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## Weather

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Nov. 19	73	45	
Nov. 20	62	42	
Nov. 21	63	41	.12
Nov. 22	63	46	
Nov. 23	65	54	.12
Nov. 24	57	32	
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## PETERSON RECEIVES AWARD



Army Specialist Five John P. Peterson (right), whose wife, Sharon, lives on Rt. 2, Middletown, Md., receives a certificate of achievement from Lt. Col. Ben Kvitky, troop commander, U. S. Army Garrison, in mid-October, while serving with Special Troops Headquarters at Camp Zama, Japan.

Specialist Peterson received the award for his outstanding performance of duty during his recent assignment with the Southeastern Signal school at Fort Gordon, Ga. Peterson, an administration specialist at the headquarters, entered the Army in July 1960 and arrived overseas last month.

The 21-year-old soldier is a 1960 graduate of Charles D. Owen High school. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde W. Peterson, Rt. 1, Swannanoa.

## Mrs. M. E. Head Is Girl State Chairman

Waycaster - McFee American Legion Auxiliary met Monday night, Nov. 18, at the home of Mrs. C. E. Keith. Mrs. Garland S. Stikeleather, president, presided over the meeting.

During the meeting Mrs. M. E. Head was selected to serve as Girl State chairman. It was announced that the local unit would work in the Christmas gift shop at Oteen on Dec. 17. A social hour was held after the meeting. Those present were Mrs. W. T. Wright, Mrs. E. W. Jackson, Mrs. Don Quarles, Mrs. Head, Mrs. Stikeleather, Mrs. Clara Snyder, Mrs. D. G. Guess, Mrs. Joe Bullock, Mrs. Floyd W. Stikeleather, and Mrs. H. E. Stinchcomb.

## History of Nov. 1953 Recalls People, Events

What was happening in Black Mountain ten years ago this week? A search into the files shows headlines saying "Fire On Broad River Now Under Control" The fire, believed to be of incendiary origin, burned over 1200 acres of land before being brought under control. It had been discovered about 6 A.M. by Roy Barker in the fire tower atop High Windy. It appeared at one time as though it might sweep across the ridge and onto Blue Ridge property; only about one acre of timberland in the assembly acreage was damaged.

The members of the North-western Bank office were preparing to observe "Know Your Bank Week" with open house. They were still in the building on Sutton and, of the personnel pictured at the time, only Bill Hickey and Mrs. Andrew Milovitz are still with the bank.

Burgess Servicenters was to open on November 20-21 with a celebration which gave four twelve pound turkeys, 150 cans of gas, 1 child's bicycle and other prizes while someone named Panhandle Pete with his 21 piece one-man band furnished music the "live-long" day.

The following week (which was Thanksgiving) showed pictures of the fire which raged in the Broad River section and statements by "the fire fighters that they had never been treated so well". This was in response to the food collected by Mrs. Bessie Carr (Hobson) of the local Red Cross office and delivered by Bill Holcombe, Oscar Finney and other volunteers.

It was another ten year milestone for C. C. Godfrey was completing his tenth year.

## STORY HOUR WILL CONTINUE THRU DECEMBER 13

The Library Story Hour for children, originally scheduled for the month of November only, is to be extended through Friday, Dec. 13. The time for the weekly story hour period will continue to be on Friday at 10:00 o'clock.

The extension of the event is planned at the request of the parents, voicing the desires of the children, for many of whom it has meant the highlight of the week. In charge of the story hour are Mrs. Charlotte Bridgman, Dr. Elinor Behre, and Mrs. James Robson.

## Kiwanians See Topical Film

At the regular meeting of the local Kiwanis club on Nov. 21, a topical film prepared by Kiwanis International was shown. This series presented a running account with illustrations of the aims and aspirations of the huge Kiwanis organization; public service being the overall object.

Porter Lamm of Asheville and Dr. Herbert Daugherty of Black Mountain were guests. The next meeting will be held at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 27, instead of Thursday. The meeting will be addressed by Morris McGough, manager of the Asheville Development council and a good attendance is urged.

## Sweater Shop Has Two Sites Until January 1

The Sweater Shop, owned by W. W. White and managed by Mrs. Queenie Walker, is in the process of moving from their first location on State street across into the building formerly occupied by Black Mountain Grocery and Spann's Feed and Seed store. Because of the large amount of stock on hand, and new stock coming in, the owner has planned to operate both the shops until the end of the year when the building of their first location will be vacated in favor of the newer large site which they hope to be operating by the first of December.

