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## 4-H Achievement Day Scheduled Here Saturday

The Achievement Day program of all 4-H Clubs of the county will be held in the court house here Saturday morning. Ten o'clock has been set as the beginning time of the joint meeting.

The program has been announced as follows:

Club Pledge and Motto, led by Joyce Wilson, presiding officer; song, "It's A Good Time To Get Together"; welcome, E. L. Dillingham; devotional, Rev. David Swartz; song, "O, Little Town of Bethlehem"; recognition of parents, leaders and guests, David Gillespie; roll call by clubs; Earl Lene Bryan; introduction of speaker, O. H. Phillips Assistant State 4-H Leader; guest speaker, Miss Elizabeth Guice; presentation of awards Home Agent, Mary Hele; Neill and Assistant County Agent T. S. Godwin.

The principal speaker, Miss Elizabeth Guice, is from Henderson County and is one of the outstanding 4-H members in North Carolina. During the summer she spent several weeks in Europe under the International Farm Youth Exchange Program. She is now a sophomore at the University of Tennessee.

## LAST RITES HELD FOR MRS. ALLEN SHUFORD

Funeral services for Mrs. Allen Shuford, 61, of Celso, who died Friday morning in an Asheville hospital after a long illness, were held Sunday at 2:30 p. m. in Brown's Creek Baptist Church.

The Rev. Arnold Wilson and the Rev. Sewell Woody officiated and burial was in the Ray Cemetery.

Surviving are the husband; seven step children, Mrs. Vernon Burleson of Barnardsville, Mrs. Arnold Whetstone of Glenwood, Mrs. John McNeil of Marion, Bill Shuford of Barnardsville, Molt Shuford of Weaverville and John Shuford of Mills River.

Also three sisters, Mrs. Herbert Ogle of Celso, Mrs. Sallie McMahan of Vixen and Mrs. Mollie Huskins of Asheville; one brother, C. A. McMahan of West Asheville; two half-brothers, Azain Ray and Barnett Ray of Celso.

## YANCEY NATIVE DIES IN OKLAHOMA

Dr. George M. Holcombe, 65, a native of Yancey County recently passed away at his home in Okeene, Oklahoma, according to information received here.

Dr. Holcombe, born at Bald Creek in 1885, was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Holcombe. He received a degree from Wake Forest College in 1914 and a degree in medicine from Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., in 1916.

Following World War I, in which he served as a commissioned officer, Dr. Holcombe moved his family to Okeene where he served as a physician and surgeon until his retirement.

Among the survivors is one sister, Mrs. S. M. Hughes, who lives in Burnsville.

## Pfc. Carl Peterson Arrives In Korea

Pfc. Carl F. Peterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peterson of Day Book, recently arrived in Korea. He is serving with the Third Army there.

Pfc. Peterson was one of the first men to be called in the last Selective Service Act. Before going overseas, he was stationed at Ft. Benning, Ga.

## BALD CREEK PTA TO MEET TUESDAY

The Bald Creek Parent-Teacher Association will have a meeting on Tuesday, December 18 at the school.

A musical program will be presented by children of the school at this regular December meeting. The program will include numbers presented by the Rhythm Band, the Flutophone Band, and the Tonette Band. Besides the instrumental selections, a Christmas cantata will be given, as well as special selections by both glee clubs.

The public is cordially invited to attend the program.

## PARKWAY LINK OPEN FOLLOWING SLIDE

G. P. Hultman, District Ranger on the Blue Ridge Parkway reported this week that the link of road between Buck Creek Gap and Gillespie Gap has been opened again for travel.

That part of the Parkway has been closed since early in November because of a slide occurring just north of Crabtree Meadows picnic area.

It was estimated before the obstruction had been cleared, that approximately 1,500 yards of dirt and stone had slipped on to the roadway. The slide was caused from heavy rains, freezing and thawing.

## MICAVILLE CAPTURES TWO GAMES FROM HARRIS HIGH SCHOOL

Micaville High School cage teams won both games against Harris High School of Spruce Pine Tuesday night. The girls racked up 50 points while the visiting team scored only 28. The boys won with a smaller margin, the score being 43-36.

