist is becoming more and more important, Nova Scotia has much to offer visitors for relaxation and fun.

Guests who attended the meeting were Rotarians Jay Gernert, Andrews, N. C.; John B. Veach, Jr., and Marshall M. Abell, Asheville; and R. H. Morgenstern, Westfield, N.J.

Lions Realize \$54.00 From Annual Sale

The Black Mountain Lions club met for its regular meeting at the Monte Vista hotel on Thursday evening, March 24, with Lion President Jim Skelton presiding.

A "White Elephant" sale was held as the program for the evening. Program Chairman Lion Bill White made an impressive matter of ceremonies as he led the members into buying "pigs in the poke" during the heated bidding. Some small parcels sold at least three or four times. Lion Buckner took enough ties home to last for at least ten years, it is believed. The proceeds realized by the club amounted to at least \$54. Everyone enjoyed this annual event.

It was announced that the nominations committee would make its recommendations in April and the new officers would be elected in May to serve during the new year beginning in July. Lions Beddingfield, Wallin, and Taylor are members of the nominations committee.

A board of directors meeting followed the regular program.

MRS. RHODES MAKES ALPHA HONOR ROLL

Mrs. Woodfin C. Rhodes has been named to the Alpha honor roll for the winter quarter at Western Carolina college at Cullowhee. Mrs. Rhodes is now doing student teaching at

—Canada produced about 156 million pounds of flue-cured tobacco in 1959.

Dr. Behre Tells Of Work Along Gulf Coast

By Dr. E. H. Behre

My interest in the winter condition of backboneless animals recently took me, for a month's stay, to my old stamping-ground, the Gulf coast of Louisiana, to study winter condition and behavior of four crabs whose summer characteristics I already knew. The precise site was a new laboratory on an otherwise entirely uninhabited small island, Grand Terre, separated by a narrow but deep pass from Grand Isle, which was for nearly 20 years the summer home of the now discontinued Louisiana State University Marine Laboratory. Both of these islands are sandy fringe islands lying between the open Gulf and a large bay; Grand Isle is connected to the mainland by a single road along Bayou La Fourche, with a terminal bridge, and was traditionally the hideout of the pirate Lafitte's men. Grand Isle is an old community, originally French but not "Cajun" (as most of southwest Louisiana is) in origin. Recently, however, the older inhabitants, many of whom spoke no English, have been pushed around by the activities of the oil and sulphur interests, who have huge platforms off-shore and a large force of laborers and administrative staff on the island.

The new laboratory on Grand Terre is a research station of the Shellfish Division of the State Conservation Department, whose main function is protection and development of the oyster industry; and, to further this, an extensive research program is under way. But other marine researchers are graciously accepted as temporary workers. However, the ambitious new building is not yet completed. At present the work is done out of doors and in two small two-room hutments on a platform built over the water of the turn-about basin where the working boats are anchored.

The huts were fishing camps brought in from a distance on a big barge. In these two huts all indoor work is at present done, all of us "on top of each other" as it were; here we studied our animals under microscopes, operated typewriters, ran calculating machines, collected and organized (and consulted) a library, filed records, stored and when necessary repaired the elaborate out-door equipment such as salinity meters, fathometers, rain gauges and the like, examined charts and maps of oyster reefs, and carried on endless discussions as to the mechanics and the theoretical aspects of our various —Turn to Page 8



Miss Joan Moser

Miss Joan Moser Will Study For Year In Europe

Miss Joan Moser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Artus Moser, of Buckeye Cove road, Swannanoa, has recently been awarded the National Fulbright Scholarship for a year's study in Europe. She is scheduled to sail on July 1 for Oslo, Norway. Upon arrival she will register as a graduate student at the University of Oslo, where she will be engaged in a research project in Ethnic Musicology.

During the past year while completing her Master's Degree in Musicology at the University of North Carolina, Miss Moser has been employed as a research assistant in the music department. As one phase of her work she was consultant for "Songs Out of the South," a series of TV shows produced by the Communication Center of the University of North Carolina. This series will be broadcast in the near future by National Educational Television.

Miss Moser is a graduate of Lee Edwards High School and of Woman's college of the University of North Carolina. She taught for a year in the Gompers Junior High school, San Diego, Calif., before beginning her graduate studies. During high school and in college she performed on many folk festivals and music programs, and in 1957 she sang on Dave Carroway's program "Wide, Wide World." She plans to continue her activities and research in the field of folk music.

