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Summer Institute of Fine Arts Is Proposed For Burnsville

Extension Project of Woman's College of University of N. C.

Mass Meeting at Court House Friday Night

The extension division of Woman's College is interested in projecting their program to Burnsville in setting up a summer colony in dramatics and music.

Dr. R. W. Taylor, head of the department of dramatics at Woman's College, and his staff have agreed to move into Burnsville for the summer months for the purpose of teaching dramatics and producing a number of plays.

It is the opinion of the officials of the University of North Carolina and Woman's College that this project may develop in scope until it may complete with the "Lost Colony" at Mantea.

As announced previously, other educational courses will be offered for teachers who wish to attend summer schools.

In a meeting held at Woman's College on Wednesday, final plans were made for setting in motion the machinery that will

bring about the beginning of the project this summer. It will be necessary, however, for the town of Burnsville and Yancey county to indicate their interest in such an undertaking.

Local Corporation

It will be necessary to form a local corporation that will be responsible for working out business features necessary for this program.

For this purpose, a mass meeting is planned for tomorrow night (Friday, May 23) at 8 o'clock at the court house. Citizens of the entire county are urged to be present.

Representatives from out of town will attend the meeting to lay before the meeting all details, and to discuss the over-all picture of such an undertaking.

Yancey County Selected

Yancey county was selected by University officials as the ideal spot for this summer program after reviewing the entire western North Carolina section.

Note: If you are interested in the progress and development of your county and town, you will attend the meeting on Friday night.

Carolina Hemlock Camp Ground Open For Season

Many Improvements made

Carolina Hemlock Camp Ground is now open for the use of the public after extensive improvements, it has been announced by C. W. Coffin, district forester.

Mr. Coffin stated this week that the grounds had been thoroughly cleaned, fire wood furnished at all grills and the water had been turned on.

All the buildings in the tract have either been repainted or will be soon. The fireplaces are all being repaired or rebuilt, and the swimming pool facilities have been improved.

Help Keep It Clean!

The greatest need NOW, Mr. Coffin said, was cooperation of the public in keeping the camp ground clean. Each year this is stressed but there are always some people who do not cooperate in this important matter.

The grounds are for the enjoyment of all but the greatest enjoyment can come through the thoughtfulness and consideration of all.

E. L. Beeson will leave this week for Florida for a weeks business trip. He will return to Atlanta where he and Mrs. Beeson will attend graduating exercises at Agnes Scott college where their daughter, Marie, is a member of the graduating class.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lewis have moved to their home on east Main Street, adjacent to the Maples.

Pfc. Ben Banks With Air Force in Korea

Fifth Air Force, Kimpo Army Air Base, Korea.—Pfc. Ben L. Banks, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Banks of Burnsville, is now serving with the Fifth Air Force in Korea. The Fifth Air Force, under the command of Major General K. B. Wolfe, is the occupation air force of both Japan and Korea.

Entering the service in February of 1946, Pfc. Banks received his basic training at Sheppard Field, Texas, and Lowry Field, Colorado. Since he received his overseas orders in September of 1946 he has served in Hawaii, Japan and Korea. He is presently engaged as a radio operator in the Air Strike Control Team at Kimpo Army Air Base.

Serves Aboard Destroyer

Floyd Tipton, 19, seaman, first class, son of Mrs. Sarah Tipton of Green Mtn., N. C., is serving aboard the destroyer USS Hugh Purvis, which represented the United States Navy in a visit to Copenhagen, Denmark, April 28, 1947, for the funeral services of the late King Christian X.

A detachment of United States Marines, which participated in the funeral procession for the King, was carried from Plymouth, England, by the Hugh Purvis.

As a member of the Nor-

DEATH OF PVT. VERLON ROLAND IS REPORTED

Was Drowned in Germany May 8th

Pvt. Verlon B. Roland, with Army occupation troops in Germany, was drowned there on May 8, according to a telegram received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barnett Roland of Bakers Creek.

No details of the death were given in the telegram. The body will be returned here by transport for burial.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR ELECTRIC LINES

Rep. A. L. Bulwinkle has sent from Washington the following news story which will be of interest to citizens of the county:

The Rural Electrification Administration advises that a loan of \$710,000 has been granted to the French Broad Electric Membership Corporation of Marshall, North Carolina.

