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REFLECTIONS

Gordon Greenwood

GENERAL ASSEMBLY!
Bill Holcombe of Carolina Power and Light company and I were in Raleigh last week for the doings in the General Assembly, the inauguration of the governor, and other business.

Joe Hunt, as predicted some time ago, was elected speaker of the House of Representatives, at a Democratic caucus held in the hall of the house at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

Actually he was only nominated as the Democratic candidate, but since the Democrats outnumber the Republicans 105 to 15 his election seems to be a sure thing. Joe is a clear thinker, intelligent, and likable. He'll get along well with the members of the House.

PROBLEMS STILL SAME
Discussing with other House members some of the problems that the General Assembly will be called upon to solve during the coming session, I found most agreeing that money, reapportionment, and redistricting would give the most trouble in that order.

Many citizens here at home are confused regarding the power of the governor of North Carolina. Although he has great prestige and wields great weight by his appointive power, he has no vote in the General Assembly, no veto, and can not participate in debate on either the floor of the House or the Senate.

After he brings out his proposals in his message to the Assembly, the governor must depend on his personal charm and his liaison man to carry his program and to put it across.

SIR WALTER LOBBY
The lobby of the Sir Walter Hotel was a bee hive of activity as Tar Heels from all corners of the state exchanged views.

If the opening caucus is any indication, there'll be a hot time in the old town—Raleigh—before the final gavel meets the walnut this spring.

YOUNG GROUP
Bill Holcombe was surprised at the youth of the members. He, as many other citizens who have not spent any time around the Capital City while the General Assembly is in session, had expected to see an older group.

But things have changed from the old days. The House of Representatives that will be sworn in on February 8 will be dominated by young bankers, lawyers, executives, farmers, and businessmen.

There are but few old men left in the house and the senate is the same.

FEBRUARY 8
Plans are for the committee chairmen to be appointed by the time the session convenes and to get down to work on the budget—the biggest job of the year—soon after.

Groups from all over the state have been busy contacting house members and senators during the past few weeks and the activity will be increased this month. They all have good causes and I only wish it were possible to tell each one that his or her special project is sure to be included in the final draft of the budget. But that is not possible. And then there is there that would dare attempt to speak for the 120 in the house, plus the 50 in the senate?

SCHOOL SPIRIT
Watching the Owen cheering section last week one observer who has taught in several schools in three states said:

"Write something about our spirit at Owen. I have never seen anything to equal the school spirit which we have here at Owen this year. I have never seen it better anywhere and I think the public ought to know how enthusiastic the students are here and how well they cooperate."

To those of us sitting on the Enka side looking over at the Owen section it looked like the finals of a state tournament instead of a county conference game.

—Who said opportunity only knocks once? Television is giving us a second chance to see movies we missed 20 years ago.

Old Sanctuary To Be Removed In Near Future

The official board of the Black Mountain Methodist church, in session Sunday night, voted to send out requests for bids for the removal of the old sanctuary in preparation for the erection of a new contemporary design building.

The action followed a presentation by Fred Tron, building chairman, which showed the time necessary to remove the old building, the time consumed by submitting bids, and the collection of pledges which would normally come into the treasurer's account would make it possible for building to begin in the early spring. The board unanimously voted to begin the razing of the old building as soon as possible, and authorized the building committee to let the bid to the best possible advantage of the organization. It is hoped that there may be churches in the area which might be interested in the pews, or any other part of the old building to be salvaged.

Bids for removing the building may be submitted to Fred Tron, 30 Pleasant Ridge drive, Oteen.

The American Standardbred Is Good Horse

When the pioneer set off across the plains in his covered wagons, drawn by quiet ordinary draft horses, he occasionally met another traveler going in the same direction on the long journey. Then it was nearly impossible to resist the urge to race horses. From this beginning, harness racing (the sport) developed.

A special breed of horse was needed for this sport, a horse that could trot with great speed. In Orange county, New York, the stallion, Rysdyk's Hambletonian, became the sire of a long line of foals to exhibit this characteristic.

To be officially registered as a member of this breed of trotters, a horse must meet a certain standard: the ability to TROT A MILE IN TWO AND A HALF MINUTES! Thus, Trotters have come to be known as American Standardbreds, because their origin is the American answer to an American problem.

In honor of the stallion Hambletonian was held every year in Orange county until last year when the site of the race was moved to Illinois for financial reasons.

The Standardbred weighs from 800 to 1200 pounds and measures from 15 to 16 hands in height. He has powerful haunches and a rather long tail. His mane is usually clipped over the polls and thinned and shortened. He has a good disposition and makes a good saddle horse despite his difficulty in learning to slow canter.

