

# MONTREAT

Miss Julia Stokes

The Montreat Woman's club met in the Club House on Lookout road at 3:30 p.m. The vice-president, Mrs. L. Y. Douglas, presided over a short business session. The president, Mrs. T. Emmitt Anderson introduced the speaker for the day, Dr. C. Grier Davis who gave a most interesting talk on the plans for the future development of Montreat. He then introduced the new vice-president, Dr. Ivan B. Stafford who spoke briefly of the development program. Fruit punch and cookies were served by Mrs. A. R. Urdike, Mrs. Maurice Conner and Mrs. Ketterer as hostess for the day.

The next meeting was held at 3:30 in the club house with Mrs. P. P. McCain as speaker. Her subject was "Russia." A cordial invitation is extended to all visitors as well as all residents of Montreat. The club meeting July 24 will include singing by the Young People's club—feature the "Montreat Ode." The Women's Conference will be held July 20-27. Miss Evelyn Green is director. Their program is most interesting. There will be a Bible Hour each morning at 9:10 given by Dr. Suzanne de Dietrich of Paris, France. The opening session is Thursday at 8 p.m. The speaker is Dr. Albert G. Edwards and his subject is "Ambassadors for Christ."

On Saturday at 8 p.m. the Transylvania Concert Band will have the second concert of the season in Anderson Auditorium. Evelyn Sisk is conductor. The Transylvania Chorus, with Elwood Keister as conductor will also appear. This concert is open to the public and all friends of Montreat and all music lovers are invited.

The morning worship service was held in Anderson Auditorium on Sunday at 11 o'clock. Dr. James A. Jones, president of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., preached at both Sunday services. The Music Conference chorus sang, "Arise My Soul and Praise God's Kindness" Heinrich Albert (1604-1651) as anthem and as offertory the choir sang, "I praise the Lord; Ye Heavens Adore Him." Traditionally Dutch melody arranged by Richard Peck. Special music was given for evening service.

On Wednesday at 8 p.m. will be the Church Music Festival Concert, 3 choirs, 300 voices. Elaine Brown, Madeleine Ingram and James Hart, conducting. Charles Heaton, accompanist. The music for the Sunday service was furnished by the Music Conference Choir under the direction of Dr. Elaine Brown. Violist for the morning service was Camille Pilcher.

The morning worship service on Sunday, July 23, at 11 will be Dr. Wallace Mc-

pherson Alston, president of Agnes Scott college, Decatur, who is moderator of the General Assembly. The 8 p.m. service is the presentation of missionary appointees—Dr. Eugene Daniels, commissioners secretary.

Those visiting in Montreat this week are: Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bennett and three children of Parsippany, N. J., who are visiting Mrs. Berg's mother, Mrs. John Haw and aunt, Miss Margaret Davis on Virginia road. Mr. and Mrs. Berg will be here only a few days, but the children will remain for a few weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Holt who have been in Florida for the past winter are in their home on Appalachian Way.

Miss Lucy Senn had as guest this past week some of the Montreat and Mrs. W. T. Senn of Seneca. S. C., Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Booser, of Gaffney, S. C., Miss Miss Sadie Bowers and Miss Ada Cromer of Newberry, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Cork had as guests last week, Mrs. G. D. Knight of Selma, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Armistron and four children of Raleigh, Houston, Charlotte, George, and Lamar, Jr.

Gen. and Mrs. William Cork of Columbia are to be in the Cork cottage this week.

Miss Kathryn Pinner had as guests last week Miss Ruthanne Foard of Kingsville, Md., and Miss Anna Koontz of Luray, Va.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Miller and family of Grand Rapids, Mich., are in their home, the former Yates cottage "Furlough Home" on Assembly drive for the summer. Mrs. Carleton White and sons are here too.

Mrs. Jerry Taylor of Decatur and Dillon, Ga., visited in Montreat last week. She visited Mrs. Mellinger Henry and Miss Julia Stokes, old family friends.

