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## Story For Two Little Girls



CHRISTY AND CINDY DUNLAP

By UVA MIRACLE  
This is a story I feel must be told. A story of love, devotion, joy, tragedy, courage and friendship. It is a story told especially for two little girls who are too young to remember any of the events but perhaps this will make the telling a little easier, for their Mommie, in the future and perhaps let them understand. So Christy and Cindy Dunlap this story is for you.

Even though this is a true story, every little girl loves a story that begins "Once Upon A Time" so let's do it this way.

Once upon a time there was a young couple named Gail and Robert Dunlap, who loved each other very much. They both worked hard at jobs they enjoyed and made a lovely home for themselves. But after several years of marriage they still had one dream unfulfilled, no little child had been born to them to fill their arms and they so wanted one. Doctors had told them they would probably never have a child. Then wonder of wonders a miracle happened and they learned they were going to have a baby of their own - not one but two - twins and these were you Christy and Cindy.

When you were born on January 29, 1972 your Mommie was proud but your Daddy - you would have thought no one else had ever had any little girls. In fact no two little girls were ever more loved and welcomed. He made himself and your Mommie insurance poor to provide for your futures.

Then early in January of this year your Daddy left for work as a switchman for Southern Railroad. No one knows exactly what happened, whether a wrong signal was given or misinterpreted or whatever but your Daddy was crushed between two railroad cars and hurt very badly.

He was rushed to Memorial Mission Hospital but even enroute there his thoughts were of your Mother and your welfare.

Now little girls this is where the goodness of others enters the picture. On Sunday morning January 12 when the people of the Ridgecrest Baptist Church, which your Grandmother Martha Coomers attends, heard of the accident and your daddy's need for blood, for transfusions, they responded immediately. The men with whom your Daddy worked stood by to do everything they could. Friends of your Granddaddy and Grandmother Dunlap also did all they could. In fact you and your entire family were enveloped in love and help in every way. The doctors and nurses did all they could but this was not enough and three weeks later, we feel God gave him those three weeks to make sure everything was all right between him and God, your daddy died.

You're too little now to say Thank You so I'll say it for you and the rest of your family to all these wonderful people.

Cindy your daddy got to see you walk and Christy one of the last things he smiled about was when your Grandmother Dunlap told him you had started to walk.

This is the story but not through ending - only the beginning for we're sure you'll grow up to be the little ladies your daddy knew you'd be.

## Great Decisions

Cuba and Panama will be the topic when discussion groups of the Great Decisions program meet this week, Thurs. March 7. Leaders will be Mrs. Florence Bulmer and Kenn Hoover, both of whom have visited these areas. The meetings will be held in the Library at 7:30.

## Swannanoa Ragtime Faculty Follies

Every year down the road is the somewhat foolishly named faculty of Swannanoa rally together to put that they call a "Faculty Follies". It is a one and one half musical excursion through all sorts of ridiculous and unbecoming behavior adults, but it has one real purpose - to raise money. In the past two years they have been embarrassing themselves in a display of this fashion, and the auditorium has been packed to the rafters, and year promises to follow it seems everybody loves it. They are back again this year with an all new show - a

tribute to the 1910's, 20's, 30's and 40's called "The Swannanoa Ragtime Faculty Follies". It is to be presented Friday and Saturday, March 8 and 9 at 7:30 in the Swannanoa School Auditorium. Tickets are \$1 and may either be purchased in advance from students or at the door. Among almost forty fun loving principals, teachers, custodians, librarians and cafeteria personnel will be a special guest star appearance by the now retired principal Big Bad Ralph Smith, a fool's fool.

The public is cordially invited to come, ready to laugh themselves to tears and join in the fun.

## Parents To Consider YMCA Day Camp

Monday evening, March 4 at 7:30 p. m. a public meeting will be held at the Black Mountain Library to consider the organizing of a YMCA day camp next summer in this area. Hebray Burts, Asheville and other members of his staff will show pictures of a YMCA day camp operation and will answer questions about program, organization and costs. Parents of children six to twelve years of age are particularly urged to attend. Amount of interest and support for this project will determine to a large extent whether to go ahead with the proposal to establish a branch YMCA in the Swannanoa Valley. Dr. Larry Wilson of Montreat will also give the

highlights of a survey of attitudes and facilities recently completed.

