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## Thousands Attend Jubilee Climax

Thousands of people thronged to Burnsville Monday to climax the Trade at Home Jubilee sponsored by business establishments here. Sunshine and a balmy temperature helped in bringing out the old and young alike to swell the crowd to from 3000 to 5000 before the day was over.

The exodus to Burnsville started early in the morning and continued well into the afternoon. By 3 o'clock traffic was moving at a snail-pace and parking space within a quarter of a mile from the center of town was not to be had. Automobiles were parked double and triple on side streets where space permitted, while single lines of vehicles formed on both sides of every street leading from town.

When proceedings began for the giving of 62 prizes contributed by the 32 sponsoring merchants, ranging

in value from \$4.80 to \$169.50 nearly all comfortable standing space was taken on the square. Small boys viewed the scene from atop the base holding Otway Burns' statue while others sat in and on automobiles parked on the street.

John English commanded the public address system during the jubilee highlights with appropriate wise-cracking and very proper announcing.

After all activities of the jubilee ended, Policemen Boone and Peterson and Patrolman Welch had a difficult task in routing automobiles out of town without mishap. Within an hour following the climax, most out-of-town visitors were on their way home and traffic was again at a Christmas Eve normal.

Some older residents said Monday's crowd was the largest Burnsville had ever seen.

## WINNERS NAMED IN DECORATION CONTEST

Mrs. John W. Brown of Burnsville and Mrs. Rassie Howell of Bald Creek were named as first place winners in the American Legion Auxiliary sponsored Christmas Decoration Contest. Mrs. Brown took first prize in the city limits and Mrs. Howell's prize was for the best decoration outside of town.

Second prizes in town and outside of town were won by Mrs. Lon Roberts and Mrs. T. M. Tyner, while third places were won by Mrs. James W. Ray and Mrs. L. C. Easter. Mrs. John English of Burnsville received honorable mention.

Scenes used by Mrs. Brown were of the Manger Scene and Shepherds. One window was used for each of the scenes. Mrs. Howell won first prize for the county with a Manger scene.

The prizes were given by Feltz Furniture Company in Burnsville. First prize in town and county was \$50.00 each, second prize \$25.00 and third prize \$10.00.

Members of the Auxiliary expressed their gratitude to Feltz Furniture Company for helping to stimulate so much interest in the beautification of homes during the holiday season. They also expressed thanks to those who entered the contest.

Mrs. Hobart Ray, chairman for the Auxiliary Decoration Contest, voiced sincere appreciation in behalf of the committee and the auxiliary as a whole for the outstanding way the judging was carried on. The judging, which was done Saturday night, was carried out by Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dent and Mrs. S. S. McMurry of Spruce Pine.

## FINAL RITES HELD FOR CURTIS MILLER

Funeral services for Curtis Miller, 73, a retired farmer of Swiss, who died Friday morning in an Asheville hospital after a brief illness, were held Saturday at 2 p. m. in Ivy Gap Baptist Church.

The Rev. Lester Edwards and the Rev. Morris Banks officiated and burial was in Buckner Cemetery.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Auburn Shepherd of Swiss; one son, Mack Miller of Swiss; six stepsons; and three grandchildren.

## Westall Completes Sonar Training

Leland M. Westall, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan B. Westall of Burnsville, has completed a five-day course of instruction at the Submarine Sonar Operators' School at Key West, Fla., in a short absence from his regular duty aboard the submarine USS Sea Leopard with the Atlantic Fleet.

The Sea Leopard recently completed a six-week training exercise which included a visit to Cuban and Caribbean ports. Interesting stops on the colorful itinerary were Havana, Cuba; Key West, Fla.; and Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

In Havana, the crewmen visited the famous cigar factories, perfumers and alligator goods factories. They also witnessed the even-more famous Rhumba.

## PRESBYTERIAN NEWS

There will be no preaching services at the Estatoa or Micaville Presbyterian Churches on December 30. Thomas Young will preach at 11:00 at the Newdale Church that Sunday.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the January 6 service at Newdale.

During the months of January, February, and March 1952 these churches will be enlisted in the Tithing Adventure of the Presbyterian Church. The goal of this campaign is to complete the Five Year Presbyterian Program of Progress, the aim of which has been to revitalize the program of the Church both at home and on the Foreign Mission field.

## 100 PINTS OF BLOOD DONATED FRIDAY

Two-thirds of the quota set for blood donation was reached in last Friday's drive made by several organizations in Burnsville. The quota was 150 pints and 100 pints were donated by citizens of Burnsville and Yancey County.

The Red Cross Mobile Unit of the Western Region of North Carolina operated in the basement of the Methodist Church from 10 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Members of the sponsoring organizations worked in teams throughout the day on the streets soliciting donors, while others kept telephones busy asking residents to make donations.

