

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

WRITER IS KNOWN

LIKES ARTICLES

Dear Mr. Greenwood: I was particularly interested in the article, "One in your midst" because I have a letter in my files that covers the same ground, only in this letter, the writer signed her name. However, the phrasing and many of the sentences are alike, so I know who wrote to you, (but I won't tell). However, our files are open to all of our members.

My letter was addressed to the Asheville Chamber of Commerce, and Dick Degenhardt, the executive vice president, sent it to me to investigate the charges. I suggested to her that if she could prove her charges, she should immediately take the matter up with the state authorities. Nothing happened, so I am sure that there is no foundation for her complaint to us or to you.

She came to the Chamber of Commerce office several times, asking assistance in some of her projects, but we were unable to help her, mostly because of her location.

It has been necessary, sometimes, to suggest to people writing about this area, that they should not come here. They would find the same kind of people they were so anxious to get away from in the city where they live. One man wrote that he wanted to get away from the grafters in Virginia. He also wanted some one to build him a little shack so he and his wife could sell doughnuts and coffee to the mountaineers when they come to town. One of the problems that we have is to show people coming from resort states that we are not hillbillies, and you can not rent a nice cottage here in the mountains for five or ten dollars a week.

With regard to the Assemblies, the people attending the conferences fill our motels, buy gas and oil, trade with our merchants, and advertise our community as a good place to live. Some of our people are living here now because someone attending one of the conferences told them about us. Assemblies furnish us with excellent programs and prominent speakers during the summer season, and at Montreat these programs continue all the year.

Of course things in Black Mountain are not perfect, but I am sure that if people coming here will be friendly, they will find that we are willing to go out of our way to make them feel at home.

Sincerely,  
GEO. E. MORAY,  
Executive Secretary,  
Black Mountain Chamber of Commerce.

Dear Mr. Greenwood: After witnessing the results of your newspaper's splendid handling of the current Equitation Club articles, I feel the urge to do a little thanking of my own.

Many people have gone out of their way lately to tell me how much they have enjoyed the informative articles prepared by the club. This in itself is enough to convince me that if the articles continue to have such an enlightening effect on the local readers, the future certainly looks bright for our beloved equine friends in Black Mountain. What really swept me off my feet, though, was the fact that a great many people have taken the initiative to dig up information in addition to that given in the articles.

This renaissance of equestrian culture is indicative of several things: In the first place, a better informed public is a more considerate public. In the past, many of our local residents have been literally frightened out of their wits by thoughtless motorists (not all of them tourists, either!) who blew their horns and backfired their cars just for the so-called "fun" of seeing someone's horse jump. Several rather serious accidents have resulted from these blunders, and as a result many people are afraid to let their children ride. I hope that the B. M. E. C. articles will help people to realize that horses have feelings, too. In the second place, I hope that people will stop looking on the horse as just an out-dated mode of transportation.

The horse is largely responsible for America's being where it is today, so why not give him a little credit by being kinder to him? Finally, I sincerely believe that as a result of these articles, we'll be seeing many more mounted enthusiasts, both at the horse shows and on our many excellent riding trails, instead of so many starry-eyed pedestrians. Won't you join us?

Thank you, Eloise and Toni, and all you other Equitation Clubbers, for your splendid work in bringing the horse into the limelight for the benefit of the people of Black Mountain.

Sincerely,  
An Interested Friend.

Three percent less sows are farrowing this fall in the 10 Corn Belt states than last fall.

Production of heavy white-bred poults in August was up 28 percent from August of 1959. The hatch of other heavy breeds was over four times as large as the seasonal light hatch of August, 1959.

## Peekin' Through The KEYHOLE . . . With LIB

by Elizabeth Dinwiddie Keith

Sunday, Jan. 1, at the Methodist church students enrolled in colleges and universities were guests of honor at the 11 o'clock service. They are: Marie Benge, Western Carolina college; Jane Bowness, Duke University; Pat Browning, Greensboro College; Guy Burchfiel, University of Tennessee; Donna Dotson, Western Carolina college; Stanley Garland, Clemson College; Elaine Gregory, Berea College; Dianne Nesbitt, Brevard College; James Gresham Northcott, University of North Carolina; Betty Pollard, Furman University; Lea Tiller, Woman's College; Robert Watkins, Montreat-Anderson College; Anne Woodcock, Emory University; John Woodcock, University of Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Teems have returned home after spending the holidays in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Singleton and daughters, and Mrs. Blane Gilliam spent several days during the holidays with members of Mr. Singleton's family in Jacksonville, Fla.

