

MONTREAT

Miss Julia Stokes

The circles of the Montreat Women of the Church met on Tuesday, Feb. 14 as follows: Circle 1, Mrs. L. Nelson Bell, chairman, met in the manse with Mrs. A. F. Fogartie as hostess. Refreshments were served before the meeting. Mrs. Bell served spiced tea and Mrs. Samuel Woods served cakes. The Bible lesson was given by Mrs. John Haw, Mrs. Bell held a brief business session at the beginning of the meeting. Those present: Mrs. Alice W. Gammon, Mrs. Bell, Miss Margaret Hopper, Mrs. Alice W. Gammon, Mrs. Rosenblatt, Mrs. Haw, Mrs. Woods, Miss Julia Stokes, Mrs. Robert Coit, Miss Jean Tait, Miss Edith Tait, Dr. Nettie Grier, Mrs. Sells, and Mrs. Fogartie.

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What to Do in Black Mountain

Jaycees meets 1st Thursday for business, 7:30 p.m.; 3rd Thursday for dinner at Monte Vista, 7 p.m. Black Mountain-Swannanoa Rotary club meeting, Monte Vista hotel, Mondays, 12:15 p.m. Black Mountain Lions club, Monte Vista, second and fourth Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Black Mountain-Swannanoa Kiwanis club, each Thursday noon, Monte Vista hotel. "Tween-Age" square dance group meets every Tuesday night at 8 at the Youth Center, just off Cragmont Road. Everyone of adult age invited for the fun. The following events, sponsored by the Get Acquainted club, to which all interested persons are invited: Every Thursday night, 7:30 p.m., Monte Vista hotel, duplicate bridge, instruction by Max Woodcock; Blue Ridge Duplicate Bridge Club, Don's Restaurant, Tuesday night, 8:00 p.m.; Classes in Millinery, Wednesday mornings, St. James' Episcopal Parish house, 9 o'clock. For further information call Mrs. Townsend Hay, NO 9-7844.

Other purely social activities listing in this column may call the Black Mountain News. Save this schedule for easy reference.

FREE WHEELING

By Bill Crowell

Stand aside there ladies while we have some mantalk this week. It's about the "Battleship," the first successful four wheel drive automobile in the world. Built more than 50 years ago by a Clintonville, Wisconsin, mechanical genius, the Battleship recently came face to face with the fastest four wheel car ever built. The encounter took place on the famous salt flats near Bonneville, Utah, where Donald Campbell was on hand to try for a world's land speed record.

Campbell is the son of the late Sir Malcolm Campbell who first drove an automobile in excess of 300 miles an hour on the same salt flats 25 years earlier. The younger Campbell had his four and a half million dollar racing machine primed to beat his father's record. It is equipped with a gas turbine engine capable of turning up 4250 horsepower and required five years of engineering to produce. It was expected to top speeds of 500 mph.

The Bluebird, as Campbell's John H. Reed, Jr. and seeing her sister, Mrs. W. C. McLaughlin who has just returned from her mission work with the Chinese in Japan. The Rev. and Mrs. W. C. McLaughlin are now living in Richmond, Va. We will look for them in Montreat next summer.

Mary Stockton a student in King College, Bristol was home for the week end. Mr. Stockton is in Memorial Mission Hospital this week undergoing special treatment.

Mrs. C. W. Solomon has returned home after spending two weeks in Mission hospital where she underwent dental surgery.

Jeffery Sells Kingsport, Tenn. spent last week with his grandmother, Mrs. Geo. Sells in the Graham home on the mountain.

Dr. and Mrs. C. Grier Davis were away last week. Dr. Davis went to Davidson and other places in behalf of Montreat. Mrs. Davis visited relatives in North Carolina.

machine is named gets its power from the turbine which turns all four wheels—which incidentally are 52 inches in diameter and inflated to 100 pounds per square inch with nitrogen.

The driver took the sleek, 8,000 pound machine for a 250 mile an hour whizz down the salt flats. Later Campbell returned and climbed aboard the Battleship for a spin with his wife. "It was a jolly good fun to drive the old car," he remarked afterward.

Ironically, the very next day the half century old relic was still chugging along, but not the Bluebird. Campbell crashed, without serious injury, during another trial run. That called a halt to his attempt to raise the world's land speed record.

Back when the Battleship was new in 1910 its builders challenged all comers with: "\$1000 to any automobile that can follow the Battleship for 10 minutes."

There were many takers but all failed to follow the rugged car as she plowed through mudholes of clay and mire, through sand pits, steep hills and any place it was thought a car couldn't run.

That summer of 1910 the Battleship stalled 116 rear-driven cars in sand or mud, and then not only plowed through itself but pulled out the bogged down vehicles.