—Ann Beddingfield

Mother of Local Man Dies In Greensboro

Word has just been received here of the death of Mrs. Charles T. McNary, mother of Harold McNary of Blue Ridge Association. Mrs. McNary had been in declining health for some time and her death occurred in a Greensboro hospital early this morning (Tuesday).

Funeral services will be conducted in Greensboro and interment will be in Pittsburg Friday.

LIONS DISTRICT GOVERNOR WILL VISIT BLK. MTN. CLUB

The Black Mountain Lions club will hold its regular meeting Thursday, Jan. 12, at 6:30 p.m. at the Monte Vista hotel. District Governor G. Udger Cabe will make his official visit to the club. Each Lion is urged to be present, to start the new year with a good attendance.

It is hoped that 1961 will be the best year for Lionism in the history of the club, officials said.



Miss Nila Lynette Kelly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Kelly of Swannanoa was a sponsor for the governor's inaugural ball in Raleigh on Wednesday, Jan. 4. She is shown with her escort, William N. Ames, Duluth, Minn.

Miss Kelly was one of 186 sponsors from the various counties of North Carolina. These included Miss Toni Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Taylor of Black Mountain.

The sponsors and their dates were honored at a coffee hour at the Carolina Country club in the afternoon prior to the ball. They were introduced to wives of the incoming and outgoing governors and other state officials.

Miss Kelly is a graduate of Lee Edwards High school, attended the University of Tennessee and the Ray Bogue School of Design in Chicago. She is employed as a dress designer for Claudio's in Asheville.

Miss Waite Writes Article

Florida Waite, librarian, First Baptist church, Black Mountain, has written an article for the current issue of a Baptist Sunday School board publication.

"The Challenge in a Garden", in the first quarter, 1961 issue of The Church Library magazine, compares a church library to a garden. Miss Waite writes: "One cannot work with seed and growing plants without realizing the miracles wrought by the Creator. One cannot work with books and individuals without realizing the miracle of changed lives." Cultivating personal improvement and Christian growth is the challenge of the library-garden.

The Church Library magazine is published quarterly as a guide to an effective library program in the church.

BIDS ASKED FOR USE OF STATION WAGON AT SWAN.

Bids are being solicited by the postmaster at Swannanoa for the use of one late model station wagon containing 90 or more cubic feet. Bids should be made on a daily usage of four or five hours excluding Sunday.

This vehicle will be used in delivery of mail in the city delivery service soon to be installed.

Date of closing bids is 2:00 p.m., Monday, Jan. 30, 1961. More information may be obtained from Postmaster Jim Parks at Swannanoa.

Americans in 1959 spent, on the average, only a fifth of personal income for food; while most of the others in the world spent half.

M-A Receives Gift Check From Northwestern

The Northwestern Bank has donated a total of \$35,000 to six educational institutions located in the area served by the bank.

Montreat-Anderson college has received \$5,000 from this fund, according to Dr. Grier Davis, president of the college, for which the college is very grateful.

Due to the tragic accident which occurred just outside the Montreat gate before the Christmas holidays, the Association expects to place traffic breaks in the road to slow down vehicles for the narrow gate approach. This will be done as soon as the weather permits.

The college choir will go on tour from Jan. 26 to Feb. 7. The itinerary will include Spindale, Rutherford, Forest City, Abbeville, S. C., Bainbridge, Ga., and the following towns in Florida: Tallahassee, Ocala, St. Petersburg, Plant City, and four appearances in Miami with a fifth to be televised there. The final concert will be in Jacksonville on the return trip.

Reception Will Honor Stegalls 4 P.M. Sunday

The Rev. and Mrs. Carroll Stegall will be honored at a reception on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 15 at Friendship Presbyterian church from 4:00 o'clock at which time friends of Mr. and Mrs. Stegall are cordially invited to attend. The Rev. Mr. Stegall is retiring from the active ministry after 45 years of service.

Mr. and Mrs. Stegall entered their ministry of the Southern Presbyterian church in 1915 when they went as missionaries to the Belgian Congo where they served until 1949. Since then, Mr. Stegall has served as associate pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Wilmington, as pastor of Eastern Heights Presbyterian church in Savannah, Ga., and since 1955 as pastor of Friendship Presbyterian church.

Friendship church has prospered in many ways under the able direction and leadership of the Stegalls, having grown in membership from approximately 125 in 1955 to 180 at the close of 1960, and having acquired a church plant valued at \$75,000.00. During 1960 this home mission church purchased a \$16,000.00 manse.

For the past three years Mrs. Stegall has taught the Senior Hi Sunday school class and has been active in the Women of the Church organization. In addition to the many duties of the pastor, Mr. Stegall has had the responsibility of the church office work as well as the weekly printing of the church bulletin. Friendship church will miss the missionary minister and his wife whose many talents have contributed to the church growth.

