## Receiving Awards



PICTURE 1-Pictured is Alex McCallum (left), Personnel Director at Spectrum Fibers, Inc., receiving his Five Year Service Award during the month of July. Presenting the award is Buford DeFore, Executive Vice President of Manufacturing.



PICTURE 2-Pictured is Virginia Alley, employee of Spectrum Fibers, Inc. in the Package Dye Department, receiving her Five Year Service Award during the month of July. Presenting the award is Coye Terry, Package Dye Supervisor.



PICTURE 3-Pictured is Willie Strong (left), employee of Spectrum Fibers, Inc. in the Piece Dye Department, receiving his Five Year Service Award during the month of July. Presenting the award is Steve Moore, Piece Dye Supervisor.



PICTURE 4-Pictured is James Alley, employee of Spectrum Fibers, Inc. in the Color Development Department, receiving his Five Year Service Award during the month of July. Presenting the award is Patsy Sparrow, Color Development Supervisor.



PICTURE 5-Pictured is John McClain (left), is employee of Spectrum Fibers, Inc. in the Plant Engineering Department, receiving his Five Year Service Award during the month of July. Presenting the award is Bill Stewart, Plant Engineering Department

# -Folk Ways-

## Appalachian Expressions Harris was among 24 North Carolina legislators who met with President

By ROGERS WHITENER

Words and their ways continue to pique the in-Folk-Ways terest of readers

Friend Alfred E. Mc-Thenia of Glade Spring, Virginia. a regular correspondent over the years, has an especially good ear and a good memory for Appalachian expressions.

He reached back a piece--70 years or more--recently in recounting some of the folk expressions heard in Washington County, Virginia.

He writes:

"The following old sayings (expressions) are remembered from a time of more than seventy years ago around and about John McCormack's Store in the Liberty Hall-Lodi section

'A horseback rider was said to be 'ridin' uv a horse or mule, and if the rider had another animal in tow he was said to be 'ridin' uv a horse and leadin' us a mule.' Or he might be 'ridin' uv a hoss and drivin'

"A teamster would be 'drivin' uv a team uv horses (or mules). If the team were oxen, he was said to be 'drivin' uv a yoke uv oxen' (or steers)."

Mr. McThenia cites a number of expressions for people in a hurry.

"A person running fast was said to be 'birdworking' or 'running sideways to keep fromflying.' Or he might simply be 'ickin' them up and lavin' them don.'

'Another was 'like he'd been shot out of agun' or 'like he had been shot at and missed.' Still another, more pungent description of a person in a wild dash of speed: 'runnin' like a turpentined dog.

Mr. McThenia notes that when a man wanted to speak of great numbers or vast quantities he might than John the Baptist spoke about."

Storekeeper John Mc-Cormack also had a way with words according to Mr. McThenia and he often used them to keep pestiferous younguns at

"John McCormack was good man, well liked, who had his own peculiar vernacular and mannerisms. Ofttimes when one of us 'M' Theeny' younguns would ask him a silly question he pretended not to hear or understand. and in mock surprise he razor?

much, he'd come out with 542-3481.

cried.

this threat: 'I'll pin your ears back and swallow you

Another corresponent who sends us folk items from time to time is Mrs. William Nye, Activities Coordinator at Vespers Nursing Home. Wilkesboro.

Recently she compiled a list of Wilkes County sayings provided by Vespers residents. She writes:

"Last week we discussed one of your columns on folk speech and here are some expressions the group came up with. One lady suggested that she was familiar with your 'ugly as a mud fence' saying, but that her father had always added. 'staked with lizards.' Others were accustomed to hearing 'nice-nasty' instead of 'nasty-nice' as used in your column.'

Other Vespers saying: 'So lazy he wouldn't get his breath if it didn't come natural."

"Purtiest woman that ever stood in leather." "Cold as kraut."

A response to how the person feels: "Sorta as to be up" or

"Like a crosscut saw." Overheard on the Appalachian campus recently as a staff member reacted to a verbal bombardment by a lady overseer: "There just ain't no way of pleasing that woman. If she ever gets to heaven, the first thing she's going to do is demand to see the upstairs!"

Readers are invited to send folk materials to Folk-Ways and Folk-Speech, Box 376, Appalachian State University, Boone, N.C. 23608.

#### James Drury

To Star At

#### describe either as "more Pineville Theatre

Pineville Dinner Theatre is bringing James Drury, the star of television's celebrated series "The Virginian", to its stage for a five week run opening Aug. 14.

Drury will play a temperamental orchestra conductor in the Broadway comedy "Once More With Feeling" by Harry Kur-

The flippant plot of "Once More With Feeling" affords an absorbing insight into behind-thewould counter with 'shot scenes aspects of the who' or 'whot who with a conducting profession with a comedic twist. This show "When on too frequent will be playing through occasions one of us might Sept. 16. For reservations be pestering him a little too and information call 704-

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If love could have saved you, you never would have died It broke our hearts to lose you, but you didn't go alone, For our hands went with you, the day God called you

> THE CHILDREN Otis, Bernice, Vader, Evelyn

> > TO TOBY

Toby's been dealt a very tough blow His eyes don't sparkle nor do they glow The Lord has taken his father to a better

He took him far away from this world's rat

I pray the Lord show Toby the way To deal with his memories every day If ever in need he might be I hope he'll feel free to call upon me.

> LINDAK. PRICE Gastonia, N.C.

## Senator Harris Meets With Pres. Carter

Kings Mountain Senator J. Ollie Jimmy Carter at the White House

Harris was the only legislator from this district to make the trip, his first visit to the White House.

"I was very impressed with President Carter. He was very cordial, relaxed, confident and looked great," said Harris, who returned to Kings Mountain Monday

The 2 p.m. conference, which was initiated by U.S. Senator Robert Morgan, was over in about 20 minutes, with the President speaking for about five minutes on numerous issues, including the Pending Salt II treaty, energy and inflation, windfall tax, etc. and encouraging the legislators to help restore confidence in government.

President Carter expressed hope that inflation would be lessened by February.

President Carter told the group that he hoped other states will follow Morgan's example and bring members of their delegation to Washington.

Harris said there was also time for handshaking and picture-taking with the President before the meeting in the Roosevelt Room, next to the Oval Office, adjourned.





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