Four wheel drive vehicles have an interesting history. It began one day in 1906 when that Clintonville mechanic backed a rear wheel drive car up an incline he couldn't get going forward. This led to the successful development of multi-drive vehicles, of which the Battleship was the forerunner.

It, incidentally, has a 45-horsepower, four-cylinder engine and the body is made of wood. It's on a 128-inch wheelbase, and its four wheel drive also includes four wheel brakes, probably the first in the country.

The old car is now on ex-



Judge Howard Hubbard who will serve as chairman of the North Carolina Bar Association's Committee on Legislation during the year. Judge Hubbard will have a very prominent part in this year's presentation of the court improvement proposals which will be made early during the session of the 1961 General Assembly. The bill will be presented in the House of Representatives by Rep. Pat Taylor of Anson county.



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Mrs. Roger Viverette presented a group of music pupils in a recital Saturday afternoon, Feb. 17, at her studio on Church street. The theme for the recital was "Music For Fun". The following appeared on the program in solo and ensemble numbers: A. C. Owenby, Emily Hawkins, Celeste McCall, Nancy Daugherty, Carolyn Prescott, Virginia Reid, Eugene Knofel, Daniel Wilhide, Nancy Hutchins, Hazel Brandon, Charlotte Knofel, Tommy Love, Toni Wilder, David Tyson, Melba Riddle, and Judy Byrd.

Charles Spencer Completes Civil Defense Organization. Black Mountain, Broad River and Swannanoa townships have been organized into one unit for civil defense, it has been announced by Charles E. Spencer, director of this area. An assistant director has been named for each township as follows: Black Mountain Francis Wylly; Broad River, Charles M. Fortune, Jr.; Swannanoa, John H. Smith. Fred Burnett of Ridgcrest has been chosen assistant area director.

New Parking Lot Opens on Sutton Avenue. A new parking lot is now in operation at the western end of Sutton avenue on the lots belonging to the Black Mountain News and Rudolph Sharp. The new lot will accommodate 22 cars. The News and Mr. Sharp donated the use of their lots. Grovestone did the grading free, and the Town of Black Mountain furnished the stone and staked it off. Those who find it necessary to park for any length of time in or near this end of Sutton avenue are requested to use the lot.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Spencer have as guests Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Biggs of Des Moines. Mrs. Spencer and Mrs. Biggs have been life-long friends and haven't seen each other for 15 years until this visit. Mrs. Stubbs is Womens Club Hostess. The regular monthly meeting of the Black Mountain Womens Club was held in the home of Mrs. Clyde Stubbs at Montreat. Mrs. Anne Sharp Harrison was re-elected president; Mrs. S. S. Cooley re-elected vice president, Mrs. H. A. Kerlee, second vice-president, Miss Lou Lindsey re-elected Secretary; Mrs. W. J. Gammon, recording secretary and Mrs. Conrad Leonard, Treasurer.

hibit at an automobile museum in Clintonville.

VERSE He drove down Highway Twenty Nine Alert to every light and sign, Handling his car with measured care Not once across the centerline. His speed was cautious and restrained His hand was sure upon the wheel, The prudent skipper of a car That kept a safe and even keel. A model driver, his keen mind Had sensed a squad car right behind.

Valley Students Earn Honors At King College

Three Black Mountain and Swannanoa students have received honors at King college, Bristol, Tenn.

David L. DuPuy of Black Mountain is among the 49 students at King named on the Dean's List of the college for the first semester. These students are thus commended for their excellent academic work, having averaged B or better in all their courses. Mr. DuPuy is a member of the sophomore class and is majoring in mathematics. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. DuPuy of 116 N. Blue Ridge road, Black Mountain.

Nancy D. DuPuy of Black Mountain was recently elected vice-president of the Pi Pi Sigma for the second semester. She is a member of the sophomore class and is majoring in English. She is copy editor of the college yearbook, the "Tornado" and serves on the Freshman Adjustment committee. She is the daughter of the E. L. DuPuy of Black Mountain.

George A. Talbot of Swannanoa was recently elected class representative to the Student Government. A member of the sophomore class, he is majoring in biology. He is active in the work of the King College Symphonic choir and in

the Athenaeum Literary society. Last fall he played on the college soccer team. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. G. B. Talbot of Bee Tree road, Swannanoa.

RICHARD MORROW SERVING WITH USS ENTERPRISE

Richard W. Morrow, chief interior communications electrician, USN, son of Wade Morrow of Black Mountain, N. C., and husband of the former Miss Mary C. Hall of Rose Hill, is serving with the commissioning crew of the attack aircraft USS Enterprise under construction at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, Newport News, Va.

The \$5,000-ton Enterprise, the world's first nuclear powered carrier, is scheduled to be commissioned in 1961.

Summary of All Traffic Deaths In State

The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 13, 1961:

Killed to date 108 Killed to date last year 114

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