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Suspects Sought

Mr. Zip Zapped Twice Last Week

If you recognize either of these men please call the Black Mountain Police Department at 669-8072. All calls will be kept confidential. They are suspects in the robbery of the Mr. Zip Store on Sunday and the attempted robbery on Wednesday of last week.

The pictures shown above are a police composite of the two men who attempted a robbery of the Mr. Zip Store at State Street and Craigmont Road, Black Mountain on Wednesday Oct. 13 and returned on Sunday to complete the job.



Suspect No. 1

Black male 6' to 6'1", weight approximately 250 lbs. Long side burns, abbreviated Afro, mustache, heavy eye brows, hunting knife in belt.



Suspect No. 2

Black male 6' or 6'1" weight, approximately 175 to 185 lbs. Short Afro haircut. Younger than suspect one.

Homecoming Events Planned At Owen

This is Homecoming Week at Owen. Homecoming — a time of nostalgia, of an overwhelming pride in the Valley and its people, a time to remember your days at Owen and to help the future alumnae celebrate the best days of their lives. Won't you join us at this happy time?

The Warhorses play host to the East Henderson Eagles. This promises to be an exciting game since the Eagles have lost only one conference game as have the Warhorses. Kickoff time is 8:00 p.m. at Shuford Field. A capacity crowd is expected for the annual homecoming game. The senior football players, bandmen, and cheerleaders will be recognized.

Who will be the Homecoming Queen? No one will know until the big moment arrives. The seniors on the court are Anita Jones and Teresa Smith. The black representative, Arlesia Lytle, is also a senior. The elected juniors are Susan Wilson and Ginny Clark. Vicky Buchanan will represent the sophomore class and Katie Swain the ninth grade. Band representative is Laura Hipps

and the football team chose Chris Wojtyna. The nine members of the court and their escorts will be presented during the halftime ceremonies. The new queen will be crowned by Student Body President, Kevin Edwards.

The Student Council has planned several activities to celebrate Homecoming week. On Wednesday the students and faculty will observe Hillbilly Day. Thursday is designated as Hat and Sock Day with awards given for the craziest hat and socks. Friday, believe it or not, is Quiet Day when no one speaks from 8:30 until time for the Pep Rally at 2:00. Friday night is color night, so come dressed in maroon and white.

The homeroom classes are running a contest this week to see who can make the best decorations for the Homecoming Dance. All posters and pictures will be hung in the cafeteria to form one giant collage. The Big Wise Sound Machine will provide the entertainment for the dance on Saturday night and refreshments will be provided by the Beta Club.

"Right To Die" Legislation Proposal At Next General Assembly

The state General Statutes Commission, Raleigh, is drafting a proposal for the next General Assembly that would allow persons to decline extraordinary life-sustaining measures.

State Sen. William G. Smith, S-New Hanover, says he favors the concept of the "right to die" legislation, and will probably introduce the bill.

"I suspect we're going to get into this at some level during the next session," said Smith, who as the Senate's appointee to the commission is obligated to sponsor its legislation.

Charles Murray, the commission's reviser of statutes, says he is researching a proposal that closely follows a ruling by the New Jersey Supreme Court in the celebrated case of Karen Anne Quinlan. That ruling allowed her parents to remove a supposedly vital mechanical respirator after attending doctors and an ethics committee agreed she had no chance of recovery.

Murray said the North Carolina draft concerns those with no reasonable possibility of regaining a cognitive human state. The closest

family member or a none, the attending doctor, could request halting the life-sustaining procedures, under the proposed statute.

Smith said he is less certain about detaching machines from comatose patients who never stated their wishes. "I think physicians have been making those decisions for the last 100 years and still make them," Smith said. "They run a tremendous legal risk, and I don't think they should. Nor do I think we should give anyone carte blanche."

Murray said the North Carolina proposal is similar, though not identical, to the nation's first right-to-die law enacted last month in California.

The commission's first draft places primary responsibility on the affected person, he said. The patient would have to express the desire that his life not be prolonged by extraordinary means, and doctors would have to agree that his condition was "terminal and hopeless."

The statute would remove legal responsibility for the patient's death from the doctors who withdrew the life-sustaining mechanisms.

40th Anniversary Observation

St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Church Plans Special Events

St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Church of Swannanoa is celebrating its 40th Anniversary this year. Father Pius F. Keating, S.A. is Pastor.

