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Yancey Credit Association Is Organized Here

Eighty One Join As Charter Members

The organization of the Yancey Credit Association was completed at a meeting Tuesday night when directors and officers were named by the members.

The directors are: Burnsville, H. W. Johnson; Cane River, James Proffitt; Pricess Creek, A. O. England; Jacks Creek, D. J. Peterson; Crabtree, Welzie Robinson; Brush Creek, Lowe Thomas; Pensacola, H. D. Ray Jr.; Green Mountain, Walter Howell; South Toe River, E. B. Chrisawn; Egypt, N. A. Hensley; Ramseytown, Jack Hensley. C. P. Randolph was named manager for a period of one year, and the officers

are: chairman, H. W. Johnson; vice chairman, Reece McIntosh; secretary-treasurer, Lowe Thomas.

The purpose of the association is to create a more workable credit situation in the county, for the benefit of both the creditor and the purchaser. The operation of the organization will be conducted for the mutual benefit of all.

With the inauguration of the credit plan another step has been taken in the sound economic development of the county which, during the past five years, has shown a decided increase. It is the plan and desire of the more than 80 members of the credit association to aid this continued development and growth.



Members of the graduating class of Burnsville High School who will receive diplomas Friday night. Mascots, Barbara Anne Angel, Jimmy Roberts. Front row, left to right: Montez Blevins, Louetta Randolph, Annie Ruth Smith, Mary Elizabeth Ballew, Billie Jean England, Hope Angel, Elizabeth Ann Roberts, Jessie Wilson.

Second row: Miss Islean Ray, sponsor; Bobby Huskey, Charles Homer Parnell, Charles Gillespie, Jeanette Smith, June Ramsey, Selma Robinson, Alene McPeters, Virginia Sue Banks, Betty Sue Gibson, R. L. Bailey.

Third row: Arliss Young, Robert Tilson, Sarah Hamrick, Port Taylor, Max Buckner, Sue Koenig, Llewellyn Ray, Betty Brown Fox, Arnold Gregory.

Back row: L. B. Jarrett, Ronald Gregory, James Hughes, Danny Fouts, Billy Ray Riddle, Ralph McMahan.

Micaville High School Wins Drama Festival Award

First award in the high school Drama Festival was given to Micaville High School for its presentation of "Lighted Candles", a mountain folk play.

In addition, Ross Bailey was named best actor for the entire meet, and Marie Gibbs was given honorable mention in the actress award group.

Others in the cast of the prize winning play were Margaret Silver, Joyce Hilliard and Oscar Harris. Miss Edith Robinson was director.

The "best actress" award went to Nadine Evans of Clearmont High School for her leading role in "Late Holiday."

Second place in the actors group went to R. L. Bailey of Burnsville High School for his part in "The

Valiant"; and in the actress group to Louella Briggs of Bald Creek High School.

In addition to Miss Gibbs honorable mention in the actress group went to Margaret Wilson of Bald Creek High School and to Alice Garland of Clearmont High School.

Good audiences attended the performances each evening and have been loud in their praise of the general excellence of the presentations, and of the skill and fine stage presence of the students who took part.

The Festival was established last year and is sponsored in part by the drama department of the summer school of fine arts of the Woman's College here.

Scholarships to the summer school will be presented to Miss Evans and Mr. Bailey.

Officials Announce Basis For Corn War

The 1950 "corn war" between North Carolina and Virginia began in earnest this week as Extension Service officials of the two states announced that they had agreed on the basis for the competition.

The winning state will be the one whose average yield shows the larger percentage increase over the average for the 10-year period 1940-49. Last year, when Virginia won, the contest was based on the bushels-per-acre increase over the average for 1937-46.

North Carolina's 1940-49 average was 25.6 bushels per acre; Virginia's was 32.8 bushels. If the Old North State makes the same average yield it did last year—35 bushels per acre—the increase will be about 27 per cent. If Virginia repeats its 1949 record with another average yield of 47 bushels, the increase for that State will be about 30 per cent. On this basis Virginia would win again.

