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Wilson Building Ready For Opening

The Sam Wilson Building, next to the American Legion Memorial Building on Robertson Street, is being completed this week. Work has been carried on for several weeks in the building, giving it a general face-lifting as far as inside appearance is concerned. The American Legion, with the cooperation of the Legion Auxiliary, Woman's Club, and Men's Club, have carried on the repair work.

Complete cooking facilities are being installed. A stove, table and chairs, formerly equipping the club room at Roberts and Johnson Lumber Company, were purchased for installation in the newly renovated building. A refrigerator for the kitchen was donated to the American Legion by Roberts and Johnson.

Besides being used for a meeting place for the various clubs and organizations, the building will be available for public or private use for banquets, parties, dances, meetings and other uses.

The committee selected to be in charge of the building during the next three months consists of Mrs. D. R. Fouts from the Woman's Club, Mrs. J. B. King from the Legion Auxiliary, Max Penland from the American Legion, and G. Leslie Hensley from the Men's Club.

Bruce Westall has been named as the person who will have charge of the booking dates for the building by private individuals and organizations not on a regular meeting schedule.

All the clubs and organizations sponsoring the building will cooperate in holding a formal opening banquet in the near future. The public will be invited to attend the banquet.

RITEs PLANNED FOR MRS. C. M. GILBERT

Funeral services for Mrs. C. M. Gilbert, 42, of Burnsville, who died at her home Wednesday following a short illness, will be held at the home, Saturday at 2 p. m. The Rev. E. G. Adkins will officiate and burial will be in Holcomb Cemetery.

Surviving, in addition to the husband, are one daughter, Evelyn Gilbert of the home; five sisters, Mrs. Earl Ledford of Johnson City, Tenn.; Mrs. Talmie Letterman of Jonesboro, Tenn.; Mrs. Ralph Garland and Mrs. Dalton Garland of Baltimore, Md.; and Mrs. Arthur Silver of Burnsville; and one brother, Dewey Lewis of Johnson City, Tenn.

Newdale Student Wins Post-Graduate Study

The faculty of Columbia Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Decatur, Ga. has announced that Mr. Thomas Young of Newdale, has been awarded a fellowship entitling him to a year of post-graduate theological study. Mr. Young is one of five students so honored by the seminary faculty this year.

The citation for the award reads in part: This fellowship is awarded "on the basis of a distinguished record in scholarship at the seminary and of general promise for usefulness in the work of the ministry". Winners of fellowships may select to use them at any time within the next five years for graduate study at approved educational institutions of America or of Europe. Mr. Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Young of Newdale, is a graduate of King College, Bristol, Tennessee. He will graduate from Columbia Seminary on May 26.

The building is named in honor of Mr. Sam Wilson, who gave a generous donation to the Earl Horton Post of the American Legion here.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I wish to announce that I am a candidate for renomination for Member of the House of Representatives in the next General Assembly of North Carolina subject to the will of the Democratic Convention of April 19, 1952. During the 1951 Session of the General Assembly I tried in every respect to carry out the wishes of the people of Yancey County and if elected I shall do so in the next session.

I have never deceived or attempted to mislead the people of Yancey County in regard to my position on any public question. I have always contended that the people were entitled to know what they were voting for as well as who they were voting for.

I am opposed to the proposed Central High School for Yancey County. Regardless of the propaganda to the contrary Yancey County does not have sufficient funds to build and equip such school. Neither do we have suitable roads for such transportation as would be involved. If such plan is carried out a few people and firms in the Town of Burnsville will be benefited and the children in the rural sections of the County will be the victims.

The present high schools in the County are doing a great work. I think they should have greater support from the Superintendent and Board of Education. The people in the rural sections of the County should realize that if a Central High School is built as planned the Bald Creek High School, Bee Log High School, the Clearmont High School and Micaville High School will all be discontinued. Do the patrons of the four high schools outside the Town of Burnsville wish to see this done? Approximately 600 of your children in the high schools outside of Burnsville will be involved. If the people of Yancey County were consulted and permitted to vote upon this question such plan would most certainly be defeated. Why does the Superintendent of Schools, and the Board of Education persist in their attempt to proceed with such plan over the objection of the majority of the people of Yancey County? Why did they not explain the plan to the people before advertising for bids and not wait until they had been halted by a restraining order and then attempt to mislead the citizens?

The authority of all public officials comes from the people. Their wishes should be complied with and not circumvented or over ridden.

