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Yancey Betterment Association Formed

The question, "Shall we expand Burnsville's tourist business?" is being answered by organization of the Yancey County Betterment Association last week.

A meeting was held last Thursday night with committees from the different clubs and organizations of the county being present. G. Leslie Hensley, president of the Men's Club presided at the meeting.

Prior to the meeting Thursday night, each organization taking part in the program appointed a member to comprise the Steering Committee for the Betterment Association. The members are Max Penland Men's Club; Howard Johnson, Lions Club; James Timmony, American Legion; Mrs. Don Burhoe, Woman's Club; and Mrs. Troy Ray, Garden Club. Howard Johnson was named chairman of the committee.

Mr. Johnson, following his appointment as chairman, named twelve persons to aid in securing finances for the operation of the Association.

The goal set in securing money with which to advertise Yancey County as a tourist center and to pay the initial costs of certain recreational facilities was \$2500. It was reported that \$1339 of that amount has been secured along with pledges for other contributions.

According to present plans Mrs. Mabel I. West will head the Betterment Association in the advertisement and recreational field. Mrs. West, who has had much experience in the promotional field, is already at work securing adver-

Named Chairman Of Steering Committee



Howard Johnson

tising rates of various publications in different states.

She stated this week that a reply from the Travel Editor of The Miami Herald contained a voluntary promise to feature Burnsville in an article in the publication, when more information was furnished. The advertising manager of the Palm Beach Post-Times also said in a reply that Burnsville was one of his "favorite" vacation spots, and that he spent part of his summer vacation here, Mrs. West said.

Most people who have given thought to the idea indicate that they believe Yancey County can be one of the leading mountain tourist centers within a few years.

Mrs. George Roberts visited friends in Charlotte this week. Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Young of Newdale recently moved to Asheville, N. C.

ELECTRIC POWER TO BE OFF SUNDAY

Mark W. Bennett, manager of the Burnsville branch of REA, announced this week that electric power will be off in the Yancey area on next Sunday, October 21, from 1:00 to 5:00 p. m.

Bennett said maintenance work is to be done at that time which will probably effect the entire REA system covering Yancey, Mitchell and Madison counties during the four-hour period.

LAST RITES HELD FOR BILL WILSON, 72

Funeral services for Bill Wilson, 72, who died Sunday morning at his home in Bee Log after a short illness, were held Tuesday at 2 p. m. in Bald Mountain Baptist Church.

The Rev. Quince Miller officiated and burial was in Watts Cemetery.

Surviving are the widow Mrs. Texie Phillips Wilson two daughters, Mrs. Lifus W. Edwards of Bee Log and Mrs. Cecil Webb of Marion; two sons, Luster of Bee Log and Alvin of Erwin, Tenn.; three sisters, Mrs. Charlotte Hensley, Mrs. Nettie Fender and Mrs. Sallie Howard of Bee Log, and several grandchildren.

W. J. Fox of Burnsville, Rt. 1, is improving from an operation he recently underwent.

CAMPAIGN BEGINS HERE ON 'NICKELS FOR KNOW HOW'

The "Nickels For Know How" campaign will get under way in Yancey County tonight with the first organized meeting to be held in the county agent's office.

O. W. Deyton, permanent chairman, and Miss Mary Helen Neill, co-chairman of the local organization have called the meeting of the Education Committee and Election Committee to plan an educational and vote campaign. The Election Committee is made up of Brantley Briggs, Jess Howell, J. Yates Bailey, Hiram Higgins, and Luther Robinson. On the Education Committee are Z. B. Byrd, Arney Fox, Mrs. Max Proffitt, Mrs. Ransom Silver and Carmon Hensley.

"Nickels For Know-How" is a plan to expand agricultural research and teaching in North Carolina through farmer contribution of five cents per ton on all feed and fertilizer sold in the State.