Anna Ballew and Hope Young tied with 17 points to lead the Micaville girls in scoring, while Peggy Ross of Harris High chalked up the same number of points to lead her team.

Simmons with 13 points and Young with 11 were out front for the victorious Micaville boys. Ellis led the losers with 11.

## INTEREST GROWING IN CHRISTMAS DECORATION CONTEST

The closing date for entering the Christmas Decorating Contest has been extended to December 20, according to Mrs. Hobart Ray, chairman of the Legion Auxiliary Decoration Committee. A ruling was first established by the committee that the contest could be entered at any time from December 1 through December 15. Extension of the entry date was made so that persons who plan to decorate their homes only a few days before Christmas will be able to enter.

Mrs. Ray pointed out that the term "outside decoration" used in describing the contest did not mean that it was necessary to have outside decorations. Window or door decorations are permissible, she said. It is necessary, however that all scenes or lights be placed so that judging may be done from the outside.

Persons entering the contest since last week include Mrs. D. I. Burhoe, Mrs. John W. Brown, Mrs. Mark Bennett, Mrs. Lon Roberts, Mrs. Yates Bennett, Mrs. E. W. Koenig and Mrs. R. A. Howell.

Judging will be done on the 21 and 22 of December. Judges will consist of disinterested persons.

## 'Christ Of Nazareth' To Be Shown At Baptist Church Sunday Night

Dr. William Gladden, teacher of The Confederates of Christ-17 and 18-year-old boys of Sunday School in the First Baptist Church here, announced this week that the religious picture, "Christ of Nazareth", will be presented by members of the class Sunday night, December 16. The program will begin at 7:30 p. m. and everyone is invited to attend.

The boys are presenting the picture by their own efforts. During the past several days they have been taking orders for Christmas trees and will pay the expense of showing the film with money received from the sale of trees.

## SUPERVISORS TO INSTRUCT TAX LISTERS

Chapel Hill, N. C. — The 1,200 township list takers in North Carolina will receive instruction aid from the University of North Carolina's Institute of Government in preparation for the listing January 1 property subject to county and municipal taxation, it was announced here today.

The program of instruction will be given in more than 90 of the 100 counties in the State on Monday, December 17, under the sponsorship of the Institute and the State Tax Supervisors Association.

In each county the tax supervisor is acting as instructor and will use as his textbook the Institute's Guidebook for List Takers and Assessors, compiled by Henry Lewis of the Institute's staff.

Carl Young of Day Book is tax supervisor in Yancey County.

## Eva Boatwright's Orchestra To Play For Dance Here

The entertainment committee of the American Legion announced this week that Eva Boatwright's orchestra will play for the Legion sponsored dance on December 28. Miss Boatwright and orchestra are from Asheville.

## CHEROKEES TO GET AID PROGRAM

Cherokee—A long-term constructive aid program to benefit the Cherokee Indians in Western North Carolina is being launched by the Cherokee Historical Association.

Aimed at raising the living standards of the Cherokee, the program has been made possible by the success of the association-sponsored drama, "Unto These Hills", which in two years has provided the Cherokee Indians approximately \$100,000 in salaries.

The constructive aid program (Continued on back page)

## County Short On Blood Quota, Says Chairman

J. J. Nowicki, chairman of the Red Cross Blood Recruitment Program of Yancey County, announced this week that the blood mobile unit from Asheville will be in Burnsville on Friday, December 21, from 10 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. The unit will operate in the Higgins Memorial Church during this visit instead of in the Legion Building.

The chairman pointed out that at the present time the Armed Forces need an average of 300 thousand pints per month and that the national average of donations per month reach only 36 thousand pints.

Yancey County has fallen far short of its quota, he said. And because of the lack of

## QUADRUPLE AMPUTEE TO WED



Oakland, Cal.—Love transcends the tragedy of war as Marine Sgt. Walter Reinger 22, who lost parts of four limbs in Korea, and Jeanette Stretton, 21, reveal their engagement amid smiling embrace. Couple will marry in June.

## COURT OF HONOR

The monthly Boy Scout Court of Honor for the Toe River District was held December 11 in the new South Toe River School near Celso.

