

## Town Topics

Edith K. Benedict

### LOOKS LIKE "THE GIRL NEXT DOOR"

Petite and cute as a kitten was Eileen Fulton of New York who is really Margaret McLarty, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. James McLarty of Black Mountain.

Dressed in a pastel suit of modest design with a most attractive large pink turn-up-all-around straw hat she was prettier than TV showed her to be when she played the part of Lisa in "As the World Turns". The entire congregation wanted to speak with her and meet her and she was very gracious with her time and conversation.

She looked more like the "girl next door", the typical dewy fresh, wholesome, All-American girl than she did the girl from Broadway. We've



never been able to understand why the stage make-up should be worn on the street anyhow, it is most unbecoming and no amount of natural beauty can possibly break through the large amounts of gook.

This was Miss McLarty's first visit home in two years. Her busy schedule makes it impossible for her to get away, but of course her family visits her in the interim. I believe I understood her mother to say that Margaret is now studying voice, or it would be correct to say she is continuing her study because it seems to me she majored in voice at Greensboro college.

Seeing Margaret was nice for all of us; we only hope her visits will be more frequent.

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### ORIGINAL RONNIE

In case you have seen the apparition of Ronnie Brandon on his unique bicycle and have decided your glasses need changing, look again.

From a picture in Popular Mechanics Ronnie made a first model which was a little different from the second attempt; it was overbalanced to the back so that every time he rode over one of the big humps in the shopping center the bike reared like a horse, throwing the rider. In the pictured model the balance is as intended and the riding looks like fun.

To make this bike, Ronnie inverted a regular bicycle to get the sprocket wheel high; replaced the normal front wheel with a small one and had a series of rods welded to get the effect you now see. He dismounts by slowly applying brakes and shifting his weight backward so that the front wheel leaves the ground and he quickly dismounts, pulling the bike with him.

The picture is a little peculiar in shading because the best of the pictures made today (Thursday) had in the background a large moving van and a cab pulling a very large mobile home. We simply removed Ronnie and bike from that background and placed them on another which was more desirable. This has been done several times for proper sizing of pictures, or for balance desired; not too long ago we added a single figure to a group picture in which he belonged. It must be disconcerting in the least to know one's location in a picture and to find oneself in a different spot in the finished product. Ask Steve Uzzell, he knows!

**GUILD MEMBER FROM BLACK MOUNTAIN**  
We are pleased to have so many artisans of one kind or another in our community, but from them all I believe we have never before had a resident of Black Mountain who was a member of the Southern Highland Handicraft Guild. We now have such a craftsman living here — Cliff Hotchkiss — who makes knotted rugs.

To go back for a little background — Mr. and Mrs. Ed DuPuy are weaving enthusiasts and a few years ago Ed wrote to the Hotchkiss Craft studio in Connecticut for

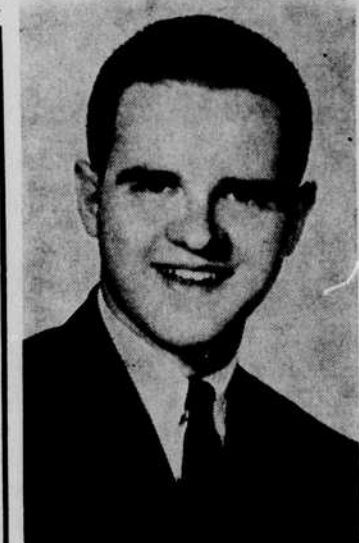
ask, "Is the doctor in?" Barry some yarn which could not be obtained around here anywhere, it was imported from Canada and was of the texture, I presume, for weaving. It wasn't too much later that the DuPuy's were in the New England states and dropped by to see the Hotchkisses. The four found that they were very congenial and several months later when the Hotchkiss couple wanted to come South for a vacation the DuPuy's offered them the use of Mr. Dixon's house (he was Mrs. DuPuy's father and his house had stood vacant following his death).

I remember when Mr. and Mrs. Hotchkiss came Attaw said they were going to stay until they saw the rhododendron in bloom. It was then winter time, or maybe even in the fall. Anyhow, the blooms came and faded and still the two remained. They too found that this is the best of all places to live and now have become permanent residents.