The Church, Rectory, and Activity Building are located on a triangular plot in the Grovemont section of Swannanoa. This plot is slightly more than two acres of ground and was purchased in the Spring of 1936 for five hundred dollars from the estate of the late Edwin J. Grove, Jr. At the time of this purchase, there was one Roman Catholic diocese in North Carolina and Belmont Abbey, with the Most Reverend William J. Hafey, D.D. as Bishop of the Diocese of Raleigh. The church and rectory were constructed by the Southeastern Construction Company, Charlotte, N.C., with Father Michael McInerney, O.S.B., the architect, at a total cost of Thirteen thousand dollars. The funds for the construction of these two buildings were supplied by the Catholic Church Extension Society, with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois, from a bequest made by Kate Kelly. Today the property value and buildings exceeds more than two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars.

The dedication of St. Margaret Mary's took place 11 October 1936, with the Most Reverend William J. Hafey, D.D., Bishop of Raleigh, officiating. During the past forty years St. Margaret Mary's has served God, people and country under the supervision of Bishop William J. Hafey, D.D., Raleigh's first Bishop; Bishop Eugene J. McGuinness, D.D.; and Bishop Vincent S. Waters, D.D. On 12 January 1972, the Diocese of Charlotte was established with the episcopal consecration of the Most Reverend Michael J. Begley, D.D.

The parish of St. Margaret Mary was instituted to take care of the spiritual needs of the people of Eastern and Southeastern part of Buncombe County. The First Synod of the Diocese of Raleigh designated the territory of St. Margaret Mary as, four townships of Buncombe County, namely, Swannanoa, Black Mountain, Fairview, and Broad River.

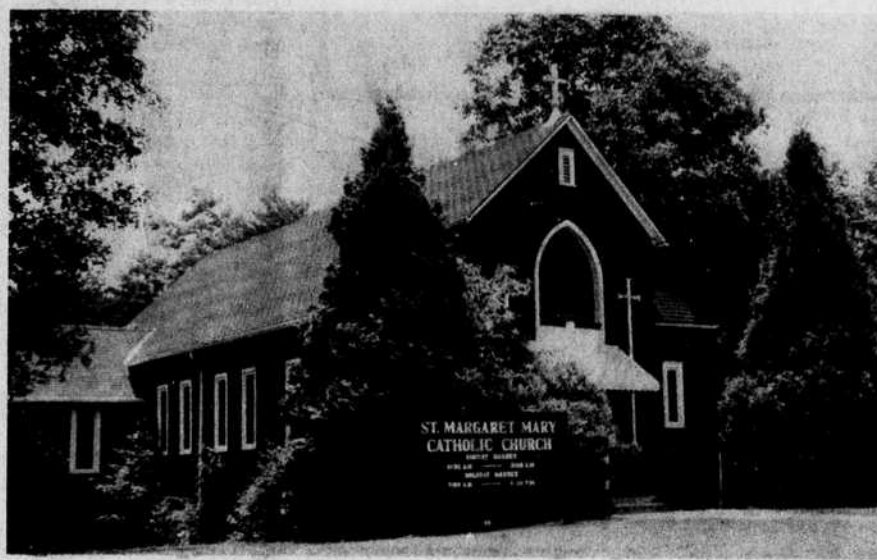
Within the parish boundary of St. Margaret Mary its Pastor has the spiritual care of the Catholic patients at the Western North Carolina Hospital, the Veterans Administration Hospital, Stroupe's Rest Home, Highland Farms Health Care Center, the North Carolina Alcoholic Rehabilitation Center, and Dogwood Manor. Besides administering the Sacraments to the elderly, sick and dying, the Pastor must make spiritual provisions for the Catholic students attending Warren Wilson College, Montreat-Anderson College, and the Juvenile Evaluation Center.

With the growing need for Sunday School classrooms and a parish hall, ground was broken 23 October 1965 for a proposed Social Hall and Catechetical Center, with modern classrooms, an up-to-date kitchen, and all the conveniences necessary for the teaching of CCD classes

and parish activities. This building was dedicated by the Most Reverend Vincent S. Waters, D.D., Bishop of Raleigh, 27 April 1969. Having been joined on to and made a part of the church, this new red brick building provides added seating space for the over-crowded Sunday Services, especially during the tourist season. Two members of St. Margaret Mary's Church aided much in making this building a realization. Arnold Jones of the Arnold Jones and Son, Inc. Real Estate and Building Contractor, Black Mountain, and Mrs. Elizabeth Peterson of Seffner, Florida, formerly of this area. The Jones Construction Company built the Sunday School building - Social Hall and Mrs. Peterson loaned the church the added funds for the construction.

