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Fall Of '74 Set For Opening

Progress Being Made In Med Center Construction

Many people in our community are wondering about the status and progress of the new Medical Center. The following should clear up any questions you may have concerning this project of community wide vital concern.

Progress is being made. Following is the sequence of its progress and present status:

In May 1973 the architect, Dr. J. Bertram King was employed to draw plans and submit such plans for bidding to contractors. He had finished the plans by August, which were distributed to interested building contractors for thirty days for response. In September, bids for the building by contractors were received and Laughridge Construction Company of Swannanoa, N.C. was the successful bidder at \$248,900.00.

Laughridge promised commencement of construction within thirty days after signing of the contract to build. He was delayed however, due to the shortage of steel for reinforcing rods. He did start construction, however, about three weeks ago. All excavation has been completed and footing has been poured and electrical conduits have been laid. Structural steel has been delivered and further materials scheduled to be delivered as needed. Needless to say, however, bad weather has depended on us and of course building construction will be slow.

As to staffing of the Medical Center, Dr. Gaines Cook of Christmount, as staffing chairman, has six prospective Doctors on his list, one of whom is a virtual certainty to occupy one of the Medical

Suites. Two others look very promising. The dental suite has been contracted for by Dr. John Hillsman of Black Mountain and Montreat, and

the Optical suite has been contracted for by Dr. Jack Kettleson of Asheville.

As you can see, progress is being made and we confidently expect to be in

operation in the fall of 1974. In addition to the above we have arranged financing with The Bank of Asheville and The Northwestern Bank to provide

cash for construction needs. This to be repaid as pledges are paid by contributors.

Ernest S. DeWick
President

For Deaf And Retarded

Jaycees Sponsoring Summer Camps

Bruce Bartlett, President of the Black Mountain - Swannanoa Jaycees recently presented a check for \$500 on behalf of the Jaycees, to the Rev. Bob Parvin, to aid in the financing of summer camps for deaf and mentally retarded children. The camps will be held this summer at Christmount Christian Assembly and will be operated by the Christian Church in North Carolina, through the

Christian Youth Fellowship of their Piedmont District. The Jaycees cooperation in the sponsorship of these is just one of the many community services performed by this active group of young men. The Rev. Bob Parvin was

the President of the Jaycees until he moved to Farmville, N. C. to become the minister of First Christian Church there.

Bartlett, formerly First Vice-President of the Jaycees,

became President on January 1. He will be formally installed at the Jaycees annual Distinguished Awards banquet which will be held soon at Montreat's Assembly Inn.

National Football Hall Of Fame

Murray N. Shelton, Football Great, Our Neighbor, Member

When in 1915 the great Walter Camp selected his All-American football eleven, a gentleman, now residing in Black Mountain, then a resident of Dunkirk, N. Y., Murray N. Shelton of Cornell University's team was chosen one of the two finest ends in the nation. In January of 1973, Mr. Shelton was given college football's most prized possession membership in the National Football Hall of Fame. Thus did he join the select group of American football greats, such as George Gipp, Red Grange, Jim Thorpe, Knute Rockne and scores of other famous players of the game.



MURRAY N. SHELTON
1974

Mr. Shelton was called out of the stands at his alma mater at Ithaca during the half time of the Harvard-Cornell game October 20, 1973 and was presented a plaque by Joseph D. Tooker of the Football Hall of Fame.

A graduate of Cornell with a degree in civil engineering, he served his country in World War I and returned to take up practice of his profession. He is now retired and he and Mrs. Shelton reside in Charmeldee Acres in Black Mountain.

We visited Mr. Shelton at his home last week. He is a gracious, charming gentleman of the old school. It was very difficult to get him to say very much about himself.

He was a lightweight by today's College team standards weighing only 170 lbs. "They probably wouldn't even consider me today," he said smiling, "They want a man 6'4" or 6'5" weighing well over 200 lbs. for ends now."

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In remembering about his playing days he stated that Dr. A. H. Sharpe, a former Yale man was his college coach. He attended Phillips-

Warhorses - Lassies

Owen Breaks Losing Jinx Makes Clean Sweep

The Owen High School teams broke the jinx that had been dogging their footsteps for nine winless games with a victory over Drexel. The Warhorses trampled their opponents 51-44, the Lassies took their game 72-36 and the JV's came through with a 55-50 win to make it a clean sweep.

