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T THE ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE, Mr. Chet Prentice, local club resident, was presiding for the opening session Friday morning when honor uest Ken Meredith of Bowling Green, Kentucky, commissioned District Jovernor Zane Moore as a Kentucky Colonel.



DURING A PROGRAM BREAK, incoming District Governor Con Bost, second from left, checked dates for his official visit at Black Mountain with members of the Club here. Left to right, John Abernethy, incoming president, Bost and members Gene Underwood, Irving Churchill and Alan Robertson. The official visit will be on July 6.

Rotary District Conference At Montreat

breakfast

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Almost two hundred North arolina Rotarians and their ives from Murphy to Mar-hville (East of Monroe) werged on Montreat last eek for their annual District onference. Most were of-cers in their local clubs, ome of them preparing to ssume their duties July

District Governor Zane ioore, a Charlotte pastor, eported on "The Health of istrict 767". Since last July new Club has been ganized, at Marshville, to ing the total to 46. There has een a net increase of 100 new mbers. 32 Interact Clubs active - Rotary's ganization in high schools. here are 2 Rotaract Clubs -

r college young people. Jefferson Rotarians showed

presentations were made. One was by the Exchange Study team of five young (under thirty) area businessmen and their Rotarian team leader who have just returned from a six-week tour of Australia (all expenses paid by Rotary International). Davidson College student Kenji Kawamura of Japan spoke of hs year's experience as a Rotary Foundation Fellow; he

Rotary Chris Bauer, Si Vaughn (welcoming all to Montreat), will return home this summer. Jens Vestgaard of Denmark, Ted Cooper, Alan Robertson, who is completing his studies at Western Carolina, also told Gene Underwood, Larry Wilson, Irving Churchill, John of his year here as a Chan Gordon Scholar, sponsored by Wilmott and John Abernethy this Rotary District. During the business

sessions, delegates unanimously elected Mr. William Haggard of Asheville as District Governor Nominee will assume his duties in July of 1977. Mr. Haggard has recently retired as Director of the Climatic Center and has formed his own Climatic Consultation service. Honor guest of the Con-

ference was Mr. Kenneth

Meredith, Sr., of Bowling

Green, Kentucky. He was

Rotary International

President Imbassahy's

personal representative to this

Conference. He and his wife

were honored at the Con-

vention banquet Friday night.

Con Bost of Marion addressed

the Conference Saturday

morning and told of some of

his hopes for the Rotary year

that begins July 1. Previously

he hosted incoming Club

presidents and secretaries for

Incoming District Governor

(who attended all sessions as deuly.

president Chat Prentice While their husbands were presided at the Conference's attending District Conference opening sessions Friday meetings, the wives toured the morning. Assisting throughout shops and other interesting the conference in many capacities as hosts were Black places in the Valley. Some played tennis. On Saturday Mountain Rotarians Orville morning many of them were guests of Mrs. Silas Vaughn Brouer (in charge of the tournament on for coffee and conversation at Thursday), Paul Limbert, the Vaughn home. Mrs. Chester Prentice was in charge of local arrangements for the ladies - who numbered about forty five. Asheville and

West



District Governor Zane Moore for the thorough planning and June. smoothe operation of the and all program arrangements.

All meetings were in Armstrong Convocation Hall of Montreat's Assembly Inn. All meals were served in the Inn's dining hall.

Black Mountain Swimming Pool Information

Membership cards are available for sell at the Town Hall from Mondays through Fridays between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The membership fees are as follows: \$20.00 Single membership. \$30 Married couple membership

McDowell Sheriff Refutes Mundy's Claims

McDowell County Sheriff J. Hubert Haynes said that he was unaware of a \$200,000 suit filed against him and Deputy Eddie Smith until he read Wednesday, April 28ths edition of the Asheville Citizen. The newspaper gave an account of the suit filed in Buncombe Superior Court by William P. Mundy of Black Mountain.