Miss Josey Woods is spending the summer with Miss Verdie Lively, who has returned to her home after a winter in Florida. Miss Wood together with Miss Lucy Grier, Mrs. Samuel Woods, Dr. Nettie Grier and Mrs. Charles Brinkerhoff spent Sunday in Statesville where they went to hear Don Woods preach in the Reformed Presbyterian church.

Mrs. J. Mercer Blaine of Davidson, N. C., has returned to Davidson after a few weeks stay in "Umarest." She returned with her daughter, Mrs. James Wood, who was here only a short time. Mrs. Blaine celebrated her ninety first birthday lately.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Urdike of Lake Wales, Fla., are in their cottage on Oklahoma drive. They have as guests Mrs. Urdike's sister, Mrs. Maurice Conner of Trenton, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennie B. Ketterer and family of Oramand Beach, Fla., are in their cottage Appalachia Way for the summer. Mr. Ketterer is to go to Washington, D. C., to visit the son who is attending American University. He graduated from Florida Southern in Lakeland, Fla., in June.

Mrs. S. M. Harrell and Mrs. A. G. Carter of Tarboro, N. C., are in their cottage, Camp Fairley for the summer. Mrs. W. M. Fairley is spending the summer in Assembly Inn.



Smiley Burnette, film cowboy comic, musician, composer and one-man show, gets a "hands-up" reception as he visits Tweetsie Railroad at Blowing Rock. Man with the gun is Fred Kirby, Charlotte TV star and Marshal of Tweetsie, who guards the Wells Fargo "gold shipment" on the tourist attraction. Smiley visited Tweetsie to entertain the "little cowpokes"—and their parents.

## Mountain Musings

by Gene Byrd

**Golden Rule Days:** I firmly believe in positive thinking, but I am inclined to believe that making some positive statements verge on "over-optimism."

I proudly announced in an earlier column that I had acquired six quarter hours of graduate credit that would place me in good position from the standpoint of certification both in North Carolina and Maryland.

A little added information took the wind out of my sails. I needed six semester hours to be secure. Now it takes nine quarter hours to make six semester hours. So, I was faced with the necessity of going back to school.

A friend informed me that I could acquire three quarter hours in extension work from the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina on the Asheville-Biltmore campus. The course to be offered would be Public Relations.

Emotionally, psychologically and financially, I was loath to return to the scholastic grind. Building up to completion of something, I thought I had already completed presented a bit of a problem.

Mentally, I was dragging my feet as I drove up Town Mountain road, stalled on the very abrupt turn into the A-B

Steve. S. C. Clark and son Steve of Winston-Salem are in their cottage, Happy-Hollow, for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Gragg of Bainbridge, Mrs. W. B. Clark and daughters, Betty and Kitty of New Orleans are in their cottage on Mississippi road.

campus, negotiated the winding drive, squeezed through the tunnel and eased into the parking lot.

The first five minutes of the class served as a psychological lift. It took me just that long to realize that I was involved with a great teacher, superior classmates and a very worthwhile and interesting subject.

So, I'm back in class and happy... very happy with it all.

**Meet Our Miss Phillips:** The human element makes pedagogy come alive. The most important element on the instructional level, with all respect to buildings, principals, superintendents, tape recorders, maps, charts, record players, etc., is the TEACHER.

Our Miss Carrie Phillips keeps our class moving along in masterful fashion.

In the first place, she is a most attractive, poised lady. It is hard to believe that she is a retired elementary principal. She is well read and reads well. She is getting results without driving, but I find myself reading more professional material than I have read in a long time.

She stirs up some fervent, fervid class discussions; in fact, she gently "eggs" us on. When we get excited and digress too far from the subject, she unobtrusively but efficiently takes over and Presto! we're back on course.

She gracefully combines Head and Heart. Her kind of instruction could make Quality Education a Reality.

I am interested in my classmates. They are a varied and pleasant group.