Bobby Stafford scored 12 points and punted down 10 rebounds to lead the Warhorses. Arthur Howard, the Warhorse standby and most consistent player had 10 points as did Carl Moore. Tony Dillingham was second in the Warhorse scoring with 11 points.

Teresa Smith and Judy Stewart each racked up 20 points for the Lassies.

OWEN (51) - Howard 10, Spencer 8, Stafford 12, Dillingham 11, Moore 10, Turner, Gwaltney, Hussey, Burgess, Bailey, Searcy, Daugherty.

DREXEL (44) - Crump 7, Bowman 7, Baker 12, Byrd 4, Johnson 2, Baird 6, Deal 4, Parton 2, Dickson, Grady.

GIRLS OWEN (72) - Miller 6, Smith 20, Holder 8, Hussey 2, P. Allen 2, Stewart 20, McCracken 6, Valliancourt 3, P. Allen 4, Powell 1, Jones, Stepe.

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Andover, a prep school for one year prior to entering Cornell. While there he played with the great Ned Mahan. He later played against him when Mahan was playing for Harvard.

He listed as the highlight game of his career as one against Harvard. They (Harvard) were THE team. They hadn't lost a game in three years. They played everyone who would play them - Michigan, University of Pennsylvania and other teams large and small. Handing them their first defeat in three years was a never to be forgotten thrill.

Mr. Shelton recalled playing against such greats as Knute Rockne and Jim Thorpe and Lon Little a coach of the University of Pennsylvania.

He played "a little" (one season) professional football on the Buffalo team.

The Sheltons have two children, a daughter who lives in Columbia, Mo. and a son in Bethlehem, Penn. and five granddaughters.

They retired to Black Mountain in 1966. Their lovely mountain top home give them a panoramic view of the mountain sides. "I thought I would miss the sunsets over the lake," Shelton said, "but the mountain sunrises and sunsets far surpass it in magnificence. We also enjoy having four distinct seasons of the year.

Murray Shelton, Football Hall of Fame and as my father used to say "A gentleman and a scholar." We're glad he came to Black Mountain.

Howard was top man for the Warhorse with 14. The Ram girls also notched a win by stopping the Owen girls 45-34 behind 16 points by Carolyn Trece and 12 by Sandra Butler.

Erwin - Owen Erwin's Warriors had a 16-point lead at the half against Owen at 27-11, following only four hits out, of 31 floor shots

for the Warhorses, and went on to capture a 54-36 victory behind 15 points by Richard Clark, 14 by David Ball and 12 by Tom Braswell.

Arthur Howard hit the only Owen double-digits with 14. Erwin also took the girls game as Brenda Rice and Sue Davis scored 10 each in the 41-25 rout. Kathy Holder was high for Owen with 13.

restricted enrollment. Anyone who wishes to register may do so by calling Mr. Lowrey at 669-8128.

The community art course at Warren Wilson is made possible through grants from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Mary Duke Biddle Foundation.

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S.S. Story Hour

Port Of Call - Peru

Potpourri Presents' winter's "cruise" of the S.S. Story Hour will resume this Saturday, January 12th. The "ship" will make a port of call in Peru (the Education Room of the library) from 2-4 p.m.

Miss Arey will give another delightful Spanish lesson. Then the color film The Ancient Peruvian will be shown. Through a combination of animation and live-action scenes, the film explores 3,000 years of pre-Columbian culture. Many artifacts of the ancient residents of Peru are shown and the film ends with a brief study of the Incas. Each family represented will receive a free copy of an informative booklet on the Incas; it is published by the

Organization of American states. Then Miss Nina Tribble will tell us about life in Peru today—especially about the wonderful weaving that takes place there. After this, the group will divide in two groups by age (5-8 and 9-12). The older children will do some individual weaving with colorful yarns, on cardboard looms, with the instruction and help of Miss Tribble and Mrs. Whiteside. At the same time the younger children will hear a story about Peru and weave individual paper place mats with Mrs. Hopkins. The program will conclude with refreshments for everyone.

Registration for newcomers and attendance stars for those who have already attended at least one program in this series will be taken care of from 1:30-2 p.m. in the lobby outside the Education Room. Books and other items of interest concerning Peru will be on display at this time.