I am in favor of repealing the Old Age lien law. The little homes of many of the recipients is all they have to look to if they need to raise money for unexpected hospital expenses. With a lien in favor of the Federal Government, State and County on record against such property no private loans on such property can be expected. The part of an old age assistance grant paid by the county is very small. Most of the funds come from the Federal Government and the State. Only two other States have similar laws. Why should we oppress our aged and infirm to collect such moneys when some of the States receiving the most from the United States Government make no attempt to do so? I am in favor of a balanced budget, but I am opposed to the present plan.

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BILL ATKINS

FORESTRY MEN HOLD MEETING

Local woodsmen and saw mill operators will have a chance tomorrow to see how quickly a saw or an ax in their own hands will eat through a saw-log, according to E. L. Dillingham, who announced that wood chopping and sawing contests will be held at the demonstration meeting scheduled at Banks and Patton sawmill at Newdale. Champions will receive prizes, he said. The meeting will begin at 9 a. m.

In addition to the contests, several expert forestry men will give demonstrations of various operations required in forestry and sawing. John Gray, forestry specialist with the N. C. Extension Service, will demonstrate log scaling, and Dr. George Englerth of the Southeastern Experiment Station will discuss the operation of scaling. Fred Whitfield, Extension Forester of the Western District, Mr. Kiser of the State Forest Service, and Dr. Bethel of the State College Forestry School will demonstrate and discuss planting, selective cutting, and mill operation and maintenance.

Today approximately seventy farmers attended a livestock school held in the Yancey Theatre. Problems of production, feeding and management, and marketing livestock were discussed by extension specialists.

LAST RITES HELD FOR MRS. SALLIE HENSLEY

Funeral services for Mrs. Sallie Hensley, 76, who died Friday morning at her home in Pensacola following a short illness, were held Sunday at 2 p. m. in Laurel Branch Baptist Church.

The Rev. A. Z. Jamerson, the Rev. Grady Fender, and the Rev. H. M. Alley officiated. Burial was in the Penland Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Clyde Penland, Champ McMahan, John Ray, Grover Ray, Bobby Hensley and Billy B. Wilson.

Mrs. Hensley was a life-long resident of the Pensacola section and was a member of the Laurel Branch Baptist Church.

NURSES OF THIS AREA TO MEET IN ASHEVILLE

Miss Lula Craig, President of the North Carolina Nurses Association, District 1, announced this week that there will be a meeting of this district at the Asheville Court House at 4:00 p. m. on March 12, 1952.

A panel discussion on Structure Study of the American Nurses Association will be presented by the District Committee.

REPUBLICANS BEGIN CAMPAIGN PLANS

Much interest and enthusiasm were displayed at the initial county Republican Convention held at the Roberts and Johnson Club room last Saturday night, indicating full harmony and cooperation for the coming campaign. The meeting, which was held for the purpose of electing delegates to the district meeting and to name a candidate as a delegate to the National Republican Convention at Chicago.

The convention went on record as favoring State Senator Donald Banks of this county as a delegate to the Chicago convention. Banks announced himself as a candidate for delegate to the convention some weeks ago.

Approximately 60 men and women from all townships attending the meeting elected the following persons as representatives from Yancey County to the district meeting at Marion on March 15: Burnsville, Robert Presnell; South Toe, Fin Caraway; Green Mountain, Gus Bailey; Cane River, J. J. Nowicki; Brush Creek, C. W. Sparks; Jacks Creek, Lawrence Hall; Crabtree, Charles Hyatt; Price Creek, Emmett Ledford; Ramseytown, M. W. Higgins; Egypt, Allison Edwards; and Pensacola, Ramsey Riddle.

The Rev. Charles B. Trammel, pastor of the First Baptist Church here, is out again after being confined to his home this week with a severe case of flu, his daughter, Becky has also been ill for several days with flu.

TIPTON HILL, BAKERSVILLE WIN CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tipton Hill girls and Bakersville boys walked away with the Toe River Conference basketball championship trophies Saturday night.

The Tipton Hill girls defeated the Burnsville six in a hard fought game, ending with a 41-34 score. Bakersville boys defeated Cranberry, the defending champions, 46 to 31.

Byrd of Tipton Hill outscored the other girls on both teams, burning the net with 23 points. Olin Higgins led Burnsville girls, and was next high scoring player with 18 points.

Dick Baker of Bakersville was high score man in the second game with 19 points, while Callahan, also of Bakersville, displayed hot work on the floor. Odom scored 16 points for Cranberry.

Named on the girls' all tournament team were Olin Higgins, Burnsville; Jean Byrd, Tipton Hill; Alice Ramsey, Clearmont, forwards; and Alice Byrd, Tipton Hill; Watsson, Cranberry; and Hall Micaville, guards.

