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Motor Inspection Lane Will Be Open Here April 6-16

Raleigh. — The Department of Motor Vehicles announced today that a mechanical inspection lane to test motor vehicles will be opened in Burnsville from April 6-16.

The Inspection Program calls for the inspection of every motor vehicle registered in North Carolina once during 1948 and twice a year thereafter. It is designed to save lives by cutting down on numerous highway accidents and fatalities caused by defective equipment on vehicles.

The lane will be one of 36 operating throughout the State at this time. After it leaves Burnsville, the lane will have this schedule:

Marshall—April 19-May 6
Newland—May 8-25
Boone—May 27-June 15

West Jefferson—June 17-29.

Spruce Pine—July 1—
The Department urged all citizens in the Burnsville area to have their vehicles inspected as soon as the lane is opened. Officials stated that they wanted vehicle owners to visit the lane and see just how the program is being carried.

Main points to be emphasized in the inspection are STOPPING, SEEING, AND STEERING. If the lighting equipment, braking and steering mechanisms are in good order, the car will have no difficulty in passing the test. Already several very old models, among them a model T Ford, 1911 model, and a 1912 Oldsmobile, are bearing their blue approval stickers.

NOTICE

The Northwestern Bank will be closed on March 29 for Easter Monday.

MAJOR BULWINKLE HERE

Major A. L. Bulwinkle, representative from this Congressional District, was in Burnsville today. He is making a short visit to counties in his district and will return to Washington the latter part of the week.

FULL MILITARY HONORS GIVEN PVT. RAY

Impressive services marked the last rites for Pvt. Rex F. Ray, held Sunday afternoon at the Laurel Branch Baptist church.

Rev. Pyle McMahan officiated at the services, and full military honors were accorded the deceased veteran by a guard of honor from the Earl Horton Post of the American Legion. Burial was in the family cemetery at Pensacola.

Pvt. Ray who served with the field artillery in the South Pacific area, died in service there on February 6, 1943.

Surviving are the father, J. B. Ray of Pensacola; three brothers, Bruce of Swannanoa, Theodore of Swannanoa and the Rev. Ben Lee Ray of Avondale; five sisters, Mrs. Robert Ballard Mrs. Clarence Ray, Mrs. Howard Gardner and Mrs. Jack Hutchins of Swannanoa, and Mrs. Ophus Ledford of Erwin, Tenn.

DIVORCES GRANTED

Two divorces were granted in Superior court this week: Chloe Banks Higgins vs. Cecil Higgins; William V. Anglin vs. Kathleen Anglin.

METHODIST CHURCH PURCHASES HAMMOND ORGAN

Members of the Higgins Memorial Methodist church have purchased a Hammond organ, and it was installed Tuesday. Mrs. C. L. Proffitt is organist.

The organ is the latest model, complete with the chimes attachment so that the beauty and fullness of tone of a regular pipe organ is reproduced.

The instrument is being used this week for the nightly meetings for prayer that are being held at the church, and on Sunday morning will add to the special Easter music.

Group Given Charter

Certificates of incorporation filed this week in the office of Secretary of State, Thad Eure included that of the Yancey Cooperative Breeding Association, Inc., of Burnsville to deal in farm products. Authorized capital stock \$50,000 with \$6 stock subscribed by C. B. Gillespie of Burnsville, C. N. Deyton of Green Mtn., Dewey Silver of Micaville and others.

MEETING PLANNED

The Woman's Society of Christian service will meet with Mrs. W. W. Hennessee on Thursday, April 1st.

WNC Farmers Planting Half Million Trees

A half million forest tree seedlings were distributed this week to more than 250 farmers and other landowners in the fifteen Tennessee Valley counties of Western North Carolina.

State district forester B. H. Corpening, who is in charge of the distribution, stated that "the trees were produced by the Tennessee Valley Authority. Under a cooperative agreement, the North Carolina Division of Forestry and Parks is distributing them through the Agricultural Extension Service, free of charge, to farmers for erosion control and reforestation purposes. Some of the trees are being distributed to lumber companies and municipalities for forest planting and watershed protection.

The first truck load of seedlings arrived at the State Forestry warehouse this week from TVA's forest nursery at Clinton, Tennessee. Within two hours, the 160,000 white pine, 48,000 shortleaf pine, 28,000 yellow poplar, and 6,000 black locust seedlings had been transferred to other trucks, and were on their way to the landowners in Haywood, Buncombe, Henderson, Madison, Mitchell, Yancey, Avery and Watauga counties. About 25,000 of the trees will be planted in Yancey county.

