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BASKET BALL TOURNAMENTS BEGIN FRIDAY

The County Basket Ball Tournaments will begin on Friday, February 23 when four of the boy's teams will meet on the Bald Creek High School Court.

The games will begin at 7:30 with Burnsville playing Bald Creek. The Bee Log team will then play the Clearmont team.

On Saturday morning at 10:00 Micaville will play the winner of the Burnsville-Bald Creek contest.

Finals Saturday Night

Finals will be held Saturday night when the winner of the Saturday game meets the winner of the Bee Log-Clearmont battle.

Girls' Tournament Next Week

The Girls' tournament will be played on the Burnsville High school court next week, on March 1 and 2.

Burnsville will play Bald Creek and Micaville will play Bee Log on Friday night. The winners of the two games will meet for the finals on Saturday night.

Unusual interest is being displayed in the championship tournaments this year as all teams are well organized and well coached.

WINDSTORM HERE SATURDAY - SUNDAY DOES DAMAGE

One of the hardest windstorms ever to visit the section struck Saturday night and continued most of the day Sunday. All sections of the county reported damage done to houses and other buildings and to trees. Roofs suffered most damage, in many places being almost entirely removed.

An unusually heavy rain followed or accompanied the wind storm. Fortunately, severe cold did not prevail while the wind was so high.

CELO NEWS NOTES

Nearly 55,000 persons were in attendance at the recent Founder's Week Conference of Moody Bible Institute, Chicago. Registered visitors and speakers came from 37 states, Alaska, Canada, and 11 foreign countries.

Those on the program included a Hebrew-Christian evangelist, a lyric dramatic tenor from Oslo, Norway, a missionary who had been held for 18 months by Red bandits in China, and other missionaries from all parts of the world, a converted communist, a bishop of the Reformed Episcopal church, pastors and Bible teachers from many other denominations, an educator, a Wall street publisher, a banker, a scientist.

Among those present at the conference was Miss Bessie Bishop of Celso.

Milk Consumption

The consumption of fluid milk and cream increasing, following the improvement in business employment and payrolls, reports the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

COUNTY TEACHERS MEET AT BALD CREEK

The regular county teachers' meeting was held at Bald Creek High school on Friday afternoon, February 17. An unusually good attendance was reported.

Rasse H. Howell, principal of the Bald Creek school, presided at the general session. The school glee club, under the direction of Mrs. Mary C. Severs, sang two selections. Superintendent James Hutchins then introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. McCray.

Mrs. McCray who is field supervisor for the North Carolina Commission for the Blind, discussed the problem of the proper care of children's eyes, and the correction of sight defects.

The teachers then separated into groups for observation in the various departments.

Members of the Home Economics Department were hostesses to the visiting teachers in the Home Economics room. The Washington's Birthday motif was used most effectively in all decorations. Tea was served by the girls with Mrs. Phil Hensley directing.

The next meeting will be held at Burnsville on March 22.

Census of Agriculture and Population Beginning April 1st, 1940

During the month of April the government faces the task of visiting every home in the nation and listing the names of every man, woman and child under the flag. It will set down the color, sex, age, marital state, degree of education, occupation, earnings and other salient facts relating to each. It is estimated that there are 132,000,000 people in the United States so this, on the face of it, becomes quite a task.

But that is not all. This census is to make a study of all the houses in which people live. The matter of the homes of the people has grown in public interest of late. Possibly there is such a shortage in housing that a revival of building might contribute greatly toward national prosperity. It has been decided that the facts with relation to housing should be made available in case we, as a self-governing people, should decide that we wanted to do something about it. There are 33,000,000 homes and so it becomes quite a job to find out how big they are, how old, of what they are built, if there is running water in them, what is used for lights, for fuel, what interest is paid on the mortgage.

The taking of the census is the one thing the government does that comes most directly home to all the people. It is the one activity in which they all participate. It presents a situation where every family in the nation has an opportunity to perform a bit of public service.

NORTHWEST CAROLINA EMPLOYEES MEET

The employees of the Burnsville division of the Northwest Carolina Utilities, Inc. and their wives attended a dinner meeting at the NuWray Hotel on Thursday, February 15.

Following dinner a series of slide pictures of an educational nature were shown. An open discussion was held, and a number of short talks brought out much valuable information. J. W. Perry of West Point, Va., vice president and general manager of this and affiliated properties, was principal speaker of the evening and his talk was interesting and instructive to his audience.

Those attending the meeting were Mr. Perry and E. W. Mullikin of West Point; Mr. and Mrs. Mark W. Bennett and Bill Prentiss of Marshall, Ralph and Ray Wilson of Bakersville, and Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Woody, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Angel, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Bailey, Hope Bailey, W. B. Woody, S. E. Tilson, Fred Blankenship and John Robinson.

The meeting was one of a series that will be held from time to time under the supervision of H. G. Bailey.

BALD CREEK SENIORS WILL PRESENT PLAY

"Mystery at Midnight," a 3-act mystery play, starring Mary Ruth Snow as Barbara Cary and Fred Phoenix as Dick Lawrence, will be presented in the Bald Creek High school auditorium, Wednesday evening, February 28.

