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## New State Farm Program Will Be Initiated

### RALPH SHEPHERD SELECTED TO HEAD NEW PLAN

Ralph Shepherd has been named as a special farm agent with the North Carolina extension service to initiate a new farm program in the state.

The new program, called "Balanced Farming", will be introduced first in Iredell county and will be a cooperative project between the state Extension Service, Iredell county and the Statesville Chamber of Commerce.

The proposed project will be modeled after the "Missouri Plan" which has been working there since 1943.

Mr. Shepherd will go to Statesville on December 1 to make preliminary arrangements, and will then go to Missouri the first of the year for an intensive study of the program. On his return, he will set up the plan in Iredell county which will serve as a model county for the state.

The program is just what

the name implies—a system of working out a balance in farming according to the resources—the available labor, type of soil, size of farm, market facilities, etc. Basis of the program in Iredell county will be selection of two farms out of each of the 16 townships in the county. This will give a cross section of the farms—large and small, poultry, livestock, good soil and poor. Crops to be grown will be balanced according to the inventory findings and the available resources.

Mr. Shepherd, a graduate of Berea college, has served as assistant county agent of Yancey county and as county agent of Mitchell county. From this experience he has a wide and workable knowledge of the farmers' needs and problems.

He has more recently been part owner and manager of the Blue Ridge Hardware company here, in which capacity he continued his interest in the farmer and his problems.

## MEN'S CLUB MEETING

The Men's Club held the November supper meeting on Monday, with an attendance of approximately 50 members and invited guests.

The Rev. George Needham, pastor of the Kona Methodist church, was guest speaker. His subject was "The Meaning of Armistice".

A brief business session was held following Mr. Needham's address.

Two new members, Warren Hadley and Lloyd Owens, joined the club. Guests included Burton Ruble of Bristol, Va., Frank Coots, Sam Bennett and Zeke Byrd.

## Presbyterian Church

Sunday, Nov. 28, Sunday School at 10 a. m. At the 11 o'clock service Dr. Harris will speak on the subject "A Better Way."

An important announcement will be made.

## DISTRICT MEET OF MASONS SET IN MARSHALL

Marshall — Final plans are being made for a meeting here Friday night of Masons of the 39th District, A. F. and A. M. The session will be held in the Masonic Temple and French Broad Lodge members will be hosts for the occasion.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 o'clock with James M. Baley, Jr. introducing Grand Lodge officers. The third degree will be given by Blackmer Lodge of Weaverville, Vance Lodge of Stockville and the Bald Creek Lodge of Bald Creek.

Eleven Lodges are expected to be represented at the meeting with more than 200 members present.

## DISTRICT WELFARE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN ASHEVILLE

The Western district Welfare meeting will be held in Asheville on November 30. Sessions will begin with registration in the courthouse at 10:00 o'clock and will be concluded with a luncheon from 12:30 to 2:30 at the George Vanderbilt Hotel.

A Public Welfare Forum will be held at 10:30, and at 11:30 an address on "Public Welfare needs in Our State" will be given by Brandon P. Hodges, state treasurer.

At the luncheon meeting the speaker will be Dr. E. Len Winston, commissioner, State Department of Public Welfare. Her subject will be "Legislative Objectives for 1949."

County superintendents of Welfare, members of Welfare Boards, county commissioners and all interested citizens are invited to attend the conference.

Mrs. Jay Evans who underwent a sinus operation has returned to her home.

Betty Hall of Micaville has returned from the Marion hospital.

## NOTICE

M. B. Lyerly, examiner for drivers' license for the motor vehicle department, will not be in Burnsville on November 25 and 26 due to the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mr. Lyerly will be in the courthouse on Thursday and Friday of the following week, Dec. 2 and 3.

## Accepts Pastorate Here

The Rev. Charles B. Trammel who has served as pastor of the Troy Baptist church for the past twelve years, has accepted the call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Burnsville.

Mr. Trammel is a graduate of Wake Forest College and of the Southern Baptist Theological seminary in Louisville, Ky.

The Rev. and Mrs. Trammel plan to come to Burnsville the latter part of December. They have two children, a son who is now at N. C. State College and a daughter who will enter Burnsville high school.

Among the college students who will be home for Thanksgiving holidays are Orleana Jamerson from Meredith; Edwin Wilson from State; Evelyn Silver, Merritt Robertson, Faye Ellen Edwards from Boone, David and Robert Peterson and Mildred Westall from Tennessee State College, Johnson City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holliman will spend Thanksgiving with relatives in Winston-Salem.

The Troy Rays and the J. A. Goodins will go to Clio, S. C. for Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Swann and children.

Mrs. Margaret Boone of Mars Hill is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson.



Troy Ray, and the 11 Point Buck he killed last week on the hunting reserve of the Yancey Rod and Gun Club in the South Toe section of the county.

## OPTIMIST BOWL GAME TICKETS ON SALE

Asheville — Tickets went on sale this week at Optimist Bowl headquarters at 74 Coxe Avenue for the big banquet the evening of December 3 at the George Vanderbilt Hotel honoring Bowl participants and Charlie Justice, Asheville's All-American performer at the University of North Carolina.

Bobby Hipps, chairman of the Bowl committee said today that the number of tickets to the big event would be limited and urged that all fans who wished to attend get their tickets early.

Tickets for the game have been on sale for the past week and the response, according to Chairman Hipps, has exceeded the pace set last year over the same period of time. This indicates that a capacity turnout will be on hand for the contest.

