

FFA Rally Held, Brevard Chapter Wins A Contest

Some 250 Future Farmers of America, accompanied by teachers of vocational agriculture from 105 schools in Transylvania and 28 other western and piedmont North Carolina counties, met at Asheville Saturday for the annual FFA rally.

A number of contests occupied most of the day's activities. These included livestock judging, dairy judging, public speaking, and parliamentary procedure.

The Brevard chapter won the parliamentary procedure contest over eight other entries. The boys from Brevard were Ted Owen, James "Bud" Bishop, John Allen McCrary, Fred Parker, Gordon "Jake" Byrd, Charles Ray and Mr. Randal J. Lyday the advisor. Mars Hill was second according to Judges C. R. Patton, soil conservationist of Asheville; M. L. McGough of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council and J. Ray Orr, division conservation forester of the Champion Paper and Fibre company.

The Appalachian chapter won

the livestock judging contest, which was held on Dr. Paul F. Maulden's Kerrygill farm under supervision of B. L. Lunsford, assistant supervisor, Veterans Farm Training. The winning team was made up of Claude Austin, Bill Austin, and Billy McNeal. The Bethel team placed second.

Iredell county's entry won the dairy judging contest at Biltmore Dairy farms under supervision of T. H. Mills. Making up the team were Wayne Sloan, Calon Elliott and Edgar Harris. Mills River was second.

Larry Brigman of the Mars Hill chapter was declared public speaking champion with Bill Summey of the Dallas group placing second.

It was announced after the contests were completed that the first place winners in the public speaking and parliamentary procedure contests and the first and second place winners in the livestock and dairy judging contests will compete for the state honors at the annual North Carolina FFA convention in Raleigh August 18-20.

Brevard FFA Team Wins Contest Saturday In Asheville



The Brevard chapter of Future Farmers of America won the parliamentary and procedure contest at the annual rally in Asheville Saturday. The group is pictured above with their advisor, Randal J. Lyday. Others in the photo from left to right, are: Ted Owen, Fred Parker, James Bishop, Charles Ray, John Allen McCrary and Gordon Byrd. (Times Staff Photo)

Average Of 2,373 Hot Lunches Served In Eight County Schools

Peabody Report Recommends Smaller Schools Provide Meals

Students in the eight elementary schools in Brevard and Transylvania county ate an average of 2,373 hot lunches daily as compared with 2,212 last year.

The cost of these lunches ranges from 10 cents to 20 cents, Supt. J. B. Jones states. Federal aid is supplied to all lunchrooms and the amount of aid is determined by the number of lunches fed daily, the type of meal and as to whether it includes milk.

"Parents and teachers alike know the importance of a balanced hot meal for children," Mr. Jones commented, "and we are all extremely proud of the fine work that is being done in our lunchrooms."

He also explained that surplus aid was somewhat more during the year.

"In serving lunches the children have not only been supplied with well balanced meals, but they have also learned by practice of good behavior at meal time and developed a taste for a wide variety of foods," Mr. Jones concluded.

Lunchrooms in the county are located at Pisgah Forest, Straus, Penrose, Brevard, Rosman, Quebec and Toxaway for white pupils and at Rosenwald for the colored.

Several of the smaller schools do not have lunchroom facilities and the recently released Peabody report recommends that something be done about this if possible. The

Brevard Soldier Is Serving In Alaska

Pvt. Earl L. Mitchell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Mitchell, of Brevard, has processed at Parks Air Force base in California with the 2349th personnel processing group en route to Alaska.

Private Mitchell is being assigned in Alaska as SCARWAF (Special Category Army with Air Force) Personnel. He entered the U. S. army in October, 1953.

Private Mitchell attended Brevard junior high school prior to entering the service.

Recruiter Is Here Each Wednesday

The local U. S. army and air force recruiting sergeant will be at the court house here in Brevard each Wednesday morning from 9:00 to 11:30 o'clock, and he states that young men now have their choice of the branch of the army they desire to serve in.

two high schools do not have separate cafeterias and this was also suggested as vital to the students' welfare in the county.

The cost of finding oil in the United States today is about six and a half times what it was back in 1935-39.

GLANCING BACK

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Degree on candidates from Asheville at the regular meeting of the local Dunn's Rock Masonic Lodge in the Lodge Hall on Broad street at eight o'clock.

Dr. G. B. Lynch, county health doctor, has announced a schedule of dates and places at which Transylvania citizens may have their dogs vaccinated for rabies.

Postmaster T. Coleman Galloway has announced that two of the principal speakers at the dedicatory exercises for Brevard's new \$75,000 post office building on May 30 will be the Honorable Clyde R. Hoey and Wrighton Chambers.

County Agent Julian A. Glazener has announced that a carload of cotton has just arrived for the mattress-making project which is

to be launched in the county at an early date.