Other characters are: Rathburne Wentworth, owner of the house on the hill, Kiah Ferguson; Mrs. Wentworth, his aunt, Doris Radford; Alma Cary, Barbara's aunt, Catherine Lawhern; Cloyd Parker, her finance, R. G. Fender; Energine Washington, housekeeper of the house on the hill, Vera Bailey; Rasmus Washington, her "smaller half," Winifred Angel; Letty Flanders, a small-town flirt, Helena Radford; Oscar Jansen, the strongest man, Wade Phoenix.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. RILEY BALL

Mrs. Riley Ball, 78, died at her home on Banks Creek at 5:30 Wednesday afternoon.

Funeral services were held at the home Friday morning at 11:00 o'clock with Rev. R. E. Powell officiating. Burial was in the family cemetery on Banks Creek.

Mrs. Ball, the former Mary C. Anglin was a life long resident of Yancey County. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Charlie Maney; three sons, William, James and Henry C. and two step sons, Lee and Dillard Ball, all of Yancey County. Several grand children also survive.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

The Burnsville Parent-Teacher Association held the regular monthly meeting at the club house on Tuesday evening with 29 members present. Mrs. H. G. Bailey presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. C. M. Cheadle.

The subject for program discussion was "The Child in Relation to the Church, Home, Community and School." The discussions were all well presented and were most timely and interesting.

Rev. Geo. K. Neff discussed the church and the child. The church, he said, is a voluntary institution that depends upon loyalty; it controls loyalty as the members feel that the church is filling a vital need. The church aids the spiritual development of children, therefore children should be interested in activities.

Mr. Neff gave the results of the census which was made last year in the Burnsville school. Of all pupils contacted only 65 per cent attended Sunday school and church; 35 per cent did not attend any religious services regularly.

Mrs. C. R. Hubbard, Sr. discussed the ideal home, and the development of the child in the family group.

Dover R. Fouts discussed the responsibility of the community for the welfare of its children, and the group on the subject of the importance of teaching the child in relation to the school, especially in relation to the character development of the child.

A round table discussion of a number of problems relating to these subjects concluded the program.

Brief Founders' Day exercises were held, following which the hospitality committee served refreshments.

Business was carried over to the March meeting.

The county WPA office has been moved from the court house to third floor of the Peoples Bank Building. The new quarters will provide additional office space which has been needed for sometime.

MICKIE SAYS—

WELL, FOLKS, THEY IS A SORTA TICKLISH ASSIGNMENT THAT'S TH' SUBJECT O' TODAY'S SERMON—IT'S 'COMPIN' AT SOME OF YOUSE SHOULD BE SENDIN' TO US IF YOU SPECT THIS NEWSPAPER TO KEEP COMIN' TO YOU



FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR UNCLE JERRY FERGUSON

Funeral services were conducted last Tuesday afternoon for "Uncle" Jerry Ferguson, 94 years old. Services were held at the home with Rev. W. B. Sprinkle of Canton, Rev. B. T. Nanney and Rev. Drake of Swiss officiating.

The following nephews served as active pallbearers: Wilson Ferguson, Douglas Ferguson, Jr., Laurence Ferguson, Theo. B. Gibbs, Rex Sprinkle and Troy Knapp.

Mr. Ferguson was born in the Cane River section of Yancey County on August 4, 1845. He spent all his life in the county except the time that he served in the army during the civil war.

In 1865 he married Miss Samantha Roland who was a member of one of the oldest and most widely known families in this section. She preceded him to the grave five years ago.

The survivors include two nephews, J. J. Ferguson and G. D. Ferguson of Bald Creek, a niece, Mrs. Theo. B. Gibbs of Swiss, also Mrs. C. A. Poteat of Morganton and a number of other relatives in Asheville, Virginia and Colorado.

4-H CALENDAR FOR YEAR IS ANNOUNCED

Dates of events important on the North Carolina 4-H Club calendar for 1940 have been announced by L. R. Harrill, State 4-H leader of the Extension Service. The list begins with the period from April 27 to May 4, which has been designated as Boys' and Girls' Week.

Harrill has called upon the 4-H leaders in the counties to cooperate with civic clubs and other organizations in presenting programs on 4-H work during that week.

Leaders' schools will be held during the month of May. The first will be at the Millstone 4-H camp from May 7 to 11, the next at a place yet to be selected for Eastern Carolina from May 14 to 18, and the third at the Swannanoa 4-H camp May 21 to 24.

The State Older Youth Conference, for Service Club members, will be held at N. C. State College June 4 to 8. The National 4-H Club camp in Washington, D. C., will be from June 12 to 19. North Carolina will send a delegation of two boys and two girls.

The No. 1 event of the year on the 4-H calendar is next on the list. It is the annual 4-H Club Short Course to be held at State College July 22-27. Following this will be the State Wildlife Conservation Conference, to be held at a camp not yet chosen, from August 27 to 31.

