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ESTIMATE THAT TWO THOUSAND VISITED MT. MITCHELL SUNDAY

"The largest crowd that ever visited Mt. Mitchell on one day" was how E. A. Wilson described the number who visited the famous peak last Sunday. It was estimated that at least 2,000 made the trip.

AMERICAN LEGION & AUXILIARY MEETS

The Earl Horton Post of the American Legion, and the Auxiliary, met on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brook Wilson at Pensacola. Thirty five attended the meeting.

Reports were heard from committees, and several business matters voted on. Supper was served on the spacious lawn of the Wilson home.

The next meeting will be held with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hennessee.

PENSACOLA NOTES

Mrs. B. B. Ray visited relatives at Concord Sunday.

Revival services which were conducted by Revs. A. B. Lowery and Ralph Mumpower at the Freewill Baptist church closed last week after continuing ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Quince Wood and family visited relatives here through the week end.

Benjamin Wilson has gone to Atlanta to attend summer school.

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Ben Lee Ray the 23rd, a daughter.

Bill Penland was taken to an Asheville hospital on Saturday of last week where he underwent an appendix operation.

Miss Josaphine Mumpower of Swannanoa is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Mumpower.

Mrs. T. J. Wilson, Mrs. Vivian Jamerson and daughter Orlena visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Anglin and family of Burnsville Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ralph Mumpower of Swannanoa visited relatives here last week end.

Vernon Ray has gone to Washington, D. C.

MICKIE SAYS—

IF YA KIN SELL ANY MORE GOODS BY NOT TELLIN' FOLKS 'BOUT 'EM, THEN IT DONT PAY TO ADVERTISE!



TAX RATES SET FOR COUNTY, TOWN

County rate \$1.50, Town rate \$1.90

The 1940 tax rate for the county remains the same, \$1.50 on the \$100 valuation, it has been announced by the board of county commissioners.

The town tax rate has been reduced ten cents on the \$100 valuation, according to a statement made by the town commissioners. This reduction was made possible through the collection of additional miscellaneous taxes during the past year.

The following budget for the town has been adopted by the commissioners, and approved by the local government commission:

General Government \$1,600.00
Streets and sewers \$1,945.00
Fire department \$810.00
Debt service \$13,588.50
Water department \$1,634.00

Accounts payable \$400.00
Total \$21,032.50

There are unpaid taxes due the Town as follows:
1939, \$4,082.86;
1938, 1,945.00;
1937, 1,317.44;
1936, 669.66;
and all years prior to 1936, \$3,217.24, making a total of delinquent taxes due the Town in the sum of \$11,232.20.

The Town Board has been able to reduce the levy for the year 1940 from \$2.00 to \$1.90 because of the fact that several taxpayers paid up all their old taxes due the Town. It is hoped that every taxpayer will make an extra effort to pay his old tax this year, for by so doing he helps to keep the Town levy down.

The Town Board expresses its thanks to the citizens for their cooperation during the past year and assures the public of its effort and desire at all times to keep the tax levy as low as possible and at the same time to render as much service to the public as revenues possibly permit. LET'S WORK TOGETHER. — (J. Frank Huskins, Mayor; J. B. King and L. P. Horton, Commissioners).

MANY SUBSCRIBE TO R.E.A. IN YANCEY

Unusually good response has been reported since work was begun to introduce the REA plan to the people of the rural sections of the county. Frank W. Howell, coordinator for the county, has announced that 128 farm citizens have signed up, and that not all of the townships expected to join in the program have even been contacted.

Following is a list of the subscribers to date:

Daisy Williams, Gus Bailey, Mrs. Mary Buchanan, J. S. Moody, Zion Baptist church, Menry Stamey, W. O. Briggs, E. F. Hunter, I. B. Bailey, J. B. Briggs, Mrs. Margaret Honeycutt, Miss Osma

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COUNTY SCHOOLS TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 2nd

New High School Building At Burnsville Nearly Ready

All schools in the county will open for the 1940-41 term on Monday, September 2, according to official announcement made this week.

Five New Teachers

Five new teachers were allotted to the county schools, with a total of 128 teachers. Burnsville High school will gain one high school and one elementary teacher, Clearmont will have an additional high school teacher, and Bald Creek high school will have two additional elementary teachers.

BYPU Association Convention Here Tomorrow

The county wide BYPU convention will be held at the Burnsville Baptist church tomorrow, Friday 26th. Delegates are expected from many churches in the county.

The afternoon session will begin at 4:00 o'clock, and supper will be served at 6:00 o'clock. The evening services will begin at 8:00 o'clock.

