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Burley Tobacco Markets Ready For Opening on December 1

Burley Tobacco markets are ready for the opening of the new season on December 1, and warehouse officials report a large amount of the leaf on the floor at all houses.

At Boone several hundred thousand pounds of tobacco have already been brought in and placed on the floors of the three Mountain Burley warehouses in preparation for the opening.

All floors are expected to be filled by the time auctions begin, and the force of buyers is expected to be large enough to provide rapid sales.

At Asheville, floor space in the 10 warehouses was more than half filled with

burley by Monday night, and growers throughout the area continued to truck loads to market.

The Asheville houses hold almost 5 million pounds of tobacco and it is expected that they would be filled by the opening date of sales.

The 10 warehouses include the three Carter houses, the Hany house, the Bernard-Walker, Walker, Carolina, Farmers Federation and Planters.

Tobacco growers said the rush to deliver their burley crop to market was due to the fact that the leaf had been properly prepared under correct climatic conditions and that, in most instances, no further curing was necessary.

On USS Coral Sea

William D. Jarrett, fireman, first class, of Burnsville, N. C., is a crew member of the large aircraft carrier USS Coral Sea, based at Norfolk, Va.

Third and last ship in the Midway class of aircraft carriers, the Coral Sea was launched in 1946 and commissioned in 1946 at Newport News, Va. Her sister ships are the Midway and the Franklin, D. Roosevelt.

Since she is one of the three longest and heaviest ships yet built for the Navy the Coral Sea can carry more than 100 aircraft.

Baptist Church

At the Sunday morning service the pastor will have for his subject "He Can Speak Well."

At the evening service the subject will be "We Had the Sentence of Death."

The Adult Bible classes will have a supper meeting at the church this evening (Wednesday).

HUGHES-CLAPP

Mrs. Elizabeth Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Bennett of Burnsville, was married to Clyde J. Clapp, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Clapp of Galesburg, Ill., on Saturday, Nov. 8, 1947 at the First Baptist church in Greenville, S. C.

The Rev. Leon Mobly Latimer, pastor, officiated.

Mrs. Clapp has been an active teacher in Yancey county for several years. She attended the East Tennessee State Teachers College and Asheville Teachers College receiving her B. S. degree, specializing in music, violin, piano, and art.

Mr. Clapp received his education at Galesburg. He enlisted with the army in 1941 and served until 1945, with three years service overseas, with the 223 F. A. in the Southwest Pacific. He is now employed with the Galesburg Railway.

Mr. and Mrs. Clapp plan to make their home in Burnsville.

Staff Conference

The quarterly staff conference of the Avery-Mitchell-Yancey Health Department was held last Wednesday, Nov. 19, at the apartment of Dr. and Mrs. Cameron F. McRae. All workers from the three counties were present except Mr. Jacob F. Buckner, the district sanitarian, who had been called elsewhere on urgent business. The next staff conference will be held at Newland, in March.

WORK ON SCHOOL GYMNASIUM IS STARTED

Work began Monday on excavating for the proposed gymnasium for Burnsville high school.

The building will be located on the campus of the elementary school, on the south east corner where an outdoor basketball court was built several years ago.

The gymnasium building will be of brick construction and will be large enough for a standard size athletic court.

W. M. McMahan is very ill at his home in West

AAA Election Set For November 29

The annual AAA election will be held in Yancey county on November 29, to elect the AAA committee to serve for the coming year. To be elected will be an Agricultural Conservation AAA Community Committee of not more than three farmers and two alternate members, a delegate to the county convention where delegates from all communities will choose a three man county committee.

Anyone is eligible to vote in the community election if he or she participates in the 1947 Agricultural Conservation Program. This includes owner, operator, tenants or sharecroppers and farms where the Agricultural Conservation program is being carried out.

Candidate For Governor Visits County

R. Mayne Albright and his wife were visitors in Burnsville last Friday.

Albright, World War II veteran, and former State Employment Director, is North Carolina's youngest candidate for Governor in the Democrat Primary.

The Albrights, traveling in their field headquarters a trailer called the "Challenger," are making a 100 county tour of North Carolina, taking the campaign direct to the people—in stores, filling stations, farms, factories, civic groups, and veteran's organizations as well as in Court-houses, and City Halls. Yancey is the 39th county visited so far in the campaign.