The Rural Electrification Administration advises further that it is planned to use \$78,000 of this loan to improve existing lines in Madison, Yancey, Mitchell, Avery and Buncombe counties.

It is planned that the balance of the loan will be used to construct 236 miles of electric lines allotted by the R. E. A. as follows:

Thirty one miles of scattered member extension lines in Madison, Yancey, Avery and Buncombe counties.

One hundred and forty nine miles of main lines in Yancey county.

Fifty six miles of main lines in Mitchell county.

LAST RITES HELD FOR MRS. R. S. WILSON

Mrs. R. S. Wilson, 81, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lucy Sturgill at Pensacola on Tuesday night following an extended illness. She was a daughter-in-law of Big Tom Wilson.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 at the Pensacola Methodist church, with the Rev. Edgar C. Price and the Rev. LeRoy Thomas officiating. Burial was in the Blankenship cemetery near the home.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. R. R. Ray of Oakley and Mrs. Sturgill; five sons, Emmett, C. D., James S. and George W. of Pensacola, and Kenneth Wilson of Portland, Ore.; and thirty two grand children.

Holcombe funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Western European Task Group of the Atlantic Fleet the destroyer has visited Portland, Portsmouth, and Southampton, England, Antwerp, Belgium.

COUNTY STUDENTS WILL GRADUATE FROM COLLEGES

The following students from the county are members of college graduating classes and, have already received their diplomas or will receive diplomas within the next few weeks:

Juanita Bailey from Carson-Newman; Wilhelmina Ayers from A. S. T. C.; Marie Beeson from Agnes Scott; Jean Bennett from E. C. T. C.; John Low, David Low, and Charles Proffitt from N. C. State; Dick Bailey and Louise Proffitt from Berea; Evelyn Silvers from Brevard; Sarah Emma Masters from Warren-Wilson; Geneva Hunter, Kathleen King and Wilda Ellis from Mars Hill; Margaret Young from Cullowhee; Ford Bailey, Tenn. Teachers College.

Teachers Are Named For 1947-48 Session

Listed by School Districts

The following teachers have been named for Yancey county schools for the 1947-48 term. They are listed by school districts rather than by individual schools. The following list was released Tuesday from the superintendent's office:

Burnsville District: B. M. Tomberlin, Vernie Wilson, Mrs. Frank W. Howell, Clonnie Huskins, Islean Ray, Mary June Ayers, Ford C. Bailey, Augustus Peterson, Bertha Huskins, Richard Peterson, Pearl Randolph, Mary Atkins, Zula C. Wilson, Osie Bennett, Alberta Campbell, Nettie Bennett, Annie B. Proffitt, Madge Byrd, Har- mie Briggs, Mattie Sorrells, S. B. Conley, Mollie Hensley, Mrs. T. J. Wilson, Jr., Edna Atkins.

Bald Creek District: Rasse H. Howell, Zeke B. Byrd, Pauline B. Hensley, Anastasia Tomberlin, Margaret Banks, Jack W. McIntosh, Hattie L. Phoenix, Charles B. Tomberlin, Willie Molt Hensley, Lillian S. Tomberlin, Ottis Gibbs, Vergie Duncan, Madge Carter, Norma R. Pate, Annie Lee Bryson, Doris Faye Gibbs, Hope Edwards, Madge Ferguson, Lola Anne Hensley, Maphrie Wilson, Mrs. Edrus Ledford.

Bee Log District: Monroe McIntosh, Edward Beeson, Cecil J. Beeson, Delma Hensley, Veo P. Burnette, Ruby

Overseas Relief Committee

B. Ray, Frank Howell.

Fifty self-addressed collection bags, which holds from 30 to 50 pounds each, have just arrived in Burnsville from New Windsor, Mr. headquarters of Church World Service.

Two or three of these bags are expected to be placed at the following points in the county: Burnsville, Yancey Record Office, Mrs. C. R. Hamrick, Mrs. Jay Evans, Mack

O. W. FRASER BUYS FARM, PLANS BRANCH NURSERY HERE

O. W. Fraser, widely known nurseryman of Birmingham, Ala. spent the past week in Burnsville.

He has purchased the Ben Franklin farm west of Burnsville and plans to develop a branch of the nursery he maintains in Alabama.

