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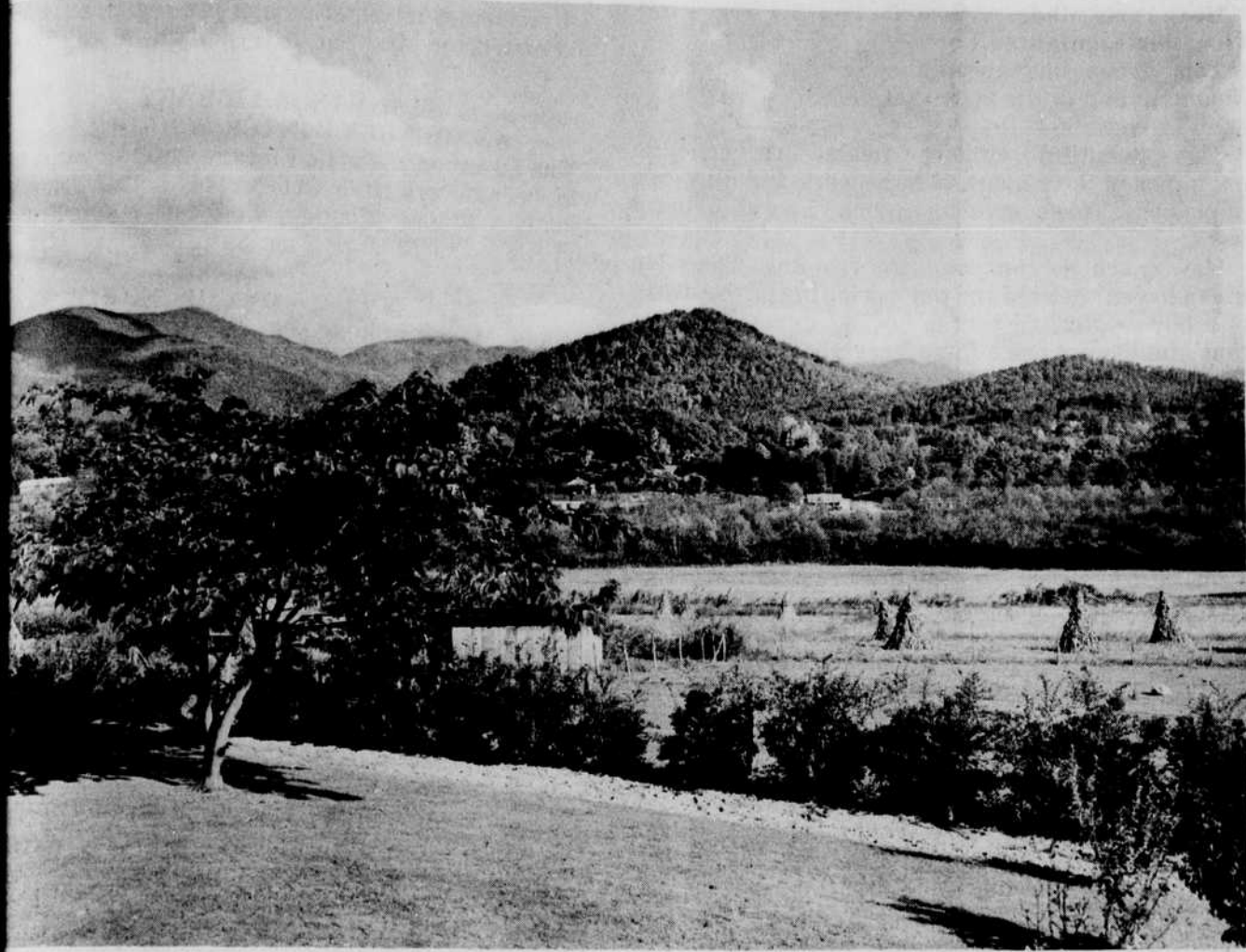
DEVOTED 100% TO OUR COMMUNITY—THE GROWING SWANNANOVA VALLEY

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Autumn Comes To The Valley In Myriad Hues

Autumn has begun painting the hills, and it looks like this year's color display will be a work of art. Along the peaks of Western North Carolina's Blue Ridge and Great Smoky Mountains, much of summer's green has already given way to the gold and red of autumn, and this year's propitious combination of cool nights and sunny days, veteran fall-chasers are predicting that the color will be even more beautiful than usual.

