



Peekin' Through The KEYHOLE

... With LIB

by Elizabeth Dinwiddie Kelth

The Buncombe County year from the Black Mountain School System, for the fourth consecutive year, is awarding Joey Hyder, Marcia Burgin, Donald Eugene Sneed, Ethel Lomina, Helen Johnson, Lin Bates to students in grades six through 12 who maintain a straight A average.

Owen High students are: Rebecca Hudson, Trudy Gilkerson, Ann Stubbs, and Adelaide Clark.

Miss Verdi Lively and Mrs. L. C. Davis and her nephew, Carl Shrader have returned to Miss Lively's home on Holly Ave., after spending the winter at Clearwater, Fla.

Miss Barbara White, a student at Queen's College, Charlotte, and her brother, Billy White, are among the young

people from this vicinity attending the Young Life Camp at Silver Cliff Ranch, Buena Vista, Colo. They expect to be away a month. Barbara and Billy are the children of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. White.

Jim Koche of West Palm Beach, Fla., is spending this week in Black Mountain as guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Frady and Bryan. Jim and Bryan were stationed together while both were in the Navy.

D. G. Guess is at home after spending some time at VA hospital, Oteen.

Mrs. Fred Wilson is in Memorial Hospital, High Point, receiving treatment for a broken arm she received in a fall last week while visiting her daughter, Miss Nancy Wilson.

Hubert Gibson, an Attorney of Palm Beach, Fla., flew up over the weekend on a business trip for a friend. He was the dinner guest last Saturday night of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Floyd, 220 Laurel Circle.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. McCall and Terry, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schneider spent the weekend in Raleigh, where they attended the graduation of the McCall's son, Ted, at North Carolina State College. Ted received a Bachelor of Science degree in Textile Technology. He also received his R. O. T. C. Commission as second Lieutenant.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McDougle of St. Cloud, Fla., are visiting Mrs. D. O. McDougle. Weekend guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Turpin of Pulaski, Va. Mr. Turpin was an usher in the Hendy-McDougle wedding last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Carol Seawright of Edgefield, S. C. spent the weekend with Mrs. McDougle and Mrs. Richard Seawright.

Miss Irene Archambault of Coral Gables, Fla., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Wacker, 114 Walker St. Irene is Mrs. Wacker's niece.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Jones spent the weekend in Durham with members of his family. Sunday, June 10, Mr. and Mrs. Jones will celebrate their Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Marler and son, Alan Keith, have moved from Portman Villa road to their recently purchased home at 509 Rhododendron Ave.

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Kearfott Division precision instruments and components again were a part of a successful series of manned orbits around the earth.

The Atlas missile which boosted Aurora VII and M. Scott Carpenter into his three-orbital flight contained a Kearfott floated rate integration gyro in its steering mechanism as well as Kearfott synchros, servo motors, servo motor generators, and gearheads assembled in the missile guidance system.

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Mountain Musings

by Gene Byrd

Bursting Out All Over: Seems like everybody is graduating from somewhere. Seriously, so many of the young people I have taught are graduating from high schools and colleges that I could not begin to enumerate in the limited space of this column.

I'll have to compromise by saying I'm real proud of all these fine young people. In fact, I'm sure the entire community is pleased and proud.

We feel particularly happy that our young people are doing so well in institutions of higher learning. Our daily newspapers carry accounts of honors won by the young people of the Valley in almost every edition.

Same Old Story: The old North State has been noted for rearing and educating talented people and immediately seeing them migrate to "greener pastures."

Migrants from Tar Heel do this great folked States of ours from one coast to the other. Family groups are scattered from the Great Lakes to the Rio Grande.

This is no new trend. Before the Civil War, the call of new opportunities greatly depleted our state's population.

I find myself wondering where this recent crop will settle.

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annually tests the remnants of school teacher's faltering stability of mind.

There really seems to be no painless way to perform this operation and it keeps one as busy as a bee in a tar-bucket. (Now where did I learn that saying?)

We completed our work, a very pleasant year's work, at the Old Fort School on Wednesday. Brother Lambert left Greenlee Baptist Church a little sooner than anticipated; so, we began our duties there with prayer meeting on Wednesday evening.

Friday was occupied with the Chandler funeral services and visitation.

Thursday and Saturday were occupied in re-screening operations on the house and great-up around the premises.

Late Saturday, I decided to improve my wife's closets by installing two extra posts. We had two huge locket posts, heritage of last year's wind storm, and they looked as if they might fly the bill. I excavated two deep holes and impressed the ser-

VICES of Bobby to help me rawhide the posts to their positions. We got one into place without incident. Then, we started with the heavier of the two. Bobby was leading the way, and I staggered along behind. Suddenly, I stepped into a small hole, twisted my ankle severely and fell forward on top of the log. A snag on the log hit me below the right eye and a trifle above the eye.

For a moment I was "addled". I thought with a touch of amusement, "Who is that idiot crawling around groaning and carrying-on?" Then I wasn't amused, I was the aforesaid idiot.

I had dug up some boxwoods and presented them to a dear friend some time back. I had replaced the dirt, but recent rains had caused the earth to sink. Thus, I had created my own elephant pit and could blame no one but myself. (That made it hurt worse).

Just step right up and call me Hop-a-long.

A Glass ... Darkly: We failed to see the purpose in events that bring us pain.

We're conditioned for life's sunshine. We shrink away from rain. Death makes us want to question.

Nor do we hesitate.

To withdraw from society. And loudly rail at fate. When the going's getting rough, And you'd like to yell, "Retreat!" Just smile and take the bitter. The way you took the sweet. Life is a great composite Of Joy and utter Pain. You'd never love the sunshine, If you'd never seen the rain.

The editor declared in the lead paragraph of his editorial that the people of Louisiana "have cause to envy" the North Carolina advertisement proclaiming it as a state in which "good government is a habit".

Governor Sanford pointed to the salient features of the North Carolina ad in which it is stated:

"North Carolina's good government has produced: 1. Highest credit rating—AAA bonds; 2. One of the lowest debts of the 50 states—state and local debts combined on a per capita basis; 3. A state law prohibiting deficit spending."

The North Carolina ad, aimed at industrialists seeking new plant locations, ends as follows: "This good government provides vital services to its people and its industries. These services mean profit to you. For the future look wisely to North Carolina."

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Governor Sanford said today that North Carolina can be proud of recognition given by the editor of the New Orleans (La.) STATES-ITEM to a North Carolina industrial advertisement appearing currently in publications of national circulation.

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