

"ROUND THE TOWN"

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Elwars became the proud parents of a son, born in Yancey Hospital February 22.

Mrs. Preston Wyatt of Rt. 2, Burnsville is a patient at Spruce Pine Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Smith III, of Asheville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Buckner last weekend.

Mr. Z. B. Byrd has returned to his home after undergoing treatment at Oteen Veterans Hospital for several weeks. While Mr. Byrd was in the hospital Mrs. Eyrd had as her guest her sister, Mrs. G. T. Hampton, of Sylva, N. C. She has returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. B. Byrd had as their guests over the week end, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Byrd of Atlanta.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Phillips and son Richard of Johnson City, Tenn., also Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Phillips of Loring Air Force Base, Maine, were guests of Miss Zoe Young and Mrs. Grace Presnell on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pender Bennett of Burnsville entertained on a big scale over the week end. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Simpson of Wareham, Mass., Mr. Roy Simpson, Jr. and son Lee of Charlotte, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bennett of Asheville, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Poole, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Poole of Marion, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Bennett and family of Burnsville, Rt. 2, and Mrs. Bonnie Adkins of Relief, Rt. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. John English and children of Hickory visited relatives in Burnsville over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Davis and son Jan of Asheville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Boone the past weekend.

Mayor Bob Helmle has returned from a trip to Arizona. He and Mrs. Helmle and young daughter were guests at a "dude ranch" in Patagonia, Arizona. Mrs. Helmle and daughter will remain at the ranch possibly through March.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Howell of Route 2, Sunday, Feb. 20, in Cannon Memorial Hospital, Banner Elk, a daughter, Jessica.

Mr. John Wilson of Burnsville is a patient in the Yancey Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ray spent the week-end in Columbia, S. C. as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Quinn.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Ray have returned home after visiting their son, James, in Miami Springs, Fla. and other places of interest.

Ladies, are you thinking of your spring hat? If you are please just keep on thinking — but do not buy — until you see what the Burnsville Woman's Club has to offer in their semi-annual hat sale in the month of March. Watch the paper for place of sale and date.

Details of the results of the Heart Fund drive in Burnsville and the County are not available at this time. Please watch for the full story in next week's issue.

Mrs. Maud Higgins and Mrs. Reece McIntosh have returned from a winter vacation in Miami and San Jose, Costa Rica. They left Burnsville Sunday, the 13th for Miami, where they stayed until Tuesday, spending their time touring Miami and seeing all the sights. They were joined in Miami by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Briggs and Mr. and Mrs. James Bingham for a trip to Costa Rica. They left Miami at 7:30 a. m. on Tuesday by jet, arriving in San Jose at 12:30. They were met by Rev. and Mrs. John Divers (the former Mary Eve'yn Hensley, sister of Mrs. Higgins). They and the other two couples on the tour, were taken to the Divers apartment for a typical Costa Rican dinner. They spent their time while there sight seeing in San Jose and surrounding area. Among the most interesting and impressive sights were the volcano Irazu, which erupted in 1962 causing widespread damage, and the coffee and banana plantations. They were greatly impressed by the tropical beauty of the country, the many colorful flowers, and the wonderful climate, which has an average temperature of 72 degrees the year round. They fell in love with the people, who were most friendly and hospitable.

Rev. and Mrs. Divers were perfect guides, as they are quite familiar with the country, having been in San Jose since last April studying the Spanish language in the Presbyterian Spanish School in preparation for missionary work in Argentina.

Mrs. Higgins said that on the flight to Costa Rica were a number of Cuban refugees who plan to settle in Costa Rica, and that from the welcome given the Cubans by Costa Ricans they were apparently a welcome addition to the country.

While in Florida they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pollard in Pompano Beach, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Haygood in Boca Raton and Mr. and Mrs. King in Fort Lauderdale.

Mrs. Higgins and Mrs. McIntosh returned to Burnsville on Sunday.

Candy Striper Training To Begin

Mrs. Luellen Honeycutt, R. N., has designated the last week in March as the appropriate date for the beginning of a training course for Candy Striper Volunteers. All girls from the eighth grade through high school age inclusive are eligible for this training course.

Mrs. P. C. Coletta and Miss Annie Hassell are the coordinators for Mrs. Honeycutt. The names of all prospective volunteers must be sent to them by March first.

It is not necessary to be a Girl Scout to enroll for this course, as it is open to all girls of Yancey County.