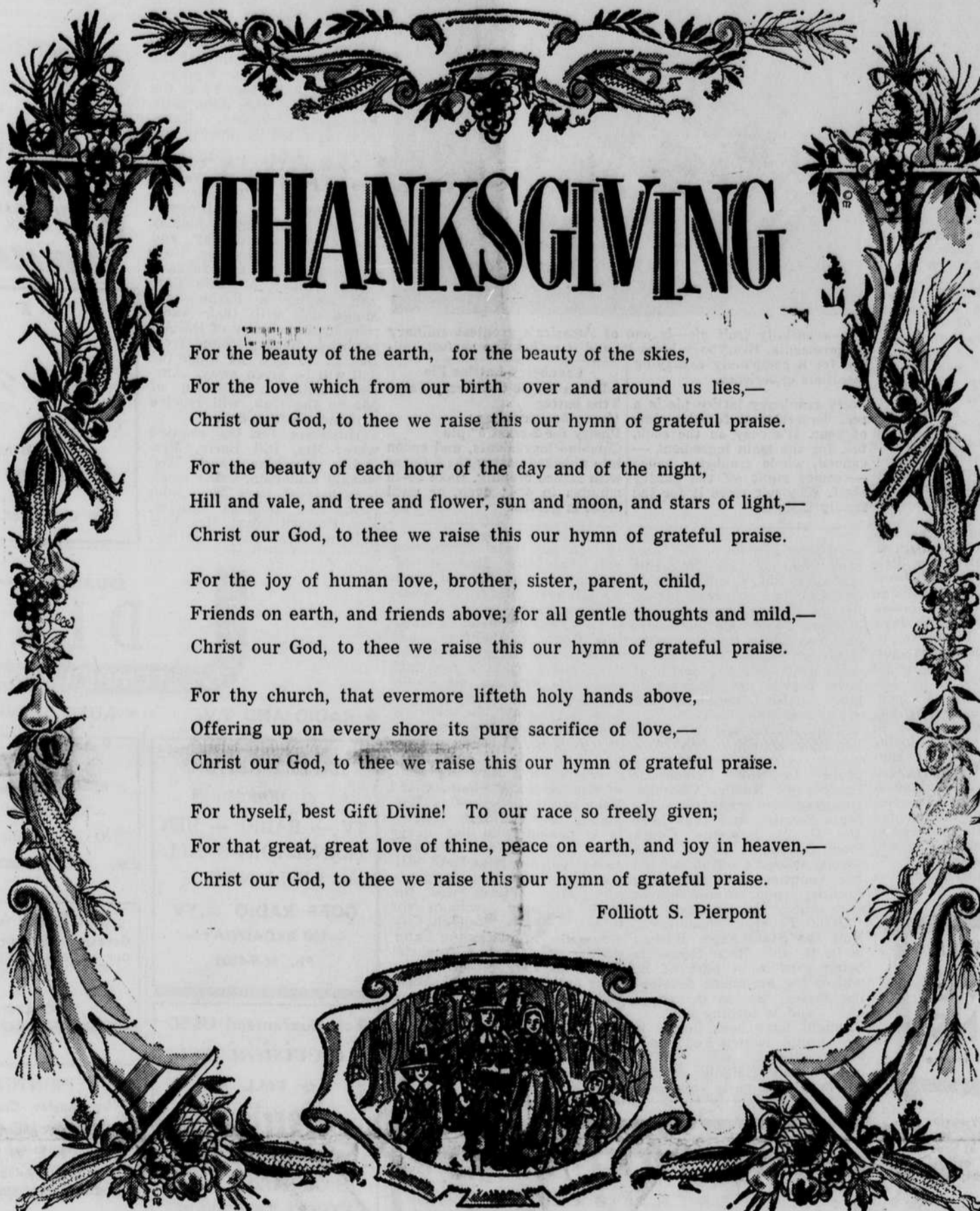
## S/SGT. JAMES WARD CITED FOR DUTY WITH ATOMIC AGENCY

Army Staff Sergeant James R. Ward, 30, whose wife, Jo, lives at 1907 Buena Vista, SE, Albuquerque, N. M., received a certificate of achievement late in October while serving with the 79th Artillery in Germany.