Thursday night, Dec. 22, over night guests of Mrs. Blake Allen, Montreat road, were Miss Carolyn Allen, Miss Joyce Byrd, Miss Betty McPeters, Miss Irene Worley, Miss Doris Gibson and Miss Polly Miller.

Jack Ledbetter of West Palm Beach, Fla., spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Ledbetter, Broad River.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clevenger of Knoxville, Tenn., spent the holidays here with members of their families. Jack is a student at the University of Tennessee.

Dr. and Mrs. Russell Rowland of Birmingham, Ala., spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Rowland and sister, Toni. Dr. Rowland is affiliated with the University Medical Center in Birmingham.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert H. Spiro, Jr., and family of Macon, Ga., spent several days during the holidays at their home here. Dr. and Mrs. Spiro will celebrate their wedding anniversary on Tuesday, Jan. 10.

The Rev. and Mrs. David Parks and children have arrived home after spending almost five years in Korea. Mrs. Parks is the former Miss Anna Rue Osteen of Black Mountain. The Rev. Mr. Parks is from Weaverville.

Thomas M. Farr, Jr., of Melbourne, Fla., a field engineer for RCA at Cape Canaveral, seems to be on the up and go in this busy world. Timmy, as he is known here by his friends, is married and has three children, Tim, Mike, and Pat. He is enrolled at Brevard Engineering college, and when not on the job he is attending classes at night.

Dean Harold L. Dibble of Eau Gallie has just published his list for the first semester and Timmy's name appears among those chosen. He is the son of Mrs. Margaret Farr of Black Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Mash-

burn have returned home after being away seven weeks. They spent three weeks with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Mashburn and children of Port Orchard, Wash. They then went to Tucson, Ariz., where they visited their daughter, Mrs. James Bell, Mr. Bell and their family for four weeks. They made the trip by plane.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Osteen and children, Preston, David, and Karen of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., spent several days during the holidays with members of their families here. They made the trip in Mr. Osteen's plane.

Mrs. Gustavo Brown spent the holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Lopes and two children, and another daughter, Miss Buzzie Brown of Gloucester and Boston, Mass.

It seems that Mrs. C. R. Longcoy, Sr., went to Los Angeles, Calif., to get on Art Linkletter's TV show instead of visiting her son David. Many people in Black Mountain were startled on Wednesday, Dec. 21, when Helen appeared on one of Art's quiz shows. She won an electric toaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lindau and family, Will and Sarah of Winston-Salem, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Sanders, Blue Ridge. Sarah remained for a longer visit with her grandparents.

It. and Mrs. Ed Daniels and children, Eddy and Betsy of Springfield, Md., and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Plemmons and son Bob, of Charlotte spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Nanney and other members of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Goolsby of Atlanta spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. C. W. Shumate and Mr. Shumate.

Cecil Nanney of the University of Chicago spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Nanney. He is a former employee of the News.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Mull of Lexington, Ky., spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mull. Sherwood is a former employee of the News.

David Tyson of State College, Raleigh, and Miss Patty Tyson, a member of the High school faculty, Fayetteville, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Tyson, Jr., and brother, Joe.

Bryan Frady, U. S. Navy First Class Seaman, is spending a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Frady. Bryan has just returned from a voyage that took him half way around the world. He is stationed at Newport, R. I. His parents spent last week at Myrtle Beach, Georgetown, and Charleston, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Pearce, Montreat road, spent three weeks during the holidays with their son Chester and family in Miami, Fla. Chester is connected with the U. S. Weather Bureau's National Hurricane Research Project.

## IN THIS WORLD

**CATTLE,**  
A GENERIC TERM FOR BOVINE ANIMALS, ONCE MEANT ANY FORM OF PROPERTY AND WAS SYNONYMOUS WITH "CHATTLE."

**TEXAS LONGHORNS,**  
FAMOUS CATTLE OF THE EARLY WEST, NOW ARE NEARLY EXTINCT. THEY WERE DESCENDANTS OF STOCK BROUGHT TO THE SOUTH WEST BY SPANISH SETTLERS.

