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Peekin' Through The KEYHOLE

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By Elizabeth Dinwiddie Keith

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Allison spent part of last week in Mooresville, Troutman and Statesville, visiting with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Franklin have moved from State Street to the H. A. Kerlee apartment, North Fork Road.

Mrs. Marian Casstevens has returned to New York City, after spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Fred Kerley.

Mrs. Frank Buckner of Converse College, Spartanburg, spent last weekend at her home here.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Headley and children, Robbie, Terry, Penny and Beth, of Winston-Salem, spent last weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Kerlee.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Anders and daughter, Nancy, of Asheville, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Sawyer and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Murphy of Colorado Springs, Colo., who are spending some time with the Sawyers. Mr. Anders is Mr. Sawyer and Mrs. Murphy's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Bryon attended the Men's Garden Club in Tryon last Saturday. From there they went to Greenville, S. C., to visit their son's family. Stuart is on a business trip to Spain.

Last Saturday morning a very lovely brunch was given at the Vista Hotel by Mrs. Clifford Field, Mrs. Ernest Wilker, Mrs. Albert Jern and Mrs. Sam Young. Following the lunch bridge was enjoyed in the lobby that was beautifully decorated with large arrangements of spring flowers.

Mrs. J. W. Bergthold has returned to her home at High Top Colony after spending the winter at the Bon Air Club, Augusta, Ga. Before coming home Mrs. Bergthold and Mrs. Mary Tutler, a resident of the Bon Air Club, spent several weeks in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grouls of Red Bank, N. J., are spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Field. Mrs. Grouls and Mrs. Field are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shuman will celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary Thursday, May 7. Mr. and Mrs. Shuman have one son, Don, who is married to the former Majorie Smith of Swannanoa. Don and Majorie are both seniors at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bonness have been making their home at Hound Ears, Boone, for quite some time, have returned to spend the summer at their home on Allen Mountain Road.

Mrs. Myrtle Stephenson returned home last Saturday from North Wilksboro, where she was hospitalized because of the critical illness and death of her brother, Marshall Bauguss. Funeral services were held last Friday in North Wilksboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Murphy of Colorado Springs, Colo., are visiting her brother-in-law and Mrs. Zeb Sawyer for an indefinite time. Mrs. Murphy joined the Murphys in Florida and together visited the Murphys' two daughters and Billings, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Galle, Kathy and Sharon of Gallie and Mrs. Judy Reese of Todd of Melbourne. They visited Mrs. L. J. Tamm of Coral Gables, a former summer resident of Black Mountain many years.

Mrs. Sawyer made the trip to Florida by plane and returned to the Murphys.

The Rev. and Mrs. L. T. Dillingham were spending a few days in Atlanta, Ga., with their family when the Rev. Mr. Dillingham suffered a heart attack. At this time he is critically ill in Piedmont Hospital, Atlanta.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hamilton and small daughter, Joan, of Charlotte, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Belle Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Burgin and children, Andrew and Elaine of Charlotte spent last weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Burgin.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodfin C. Rhodes and daughter, Judy have moved from Fairway Drive to Arden, Route 1, to make their home.

Miss Connie Dougherty was recent visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Umstead and daughter, Beth, of Durham, N. C.

Mrs. I. Sidney Croy is now at Tiara Apartments, Asheville, after spending the winter at Lakeland, Fla.

Mrs. E. W. Jackson, Mrs. H. E. Stinchcomb and Mrs. Clara Snyder, members of Waycaster-McFee American Legion Auxiliary, were hostesses at a party for patients at Oteen Veterans Hospital, Tuesday night, April 22. This is the thirteenth year of perfect attendance for the local unit.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Austin and daughter, Miss Betty Austin, spent last week at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Helgreen and children spent last weekend in Charlotte, where Mrs. Helgreen attended an alumni dinner in the Penthouse Suite of the North Carolina National Bank Building.

Bill McMurray, Bill Pinyan, John Klutz and Henry Pittman spent last weekend at Santee Cooper, S. C. fishing. The men report that fishing was very unfavorable.