According to Bob Bruce, interpretive specialist with the Blue Ridge Parkway, rather conditions thus far have been very favorable for color. In addition to the cool nights and sunny days, other favorable conditions cited by Bruce include damp weather to keep the leaves from drying up prematurely, and no excessive windiness that would blow the leaves off the trees. Of course, no one can predict exactly when the colors of autumn will reach their peak. But, for flatlanders planning to visit the mountains during the color season, experts with the Blue Ridge Parkway, Great Smoky Mountains National Park and the U. S. Forest Service anticipate that the colors will reach a crescendo around the middle of October.

Beginning at the higher elevations, the kaleidoscope of color will spread gradually down the mountainsides to the valley floors and coves, where colors should linger well into November. Thus, by driving a few miles north or south, or uphill or downhill, the seeker of fall color should be able to find it anytime from mid-October to mid-November.

For outstanding displays of color along the Blue Ridge Parkway in the Swannanoa Valley vicinity, Bruce offers the following suggestions, proceeding from south to north: Waterrock Knob, Richland Balsam, the Mt. Pisgah area, the Craggies, Crabtree Meadows, the area around Linville Falls, and Price Park.

Equally impressive and far less crowded are the fall color displays along the lesser-known roads of Western North Carolina. A map is helpful but not necessary; the colors are everywhere, and another postcard-pretty scene waits around every bend in the road.

Fall color tends to be especially good in the following off-the-beaten-path areas: NC 151 from Candler to Mt. Pisgah; NC 276 from Waynesville up and over the Blue Ridge, then down to the Davidson River; NC 209 from Lake Junaluska to Trust, then back on NC 63 to Asheville;

NC 80 just east of Marion, over the Parkway and along the South Toe River, then US 19E back to Asheville; and US 74 through Lake Lure and Hickory Nut Gorge, then US 64 west through the apple country to Hendersonville.

Pretty colored leaves, although the main attraction, are certainly not the only thing to look at and enjoy in

Western North Carolina at this time of year. Two additional splashes of fall color are created by the harvested pumpkins and apples. Colorful heaps of pumpkins can be seen in the area from Lake Lure to Rutherfordton, while rustic apple stands line the roadsides near Hendersonville and Waynesville.

and the Chattanooga, Tenn. area. During Spring Vacation, March 1-10, they will go to New Orleans, Knoxville and Nashville. The first full concert on campus is scheduled for March 22.

"General Assembly" Sings In Georgia

Eleven Montreat - Anderson students who comprise the singing group known as "The General Assembly" made three appearances in Georgia last weekend. They gave programs of Christian gospel and folk music at Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, at the First Presbyterian Church in Hinesville, and before the Savannah Presbytery Men's Rally on St. Simons Island.

The group is under the direction of Gary Rand. Student coordinator for the group is Melvin Dills, of Asheville. Sally Latham, of Miami, Fla., is business manager.

Rand says that the group will make a short tour January 17 - 19 to Rome, Ga.

Buncombe's First Representative

Randy Kilby To Compete For National FFA Office

Randy Keith Kilby, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Kilby of Bee Tree Road, Swannanoa has selected as North Carolina's candidate for national office in the Future Farmers of America. Kilby is the first national candidate from Buncombe County.

He was chosen from among 21,000 FFA members to represent the state in the national election to be held at the FFA convention to be held in Kansas City Oct. 8-15.

A 1973 graduate of Charles D. Owen High School, he has just been awarded the American Farmers Degree, the highest honor offered by the National FFA organization. He was



Randy Kilby

nominated by the North Carolina organization.

FFA is the national organization of students enrolled in vocational agriculture courses in the public high school of the United States. In addition to providing instruction in agriculture and the natural resources, the organization provides for the development of leadership, citizenship, and cooperation. Its six national FFA officers work closely with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Working from Washington, D. C. They

work in all fifty states and several foreign countries with the departments of public instruction in developing and expanding vocational education and the FFA.

The purpose of the FFA is to both provide instruction in agriculture and the natural resources; also to develop leadership citizenship and cooperation.

Kilby delayed entering college for one year in order to devote full time to his duties as vice president of the North Carolina FFA Association. Should he win the national office, he will again postpone entering college in order to take advantage of the experience.

While in high school, Randy was active in all phases of the FFA, serving as chapter, federation, and district president. He has recently completed a year of service as vice president of the North Carolina State Association. He has been a state finalist in public speaking and parliamentary procedure contests in FFA.