The knotted rugs are new to this section, we know the hooked, the braided and the looped. Work is done with a latchet hook using wool yarn on special canvas backing. Most of the materials are imported, the canvas from England and as mentioned before, the yarn from Canada. This yarn was sold all over the country by the Hotchkisses for hand weavers to use as did Ed DuPuy.

Now Mr. Hotchkiss belongs to the Guild which I believe is the highest honor any craftsman may achieve. At the Craftsman's fair in the City auditorium beginning next Monday and continuing all week through Friday he will have a booth, or stall, in which he will demonstrate the making of his knotted rugs, have some on exhibit and show for sale. Although this show isn't strictly a local production everyone in this part of the state should go at least once. We are happy that the Connecticut member of the Society of Connecticut Craftsmen has become a member of the Appalachian group.

## PRITCHELL POSTSCRIPTS



BY BARRY MORRIS

Barry has a column to write today. He finds it difficult to write his column because most of his office time is spent in meeting new people who frequently come to the assembly. For instance:

Lloyd Householder, in charge of vocational guidance for the Baptist Sunday School Board, enters the press relations office, introduces himself to the workers saying "Will you send this teletype message for me?" As he says this he shuffles through the stack of papers which he is carrying. Eyeing the stack of papers, which is obviously his message, Martha grits her teeth, smiles and says, "I'd be delighted."

All is not like this, especially during the week, just past, that 3,800 teenagers invaded the grounds. There is nothing to quite compare with the zest of youth just five years younger than most of the staffers.

You realize that everyone here knows how to give directions. We are in the east wing of Pritchell Hall on the second floor. The assembly infirmary is on the second floor, west wing of Pritchell Hall. Seems like everyone is looking for the infirmary. They ask for its location at the information desk in the lobby. They invariably follow the instructions straight to the press relations office. They walk in and as the teletype machine sings away they

says no, can I help you? Oh well.

The day is then enlightened by the drama director, Carl Kell, who insists that every morning is a good morning. What is Barry to do? His deadline is fast approaching.

There is so much that needs to be said in the column this week. If only people would stop coming in the office. Like I could tell about the staff's powder puff football game, or about those early morning hikes. I certainly need to introduce Dr. Robert Faulkner; he's the medical doctor that has been added to the Ridgecrest summer staff. This is the first year that Ridgecrest has had a doctor in residence. The doctor is a former staffer too.

Some guest just stuck his head in the office and asked if it was the dining room. Surely now kid, this room doesn't look like a dining room, does it?

Better include something about next week. Five conferences will be in session. Let's see. There's the Training Union conference, the deacons' conference, retardate conferences, vocational guidance laboratories, and the first of four youth klesis.

Mornings are nice in the Ridgecrest press office. We go through the local dailies and look for articles about Ridgecrest. In the process we read Abbie, Earl, Ann and Peanut. We check the mail. We send and receive teletypes. We tell people where the infirmary is.

## The Book Shelf



New books at the Black Mountain library are:

**The Cerebral Palsied Child** — A guide for parents by Drs. W. M. Phelps and Thomas W. Hopkins and Mr. Robert Cousins. This book was donated to the library by the United Cerebral Palsy of N. C.

**Go Tell It on the Mountain** — by James Baldwin. The first novel about Negroes to be written from a non-racial point of view, it represents a significant milestone in the development of American literature.

**The Little Girls** — a novel by Elizabeth Bowen. Set in present day England, the Little Girls is about three women who have not seen one another since they were school friends. Time and memory and place are drawn thru relationships in which the past and the present are seen as thru changing lenses.

**Love Me Not Hunger** — A novel by Paul Gallico. This is the saga of a little British traveling circus stranded in Spain, who embark upon the struggle to keep their animals, themselves, and their hopes alive.

**Farewell to Texas** — L. L. Foreman, a double D western. **Zanzibar Intrigue** — Van Wyck Mason — a new novel about Colonel North, the Man from G2. It is a thriller from start to finish.

**A Man Called Paladin** — by Frank C. Robertson. New adventures of one of television's most popular western heroes.

## Broadway Hit Show This Week At Playhouse

Inside a small, private English hotel, love and loneliness sit at "Separate Tables" as Terence Rattigan's engrossing comedy-drama unfolds on the Flat Rock Playhouse stage this week, beginning Tuesday evening.