Sgt. Ward received the award for outstanding performance of duty during his recent assignment with Headquarters of the U. S. Army Command and Control Agency, Defense Atomic Support Agency at Sandia Base, N. M.

Currently assigned as a personnel sergeant in the artillery's 3rd Missile Battalion near Giessen, Ward entered the Army in October 1956 and delivered over seas on this tour of duty last June.

The sergeant is a graduate of Swannanoa High school. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Ward, live at 136 Fountain Way, Swannanoa.



# THANKSGIVING

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies,—  
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,—  
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth, and friends above; for all gentle thoughts and mild,—  
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For thy church, that evermore lifteth holy hands above,  
Offering up on every shore its pure sacrifice of love,—  
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For thyself, best Gift Divine! To our race so freely given;  
For that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heaven,—  
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Folliott S. Pierpont

## Prominent Film On Bible Origin Coming Sunday

An outstanding film, "Our Bible—How It Came to Us", will be shown at the First Baptist church at the evening worship hour on the coming Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

The presentation is an hour and 20 minutes. The first part of the picture flashes back to Nazareth in the time of the first century and shows Jesus in the synagogue reading from the Scroll of Isaiah. Then unfolds the story of how the Old Testament was formed, translated into Greek, read throughout the Eastern Mediterranean world and became the Scriptures of the early Christians.

The formation of the New Testament is dramatically portrayed, first by showing how Paul, working as a tentmaker in Corinth, dictates the first of the Epistles, and then how the Gospels came to be written by like, Matthew, Mark, and John.

Other parts of the film include the spread of the Bible across Europe. One outstanding scene deals with the Martyrdom of William Tyndale, another with the conference of King James in 1604 which led to the publication of the King James Version of the Bible. Other important facts will be portrayed.

Those who may not be worshipping elsewhere are cordially invited to join in this instructive and inspiring service, state Pastor Usher.

## PVT. MICHAEL GIBBS COMPLETES COURSE AT ORDNANCE CENTER

Army Pvt. Michael Gibbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Gibbs, Swannanoa, completed a 14-week tracked and wheeled vehicle engine maintenance course at the Ordnance Center, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., Nov. 15.

During the course Gibbs received instruction in the maintenance and repair of various automotive mechanisms.

The 24-year-old soldier entered the Army in May 1963 and completed basic training at Fort Gordon, Ga. He was graduated from Charles D. Owen High school in 1957.

## REASSIGNED



Airman Russell L. Hall, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell L. Hall of Rt. 1, Swannanoa, is being reassigned to McCoy AFB, Fla., for training and duty as a fuel specialist.

## Five Members Accepted Into Gamma Pi

The Gamma Pi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held the pledge service for five new members at the regular meeting on Monday night at the home of Mrs. Jack Brown.

New members accepted into the local chapter by ceremonies carried out by the president, Lou Lindsey, were Brenda Lindsay, Tony Poe, Bett Livingston, Sara Atkins and Faye Massey.

The program following the ceremony was directed by Shirley Atkins. Each member was to have brought samples of work done as a hobby and a list composed of knitting, Swedish darning, crewel embroidery, sewing, storytelling, flower gardening, picture painting, weaving, cooking, fishing, cut glass collecting and raising dogs was found to be hobbies of members.

Members present in addition to those new ones mentioned above were: Shirley Atkins, Priscilla Miller, Joan Brown, A. J. Kerlee, Lores Whitaker, Mary Maret, Lou

## Suggestions For Mail At Christmastime

Faced with the certainty that Christmas 1963 will set an all-time record for millions of Christmas cards and gifts, Postmaster Bob Williams today requested your cooperation in his annual "Mail Early for Christmas" campaign.

The postmaster said—"Here are the things to watch to be sure that every Christmas card and gift package will be delivered before Christmas Eve —

First, check over your Christmas card and gift list very carefully—be certain each address is complete with full name, street and number, city, state and zone or ZIP Code number.

Second, stock up soon on sturdy packing materials for your gift packages, including heavy wrapping paper, corrugated cartons, strong cord, and paper adhesive tape.

Third, buy your postage stamps now. Be sure to use the colorful new five cent Christmas Tree stamps on your cards.

Fourth, procure free labels from your post office which read "ALL FOR LOCAL DELIVERY" and "ALL FOR OUT-OF-TOWN DELIVERY", so that you can sort your Christmas cards into two groups, with addresses all facing one way, thus insuring fast delivery.