Typically, a YMCA day camp is organized in two-week units, five days each week, with a program from 9 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. Each camper brings his lunch. There is a series of recreational activities led by experienced counselors. Swimming is always included. Each unit of the camp ends with a Parents' Night. Children can enroll for more than one two-week period. The location for such a camp is still to be decided, but several possible sites are under consideration.

Remember, this is a public meeting and all parents and other interested persons are invited.

## Christian Science To Present Lecture "More Than A Super Star"

Divine healing is the effect of the "Christ in Action". The motivating force called the

Christ which lay behind Jesus' mighty works is still here governing each of us. This is why Jesus himself said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also."

Local Student To Attend Brevard College

Mary Elizabeth Butler has been accepted for admission to Brevard College, Brevard, North Carolina, in the fall of 1974. Miss Butler will graduate from Owen High School this year and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Butler of Black Mountain, North Carolina.

Brevard College is owned and operated by the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. Admitted to Christian acceptance, Brevard College is dedicated to a way of life that fills within the student a desire to become a responsible and creative member of society.

This lecture is to be held in First Church of Christ, Scientist, 64 N. French Broad Ave., Asheville and the public is most cordially invited.

## Masons

Masons will meet Friday March 8th to confer the Second Degree at 7:30. All

Master Masons are invited to attend.



EVANGELIST BILLY GRAHAM, right, paused during a meeting with two recipients of the camping movement's highest awards. Frank M. "Scotty" Washburn, executive director of the YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly in Black Mountain, left, received the American Camping Association's Distinguished Service Award at its 1974 national convention in Atlanta. Ernest F. Schmidt, executive director of the American Camping Association from Martinsville, Ind., received the Christian Camping International Association's International Camper of the Year Award.

## House - Senate Seat

### Hudgins' File For Primary One Republican - One Democrat

Velma and Ernest (Mr. and Mrs.) Hudgins of Black Mountain have filed as candidates in the up-coming primary election.

Velma has filed as a Republican candidate in the state senate race. Hudgins has filed as a Democratic candidate for the state House seat.

"A House Divided?" No, the Hudgins assure. "I feel it is time the people had a representative in Raleigh who would represent all the voters, all the time, not just a few and not just at election time," Hudgins stated.

Mrs. Hudgins said, "I feel the people in the area need a choice and without a strong two party system the people are never properly represented."

Both Mr. and Mrs. Hudgins have been registered voters in North Carolina for over 20 years. He is president of



VELMA & ERNEST HUDGINS

Confidential and Professional Services Inc., a general service corp. and she serves as secretary-treasurer of the business. Hudgins is a retired employe of the U. S. Civil Service.

The Hudgins feel if they can recant a successful marriage of 27 years, it should prove Republicans and Democrats can work successfully together for the good of the people of the State.

## Two Killed In Car - Train Collision At Lytle Cove Road

Two members of a Hickory family of four were killed Monday night near Swannanoa when a westbound Southern Railway freight train apparently struck the side of their car.

The State Highway Patrol said the other two family members were admitted to Memorial Mission Hospital, one in critical condition.

Pronounced dead on arrival at Memorial Mission was Mrs. Rebecca Carswell Flynn, 25, and her three-month-old son Johnny Thomas Flynn.

Trooper J. R. Grayson said they were passengers in the car when it attempted to cross the Southern grade crossing on Lytle Cove Road about one mile east of Swannanoa.

The driver of the vehicle, George C. Flynn, 31, was listed in satisfactory condition at Memorial Mission. Jerry Lee Flynn, 15 months old, was described as being in critical condition.

According to Grayson, Flynn was driving south on

Lytle Cove Road when the train struck the station wagon in the driver's door. The crumpled vehicle was pushed almost 500 feet before the train was stopped, Grayson said.

Members of the Buncombe County Rescue Squad, Black Mountain Volunteer Fire Department and other persons at the scene worked more than an hour before the wreckage was removed from the lead engine of the freight.

There was no apparent

damage done to the train.