The Vagabond Players have chosen this long-run Broadway hit as their fourth production. The memorable film starred Deborah Kerr, Burt Lancaster, David Niven and Wendy Hiller. "I think 'Separate Tables' is a triumph," reported Richard Watts in the N. Y. Post.

Composed of two plays, "Table at the Window" and "Table Number Seven", the plots utilize the same characters with few exceptions and the same setting, a genteel dining room and lounge in Bournemouth. In "Table at the Window", a down-at-the-heel journalist is confronted by his ex-wife, a former model, who provoked him to an act of violence which ended in ruin. Still in love with each other, they nevertheless seek a way to repair their broken lives.

Of special interest will be the original setting designed by Martin Lepisto. The three-level stage will allow the audience to view several scenes of action simultaneously, adding a completely new concept to Flat Rock presentations.

"Separate Tables" is directed by Anita Grannis, who has previously staged it for the Tampa, Fla. Community Theatre. The production continues through Saturday evening, with matinees on Wednesday and Saturday.

## VETERANS NEWS

Here are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to questions from former servicemen and their families:

**Q**—I was recently hospitalized in a VA hospital for 30 days for treatment of a service-connected disability. After 18 days, was released for seven days leave, then returned for five more days. Am I entitled to temporary 100 percent rating for my service-connected disability during the period of hospitalization?

**A**—No. To meet requirements for temporary 100 percent rating, you must have received continuous treatment for a period of 21 days. Leave or passes of more than four days within the first 21 days will be considered as interrupting the continuity of treatment.

**Q**—For the purpose of qualifying for \$1,600 toward the purchase of an automobile or other authorized conveyance, does the term "World War II" include any period of continuous service performed by the veteran after Dec. 31, 1946, and before July 26, 1947, if that period began before Jan. 1, 1947?

**A**—Yes. I recently retired from Civil Service employment and am filing claim for non-service connected pension from the VA. Will my retirement pay be considered income for pension purposes?

**A**—Retirement benefits based on a claimant's own employment are not considered income until the amount of the claimant's personal contribution has been received. After he has received an amount equal to his personal contribution all payments will be considered income.

—Certain moods of mind find an indefinable pleasure in stillness, soft, silent as the storm's sudden hush.

—Mary Baker Eddy

## Look Who's Here!

A daughter was born July 11, in Memorial Mission hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Porter White, Black Mountain, Route 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley E. Davis of Black Mountain, announce the birth of a daughter, July 11th, in St. Joseph's hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Graz of Swannanoa have a son born July 5, in St. Joseph's hospital.

## Legal Notice

**NOTICE**  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

The UNDERSIGNED, having qualified as administrator of the estate of **GEORGE BRANDON**, deceased, late of Buncombe County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 16th day of January, 1965 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 10th day of July, 1964.  
Lawrence J. Brandon  
Administrator  
Black Mountain, N. C.  
July 16, 23, 30; Aug. 6, 1964.

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE  
IN THE GENERAL COUNTY COURT

**JOSE MARTINEZ**, Plaintiff  
vs.  
**MARCEDES MARTINEZ**, Defendant  
**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**  
TO: MARCEDES MARTINEZ

The defendant will TAKE NOTICE that an action has been filed against you in the above-entitled action in the General County Court of Buncombe County, North Carolina, for the purpose of securing an absolute divorce by said plaintiff, from the defendant, on the grounds of two years separation; that said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court, Ex-officio Clerk of the General County Court of Buncombe County, North Carolina, at Asheville, North Carolina, on

or about the 7th day of September, 1964, and answer the above complaint of the plaintiff, which will be deposited in the office of said Clerk on or before said date, and let the defendant take notice that if she fails to answer said complaint within the time allowed by law, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. This the 2nd day of July, 1964.

**NOTICE**  
CAROLYN JEAN GOGUEN  
BANKS, Plaintiff  
vs.  
PARKS BROWN BANKS, Defendant

The above named defendant, PARKS BROWN BANKS, will take notice that July 2, 9, 16, 23, 1964.

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