In the suit, Mundy alleges that Deputy Smith arrested him April 26, 1975, as he stopped to drink water from a satream on U.S. 70 between Old Fort and Black Mountain.

He contends he was imprisioned in McDowell County Jail for about 10 hours and was not advised of his rights or the nature of the charges against him as required by the United States Constitution.

In an interview early today, Sheriff Haynes says he recalls

the incident and could remember distinctly events which took place during and after Mundy's arrest. 'Deputy Smith arrested Mundy April 26, 1975. He was booked at 5:30 p.m. that day,

charged with carrying a concealed weapon," he said A log kept by the Sheriff's Department which indicates all arrests, the time the person is booked and the time released, shows that Mundy was arrested by Smith April 26, 1975, and booked at 5:30

p.m. The log, filled out by a former deputy Barry Bailey, indicates that Mundy was released from custody at 8:30 p.m. the same evening under \$200 bond signed by Mundy. "When Smith arrested Mundy and brought him to jail we noticed that he was not in good health. He told us of his problems and that he was a regular patient of Internal Medical Associates.

"When he showed Deputy Smith his medical bracelet, he brought him downstairs and allowed him to sit in the office or outside on the por-ch. which ver place he wanted to sit.

"He made a phone call to his sister. When we realized that the man's health was bad, our department called Judge Wade Matheny, District Court Judge, told him of the circumstances, and he agreed to allow Mundy to sign his own bond

"While in custody, Mundy did not ask for medical treatment, but because of his condition we did not want to lock him up. He stayed downstairs in our office.

"He called his sister but she did not arrive to pick him up until after he had called a taxi and left," the Sheriff explained.

According to the Sheriff,

we were working with the

Forest Service, patroling the

and \$40 Family membership. Membership includes limitless swimming during open hours for the summer of '76. Regular entrance fees are: 50 cents for children and \$1.00 for adults.

The pool will be open from 12 noon til 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and on Sundays. Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. And this summer we will also have night swimming on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6 p.m. til 9 p.m. Monday through Friday mornings are being set aside for swimming lessons, to be instructed by the pool's staff, of which the schedule will be

the automobile and discovered the weapon," Haynes said. Mundy alleges in the suit that Smith ransacked his car, and seven rare coins disappeared from his locked glove box while he was in jail. Sheriff Haynes said he was

not aware of any rare coins. 'Mundy never told us anything about having rare coins in the car," he noted. Mundy claims he was forced to climb stairs and to sit or lie

"Mundy left the supermarket and traveled back up the mountain on old U.S. 70.

That's where Deputy Smith

stopped Mundy and searched

down on concrete floors and was given no medical treatment. He alleges that after midnight he was put out on the street where he lay in the grass until an unidentified person was obtained a taxi to take him home to Black Mountain.

Sheriff Haynes said several witnesses were in the office when Mundy was brought downstairs to call his sister and several persons saw Deputy Smith give him money for a tar

"Our log indicates that he was not released after midnight, but at 8:30 p.m., exactly three hours after he was brought in, the Sheriff stated. The charge of carrying a concealed weapon against Mundy was later dismissed in McDowell District Court. Sheriff Hayncs said the gun

Mundy was carrying was returned to him after the court judgement Mundy is asking \$50,000 actual damages for pain, suffering, ridicule, and injury

to reputation and \$150,000 punitive damages. He names Sheriff Haynes as

a defendant because Haynes is responsible for the jail. Sheriff Havnes said he can prove by records or witnesses

ides of their prize-winning ommunity project, a family ark, complete with . ecreational equipment, etc. harlotte Rotarians told of the ocational survey made of all enth grade youth, the esultant computerized readounsellors and a program of igh school speakers arranged or the schools on the basis xpanded next year. Joel atlined 'Elderact'' program that used retired persons in a nanyfacted program of ervices ender. Since Rotary's distinctive fort is in International elations, three major

ut provided to all high school e results; the plan will be mmette of Dilworth - that 'Club's they wanted to

Benje's **Bulletin Board**

That spunky little guy was able to take a few steps Friday on his own, sit in and propel a wheelchair and sit up and watch TV for awhile. He was so thrilled he told his Momma, "Let's call Daddy and tell him," and they did. He had some problems Sunday with his blood pressure but it stablized itself without medication.