Attend District Legion Meet

Mrs. H. E. Stinchcomb, Mrs. E. W. Jackson and Mrs. Clara Snyder, members of Waycaster-McFee American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 123, attended the eighteenth District Meeting at Lake Tahoma Steak House Saturday, April 26. Marion Unit No. 26 served as host.

District president, Mrs. Rodney Hemphill, presided. Good reports were given by the nine units in this district.

Mrs. W. W. Ballew, area vice president, introduced Mrs. Tim Craig of Charlotte, State Department president. Mrs. Craig very interestingly told of the Auxiliary's work in the State. Rodney Hemphill, Commander of Marion Post No. 26, extended greetings to group. Mrs. Paul Sherwood of Oteen Unit No. 70 gave the response.

Mrs. Ballew gave an account of her recent trip to Washington, the ceremony held at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, at which time President Nixon turned on the light.

Mrs. Stinchcomb led the Flag ceremony at the district meeting. The Legion and Auxiliary State Convention will be held in June at Winston-Salem.

Junior Golf

Tournament Held

The 1st Annual Black Mtn. Junior Golf Tournament was held Saturday, April 26th, over the local links. Eleven entries between the ages of 12 to 18 played 18 holes with Dennis Harris of Old Fort coming out on top as medalist with a 79. Bill Fussell of Black Mountain was medalist runner-up with 84 strokes. Using the Calloway system of scoring, Tommy Huntsinger of Swannanoa emerged on top with 69 blows. Robert Shook was runner-up with a 73. Trophies were awarded to the winners and Butch Dillingham won a dozen golf balls by being closest to the hole on No. 10. Local pro, Ross Taylor is pleased over the interest in golf shown by the youngsters in this area. The tournament was sponsored by the Eagles Nest Golf Club.



Williams Announces

Mr. M. Leon Williams, a native of Montreal has announced his candidacy for alderman in the May 6 election. He was associated with his father in the Gulf Oil Distributor business from 1926 until 1954 when he and his brother became the distributors known as Williams Brothers Oil Service. Mr. Williams is a member of the Black Mountain Presbyterian Church having served as a past Chairman of the Board, former Deacon, Past President of the Men of the Church, and past Treasurer. He is a member of the Lions Club and is a former president and twice has been Zone Chairman, was Marshall at the 1969 Convention, and has been a delegate to the International Conventions held in Canada, Atlantic City, New York and Miami. Mr. Williams has been serving as the Black Mountain representative on the Metropolitan Sewage Board since 1965.

He is a member of the Black Mountain Volunteer Fire Dept., having served for the past 38 years. He is a member of the American Legion and V.F.W. Mr. Williams is a graduate of Black Mountain High School and attended Asheville-Biltmore College. He is married to the former Dorothy Penley and is the father of two sons.



Stone Seeks Re-Election

Richard B. Stone, a native of Swannanoa Valley, has had a law practice in Black Mountain since 1954 having graduated from Wake Forest University. He is a former County Attorney.

He entered the Army as a Private and rose to the rank of Captain in the Infantry while serving in the European Theatre and returned to service during the Korean War.

He is one of the founders of the Valley Boosters Club that contributed the lights at the Owen High School Field. Mr. Stone was selected as the Young Man of the Year in 1953 and again in 1958, and is a former president of the Black Mountain Jaycees. He is a member of the Black Mountain Presbyterian Church having served as a past Deacon.

He and Mrs. Stone, the former Muriel Magnan, and their children live at 207 View St. Mr. Stone has served as mayor for the past 12 years.

Ballet Scheduled At Montreal

The College Union Activities Board cordially invites you to the presentation of The Land of the Sky and The Hickory Civic Ballet under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Beale Fletcher on Thursday, May 1 at 8:15 p.m. The performance will be held in McAllister Gymnasium on the Montreal - Anderson College Campus. There will be no admission charge.

