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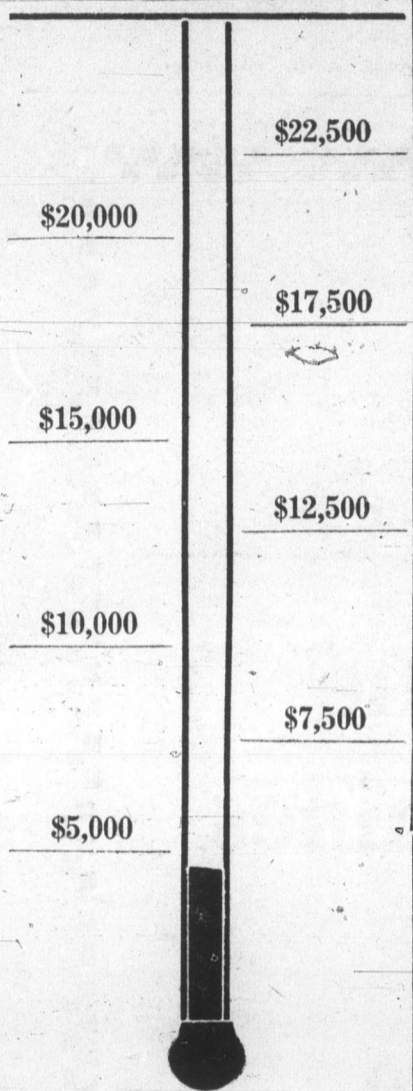
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## Summer Camps Will Open On June 27th

Camp Mt. Mitchell for Girls and Camp Mt. Mitchell for Boys will open on Friday, June 27 for the eight weeks summer season.

Mrs. Bertha Palmer, owner and director of the girl's camp, has been in Burnsville for several weeks to complete arrangements for the opening. She stated this week that counselors and assistant directors will arrive early next week and the campers will be in for the opening on Friday. Registrations indicate a full enrollment of campers for the season.

The camp is situated on a hillside overlooking the town and surrounding section, with a wonderful view of Mt. Mitchell and the entire Black Mountain range in the distance. The extensive grounds surrounding the camp buildings are landscaped and planted, and the woods to the rear preserve trails and shaded retreats to delight the

heart of any city dweller. A full program of camping activity is offered the campers each year with swimming and riding among the most popular sports.

### Boys' Camp

The boys' camp is located near Burnsville, on the Pensacola highway. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Beeson are owners, and though originally from Florida, are now year round residents of Burnsville.

In addition to other facilities, the camp has a small lake so that other water sports in addition to swimming are offered.

Counselors and campers will begin to arrive early next week with Friday as the opening date.

Each summer the camps bring to Burnsville many parents, friends and visitors of the counselors and campers, in addition to the large group of campers and counselors who come for the season.

## Vaccination Clinics For Dogs Are Scheduled

There has been much concern during the past few weeks because of the large number of dogs in the county that had not been vaccinated for rabies prevention.

A clinic held this week at the Blue Ridge Hardware Company was well attended by local dog owners.

### County Clinics

In order to make this vaccination service available to all sections of the county, the health department has named inspectors and arranged clinics in each township.

The full schedule is given on page 2 of this issue. The state regulations are also printed.

Please attend the clinic in your township and have this vaccination completed.

## SINGING CONVENTION AT IVY GAP CHURCH

The Yancey County Singing Convention will be held at the Ivy Gap Baptist church Sunday, June 22nd at 2 p. m. There will be several quartets and choirs to take part in the singing.

If you have a group of singers, Solo, Duet, Trio, Quartet, please come and bring them and take part in this convention and help make Yancey county convention one of the best in the country. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Andrews spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Huskirs.

The two young sons of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Rogers are now in summer camp at Brevard.

Mrs. Bertha Palmer has returned from a short visit in Jacksonville, Fla.

## COUNTY AGENTS VISIT EXPERIMENT STATION

V. J. Goodman and D. D. Baggett were members of the group of 33 North Carolina agricultural officials and county farm agents who this week visited the agriculture department's huge experimental station at Beltsville, Md. A three day schedule of instruction in extension work and a visit to nearby Washington was included in this program.