The subject for the convention will be "Training in Soul Saving." Those who will take part are Misses Carrie Tipton, Islean Ray, Buena Ellen Bailey, Gladys Edwards, and Brantley Briggs, Hugh Tomberlin, Ralph Young, Frank Fox, and Rev. A. Z. Jamerson.

Rev. FURMAN O. KELLY TO PREACH SUNDAY

Rev. Furman O. Kelly who is in summer school at Mars Hill College will preach at the morning services at 11:00 o'clock next Sunday at the Burnsville Baptist church.

DAY BOOK NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Piercy and family of Springfield, Pa. have been visiting Mr. Piercy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Piercy here the past week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Tippet of Greensboro, on July 7th a daughter, Mrs. Tippet was Miss Bess Piercy before her marriage.

Mrs. R. W. Mincer and two small children of Richmond, Va. are visiting relatives here. Mr. Mincer, who is still in Richmond, plans to join Mrs. Mincer and family soon and make their home in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Laughrun and son, Jimmie, and Mrs. Margaret Honeycutt were calling on friends here Sunday.

Maye Hunter has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Ray Bennett, at Stockville the past two weeks.

Miss Cartha Duncan of Burnsville RFD was visiting friends here the past week.

Bert Moore of Dallas, Texas is visiting Charles and Landon Proffitt.

DRUG DEPARTMENT OPENED BY POLLARD DRUG STORE

Improvements to the Soda Shop have been completed, including a complete refinishing and rearrangement of the interior, increased space, and the addition of a drug department in charge of a registered pharmacist. The name has been changed to Pollard Drug Store.

Prescription Department

The opening of the prescription department adds another service which this well established and popular firm offers its patrons. The department is well equipped to take care of all prescription needs, and the refrigeration equipment makes it possible to keep biological supplies on hand at all times.

Mrs. Joe W. Greyer of Bryson City is in charge of this department. Mrs. Greyer received her B. S. in Pharmacy at the University of North Carolina, and has had five years experience. For the past three years she has been with the Burke Drug Store in Morganton. Mrs. Greyer has a fortunate background for her work. Her grandfather is a doctor and druggist, and her father is also a druggist and owner of the Bennett Drug Store in Bryson City.

With the additional improvements and facilities, Pollards Drug Store will now be able to offer a more complete service to its patrons.

BALD CREEK NEWS

Mrs. Furman Carr has had a recent visit with her sister, Mrs. Clarence Loyd in Detroit.

Miss Eleanor Watkins of Chappels, S. C. and Mr. Joe McDowald of Clinton, S. C. and Miss Madge Carter visited in Boone last week.

Ralph Proffitt has gone to New York World's Fair. Miss "Bill" Proffitt of Asheville spent Sunday at home.

Miss Mary Lee Hensley returned Saturday from Lexington, N. C. where she visited her sister, Mrs. Chas. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. Mack McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ferguson visited Mt. Mitchell Sunday.

Ed Pate was bitten by a mad-dog Sunday in Egypt.

Miss Era Hughes spent last week in Asheville.

The Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. Ralph Neill Friday. The next meeting will be a picnic at Carolina Hemlock, August 17.

The revival meeting came to a close Sunday night after a two weeks session. There was much interest shown. Five joined the church and several renewed.

GOLDFISH

It has been found that goldfish will control mosquito "wrigglers" in ponds and pools a little better if the fish are allowed to go hungry.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR WETSELL HONEYCUTT

Wetsell Honeycutt of Sioux was fatally injured in Harlan county, Kentucky on Monday, July 22nd. He was engaged in cutting timber, and a tree fell on him, causing his death within a few hours.

Funeral services were held at Sioux Wednesday afternoon. Surviving are his wife; four children; four brothers, Lonnie, Lester, Ruddle and Clifford; two sisters, Mrs. Dempsey Wilson and Mrs. Wash Wilson. His mother, Mrs. W. K. Honeycutt, also survives.

STREET MARKERS BEING MADE

Street markers are now being made in the NYA wood work shop, and should be completed within a few days. The markers will be wood with the names painted on, and will be a great aid in designating all streets.

PINE NEEDLE MULCH HELPS REFORESTATION

Mulching with pine needles, or pine straw, to preserve moisture and hold the soil is familiar in many parts of North Carolina, but this practice will serve another purpose, says W. D. Lee, Extension soil conservationist of N. C. State College.

A pine needle mulch will stimulate reforestation of eroded and denuded area, he stated. This has been proven conclusively in tests, and scores of farmers have reported a growth of pine trees in areas where they have covered ditch banks or idle fields with pine straw.

Lee said that the Southern Piedmont Soil Conservation Experiment Station at Athens, Ga., conducted tests to demonstrate this method of reforesting old fields or clay gull areas.

