

### FHA Officials Outline Program For Year

On June 21 and 22, all personnel of the Farmers Home Administration from District I, comprising 21 Western counties attended a two-day meeting at Banner Elk.

Paul Laughrun, State Field Representative, conducted the meeting, assisted by other representatives including James Wood from the National Office, Washington, D. C.

The purpose of the meeting was to outline policies and procedures to follow during the 1951-52 fiscal year starting July 1.

One of the policies decided on at the meeting will place special emphasis on the reorganization of farms to obtain higher production per acre and to better utilize all available farm land and labor supply. To offset partial employment during the farming year, additional interprises will be encouraged and developed, it was said. Along this line, supervisors pointed out that a farmer now growing tobacco, corn, hay and the general crops may add to his income and utilize more of his land resources by adding beef and dairy cattle, poultry and sheep. Farm income can be increased to support a higher standard of living, they said, by developing a sound farming system with added projects.

It will be the policy of the FHA to assist farm families in making actual adjustments in their farming operations. However, assistance will be limited to farm families who have the ability and initiative to carry out a sound farm program that will improve agriculture.

The organization has authority to make actual adjustment loans, repayable over a 5-year period and secured by first crop and chattel mortgage. Other loans which the FHA has been authorized to make during this year are Rural Housing Loans, Farm Enlargement Loans, Farm Development Loans, and Tenant Purchase Loans, with repayment periods ranging up to 33 years.

In addition to financial assistance, families will be given technical assistance in carrying out planned adjustment and improvement programs.

Mack B. Ray, Yancey County FHA Supervisor whose office is in the Old Bank Building in Burnsville said, "The FHA program in Yancey County is tied in closely with the general agriculture program for the county. In cooperation with Extension Service, Production and Marketing Administration and other agricultural agencies the general aim is to help farmers farm better and live better on their farms. By doing so, we have a better county in which to live and we are improving our State and National Farm Program and our national security."



## INDEPENDENCE DAY 1951

### Miss Neill Named County Home Agent

Miss Nell Kenneth, District Home Demonstration Agent, has announced that Mary Helen Neill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neill of Bald Creek, has been appointed as Home Demonstration Agent for Yancey County effective July 1.

Miss Neill attended Western Carolina Teachers College two years and was graduated from East Tennessee State College. For the past two years she has been assistant Home Agent in Watauga County where she has done outstanding work with 4-H clubs and Home Demonstration clubs. She is employed jointly by the State College Extension Service and Yancey County officials.

### TWO KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Two persons, Clifton Wilson, 25, of Bee Log, and Mrs. Virgie Holland, 30, of Mooresville, formerly of this county were killed early this week in an automobile accident near Asheville.

Wilson who was riding in the automobile driven by Mrs. Holland, according to reports, was killed instantly when the car left the pavement, crashed into a tree, then fell down a 10-foot embankment near the Asheville city limits in the Woodfin section. Mrs. Holland died in an Asheville hospital Tuesday.

### Funeral Services

Funeral services for Wilson were held Wednesday at 2 p. m. in the Bald Mountain Baptist Church with the Rev. Quince Miller officiating. Burial was in the family cemetery.

Surviving are the widow; two children; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wilson; four brothers, Ted Wilson of the U. S. Army, Jack and Ned Wilson, both of Bee Log, and Boone Wilson of Erwin, Tenn.; three sisters, Maude, Gladys, and Clouse; and the grandmother, Mrs. Martha Fender, all of Bee Log.

Funeral services for Mrs. Holland were held Wednesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Robinson of Bald Creek and burial was in the Elk Shoals Cemetery.

Surviving, in addition to the parents, are the husband, W. E. Holland, four brothers, Milt and Martin Robinson of Bald Creek, Howard Robinson of Hickory, and B. G. Robinson; two sisters, Mrs. John Small of Mooresville and Miss Sue Robinson of Bald Creek.

### School Of Fine Arts Opens Monday

The Burnsville School of Fine Arts is scheduled to open its fifth annual season here Monday.

College credit is given for the different courses offered at the school, the amount of credit depending on the time spent in the study of a given course. Courses will be offered from two hours to six hours, the proportion being one credit hour per week of study.

Courses in art, creative writing, the dance, drama, education, history, and music will be given.

One of the highlights of the Fine Arts School is the drama department. Several productions, with acting and producing done entirely by students, are scheduled each year. Productions scheduled to be given at

this season are "Candida" or "Glass Menagerie", "Taming of the Shrew", "Harvey", "Ten Little Indians", and "Iolanthe". A music and dance recital will also be given sometime during the season.