OBITUARIES

W. O. BRIGGS

W. O. Briggs, 62, of Burnsville, died Tuesday in a Burnsville hospital following several months of illness.

Mr. Briggs was a farmer, and president of the Yancey County Farm Bureau.

He was formerly a merchant and teacher, was educated at Carson-Newman College, and taught the Adult Sunday school class at Borning's Chapel Methodist Church.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Harmie Bailey Briggs; two sons, William R. Briggs of the U. S. Navy and Charles Stephen Briggs of New Bern; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howell Briggs; two sisters, Mrs. James Young and Mrs. Terrell Young of Burnsville; two brothers, Dawson Briggs of Mars Hill, and four grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p. m. Thursday in Jack's Baptist Church.

The Rev. Thomas Weeks will officiate, assisted by the Rev. Bill Euchanan and the Rev. A. Z. Jamerson, and burial will be in Bailey Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Bruce, Reece, R. L., and Stanley Bailey, Bill Huskins, Fred Young, Charles Edwards, and Leonard Ayers.

W. A. HUGHES

Walter A. Hughes, 76, of Green Mountain, Rt. 1, died in a Spruce Pine hospital Monday morning after a brief illness.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Cumi Presnell Hughes; three daughters, Mrs. Clyde Jenkins of Elkin, Mrs. Blaine Gouge of Millers, Md., and Miss Madge Hughes of Green Mountain; two sons, Burnette and Joe Hughes of Green Mountain; two sisters Mrs. Bert Wyatt of Micaville and Mrs. John Gouge of Newdale; three brothers, Fonze Hughes of Micaville, Alfred Hughes of Burnsville, and Ransom Hughes of Baltimore; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Wednesday at Pleasant Gap Baptist Church.

The Rev. Lyda Ray and the Rev. Frank Parsons officiated and burial was in Fred Young Cemetery.

D. B. WHISNANT

David Barrett Whisnant, 88, of Polkville died at 8:45 Sunday at home.

A retired farmer who had extensive land holdings, he made his home with his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ray Whisnant.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 p. m. Monday at Polkville Methodist Church of which he was a member. The Rev. J. C. Kendrick officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

His wife, Mrs. Lela Baker Whisnant, died 29 years ago. He was the son of the late Pert and Sarah Ledford Whisnant.

Survivors include three sons, Ivy and Paul Whisnant, both of Polkville, and Dr. Clyde Whisnant of Burnsville; two daughters, Mrs. Reid Lutz and Mrs. Fred Mintz, both of Polkville, 18 grandchildren, and 30 great-grandchildren.

Lutz-Austell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

E.Y. Boys Lose Last Conference Game

Newland High School boys defeated the top team in the Toe River Conference last Saturday night when they rode over the undefeated Panthers of East Yancey. The score was 93-75.

In a previous game at East Yancey, the Panthers won over Newland by a very thin margin.

Early in the game it could be seen that the Panther five were not at their best and the Newland team seemed to be "on".

Although no excuses were offered by the Panther team, many East Yancey fans felt that the sub-standard court and half-moon cut of the backboard had a great bearing on the lack of accurate shooting by the local team.

Ronnie Robinson scored 22 points for the Panthers, with Hamby 15, Hoover 11, and Gillespie 10. Mike Silvers played a full game, scoring 8 points. D. Gibbs scored 6 points and Westall 3. Others in the game were Gibbs, McCurry, Riddle and Young.

In the girls game which ended with a score of 76-36 in favor of East Yancey, Balley looped in 22 points, Jones 21, Hensley 16. Grindstaff 14. J. Grindstaff scored 2 and Boone 1. Other East Yancey girls in the game

Phillips In Maine



Airman Second Class Dennis Phillips, and Mrs. Phillips are visiting relatives and friends in this area. Airman Phillips is a 1963 graduate of East Yancey High School, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Phillips formerly of Newdale, but now living in Johnson City, Tenn. He is stationed at Loring Air Force Base, Maine, where the temperature last week was 29 below, and averages well below zero during most of the winter.

were Schwintzer, Bartlett, Hollifield, McCurry, and Wyatt.

This game was one of the outstanding games of the year for the Panther girls. Their display of passing and ball handling, in and out through the tall Newland team, indicated the reason they are tops in the conference.



A nurse admires flowers of well-wishers that adorned the lobby of the nursing

home during open house Sunday.



Mrs. Street (left) and Mrs. Murdock in the kitchen of Sun Valley Nursing Home.

The kitchen equipment is as modern as tomorrow, according to the staff.