Fifth, be sure that your full name and address is on all

## THOMAS MARETT, USN GRADUATES FROM TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Thomas L. Maret, airman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas V. Maret of Flat Creek road, Black Mountain, was graduated Oct. 18 from the Aviation Ordnance school at the Naval Air Technical Training Unit, Jacksonville, Fla.

The 18-week basic course consists of training in guns, electricity and electronics, ordnance equipment, aircraft munitions and other fundamentals of the aviation ordnance rating.

## SOLD MOST



Pictured is Miss Carolyn Wilkide, Owen senior, who brought in the most money from the sale of tickets for the activity dinner held at the school Sunday, Nov. 17. Carolyn turned in \$91.25 which she claims was collected with the aid of friends.

## C of C States No Yule Parade For This Year

George Moray, secretary of the Black Mountain Chamber of Commerce stated today, Tuesday, that a poll of the members of the chamber showed that it was their desire to cancel entirely all plans for a Christmas parade this year.

The postponement from the original date of Monday, November 25 caused conflict in the schedules of the bands which were scheduled to participate in the parade and because of these former commitments it would have been impractical to try another date with no bands taking part.

Christmas decorations are being placed on the posts of the downtown section with the ones on Broadway already installed. Others will be placed as weather permits, and as yet no date has been set for the lights to be turned on. It is assumed that the week following Thanksgiving will see the town lighted up for the season. They were to have been on following the parade, but since its cancellation no date has been set.

## Frank Williams Commander VFW Post 157

Frank B. Williams is commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 157, upon the resignation of Commander Ray McSwain because of meeting hours conflicting with his employment and post duties; his resignation was accepted with regret.

At the regular meeting Nov. 6, Past Commander McSwain was given a standing ovation of thanks for his contributions to the local post and veterans.

McSwain has pledged his full support in all future activities within the VFW.

Plans for the flag pole for the Youth center are going forward and improvements to the post home are progressing.

Beta Sigma Phi sorority was given posters for a benefit dinner which will be held at the Asheville City auditorium Saturday, Nov. 30, for mentally retarded children of Buncombe county. This service was donated in behalf of VFW community service. Local clubs and organizations are reminded that the VFW post home is available for any community service events.

## U-RENT-IT REMAINS OPEN

Although Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Moss have gone to Miami to remain until after the Orange Bowl game the U-Rent-It shop at 127 Cherry Street will remain open for business.

Mrs. Moss, who for 15 years has designed and supervised the construction of all costumes for the Bowl game festivities, has continued this work even though she and Mr. Moss now reside in Black Mountain the year 'round. The couple returns to Florida around Thanksgiving for Mrs. Moss to be more conveniently located for her work; they remain until after the first of the year.

## FLOWER GROWERS

Don't throw away the soil you kept worms in. It makes the finest soil available for such indoor plants as African violets, ivy, etc. Rich in humus.

## MISS BUCHANAN WILL SPEAK FOR FRIENDS IN LIBRARY SERIES

On Wednesday morning, Dec. 4, at 10:30 o'clock, the Friends of the Library will present Miss Virginia Buchanan in its fifth meeting of the morning series. This will be held in the Community room, Black Mountain branch of the Asheville Federal Savings and Loan association.

Miss Buchanan, librarian of Montreat - Anderson college, will introduce the group to quite a number of books from the "Mainstream of America" series. This series presents the history of America in terms of "people" and in an exciting story form. The entire sweep of American history is covered in works which are intended for the general reader and which at the same time are authentic, being based upon scholarly research.

The series of books is edited by Lewis Ganett of Doubleday Publishing Co., the first volume having appeared in 1953 and the last two volumes in 1963.

Miss Buchanan has prepared a splendid annotated bibliography which the committee is having mimeographed for those who attend the meeting and for others who cannot be present — these extra copies will be available at the Black Mountain library.

A graduate with high distinction from King college, Miss Buchanan received her Master of Arts degree in Library Science at George Peabody College for Teachers, as well as Certificat de la Langue Francaise from the Sorbonne (Paris). She did graduate study in modern European history at the University of North Carolina. She has also traveled extensively in the United States, Mexico, Canada, and various countries in Europe.