Sales Clinic To Kick Off 'Values Galore' Campaign Clean Up, Paint Up, Fix Up Week Designated May 12-19

A retail sales clinic, sponsored by selected Valley business firms, will kick off an eight week campaign of "values galore," it was announced this week.

The clinic will start at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, 1969 at the Travel Eze Restaurant where participating firms and their employees will be guests of the Black Mountain NEWS for dinner.

After dinner, the clinic will be conducted by Roy Barnett, who won the title U. S. Salesman of the Year in 1960. Each year the Salesman of the Year is chosen by Sales Week Magazine published by the Nation's Sales Executive Club.

Purpose of the clinic is to demonstrate to employers and salespeople methods of more effectively and efficiently serving their customers.

"When we increase customer satisfaction, business benefits," Mr. Barnett said here this week. "When we add to this the fact that the eight weeks of the 'values galore' campaign will give shoppers big cash savings, the entire



Begley Seeks Re-Election

Marcus F. Begley, a native of Hazard, Ky., has been a resident of Black Mountain for the past 24 years. He was a co-establisher of the Valley Realty Company and of the Black Mountain Insurance Agency.

Mr. Begley is currently Vice-President of the Black Mountain Savings and Loan Association. He is a member of the Black Mountain Presbyterian Church and is now serving as a Deacon and as Treasurer of the Church.

Mr. Begley is a 32nd Degree Mason and a Shriner. He is, also, a member of the Kiwanis Club and a member of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the local school committee.

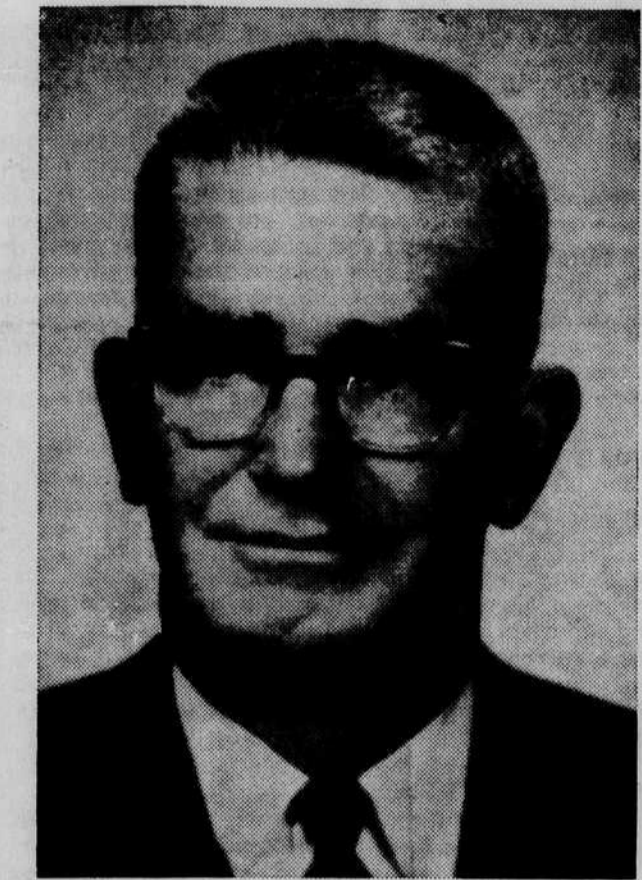
Mr. Begley served as a 1st Lt. in the Quarter Master Corps during World War II. He and his wife, the former Ruby Brown are the parents of four children.

Bashaw's Return From West Coast

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bashaw of Tabernacle Road have just returned from a month's trip to the West Coast. They were accompanied by son, Lt. and Mrs. David Bashaw and Kim who were going out to Travis Air Base near San Francisco for flight to Okinawa. They stopped first in Stockton, Illinois to visit with Mr. Bashaw's mother, brother and aunt. Then down to Ft. Sill, Oklahoma to visit their son, PFC Lloyd Bashaw, before he left for his next assignment with the Army in Germany.

