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Give generously to the March of Dimes Fund. Fight Infantile Paralysis.

Paul Tilson, 17, Killed Instantly In Highway Accident

Paul Tilson, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Tilson of Old Fort was instantly killed Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock when the truck he was driving and a large tractor-trailer outfit collided half mile east of Black Mountain. Another automobile was also in the collision. The accident occurred when the tractor-trailer skidded in a fresh coat of tar which had been applied to the road by the highway department, rendering it very slick, investigators stated.

The tractor-trailer was driven by Arthur Fox of Asheville and was coming toward Asheville. The truck and a Plymouth car, driven by Robert Riddle of Quinwood, W. Va., were going toward Black Mtn., when the wreck occurred.

Young Tilson's death was caused by internal injuries suffered where he was crushed between his truck and a guard rail post on the highway.

An inquest was held Monday and the coroner's jury exonerated Mr. Fox of blame. The accident was listed as unavoidable as far as the participants in the wreck are concerned.

Paul was a student in the

11th grade of Old Fort high school. He attended Burnsville school while his parents resided here and is widely remembered by high school students here.

Funeral Tuesday

Funeral services were held in the Old Fort Baptist church at 11 o'clock. The Rev. D. C. Wesson and the Rev. A. Z. Jamerson, of Burnsville, former pastors, officiated.

Cousins were pall bearers, and members of his Sunday School class and of the 11th grade at Old Fort high school were flower bearers. Burial was in the Holcombe cemetery here.

Surviving are the parents, three sisters, Mrs. Frank Harris and Mrs. Bill Ball of Burnsville and Miss Mabel Tilson of Old Fort, and four brothers, Ralph W. Tilson of Asheville, Gilbert Tilson of Oteen and John Lee and David Tilson of Old Fort.

This is the second time within the past two months that tragedy has struck the Tilson family. Mr. Tilson was seriously injured in a highway accident and is still confined to his bed and is in a cast because of a fractured hip sustained at that time.

NOTICE

It was announced today by Lt. Thomas H. Sudam, Commanding Officer of the Asheville Recruiting Sub-Station, that Sgt. Henry and Sgt. McLeod of the Asheville Station would be in Spruce Pine at the U. S. Employment Service on Friday morning, January 17, from 8:00 to 12:00 noon and in Burnsville at the Local Board No. 1 from 1:00 to 5:00 p. m. to accept enlistments for the new Regular Army in your area.

Lt. Sudam further stated that men enlisting now are still eligible to receive benefits under the G. I. Bill of Rights. The Lt. also stated that former veterans of all branches of service are now eligible to re-enlist in the new Regular Army in grades appropriate to those held at the time of discharge, if the discharged veteran meets the necessary requirements.

DEADLINE FOR 1947 LICENSE PLATES

Tags May Be Secured at Spruce Pine

The deadline for purchasing automobile license plates is Feb. 1, Patrolman Miller reminds Yancey county motor vehicle owners.

License plates may be bought at the Motor Center in Spruce Pine as well as at Asheville or other distribution points.

Forty-three million bushels of grain and grain products were exported from this country in December the largest monthly total in the current marketing year.

FOREST FIRE

Ninety-eight per cent of all forest fires in North Carolina during the period July 1 to Dec. 31, 1946, were man caused, it is revealed in a semi-annual report by B. H. Corpening, district forester of district No. 1 of the North Carolina Forest Service.

District No. 1 is comprised of 11 counties, six of which cooperate with the state in forest fire control and five non-cooperating counties. Cooperating counties include Buncombe, Henderson, McDowell, Polk, Rutherford and Yancey and non-cooperating counties are Madison, Mitchell, Cleveland, Lincoln and Gaston. The report does not include the latter, as no organized work in forest fire control is carried on in them on privately owned forest land by the state organization.

According to the report there were 62 reportable forest fires that occurred in the six cooperating counties in district No. 1 during the six-month period. The fires burned a total of 399.9 acres of privately owned woodland.

The report further revealed that in the six counties there are 866,986 acres of forest area protected by the state Forest Service. Buncombe county, with 258,017 acres of privately owned woodland, represented the counties in this district with the greatest of forest acreage and a natural resource of considerable value, but through carelessness and intent on the part of the public, the area was subjected to 39 forest fires during the past six months.

HUSKINS IS ASSIGNED TO LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

J. Frank Huskins, representative from Yancey county, has been assigned to the following committees in the state Legislature: Counties, cities and towns, courts and judicial districts, elections and election laws, finance, game, roads, senatorial districts, veterans legislation, judiciary no. 1, manufacturers and labor, and trustees of the university.

Representative Huskins plans to spend the next week end in Burnsville.

Returns to Brazil

D. R. Fouts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Doyer R. Fouts of Burnsville, who has been in the states for the past six weeks will return to Brazil this month where he will enter business. Mr. Fouts has been an instructor at the school for aviation cadets under the Brazilian government for the past three years.

OFFICE IS MOVED

Bill Atkins, Burnsville attorney, moved his office last week to his new building on West Main Street, adjacent to the recently completed McCourry building.