Former Pastors of the Church have been: Most Reverend Joseph Lennox Federal, (Bishop of the Diocese of Salt Lake City) 1936-1938; Reverend Monsignor Hugh Dolan, (Pastor, St. Gabriel's Church, Charlotte) 1938-1942; Reverend Michael A. Carey (deceased) 1942-1946; Reverend Walter F. Higgins (Diocese of Raleigh) 1946-1949; Reverend John J. Hyland (deceased) 1949-1958; Reverend John A. Weidinger (retired) 1958-1962; Reverend Henry J. Becker (St. Lawrence's Church, Asheville) 1962-1965; Right Rev. Monsignor John P. Manley, P.A. (retired, 1968 Kimberly Avenue, Apt. 13, Asheville, N.C.) 1965-1969; Reverend Stephen A. Sullivan (Pastor, St. Lawrence's Church, Asheville, N.C.) 1969-1973; Reverend Pius F. Keating, S.A. 15 January 1973 to present.

An Anniversary Mass will be held, Sunday October 24 at 11 a.m. A program of special music is also planned at this time. Miss Morna Moore is organist. Sunday evening, October 24, at 5 p.m. an Anniversary Cocktail Party followed by an Anniversary Dinner at 6 p.m.



will be held at the Parish Hall.

The Church offers religious education classes for all ages. Several of the Sunday School Classes are taught by the Sisters of Religious Education, of St. Genevieve's Convent, Asheville.

Scheduled Services of the Church are as follows: Sunday Mass - 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Saturday (fulfills Sunday obligation) - 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday thru Friday - 5:30

p.m. CCD classes (Sunday, Grades 1-8) 9:30 a.m.; CCD classes (Sunday, High School students) 7 p.m.; Adult Education Classes (Sunday) 7 p.m.; Holy Day Masses - 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Christmas Eve (Vigil) Masses - 5:30 to and Midnight; Christmas Day Masses - 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Feast of Octave of Christmas, Mary, Mother of God (1 January) 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Confessions - Heard

before all Masses.

We of the Valley extend our congratulations to St. Margaret Mary's Church on its Fortieth Anniversary. We also extend sincerest thanks to the members of the congregation for their numerous contributions to all facets of work, recreational and sports activities, governing branches of our society and to the spiritual growth of our beloved Valley.

Minutes Of Montreat Board Of Commissioners Meeting

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Montreat in its meeting on October 14 heard reports and considered several matters of importance.

Police Chief Post reported approval of a grant request for \$500 from LEAA for uniforms and small items of equipment.

Dr. Wilson reported nothing new in the streets department. There are no plans at the moment for improving the condition of Louisiana Road just beyond the Virginia Road intersection. No funds are budgeted for this work.

The Mayor announced the appointment of a citizens committee to study the

question of privilege licensing in Montreat: David Peele, chairman; Miss Nancy Copeland; and William Weed. The committee will report in November.

The Mayor informed the Board that the Department of Highways has assured us that signs identifying Montreat will be placed at the I-40 Black Mountain exits, and that the widening of NC 9 is planned from Black Mountain to the end of that highway at the Montreat gate.

A lengthy discussion followed concerning the services of Town police to Montreat-Anderson College and the Mountain Retreat Association, both tax-exempt organizations. Mr. Walter Hall, of the College, Mr. John Lewis, of the Association, and Mr. Philip Carson, attorney for the Town, were present to explain and clarify. The discussion resulted in the motion made by Dr. Wilson that "the Town of Montreat, upon receipt of the amount of \$18,000 expand its police force to the extent that broader coverage of the total community of Montreat will be possible." The motion passed, with Commissioner Crisp abstaining. The Mayor requested that notice be given the Board, within 2 weeks, of the reaction of the College and the Association to this motion.

The second lengthy discussion took place concerning a proposal by the Planning and Zoning Commission that the Board of

