

Methodists To Gather Sunday For Dedication Fincher's Chapel



A dedication service and burning of a bank note will take place at Fincher's Chapel Methodist Church on Hyder Mountain Sunday morning at 11:00. The handsome new church of brick, steel and native stone was completed three years ago and is now owned in full by the church.

Built on a high hill, it stands on almost the same spot as its predecessor, first built in 1894. Cost of the new building was \$13,000, and in the words of its pastor, the Rev. Mrs. C. O. Newell, "By the untiring efforts of the good people of this congregation, Fincher's Chapel is now ready to be dedicated. Much credit for this is due the loyal women who have met weekly for the past three years in the church basement to quilt. Fellowship dinners have been another means of raising money for the church. The public is cordially invited to worship and rejoice with us Sunday morning."

Bishop Charles C. Selecman, of Dallas, Tex., a retired bishop of the Methodist Church who spends his summers at Lake Junaluska, will preach the sermon, The Rev. W. J. Huneycutt, District Superintendent of the Waynesville District, will lead in the service of dedication, and the Rev. Mrs. C. O. Newell, pastor, will preside. Scripture will be read by the Rev. C. O. Newell, retired, and prayer will be given by the Rev. James W. Sells, executive secretary of the Southeastern Jurisdictional Council of the Methodist Church. Mrs. John Kirkpatrick will sing, Mr. W. J. McCrary, chairman of the Official Board, will present the church for dedication.

The note on the church, now paid in full, which has been held by the First National Bank of Waynesville, will be burnt by Mrs. Loyd Seay, president of the Women's Society of Christian Service. There are now 103 members of Fincher's Chapel Methodist Church.

Upward of 200 different species of birds have been counted in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.



FINCHER'S CHAPEL METHODIST CHURCH on Hyder Mountain will celebrate with special services and the burning of a bank note Sunday the full ownership of its new brick and stone building, completed 3 years ago at a cost of \$13,000.



THE REV. MRS. C. O. NEWELL, pastor, Fincher's Chapel Methodist Church, will preside at Sunday's special services. It was under her leadership that funds were raised and the new church constructed.



THE REV. W. J. HUNEYCUTT, Superintendent of the Waynesville District, will lead in the Fincher's Chapel dedication.



BISHOP CHARLES C. SELECMAN, of Dallas, Tex., retired bishop in the Southern Methodist Conference, will give the sermon at Fincher's Chapel Methodist Church dedication services Sunday morning.

Hereford Tour Set For August 20

Plans have been drawn up for the annual Hereford tour on August 20 sponsored by the Haywood County Hereford Breeders Association. All purebred Hereford breeders and all grade Hereford owners are being invited to attend the all-day meeting.

The tour will start promptly at 9:30 a.m. at Dr. J. L. Keeves' Walnut Knoll farm in Beaverdam Community with an inspection of Dr. Keeves' show and sale cattle, breeding herd and barn. Next stop will be at the farm of George Stamey for a look at his grade cow and calf herd.

A half hour will be spent in an inspection of the show and sale cattle, breeding herd and new beef cattle barn at the A. P. Cline farm; and another half hour inspecting the show and sale cattle and breeding herd at the M. O. Galloway farm.

Jarvis Allison's grade herd, cow and calves will be the last stop before arrival at the Joe Reinertson farm where Reinertson will be most at lunch. During the afternoon a guessing game of the weight of an animal is planned, followed by a discussion by Sam Buchanan on the beef cattle outlook and the selection of bulls and breeding animals. There will be a class of heaters, one of cows and possibly one of bulls for Buchanan's use in illustrating his points.

Sgt. Joe B. McCracken Is Helicopter Mechanic

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Marine Technical Sgt. Joe B. McCracken, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. McCracken of Rt. 1, Waynesville, has been transferred to the Marine Corps Air Facility, world's largest helicopter base located near Santa Ana, Calif.

He has been assigned to duty with Marine Observation Squadron 2, as a helicopter mechanic.

Prior to his transfer here he was stationed with a Marine Observation squadron of the 1st Marine Air Wing in Korea, where he served for 15 months.

A native of Waynesville, Sergeant McCracken attended the Waynesville Township High School. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in April, 1948.

John Reitzel, Former Assistant County Agent, Given State Promotion



Reitzel, who is 44 years old, is a major in the organized reserve now on active duty as agricultural adviser to Selective Service headquarters for North Carolina. He expects to assume his new duties with the Department of Agriculture on September 1, or as soon thereafter as he can obtain his release from the Army.

Reitzel was born September 8, 1908 in Catawba County, the son of the late P. L. Reitzel and Mrs. Reitzel. He spent his youth on the family farm at Elmwood, Iredell County, where his mother still lives, and he attended elementary school in Iredell County and high school at Cleveland in Rowan County.

He then studied agriculture at N. C. State College, from which he was graduated in 1934 with a bachelor of science degree. After a year as a vocational agriculture teacher at Ruffin, Rockingham County, Reitzel joined the State College Agricultural Extension Service as assistant county agent in Cleveland County, 1935-38, and as special assistant county agent in Haywood County, 1938-42.

An infantry reserve officer, he was called to active duty in the Army in 1942 and spent the next four years in the service, during two of which he was in the European Theater. He was assigned to Military Government overseas and served as agricultural officer for First and Third armies in France, Belgium and Germany.

Separated from the service with the rank of major in April, 1946, he returned to the Extension Service as farm management specialist at State College. In September of that year he became county agent for Wake County and continued in that position until the summer of 1950, when he went to Germany as an agricultural consultant for the State Department. Returning to this country in the fall, he spent a year at Harvard University taking graduate studies in government administration and agriculture economics.

Called back to active duty in the Army in 1952, he was assigned to North Carolina Selective Service

JOHN L. REITZEL, one of Haywood County's most popular former assistant county agents, has been appointed Assistant Commissioner of Agriculture in North Carolina by Commissioner L. Y. Ballentine. He is replacing A. Hugh Harris who has just resigned the position.

headquarters in Raleigh to deal especially with farm boys entitled to deferments under certain conditions.

Reitzel was married in 1936 to Nancy B. Finch, of Middlesex, and they have two children, John L., Jr., 12, and Elizabeth Ann, six. They live at 205 Brooks Avenue, Raleigh.

Harris, who has been assistant commissioner of agriculture since July 1, 1949, resigned to devote his full attention to farming and business interests in Pamlico County. He has a home and a farm at Oriental and operates a farm supply business at Gransboro.

As of July 1, Tar Heel hay crops totaled 1,207,000 acres, compared with 1,227,000 acres last year. Total production, however, is estimated at 1,335,000 tons, second only to 1945's record production of 1,352,000.

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