They drove to Davie, Oklahoma to visit relatives, Bill Payne family. From there they drove to Las Cruces to visit a Brother, Wayne Bashaw and family. During the week's stay at Travis Air Base they visited many places of interest: San Francisco Fisherman's Wharf, Tib Basin National Forest, and Yosemite. On the return home their stops included Hoover Dam, Las Vegas, Grand Canyon, and Rock City. After about 8,000 miles and the many places visited and sights seen, they are convinced that no place compares with the beauty of our own mountains of N. C.

Lt. and Mrs. David Bashaw and Kim are now living in Naha, Okinawa. Lt. Bashaw is stationed at the radar station at Yoga Dake. PFC Lloyd Bashaw is now a tracked vehicle mechanic assigned to the motor pool of a company of the 3rd Armored Division near Kassel, Germany.



community gains." F. Louis Grant, publisher of the Black Mountain NEWS said he agreed to sponsor the dinner and clinic only after studying results elsewhere.

"I made a number of calls to towns where Mr. Barnett's clinic has been held," the publisher said. "Every call got the same answer. I was told that Mr. Barnett had received an even bigger welcome each time he came back, and that the clinic and 'values galore' campaign

Leatherman Accepts Position At Montreal-Anderson College

Bill Leatherman, who took a young Staunton River High School basketball team from a loser to a big winner in just three years, has resigned as head coach of the Golden Eagles to accept top basketball post at Montreal-Anderson Junior College.

The 26-year-old Charlottesville native said that his new position will be a challenge to him since the North Carolina school has had intercollegiate athletics only three years. "There should be a good opportunity to build a program there and I will have some scholarship help," said the well-liked Eagles' coach.

Staunton River's cage team had never had a winning season until Leatherman came three years ago. He was 3-15 in his first year, moved to 6-12 a year later and this past season he led the Eagles to a 15-5 record and a spot in the semi-finals of the District IV

Black Mountain-Swannanoa Jaycees Sponsor Battle Of Bands

The Western North Carolina Battle of the Bands, sponsored by the Swannanoa-Black Mountain Jaycees, was held at Owen High School Friday night, April 25, and the "Looking Glass" from Asheville were declared the winners.

The local Jaycees bought a franchise enabling them to hold the contest from the Durham Jaycees for \$65. This also enables the winners of the local contest to compete in the State Contest in Durham. Five area bands competed in the contest at Owen. They included: The Looking Glass, from Lee Edwards High; The Soulistic Souls, and The Neo Communication, from Owen; The Lemon Green, from Reynolds; and the Soulful Struts, from several Asheville High Schools.

The M. C. for the contest was Steve Cooper, from WLOS Radio Station. The judges for the contest were: Ray Ramsey, the President of the Owen High Band, John Styles, from WBMS, and Dempsey Sullins, the President of the Spruce Pine Jaycees and a member of the Car-digans. The first prize for the contest was \$50, and trophy, and a chance to enter the State Battle of the Bands held at Durham on May 10.

With a very impressive amount of equipment, (valued at



were extremely successful." Mr. Barnett became interested in sales studies while he was a law student. He was district manager of Vision, Inc., a firm specializing in sales and human relations, before going into business for himself.

He uses charts and a black-board to illustrate his talks, which were acclaimed by the sales manager of a large chain store as "doing more good in two hours than the average two week training course."

Leatherman played for Gary McPherson at Ferrum and later played and graduated at Millington College in Johnson City, Tenn.

He will receive his Master's Degree in Physical Education this summer from Lynchburg College.

The young coach served three years in the Army before coming to Moneta to take his first coaching job. His work with the boys on the team and as athletic director at Staunton River has been praised greatly by the Eagles' many fans.

Leatherman plans to take two of his high school boys with him to Montreal-Anderson. They are Allen Wainwright, who made all-district this year and Barry Thomas, who played two years ago at SR. He is also contacting other area athletes about attending the school of 500 students.

more than \$5,000) the band sang some popular songs, and one original "Find Another Day" written by their bass-guitar player, Mike Baker. The other members of the band include: Vaughn Ownbey, on the trumpet; Joey Moore, on the drums; Steve Crane, on the lead guitar; and Steve Sandman, on the organ.

