

Around The Mt. Mitchell Forest Service District

By George Vitas, U. S. Forest Ranger

The 152 National Forests have many uses—some very odd. One of the most unusual being the ice-crop that is harvested year-round at the toe of the Mendenhall Glacier on the Tongass National Forest in Alaska. If you were to walk into a place in Juneau, Alaska and ask for a cold drink, chances are you'd find a piece of the glacier floating around in your glass. During the past several years an enterprising local business man has been delivering glacier ice to refreshment places in Juneau. Glacier ice, centuries old, is renowned for its hardness and transparency. In warm weather, it is obtained by chopping up hunks of iceberg which break away from the mother glacier and float around in Mendenhall Lake. In winter when the lake is frozen, the ice merchant drives his jeeps right up to the glacier and takes his ice from its face. The fame of the National Forest ice has spread and some of it has been flown to places as far off as Seattle, Idaho and New York City for use on special occasions.

As any farmer will tell you the soil is now dry and we need rain. We were recently informed that the District rainfall is already six inches less than it should be at this time of the year. Will Murphy came in from Hunteale the other day and said that he dug into his field to a depth of almost three feet before he struck damp soil. Farmers tell us that it looks as if the corn crop will ripen earlier this year but the yield will be poor unless we get some rain soon. Unless rain comes, trees, too, will suffer, especially those growing on the poorer sites.

Last Friday, Yancey County Ranger, Craig English, proved that he is just as adept at whipping up a delicious fried chicken dinner as he is at fighting forest fires. The occasion was the annual picnic and meeting of N. C. Forest Service Fire Wardens from Yancey and Mitchell counties at Burnsville. Mitchell County Ranger, Frank Bryant came down from Bakersville and State District Forester, B. H. Corpening from Asheville to attend, along with 15 State Fire Wardens from the two counties. Tom Huffman, a veteran of many years of fire fighting, with the U. S. Forest Service and Albert Ballew—both of Hamrick—went along with us to the meeting.

Here is a sign that the Forestry profession, which in the United States just about 60 years old, is reaching maturity: Recently the Georgia State legislature passed a law that called for the licensing of practicing foresters in the State.

LIVESTOCK SALES FOR FALL LISTED

"Where can I buy some good cattle? Or sheep? Or hogs?" If this problem is worrying you, you'll be interested in this information about livestock sales to be held in North Carolina this fall. It was compiled by Jack Kelley, in charge of extension animal husbandry work at State College.

Feeder calf sales will be held at Rocky Mount on Sept. 20, S. A. Lanier's farm near Maple Hill on Sept. 21, Sanford on Sept. 28, Boone on Oct. 1, West Jefferson on Oct. 2, Hillsboro on Oct. 5, Laurel Hill on Oct. 9, and Pembroke on Oct. 10. A feeder calf and heifer sale will be held at Goldsboro on Sept. 13.

Western North Carolina Hereford Breeders Association will hold a purebred sale at Hendersonville on Sept. 21. Other cattle events include a grade yearling steer and heifer sale at West Jefferson on Oct. 16, Hereford breeders' sale at Durham on Oct. 18, Rockingham County heifer sale at Reidsville on Oct. 20, Watauga Hereford breeders' sale at Boone on Oct. 26, N. C. Purebred Hereford breeders' sale at Kinston on Nov. 7, Dr. Little's purebred Hereford sale at Statesville on Nov. 8, N. C. Purebred Hereford breeders' sale at Winston-Salem on Dec. 1, and Council-Hamilton Hereford sale at Statesville on Dec. 14.

A sale of purebred ewes will be conducted at Raleigh on Oct. 17.

For hog producers, events include a Spotted Poland China sale at Rocky Mount on Sept. 27, Duroc sale at Wilson on Oct. 4, Pitt County purebred hog sale at Greenville on Oct. 9, Duroc sale at Dunn on Oct. 11, Berkshire sale at Raleigh on Oct. 24, Lenoir County hog sale at Kinston on Oct. 25, Tamworth sale at Lexington on Oct. 26, and Spotted Poland China sale at Hillsboro on Nov. 1.

Georgia is the first state in the union to do so.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture states that if you're interested in varying your diet with a food that contains Vitamins A, B and C, along with some minerals and plenty of energy, then make the sweet potato a part of your meal every once in a while. Columbus first found the sweet potato growing in Cuba under Indian cultivation. Later, Spanish expeditions also discovered it thriving in Mexico and South America. Eventually the explorers brought it back to Europe and the U. S. Today the U. S. produces 61 million bushels of sweet potatoes annually—10 million of which come from Louisiana alone.