The idea was originated by farm leaders of the State. The 1951 General Assembly passed an enabling act that gives farm people the opportunity to contribute directly for expanded research and education if they approve it in a referendum to be held November 3. The referendum is to be conducted by the N. C. Grange and Farm Bureau and the Agricultural Foundation, Inc., at State College.

Farm leaders say North Carolina has such a varied climate and agriculture that more money is needed to solve the insect, disease, and weed problems of farmers. Even the generous appropriations made by the last two legislatures fall far short of the needs. Since farm people cannot expect more than their share of public funds, the additional money must be raised in some other way.

In the referendum, all persons who use feed or fertilizer and their wives or husbands will be eligible to vote. FFA, NFA, and 4-H Club members with crop or livestock projects of their own are also eligible.

State Health Officials Work In Yancey, Mitchell

Miss Winston Osborn, nutrition consultant with the State Board of Health, is working with teachers in the Yancey and Mitchell schools. As part of her work in the two counties, she recently made a survey of dietary habits among children in Micaville School and Harris Elementary School at Spruce Pine.

Other persons who have been working in this area with the local health authorities include Dr. Ernest A. Branch, director of the Oral Hygiene Division, Dr. Otto J. Swisher, director of the Division of Industrial Hygiene, and Mrs. Louise P. East, nursing consultant for the Western District.

Dr. Edward T. Koonce, school dentist, is continuing his work in the schools of Yancey and Mitchell Counties. Dr. Koonce began the dental work among children the week school opened and will continue through a twelve-week period.

Local health officials reminded that this is the last week of x-ray follow-up clinics in the Spruce Pine health office. All persons receiving letters asking them to have a large chest x-ray, following the mass survey last month, are urged by officials to go there either Friday or Saturday for the follow-up examination.

Miss Margaret Lewis and Miss Elsie Lyon, technicians with the State Board of Health are assisted in these follow-up clinics in Spruce Pine by the public health nurses of the district.

Mrs. W. A. Presnell has returned to her home at Newdale from Durham where she recently underwent an operation in Watts Hospital.

THREE YANCEY GIRLS ENTERED IN BURLEY QUEEN CONTEST

Three Yancey County Girls have entered the Queen Contest of the Asheville Burley Jubilee to be held in the Asheville City Auditorium on November 16, according to Morris L. McGough, manager of the Agricultural Development Council of Asheville. The girls are Miss Anna Lee Fender of Bee Log, Miss Opal Robinson of Toledo, and Miss Shirley Whitson of Ramsaytown.

A royal ransom in prizes awaits the young lady who is chosen to reign as queen of the Jubilee. She will go to Daytona Beach, Florida, for a week, with all expenses paid for herself and a chaperone. She will fly to Florida and back by Delta Airlines, and will also be awarded a complete wardrobe.

The runner-up will receive a \$50 Defense Bond, and all other contestants will receive gifts. In addition, they will ride in a parade on the afternoon of November 16, and will be the guests of honor at a banquet that evening.

McGough pointed out that the final date for entering the Queen Contest is November 1. Judging will be on the basis of beauty and poise. Entry requirements are that the girls must live on a farm, be between the ages of 16 and 25, and either be a high school graduate or in school at the time of the contest.

Entry blanks for the contest are available at the office of E. L. Dillingham, county agent

Mrs. David Swartz of Burnsville was speaker at the Achievement Day program held by the Avery County Home Demonstration Club at Newland Wednesday.

Superior Court Will Convene Here Monday

October term of Superior Court will convene next Monday with Hon. William H. Bobbitt presiding.

The following persons were drawn to serve as jurors:

First Week: Floyd Miller, Seth Peterson, Stanley Autrey, Fifus Hensley, Bruce Westall, Ray Gardner, Joe Renfro, Earl Higgins, E. G. Adkins, Jack McIntosh, Neal Elliott, Guy Young, Fred Robinson, George Tipton, John H. Edwards;

Sam Silvers, Lester Wilson Jr., Willard Styles, Joseph Banks, Clyde Phillips, Ottis S. Gibbs, Rufus McIntosh, Lester Edwards, Earl King.