They have a very impressive record for previously won contests also: They won the Festival of Sounds for ability and for Best Original Song in 1969; they won the Chanticleer Competition of Stars in 1969, and were first runners-up in the Waynesville Battle of the Bands.

The band was first formed in February of this year, and is managed by the parents of Steve Sandman. They hope to someday go into the big time.

A dance contest was also held, and a trophy was awarded to the winners, Rodney Padgett and Miss Susie Proffitt.

Mr. Jack Cole, Chairman of the contest, expressed the hope that the Band contest might become an annual event in the Black Mountain - Swannanoa Jaycees. He said \$150 cleared from this event will be used for Jaycee civic projects.

The Clark Teaberry Gum Company is the national sponsor for the Battle of the Bands Contest.

PROCLAMATION
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE
TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN

I, the undersigned Mayor of Black Mountain, by direction of the Board of Aldermen, do hereby proclaim May 12, 1969 through May 19th, 1969 "CLEAN UP WEEK" in the Corporate Limits of the Town of Black Mountain.

I urge all our neighbors in the area around Black Mountain to join us in this project which will benefit all.

I further direct all Town employees to assist in this project to the fullest possible extent and sincerely urge all our citizens to participate in this program to make Black Mountain a more beautiful and a better place to live.

This the 28th day of April, 1969,
Richard B. Stone, Mayor
Black Mountain, N. C.

The week of May 12-19 has been proclaimed by Mayor Richard B. Stone as Clean Up, Paint Up, Fix Up week for the Swannanoa Valley. This is only the first step of a continued permanent beautification campaign for the valley.

The mayor met with several of the club representatives in this area to form steering committees for the project to make it a successful event. The meeting was held April 24 at City Hall. The following clubs were represented: the Garden Club, AARP, Women's Club, Jaycees, Junior Woman's Club, Tea and Topic Club, Friends of the Library, Kiwanis, Black Mountain Grammar School and Vance Avenue Baptist Church.

This will not be a concern of just the clubs, but of every property owner and individual in the valley. The youth will be asked to take part along with the adults to make the campaign even more successful.



Mrs. Bulmer To Give Book Review

Mrs. Florence Bulmer will give a book review at the May 7th meeting of the Friends of the Library in Black Mountain. Mustang, The Forbidden Kingdom, by Michel Peissel, an account of true adventure and exploration in the high Himalayas, is the book to be reviewed. As few people of the western world have ever visited Mustang, Peissel's book is a unique publication.

Mrs. Bulmer is the Chief Librarian at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Oteen. She received her B.A. degree at Pennsylvania State University and her Library Science at Drexel Institute. She has been with the Veterans Administration for twenty years, transferring here from St. Petersburg, Florida. Mrs. Bulmer makes her home in Black Mountain where she has lived for three years.

The public is invited to hear this book review. The meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. in the Education Room of the Black Mountain Library. A social half-hour will precede the meeting.

Something You Should Know

Now is the time for most of us to be cleaning up around our homes. It has been brought to our attention that before you burn trash of any nature you should obtain a BURNING PERMIT from the Fire Department, or Forest Ranger. This is a State Law for which if you violate there is a penalty.

The city will designate several pick-up points throughout the community where all of the debris can be placed and picked up by city employees. Mr. Al White stated that there will be extra men and trucks on duty to take care of the situation.

The clean up will not only be concerned with trash and rubbish. It will take anything that distracts from the beauty of our property and town. The other main concern is the many

junk automobiles that sit around and deteriorate on people's land. There will be a number given to you in next weeks edition to call and the party will haul off any junk that you have no use for free of charge. This town can boast as to having some of the most beautiful natural surroundings in the world. This along with cleaning up the streets, highways and property will only add to the beauty of our community.