Several men in and around Burnsville hit the gallon mark with this visit of the blood mobile. Many others made one more donation toward a gallon, while hundreds and hundreds over the county have failed even to give a thought to the cause.

One family donated five pints of blood, while a sixth member was turned down because of a physical condition. With even a few more families like that our Blood Bank would be in a position out of danger of depletion.

The quota of 150 pints is the amount this county has been using every three months, on an average. The failure of this county in making the quota means the necessity of using blood from the quota of some other county.

## YANCEY NATIVE DIES IN McDOWELL

Harvey W. Presnell, 74, a native of Yancey County died at his home in Hanks Saturday after a long illness.

Funeral services were conducted in Baldwin Avenue Free Will Baptist Church, Marion, Monday at 11 a. m. The Rev. J. F. Floyd officiated and burial was in the Strouttown Cemetery.

Among the survivors are several cousins in this county.

## U. S. Needs Civil Defense

### VOLUNTEERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROTECTING THE HOME FRONT

(This is the eleventh 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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All persons experienced in work having to do with health or medicine, others who can be trained in special weapons defense (against atomic, biological, and chemical warfare), are needed for the civil defense Health Service. Their big job will be to care for the injured, and protect the health of a city after an attack. In addition, many more volunteers will be needed for various duties under the direction of professional people, such as doctors and nurses, in the local civil defense organizations.

The Health Service also must have thousands of persons trained in more than just first aid who can be organized for definite jobs at first aid stations, and women volunteers who have taken courses in home nursing and nurses' aide. Men will be needed as litter bearers, ambulance personnel, hospital orderlies and attendants, supply handlers, and maintenance workers.

Defense against disease and gas warfare, and against radiological contamination will need extra food inspectors, and sanitation workers. Radiological monitoring teams will need teachers, or advanced students of physics and other related subjects, as team leaders, and high school graduates who have studied elementary physics, and radio repairmen, who can serve as members of such teams.

Other volunteers are needed for clerical work, to keep records of the ill, the injured, and the dead, to aid in the procurement of blood for the blood service under the charge of the American Red Cross, and to be trained as assistants in laboratory work.

## Last Rites Held For John Riddle

Funeral services for John Riddle, 76, a retired farmer, who died Tuesday at the home of Walter Davis of Greenville, Tenn., was held Friday at 10 a. m. in Bee Log Baptist Church.

The Rev. Gilbert Adams officiated and burial was in Watts Cemetery.

Surviving are seven brothers, Tom of Erwin, Tenn., Grant of Mars Hill, Richard of White Mountain, Sam and Jeter of Buncombe County, Jim and Floyd of Madison County; two sisters, Mrs. Martha Freeman of North Carolina and Mrs. Sam Lee of Greenville, S. C.

## MISS STYLES TO REPRESENT WARREN WILSON AT STUDENT CONFERENCE

Miss Dean Styles of Cane River has been named a delegate from Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, to the 16th Quadrennial Conference of the Student Volunteer Movement in Lawrence, Kansas, December 27 to January 1. She will be one of nearly 2500 young men and women to meet on the University of Kansas campus for what has been described as the year's largest and most widely representative student conference under interdenominational patronage.

In addition to U. S. and Canadian students from 700 colleges and universities, the meeting will include over 200 students from foreign lands, and 200 missionaries, student leaders and church executives who will provide the Conference leadership.

Among the eminent speakers who will address the group are Dr. John S. Badeau, Cairo, Egypt, Mr. Eduardo Mondlane of Portuguese East Africa, and Miss Clea Machado of Brazil.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Clevenger of Oak Ridge, Tenn., were the guests of their son, Irliff Clevenger, and his family during the Christmas holidays.

## PROGRESSIVE FARMER HONORS THE NORTH CAROLINIANS

Birmingham, Ala. — Dr. Mary M. Sloop of Crossnore, Commissioner of Agriculture L. Y. Ballentine, and the Rev. Dumnt Clarke, religious director of the Farmers Federation in Asheville, N. C., have been honored by the Progressive Farmer magazine according to an announcement made in the January issue of the magazine pub-



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lished this week. Dr. Sloop, named earlier this year as American Mother of 1951, was honored because of the work she had done in promoting rural progress in the mountains of North Carolina since 1911.

L. Y. "Stag" Ballentine was named Man of the Year in service to North Carolina agriculture because of his actual farm work in addition to the fine job he is doing as Commissioner of Agriculture for the State. Dr. Clarence Poe, president and editor of the magazine said of Mr. Ballentine, "He is one of the few state officials who actively operates a farm—and can still do a first-class job of milking a cow."