Second week: Clarence Fortner, James Wilson, Clingman Robinson, George Young, John Hylemon, Paul Price, Kimsey, Lewis, Lester Murphy, Ralph W. Howell, Bruce Fender, Bradley Silvers, Isaac Silvers;

Carl Chrisawn, Gus Ledford, Walter Riddle, Harvie Buckner, Molt Hensley, Rama McKinney, Bascomb Ayers, Isaac Thomas, Jeff Doan, Clifford Honeycutt, G. C. Bailey and Frank Hensley.

Cases appearing on the calendar scheduled to be tried during the term are: Monday, Town of Burnsville vs. Olen Shepherd; Mae Wilson, et al. vs. G. W. Chandler; Sherbert McKinney vs. Deneen Mica et al.; Grant Hensley and wife vs. C. S. Randolph and wife; Town of Burnsville vs. J. R. Bailey and wife.

Tuesday, Calvin Gortney vs.

B. M. Waycaster and others; W. B. Hutchins and wife vs. Ralph Silvers and wife; James A. McMahan and Charles Burdette Allen vs. Ivan Westall.

Wednesday, Terry McCurry vs. Clara M. Cannon; Banister Tipton and wife vs. Lennie Hensley and others; Ethel H. Threadgill vs. Fred J. Fugate.

Monday, Oct. 29: Oma Ayers vs. Luther C. Ayers; Carmon Harding vs. Joe Atkins; Ratcliff Motor Co. vs. Clayton G. Ledford; Mae Carroll vs. Verlin Carroll; Clair Laws and wife vs. French Broad Elect. Corp.; Coy Higgins vs. Roy Fender.

Tuesday, Oct. 30: Auto and Home Center vs. Smith Johnson; W. Clark Hall and wife vs. Grover Bailey et al.; Tom Duval vs. Chester Street, et al. Velma Ray vs. Charles Edwards, and Burnsville Hosiery Mills vs. Newton Bonded Warehouse.

Other cases not requiring jury decision will be heard at times designated by the judge.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR KELSE THOMAS, 85

Funeral services for Kelse Thomas, 85, who passed away Wednesday night at his home on Prices Creek after a long illness, will be held at the home of a son, Dave Thomas, at Prices Creek Friday afternoon at 2:00.

The Rev. Elzie Ray will officiate and burial will be in the Concord Cemetery.

Surviving are the widow; one daughter, Mrs. Lindsey Ogle of Cleveland, S. C., and one other son, R. C. Thomas of Rt. 1, Burnsville.

Water Situation Not Dangerous Yet

Town officials, along with residents, are happy that drastic cuts in water consumption has not been necessary here since the dry season began. Mayor Bennett said that even though the streams supplying the water for Burnsville had fallen greatly, an adequate supply of water still flows through the city system. The supply is not enough to keep the city water tank full during the day, but at night when little water is used, the tank is filled to capacity, he said. The mayor pointed out, however, that if too much water is used for non-essentials and dry weather continues, the supply could reach a danger point.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Dollie Lewis Piercy; four daughters, Mrs. Guy Wiseman of Spruce Pine, Mrs. W. R. Tippet of Greensboro, Mrs. Earl Wilson of Burnsville and Miss Patricia Piercy of Day Book.

Three sons, Holt of Norwood, Pa., Fenton of Springfield, Pa., and Charles of Asheville; a sister, Miss Grace Piercy of Brevard and a brother, John of Erwin, Tenn.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH



Detroit.—A gracious royal princess and someday queen of England, Elizabeth of Britain continues to captivate hearts on triumphal tour of North America. She is pictured waving a dainty gloved hand to well-wishers along route of parade.