Monday he underwent surgery and a rather large skin graft was begun on one of his arms.

Benjeis continuing to run a fever but the doctors say this is normal for a burn victim.

Everyday is a step forward for this gutsy kid but he still has many steps and some sure to be painful, to go before he is on the road to recovery.

Frank, his dad, flew up Tuesday evening to be with Dorsie and Benje. He (Frank) has painful burns on both arms and legs.

Your cards and letters are still a vitally important link between Cincinnati and home for Dorsie and Benje. Let's keep them going. For your convenience here is the address to write to: 1036 Anderson Hills Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45230.

The Official Minutes of the May 10th meeting of the Black Mountain Board of Aldermen.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Black Mountain met in regular session Monday May 10, 1976, at 7:30 p.m. with all members present. The Mayor opened the meeting and welcomed guests. She, then, asked Dr. Thompson to offer the opening prayer after which the pledge of allegiance was given. The Mayor then asked for any additions or corrections of the minutes of the last meeting (copies of which had been mailed to each Alderman). They were ap-proved as mailed. The Clerk asked for a date for the Public hearing for the 76-77 budget. The date of Monday May 24, 1976, at 7:30 p.m. was set for this meeting. Mark Cole requested that the minutes be read and the Clerk complied. A discussion of the Municipal agreement regarding signs was held. The Mayor read a letter from Dr. empson and Mr. Griffith. The cost was estimated to be around \$1,000. Mr. Greenwood complimented the two on the excellent job they have done for the Town in compiling the information needed. Mr. Tyson asked Dr. Thompson about whether to spend the money involved on signs or on street markers but no decision was reached. Mr. Cole asked about replacing the poles on which the signs would placed. On a motion by Mr. Sobol and seconded by Mr. Greenwood this was approved on the

contingent that the price is not

-----**Many Problems**

Town Board Discusses

to exceed \$1,000 and the manager was instructed to look into the prices from private industry.

Mr. Tyson asked Dr. Thompson and Mr. Griffith about doing a survey on the street markers to which Dr. Thompson replied that this had already been done. A discussion was held in regard to appointing a committee for the purpose of correctly naming the streets and the following names were suggested: Everette Stephenson, Dr. Hugo Thompson, Mr. Paul Griffith, Mrs. Max Twitty and Mrs. A.F. Tyson, Jr. Mr. Cole asked about the width of Portman Villa Road and the right location of same. A discussion of the water rate study was held, and the Mayor asked the Clerk to report on the request for funds which was turned down. On a motion by Mr. Sobol and seconded by Mr. Hoefling the recommendations of the water study was accepted. Motion carried. Mr. Cole asked questions about the water rate increase and the reason for the sewer rate increase. On a motion the Mr. Sobol and seconded by Mr. Tyson the third and final reading of the privilege license was pas In regard the Revenue Sharing proposed report Mr. Sobol asked that this be tabled until the May 17th meeting. Mrs. Brandon moved that they accept bids for a 1975-76 audit. This motion died for the

lack of a second. A motion by Mr. Tyson and seconded by

Mr. Greenwood that the Board contact Cherry, Bekaert and Holland and ask for a minimum amount for the audit, was passed. Mrs. Brandon stated she wanted it entered in the records that was opposed to the Board's unwillingness to accept other auditing firms.

On a motion by Mr. Sobol and Seconded by Mr. Greenwood the Town will adopt the State Statute in regard to compension for officials expense in travel and other Town connected affairs with the approval of the Board, Carried.

In regard to the three year contract with Mr. Hamilton regarding sanitation pick up, Mr. John Hamilton was asked to meet with the Board at the meeting of May 17th.