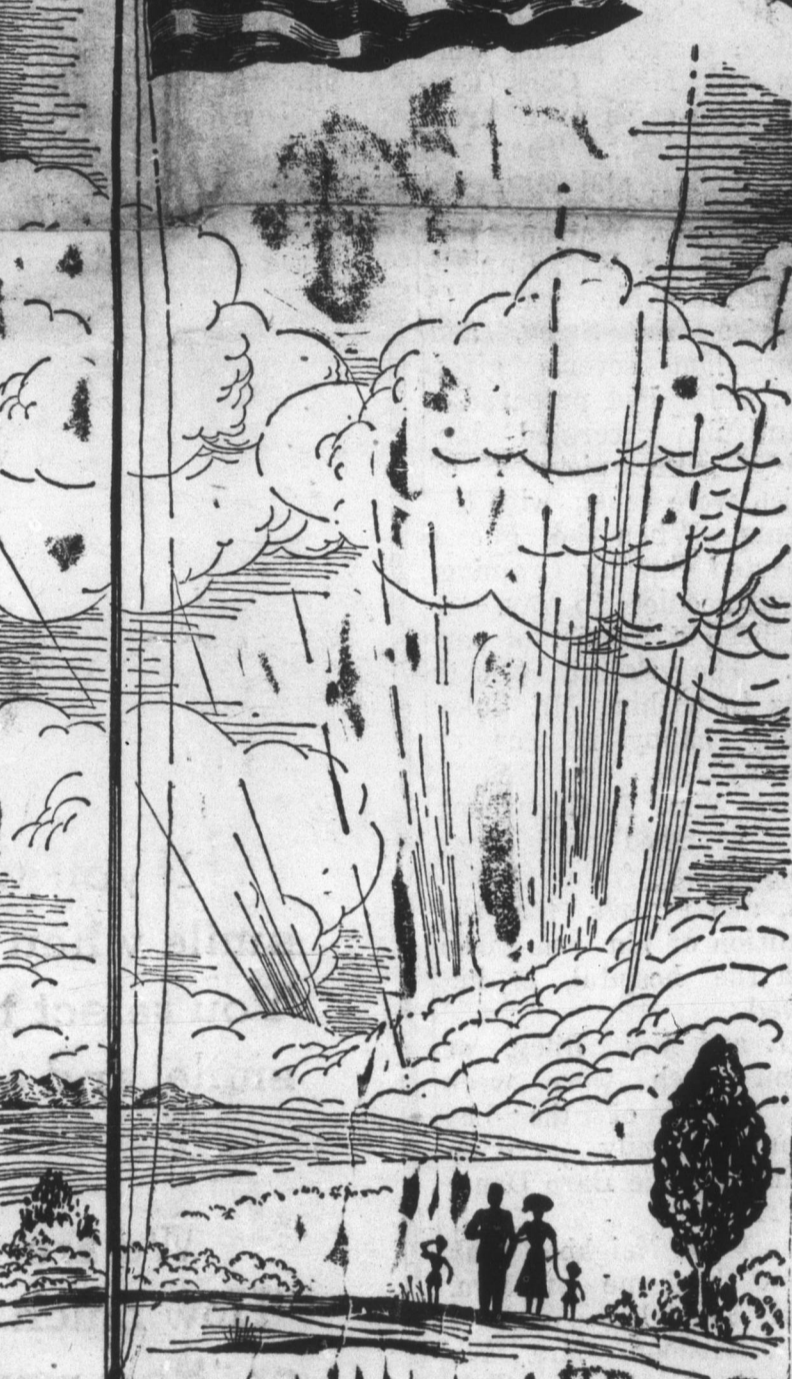
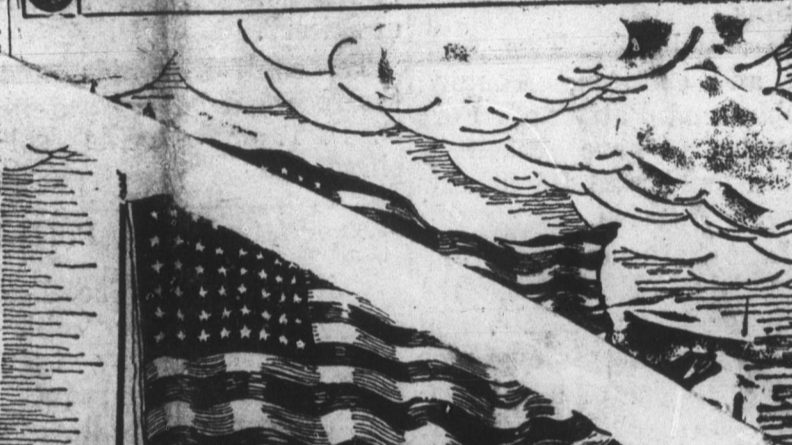
### HUNDREDS ATTEND ANNUAL PICNIC

Hundreds of people from every section of Yancey County joined J. G. McClure, president, and other officials of the Farmers Federation in the annual Fourth of July Picnic on Burnsville School grounds yesterday.

