CHANGES EXPLAINED BY LEADER -Merger Of Nantahala, Pisgah Councils To Further Scouting as crafts, transportation for both Many Assets

Vast Machine

By MRS. ELEANOR SWIFT **Program Director** Nantahala Council

Recently, in order to bring Girl scout adults in this area Scouting to all, national head are at this moment dissolving their quarters put a vast machine into own Nantahala Council, trying to operation on a national scale. By dividing the 12 regions into area. substitute something better. rather than city, councils admin

Girl Scout leadership in Frank istered by paid, trained profes sionals, many villages received lin is almost electric this year the adults devote anywhere from five to thirty hours a week to Scouting in the community Your support has been a delight and your financial assistance has

been the spark opening new Nantahala Council provided for horizons for Franklin Girl Scouts Girl Scouts, and what its merger which, last year, we never knew into Pisgah Councl means. existed **Financial** Change Until now lack of training, pro

fessional Girl Scout workers, and The first change to affect the community will be financial. In the following paragraphs I want finances caused Nantahala Council to operate on a small scale ring the large area in to show you in Franklin what volved, Only four counties, Jackdemands Pisgah Council son, Macon, Cherokee, and Swain, make, how they must be met, and out of seven, offered Girl Scouthow the United Fund plays a ing. Such independent community bigger part in Girl Scouting than scouting, such as we have in Sylin past years.

va, Franklin, Murphy, and Chero-kee was sufficient when the move-heard of "The Green Umbrella."

WOULD THE MEMBERS OF YOUR CIVIC CLUB LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE MAN WHO COULD BE THE NEXT CON-**GRESSMAN FROM TIHS DISTRICT?**

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Many civic clubs have invited me in the last six months to talk to them. When I have had the time, I was delighted to do so. In the last 3 months, however, the requests for speaking engagements were so heavy that, unfortunately, I had to turn down more than half. However, I will be very happy to talk to your group or civic organization at any time when I don't have an engagement and will answer any and all questions without holding back.

I do not make political speeches when invited to speak to civic groups, but confine myself strictly to answering non-partisan questions concerning our district, our nation, or world affairs.

If you are interested, please write to Box 140 in Waynesville.

HEINZ ROLLMAN

The Franklin Press and The Highlands Maconian

were members new in 1960). operate that way. A troop had to inform Asheville several months ahead of camping plans, take out insurance, take this, include that. Sylva a owns no camping site ing aids, no library, no vehicles And, could an office in Buncomb no office, and no trained person-County serve Murphy in the win

Mays, Mrs. John Bulgin, Mrs. J

H. Fisher, and Mrs. Nell Seabock

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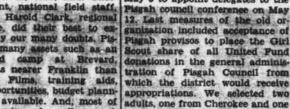
girls and adults, registration fees On Sept. 19, 1959, Mrs. Theo (often time when a girl could not dore Grant, national field sta and Mrs. Harold Clark, regio afford it), refreshments and a wards until the United Fund came along.

wards until the United Fund came along. Some Improvement Nantahala Council then was a very small operation. But, all of us who love its associations us who love its associations ing were available. And, most of thought we were doing a good all, the services of a college grad-uate, a trained professional we job with the tools we had. The financial situation was improving had needed so badly, and an office constantly. Franklin bought tents

to which to direct corres and cooking utensils literature and registrations were there. and began long-term planning. As the visiting leaders com They selected adults to take ad pleted the discussion, our minds vanced training, girls to attend kept returning to one subject national camporees and visit his budget. Finances . . . How much toric monuments, such as Juliette did Pisgah Council want from us? Low, the founder's home in Where will the money come from? A paid professional's salary. We Savannah, Ga. We council members in Franklin only hoped the uldn't raise that much! Pisgah leadership could be sustained unwould request all donations for til these aspirations were accon Girl Scouts from United Fund? plished. Women in your commun What will we use to run our troops? Nantahala Council has ty, Mrs. Carl Cabe, Mrs. Gilmer Jones, Mrs. Harvey Price, Mrs. Russell Cabe, Mrs. Robert Carhad a glimpse of new vistas and empty purses. The merger was penter, Mrs. Pete Arms, Mrs. Margoing to cost us something. At garet Roper, Mrs. Roy Kinsland, Mrs. James Bleckley, Mrs. Katje the October Council meeting, the merger did not pass.

Writes For Helm

were in favor of all ventures that Nantahala wrote to the region would provide secure Scout govern or more help on arriving at the ment. The girls needed to know right conclusion. The Atlanta of that the Girl Scout organization fice cleared up our money worries. Pisgah, they explained, was going to increase camping opportunities, skills, travel, and would ask to present a budget for vocational training. Once gefore each neighborhood. .Then, that the council had become weal council would plan how to meet through lack of leaders. Once the expenses. Nantahala digested informed of the merger plans Franklin neighborhood was willthis information and met again in January. Three neighborhoods ing to endorse whatever mean voted in favor of the merger and benefitted Girl Scouts and Brownies most. If Pisgah could one cast a negative vote. We had considered, through many discusprovide better facilities, if the sions, both sides of the problem. region thought the two councils By realizing that "you pay for produce better Scouts, we what you get," Franklin hoped its would be as fine a district as we had been a council.



from Murphy, to take courses at Camp Edith Macy, near New York. Funds for their training had already been allocated and would not revert to Pisgah Council. Members also made plans for a dinner meeting on June 25, where Nantahala Council will be dis solved and the first district business conducted. Mrs. S. B. Sneed. Nanțahala president, becomes dis trict chairman and automatically is seated on the Pisgah board of directors