FUNERAL SERVICES ARE HELD FOR JEFF COLLIS

Funeral services for Jeff Collis, 86, who died at his home in Green Mountain Tuesday morning after a long illness were held in the Green Mtn., Presbyterian church today (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock. The Rev. Troy Young officiated and burial was in Brush Creek cemetery at Green Mountain.

Mr. Collis was a native and life-long resident of the Green Mtn., community and an active member of the Presbyterian church. He was grade foreman of the Clinchfield railroad for 30 years.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Tishia Collis; four daughters, Mrs. Lee Griffith of West Virginia, Mrs. Nellie Street of Green Mtn., and Misses Cora and Myrtle Collis of the home; five sons, Biss of Green Mtn., Rex of Bristol, Va.; 27 grand-children and eight great-grandchildren; three sisters, and three half brothers.

Webb funeral home of Spruce Pine was in charge of arrangements.

HONOR ROLL

The honor roll for the 5th month, has been released for the 7th grade, Burnsville school by Guss Peterson teacher. Names listed are: Olivia Tappan, Frances Wilson, Nelda Peterson, Betty Presnell, Erma Styles, Ena Kate Smith.

MARCH OF DIMES

The March of Dimes campaign in the county opened on Wednesday, and most of the business firms have already been contacted for donations. Committees have also been at work in the county schools, and an excellent response has been met.

Mrs. Sam J. Huskins is county chairman, and she has announced the following committees: Special gifts committee: James Ray, chairman; C. M. Bailey, B. R. Penland, E. T. Moody, Hershel Holcombe. Professional and Public Office committee: D. R. Fouts, chairman; Mrs. Charles Hutchins, Dr. C. M. Whisnant, and C. P. Randolph.

Women's Division: Mrs. Troy Ray, chairman. Mrs. Ray has organized the town by streets and blocks, and the women will make a house to house canvass.

American Legion committee: Mark Bennett, chairman; Horace Edge, Burnsville; R. N. Silver, Crabtree; Charles Tomberlin, Cane River; Martin Pate, Egypt; Jack Hensley, Ramseytown; Oscar Young Green Mtn.; Jesse Howell, Brush Creek; Clyde Anglin, Jacks Creek; Jack Riddle, South Toe; P. B. Wilson, Pensacola; Ralph Edwards, Prices Creek.

Theatre committee: G. Leslie Hensley, chairman. Publicity committee: Mrs. C. R. Hamrick, chairman. School committee: Frank W. Howell, chairman; B. M. Tomberlin, R. H. Howell, Monroe McIntosh, E. B. Bailey, H. D. Justice.

Special Events committee, Miss Eloise Bennett, chair-

POST OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT 1 P. M. ON SATURDAYS

Effective Saturday, Feb. 1, 1947, the Burnsville Post Office will close at 1 p. m. each Saturday. There will be no general delivery, money orders or window service after that hour on Saturday.

COURT SESSION

Superior Court will convene again on Monday but there will be no jury trials next week. All trials will be heard before the judge.

Those citizens whose names were drawn as jurors have been notified not to report next week.

Around 65,000 veterans are applying monthly for admission to Veterans Administration hospitals or homes.

Veterans Administration board of appeals now is disposing of an average of 2,907 appeals from VA rulings monthly.

More than 40,000 veterans are operating their own businesses with G. I. loans guaranteed by Veterans Administration.

Mrs. Mrs. Clarence Burton, Mrs. Hershel Holcombe, G. Leslie Hensley, Carroll Rogers, E. L. Briggs, Rush Wray and Dr. Glenn. Other members of this committee to be announced later, and the plans for a special event.

Church committee: Guss Peterson, Wesley Roberts, and George Robinson.

The Baptist church opened the drive with the first contribution of \$50.00.

4-H Club Officers Elected

The eleven 4-H clubs of Yancey county completed their organization with the election of officers held recently.

In the Bald Creek club officers include: President, Earl Ray; vice president, Betty Neill; secretary and treasurer, Mack McIntosh; reporter, Wilson Ray; song leaders, Hazel Taylor and Ben Lee Hensley.

Burnsville senior club: President, Aaron Wilson; vice president, Mary Evelyn Hensley; secretary-treasurer, Charles Gillespie; reporter, Sarah Hamrick; and song leader, Tommy Tilson.

Burnsville junior club: President, Olivia Tappan; vice president, Charles Pate; secretary-treasurer, Mary Cecil Anglin; and song leaders, Shirley Styles and Tommy Burton.

Bee Log club: President, Virginia Higgins; vice president, Viola Higgins; secretary-treasurer, Ethel Edwards; song leaders, Louise Bradley and Burgan Honeycutt; and reporter, Faye Johnson.

Celo club: President, Sonya Hall; vice president, David Hall; secretary and treasurer, Glena Robinson; reporter, Alley Grindstaff; and song leader, Janet Ogle.

Micaville club: President, Louise Huffman; vice president, Wayne Silver; secretary-treasurer, Norma Hall; song leader, Kathleen Howell; and reporter, Marie Gibbs.

Harvard club: President, Jeanette Gibbs; vice president, Barbara Geouge; secretary-treasurer, Kate Huskins; and song leaders, Dawn Silvers and Betty Ogle.