This section and climate are ideally suited to a development of this type, Mr. Fraser said, and he believes that it is an opportunity that has been overlooked.

HEALTH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY

The district health office will be closed on Friday, May 23 as members of the staff will attend a public health meeting at Lake Lure.

FIRST BASE BALL GAME SCHEDULED

The Burnsville Base Ball team will play Bakersville here at 2 o'clock Saturday.

CANCER FUND DRIVE WILL BEGIN MAY 26

The annual drive for funds for the fight against Cancer which is usually held in April, was postponed because of other drives under way at that time.

The campaign is now planned to begin on May 26 and the committee hopes to complete it within 2 weeks. H. G. Bailey is county chairman.

NEW SCHOOL BUSES

Five new school buses for use next year in the county were brought to Burnsville Friday night.

These replacement buses will aid greatly in the transportation facilities next year.

LAST RITES FOR MRS. ELLA MCCURRY

Mrs. Ella McCurry, 88, died at the home of John McCurry at Micaville Thursday afternoon.

Funeral services were held at the home Friday at 2 o'clock. The Rev. R. L. Henson officiated and burial was in the family cemetery.

She is survived by two grand children, John McCurry of Micaville, and Alvin McCurry of Burnsville, Rt. 1; one sister and two brothers.

Holcombe Brothers funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack White of Charlotte were guests of friends here over the week end.

Accelerated and Vocational Classes for Veterans Begin

Forty Seven Enrolled in All Classes

Accelerated classes, offered to veterans who did not complete their high school work before entering service, and courses in wrought iron work, masonry and auto mechanics began Monday morning with a total enrollment of 47.

Twelve are enrolled in the high school course, with Miss June Ayers and B. M. Tomberlin teaching. Students are: Lucille Higgins, Ed Branch, Edward Anglin, Harley Shehan, Jr. R. Pate, Hugh Jamerson, Truett Johnson, Horace D. Ray, Harold Thomas, Emerson Woody, Delzie Styles and Kenneth Price.

Wrought Iron Work

Daniel Boone is instructing in wrought iron work at his forge in east Burnsville, with 14 veterans enrolled. These are: Ray Boone, Rex Hughes, Howard Nelson, Clarence Fortner, Dwight Boone, Bennie Randolph, Leslie Peterson, James B. Towe, Chester

Auto Mechanics Class

Willard Tipton is instructor of the auto mechanics class, with the following ten veterans enrolled: Vincent McMahan, Reece Edwards, Charles Pittman, Fred Ballew, Boyd M. Robinson, Arnold J. Robinson, James H. Robinson, Roy L. Robinson, Ed W. Chrisawn and Fred H. Riddle.

A class in brick masonry for colored veterans will begin as soon as all papers have been approved and returned. Melvin Flack will be instructor for this class. Names of the veterans will be listed as soon as available.

BURNSVILLE CHURCH SERVICES

Baptist

Sunday School will be held at 9:45 and B. T. U. at 7 p. m.

At the morning worship hour the subject will be, "The Lost Joy of Salvation". The community service will be held at 8 o'clock.

Methodist

Sunday School will begin at 10:00 o'clock with opening worship in charge of the Women's Bible Class. The pastor will preach at 11 on "The Church and Pentecost." At 3:00 p. m. there will be a Workers Conference for all local officers.

Judge Guy Weaver of Asheville will speak at 8:00 p. m. at the regular monthly union service sponsored by the Burnsville Laymen's Movement.

A two weeks Vacation Church School for children and youth up through 14 years of age will begin at the church on Monday, June 16, at 9 a. m. There will be five sessions each week, Monday through Friday, closing daily at 11:00 a. m. More detailed information (Continued on page four)

Officer on the "Wright"

The following item is quoted from "Shipmate", the magazine published by the U. S. Naval Academy Alumni Association:

Edward B. Herndon (Lt. Cmdr. U. S. N.) writes from NATB, Pensacola: I have just arrived in Pensacola in the "Wright". I am gunnery officer on board. Doug Powell is First Lieutenant and Steve Walsh is Communication Officer. The "Wright" is relieving the Saipan here at Pensacola for the training of pilots in carrier operations.