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## March Term of Superior Court Will Convene March 17

### Jury List Is Drawn

The March term of Superior Court will convene here on Monday, March 17.

The following names were drawn for the jury list:

First Week: Fred Howell, Arnold Fox, F. E. Webb, Fonz Hughes, Eugene Harrison, C. E. Hughes, Willie Price, Isaac Hilemon, Garrett Wilson, J. B. Wheeler, Burgin E. Angel, Horace McNeill, Furdette Deyton, Dewey Thomas, Luther Thomas, J. G. Briggs, Deckard Adkins, Isaac Fox, Vernal Jones, Dallas Penland, Mack Hensley;

H. C. Wheeler, S. C. Ledford, G. Dawson Briggs, H. G. Hensley, Joe McCrackin,

Horace Young, Moore Griffith, J. A. Metcalf, Haskell McCurry, Pearson Riddle, George D. Hall, Clyde Robinson, Marcus Laws, Horace Wilson, Sam W. Robinson, Lee Chandler, R. L. Rector, Clate Bennett, A. A. Wilson, M. A. Edge, Corbett Robinson.

Second Week: W. K. Riddle, Ernest Proffitt, Mack Ledford, Ben Chrisawn, L. M. Robinson, J. C. Taylor, Alvin Randolph, Nelson Woody, W. T. Chrisawn, Avery Silver, R. S. Ray, W. L. McClelland, Avery Randolph, C. L. Proffitt, Crawford Carroll, Bob Higgins, W. A. Bailey, P. B. Hensley, Sylvester Allen, Aaron C. Bailey, R. M. Johnson, M. M. Murphy, L. Q. Miller, Frank Robinson.

## NEW PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE FOR AVERY COUNTY

Dr. B. B. McGuire, district health officer announces that Mrs. Geneva Mohr of Crossnore assumed her duties as Public Health Nurse in Avery county on March 3.

Mrs. Mohr is a graduate of Grace Hospital Training School, Banner Elk, 1942 and has been doing private and institutional nursing since that time. She will replace Mrs. Doris Davidowski of Newland who resigned November 1, 1946. Mrs. B. B. McGuire, of Spruce Pine has been substituting as Public Health Nurse during this interval.

Mrs. Mohr has been with the Wake County Health Department in Raleigh during February taking a short course in Public Health.

## PRESIDENT PRAISES WORK OF NATION'S 4-H CLUBS

President Harry S. Truman has issued the following letter through L. R. Harrill, state 4-H Club Leader for the State College Extension Service, in connection with the annual observance of National 4-H Club Week which began Saturday and ends March 9.

### TO ALL 4-H CLUB MEMBERS:

"It gives me great satisfaction to know from March first to ninth nearly two million of you 4-H Club members will be observing your annual 4-H Club Week. You are to be congratulated especially on your 1947 theme, 'Working Together for a Better Home and World Community.' The challenge is great, but because of your past re-

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## County Schools Reopen

Schools of the county reopened on Wednesday following a two week's recess because of the weather and highway conditions.

### Returns from Overseas

Elwood K. Smith recently returned from 13 months overseas duty. He has received his discharge and is now at home.

Pearson Riddle is in the U. S. Marine hospital, Staten Island, New York for treatment.

Pfc. Hale Bryson is home on a 15 day leave.

### FARM MEETING

A farm meeting will be held on Friday, March 7 at 9:45 a. m. in the Burnsville school auditorium.

Three extension service specialists will discuss subjects of interest to farmers and home gardeners.

H. M. Ellis will discuss the various types of home water systems and other agricultural engineering problems. L. I. Case will speak on beef cattle and sheep problems.

H. R. Niswonger who is well known in the county, will discuss home gardens, and other related problems.

The public is invited to attend the meeting.

### RED CROSS DRIVE

The annual Red Cross campaign will continue in Burnsville as well as throughout the county, since the weather prevented completion of the one day work as planned.