Record Freight Train Passes Through Town

An all time record freight train went through Black Mountain Jan. 5, according to H. B. Culberson, Southern Railway agent in Black Mountain.

This train was No. 52 eastbound at 8:35 a.m. and was about one and one quarter miles long, stated Mr. Culberson, but the record consisted of the weight of the cars and their loads which totaled 14 million pounds. It required six diesel units to pull the train and they were all working to pull the 122 cars.

The morning passenger train from New York, No. 15, was put on the siding for its regular stop in order that the heavy freight would not have to slow down in its hard pull up to Ridgcrest.

Black Mountain is proud of the fine service which the Southern Railway continues to give to the people and industry of the growing Swannanoa Valley.



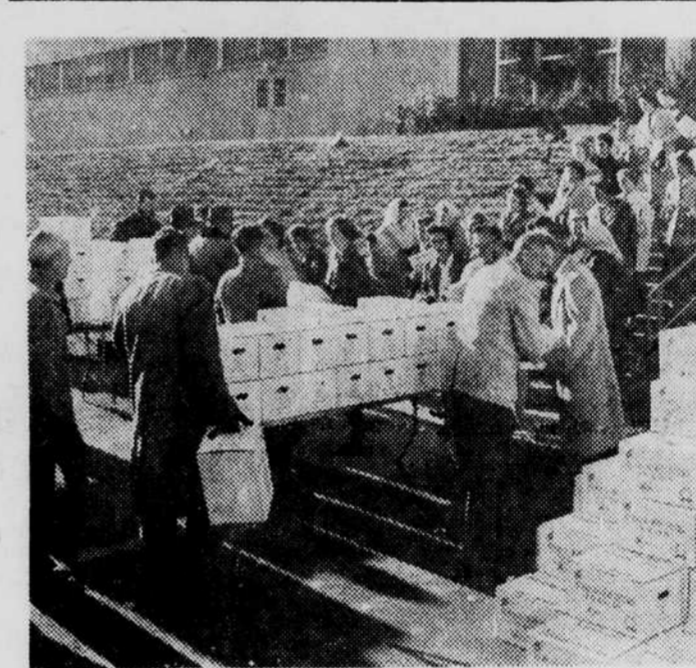
Mrs. C. R. Longcoy of 403 Montreat road in Black Mountain, guested recently on Art Linkletter's CBS-TV and radio show "House Party" in Hollywood.

Mrs. Longcoy took part in a game with Art Linkletter, that he calls "Next thing on the list". He starts by reading a list of prizes, when the person says "stop", they get the next thing on the list.

Mrs. Longcoy said "stop" when Art read, "A bottle of perfume imported from Paris".

The next thing was something no Christmas should be without . . . a Christmas tree! And old Santa himself brought in a 12 footer.

Art presented Mrs. Longcoy with another small household gift for helping out on "House Party".



On Dec. 23 each employee of the Kearfott family was given a Christmas turkey by the management. Some 850 turkeys were given out and additional turkeys were donated to various organizations in the Black Mountain-Swannanoa Valley. Turkeys ranged from 12 to 15 pounds and total pounds were 11,265.



The Swannanoa Free Will Baptist church honored Rev. and Mrs. Wayne Smith, pastor of the church, with a Testimonial Dinner at the Swannanoa community building on Friday night, Dec. 30. The dinner was prepared by the members of the Young Married Couples' Sunday school class. Guest speaker was Rev. W. L. Kell, moderator of the Blue Ridge Association of Original Free Will Baptists, of Marion. Rev. Smith is leaving Swannanoa to accept the pastorate of the Elm Grove Free Will Baptist church of Ayden.



Gamma Pi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority won the Queen of the Snow Carnival at a dance held in Asheville.

Mrs. Shirley Atkins was the Black Mountain Gamma Pi's entry. There were 10 chapters competing for the honor of queen.

W. W. Early New President C of C

BEE TREE CHURCH SETS DEDICATION PROGRAM SUNDAY

The Bee Tree Christian Church, Swannanoa, will conduct a special dedication program Sunday, Jan. 15, 1961, at 2:00 p.m. A new sanctuary has recently been added to the present building. The congregation wishes to extend a cordial invitation to the public to attend this service. The Rev. Bradford Burnette will deliver the dedication sermon. The Rev. Bruce Nay is pastor of the church.

Officers Will Be Installed At Banquet

W. W. Early was elected president of the Black Mountain Chamber of Commerce at a special meeting Monday morning in the office of Carolina Power and Light company. He succeeds Max Woodcock.

