

1,314,353 VISITORS BREAK BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY RECORD MARK

Washington.—Attendance on the Blue Ridge National Parkway in Virginia and North Carolina broke all travel records during the travel year ended September 30 and made it one of the most popular areas under control of the National Park

Service, the Department of Interior reported yesterday.

A total of 1,314,353 visitors were reported for the Parkway this season, with tabulations still incomplete. When final figures are available, the Parkway may have outdrawn the Lake Mead (Hoover Dam) recreational area in Arizona and Nevada, which holds first place with 1,342,000 visitors, and the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D. C., which holds second place with 1,328,000 visitors.

The Parkway attendance was nearly 30 per cent higher than the 1,095,733 visitors recorded in 1946.

Great Smoky Mountains National Park was the most popular park in the nation. Its 1,186,748 visitors topped attendance at all of the other 23 national parks. This was an increase of nearly 40,000 over the mark of 1,147,377 visitors set at Great Smoky park in 1946.

Mt. Rainier National Park in Washington held second place in popularity with 1,067,000 visitors. Yellowstone was third with 930,000.

In announcing the attendance figures, Newton B. Drury, director of the National Park Service, called attention to the need for new facilities.

"Particularly noticeable," he declared, "were the inadequacies of campground facilities and of various kinds of overnight accommodations as well as the need for a thorough overhauling and modernization of park roads."

Urging adoption of a \$100,000,000 long-range program of park improvement, Drury called attention to the fact that congressional economy has left the

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

The undersigned, having qualified as administrator of the estate of John S. Hall, deceased, late of Wilkes county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned, whose address is North Wilkesboro, Route 2, N. C., on or before the 6th day of October, 1948, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payments to the undersigned.

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11-10-6M

Cricket Club Has Lighting Study

The members of the Cricket Home Demonstration club met October 29 in the home of Mrs. D. E. Turner.

The president, Mrs. E. R. Ellier, presided during the business session. The opening song was "Onward Christian Soldiers." The scripture lesson was read by Mrs. J. P. Crysel and prayer was led by Mrs. Crysel.

The minutes were read and roll called by our secretary, Mrs. Bob Church. Mrs. Virginia Bumgarner gave our treasurer's report. We had as our guest, Miss Addie Malone, Home Economist from Duke Power Co., of Winston-Salem, along with our assistant home agent, Miss Margaret Morrison. Miss Malone gave us an interesting demonstration on better lights for the home using the slides to illustrate better lighting for the home.

Plans were made for our Achievement Day exhibits. We were happy to enroll one new member, Mrs. J. E. Crysel. During the social hour, hostesses Mrs. D. E. Turner, Mrs. George Sales, and Mrs. Albert Vannoy served delicious refreshments, carrying out Halowe'en plan in decorations. At the close of the meeting, Mrs. D. E. Turner dismissed with prayer. The next meeting is to be with Mrs. Connie Eller Nov. 5.—Reported.

Purlear Club Meets For October Session

Purlear Home Demonstration Club met for the October meeting with Miss Delta Y. Yates, with ten members present, including three new members, Misses Nettie Y., Katrena and Ella J. McGlamery.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Robert Teague. The group stood and sang "Hall Club Women," after which the club collect was repeated. The secretary, Mrs. Wayne Yates, gave the roll call and minutes of last meeting and also gave the treasurer's report.

Other business included discussion of plans for Achievement Day, collection of canned foods for the Tuberculosis hut and election of officers for the next year. The following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Robert Teague; vice president, Miss Gladys Foster; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Wayne Yates. Miss Morrison gave an interesting demonstration on "Better Light For Better Sight," which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. During the social hour which followed Miss Yates served cookies and cakes. The club then adjourned. Next meeting will be held with Mrs. Wayne Yates.

Lloyd C. Harrold Claimed By Death

Last rites were held Wednesday at Covenant church for Lloyd C. Harrold, 45, who died Monday at his home in Walnut Grove township. Rev. Hillery Blevins and Rev. Ernest Blevins conducted the funeral service.

Surviving are the father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harrold, and two sisters, Mrs. Faye Wiles, of Dockery, and Mrs. Clara Wiles, of Maryland.

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Purchase of these beans was made by the U. S. Department of Agriculture through its price supporting operations in the state this fall, he said.

Distribution was made to the following states, according to D. K. Young, in charge of the southeastern area marketing office of the Production and Marketing Administration's Fruit and Vegetable Branch. Alabama, 2 cars of 65 bushels each; Arkansas, 4; Florida, 6; Georgia, 6; Kansas, 3; Kentucky, 3; Louisiana, 5; Mississippi, 3; Oklahoma, 3; South Carolina, 2; and Virginia, 2. The remaining 17 cars and 350 bushels were distributed to school lunchrooms

and institutions within North Carolina.

Elsewhere, USDA bought about 17 carloads in Tennessee, and 7 carloads in southwestern Virginia, Young said.

State distributing agencies reported that the beans were of uniformly high quality and in good condition on arrival. Large portions of the allotments to each state were canned for future school lunch and institutional use. Thus, these purchases helped to prevent waste in a valuable food crop, as well as loss to growers.

Lagging demand at a time when canners had turned to other products, and a consequently declining price, were the chief reasons for application of the USDA's price supporting program. Under the law, the beans could not be resold by the government into regular commercial channels.

Miss Sybil Lovette Honored By Miss Kathleen Gilliam

Miss Kathlene Gilliam, of Elkin, North Carolina entertained at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. in Elkin Saturday evening, November the first with a miscel-

aneous shower honoring Miss Sybil Lovette of North Wilkesboro, bride-elect who is to be married to Mr. Robert Winfield Park of Elkin, Saturday, November the eighth.

Tables were laid for twelve, with the bride's place marked by a corsage of red roses. A desert course was served by Miss Gilliam assisted by her sister, Mrs. Gray Castevens, after which bingo was played.

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