In addition to FFA activities, he served as student body president at Owen High School, was elected to Owen's Hall of Fame, honored as Outstanding Citizen by the Civitan Club, elected to Who's Who of America, served on the Buncombe County Youth Council, and Community Relations Council. He is a contributing member to the Forum of Distinguished Americans and is currently serving as vice president of the Black Mountain - Swannanoa Jaycees. He recently won the area Jaycee "Speak Up" contest and will go on to participate on the state level.

He is presently employed at the Miller Funeral Home in Black Mountain.

A 120-member delegation from North Carolina will attend the national convention. Included will be delegates, participants in the various contests, American FFA degree candidates and their advisers. Kilby will be accompanied by his advisers, M. K. Davidson and R. B. Goodson of Owen High School.

Friday Oct. 18th

Kiwanis Pancake Supper

October 18th is just about one week away, so better make your preparations now to be at the Owen High Cafeteria Feast 5 to 8 p.m. when plenty of parking space will be available, but no ball game. Who needs anything else when they smell the luscious pancakes, smothered in golden syrup and butter, decorated with gorgeous whole meat patties, coffee or milk included, all for \$1.25 adults, 75c children under 12 years. Pick up your tickets now from any club member, or can pay at the Cafeteria door. Buying tickets in advance gets you to the counter faster, avoids delay caused by searching for the cash, or getting bills changed at the door.

thermostat on furnace at home down to zero, you may save the price of the supper. Cheer has always been added to the Pancake Fiesta promptly at 5 p.m. when in march the smiling healthy faces of the 60 or more children and their chaperones from the Presbyterian Children's Home. Fifteen years ago their number was

about 40 and paid for by one member, in recent years the whole club has chipped in some tickets to cover the children's admission, and all feel better for it. To behold the joy in those children's faces alone, is worth the price of admission. On the way out, pick up a \$1 sack of Kiwanis Treat Candies for Halloween.

Help Your Police Help You

Police Chief Joe Hemphill and the officers of the Black Mountain Police Department solicit the cooperation of the citizens of the Black Mountain Township in helping to curb vandalism and burglaries in the area.

Chief Hemphill pointed out, in a statement to the Black Mountain News, burglary and vandalism are at an all time high in our nation. He said the fingers of organized crime are reaching out from urban to rural area. Some of the tactics used are to "case" a house in a neighborhood, ascertain when no one is home. The thieves then will, often times, back up a truck and haul away everything loose.

He and the officers ask that neighbors serve as vigilantes for each other. If you see a strange car or truck in the neighborhood, or at a neighbor's house, when you know they are away call the police at 669-8072 and report it. Chief Hemphill says they would rather answer a dozen calls where they were not needed than miss one where they were needed.

The Black Mountain and Buncombe County officers have an enormous territory to cover. They cannot be everywhere. The need of assistance from the citizenry is all too apparent. Let's be better neighbors. Let's help our policemen to help us.

The Black Mountain Police report for the past two weeks follows:

In the two weeks period officers conducted a total of 27 investigations, returned one stolen automobile, arrested three for public drunkenness, two for driving under the influence, one for driving after license revoked, served one capias, issued one citation for following too close, one for red light violation. They returned one to J.E.C., stored one car, and escorted three funerals.

There were three auto accidents: a one car on private property \$200 damages; two car, Hwy. 70 & Padgett Town Rd. \$750; two personal injuries and another two car, one personal injury, \$1,200 damages at State and Richardson Blvd.

Taylor, Scott To Address McDowell Democrat Rally

Rep. Roy A. Taylor of North Carolina's 11th Congressional District will be among speakers at a McDowell County Democratic rally at East McDowell Junior High School Oct. 18.

Other speakers will include state Sens. I. C. Crawford and Lamar Guder of Asheville, both seeking re-election to the North Carolina General Assembly.

Former Gov. Bob Scott will

speak on behalf of Robert Morgan, candidate for U. S. Senate, and Rufus Edmisten, candidate for North Carolina attorney general.

All local candidates will also be present, according to Ernie House, McDowell County Democratic party chairman.

Barbecue will be served beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the program will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.