The NEWS commends these men and all those who come before for the service they have done and are doing for our community and offer our support in the continual growth of their service. FOR FIRE OR AMBULANCE SERVICE IN THE VALLEY--DIAL 669-4211

The following is a list of calls made recently by the Department:

April 22 at 4:32 p.m.--called by Clyde Davis on Mocking Bird Lane. The call was for an over-heated stove. There were no injuries and no damage.

April 22 at 1:50 p.m.--called in by Bobby Varney on Highway 9 S. A person was burning the trash and a field nearby caught fire. The person burning the trash had complied with the law in obtaining a burning permit.

April 28, at 7:57 a.m.--there was a car fire on the High School Road. The car was damaged about \$35.00.

There were several other calls and investigations with no action necessary.

The equipment consists of three(3) active Pumper Trucks and one(1) tank truck. The same volunteers also operate the Rescue Squad, and Ambulance service on a volunteer basis. The charge for ambulance service is approximately \$20.00.

AARP To Hear About Air Pollution At Next Meeting

The Swannanoa Valley Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet at 10 a.m. Friday, May 9th, at the Public Room of the Black Mountain Branch of the Asheville Federal Savings & Loan Association, 300 W. State St.

Mr. Charles F. Frost of Asheville, a professional Combustion Engineer, who is the Director of the Regional Air Pollution Control of the Buncombe County Health Dept., will present a program on air pollution in this area. By the use of air filters and visual aids he will demonstrate the air pollution problem, and indicate what action is being initiated to solve it. All interested persons are cordially invited.

This local AARP Chapter plans to co-operate with the Town officials of Black Mountain in the proposed Spring Cleanup Week during the period of May 12th to 17th inclusive. All our members are requested to clean up their property, and place all debris in cardboard cartons on the street in front of their property for collection by the Town trucks beginning on Monday, May 19th. More complete details will be issued by the Town of Black Mountain prior to Cleanup Week. Membership in the AARP National organization, which costs

only \$2.00 per year covering both husband and wife, provides various benefits of great value to its members.

Anyone interested in learning more about the National or Local Chapter memberships may write AARP, 1225 Connecticut Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036, or phone Robert R. Hubner, President of the local Chapter at 669-5001.

North Carolina's newest town will hold its first municipal election for Town Commissioners on May 6. Montreal, 15 miles east of Asheville, was granted a town charter by the 1967 North Carolina General Assembly. At that time the Legislature appointed a mayor and two town commissioners to serve interim terms until a Municipal Election could be held. During recent weeks a voter registration project has been underway -- deadline for which was April 26. Five candidates have filed for 3 non-partisan posts on the Montreal Town Commission. They are E. A. Andrews, Jr., E. E. Crisp, C. Grier Davis, Mrs. Kenneth Foreman, Jr., and Guy H. White, residents of Montreal for 30 days and North Carolina for 1 year are eligible to register and vote.

Montreal Election May 6th

Montreal - Swannanoa Kiwanis Club learned this fact at last Thursday's luncheon meeting held at the Mont Vista Hotel. Kiwanis President Culver Smith, along with member Hugh White, presented a program concerning U. S. - Canada Color slides taken in Canada prove it to be a beautiful country. From Lake Louise, to Gaspe; from Banff Village to Montreal .. the rivers, trees, people, the Canadian Rockies... Canada is beautiful. Smith and White had taken the pictures while on vacation in Canada in past several years.

Kiwanis News

What foreign country gave a mountain to the President of the United States? Start with Canada's gift of a real, live mountain to the late Dwight D. Eisenhower. The Black Mountain - Swannanoa Kiwanis Club learned this fact at last Thursday's luncheon meeting held at the Mont Vista Hotel. Kiwanis President Culver Smith, along with member Hugh White, presented a program concerning U. S. - Canada Color slides taken in Canada prove it to be a beautiful country. From Lake Louise, to Gaspe; from Banff Village to Montreal .. the rivers, trees, people, the Canadian Rockies... Canada is beautiful. Smith and White had taken the pictures while on vacation in Canada in past several years.