Other officers named to serve with Mr. Early include Gene Ford, first vice president; Jim Uzzell, second vice president; Marcus Begley, treasurer, and George Moray, executive secretary.

The officers were chosen from the directors elected by the members by special ballot by mail.

In addition to the officers, members of the board of directors are Mr. Woodcock, H. McGuire Wood, Harry Hyler, W. S. Holcombe, Bill Hickey, F. E. Stepp, Carl Bowness, J. Herbert Gordon, Bill McMurray, G. Gordon Byron, Ben Ivy, and Gordon H. Greenwood.

A member must attend at least seven meetings during the year to be nominated for a place on the board of directors.

The officers will be installed at the Chamber of Commerce scheduled for the Monte Vista hotel at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 17. Dr. Stanley Nale will be the speaker. Tickets are on sale at the Chamber of Commerce office in the town hall, at the Black Mountain News office and at other business places in town.

Those in charge have requested that those planning to attend buy their tickets immediately so that the hotel will know the number to expect.

The Chamber of Commerce has enjoyed an exceedingly good year and now has more than 100 members. Interest is at an all-time high and leaders predict that 1961 will be the best year ever for the group.

Byron Speaker At Meeting Of Press Group

B. Gordon Byron, retired industrial relations executive and publisher, was the speaker for a Saturday evening at the monthly meeting of the Western North Carolina Press Association in Asheville.

Mr. Byron pointed out that too often the community does not appreciate or realize just how much an industry means to its economic life. He said that the members of the editorial and publishing staff of the community newspapers should make it a point to become acquainted with the plant executives.

"Too often the only representatives we ever see of the press are the advertising men or those working on special pages. The editorial department should make it a point to visit the plants, too," he concluded.

At the election of officers L. L. Terry, advertising manager of the Times-News at Hendersonville was named president; Roy Lucas, Canton Enterprise, vice president, and Jim Gray, Sylva Herald, secretary.

Gordon H. Greenwood of the Black Mountain News is the retiring president.

OES CHAPTER TO HONOR GRAND REPRESENTATIVE

Black Mountain Chapter 200, OES will honor a Grand Representative at the Jan. 17 meeting. Mrs. Mildred B. Fisher, past Grand Matron will be guest speaker.

VFW AUXILIARY TO MEET JAN. 12

The regular meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW Post 9157 in Black Mountain will be held at 8:00 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, at the Post home. All members are urged to attend.

Prospective new members are needed and are requested to contact Mrs. Hazel Burnette, secretary-treasurer.

Kiwanis Club Ladies' Night Banquet Friday

The Black Mountain-Swannanoa Kiwanis club will observe Ladies' Night with a banquet starting at 7:00 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13. The new officers will be installed. The guest speaker will be General J. E. Edmonds of Asheville. Harry Hyder is program chairman and John Klutz will serve as master of ceremonies. The presidents of other civic clubs and their wives have been invited as guests of the club. The banquet will be at the Monte Vista hotel.

Col. S. G. Saulnier was guest speaker at the last luncheon meeting and gave an interesting talk, illustrated with wonderful slides, on an extended tour of England, Scotland and Europe last year. The photography was excellent and showed tremendous progress since World War II. The colonel emphasized that his travel of several months took him to many places not seen by tourists generally and gave him and Mrs. Saulnier an opportunity to know the people of the countries visited. Most of them love and respect America, he said.

Guests were W. H. McMurray, Sr., and F. L. Garton, guest of R. C. Wright. D. W. Harrison, presided.

Owen Will Play North Buncombe Here Tuesday

The Owen High cagers will take to the road Friday night when they travel to Reynolds for a twin bill. The Reynolds' boys are especially strong and have been knocking off the leaders with regularity.

On Tuesday, Jan. 17, Owen will return home to meet North Buncombe. Both the NB teams, boys and girls, have been showing good form and will give the locals a battle all the way.

Rev. Waldrip Will Speak At Lakey Gap Ch.

The Rev. Jack Waldrip, president of International Lord's Acre and Lord's Hour plan, will speak at the Lakey Gap Presbyterian church Sunday, Jan. 15, at 11 o'clock.

The Rev. C. W. Solomon, pastor, has invited the public to attend.

SWANNANOVA P.T.A. TO MEET THURSDAY

The Swannanoa P.T.A. will hold the January meeting Thursday night, Jan. 12, at 7:30 at the school. Rep. Gordon Greenwood will be the speaker with the possibility of other legislators present to hold a question and answer period in regard to what the future holds education-wise from this session.

BOOK DIVISION WILL MEET JANUARY 17

The Book division of the Swannanoa Woman's club will meet Tuesday, Jan. 17, at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Charles Waldrop, Northwest ave., Grovemont. Mrs. W. H. McMurray will be in charge of the program.

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