Mrs. Helen Alexander, a first grade teacher at Sand Hill, is the only person in this class that was in Guidance Course, that I took earlier in the summer. I felt that she was a friend of old standing and was glad to see her.

We are seated alphabetically so I am seated between Mary Sue Brown and Doris Cole. Both these folks are most friendly and compatible and help make the course more pleasant. Mary Sue used to be the manager of some of those formidable Weaverville basketball teams starring Gambill and the Corn sisters; we have lots to talk about. Mrs. Cole was originally a Geitzentanner (I hope I didn't get that wrong) and is a good friend of Thelma Payne Smathers. Anybody that is a friend of Thelma's is a friend of mine.

We have a physical education teacher, a teacher in the Maryland schools (she's giving me the insides), two very nice Negro teachers, a mother-daughter combination, a guidance teacher, first grade teachers, (just about every grade is represented, as a matter of fact), a photographer's wife, an outstanding E.T. U. leader, a young lady that hasn't taught but is considering it, a lady "in waiting" (about October, I believe); we do have a nice variety.

So I have a happy circumstance. I can learn from my teacher, my classmates and the many fine materials that are being made available. I feel that I shall be a better person and better teacher for this experience.

**Castle Perilous:** Since Asheville - Biltmore College will move from the mountain this fall, I availed myself of a guided tour of the institution. Dean Parsons showed us around and told us some interesting facts about the place.

The late Fred Seely had this edifice constructed in 1916, using native stone quarried on the premises. The Castle, as it was once called, is a replica of a building in England that attracted Mr. Seely's fancy. Certainly, it is built in the baronial manner. The views from this place are breath-taking. You would have to see them to appreciate them.

A fireplace in the banquet hall contains two interesting stones. One came from the Tower of London and was taken from a wall where Sir Walter Raleigh liked to lean during his imprisonment in the Tower. Another came from the castle where the famous Blarney Stone resides. I thought about kissing this cousin of the Blarney Stone; however, this would be wasting natural resources, and I talk too much now.

Space forbids enumeration

of all the attractions. I recommend a visit.

If you are feeling real prosy, the place is for sale. I don't know whether any ghosts walk the corridors or not.

**Wayfarer:** I picked up Ted Smith the other morning. I was so glad to see him that I forgave him some of his "contributions" to English two last year. We talked wistfully of how nice it would be if the singing group, The Troublesome Four could come up with a Hit record. I enjoyed hearing what some of the "Owen Gang" were doing.

**Memos:** Burlison, I "Reed" you loud and clear. I can't lick you, will entertain a proposition to "jine you."

Commissioners to Jack Greenwood and his Alexander Graham "Bellevue."

Enjoyed the visit, Blanche, Bob and Effie. Come again. Hi, up there in Boone. Thanks for being so sweet to my family.

**The Trail**  
I paused at the crest of the mountain;  
Gazed back on the trail below.  
Considered what lay behind me,  
And wondered what lay before.

The trail was plain in the sunlight  
Winding there it made quite clear.  
That off the compass was faulty  
And vision distorted by fear.

### Were You There?

Swannanoa—The Fire station is one of the few old buildings on Whitson Avenue put to good use. The others should be torn down or remodeled. They were useful businesses once, as a theater, drug store, Beacon Blanket doughnut shop, or newstand. The taxi stand once knew a cafe, Pete's Place. Now, that was way-back, at least twenty years!

On the corner of South and Whitson Avenues, Swannanoa's present cafe sits in the same spot where a diner and a shoe shop once stood. The grocery, Noblitt's moved from Main St. now known as Railroad avenue.

The Shell service station has been across from the bank many years.

The Methodist church and minister's home haven't moved, only had a facelift and addition.

Doctor Clapp's office could

Rude crosses, stark by the roadside  
Epitaphs to cumbersome pride,  
From your vantage high on the mountain,  
My faults I could scare abide.

Peaceful, the homes of loved ones,  
Their inmates shall be in my heart.  
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