

Owen High Lights

High winds and turbulence prevented the aerospace classes from flying the colorful hot air balloons which bedecked the hillside below the Owen greenhouse Monday morning. Originality in design and construction brought forth spectres which would have haunted the Montgolfier Brothers and Count Van Zeppelin. However, on Tuesday the trial flights were made in room No. 22's aerodrome. Joel Barker's "floated" away with top honors as his model hit the ceiling, while Kiah Ballard's "Kitty Hawk 13" was the "hottest" model. Kiah considered changing its name to "Kittyburg" because it burned like the Hindenburg.

Owen's Drama Club is expecting this year to be one of the best in quite a while. Members have been meeting each Tuesday afternoon and will elect officers after the plays get under way. So far on the agenda, the Club is planning to present three of Poe's stories in early November and other serious dramas throughout the year. In addition to Mrs. Jones, the club's present sponsor, the members hope to be "coached" later during the year by Mr.

Hilton a new English teacher at Owen.

Ms. Weaver's senior English class is doing a two week unit on the European Renaissance dealing mainly with its art and literature. Thus far, the class has been lectured about the art by Ms. Knight, Owen's art teacher, and also the students have seen films related to the period's history. Each student is doing individual research, the results of which will be presented to the class for discussion. This unit is leading up to a study of Shakespeare, after which the class will return to Ms. McElyea.

The Forestry and Outdoor Recreation classes took a field trip Tuesday, Sept. 21, with Mr. Goodson, who teaches the courses. The 42 students participating went to the Cradle of Forestry which is about 20 miles southwest of Asheville. This historical place was the first site of a school of forestry in the U.S. There were two objectives to this trip (1) to study and observe the beginning of forestry as a science in the U.S., and (2) to observe one method of interpretation of natural resources to the general public.

The Beta Club held its first organized meeting Wednesday, Sept. 22 in the school's library. The senior members informed the prospective Junior members of the purpose, requirements, and fees connected with the club and served refreshments afterwards. Plans and activities for the coming year have not yet been discussed. New officers will be nominated and elected within the next two weeks. Owen's chapter of the Beta Club anticipates a prosperous, successful year.

SAT will be given Nov. 6 at A.C. Reynolds, Asheville High, and Asheville School. PSAT will be given Oct. 23 in Owen's cafeteria. Deadline for registration (for the Nov. 6 SAT) is Oct. 1. Deadline for registration for PSAT will be announced.

XYZ Club News

Club Attends Camp Session

Sixty members of the XYZ Club drove out to Camp Rockmont Friday to have lunch and participate in a program sponsored by the Blue Ridge Community Health Center. The event was the last of two annual camping sessions held by the Center at Rockmont. An average of 100 campers were in attendance each day of the camp period which lasted from Sept. 20-24. Nine groups of campers came from a four County area of Western North Carolina for the sessions according to Genie Myers, Camp Director. There was a full program of water and field sports every day as well as an extensive crafts program, but encouragement to participate was essentially low pressure to allow time for sitting, talking and singing. This final day concluded with a barbeque and an olympics both of which are now traditional closing activities. Some club members wore the colors of various teams and became their supporters. It was an exquisite day for all of the events and a particularly pleasant one on which to decline to do anything but sit in the warm sun deploring the excessive energy shown by some others.

Extension Agent Talks On Home Fires

Mrs. Phoebe Putnam one of Buncombe's three Home Economists spoke about home fires to members of the XYZ Club Thursday. The talk itself was a model of economy- brief and sticking to essentials. Among Mrs. Putnam's initial remarks was the statement that people who are over 60 are as prone to fire accidents as children. This is largely due to the fact that many of the elderly are alone, and handicapped in various ways, and they don't move, smell or see as well as they once did. Mrs. Putnam particularly emphasized the dangers of smoking, and especially in bed. She recommended that smokers use butane lighters which go out when they are dropped and said that book matches were difficult for many people to handle especially the arthritic. A second area in which many accidents occur, said Mrs. Putnam, is the kitchen, where clothing catches fire or one is burned by grease. Mrs. Putnam recommended three safety measures: A inexpensive smoke detector, the posting of a local emergency number near the phone, and planning an exit for emergencies.

Mrs. Putnam has talked to XYZ Club members before on various subjects. She says that she and the other two agents spend six months of the year speaking to groups throughout the County on subjects as diverse as canning, gardening, nutrition, budgeting and home hazards.

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Chamber Chatter

By Ed Weber

Annual Meeting

December 6th, Monday, has been set as the date for the Chamber's Annual Banquet.

Election of Directors for 1977

Your Chamber is now preparing for its annual election of new directors from the membership at large. To be eligible for election the member must be currently paid up in dues. Some do not meet this requirement.

Directors Meeting

Directors will meet 7:45 a.m. Wednesday October 13th at Highland Farms Inc. This is a most important meeting.

About the new Shopping Center

Most of us appreciate it for what it is. A few use the parking lot for cleaning out their cars, a dumping area etc. It should be pointed out that each store in the center is responsible for the cleaning up of its area to its immediate front. At the moment Bi-Lo's has been unfairly criticized for the entire parking lot while indeed they police (clean-up) their area each day before opening.

Welcome to our Newest Members

Penland and Sons Funeral Home, Inc. Mgrs. Jerry Penland and Paul Atkins. 686-5447 offering 24 hour private ambulance service. The Steak and Fish House, Manager Dick Aldt 686-7102 Hours 5:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Sundays. "Best Fish House In The Valley"

We Get Letters

Mr. Robert Foote from Maryland wrote about the outstanding service rendered by the manager of the Travel-Eze Motel, Preston Garrett and stated:

"This is the first time that we had the opportunity to visit your state and this experience has left a lasting impression. I have told all my friends about it and we are all going to try to stay at the Travel-Eze Motel when we are in the area. It is so rare to find a business that really tries to satisfy its customers. It is nice to feel this "Southern Hospitality" and wish more people had the friendliness and warmth we found in your town."

OCEAN OF ELEGANCE



Travelers can get a taste of what life was like aboard a millionaire's yacht at the turn-of-the-century when, to the sound of waves lapping against the distant shores and the faint cry of seagulls, they "board" the restaurant in the Holiday Inn-Vanderbilt Hotel in Nashville, Tennessee.

Social Security Tax Base Increased Over 1975

Both the maximum amount of earnings subject to Social Security tax, and the maximum amount to be paid by an employee have been increased, the Internal Revenue Service says.

The maximum amount of earnings subject to Social Security tax in 1976 is now \$15,300, up from \$14,100 in 1975.

The maximum amount an employee must pay for 1976 has been increased to \$895.05. For self-employed persons the maximum amount is \$1,208.70.



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