

Beech Creek Homecoming To Be Held On July 6

A reunion and homecoming of former residents of the Beech Creek community which is now a forest preserve and watershed of Hiwassee Lake will be held on or near the community church and school grounds on Tuesday, July 6. The program, which will begin at 10 a. m., and continue through the afternoon, will feature choir singing and quartets, with talks and messages by ministers and former pastors of the Pleasant Grove church which was disbanded ten years ago with the impounding of Hiwassee Lake. Beech Creek is one of the tributaries of Hiwassee River.

The grounds and cemetery with its few bodies that were not removed to other communities, have been cleaned up and put in shape for the meeting.

Dinner will be served on the grounds. An invitation is extended to all former pastors and residents who cherish the memories and associations of former years, where they attended school and church together, a church which greatly influenced the lives of its people. A number of preachers have gone out from the church to various parts of the country.

The final message of the morning will be brought by the Rev. T. H. Gibson, who was converted in the old church and began preaching at the age of 13. Now of

Miami, Fla., he has held pastorates in Southern Georgia and Florida, his last pastorate being in Miami.

The place for the meeting can be reached by the gravel road that intersects with Highway 294 near Lillita post office.

In case of rain or bad weather, the meeting will be held the following day, July 7.

SOCIAL SECURITY SERVICE

A representative of the Asheville field office of the Social Security Administration will be at the Register of Deeds Office in Murphy at 1:00 P. M. on July 1.

There are two times for action in social security:

(1) Every wage earner who has worked in a job covered by the Social Security Act since December 31, 1936 should contact the nearest field office at age 65; and

(2) Surviving relatives, or persons who paid funeral bills should do so at once in death cases. This includes Relatives Of World War II Veterans Who Die Within Three Years Of Discharge, Regardless Of Employment.

Employers having one or more employees, part or full time, are required to report wages paid, and give the employee a receipt for deductions made.

Harvesting of lima beans in North Carolina will reach its peak about July 1.

Music Appreciation And Art Added At Young Harris

In an effort to expand offerings in teacher education Young Harris College officials have made two additions in the curriculum during the present quarter. These courses are public school art and music appreciation.

The program of the college, with special emphasis on teacher education, includes the participation of four new staff members: Miss Beth Callis, teacher of public school art; Miss Jessie Strickland, Towns county instructional supervisor who is teaching children's literature; Miss Hazel Gillstrap who comes to the college as dean of women; and Miss Margaret Hart, business manager.

The training program for in-service rural teachers shows enrollment from the counties of Gordon, Fannin, Union, Gilmer, Towns, White, and Lumpkin.

Stiles Member Of AACS Squadron

The 146th AACS Squadron will continue to operate under the newly created Military Air Transport Service as it did under the Air Force's Air Transport Command, furnishing a communication link between the MATS aircraft in flight, their destinations and home stations, operating the control towers that furnish landing instructions and traffic guidance for aircraft in the process of landing; maintaining a GCA (Ground Control Approach) system enabling aircraft to land in heavy weather instead of flying added miles to a base with more favorable weather conditions; furnishing maintenance teams to keep the equipment operating on a twenty-four hour, seven-day week basis; and an administrative section for the necessary reports of AACS operation.

The MATS began its official existence June 1 by order of the secretary of National Defense. The beginning of MATS brought to a close the colorful history of the Air Force's Air Transport Command and the Navy's Naval Air Transport Service which blazed the way for many new air routes during the war years.

Speaking of the newly formed Military Air Transport Service, President Truman said, "The establishment of the Military Air Transport Service today marks a major effort in response to my desires for unification within the Armed Services".

Pvt. Willes J. Stiles, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stiles, Suit, is now stationed with the 146th AACS Squadron at Brookley Air Force Base, Mobile, Alabama.

Between 10,000 and 12,000 North Carolina 4-H Club boys and girls are expected to attend camp for a week during the summer.

Fifty-four farmers have entered the North Carolina 200-bushel corn contest to date. Prizes total \$3,300.

Air Force Again Training Cadets



Ready for take-off, an Air Force Aviation Cadet talks with his instructor before going aloft in an AT-6 training plane. He is a member of the new postwar Cadet Program which offers extensive pilot training to mentally and physically qualified single men between 20 and 26½ years of age.

Cancer Funds Exceed Quota

North Carolina has exceeded its goal of \$200,424.57 in the 1948 drive for funds to fight cancer.

News that this state has topped its goal was released here today by Mrs. George E. Marshall, State Commander, and John D. Larkins, Jr., Trenton, State Campaign Chairman. Complete figures are not as yet available, due to the fact that many counties are still working on their drive and are as yet unreported with their totals, the Society officials said.

"We have never been in doubt about realizing our goal," Mrs. Marshall declared, "because we had faith in our workers and in North Carolina's desire to help control the menace of cancer."

Chairman Larkins said, "Cancer is annually killing approximately 2,600 men, women and children in North Carolina, and at least 900 of those lives might be saved. When we reduce these deaths we will also counteract the horrible fear-shadow surrounding cancer. We feel North Carolina is doing its part in this fight."

More than \$50,000 of the total raised will be directed to the \$5,000,000 national research program to find the causes and cure for all types of cancer. The balance will defray the cost of the vital educa-

tional attack against cancer and the service program for cancer victims.

North Carolina is among the leaders in the United States, having been in thirteenth place the past two weeks, and with a strong possibility of going higher, according to Mrs. Marshall.

Within the state the most successful campaign was carried out in Yancey County, where Commander Mrs. Lucius Smith and Chairman Dover R. Fouts raised \$408.51 against their goal of \$200.00.

Mrs. Marshall added that the Society's State Executive Committee will meet soon to outline the North Carolina Control Program for the next twelve months.

Mrs. R. Berrong

Mrs. Rosie McNabb Berrong, 79, died at her home in Hiwassee, Ga., June 17, after a brief illness.

Funeral services were held Friday, June 18 at lower Bell Creek church with Rev. Sim Martin officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Survivors include: Three sons, John Berrong, Canton, Bon Berrong, Reidsville, Ga., Frank Berrong, Hiwassee, Ga.; four daughters, Mrs. Lola Ledford, Mrs. Neta Owenby, Mrs. Bertha Beck, Mrs. Lassie Lockabee, all of Hiwassee, Ga.

Townsend funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Apostles At Singing On The Mountain

LINVILLE—Although he was assured his "notables" list included such powerful folks as Norman Cordon, operatic star, and Bascom Lamar Lunsford, Minstrel of the Appalachians, Joe Hartley decided this year his Singing on the Mountain on June 30 needed biblical background.

So he just rounded up twelve venerable patriarchs, all with great long or great wide beards, to grace and give voice in the Tri-State Singing Convention, a singing-preaching convention on the slopes of Grandfather Mountain which through the years attracts some 20,000-30,000 people from all over the Nation. The patriarchs will certainly sing, with or without accompaniment from the scores of duets, trios, quartettes, etc.; it

is likely they will do a bit of preaching during the day when folks spread their picnic dinners somewhere within earshot of the some dozen "preachin' platforms". Especially to "help Norman Cordon lffen he sings", Uncle Joe got the folks to put in public address systems from all the platforms. Lunsford, who is only 66, and Uncle Joe and the apostles, whose ages run from 76 to 96, couldn't possibly need voice amplification. From a Sunday School convention that moved outdoors, Singing on the Mountain has grown in a little over a score of years to North Carolina mountains' biggest event. Last year several national magazines and a movie concern recorded the day-long gathering of folks in every imaginable conveyance. In all its history, weather for Uncle Joe Hartley's day has been perfect—he says it will be again this year.

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