The terms may seem un-

George M. Joyce, business manager of the Burnsville School of Fine Arts, Miss Elvira Prondecki, residence counsellor, and Miss Patricia Corruthers, all of Woman's College were here this week to discuss plans of the summer session with Frank W. Howell.

Darius Alan Hensley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hensley of Ramseytown is confined at his home with virus pneumonia.

fair to North Carolina, but Dr. E. R. Collins, in charge of agronomy for the State College Extension Service thinks otherwise. He points out that Old Dominion farmers have had several good seasons for corn, and they're overdue for a bad year. In addition, says Dr. Collins, Virginia growers have adopted corn hybrids much more rapidly than have Tar Heel farmers, and North Carolina can expect larger increases in the future as more and more hybrids are grown.

All in all, Dr. Collins thinks the terms for the contest are the fairest that could be worked out.

Fred Homuth Here

Fred Homuth of Clearwater, Fla., owner of Camp Mt. Mitchell for Girls, is here this week to begin preparations for the opening of the camp season on June 26.

Mrs. Lillian Bingham who is well known here and among camp personnel will be director this summer, and a highly capable staff of counsellors and assistants has been secured for the season.

Singing Convention

Yancey County Singing Convention will meet with Jacks Creek Baptist Church on Sunday, May 28th at 2:00 p. m. All groups of singers and the public is cordially invited to attend and take a part.

Celo Valley Farm-Home Camp Plans Summer Session

Many Activities

The Celo Valley Farm-Home Camp, started last summer by Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Moody of Celo, will open its second session on June 18.

Mrs. Moody, formerly Girl Scout Director at Lexington, Ky. states that this is a somewhat new approach to camping in that a family-size group of children live, work, and play together as part of an actual farm and home situation. The Moodys report that one of the most popular activities last summer was milking.

A full program is planned, including such things as swimming, riding, dramatics, carpentry, pottery weaving, folk dancing, singing and sketching, but, say the Moodys, "It is our ideal that the program should grow spontaneously as we live and plan with the children."

The arts and crafts program, which is outstanding is under the leadership of Miss Thelma Stoner, formerly of Penland Handcraft School. Miss Stoner stresses the use of native materials, such as honey-

Yancey County Base Ball Team Organized This Week

Equipment Purchased

A Yancey County baseball team has been organized with H. D. Justice as manager, Frank Coots, field captain, and Jake F. Buckner as business manager.

Business firms and interested citizens have contributed funds for supplies, and 15 suits and all necessary equipment have been purchased.

The first game will be played here on May 28.

Among the first to report for work out, in addition to the managers, were John B. Westall, Bill Westall, Robert Lee Westall, Arnold Higgins, Virgis Anglin, Fred Anglin, E. F. Hunter, Clyde Anglin, Frank Gillespie, Frank Coots, Buster Stamey, Ernest

Banner, Phil Cooper, J. B. Jones, Bobbie Marsh, White Gibbs, Winfred Roper and Bill Blalock.

Lined up on the pitching staff are Frank Gillespie and Frank Coots, right handed, and Winfred Roper left handed. It is hoped that Eddie Wilson who is now playing for N. C. State will be added to the pitching staff this summer.

Staff members have stated that the games will be conducted in a good, clean way and that all small boys of the county are welcome to come to watch practice and to receive pointers as to their own playing.

Special Army and Air Force Testing Team to Visit Asheville

M. Sgt. Stanley W. Wapinski, local Recruiting Sergeant states that a Special testing team from Charlotte, N. C., will be at the Asheville Recruiting Station on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 22, 23 and 24th for the purpose of testing men to qualify for both the Army and Air Force.

BURNSVILLE—"So They Say"

The weather: That cold snap last week must have been Blackberry Winter so maybe we are now safely past the chilly season.