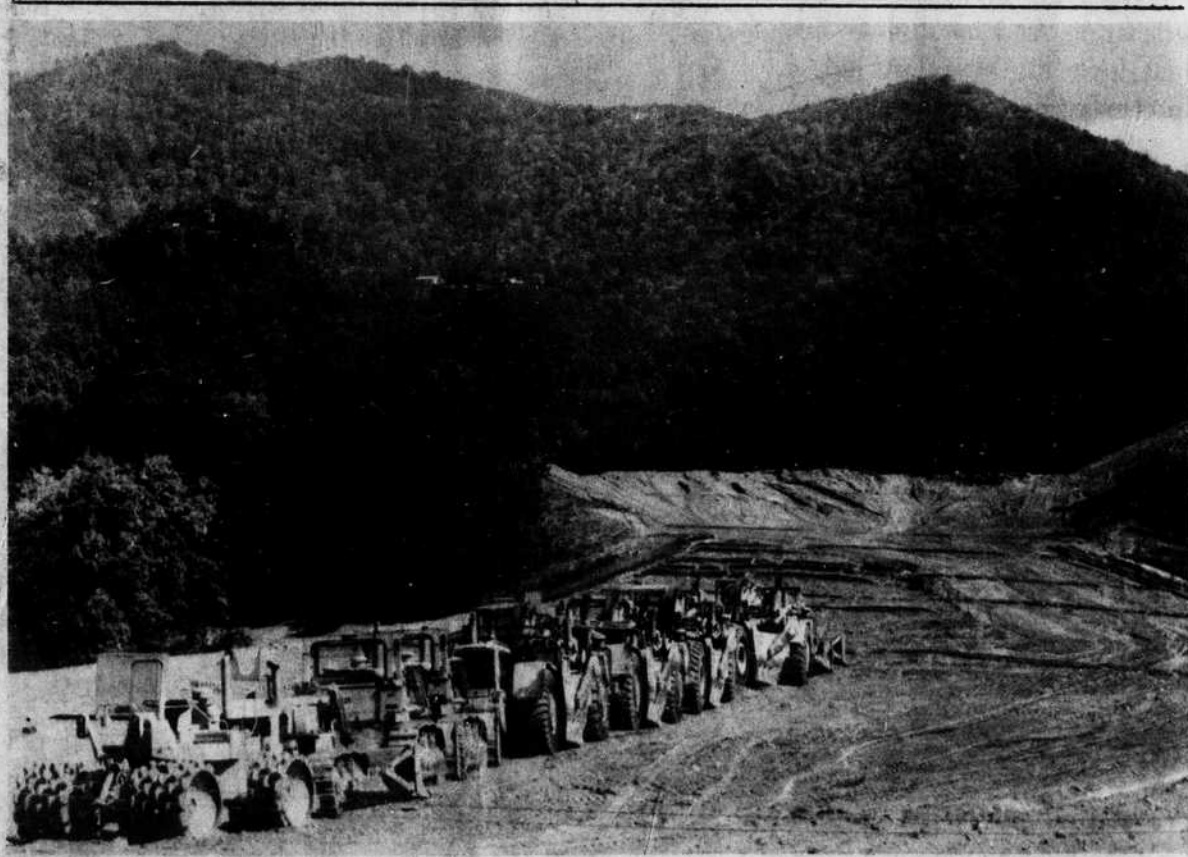
Commissioners of the Town of Montreat authorize the filing of papers necessary to obtain a Declaratory Judgement in the Superior Court of Buncombe County to determine the legal status of real property lying between designated lots shown on duly registered plats of areas in the Town. The discussion centered around the necessity for determining ownership so that the Town can state unequivocally the areas over which it has the responsibility; the possibility of alternative ways this might be accomplished; the relative worth of having this delineation made once and for all as opposed to that of ill will that might be aroused because of a misunderstanding of the reason for a request for a Declaratory Judgement; and the cost of securing such a Judgement, considering the lack of funds in the budget. Finally Mr. Crisp moved to accept the report of the Planning and Zoning Commission as information and to table consideration of it until a later date. The motion passed.

Appreciation was expressed to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association from a contribution of \$1000 in lieu of taxes to the Town of Montreat. After the presentation of the Financial Report for the period of July 1 - September 30, the meeting was adjourned.

Swannanoa Man Dies In Car Accident

Gary David Huntley was injured fatally Friday night, Oct. 15. Trooper May of the State Highway Patrol reported that Huntley, 24, of Swannanoa was apparently killed instantly when the car in which he was a passenger went off Bee Tree Road and struck a bus parked by the roadside about 11:30 p.m. The driver of

which Huntley was riding was identified as Michael Stephen Bright of Swannanoa. May said he was injured by a piece of metal from the bus that came in through the car window. He was reported in satisfactory condition Tuesday morning at Memorial Mission Hospital. The investigation of the accident is continuing.



Lady Earth

(A David Peele Photo)

Old Woman, great mountain of earth and stone,
Can it be that you feel pain?
When great shovels dig and cut at your shoulders;
When men blast away at your muscles and bones;
Is there an agony you feel?

When men ruthlessly tear down your trees
When men unceasingly pound and drag o'er your flesh;

Do I hear you crying?
Old Woman, what have we done?
-s- Leslie Davis