Auxiliary To Sponsor Girl For Meeting

Waycaster-McFee American Legion Auxiliary met Monday night, March 21, at the home of Mrs. A. R. Rudisill, with Mrs. C. M. Ledbetter, president, presiding. Members voted to sponsor a girl at Girl State, to be held in June at Greensboro. A rising senior at Owen High school meeting specified qualifications, will be selected.

It was reported that Mrs. C. M. Ledbetter, Mrs. H. E. Stinchcomb, Mrs. Arnold Jones, and Mrs. Clara Snyder, representing the local unit, gave a bingo party for 50 patients at Moore VA hospital Tuesday night, March 22. One hundred seventy-eight gifts and five cartons of cigarettes were given away during the party.

Mrs. Arnold Jones will serve as poppy chairman. During the social hour refreshments were served. Those present were Mrs. J. I. Cook, Mrs. Dan Guess, Mrs. Ledbetter, Mrs. Stinchcomb, Mrs. Jones, and the hosts.

LIVELY SESSION IS REPORTED IN B. M. BRIDGE CLUB

Last week's winners in the duplicate division of the Black Mountain Bridge club held at the Monte Vista hotel were: North-South, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. White; second, Mrs. R. T. Greene and Woodrow Beddingfield; third, Mrs. Fred Dawson, East-West, Mrs. Douglas Jones and Mrs. Max Woodcock; second, Miss Peggy Dennis and Miss Mazie Bule; third, Mrs. Harry Clarke and Mrs. Robert L. Crawley.

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Deplore Acts Of Vandalism At Blue Ridge

After reading the front page article about "Vandals" and descriptions of someone having burned certain papers and the door at the front gate at Blue Ridge Assembly sled run, I feel constrained to speak.

I have been very pleased as I made pictures and have witnessed the great fun and delight which so many people—young, old, and those of us pretending youth, have had in enjoying sledding at this remarkable run at Blue Ridge Assembly. It is obviously a great asset to this entire valley community and is a shining example of another type of facility to which our young people need access in order to enjoy diversity and good clean fun.

My reaction, as well as that of many other persons, to this work of vandals is not one in which it is urged that we seek out the alleged culprit and punish him. It is rather one of regret and a distressing fear that perhaps Dr. Spiro and other Blue Ridge Assembly officials may have been presented an opportunity to presume this destructive action on the part of one or a few persons is typical behavior of all of us who have been sledding there and that all of us do not appreciate the use of the grounds for this sport. —Turn to Page 4

80 Young People Hear Speaker At Banquet

Saturday evening at 6:30 some 80 young people and counselors gathered at the Presbyterian Fellowship Hall on Montreat road across from the A & P food store. After enjoying a tasty meal, the group sang under the encouragement of Ero Moore of Morganton. The featured speaker, Dr. Frank H. Richardson, quickly established rapport and retained the attention of his audience as he comically, yet skillfully, followed the theme of the evening, "Poppa Question."

From a rich background of research, pragmatic experience, and faithful Christian living, the doctor did most superbly what he insists he cannot do; namely, impart the most informative answers to the out-of-the-heart questions that the teen-agers "popped" to him by the way of slips of paper. Since the question-answer method is one of Dr. Richardson's favorite ways of communication, he received the nickname, "Poppa Question," at least for the evening. The speaker did not seem to object to his new "pen name" except to suggest that perhaps it should be "Grand Poppa Question."

Two of Dr. Richardson's currently popular books, "For Girls Only," presented to Carolyn McDonald, Black Mountain, and "For Boys Only," presented to Kenneth Townsend, Hickory, N. C., for writing the best answer to the question, "Why the theme Poppa Question?"

Honored guests for the occasion were Mrs. Frank H. Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. —Turn to Page 5

Alas, Babylon Will Be On TV Sunday, April 3

"Alas, Babylon," the dramatic story of survival in a small Florida town isolated after a fictionalized H-bomb attack on the United States, will be televised on the "Playhouse 90" program by the Columbia Broadcasting System on Sunday, April 3, from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. Pacific Standard Time.

"Alas, Babylon" by novelist Pat Frank was published in 1959. The locale is a town in central Florida named Fort Repose. When the H-bombs hit, Miami and the Tampa-St. Petersburg area are the first to be wiped out, followed by Jacksonville and Orlando. Fort Repose is not hit but is isolated from the rest of the country, in which "millions have died." The town carries on, but its people are thrown back on their own primitive ingenuity for survival.