About town: Newest arrival: Mark Wilson Bennett Jr. on Saturday morning... The Mt. Mitchell Motel looking very handsome with Perma Stone going on as exterior finish... Much excitement at B. H. S. Very attractive annuals were distributed this week... senior

cital tonight... ing exercises... night. The seniors had very enjoyable picnic supper last night at Betty Sue Gibson's home... However there's more than graduation and spring blossoms in the air! It's Baseball, the grand old American Game.

Twenty players showed up for practice Wednesday, suits and equipment already bought, fine staff with Justice as manager, Coots as field captain and Buckner as business manager. Talk naturally got round to the teams back in those Good Old Days. There's a picture available of the John Lyon, Brook Wilson, George Brown et al team, and one of Rudolph Charles' boys' team. We're planning to run these pictures and if you have others let us know... So, with interest increasing steadily, and plans for good clean sportsmanship throughout, it looks like it's going to be a fine season.

Several citizens have asked us to make this appeal: if you have a room, or can arrange a room or apartment before the summer visitors get here please do so. Many calls for accommodations now and if you'll let us know what you have we'll list it and have all the information necessary

Dr. W. B. Robertson was taken from the home of his son in Rutherfordton to the hospital there last week. His condition now shows some improvement. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shepherd and young son of Statesville were here for the past week end.

AROUND THE DISTRICT

By George Vitas U. S. Forest Ranger Mt. Mitchell District

Lee Boone, Refuge Manager on the Mt. Mitchell Game Management Area and his assistants had a busy time on the opening day of the trout season. At 6 a. m. fisherman in some 75 cars were already lined up at the South Toe Checking Station, ready to go. And when the sun set that day another record had been broken on the Forest. At South Toe, 401 fishermen had checked in, at Curtis Creek, 144 and at Mackeys Creek, 50 for a total of 595 fishermen. This shattered the previous record, set in 1949, when 499 fishermen checked in.

We do not have the tally of the catch, as yet, but we are told that an 18-inch brown trout weighing two pounds two ounces was among the biggest caught at South Toe River the first day.

Construction of almost four miles of metallic telephone line from the Busick Guard Station to the White Pines Warden Station is well on the way. Louis Shuford, of Celo, is in charge of the project. Our thanks go out to the REA which has helped us eliminate the necessity of setting up 41 additional telephone poles by permitting us to string our wire on their poles.

HIGHWAY PROJECTS

The State Highway Commission today called for bids on 26 highway projects involving 187.71 miles of roadway.

Bids will be opened on May 30 and let to contract by the Highway Commission at its meeting on June 8. Bids will be received on a second block of projects June 6.

The 26 projects advertised today include 12 under the \$200,000,000 bond issue program. The specifications call for road work in 22 counties.

Projects advertised included .45 miles of grading and structure, on U. S. 19E and N. C. 197 from a point on U. S. 19E West of Burnsville east across Cane River.

NOTICE

A Republican Party meeting will be held in the Roberts & Johnson club room on Friday night, May 26th at 8 o'clock.

This meeting was planned for May 23 but due to circumstances was changed to the 26th.

District Wildlife Clubs Will Meet

A meeting of all wildlife clubs of District 8 will be held in the courthouse in Morganton on Tuesday, May 23 at 7:45 p. m.

This meeting is being called to hear requests and recommendations from all clubs in the district, and each member of the Yancey County group is invited to attend.

LAST RITES HELD FOR JAMES L. FLACK

James L. Flack, 89, widely known citizen of the county, passed away Wednesday morning at his home here.

Funeral services are planned for today (Thursday) at Roland's Chapel Church, Higgins at 2:00 o'clock.

Survivors include three sons, Melvin and Tom Flack of Burnsville and Willie Flack of Cincinnati, Ohio; five daughters, Mrs. Mamie Gardner and Mrs. Bertie Vann of Johnson City; Mrs. Eyner Wilson of Asheville; Mrs. Clara Roland of Higgins and Mrs. Hattie Roland of Burnsville; thirty one grand children and a number of great grand children.



Rich Taylor of Burnsville and the 21 and 1-4 inch, 3 pound brown trout he caught on Rod and Gun Club property last week.