Mr. Cole asked that the dog leash law be enforced because of garbage and also that a uniform container required. He also asked about the Building Inspector and where he lives and if it is necessary for him to live in the city or county. He also asked that the zoning ordinance regarding trailer parks be published.

Mrs. Brandon read an invitation from Mrs. Stephenson and complimented her on the excellent job she is doing for

the Senior Citizens. Mrs. Belle Mordell was recognized and reported on the committee which is trying to save the depot. A discussion of the possibility of some federal funding was held. She said that the railroad had offered a long term lease for around \$100 a year with the

stipulation that a fence be erected around three sides which would cost about \$500 She asked the Board to include application for federal funding in their May 17 meeting. The Mayor recognized and

welcomed Monica Mays of Region B. Tom Culbreth was recognized and made a request of \$2500 to help the Committee for Better Sports to help them start their 1976 program. On a motion by Mr. Sobol and seconded by Mr. Greenwood this was approved to be taken from the Town's 75-76 budget. Mr. Culbreth spoke of the plans for the coming year. He was instructed to report back to the

Mr. Hoefling spoke of the meeting he and others recently attended with the Board of Commissioners concerning the request for funds from Buncombe County for funds not to be used exclusively for Black Mountain but for the eastern part of the county

Board.

The Mayor asked Mr. Tyson about the streets to be paved under the Powell Bill.

Wendell Begley asked about the paving of Sunset Drive and was told by Mr. Tyson that it would be paved as far as it had been widened. Mr. Cole talked of the buffer zone surrounding trailer parks. On a motion by Mr. Greenwood and seconded by Mrs. Brandon the Building Inspector is to be instructed to check on the law regarding trailers, parks, tie downs, etc. Passed

The meeting was then adiourned.

announced at a later date. Pool parties may be arranged by contacting the his own money so he could Town Manager at least a week return to Black Mountain, he before the desired date of use. said. Please remember that the When asked why Mundy was pool belongs to the people of arrested Haynes said, "A fire Black Mountain, and is a very had been set in an area on Old Fort Mountain that day and

fine recreational facility of which we should be proud. We ask that everyone join us in taking responsibility for its beauty and the safety of those enjoying this facility Therefore, we are asking that parents accompany all children under 7 years of age. Remember, membership cards are now available at the Black Mountain Town Hall.

Mundy did not have enoug that statements made cash to pay the cab driver. Mundy in the suit are in-Deputy Smith gave him \$6 of correct.

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area. "The description of a car that had been seen in the area of the fire matched the car Mundy was driving. Deputy Smith followed the car down U.S. 70 to the Old Fort Super Market.

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feature story on page 6

Mrs. Cary Owen To Seek Re-election

Mrs. Charles D. (Cary) Owen, Jr. announced, Thursday, May 6, she would be a candidate for re-election to the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners in making this announcement Mrs. Owen stated:

For the past three and a half years I have served as a member of the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners. Today I am announcing my candidacy for reelection to this position.

I plan to run my campaign based on a discussion of the serious problems and the important issues facing our county and I invite the other candidates to do the same. The American people are skeptical of people in political life and sick and tired of hearing them criticize each other. I believe that the voters desire and deserve a chance to listen to the candidates views and ideas about important matters. Based on this type of



CARY OWEN

discussion our citizens should be able to make wiser decisions at the polls.

When I ran for election four years ago I promised to work hard, especially in trying to improve our schools, our water system and our environment. Though much still needs to be done, a great deal of progress has been made. School operating funds have

increased from 3.2 million dollars in 1972 to 6.4 million in 1975. In addition, a considerable amount of money has been budgeted and spent for school construction. The new Reynolds High School, the South French Broad Gym and the Asheville High School Media Center are completed. The new Erwin High School and additions to thirteen schools should be finished this year. A new Hall Fletcher School, a new Haw Creek School and a new Swannanoa School are already funded and underway. The Count is helping to finance the new school building at the Orthopedic Hospital and has funded the acquisition of land for additional projects in several other areas. I hope that the school authorities will decide to employ architects for the next projects on their priority lists. If this is done,

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