The State 4-H Dress Review at State College is set for October 4, and the N. C. State Fair in Raleigh will be held October 8 to 12. The National Dairy Show is scheduled October 12 to 18, and the State contest at

JACK BOWDITCH DIES IN VIRGINIA

Jack Bowditch, 27, died in Richlands, Va., Tuesday morning at 2:30 o'clock following a brief illness. He was employed as an X-ray technician in the Mattie Williams hospital in Richlands.

The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church at Micaville Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The pastor, the Rev. Walter K. Keys, officiated.

Active pallbearers were Joe Ledford, Bill Mumpower, Earl Hall, Mark Hall, and Jay Silver.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. Harold Satterwhite, of the state sanatorium, Dr. B. R. Bittinger, of the Black Mountain sanatorium, Dr. Skeins, of the state sanatorium; the staff of the Mattie Williams hospital, Richlands; the Rev. Frank Jones, of Rutherfordton, the Rev. Horace Böck, of Fletcher; Edgar Tufts, of Lees-McRae college; Leo K. Pritchett, of Banner Elk; John Bowditch and Frank Bowditch of Busick, Kenneth Clontz, Clarence Robinson, Terry Hall, Bill Harris, George Hall, H. G. Bailey, Ralph Young, R. N. Silver, Gus Silver, Blake Silver, Welzie Robinson, James Marsh, Will Hall, Dewey Silver, Edd Bowditch, E. B. Silver, Frank Baucom, Carl Silver, and Tom Edge.

Those in charge of the flowers were Mrs. Joe Ledford, Louise Silver, Kathleen Silver, June McGrady, Winnie Gouge, and Reba Hall.

Mr. Bowditch, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bowditch, of Micaville, was a graduate of Burnsville High School and Lees-McRae college, Banner Elk. He also attended Wake Forest college and completed his training course as a technician at the state sanatorium at Southern Pines. He had been employed as a technician for several years.

He is survived by his widow, the former Miss Sula Gardner, of Hamlet, and his parents.

Lodge Officials Elected

Bald Creek Lodge No. 397 A. F. & A. M. met in a regular communication on January 27 and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Max Proffitt, W. M.; W. L. Phoenix S. W.; W. G. Willis, J. W.; A. P. Hensley, Treas.; W. T. Tomberlin, Secretary.

A. G. Wilson has been on the sick list the past few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus McMahan of Black Mtn. are visiting here.

The short course will determine the North Carolina representatives. Concluding the calendar are the National 4-H Achievement Day radio program on November 2, and the International Livestock Show and National Club Congress at Chicago December 1 to 8.

COUNTY AGENT'S FARM NOTES

(By R. H. Crouse, Agent)

Meetings have been scheduled to be held throughout the county for the purpose of explaining the 1940 Soil Conservation Program and assisting the farmers with plans whereby they can earn all of the soil-building allotments set under the program.

The following schedule will be observed:

Cane River: Proffitt's Store Wed. Feb. 21, at 9:30. Elk Shoal church Wed. Feb. 21, at 1:30.

Egypt: Markle Building Thur. Feb. 22, at 9:30.

Bee Log School: Thur. Feb. 22 at 1:30.

Ramseytown: Little Cr. School, Friday 23, at 9:30. Ramseytown voting place Friday Feb. 23, 1:30.

Pensacola: Pensacola postoffice, Sat. Feb. 24, at 9:30. Vixen postoffice Sat. Feb. 24, at 10:30.

Jacks Creek: Clearmont School, Monday Feb. 26, at 9:30. Presbyterian Center Monday, Feb. 26, at 1:30.

Crabtree: Micaville school, Feb. 26, at 7:00 p. m. Green Mtn.: J. W. Howell's store Tuesday Feb. 27, at 9:30.

Brush Creek: Voting place Tuesday Feb. 27, at 1:30 p. m.

Prices Creek: Silas Hensley's store Wed. Feb. 23, at 9:30. England's store on Wed. Feb. 23, at 1:30.

South Toe: Thur. Feb. 29, 9:30 a. m. W. L. Patton's store at 10:30; Lonnie Ballew's store at 1:30; Ed Gibb's store at 2:45.

Lime and Superphosphate can be obtained through the Soil Conservation Program as a Grant of Aid. Orders for this material should be placed as soon as possible by coming to the County Agent's office or at the township meetings. Under the program this year lime may be applied to any cropland or pastures; but the phosphate must be applied to pastures, meadow, lespedeza or grasses and clovers grown alone. The entire cost of this lime and phosphate (including the freight) will be paid by the Government and deducted from the 1940 Soil Conserving Allowance.

Last year the smaller farms were allowed only a few units to earn, but this year a minimum of \$20 can be earned on any farm. This increase in allowance will enable farmers to secure much more lime and phosphate to be used this year.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR ANDY LEWIS

Andy Lewis, 64, died at his home at Bee Log Sunday morning at 10:30.

Funeral services were held at the home at 2:30 Monday afternoon with Rev. Ulas Adkins officiating. Burial was in the family cemetery.

Surviving are one sister, Mrs. Newt Bailey of Chattanooga and one brother, Robert Lewis of Ramseytown.