SCOUT MEETING

The District Annual meeting of the Toe River District committee of the Daniel Boone Council, Boy Scouts of America, will be held Friday night, December 12th, at the club house in Spruce Pine at 7 p. m.

Rev. J. W. Fowler, Jr., Pastor of the Methodist church in Spruce Pine, will make the address.

All Scoutmasters, assistant scoutmasters, and troop committeemen are urged to attend.

TIME EXTENDED FOR "GO-GETTERS"

Legion post officials disclosed this week that they had received a telegram from James W. McLennan of Burlington, president of the Go-Getters Club of the American Legion, that the time for Go-Getters has been extended to Nov. 30th.

Any legionnaire getting 10 members by November 30th will receive a silver star and for 20 members they will receive a gold star.

Pearson Riddle, Jr., E. R. Riddle and Edgar Atkins are now in Alaska where they are employed with a construction company.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION

Older than our nation itself is the hallowed custom of resting from our labors for one day at harvest time and of dedicating that day to expressions of gratitude to Almighty God for the many blessings which He has heaped upon us. Now, as the cycle of the year nears completion, it is fitting that we should lift up our hearts again in special prayers.

May our thanksgiving this year be tempered by humility, by sympathy for those who lack abundance, and by compassion for those in want. As we express appreciation in prayer for our munificent gifts, may we remember that it is more blessed to give than to receive and may we manifest our remembrance of that precept by generously sharing our bounty with needy people of other nations.

Now, therefore, I, Harry S. Truman, President of the United States of America, invite the attention of all citizens to the joint resolution of Congress approved Dec. 26, 1941, which designates the fourth Thursday in November of each year as Thanksgiving Day; I proclaim Thursday, Nov. 27, 1947, as a day of national thanksgiving; and I call upon the people of the United States of every faith to consecrate that day to thoughts of gratitude, acts of devotion, and a firm resolve to assist in the efforts being made by religious groups and other bodies to aid the undernourished, the sick, the aged, and all sufferers in war-devastated lands.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington this tenth day of November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-seven, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-second.

HARRY S. TRUMAN

By the President:

GEORGE C. MARSHALL, Secretary of State.

MRS. R. H. DIXON PASSES AWAY

Mrs. R. H. Dixon, 82, passed away Monday morning following an extended illness. She had made her home here with her daughter, Mrs. G. D. Bailey for a number of years.

Mrs. Dixon lived for many years in Siler City, and funeral services were held at the Baptist church there on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Betsy Jones of Siler City; twelve grandchildren and one great grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. S. W. Caddell of Elon College and Mrs. Albert Whitesell of Burlington; one brother, Robert C. Siler of Morrisville, N. C.

Holcombe Brothers funeral home was in charge of arrangements here.

NOTICE

The voting place for the annual AAA election has been changed for the two following townships: Lower Jacks Creek voting place has been changed from Jesse Howell's Store to Day Book Post Office and west Crabtree voting place from Presnell Bros. Store to R. C. Parsley's store.

School Holidays

Schools of the county will have Thursday and Friday as Thanksgiving holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar H. Angel announced the arrival of a son, Stephen Hal, on November 12.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Swann and children and Joe Goodin, Jr., are planning to be here for the Thanksgiving season.

Local Poet Honored

Miss Bess Lewis, a teacher in the Pleasant Gardens school has been notified that she has been chosen by the Paebler Company of New York to represent North Carolina in their new book, "Poets of the Southern States."

The edition is to be published early in 1948 and will include the work of writers from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia West Virginia and the District of Columbia.

Miss Lewis was appointed recently as contributing editor to the "Parnassian" a magazine of fine arts published in Tampa, Fla.

Other books in which her work has been published include "My Favorite Poems" by the Expedition Press of New York; "Poetry On the Air" by the Poetry House of New York; "Best Twentieth Century Poetry" by the Laurel Publishing Company of Tampa; and "Who's Who in American Poetry" by the Paebler Company.

Before coming to Pleasant Gardens school last year, Miss Lewis taught in Burnsville and other Yancey county schools, and at one time assisted her father.

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Out of town relatives who attended final rites for W. O. Griffith included Mrs. J. W. Bennett and members of her family of Asheville and Erwin, Mrs. J. C. McCourry and members of her family of Asheville, Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Blalock and Mrs. Belle Erwin of Shelby and Mrs. James Sledge of Brevard.