## BURNSVILLE CHURCH SERVICES

### Baptist

Sunday School will begin at 9:45 on Sunday morning, and the morning church service at 11. The pastor will have as his subject, "He Knew Not That The Spirit Was Gone".

Training Union will be held at 7 o'clock but no church services will be held on Sunday evening. The congregation is invited to attend services at the Methodist church where a weeks revival meeting will begin.

The monthly youth meeting will be held at 6 o'clock Saturday evening at the Pleasant Grove Baptist church.

### Methodist

A series of Revival Services will begin at the Methodist church in Burnsville next Sunday night, June 22, at 8 o'clock. There will be preaching each night for six nights by the Rev. James W. Fowler, Jr., pastor of the Methodist church in Spruce Pine. The singing will be in charge of Bruce Westall, local choir leader.

Rev. Fowler's sermon topics will be as follows: Sunday night: "I Love a Churchman"; Monday night: "Put on Thy Strength, O Zion"; Tuesday night:

## Summer Drama School Given Wide Publicity

Will Be Directed By W. R. Taylor

Wide publicity is being given the summer theatre-drama school which will open here on July 21.

A story from the state news Bureau was released this week, and the following was printed last week at Woman's College, on the program of the play given there by the Play-Likers:

The Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in conjunction with the Burnsville Playhouse, Inc. will operate a Summer School of Drama and a Repertory Company, July 21 to August 30, at Burnsville, N. C. under the direction of W. R. Taylor, director of the Play-Likers. The first of its kind in the south, the organization will serve a two-fold purpose. It will offer, for college credit, courses in the various arts of the theatre, including play production, playwriting and acting. It will also give Western North Carolina and the many thousands of visitors who vacation at the mountain resorts theatrical entertainment of professional quality.

### Summer Theatre

A gymnasium is being converted into a modern summer theatre building that will accommodate an audience of 400. An adequate and well-equipped stage will be placed at one end of the structure, and a box office, modern rest rooms, and small lobby at the other. Community leaders at Burnsville are going all out to aid in furnishing the essential facilities to make the Burnsville project one of the outstanding summer theatres in the United States. The Burnsville High School will be used for the laboratory and classroom courses. Approximately 30 students already have indicated their intention of registering, and it is expected that an even larger number will join the ranks of acting and technical apprentices in the Repertory Company.

Plays Will Be Given

Starting the first of August, ten performances of three well known Broadway stage productions will be presented on each Friday and Saturday night. The technical phases of production will be handled under the supervision of an adequate staff of trained experts provided by the Woman's College, while the sale of tickets and other details in connection with the productions will be done by the Burnsville Playhouse, Inc., a non profit corporation composed of 17 directors. Special assistance also is being given by the Veteran's Administration which is interested in the project as a means of providing a training school in this section for the study of the fine arts by veteran students.

### Ultimate Goal

The ultimate goal is to assemble each summer a colony of workers in, students teaching and appreciators of the Arts. Plans of the directors of the Burnsville Summer School and Repertory Company are to make the project a permanent one, and beginning with next year the school will be operated on a 12 week basis. It is hoped that by the 1948 term, courses in art, dance, music, and education will be added to the curriculum. As the school expands to embrace a larger staff and additional technical equipment, the finest artists, experts, and authorities in the world of the theatre will be invited to participate as actors and instructors in the Drama Department. Enlarging the scope of their work, the founders of the Burnsville school hope to bring renown to the State much after the fashion of that gained by the Lost Colony of Manteo.

Persons interested in attending the Burnsville School of Drama and Repertory Company should write or call W. R. Taylor care of the Woman's College, Telephone 5661, Ext. 45.

## HOME AGENTS NOTES

Toledo—The 4-H Club girls are invited to the home of Mrs. Jessie Clevenger on Tuesday, June 24 at 2:00. Mrs. J. C. Turner will give a demonstration on "How to Crochet a Beanie" which is part of the National 4-H Club uniform for girls.