All youngsters ages 5-12, living or visiting in the Swannanoa Valley, are welcome to attend this educational and entertaining program. The Friends of the Library sponsor this free series. If you do not already have a library card, be sure to obtain one ahead of time from Mrs. McGraw or Mrs. Nanney; a parent or guardian's signature is required for minors. Circle this Saturday on your calendar and plan to bring a friend with you. See you between 1:30 and 2 p.m.!

Police Report

For Two Weeks

The Black Mountain Police report for the past two weeks is as follows: The week of Dec. 24-31 officers conducted 17 investigations, made two arrests for DUI, issued one citation for driving left of center, two for running red light, one for inspection violation and escorted one funeral. There were four automobile accidents in the Township - a one car on Craigmont Rd. had \$195 in damages; a two car on West State St. had \$235 damages; a two car on Holly Ave. \$1,200 and a two car on State St. \$105.

Nine investigations were made the week of Dec. 31 - Jan. 7. Two arrests were made, one for public drunkenness and one for resisting arrest. Officers escorted one funeral. A one car on old U. S. 70 accident resulted in \$125 damages and a car and truck mishap on Broadway had \$50 damages.

NOTICES

The Board of Aldermen will meet their regular Town meeting Monday evening January 14 at 7:30 in the City Hall.

One item, almost certain to be discussed is the newly created job of Projects Director, the duties thereof and salary.

M-A To Offer Course In

Church History

A new course titled "A Survey of Church History" will be offered at Montreat - Anderson College during the winter semester, as a part of the Community Service Curriculum, according to Dr. John N. Akers, Dean.

The course will be taught by Dr. John Crawford, and will carry three semester hours of credit. Cost for the course is \$15 per semester hour.

"This course should appeal to area ministers, Sunday School teachers, and others wanting to learn more specific facts about such events as the Reformation, the beginnings of various denominations and sects, and the contributions to our heritage made by Christian leaders in many parts of the world," said Crawford.

The class will meet twice weekly on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in Room 4 at Gather Hall. The first meeting is scheduled for 7:30 January 15, but the permanent hours will be determined after learning the preference of the group, Crawford declared.

Dr. Crawford is a graduate of King College, Bristol, Tenn., of Union Theological Seminary, and received his Ph. D. at the University of Aberdeen, Scotland. He served for nine years as a missionary to the Congo, and was for a time assistant professor of religion at Austin College in Texas.



THE CAPRICIOUS PEARLS CAST, a gang of ex-cons who return to the scene of their crime only to find it's an old ladies' home. First row, l to r: Butler, Molly Minnick, Ann Fisher, Ann Jackson, Robin Burgin and Debbie Wright. Back row: Brent Burgess, Skipper Nache, Janice Hussey, Joel Laale Helgreen, Lynne Blankenship and Bobby Ferguson.

Owen Drama To Present

An Evening Of Comedy And Drama

The Play Production series of Charles D. Owen will present, for the public, an evening of one-act plays, Monday, January 21 at 8 p. m. Admission will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for

students. The program offers a variety of drama and comedy, which will be enjoyed by the entire family. It will include: The Widow by Richard Lortz, a comedy - mystery involving

an innocent young man in a murder committed by a "kooky" woman and her daughter.

The Great Western Melodrama by Florence H. Morris, a slapstick comedy filled with humor and corny characters.

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Spring Registration

At M-A Jan. 14

Montreat - Anderson College students will begin registration for the Winter semester the day they return, January 15, following a full week of vacation, according to Dean of Students, Dr. Larry

son. About thirty new students are expected to arrive a day in advance, for a period of orientation, Wilson said. Faculty members and student leaders will take students on a tour of the campus, and introduce them to the library facilities, the gymnasium, the cafeteria, and student center, the classroom buildings.

Student government leaders, headed by president Wiley Horne, will assist in orienting the new students and their privileges and responsibilities. Steve Thue, president of Student Christian Association, will invite them to participate in social and inspirational activities on campus and in the community.

New courses to be offered include a winter-term ski course, held at Sugar Mountain. Students will travel once a week to the resort by bus, and receive instructions under the direction of Mountain staff, headed by Eric Binchner. Horseback riding, which will be taught in



MARION GODFREY, President of the Black Mountain Rescue Squad accepts a very generous donation check from local dentist Dr. James Love for the Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

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Tapped By Phi Eta Sigma

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The Swannanoa Valley unit of the League of Women Voters will meet at 10 a. m. Tuesday January 15 in Shepard House at Warren Wilson College.

Consensus will be taken on the Structure of County Government.