Chief reason for honoring the Rev. Mr. Clarke is his work in promoting the Lord's Acre movement in the rural South. The Lord's Acre plan provides that each church member plant one acre of some crop and give the proceeds to the church.

"It is our hope," Dr. Poe said, "that this Man of the Year recognition of the incalculable values of the Lord's Acre movement, so long promoted by the man we now delight to honor, will cause many another Southern church to start a successful Lord's Acre plan in 1952."

## SOCIAL SECURITY FOR THE SELF-EMPLOYED

"If you work for yourself and are planning to include your name on the quarterly social security tax return you will file in January for your employees—don't." So says Glenn H. Pittenger, Manager of the Asheville Social Security Office.

Pittenger says that many self-employed businessmen who were brought under social security by the 1950 amendments are under the impression that they should report their net income quarterly in the same manner that their employees are reported. That isn't correct. Self-employed people report their own net earnings for social security purposes only once a year, at the end of the year when they make their individual income tax returns.

Everyone who has net earnings of \$400 or more in a year from trade or business must make the annual self-employment return and pay the self-employment tax. A form for making the return will be included with the income tax forms.

Although self-employed people do not make returns (Continued on back page)

## Duplan Is Closing Mill In Pennsylvania

New York—Mr. John K. Cochran, general mill manager of the Duplan Mills, has announced that the company is permanently closing the yarn throwing mill at Nanticoke, Pennsylvania. The yarn which has been thrown at this mill will be processed by four other throwing plants, three of which are in the southern states of North Carolina and Tennessee. The company has been enlarging the capacity of these mills during the past few years.

This move has already provided additional jobs for southern people. It is reported that one of the important reasons for the closing of the Pennsylvania mill is that it would require quite extensive changes in machinery and equipment to make it possible to process yarn at a cost which is low enough to be competitive with mills of other companies. The company executives feel that any new and improved machinery should be placed in southern mills where costs of production are less and which are

## STUDENTS TO HOLD SPECIAL SERVICE AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY NIGHT

Miss Hensley Will Sing That Morning

Miss Mary Evelyn Hensley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley D. Hensley of Bolens Creek, will be guest soloist at the First Baptist Church here Sunday morning. Miss Hensley, a senior at Meredith College, Raleigh, is one of the leading students at that institution. She is a member of the college Glee Club and other choral groups on the campus as well as being active in religious and social organizations.

During the past summer Miss Hensley aided the State Baptist Convention in holding Daily Vacation Bible Schools in Western North Carolina. The Sunday night service at the church will be conducted by college students home for the holidays. Miss Sarah Hamrick, Wake Forest College student, will lead the service.

Having students to conduct the last Sunday night service of the year has become a tradition of the church over a period of years. Rev. Charles Trammel, pastor, extends a special invitation to students and faculty members for this annual service.

nearer to many customers. In the past few years the company has built one large throwing mill at Winston-Salem, and has purchased and enlarged another at Cleveland, Tennessee. It has also extensively remodeled weaving mills at Lincolnton, and built a large new mill at Burnsville, N. C. Duplan now employs many southern people in six mills in three states compared to three mills in Pennsylvania.

## COUNTY RESIDENTS INVOLVED IN SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Five Yancey County persons were involved in an automobile accident early Sunday morning in which four soldiers from Ft. Bragg, enroute home for Christmas, were injured.

Mrs. Ray Hylemon of Bald Creek and her 4-year-old son were in Mission Hospital with head and face injuries. Dewey Byrd and Richard Byrd, both from the Jacks Creek section, were released following treatment. L. B. Jarrett, reported to be the driver of the Yancey County car, was uninjured.

The accident, which was described as a head-on collision, occurred only a few miles across the line in Madison County.

Jarrett was arrested and placed under \$5,000 bond.

## TWO INJURED BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION

Charles Bailey Jr., of the Red Hill section of Mitchell County is in a serious condition following an explosion of dynamite Christmas Day. One hand has been amputated and there is danger of the boy losing his eyes, reports say. His father, Charles, Sr., was also injured around the face and eyes from the explosion, but there is a good chance that his sight may be saved.

The accident occurred in their front yard as Charles Jr. tried to light a fuse connected to a stick of dynamite for a "Christmas gun."

The fuse failed to spew as a warning that it was lit and the boy was unable to throw it out of danger before the explosion occurred.

The Baileys are former residents of the Newdale section of this county.



West Frankfort, Ill.—Though deadly gases hampered their work, rescue workers are shown above preparing to descend into Orient Mine No. 2 where an explosion and fire took the lives of at least 119 last Friday.

Cecil Sanders, 44-year-old miner, survived the blast and fire of what has been described as the worst mine tragedy in 23 years.