Legion Post Holds Meeting

The annual supper meeting of the Earl Horton Post 122, American Legion was held Tuesday night in the Burnsville school cafeteria.

Mark W. Bennett, post commander, served as master of ceremonies, and introduced the out of town guests, Cecil Dobson, commander of the 31st district, and Rev. George H. Needham, membership chairman for the district. Mrs. Dobson, Mrs. Needham and Miss Della Tipton also attended.

Mr. Dobson who is a veteran of World Wars I and II spoke briefly, stressing the ways in which the Legion has served the ex-service man and his family, and the many services it has rendered the nation.

"There is no community in the United States that is not better for having a Legion post," he said, "and membership in the Legion is an honor. Money cannot buy that membership; neither can prestige, power

or influence. The door to the American Legion is open only to those who have served honorably in the armed forces of our country."

The Legion, he stated further, is the greatest service organization in the nation today, and Legionaires banded together can accomplish many things. From the experiences of World War I come the benefits given World War II veterans, he added, because the men of the first war knew the problems and needs as they arose.

Mr. Needham spoke of the need for encouraging veterans of the county to join the post, stating that this district was next to the bottom in membership at this time. Mack B. Ray, adjutant, then stated that an intensive drive for members would be made before November 30 which is the closing date.

Approximately 175 attended the meeting.

LAST RITES HELD FOR MRS. LILLY SILVERS

Funeral services for Mrs. Lilly Silvers, 71, of Black Mountain, native of Pensacola who died in Black Mountain Saturday, were held in the Pensacola Methodist church with the Rev. Ralph Mumpower officiating. Burial was at Pensacola.

Surviving are five sons, Harold Silvers, of Bull Gap, Tenn., W. L. Silvers, of Knoxville, Tenn., J. Worth Silvers of Shelby, F. A. Silvers of Newport, Tenn., and C. L. Silvers of Black Mtn.; six daughters, Miss Lucy Silvers of Black Mountain, Mrs. Walter L. Pfaff and Mrs. M. B. King, both of West Asheville, Mrs. Cecil L. Williams of Richmond, Ky., Mrs. Bright Puckett of Morganton, and Mrs. Ben

Presbyterian Notes

Service in the Presbyterian church in Burnsville at 11 a. m. Subject, "Urgency of the Task."

2:30 p. m. service at Mine Fork Nov. 30th. This is a community service. All are invited.

3:00 p. m. Sunday, Dec. 7th community service at Low Gap. Dr. Harris will speak.

Tonight, Nov. 26 at 7 p. m. covered dish supper at the Burnsville Presbyterian church, to be followed by the Missionary meeting.

Reese, Jr., of Black Mtn.; three sisters, Mrs. Jess Ray of Asheville, Mrs. Henry Edgan, of Nickleville, Va., and Mrs. Ila McMahan, of Swannanoa, and two brothers, Welzie Gardner of Pensacola and Shelby Gardner of Hampton, Va.

Last Rites Held for W. O. Griffith County Leader

William Orlando Griffith, 65, prominent Yancey county leader, died Saturday night at his home following an extended illness.

Funeral services were held at the Higgins Memorial Methodist church at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon with the Rev. Paul R. Taylor and the Rev. B. J. McIver officiating. Burial was in the Young family cemetery at Windom.

Active pallbearers were nephews. Honorary pallbearers were Yancey county officials, members of the county bar, and others.

Son of the late Mills and Martha Griffith, he was educated in the Yancey public schools and at the Stanley McCormick school here.

He had served in a number of public offices. He was county superintendent of schools for 12 years and served for many years as county accountant and tax supervisor.

Mr. Griffith was a teacher for a long period of time, serving for two years as principal of the Burnsville school. For a time he was cashier of a bank and most of his life he was engaged in farming. He was a leader in the Methodist church, serving for years as Sunday school superintendent and chairman of the board of stewards.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Lillie Ray; one son, H. Lee Griffith; a foster daughter, Mrs. Archie Hyatt; one grandchild, Charles Lee Griffith; nine brothers and sisters, Mrs. J. W. Bennett of Asheville, Mrs. J. C. McCourry of Asheville, Tom F. Griffith of Burnsville, Mrs. Charles Hutchins of Burnsville, J. Britt Griffith of Celso, Bryan Griffith of Burnsville, D. L. Griffith of Windom, Moore Griffith of Windom, J. M. Griffith of Windom. Holcombe Brothers funeral home was in charge of arrangements.