

# Nantahala National Forest Gets \$146,219 For Year

## FUND SLASHED 40 PER CENT BELOW 1946-47

### Cut Reflects Congress Drastic Paring Of Appropriations

The Nantahala National Forest has been allotted \$146,219 for its various operations during the fiscal year that began July 1, it was announced this week by Supervisor E. W. Renshaw.

Reflecting the drastic reduction the recent session of congress made in Department of Agriculture appropriations, the total for the local forest is \$112,000 below the \$258,791 figure last year. This represents a cut of more than 40 per cent in the Nantahala's allotment.

These figures, of course, are subject to additional appropriations that may be made available by congress later.

The announcement was made by the supervisor in connection with the forest's annual work planning conference, at which the year's work is outlined on a basis of funds available.

The forest has \$91,117 for general administration, includ-

ing timber use, range use, wildlife use, fire control, and recreation, the latter covering maintenance of recreation buildings and areas. All salaries and pay for seasonal, part-time employment come out of this fund. The total for administration compares with \$108,540 last year.

For the maintenance of the forest roads in the six-county-Macon, Jackson, Swain, Cherokee, Clay, and Graham—forest area, \$43,019 is provided. Last year's amount for this purpose was \$97,887.

A fund of \$9,283 is provided for the development and improvement of roads and trails in the forest. This figure represents 10 per cent of timber receipts for last year, an amount that automatically comes back to the forest for this purpose. Last year's road and trail fund, used in relocation and improvement of the Wayah road, was \$10,132.

For the survey of forest lands in process of acquisition, \$28,000 is provided. This compares with \$44,232 last year.

Attending this week's work planning conference here, in addition to the officials stationed in Franklin, are the rangers of three forest districts: George R. Anderson, of the Tusquittee district; John J. Olson, Nantahala district; and John Wasiluk, Jr., Wayah district.

## Grand Jury Recommends Building Of Underground, Comfort Station On Square

A comfort station should be built underground, preferably on the county's Rankin square, and a full-time janitor provided to keep it clean, the grand jury for the August term of superior court recommended in its report, filed in court Tuesday.

The recommendation followed an inspection of the men's and women's toilets in the courthouse, which would be abandoned, under the grand jurors' recommendation.

The group also suggested that the interior of the courthouse be painted; favored construction of shelves in the sheriff's office to provide space for the tax records; and remarked that more vault space was needed for the records in the offices of the register of deeds and clerk of court.

To facilitate investigation of the various county offices and institutions, Herman Childers, foreman, divided the group into committees.

A committee of four—two of them mechanics—charged with inspecting the school buses, reported them in first class condition, but recommended that chains be bought for the Highlands and Otter Creek buses.

The committee investigating the county offices reported them clean and well kept.

The four men and one woman

who inspected the county home found it in reasonably good condition, but suggested installation of another toilet to provide separate facilities for the home's keeper and his family and the inmates.

The report contained no recommendation concerning the jail.

Members of the jury, in addition to Foreman Childers, were Mrs. Harry Higgins, Fred Arnold, Paul Ashe, J. D. Burnette, W. J. Blaine, Roy Cantrel, Alvin Crow, J. C. Dowdle, Fred Dryman, Earl English, Norman Guffey, Cleb Holland, J. R. Holbrooks, Paul Morgan, W. A. Sellers, John L. Snyder, and Z. W. Taylor.

### Veterans May Get Victory Medals At Recruiting Office

Army World War II veterans of Macon County, who have been authorized by the War Department to wear the Victory Medal, may obtain the medal at the Franklin army recruiting station, on the second floor of the Beam Hotel, upon presentation of their discharge certificate or similar papers bearing the required authorization. It was announced this week by T. Sgt. James R. Dance, of the local recruiting station.

Sgt. Dance pointed out that

The first United States naval vessel to circumnavigate the world was the USS Vincennes, which left New York in September, 1826, and returned via the Cape of Good Hope in June, 1830.

### SPECIALS

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25 lbs. Flour	\$1.80
4 lbs. Lard	97c
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### Smart Family Reunion Attracts Kin From Wide Area

At the annual reunion of the Smart family, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Smart, Franklin, Route 2, last Sunday, Mr. Smart was elected president of the family organization, and Ford Mann was named secretary.

Between 50 and 75 persons, from Ohio and Georgia and from almost every county in Western North Carolina, enjoyed the get-together and the bountiful picnic lunch served at noon.

Special music was furnished by members of the Cleve Smart family, of Bryson City, though Cleve Smart himself, employed in South Africa, was unable to attend.

The date and place for the 1948 meeting will be announced later.

### REG YOUR PARDON

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thomas, of Otto, have announced the birth of a daughter, Janice Lee, July 17, at Angel clinic. The Press last week erroneously said that the baby was a girl. The error is regretted.

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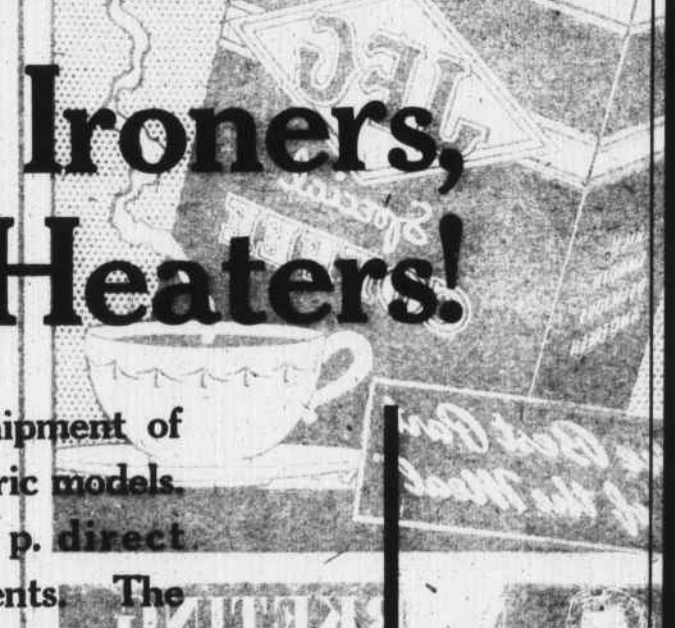
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