Chairman of the court was Dr. C. F. McRae of Burnsville. The invocation was given by C. B. Bennett, principal of the school.

The court clerk was Kelton Geouge, the colors were advanced by Glenn Westall, and the Pledge to the Flag was led by Don Sparks, all scouts of the Celso Troop.

Tenderfoot rank awards were presented by Bob Gardner, Scout Executive of the Daniel Boone Council, to Gary Lee McAlister and Scotty Greene of Spruce Pine, and Doran T. Robbins and Michael M. Stewart of Pineola.

Second class rank awards were presented to Thomas L. Geouge and Paul D. Geouge of Celso by Carl Stewart of Pineola.

Merit badges were presented by Dr. William M. Gladden of Burnsville. Those receiving badges were Frank Lewis, for cooking; Joe Coletta, for physical development and safety; Charles Buckner, for physical development and safety; and David Buckner, for pathfinding, bookbinding, animal industry, physical development, and surveying. All boys receiving merit badges were from Burnsville.

Scoutmasters present at the Court of Honor were Wendell Hinkey of Celso, Tom Bass of Burnsville, D. M. Nichols of Spruce Pine, and Carl Stewart of Pineola.

Edward T. Robbins of Pineola, commissioner for the Toe River District, was present.

Special recognition was given Scout Jerry Arnold of Spruce Pine, who recently received the God and Country award for service to his church.

## BURNSVILLE TEAMS SPLIT GAMES WITH TIPTON HILL

Burnsville High School basketball teams split games last Tuesday night when they met Tipton Hill High School at Tipton Hill. The boys fought out a victory with a final score of 41-39, while the girls lost a hard fought game, 42-41. Both games were won in the final quarter of play.

Slagle, on the rival girls' team looped in 24 points to lead both teams in the scoring. Higgins of Burnsville led the losers with 18 points, while McCurry followed close behind with 14.

Perkins led the Burnsville boys to victory by scoring 19 of the 41 points. Street was high score man for Tipton Hill with 10 points.

Burnsville girls: Brinkley, Higgins, McCurry Wilson, Peterson, and Evans. Tipton Hill girls: Slagle, Stanley, Hughes, Byrd, Whitson, McCurry and Harrell.

Burnsville boys: Higgins, Burton, Perkins, Banks, Silver, Robinson, and Taylor.

Tipton Hill boys: J. C. Street, Honeycutt, Whitson, M. Street, Hopson and Perkins.

Tomorrow night (Friday) the local teams will meet Harris High of Spruce Pine on the home court.

## Miss McCurry Elected As Officer In College Club

Berea, Ky.—Miss Elbise McCurry, a senior in Berea College, Berea, Kentucky, has been elected Treasurer of the Agriculture-Home Economics Club at the college.

Miss McCurry is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. McCurry of Bee Log, N. C. She graduated from Bee Log High School in 1948.

J. L. Dowdee of Charlotte was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Roberts here this week.

## State Patrolman To Fight Christmas Accidents

Raleigh—The State Highway Patrol is readying its forces for an all out fight against traffic accidents in the weeks before Christmas.

Colonel James R. Smith, Highway Patrol Commander, said the 500 men of the Patrol in every county of the State have received orders to "enforce every motor vehicle regulation to the limit," in an effort to cut down auto fatalities during the holiday season.

Beginning next week, Smith said, the officers will take on another job in addition to their regular patrol duties. Christmas courtesy cards prepared by the Department of Motor Vehicles bearing a word of caution will be passed out by the patrolmen. The Department has ordered approximately 60,000 of the cards and they will be shipped to patrol headquarters over the state soon. Smith said his men will begin distributing them to motorists along with a personal word of advice to drive carefully.

Pedestrians will figure in the patrol's program, too. Smith especially warned against drinking and wandering up and down the highway. He also cautioned pedestrians walking on the highway to face oncoming traffic and not stand on the pavement to thumb rides.

"The commonplace practice of soliciting rides from the shoulder of the road is particularly dangerous at this time of the year," Smith said. "With longer hours of darkness and generally bad weather it is difficult for drivers to spot people on foot. It's best not to walk along the highway at night unless it's absolutely necessary."