Starlight club: President, Elizabeth Henson; vice president, J. R. Young; secretary-treasurer, L. D. Young; song leader, Jack Griffin; and reporter, Gwen Young.

Clearmont junior club: President, Alice Ramsey; vice president, Alberta Byrd; secretary and treasurer, Annabella Garland; and song leaders, Opal Johnson and John Bailey.

Clearmont senior club: President, Ada Lee Bailey; vice president, Annis Melton; secretary and treasurer, Ray Laughrun; song leaders, Wanda Johnson and Albert Hensley; and pianist, Katherine Hunter.

Pensacola club: President, Daphne Wilson; vice president, Lela Hollifield; secretary-treasurer, Iris McPetters; reporter, Vaughtie McPetters; and song leaders, Virginia Geouge and Bobby Wilson.

Farm Report Reviews Achievements of the Past Year

A year of extensive achievement and development of the farm program in Yancey county is reviewed in an annual narrative report prepared by the farm agent's office. Highlights of the report follow:

In setting forth the objectives and goals, improved methods of farming were stressed, particularly for the returning veteran; a county dairy breeding program was started, and emphasis placed on home feed production; the use of lime and phosphate were emphasized; the growth and advancement of the 4-H program received more time; and the development of supplemental income and suitable markets was studied.

The Yancey Guernsey Breeders' Association was formed in Jan. 1946 to aid in the development of dairy in the county. An outstanding bull was bought, and the association sponsored a promotional guernsey sale at which 26 registered heifers were sold to farmers in this section. Twelve registered cows and heifers were placed with 4-H club boys.

The annual wool pool was held with 31 farmers participating. A lamb pool was also held. One farmer grew certified Sequoia Irish potatoes and reports 360 bushels per acre yield.

There are 11 4-H clubs in the county. In the Sears 4-H Pig Chain, 19 club members submitted essays. Yancey county placed 5th in the district show, and 600 chicks were placed with 9 club boys and girls as prizes from Sears.

The Mayland Fair's 4-H Dairy Exhibit was entered by 10 boys and girls who entered the same animals in the Western Caro-

lina Junior Dairy Show. A total of 24 ribbons and \$283 in prize money was won.

Farmers received 3200 tons of AAA lime, 61,000 lbs. Austrian Winter peas, 14,000 lbs of Crimson Clover seed and 1,700 tons of superphosphate.

Farm and Home Demonstration Farms have been completed in 3 of the 5 areas in the county.

Grade A Dairies

Three new grade A dairies were set up during the year. This makes 10 grade A dairies and one processing plant now in operation.

Demonstrations

A demonstration of the use of dynamite for ditching, and of the TVA economy trailer thresher were held.

Thirty five miles of new electric lines serving 200 families were built.

Corn Yield

Ninety two farmers of the county planted hybrid corn and reported increased yield.

Much interest has been shown in planting legumes and developing better pastures.

Adverse weather conditions that hampered every stage of raising the tobacco crop caused a one per cent drop in acreage and approximately 200 lbs. per acre drop in average yield.

Forestry

Tree seedlings were not available to farmers this year. Timber appraisal and demonstrations of pruning and thinning were carried out through the TVA and the Extension Service forester.

At present, one grade A milk route and two grade C milk routes serve 10 of the 12 county communities. These companies paid the farmers of the county approximately \$150,000 for milk this year.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY ELECTS OFFICERS

The Baptist Woman's Missionary Society met on Tuesday evening and elected officers for the coming year as follows:

Woman's Missionary Society: President, Mrs. G. L. Hensley; vice presidents, Mrs. Mollie Bostian, Mrs. Guss Peterson; secretary, Mrs. W. H. Holleman; treasurer, Mrs. W. Z. Robertson; cor-secretary, Mrs. J. B. Gibbs; community missions leader, Mrs. Sallie Kate Butner; stewardship chairman, Mrs. Rom Bailey; mission study chairman, Mrs. Dawson Briggs; Young People's Division, Mrs. B. J. McIver.

Junior organizations: Sunbeams, Mrs. Ralph Peterson; Jr. G. A. leader, Mrs. J. B. King; Intermediate G. A. leaders, Mrs. Clarence Burton, Mrs. C. R. Hamrick; Y. W. A. leader, Mrs. B. R. Penland; Jr. R. A. leader, Richard Peterson; Intermediate R. A. leader, B. J. McIver.

Circle leaders: Mrs. Mol-

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. LEATHY PARROTT

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock for Mrs. Leathy Boone Parrott, 82, who died at her home near Burnsville Sunday night following a brief illness. She suffered a stroke Sunday.

The Rev. Mr. Early officiated at the services and burial was in Hyatt cemetery.

She is survived by nine children.

Holcombe Brothers funeral home of Burnsville was

Save The Forests

One lighted match tossed carelessly on the ground can cause a woods fire. In the year 1947—there is a job—a job for all of us, that is, FIRE PREVENTION!

in charge of arrangements. lie Bostian, Mrs. Rom Bailey, Mrs. Guss Peterson, Mrs. Clarence Burton. Pianist, Mrs. Sallie Kate Butner.