A second truck load of trees was being delivered at Sylva, from where distribution will be made to

landowners in Transylvania, Jackson, Macon, Graham Swain, Clay and Cherokee counties.

Farm management supervisor W. B. Collins, who was also on hand to help with the tree distribution, stated that "there are about 25,000 acres of idle and eroded land on farms in Western North Carolina that should be planted to trees, and I don't doubt that there's three times that much cut-over woodland area that needs to be under planted in order to make it produce what it should produce. We've got a big job ahead of us. We're making a small start now, but next year we hope we can get 2 million trees for the farmers to plant".

In discussing how the landowners can obtain the tree seedlings, Mr. Corpening said anyone who is interested in planting trees on his property should get in touch with the County farm agent or any member of the North Carolina Division of Forestry and Parks.

He said there is no charge for the trees, but they are not to be used for ornamental or landscaping purposes. The landowner must agree to plant the trees promptly and protect them from fire and grazing. Mr. Corpening emphasized the importance of fire protection by saying that fires will retard growth and damage large trees, but small trees are killed outright by fire.

Republican Convention

The County Republican convention will be held at the court house on Friday night, March 26 at 7:30 for the purpose of nominating a ticket for the coming election.

All party members in the county are urged to attend.

LEGION POST MEETS

Members of the Earl Horton Post of the American Legion met on Tuesday in the new Legion building with an unusually good attendance.

Reports were heard from the treasurer of the building fund and from the committee for repairs to the building. The repairs are going forward steadily, and as soon as they are completed a dedicatory service will be held.

Plans were outlined for a Memorial Service to be held on the afternoon of Memorial Day, May 30. Dr. Robertson is chairman of the committee to arrange this and Dr. C. F. McRae and J. J. Nowicki are members of the committee. A member of the Auxiliary unit will also be asked to serve.

Permission was given the Boy Scout Troop to prepare and use a room in the east building.

Members of the auxiliary met with Mrs. Yates Bennett.

Mrs. J. Bis Ray is confined to her home because of illness.

Purchases Property

Sam A. Huskins of Toledo recently purchased two houses in east Burnsville.

The property adjacent to Daniel Boone's Forge and owned by Mr. and Mrs. Deway Mitchell, and the nearby house belonging to Mrs. Fannie Styles were bought by Mr. Huskins.

REVIVAL MEETING

A revival meeting began at Zion Baptist church at Toledo on March 22. Rev. Jesse Hughes, pastor, Rev. E. J. Hall and Rev. E. G. Adkins are preaching. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Byrd of Marion and Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Stevens of Asheville were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Peterson.

Telephone Company Files Petition For Rate Increase

Officials of the Carolina Mountain Telephone Company announce that a petition has been filed with the North Carolina Utilities Commission, asking for an increase in rental rates on all telephones within its system, including the Burnsville Exchange.

Mrs. Theresa Valentine secretary-treasurer of the company, stated that it was necessary to increase the rates in order to meet the increased costs of wages to its employees and costs of materials and supplies. The increases asked for at the Burnsville Exchange range from 25c to \$1.00 per telephone, dependent upon the class of service that is furnished.

Mrs. Valentine further stated that the company spent large sums of money at the Burnsville Exchange during the past few years in improving and expanding the service and that plans are now under way to increase the switch-

board facilities here and also to add an additional circuit to Asheville, and the company proposes to do everything possible to improve the service to all customers served by the Burnsville Exchange.

Officials of the company stated that the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company and the majority of the independent companies within the state have, during the past year or more, petitioned for and received permission to increase the rates throughout the state, and that the petition of the Carolina Mountain Telephone Company was made absolutely necessary in order to permit it to operate and furnish reasonable and adequate service to its customers.

The Carolina Mountain Telephone Company operates exchanges at Marion, Enka-Candler, Leicester, Bakersville and Hot Springs, in addition to that at Burnsville.

Easter Services Will Be Held

Special Easter Services will mark the observance of Sunday in the churches of Burnsville.

Presbyterian Church
The sermon for the Easter service on Sunday morning will be brought by the pastor, with the subject, "Because I Live Ye Shall Live Also".