Traffic deaths in North Carolina are approaching the 1,000 mark, the Patrol Commander pointed out. There's a good chance that the State's 1,000th fatality will occur during the Christmas season unless every motorist and pe-

destrian cooperates with men of the Highway Patrol and other enforcement officers, Smith said.

"Our men, he said, "have instructions to spend every moment possible patrolling the highway throughout December."

Special efforts will be made, Smith said, to see that every car, truck and bus on the road observes the State's legal speed limit. Close attention will also be paid to vehicles with faulty equipment, bad lights and other mechanical defects. Drivers of such vehicles are subject to arrest and the patrolmen have orders to rigidly enforce Motor Vehicle Laws.

## CAMP OWNERS SHOW BURNSVILLE FILM IN NORTH

Mr. and Mrs. James Bingham, owners and operators of Camp Mt. Mitchell for Girls here, returned to their home in Jacksonville, Fla. last week for a short stay.

They recently returned from a trip into several states in the North where they were on business in behalf of the camp. During the business trip, the color film of Camp Mt. Mitchell and Burnsville in general, which was filmed late last summer by Cliff Cleveland, was shown in such places as Hazard, Ky., Philadelphia and New York City.

Arrangements were made in Hazard, Ky., for the picture to be shown in a private home; but when time came to show, so many people were present that they were forced to have the showing in a church auditorium, the Bingham reported.

Great interest was shown in the camp and in Burnsville by people who saw the picture, and especially by parents who have had children attending camp in the past.

The picture—besides showing business places, people of the town and color scenes of surrounding mountains—includes snow scenes filmed last winter and a water ballet given by campers last season.

## TRUCE TALKS DRAG ON



Panmunjom, Korea—Framed by bayoneted rifle in hand of Communist guard, Gen. Nam Il, senior North Korean delegate to the still-fruitless Korea truce parleys, arrives for another unproductive session. Though peace seems no nearer than in July when talks started, endless "negotiating" continues.

## U. S. Needs Civil Defense

### TEN BASIC SERVICES FORM CORE OF HOME FRONT PROTECTION

(This is the ninth 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.)

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The Federal Civil Defense Administration, for the sake of national uniformity, has set up these ten basic services: Warden, Fire, Police, Health, Welfare, Engineering, Rescue, Communications, Transportation, and Staff. You can imagine what a gigantic task it will be to man these various services. Some 15,000,000 volunteers are needed for this purpose.

The backbone of civil defense is the warden service. It is the source of neighborhood defense leadership before, during and after an enemy attack. The warden's job is to help save lives and property. Before an emergency, his main duty is to help people prepare; during an emergency, he conducts people to safety; after the emergency, he helps restore order.

Wardens must be volunteers, well known and respected in the community, whose leadership will be accepted by their neighbors and fellow workers. As a general rule, each warden post will be responsible for a residential block or factory area where about 500 people live or work. Several wardens may be assigned to such a post.

They will teach people how to protect themselves, instruct them in civil defense regulations, distribute civil defense information, keep lists of the people in their charge, and gather information about buildings and equipment in their neighborhoods.

Their records will include the home address, age, and physical condition of all persons in their charge. They also should know which people need special care and how to get in touch with their relatives and friends.

Other Important Duties  
Wardens have other important duties too. If a warning sounded, they would conduct workers or the

occupants of buildings to shelter areas. They would have the responsibility of helping to prevent panic among the population, rendering first aid, and performing light rescue duties. If needed, they would help other services to fight fires and clear debris.

They also would help restore the orderly life of the community immediately after an enemy attack. They would take a roll call of all people in their areas. If anyone were missing, or needed nursing or medical care, they would report the facts at once to the control center.

The warden service works directly with individuals, families, neighborhoods, and employee groups. It is the link between the specialized civil defense services and the people.

Women Have Important Role  
Women must play an important part in the warden service. This is especially true of housewives, for most women are at their home posts day and night. Usually they know their own neighborhoods better than men can ever know them. Women should interest themselves in the warden service as a first step in the organization of civil defense for their neighborhoods.

Outstanding men and women who can assume responsibility are urged to volunteer for the warden service.  
(The next article will discuss other civil defense services.)