Girl Scouting in this area initiated a petition to join P

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Petition Accepted

April the petition

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Catching Glimpses

Girl Scouts themselves are be ginning to catch glimpses of the activities our new association will hold. They receive training films quickly and read about workshops in dancing, weaving, nature, and eadership. Pisgah seniors held a "Luau dance" that was the talk

of the Asheville young set for weeks. Several of them were candidates for "all-States Encamp ment", held in wilderness areas each year. One was plannig to attend the Chalet, the most famous of Girl Scout hostels in Switzerland, Another troop showed slides of their dream trip to the Cabana, a Girl Scout camp in Mexico, come true! Those Scouts were from Brevard. Our Scouts decided they could do anything Brevard Scouts could do and ap plied for a commission to make a braided rug for the Chalet in Switzerland! Linda Henderson and

workshop sponsored by Pis-These seniors acquired not information on conservation, Franklin has the most Girl Scouts and needs the most service. Franklin women interested in gah. but met girls who attended the in Colorado last sum

Budget Drawn

ah board, an action which helped A budget for 1960-61 for the our self-confidence. Nantahala Nantahala District of Pisgah Council met for the last time on Council is being drawn up by the May 6 to appoint delegates to the Council is being drawn up by the financial committee, Soon we will be able to inform you what part of the budget Franklin inould as-sume. We will also be able to re-port exactly what services Fisgah Council will bring to Franklin dur-ing the next year. Never before have the finances been itemized so carefully or apportioned so fairly. Franklin will be the head-quarters of the district the proquarters of the district, the pro-fessional worker will be here, for and a badge sash "a mile long.

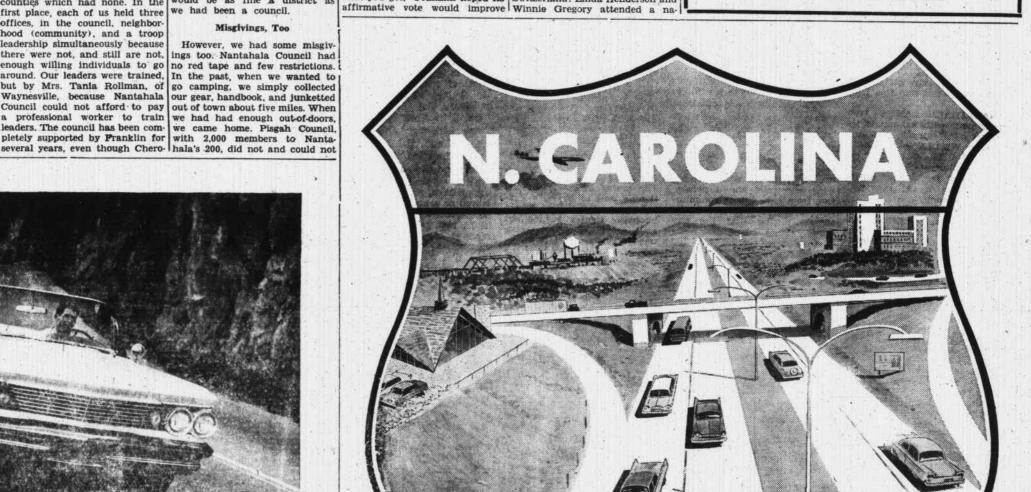
Girl Scouting have worked all year for this merger with Pisgah Council because they think Girl Scouts in Franklin will benefit and because the region requested the merger they feel sure the community will back it as it always has. The stepped-up program will cost Franklin several hundred dollars more. Girl Scouts are as-suring that the money will create better-trained young women than ever before. You can see the im provement already. Very soon you will be able to see the changes too and this kind of pioneering will give you even more pride in Franklin womanhood, the type who wears a green beret, a vellow tie



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istering North and South Caro

ina, Georgia, and Florida, wrote to

Nantahala and Pisgah Councils

(from Waynesville north) The regional director explained that

Pisgah was strong and capable enough to administer double its

present area. On the other hand

Nantahala was understaffed, over-simplified, and could not provide

sufficient leadership. A request

was made to merge the two to-

Group Strong

There was no question which

one would take over the adminis-

tration of Girl Scouting in the

Western Carolina area. Pisgah's

superiority meant the dissolution

of Nantahala Council, of which

we were justly proud. Council members did not appreciate the

request. The Nantahala group was

strong. Franklin was providing

excellent leadership and troops were growing. The Macon com-munity had 15 adults, all trained.

eight troops on the Brownie and Intermediate level, a new senior troop and two-thirds of the council

board members. The latter voted

and assisted in sending a member to the training school in New

rado. Council program included

a three-day camporee, two work-

leadership courses in Murphy and

Much Lacking

there was much lacking in its pro-

gram. Being the majority group

in Franklin, and trying our best

to bring Nantahala Girl Scouts

a fine program, we were unable

to bring Scouting to the four

counties which had none. In the

first place, each of us held three offices, in the council, neighbor-

hood (community), and a troop

leadership simultaneously because

there were not, and still are not,

enough willing individuals to go

around. Our leaders were trained,

Waynesville, because Nantahala

Council could not afford to pay

leaders. The council has been com-

pletely supported by Franklin for

professional worker to train

But, we in the council knew

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Franklin in 1959.

another to camp in Colo

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gether into one area council.

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