## LEGION MEETING

The American Legion Post held the regular November meeting at the Legion Building on Tuesday night, with approximately 60 members present.

At the business session the following motion was carried unanimously: "That all one hundred percent disabled service connected veterans of Yancey county be extended a life time membership in the Post."

The first veteran in the category to be extended a life membership is John Ledford of Cane River.

Anyone having information of any other persons in the category are asked to contact John English.

## Membership Report

The Post has passed its membership goal of 272, and now has an enrollment of 283. This is expected to go above 300 soon. The post is the 9th in membership in the state.

Announcement was made of the dance which will be given at the Legion Building Friday night.

## Legion Auxiliary

In separate business session, the Auxiliary unit took up a number of items.

Mrs. J. G. Low gave a report of the Christmas gift program at Moore General hospital, and a group of workers volunteered to go over on Wednesday to help with this.

A report of the Christmas Seal Sale was made by the chairman, Mrs. Harmon Peterson. Most of the seals have been distributed but any one desiring them may still purchase them from unit members.

## Bee Log 100 Percent

Mrs. Peterson announced that Bee Log school had reported 100 percent. All seals delivered to the school had already been sold.

## Has Poems Published

Warren Banks of Burnsville has had two poems accepted and published in the 1948 edition of the "Pageant of Poetry", an outstanding collection of poems written by contemporary American poets.

## GARDNER-BRIGGS

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Gardner of Burnsville, have announced the marriage of their daughter, Mary Charlene, to Shelby Allison Briggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Briggs of Burnsville. They were married September 30th in Clayton, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blosser and children of Wooster, Ohio are guests of Mr. Blosser's sister, Mrs. Wallace Edge, and Mr. Edge for the Thanksgiving season.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Higgins of Hendersonville will visit Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Higgins for the Thanksgiving week end.

J. C. Turner is home from Salisbury for the Thanksgiving week end.

Buy Christmas Seals

## BURNSVILLE—"So They Say"

The weather: Very, very wet, and the forecast is for this kind of weather through Friday.

Brief comment: The "Day of the Week", of course is Thanksgiving Day with its home comings and family get-togethers, its short vacation from school and business, its quiet observance here and its All-American flavor. This is the day that is truly ours—first observed by the Pilgrims and first proclaimed as a national holiday by President Lincoln. May all of us in this community enjoy a happy day, not forgetting to give thanks for all the blessings that are ours. . . . More happy hunters, Ralph Young who got a most handsome 10 point buck on Monday.

Terry Hall got one the same day. So did Burton Ruble of Bristol. Jack Patton and Lonnie Allen killed theirs later. . . . We're happy that the church choirs will combine for the Christmas music program. Rehearsals are planned for each Wednesday night at Methodist church and each Sunday night at Baptist. If you'd like to join in, please come to practice tonight if possible. . . . Suggestion: Why doesn't some one sell Christmas greens? Or maybe a club could do this: We heard so many requests last Christmas and think a ready sale could be found.

Mistletoe, holly, even galax or other greens would probably sell very well. . . . Picture in Atlanta paper, Attractive Marilyn Cox (who often visited Roland and Julia Glenn here) who was selected as "Atlanta's First Debutante" of the season. . . . New arrival: James and Louise Blaylock Buckner's son in Akron, Ohio. . . .

With the approaching New Year and the Filing Drawer of Instruments "cramped full", I would like to ask each person of Yancey county to kindly come by and pick up his deed, or whatever instrument he may have filed in order to make room for the new ones coming in.

Thanking you very much, Yates Bennett, Register of Deeds.

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## On U. S. S. Hugh Purvis

Floyd Tipton, commissaryman, third class, USN, son of Mrs. Sarah Lee Griffith of Green Mountain, N. C., is serving aboard the destroyer USS Hugh Purvis, cruising in the Mediterranean Sea as part of the Sixth Task Fleet.

Mediterranean duty will afford the ship's personnel an opportunity to visit many of the countries of Europe and Africa.

## Burnsville Youth With U. S. Army

John Max Roland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Roland of Rt. 1 Burnsville enlisted in U. S. Regular Army on Nov. 17. Roland is 18 years of age. He attended Burnsville high school and intends to continue his education through the USAFI plan while serving with the army. He will go to Fort Jackson, S. C. for an eight weeks course of basic training before being assigned to duty with his permanent station.

Buy Christmas Seals

## NOTICE

The Board of Civil Service Examiners for Public Buildings Administration today announced an open competitive unannounced examination for the following positions: Laborer, window washer, Guard, Foreman-Laborer, Elevator conductor, Superintendent, Fireman-Laborer, General Mechanic, Fireman.

Salaries range from \$2020.00 to \$3978.00 per annum. Applications from qualified competitors in this community are invited. Persons appointed from this examination will be employed by the Public Buildings Administration at Asheville, N. C. Full information may be obtained from the Executive Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at the local post office.

Will Clontz of Micaville has returned from the Norburn hospital where he underwent treatment.

Mrs. R. V. Caldwell of Concord and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Andrews of Brevard were here for the week end.

**HEADS UP! DON'T BE STRUCK DOWN!**

More than 20,000 pedestrians are injured or killed every month by motor vehicles. When walking, watch for drivers. When driving, watch for walkers. A careless walker soon rides—in an ambulance or a hearse. Don't you be the one!

**Be Careful—the life you save may be your own!**

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