**SELECTIVE BREEDING OF CATTLE**  
TO RAISE BETTER-QUALITY BEEF BECAME A FIXED SCIENCE IN ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND BY 1800... THIS WAS THE ORIGIN OF THE HEREFORD, SHORTHORN AND BLACK ANGUS BREEDS WHICH ARE SO POPULAR ON AMERICAN FARMS AND RANCHES.

**NOW**  
MODERN STOCKMEN USE A NEW TYPE OF FEEDING PROGRAM TO PRODUCE MORE TENDER BEEF WITH LESS FAT. AGRICULTURAL SUPPLEMENT CONTAINING ETHYL ALCOHOL, FED WITH GRAIN AND ROUGHAGE, PROVIDES IMPROVED NUTRITION FOR CATTLE.

En route they stopped in Chattanooga, Tenn., to visit Mrs. Pearce's brother S. H. Chester, Sr.

During the holidays Mrs. M. J. Baer and Mrs. Margaret Farr entertained with a lovely home luncheon at their home to honor Mrs. Ben Hunter and Mrs. L. A. Hiltz on their birthday anniversaries. The home was most attractive with decorations that carried out the Yuletide season. Sixteen guests enjoyed the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Pollard and children, Nancy and Bill, drove Miss Betty Pollard and Miss Toni Taylor to Furman University, Greenville, S. C., last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stepp and children, Harold, Jr., and Debbie of Huntsville, Ala., spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Finley Stepp.

Mrs. Sam Coggins, owner and operator of Coggins Dining room, Tunnel road, spent the holidays with her son, Samuel and family of Washington, D. C.

Dr. W. C. Houston of Concord was a visitor in town last Tuesday.

### STATE ACCEPTS—

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According to present plans the next few months will be used to renovate the property with an opening date set for July 1 to receive students.

Blaine M. Madison, commissioner of correction for the state, explained that the center will serve as a much needed addition to the facilities provided by the state.

"Within a few years this, in my opinion, will be one of the leading institutions in the state. We wish to point out that there will be no walls, no guards, and no locked rooms. We will have a ratio of one employee to each three students."

In explaining the importance of the new school, Mr. Madison said that 90 per cent of the students coming out of training schools make good and become useful citizens. He called it a sound program.

The new school will provide a centralized admissions and evaluation center for students committed to the Board of Correction and Training, and provide a clinically oriented diagnostic study of all students which will be used in planning an appropriate program of therapy and treatment.

The diagnostic study will include observations in the following areas: medical, social work, psychological, psychiatric, dental, group supervision, religion, and education.

The center will provide for the admission and treatment of several groups which are not now in residence in the training schools of the state.

Only three employees have been hired. They include Charles H. Wilson, in charge of operation and maintenance, Edward Helms, and Luther E. Chapman, assistants.

On the grounds representing the Board of Correction and Training are Blaine M. Madison, commissioner of correction, and Vance Robertson. The staff will be enlarged as the need increases.

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ALL TAXES, INCLUDING REAL ESTATE PERSONAL PROPERTY, DOGS AND POLL TAX MUST BE LISTED DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY.

All property in the Townships listed below will be listed at the appointed places in each Township on the following dates:

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Wed. & Sat. 9-1.		
SWANNANOVA:		
Mrs. Harry E. Byas, List Taker		
Route No. 2, Box 809, Asheville, N. C.		
Bee Tree Heights Field Office, Bee Tree Road — 4, 5, 6, 7.		
Beacon Manufacturing Co., Swannanoa 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.		
Folsom Superette, Swannanoa 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21.		
Legion Hall, Oteen 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31.		
BROAD RIVER:		
Mrs. Alvin Stroud, List Taker		
Star Route, Black Mountain, N. C.		
Paul Smith's Home — 4.		
Ray Kirstein's Home — 6.		
Roy Nesbitt's Store — 9, 16, 27.		
Ledbetter's Store — 13, 20, 23, 30.		
At Home — all remaining days.		
FAIRVIEW:		
Mr. T. H. Byers, Fairview, N. C., List Taker		
G. J. Merrell's Store — 14, 23.		
Fairview Supply Company — 4, 16, 21.		
Fairview Feed & Grocery — 5, 18, 31.		
Cedarcliff Grocery — 6, 11, 30.		
Dotson's Hardware Store — 7, 17, 26.		
J. H. Jenkin's Grocery — 10, 19.		
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Howington Grocery — 25.		
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