NOTICE OF RESALE In The Superior Court Before the Clerk

NORTH CAROLINA YANCEY COUNTY

J. B. Ray and wife, Sue Ray Mrs. O. M. Jarvis and husband O. M. Jarvis, E. P. Ray and wife, Mrs. E. P. (Ollie) Ray J. G. Ray and wife, Mrs. J. G. (Pearl) Ray, F. H. Metcalf and wife, Mrs. F. H. Metcalf Donnie Metcalf Maney and husband, Robert Maney, Carl Metcalf and wife, Bertha Metcalf, Christine England, T. J. Metcalf and wife, Cary Metcalf, W. C. Metcalf (widower) Ettie Honeycutt, Minnie Reno and husband, George Reno Garrett Metcalf and wife Blanche Metcalf, Ollie MaWhittemore, Effie Ledford Kelly Metcalf and wife, Mrs. Kelly Metcalf, E. H. Metcalf and wife, Margaret Metcalf Mrs. Weldon (Pansy) Allen and husband, Weldon Allen Mrs. Bill (Velvie) Church and husband, Bill Church, Ruby Church and husband, J. V. Church, Margaret Metcalf and husband, E. H. Metcalf, John Metcalf and wife, Deltha Metcalf, Gaither Metcalf and wife Mrs. Gaither Metcalf, J. W. Metcalf and wife, Mrs. J. W. (Elsie) Metcalf, Gaither J. Metcalf and wife, Mrs. G. J. Metcalf, Mrs. Raymond (Bessie) Young and husband, Raymond Young, Jessie Metcalf Flossie Metcalf Norman and husband, Loyd A. Norman Velma Metcalf, Floyd C. Metcalf and wife, Madge Metcalf Geneva M. Stephens and husband, Harry L. Stephens, Rosa Lee Metcalf Webb and husband, Ballard Webb, Jr., Mrs. H. M. Phillips, J. B. Elkins and wife, Mrs. J. B. Elkins, K. C. Elkins and wife, Mrs. K. C. Elkins, B. F. Elkins and wife Mrs. B. F. Elkins, M. A. Elkins and wife, Mrs. M. A. Elkins Dora Arrowood and husband Lee Arrowood, Artie Arrowood and husband, M. F. Arrowood, Anna Chambers, Minnie Beachboard, T. V. Smith and wife, Mrs. T. V. Smith, H. G. Smith and wife, Mrs. H. G. Smith, Carrie Rogers and husband, Sam Rogers, Rose Wyatt and husband, Henry Wyatt Ethel Edwards and husband Luther Edwards, Minnie Ray field and husband, Tom Rayfield, G. K. Metcalf and wife, Zerilda Metcalf, R. K. Metcalf and wife, Pansy Metcalf, Celia ia Ray and husband, Ernest Ray, Lattie Metcalf and husband, Estoy Metcalf, J. Gilbert Metcalf, Dexter Hensley and husband, Grady Hensley, Gaither McMahan and wife, Pauline McMahan, Lillie Proffitt and husband, Roy H. Proffitt Alvin McMahan and wife, Polie McMahan, Ada McGhee and husband, Fred McGhee Marie Metcalf Allen and husband, Vernon Allen, and Lee Metcalf.

Petitioners (Ex parte)

Pursuant to orders of the Court in the above entitled special proceeding, which orders are dated August 1, 1951 and September 5, 1951 and appear of record in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Yancey County in Special Proceedings Docket No. . . . the undersigned Commissioner will sell on Saturday, September 22, 1951, at 11:00 o'clock A. M., at the Courthouse door in Burnsville, North Carolina, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, that certain tract of land lying and being on the waters of Indian Creek in Prices Creek Township, Yancey County, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of J. W. Shepherd, J. C. Robertson and others bounded as follows:

BEGINNING on two small chestnuts on the county line in West end of the Deep Gap, runs Eastward a marked line to a poplar at a spring; then down the branch to a bunch of lynns; then to a stake six feet North of the fence on the knoll; then down crossing the McCourry spring branch to the bars; then to the woods and up with a marked line to a maple on top of the ridge at N. Maney's line; then up the ridge Westward to the county line; then Northward with county line to the BEGINNING containing seventy-five (75) acres, more or less.

AND BEING the same lands as described in a deed date the 10th day of January, 1895 from James Metcalf and wife M. S. Metcalf to H. R. Metcalf which deed is recorded in Yancey County Deed Book 20 page 286.

The terms of the sale will be

CATTAIL CREEK NEWS

Mrs. Ira West

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Adkins and son have returned from a visit with relatives in Ashtabula, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Penland, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Plato Penland, of Burnsville, enjoyed a two weeks trip which took them as far north as Toronto, Canada. They returned last week.

John Baker, who has been with his mother, Mrs. Margaret Baker, at Altitude Lodge, flew back to Miami on Monday. He will again enter the University of Miami this year.

Mrs. Ira West left on Monday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Downing, in Wakeman, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nathan, of Baltimore, Md., have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Spears for the past ten days.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE NORTH CAROLINA YANCEY COUNTY

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of W. M. McIntosh, deceased, late of Yancey County, this is to notify all persons having claims against the Decedent to exhibit the same to the undersigned Administrator at his home at Cance River, N. C., on or before the 2nd day of August, 1952, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

All persons owing the Estate will please make immediate payment.

This 2nd day of Aug. 1951. S. A. King, Administrator of the Estate of W. M. McIntosh, Deceased.

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for cash upon confirmation by the Court. A cash deposit of ten per cent (10%) is to be made by the highest bidder at the sale.

The hickory timber, all timber and the land may be offered for sale separately and of ferred for sale as a whole, to be sold by the method which produces the highest price.

This resale was ordered by reason of the fact that the last and highest bidder at the time said property was first offered for sale failed to make the initial cash deposit as required by the terms of the sale.

This 5th day of Sept. 1951. J. Gaither Ray, Commissioner Sept. 13-20

Ray Porter, son of Mrs. Spears flew in from Shreveport, La., to join the party.

Miss Joan Threadgill left on Saturday, to resume her studies at the University of Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. How-

ard have gone to Long Island to take their nephews, David and Wayne Killiam, to their home. Mr. and Mrs. Howard plan to see some shows in New York City before returning to

their cabin on Cattail. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pierce and son, Eddie, have closed their cabin for the summer and returned to Miami Springs, Fla. Buy U. S. Savings Bonds

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