Special music of the season will be given by the Girls Chorus of the Micaville-Glen Chapel under the direction of Mrs. Lillian Robinson. The selections are: "Once in a Garden," "Fear Not," and "Glorious Easter Dawn".

Sunday School will be held at 10 o'clock.

Methodist Church
All denominations are

invited to be present tonight, March 25th at 7:30 for a special Good Friday service. Special music will be rendered and the pastor will deliver a short sermon.

Sunday morning special Easter services will be held. At the morning hour of worship we are anticipating special music by Miss Jean Bennett and a guest who will be visiting in her home for Easter.

Baptist Church
Special Easter music will be presented by the Girls' Chorus at the morning service on Sunday.

The subject of the pastor's morning message will be "The Meaning of an Empty Tomb". At the evening service the subject will be "Back to the Task".

COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IS NAMED

The county board of elections has been named by the state board.

Members are: Bill Atkins and James Hutchins, democrats, and Luther Ayers, republican.

Enlistment Day at Jacks Creek Church

"Enlistment Day" will be observed at the Jacks Creek Baptist church on next Sunday, March 28.

A special program has been planned for the all day meeting.

LAST RITES TODAY FOR MRS. MARY JANE McMAHAN

Mrs. Mary Jane McMahan, 90, passed away Wednesday morning at the home of her son, S. L. McMahan of Vixen, following a long illness.

Funeral services are planned for 10:30 o'clock this morning (Thursday) at the Low Gap Free Will Baptist church, with the Rev. Pret Blevins officiating. Burial will be in the Low Gap cemetery.

Surviving are four sons, S. L., C. L. and J. E. of Vixen and S. B. of Black Mountain; one brother, George Autrey of Vixen; 19 grand children and 22 great-grand children.

66th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Silver of Celso, celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary Feb. 27, at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Oscar Simmons, Hamrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Silver are both natives of Yancey county.

The anniversary was observed by a quiet family reunion.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Silver are Mrs. Simmons, Hamrick; Alonzo Silver, Celso; Mrs. Edgar McNeill, Spruce Pine; Mrs. Rush Gibbs, Marion.

Missionary Society

The Presbyterian Missionary Society will meet tonight with Mrs. George Robinson.

Tournament of Champions

The Clearmont girls team lost to the Bethel team 49-23, in the quarter finals of the "Tournament of Champions" at the Asheville auditorium on Thursday night.

The Burnsville boys team was also defeated Thursday night, losing to Valley Springs by the score 44-37.

Semi-Finals

The Micaville girls team was the only team from Yancey county to reach the semi-finals. They lost to the strong Mars Hill team by the score of 24-11 on Friday night.

LAST RITES FOR MRS. C. M. CHEADLE

Funeral services for Mrs. C. M. Cheadle were held at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, March 19 at the Higgins Memorial Methodist church.

The Rev. Paul Taylor, pastor, conducted the services.

Pall bearers were Dover R. Fouts, B. R. Penland, H. G. Bailey, B. M. Tomberlin, J. H. Ray and Mark W. Bennett. Burial was in the Burnsville cemetery.

Mrs. Cheadle who resided in Burnsville for approximately 20 years, had made her home in Asheville for the past two years. She passed away March 16 following a short illness.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Genevieve Dennis of Wyncote, Pa., Mrs. Hardin Masters of Deerfield, Ill., Mrs. Manley, Cheek of Monroe, N. C., and Mrs. Gene Bowyer of Coral Gables, Fla.; two sons, C. M. Cheadle of Minneapolis, Minn., and Harold Cheadle of Long Island, N. Y.; ten grand children and seven great grand children.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Hensley, Betty Wray and George Leslie Hensley were in Charlotte for two days this week.

James Ray of the Merchant Marine is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Ray.

Lyle Jones, Sanitarian trainee of Haywood county with the state board of health, was in the county this week, working with Jake F. Buckner, sanitarian for this district.

Mrs. Zeb Fox is confined to her home because of a heart attack.

Veterans of World War II have special protection under the Social Security Act. Surviving relatives of such veterans who die within three years of honorable discharge should apply to the nearest Social Security Field Office for assistance in filing claims immediately.

hold on TO YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY CARD

don't lose it BECAUSE

Replacing 1,861,871 last cards, last year cost Uncle Sam the price of 550 jeeps

Smookey Says:

ALL THINGS HAVE SMALL BEGINNINGS--SEE WHAT I MEAN!!

Just one match thrown carelessly can burn up years of growing timber