Ramseytown club will meet with Mrs. Conway Higgins Wednesday, June 25 at 2:00.

Micaville—Miss Elizabeth Greenwood, Home Service agent from Carolina Power and Light Co., will give a demonstration on "How to Use an Electric Ironer" at the home of Mrs. Ollis Station Thursday, June 26 at 2:00.

Jacks Creek—A canning demonstration will be given at the home of Mrs. Mac McIntosh Friday, June 27 at 2:00.

## LAST RITES FOR MRS. MOLLIE G. HERRELL

Funeral services for Mrs. Mollie Gortney Herrell, 64, who died at her home at Green Mtn., Wednesday after an extended illness, will be held Thursday at 11 a. m. The Rev. Vance Tipton will officiate and burial will be in Red Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Herrell was a native of the Green Mountain section of Yancey county and was a life-long resident there. She was a member of the church of the Brethren at Herrell Hill for over 30 years. Thirty-three years ago she was married to Dave Herrell who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Homer Herrell of Green Mtn.; one grandchild; nine brothers, Winslow Gortney of Red Hill, Frank, Harris, Bulo, Calvin and Ancie Gortney, all of Green Mtn., Tom Gortney of Cane River and Calvin Gortney of Spruce Pine.

## FINAL RITES HELD FOR MRS. JUDD HOLT

Mrs. Judd Holt, 46, passed away at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Robertson of Cane River, on Monday afternoon.

Funeral services were held at the Elk Shoal Baptist church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with the Rev. Eulas Adkins officiating. Burial was in the Proffitt cemetery.

Surviving are the husband, Judd Holt of Knoxville, Tenn.; one daughter, Mrs. Ella Higgins of Erwin, Tenn.; the parents of Cane River; three sisters, Mrs. Viola Small of Mooresville, N. C., Mrs. Sue McIntosh of Mars Hill R. 2, and Mrs. Vergie Holland of Weaver-ville; three brothers, B. G. Robertson of Cane River, Milt Robertson of Bald Creek and Martin Robertson of Burnsville Rt. 1.

Holcombe Brothers funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

## SONG SERVICE AT WEST BURNSVILLE

The Melody Five Quartet will be at the West Burnsville Baptist church, Sunday, June 22nd at 8 o'clock p. m. for a song service. Everyone is invited to attend.

Frances Banks of Washington is at home for a weeks vacation.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Harris have moved to the Presbyterian manse here. Their daughter, Mrs. Brenda of Philadelphia, is visiting them.

Mrs. Lawrence Whitehurst and Mrs. Paul Gregory are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holleman.

Mrs. Dan Adkins and daughter, Juanita of Erwin Tenn. visited relatives at Bald Creek and Cane River during the past week.

## Farmers Federation Picnic Will Be Held July 4th

Sixteen picnics will be held by Farmers Federation members this summer—one for each county in which the Federation has one or more warehouses, James G. K. McClure, president, announced. He explained that the Federation program embraces work, worship, and play, and that the picnics supply the play portion.

The picnic for Yancey county will be at the Burnsville High School, beginning at 10 a. m., Friday, July 4th.

Max Roberts, educational director, who has made plans and set the dates in each county, in cooperation with the county committees said that the outings will be all-day affairs, with music by local singers and musicians as the outstanding attraction.

"All fiddlers, guitar pickers, singers, and other musicians and musical groups are invited to participate on the program," Mr. Rob-

erts said. "Quartets and choirs are invited to sing, and prizes will be awarded to the winning quartets and choirs at each picnic."

He added that, for the first time in several years, the lemonade will be made with real sugar. Free lemonade and watermelon is served, but those attending are expected to bring basket lunches or patronize the school or church organizations which sell lunches and sandwiches at each picnic.

Various Federation officials will be present, and all county agents, home agents agricultural teachers, and others who take the lead in farm work, Mr. Roberts said. Many of them will give reports, but all speeches will be short, in order that most of the time can be given over to fun and music.

Last year about 22,000 people attended the picnics, Mr. Roberts said. Attendance has increased each year, and this year he expects even larger crowds.



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