The Ecusta corporation's diamond crew trounced the Enka Rayonites at Enka last Saturday to the tune of 3 to 2. It was Enka's first loss of the Industrial league season and constituted Ecusta's third win.

Lewis P. Hamlin, president of the Brevard chamber of commerce, reported here yesterday that the membership drive launched here early this week by the organization has met with splendid success so far.

The local Monroe Wilson Post No. 88 of the American Legion will elect officers for the coming year at a meeting in the City Hall next Tuesday evening at eight o'clock, Jason Huggins, adjutant of the local post has announced.

Two of the most unusual water storage tanks in the world have just been completed at the Ecus-

Little Items Of Lively Interest About Folks And



By Mrs. S. R. Harrington

You will hear my silver laughter
If you listen in the glen,
For I am stealing softly
Through the countryside again—
You will hear my voice a-tinkling
In the raindrops on the brook,
And my charms will be unfolding
Like a painted story book!
From "I Am Spring"—by Keith

I love those last two lines from "I Am Spring!" Spring has so many, many charms and they do unfold like a painted story book. Just stop and think how very true those words are.

Over the last week here in Transylvania, (at this writing) it seems "Ole Man Winter" and our youngster "Spring" has been having quite a fight. Ole Man Winter certainly won the first round, bringing us regular wintertime temperatures. But spring is still in there punching—and he'll win, too. How could he miss, with so many rooting for him?

As I write this the rain is coming down. But as you read it, Ole Sol will probably be shining beautifully. If so, attend to pruning your spring flowering shrubs. (If you haven't already.) The chief reason for pruning these shrubs is to take out unproductive wood. In doing this you make room for new shoots which develop into flowering stock for another year. This is the case for the forsythias, spiraea, philadelphus (mock oranges), flowering almonds, the lonicera, cydonia japonica (quince), kolweitzia, weigela, scotch broome's (cytusus), and any other spring flowering shrub. These may all be tip pruned throughout the year to keep them within bounds—the regular pruning job is over—and as they need it.

Violets need to be dug and re-set in enriched soil every few years. Flowering will be greatly accelerat-

ed if this job is attended to right now.

Dahlias, gladiolus and any other summer flowering tuber, bulb, or corm may be planted now.

Feed roses this month, and keep them sprayed with an all-purpose spray.

Remember not to cut your narcissus foliage off. Wait until it is brown and sear. They may be re-set to another location as soon as foliage yellows, but even then leave the foliage attached to the bulbs.

Daylilies can be set the year around. Even while in full bloom without damage to root system or flower.

Did you know sweetpeas will flower over a much longer period if a three inch mulch of clean straw or pine needles is placed around the plants?

Watch chrysanthemums for red spider. Spray, if necessary. Ask your dealer for an effective insecticide. And pinch back your plants if you want bushy ones.

Flower Report: My eyes are ever on the look out for flowers. Spotted exquisite dianthus and verbenas at the home of Mrs. Lewis Summey . . . at Mrs. Bud Case's the exotic hardy amaryllis drew my eyes like a magnet . . . the lovely garden of Mrs. Charles Ashworth is a joy to see . . . at Mrs. C. C. Yongue's the golden daylilies and colorful iris make a perfect picture indeed . . . the marvelous, large iris at Mrs. E. V. Fowler's form a rainbow of gorgeous colors . . . at Mrs. Gertha Shipman's the dark blue Siberian iris make a splendid splash of color on the landscape.

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COOK'S CORNER

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spears and topped with cheese sauce is an ideal luncheon dish.

9. Scoop out all pulp and seeds from a rosy red tomato and fill with equal parts of asparagus tips (cooked, of course) and chopped white meat of chicken. Top with mayonnaise and serve on crisp lettuce.

10. For a special breakfast treat serve five spears of asparagus on toast, top each portion with a poached egg. Now add rich golden Hollandaise sauce over all. Serve very hot and take a bow.

11. For the canape tray place one cooked chilled asparagus tip on a thin slice of crustless bread that has been spread with mayonnaise. Roll bread around spear and secure with toothpicks. Chill covered until serving time.

12. Make up your usual chicken pie; top with lattice top "interwoven" with asparagus tips. Nice variation on an old theme, I think.

I'll add the "baker's dozen" last item:

13. Slice cooked boiled tongue and place on platter; add asparagus bundles "tied" with pimiento strips. Serve cold or hot for a perfect buffet dish.

Thought for Food from My Red Rocker: Next time you make griddle cakes add some canned corn to the batter. Cook as usual and serve with maple syrup and crisp bacon. It's a nice change.

Good asparagus appetite to you all.

Cash receipts from farm marketings in North Carolina in 1953 totaled \$884,070,000, or 6 per cent below those of a year earlier.

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