"Seeking an economical way of seeding eroded areas, the station mulched four clay-galled plots with 800 pounds of pine needle litter from adjacent woods. In five months, a healthy mixed vegetation developed, including more than 1,600 shortleaf seedlings—an average of two seedlings from each pound of mulch.

"The study will observe for several years the survival and height growth of seedlings resulting from this simple and inexpensive scattering of pine needle litter over the bare area to a depth of about one inch.

"If only one-fourth of the existing seedlings live for five years, the area will be well planted," Lee declared.

In conclusion, he suggested that North Carolina farmers try this method of controlling erosion, one of the major agricultural problems of the State.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Fox are visiting relatives here.

PROGRESS IS REPORTED BY PRODUCTION CREDIT

Nine Georgia production credit associations and one North Carolina association were represented at a group conference of production credit association directors held at Columbia, S. C., according to John A. Hudgens, president of the Asheville Production Credit Association.

Reports at the conference indicated that the associations are continuing to make progress, Mr. Hudgens said, and that the farmers have now come to look upon them as permanent, dependable sources of credit.

Associations represented at the conference were Cartersville, Gainesville, Hartwell, Rome, Sandersville, Swainsboro, Thomson, Washington and Winder in Georgia, and Asheville in North Carolina.

Efficient operating methods were discussed at the conference, Mr. Hudgens said, and the discussions were led by George L. Griffith, vice-president and treasurer of the Production Credit Corporation of Columbia. Other topics of interest to the associations were discussed.

In addition to the directors, the secretaries of the associations also attended. Attending from the Asheville association in addition to Mr. Hudgens were H. L. Nettles, Director, and W. H. Overall, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Asheville Production Credit Association serves the sixteen western counties of North Carolina, and this year to date has made 339 loans for a total of \$78,026.00.

TYPHOID CLINICS

The District Health Department will hold typhoid clinics at the following places and dates as listed below:

Cane River — At Roscoe Bailey's store, July 18, 25, August 1, at 10 o'clock.

Elk Shoal — At Elk Shoal Baptist church, July 18, 25, August 1, at 11:30 a. m.

Ramseytown — Adkins store, July 18, 25, Aug. 1, at 2:00 p. m.

All persons living in Burnsville may come to the Health Department office any Saturday morning for their typhoid vaccine, as Saturday morning is reserved for the Burnsville people.—Dr. J. J. Croley, Dist. Health officer.

Miss Mae Godwin of Atlanta and Miss Jessie Bailey of Toledo were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wilson Sunday the 14.

NOTICE

The Board of County Commissioners will meet on Thursday, August 1 instead of Monday, August 5 as the August term of court convenes on August 5th.—Charles L. Brown, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners.

SUPERIOR COURT WILL CONVENE MONDAY

A two weeks term of Superior court will convene in Burnsville Monday with Judge W. H. Bobbit of Charlotte presiding. Both civic and criminal cases will be heard.

GREEN MOUNTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Davis of Norris, Tennessee visited Mrs. Davis mother, Mrs. D. D. Huffman here Sunday.

Dubb Johnson and family were visiting T. T. Johnson Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar L. Young and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lawson spent last week at Carolina Beach. Said they had a grand time and all came back with a nice sun tan.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Byrd of Cliffside, N. C. visited Mrs. Byrd's parents here this week.

Mrs. M. E. Ledbetter and daughter, Betty, of Monterey, Tenn. are visiting Mrs. Ledbetter's niece, Mrs. Oscar L. Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lawson returned to their home in Chattanooga, Tenn. after a two weeks visit here with Richards sister and Mrs. Lawsons parents.

Louis McKinney of Spruce Pine spent the week end here with his aunt, Mrs. Huffman.

Edith Huffman of Spruce Pine spent the week end here with her mother, Mrs. D. D. Huffman.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Whitton have gone to Carolina Beach to spend a week.

Mrs. Burton of Johnson City is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank Howell.

Green beans are coming to the cannery here at the rate of about 500 bushels daily. The cannery is running day and night for the two weeks. Due to the decline in price of the market for green beans, this gives the farmers in Yancey and Mitchell good market for their surplus beans.

The cannery is only taking beans from farmers who signed contracts with them and the price averages close to sixty cents per bushel we understand.

Our progressive merchant, Mr. J. W. Howell, is erecting a new building between his store and apartment building here. We understand it will be used for a theatre building and community center building. Thanks to Mr. Howell for interest he is taking in this end of the county.

Frank W. Howell is very busy at present getting signers for the proposed rural electric line for Yancey County. All communities not now supplied with electric power should get in touch with Mr. Howell.

WILT

Granville wilt has made its appearance on a small number of Greene County tobacco farms, according to J. W. Grant, assistant farm agent of the State College Extension Service.