The North Carolina Division of Forestry & Parks operates two forest nurseries—one at Hendersonville, N. C. and one at Clayton, N. C.

The two forest nurseries operated by the State of North Carolina have a combined total possible output of approximately 15 million seedlings.

## Named Commanding Officer

Kitzingen, Germany. — Capt. Sam J. Huskins has been named commanding officer of the 442nd Headquarters and Base Service Squadron, it was announced this week, by Col. Donald J. Blakeslee, Commanding Officer, Kitzingen Air Base.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Huskins, Sr., Burnsville, Capt. Huskins was an instructor at the Pierce Flying Service, Ft. Wayne Indiana, before entering the Army in March 1942.

Capt. Huskins' squadron the 442nd, serves the 31st Fighter Group. The 31st is one of the Army Air Forces organizations engaged in policing Germany from the air.

## Returns from Overseas Duty

T. 5 Dazzie V. Riddle is home after eight months in Manila and will receive his discharge March 16. He has been in the army 14 months.

### Mrs. A. L. Mattson Seils Home to Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Banks

Mrs. A. L. Mattson this week sold her home in east Burnsville to Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Banks. The property is one of the most desirable in Burnsville.

Mrs. Mattson who has spent the past few months in New York and Pennsylvania plans to return north to reside. Mr. and Mrs. Banks will move to the recently purchased property in the spring.

## Native of County Retires From Service in Navy

### Won Many Awards and Decorations

Captain George W. Allen U. S. N., veteran of Naval Mine Warfare operations in the Mediterranean, Normandy, Okinawa, East China Sea and in Japanese waters, has been retired with the rank of Rear Admiral.

over 38 years of active duty in the Navy, entering the service in 1908. He served on the battleship Wyoming during World War I and has had numerous tours of duty in the San Diego area.

During 1939 and 40 he served at the Naval Station, San Diego, (then called the Destroyer Base) during the re-commissioning of the old 49 World War I destroyers. He was later transferred to duty as Assistant Naval Attache for Naval Mine Warfare, London, England, where he gained advance experience in air raids, food rationing, blackouts, and other things that go along with total war. He returned from London just before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

After we entered the

war he commissioned the U. S. S. AUK, the first of the Diesel Electric Fleet Mine Sweepers, which type of vessel played an important part in Naval Mine Warfare throughout the war. He also commanded the first division of this type of mine craft, which was then used as escort vessels in the Atlantic.

### In Mediterranean Area

The early part of 1944 while on the Staff of Service Force, Atlantic, he observed and inspected mine warfare material in the Mediterranean Area, including Anzio.

Returning to England, he took command of the "Y" Squadron of mine sweepers that swept the boat lanes and fire support channels at Utah Beach, Normandy, five hours before any of the invading force arrived. The first shot of the invasion was fired at his leading sweeper. After the invasion he remained in France and cleared mines from a number of French Ports, including Brest.

### Transferred to Okinawa

In March 1945 the admiral was transferred to Okinawa where he had com-

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## Forest Fire Prevention Campaign Is Launched

### Seeks to Prevent Heavy Damages

The Fifth Annual Co-operative Forest Fire Prevention Campaign is being launched this week in North Carolina by State Forester W. K. Beichler. It is a part of the National Co-operative Forest Fire Prevention Campaign, which is being announced simultaneously in all the eleven Southern states.

Key slogans for the campaign will be geared to the expectation of greatly increased use of the forests by recreation seekers and to the urgent Nation-wide need for timber for homebuilding in the next few years. The first slogan is, "Please, folks, be extra careful this year. Remember only you can prevent forest fires." The second is, "Burned Timber Builds no Homes."

In discussing the importance of the Co-operative Forest Fire Prevention Campaign this year, State Forester Beichler said:

### Necessary Lumber

"We see thousands of half-finished houses in every town and city. Most of them are waiting for the necessary lumber to make them habitable and comfortable homes. We see thousands of acres of productive southern forest land which have been cut-over and are now burned and blackened by preventable forest fires. Many are damaged so badly that they do not produce one shingle or one 2 x 4 to

help in the construction of these needed homes."