VOTES by Rep. Roy A. Taylor (right) to reduce funds in 9 of 12 of the major appropriation bills before the House during the past two years has prompted National Associated Businessmen, Inc. to present him with its "Watchdog of the Treasury" award. NAB President H. Vernon Scott praised Taylor for his votes "for economy and fiscal responsibility" during the 1973-74 Ninety-Third Congress. On 12 appropriation votes selected by NAB, Taylor voted to reduce the amount of nine of them. He voted to retain funds for water and sewer systems and also for defense. The miniature gold bulldog trophy was Taylor's third "Watchdog of the Treasury" award from NAB, a non-partisan Washington-based organization. The 1974 award was presented to approximately one-third of the 435 House members. According to NAB, the awards are presented to those Members of Congress "who vote significantly for economy and against excessive government spending." Eligibility for this Congress required that recipients had voted for reductions in at least two-thirds of the bills selected by NAB.

Helms To Address Rally At Erwin High Oct. 19

Sen. Jesse Helms will speak at a fund-raising dinner at Erwin High School Oct. 19, according to Mrs. Elsie Pyatt, Marion, 11th District Republican vice chairman. Helms will speak on behalf of Albert F. "Doc" Gilman of Alloway, GOP candidate for Congress from North Carolina's 11th District, Mrs. Pyatt said.

The \$5-a-plate dinner is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will go to the Helms campaign, according to Mrs. Pyatt.

Gilman, a mathematics professor at Western Carolina University, is attempting to seat Democratic Rep. Roy Taylor of Black Mountain. James M. Baley Jr., candidate for the state Supreme Court now serving on the North Carolina Court of Appeals, and W. Scott Harvey, secretary of the Department of Commerce, are also scheduled to take part in the

fundraising event. Harvey, a former executive with General Electric here,

ran twice for the congressional seat. Helms, a former Raleigh Television

executive, is the first Republican in the Senate from this state in this century.



ROY GARVIN, winner of the Lion's Club Sam Cathy Award for most active work with the blind and visually handicapped in District 31-A, is shown above with the trophy he was awarded. Garvin is a member of the Swannanoa Lions Club.

Student Teachers From W-W In Valley Schools

Four Warren Wilson College students have begun their student teaching in the Black Mountain area schools. Miss Sharon Bailey and Miss Darlene Berret are teaching English and Ben Geouge, Jr. is teaching Biology at Owen High School. Jerry Slaughter is at the Swannanoa Elementary School, teaching both seventh grade social studies and third grade physical education.

Crawford To Lecture

Dr. John N. Crawford of the history faculty of Montreat - Anderson College, has accepted an invitation to be one of a group of lecturers for the Jackson County League of Women Voters to discuss the implications of the Mountain Area Management Act for land use. Crawford's topic will be "The History of Land Use in Western North Carolina."

His lecture will take place in Sylva October 15.

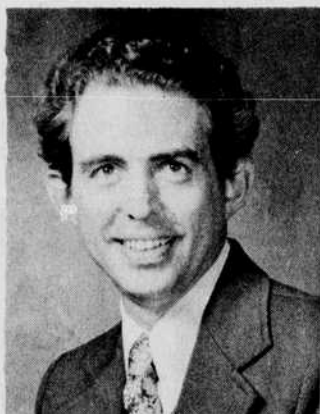
The series is funded by the N. C. Commission for Education in the Humanities, which has made a number of grants to various local institutions such as libraries, schools, colleges, and other groups which can attract groups of adults interested in preserving the wilderness areas of the State, and in planning locations for future industry, housing, and commercial uses.

David McMahan Named Vice-President At Barrett Carpet Mills

David McMahan has joined Barrett Carpet Mills in Dalton, Ga. as Vice-President of Operations. In this capacity, he is responsible for the financial administrative and manufacturing operations.

Barrett sells its tufted carpet through independent salesmen and carpet distributors through the United States. However, Barrett maintains its own Sales Offices in New York, Chicago, Atlanta and San Francisco.

Prior to joining Barrett, McMahan was Controller and Operations manager with Advance Finishing Company in Dalton. Before going to Dalton, he was employed by Beacon Manufacturing Company in Swannanoa and in



David McMahan

McMahan, live in Swannanoa. He and his wife, Judy and their two children, live in Rocky Face, Ga.

TOWN BOARD MEETING
Monday Night
October 14 - 7:30 p.m.
On the Agenda
(1) Discussion of proposed Recreation Complex
(2) Rezoning of property North side of Vance Avenue to Spring Street and including Lot No. 35 on the westside of Spring St. from R-10 (Residential) to C-2 (General)
Be present to let your Board know you are interested and also to make your opinions and desires known.