Cabinet Secretary Speaks To Lions

Robert R. Barnes of Candler, Cabinet Secretary of District 31 of the Lions Club, spoke to members at their regular meeting Thursday night. Barnes talked concerning different reports to be made by clubs in the district, how the Burnsville club ranked with other clubs within the district, and state and national programs carried out by Lions.

James Timmony, Director of Personnel at Duplan Corporation, will be the principal speaker at the next regular meeting. He will explain and demonstrate, with help from heads of the different departments of the plant, exactly what work is carried out in the new plant here.

Bell McCurry who has been working in Baltimore, Md., is at home visiting her mother, Mrs. Carrie McCurry.

U.S. Must Build Civil Defense

AIR FORCE CHIEF SAYS ENEMY BOMBERS CAN ATTACK AMERICA

(This is the first of a series of articles on civil defense, based on the booklet "This Is Civil Defense" prepared by the Federal Civil Defense Administration. It may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., for ten cents.)

By MILLARD CALDWELL
Federal Civil Defense Administrator

General Hoyt Vandenberg, Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force, has made a startling statement — one which most Americans find hard to believe. He has said that at best we could knock down only 30 out of every 100 enemy planes attacking the United States. That means that at least 7 out of 10 would get through. Despite our traditional attitude that "it can't happen here," we must believe these facts.

This does not mean that our Air Force is ineffective. We have an excellent air force and our anti-aircraft defenses are good. In the last war, the Germans also were well equipped with defense weapons, but they were not able to stop our attacking bombers. On the average, we lost fewer than 10 out of each 100 planes. That gives us something to think about!

We know that everything possible will be done to stop the enemy at our borders, and to prevent sabotage within, but we also can be sure that, in case of war, a good percentage of enemy attacks would be successful in spite of all that we could do. That is why we must have Civil Defense.

The wide oceans which once protected us have given way to global bombers. Today we face more kinds of attack than ever before, and our danger is much greater. There is only one sure way to keep any enemy from knocking us out of a war. We must know how to save lives and property, restore our cities and industries, and carry on the fight no matter what kind of attacks are hurled against us.

Russia Has Bombers
Russia has hundreds of heavy, long-range bombers patterned after our B-29s which could get through most of our defense setups. We know that Russia has atomic bombs and that their heavy long-range bombers are capable of delivering them anywhere in the United States at any time the Kremlin dictates.

She can wage biological warfare

Hit Without Warning

All these enemy weapons could hit us without warning. The outcome of modern war is not necessarily decided by armies in the field. Wars today can be won or lost on the home front. The home front cannot be hidden, and it cannot retreat—not if we are to survive as a free people.

Millions of Americans must be trained in civil defense before this country can be sure it is ready for enemy attack. Meanwhile, that attack might come at any moment.

We have no time to lose in preparing to ward off such an attack. Your home, your job, your family, your own life may be at stake.

Civil defense is the sure way—the only organized way—for survival on the home front. (The next article will discuss what is civil defense and how it can help.)

BITES TO BE HELD FOR CPL. HURLEY WILSON

Funeral services for Cpl. Hurley Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Wilson of Bee Log, who was killed in action in Korea on March 31, will be held Sunday at 2:00 p. m.

The Rev. Quince Miller will officiate and burial will be in the family cemetery.

Surviving are the parents, two sisters, Mrs. Tate Ramsey of Erwin, Tenn., and Miss Milan Wilson of Bee Log, and three brothers, Harry and Hoover Wilson of Erwin, Tenn. and Ford Wilson of Bee Log.

Cpl. Wilson, 24, had been in the Army for a period of five years prior to his death. When he was killed in action, he was attached to a heavy tank outfit fighting in Korea.

A SNEER FOR THE WEST



Panmunjom, Korea—With typical Communist arrogance, North Korea Gen. Chang (left) answers correspondent's questions by a sneering grimace as newsman tries to learn progress of Korea armistice parley at village of Panmunjom. The correspondent is Bob Vermillion. With Chang is a Red liaison officer.