The magnitude of this annual disaster, said Mr. Beichler, can be visualized when it is considered that in a normal year like 1945, over 88000 forest fires burned over more than 15 million acres in our 11 southern States alone. Nine out of ten of these fires have resulted from the carelessness or thoughtlessness of our own citizens. The State Forester said that the growth alone for one year on these 15 million acres of damaged land would have produced enough lumber to build at least 60000 new 6-room homes for our veterans and families. In North Carolina alone, forest fire damage has averaged more than one million dollars each year for the past five years.

Every Citizen Can Help Mr. Beichler, in urging every citizen to take part in the campaign, said that his office will be glad to provide information and material to help develop effective programs for civic clubs, school groups, and other organizations. He concluded by saying that every public-spirited person can assist in this campaign by talking it over with his friends and neighbors, and by taking any other possible action to bring this campaign before the entire population.

Co-operating with the State Forester are the United States Forest Service,

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## BURNSVILLE CHURCH SERVICES

### Methodist

The pastor will have three preaching appointments next Sunday: Higgins Memorial at 11:00 a. m., Concord at 3:00 p. m., Bolens Creek at 7:30 p. m. The sermon topic will be "Winning and Losing."

### Baptist

The sermon subject for the Sunday morning service will be "God's Visitation Day". For Sunday evening the subject will be "Helping the Helpless".

The Missionary Society met on Tuesday evening at the Nu-Wray hotel, honoring Mrs. W. B. Wray on her birthday anniversary.

The topic, "Russia", was given by Mrs. B. J. McIver. Mrs. W. H. Holleman and Mrs. Mollie Bostian were hostesses.

The State W. M. U. meeting will be held next Tuesday through Thursday noon at the First Baptist church of Asheville. All women and young people are asked to attend these meetings.

The circles of the W. M. S. will meet next week in the following homes: Circle 2 on Monday, 3 p. m., with Mrs. J. R. Bailey; circle 1 on Tuesday, 2 p. m., with Mrs. G. B. Woody and circle 3 with Mrs. B. R. Penland.

## Much Interest Is Shown In F M Radio Broadcasting

### First FM Station in N. C. Established in Yancey County

(Note: Increasing interest in Frequency Modulation radio broadcasting is being shown, and much publicity is being given to it at the present time.

The first FM station in the state is Station W. M. I. T., Mt. Mitchell, located in Yancey county. It is our only "local station".

For these reasons, we feel that our readers will be interested in the following brief explanation of FM. The story was prepared by the Philco Corporation to explain this latest development in radio in terms which the general public can more easily understand:

From the listener's standpoint, it is acknowledged that FM offers five distinct advantages over AM.

In detail each of these five advantages are:

1. Staticless Reception—Static (both the natural atmospheric type and the artificial man-made variety created by automobile ignitions, vacuum cleaners, and

other electrical appliances) is made up chiefly of changes in power to which an AM receiver is sensitive and to which an FM receiver is, in most cases, not.

An FM receiver does not altogether respond to changes in power—instead it responds essentially only to the changes in frequency of the station on the dial. This is the reason why the FM receiver permits reception with virtually no static.

The increase in power of AM stations has done much towards minimizing man-made static and has had some effect in combating such natural disturbances as lightning and thunder storms. During the summer months in many sections of the country, however, storms kill practically all AM reception. FM is relatively static-free.

Washington consulting engineer C. M. Jansky, Jr., says that in AM broadcasting, the desired signal must

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At the present time, egg production is running somewhat above that of last year.



North Carolina Little Symphony

The North Carolina Little Symphony Orchestra will give two concerts in Burnsville on Friday, March 14 at Burnsville school auditorium. The free concert for school children will be given at 2:30, and the evening concert at 8:30. The Little Symphony is composed of 21 instruments.