The Lytle Cove crossing has no warning lights but yellow railroad crossing signs were posted at the track. The crossing is near a section of U. S. 70 which runs parallel to the tracks from Swannanoa to Black Mountain making all railroad traffic visible from the highway.

Grayson said no charges have been filed pending a further investigation of the accident.

## Wilson Is Named To Omaha Council

Clarence J. Wilson of Black Mountain, has been named a member of the Chairman's Council of Mutual of Omaha and United of Omaha for 1973. Membership in the Chairman's Council is limited to a select few of the more than 9,000 Companies' representatives who qualified for the meetings in Geneva, Swit-

zerland commemorating the fifth anniversary of the founding of the Chairman's Council, the most exclusive Companies' honor club for sales representatives. Wilson is associated with the Kenneth A. Chase Division Office, general agency for Mutual of Omaha and United of Omaha in Asheville.

## SS Story Hour

### Port Of Call Guatemala

The S. S. Story Hour will be in port in Guatemala (the Education Room of the Black Mountain Library) from 2-4 p.m. on this coming Saturday, March 9th. The tour of this country will be lead by a special guest, Mrs. Ruth Juergensen.

Mrs. Juergensen is a native of Guatemala. She now resides with her husband, Hans, at Pisgah View Ranch west of Asheville. She teaches the first grade at St. Eugene's School in north Asheville. She has two sons: the older one is a geo-physicist working for a Canadian - American mining company in Panama which is producing copper, silver and gold. The younger son has just completed his pre-med studies at Chapel Hill and is working in lung research before entering medical school. Both Spanish and German are

native tongues for Mrs. Juergensen; she also is fluent in English and French. She visited Guatemala as recently as last summer. She has also visited Colombia, Brazil, Venezuela, Panama, San Salvador, Honduras and Mexico. She will bring slides, records, pictures, silverwork and lacework and other native articles with her for use during her presentation. She is most willing to answer questions from the youngsters about her native country at the conclusion of her talk.

Miss Aery is once again enjoying good health and will help with another delightful Spanish lesson at the very beginning of our program. A brief color film, Natives of Guatemala, will follow. This film shows how the geographical environment of the country influences the living habits of the Guatemalans in various sections of their country. If time permits, work will continue on the mural of life in South and Central America that was begun last month. The story "The Legend of Tajuakis" will be read to the entire group. Books on Guatemala and other Central American countries will be displayed, briefly reviewed and available for check-out. Each family represented will receive a copy of the

Organization of American State's publication entitled Guatemala to take home and keep.

The name tags will have part of the refreshments attached to them; this is to be enjoyed at the conclusion of the program along with a confection made with bananas - a principal export of Guatemala.

Registration for newcomers and attendance stars for those who have already attended the series will be handled in the lobby outside the Education Room from 1:30-2 p.m. All youngsters ages 5-12 who live in or are visitors to the Swannanoa Valley are welcome to attend this entertaining and educational program. It and all other Story Hour programs are free and under the auspices of the Friends of the Library.

Don't forget your library card so that you may check out books and/or other library materials at the conclusion of the program. If you do not already have a card, please obtain one ahead of time from Mrs. Nanney or Mrs. McGraw at the check-out desk during regular library hours. A parent or guardian's signature is required on the application form of youngsters under thirteen.

## M-A Students Get Spring Vacation

Montreat - Anderson College's 378 students left campus after class Friday for Spring Break. They will get an extra day of holidays, due to the gasoline shortage. They will resume classes on Tuesday, March 12, so they can avoid Sunday travel, according to Dean John N. Akers.

While students are at home, their parents will receive mid-semester grades, according to Registrar Lenore Saunders. "Students will know whether they are headed for the Dean's List, for Academic Probation, or somewhere in between" she said. "Although mid-semester grades are not recorded officially on the student's credit record, they do give him a progress report, and are helpful in telling him where he should concentrate efforts for the remainder of the term," she said.

## Hile Joins Asheville Engineer Firm

John R. Hile, P. E. has joined the Asheville firm of Register and Cummings Engineers, Inc. as project engineer for mechanical systems, it was recently announced by Robert E. Turner, P. E., vice-president of the firm.