The meeting is open to the public and all are invited to bring sandwiches and share coffee, Sanka, and the fellowship of other members of Friends of the Library. One is invited, also, to examine and ask questions concerning volumes of the "Mainstream of America" series which Miss Buchanan will bring along.

## FRIENDS OF LIBRARY WILL SELL BOOKS FOR ONE DAY ONLY

The Friends of the Library will have books on sale for one day only — Wednesday, Dec. 4 — the day of their monthly morning meeting, in the Community room of the Asheville Federal Bank building. The hours will be from 9:30 a.m. until meeting time, 10:30 a.m. and will resume again following the program at 11:45 and continue until 5 p.m.

The books on sale are from the Asheville Bookstore and have been selected by people who know the best. There will be a good variety offered for all ages.

## CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF NOV. 28-DEC. 4

Pre-School Hour will be continued each Friday morning at 10, sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Black Mountain Lodge 663, AF & AM will hold an emergency communication for the third degree Friday night, Nov. 29, at 7:30; this meeting was postponed from last week.

Turkey Dinner, Thursday, Nov. 28, beginning at 1 P.M. at the community center, Padgettown Road.

Burgin's Chapel Revival Services conducted by Rev. Ronald Creech of Durham, began on Monday of this week and will continue through Nov. 30. Everyone is invited to the services which begin at 7:30 each evening.

World War I Barracks 3118 will meet Sunday, Dec. 1, at 2:30 p.m. at the City Hall.

Friends of the Library will sell books for Christmas giving on December 4 at the local branch office of the Asheville Federal Savings and Loan.

A Film On "Our Bible—How It Came To Us" will be shown at the Baptist church Sunday night at 7:30.

## R. Bridgman Explains Work Of New Council

The regular monthly meeting of the Tea and Topic Club was held Monday night, Nov. 26, at the home of Mrs. Gordon Greenwood with ten members and one visitor present.

After the business meeting Mrs. W. W. White introduced Ralph P. Bridgman, Counselor and Consultant in Christian Marriage and Family Life who explained the need and work of the newly organized council, which is a project of the Protestant-Episcopal Diocese of Western North Carolina with headquarters at our very own door, In-The-Oaks. Those present were Mrs. S. S. Cooley, Mrs. Leslie Garton, Mrs. R. T. Greene, Mrs. O. E. Leeman, Mrs. Richard Oulahan, Mrs. Roy Taylor, Mrs. A. F. Tyson, Jr., Mrs. White, Mrs. Max Woodcock and the hostess.

## Jayvees Open With Reynolds Game Tuesday

The Owen High JV's open their season here December 3 at 5:30 against Reynolds. Coach Ray stated that although the team has little height, they really hustle. The team is little experienced because of the fact that the players are freshmen and sophomores. This seems to point to an optimistic season for the team.

Coach Ray stressed that all positions on the team are open as he sent the following boys through a recent practice session: Terry Ramsey, Dave McClure, Al Reese, Doug Cline, David Faucette, Ronnie Craig, Terry Haney, Roger Silvers, Bill Putnam, Ted Luckadoo, Charles Smith, Johnny Logan, Fred Ivy, Ted Wheeler, Jim Hanes and Ronnie Lewis.

The JV team competes in both the Blue Ridge Conference and the Buncombe County Conference. Both conferences offer tough opposition. The schedule for the Owen JV's was printed in the NEWS two weeks ago. Game times are 5:30, JV; 6:30, girls; 8:00, varsity boys.

## Student Says Consolation To Be Found

RESIDENT'S DEATH  
Dear Editor:  
On campus, here at the University of North Carolina, the reaction over the death of the President has been, and still is to a certain extent, one of disbelief. Nobody could bring themselves to believe that John Kennedy was dead. It was a thing that in today's America just couldn't happen to such a "good and great man."

When it was announced that "Lee Oswald is beyond a doubt the President's assassin", there was considerable feeling here on campus that Kennedy should be avenged. Those of us who were more realistic knew that no amount of revenge or reprisal could restore the life of John Kennedy. It would not in any way constitute justice if Lee Oswald were made the victim of reprisal.

But now, this in fact is the case, and the assassin has also been killed. Those who wanted revenge have gotten it. There is great disappointment however, because now the real reason that John Kennedy died will never be learned.

There are many reasons why John Kennedy might have been killed—each as important as the other—each one of these reasons must be dealt with with the same thoroughness as Oswald's would have been. Until such measures are taken by every American, there is still a

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