It was estimated that 1500 people attended the gathering which is sponsored each year by the Farmers Federation. Several speeches were made by officials of the cooperative and other visitors. Singing, string music and dancing in the mountain fashion highlighted the festivities.

Several prizes were presented during the course of the day. Mr. and Mrs. John Whitson won the prize for being the oldest married couple there. The award for the youngest married couple was won by Mr. and Mrs. Coy Ward while Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Martin won the prize for having the largest family present, with eight children. Charlie Fox carried away the free pig, Adolphus Wilson took the honors in the bald headed man contest and Oscar Gibbs won the prize in the musical chairs contest.

A grand prize will be given later for the winner in the entertainment contest. The winner will be picked from contestants of all picnics sponsored by the organization this year.



The work that we do is the making of the flag.  
I am not the flag; not at all. I am but its shadow.  
I am what you make me; nothing more.  
I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color, a symbol of yourself, the pictured suggestion of that big thing which makes this nation. My stars and my stripes are your dream and your labors. They are bright with cheer, brilliant with courage, firm with faith, because you have made them so, out of your hearts; for you are the makers of the flag, and it is well that you glory in the making.

—FRANKLIN K. LANE

### Binghams Buy Camp Mt. Mitchell For Girls

From Camp Mt. Mitchell announcement of the transfer of ownership of the camp which has just been completed. Mr. and Mrs. James Bingham, the new owners, purchased the property from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Homuth of Clearwater, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Bingham are from Jacksonville, where Mr. Bingham owns and operates an importing and distributing business. He is well known in all Southern states and has many friends in and about Burnsville. Mrs. Bingham is very well known in Burnsville as she has been connected with Camp Mt. Mitchell for many years and is a specialist in the development of girls and has made a great success in her work with both physically and spiritually. She has many plans for building Camp Mt. Mitchell into a great cultural center which will attract girls from all parts of the country.

Camp Mt. Mitchell for Girls includes 27 acres and is located within the city limits of Burnsville. It is one of the most scenic Camp locations in Western North Carolina and third highest, being over 3100 feet. Staff members and girls of the camp enter into the social and business life of Burnsville and attend the city churches every Sunday.

Parents who visit their children stay at the Mt. Mitchell Motel and Nu-Wray Inn. Mrs. Bingham has plans for expanding and remodeling that will be helpful not only to the Camp but will be of interest to the surrounding countryside.

Camp Mt. Mitchell opened with an almost capacity enrollment with girls from all Southern states—Ohio, Kentucky and New York. Nora and Norma Garcia, daughters of editor Garcia of El Mundo, leading Havana newspaper and member of the United Nations Press Club, are the only Campers from outside the United States.

Mrs. Bingham has a staff of counsellors and atrists from leading universities and colleges. Mary Laws Early is from Duke University, Peggy Hume and Lorraine Cowles are from University of Florida, Woman's College at Greensboro is represented by Hertha Homuth and Jo Goodwin. Lorna Cole, Virginia Douglas, Frances Chase and Dorothy Tyler are here from Florida State.

Mrs. Edward J. Lawrence, Nature Consultant of the Girl Scouts, is making the outdoors interesting to large groups every day.

Trained dietician, Mrs. Virginia Elkins, has had many years experience in dietetics, plans well balanced meals, and carries out diet as prescribed by physicians for campers.

In addition to daily camp activities, trips are taken to places of interest in this section. Each evening programs of square dancing, dramatics, stunts and camp fires are planned. Wednesday and Sunday are visiting days at Camp Mt. Mitchell.

### Shower Given For Bride-Elect

Mrs. Carl E. Silver and Mrs. Herbert Forrest entertained with a bridal shower Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. Silver, honoring Miss Evelyn Silver of Micaeville, bride-elect of Mr. Robert Penland Hyams of Morgantown. The house was decorated with arrangements of spring flowers. A wedding bell made of flowers and tied with white ribbons made up the centerpiece for the dining room. The bride elect was presented with a bouquet of mixed flowers with white streams

### Church Women To Have Picnic Supper

All Circles of the Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church here are joining in a picnic supper Tuesday night. The outing will be held at Camp Ray, beginning at 6 p. m., and families and friends of the members are invited to attend, it was said.

Mrs. R. E. Anderson, Miss May Cook and Mrs. Madeline Piedmont spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Phillips and daughter, Joan have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Kiffen Hennessee.