Hile, a registered professional engineer, received his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Johns Hopkins University. He is a member of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers and a past president of the Baltimore Section of the Instrument Society of America.

Hile, a native of Farrell, Penn., resides in Black Mountain with his wife and four children.

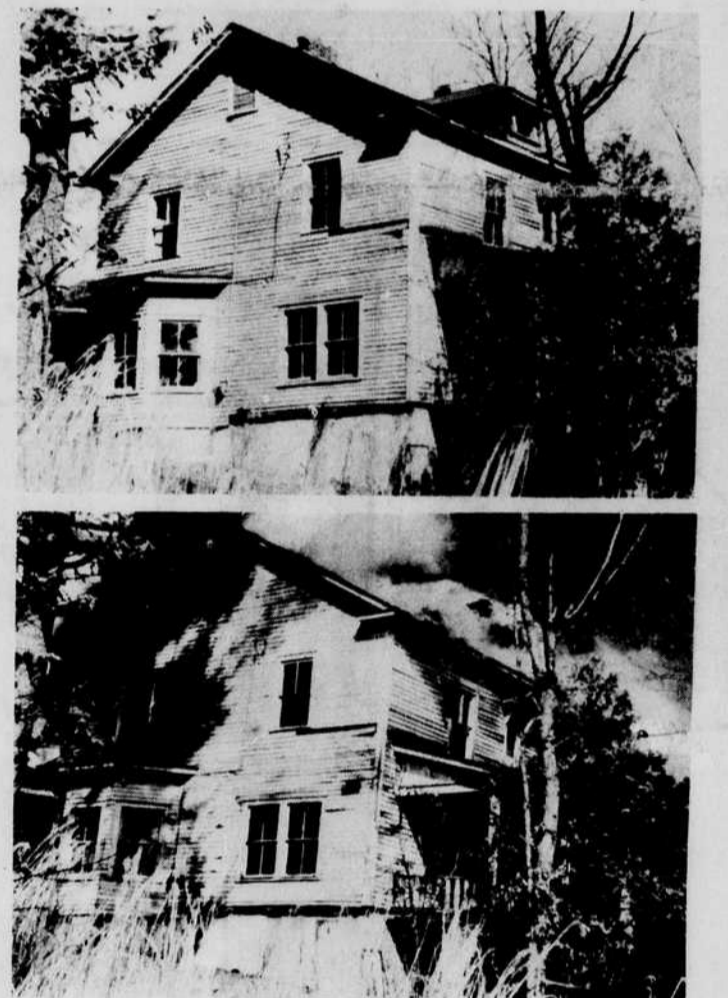
## Power Bill Increases

The March electricity bill for the average residential customer of Carolina Power & Light Co. will go up \$1.03, a spokesman for the utility said Friday.

The increase is due to increased fuel costs, which CP&L and other utilities in the state are now allowed to pass on to consumers.

The March hike for CP&L is 81 cents more than the February fuel adjustment increase.

An average residential bill for a CP&L customer would be \$20.74 in March, the company spokesman said.



ANOTHER BLACK MOUNTAIN LANDMARK was destroyed last week, the old Aycock Homestead at 308 Vance Ave. The house was burned and used as training in fire fighting by the Black Mountain and Swannanoa Fire Depts. Twenty six men from the Departments participated. The old house had been condemned as unsafe and unfit for human habitation. The picture on the left shows the house before and the one on the right as it is consumed by flames. Pictures by Marion Godfrey. The Victory Baptist Church plans to build on this site.

## Local Service Stations Announce Schedules

In order to give better service to their customers and alleviate long lines and waiting for gasoline most of the service stations in Black Mountain have adopted the following schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday - morning hours will start pumping gas at 8 a.m.; afternoon hours start at 4:30 p.m. until day's allotment is depleted. Stations will be closed all day Wednesday and Sunday. They will be open a half day on Saturday - 8 a.m. til 12 noon.

Services will be offered during the rest of the day such as oil checks and changes, lubrication jobs, mechanical repairs etc.

Station operators ask their customers to please conform to this schedule to aid them in performing better services and to conserve time, energy and tempers for everyone.