The boys all tournament team: Odom, Cranberry; Baker, Bakersville; Greene, Cranberry; Coffey, Newland; and Laws, Clearmont.

In the semifinals Friday night, Bakersville defeated Newland boys with a score of 64-45; Tipton Hill girls defeated Cranberry, 35-31; Cranberry boys defeated Micaville, 53-32; and Burnsville defeated Clearmont, 58-45. Olin Higgins lopped in 35 points for Burnsville girls, making an easy victory over Clearmont.

Blood Chairman Appeals For Donors

The Red Cross Blood Mobile unit is returning to Burnsville next Thursday and J. Nowicki, chairman of the local blood program for the American Red Cross has this to say concerning the program:

"The blood program is a community program, because it can serve anyone or everyone in the community. When you volunteer to give blood, you are not donating blood to the Red Cross itself. You are donating to an organization through which your blood is made available to a neighbor in the community or to the armed forces needing its life-saving and healing powers.

"The ultimate goal of the Red Cross National Program is to supply blood, or its products, whenever and wherever they are needed, without charge. There may be a laboratory and physician's fee for administering the blood, but there is never a charge for the blood itself supplied through the Red Cross.

"When we fail to supply

blood needed by our own communities, based upon actual usage of this county, then it is something that should be of great concern to us. We have faced each other in our own communities.

"The Red Cross mobile unit will visit Burnsville on Thursday, March 13, and will be located in the First Baptist Church from 11:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Come and help us meet our quota of 150 pints set for this visit."

The following persons are cooperating in recruiting donors for the program in their communities: Rev. D. B. Alderman, Rev. David Swartz, Rev. C. B. Trammel, Rev. Vaughn, Rev. Shankle, James Proffitt, Mrs. Roy Pate, Mrs. Clyde Whittington, Miss Margaret Calbeck, Dr. Ohle, Wayne Tipton, Mrs. Bill Gibson, Rev. Jamerson, Mrs. Luther Banks Sr., Dr. Walter M. Ost, Mrs. Ed Hunter, Zeke Byrd.

Mrs. Pearson Riddle, Rev. Alred, Rev. Moffatt, Mrs. R. N. Silver, Mrs. Friel Young, Paul Buck, Mrs. Jack Hensley, Sherril Whitson, Gus Bailey, Mrs. Horace D. Ray Jr., Mrs. Ralph Edwards, Mrs. Woodard, Miss Jennie Proffitt, Don Burhoe, Carter Rhinehardt, Mr. Carson, E. H. Koenig, Frank Howell, Mrs. Jobe Thomas, and members of the Burnsville Lions Club, Men's Club, and American Legion.

INDEPENDENT TOURNAMENT GETS UNDER WAY

Coaches Five of Asheville took Clearwater for a 49-39 ride in the opening game of the third annual independent basketball tournament here Tuesday night. Fullams of Canton swamped Morgan Manufacturing with a 73-35 score in the second game.

Coaches Five, led in scoring by Colagerakis with 16 points, took an early lead in the first game. They racked up a 15-point lead by half time and coasted to an easy victory over Clearwater.

Stamey led Fullams with 16 points, while Trull and Moore, if the same team, both followed with 13 points.

Last night Bald Creek All Stars defeated Tipton Hill Terriers in a game ending with a 2-point margin. Ledford of Bald Creek was high score man in that game with 14 points. Edwards followed with 13 for Tipton Hill.

In the second game Cullowhee College Shop ran roughshod over Crosnore All Stars with an ending score of 65-29. Ray of Cullowhee scored 14 points for high honors.

Two games each night will be played through Saturday when finals will be played.

CASH NAMED TO REPLACE BASS IN FHA OFFICE HERE

Joseph B. Cash has accepted the position of assistant supervisor for the Farmers Home Administration here. He is replacing Thomas Bass who recently resigned to take another position.

Cash, a native of Rutherford County, came here from Shelby where he has been working with FHA for several months. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Cash of Forest City. A veteran of World War II, Cash spent three years in service with the U. S. Air Force.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree in animal husbandry at State College and as a student there he was a member of Alpha Zeta, honorary agricultural fraternity, the Agriculture Club and the Animal Industry Club.

Cash has moved into the house near the Methodist Church recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Dale Banner.

Bass, former assistant supervisor in the FHA office here, accepted a position as office manager for McNair's Field Tested Seed Company of Laurensburg.

Committeemen Named At Stockholders Meeting

At the annual stockholders meeting of the Farmers Federation held at their warehouse here last Saturday, G. McClure Clark, executive vice-president of the cooperative organization, told stockholders that poultry and eggs being produced in this area were being shipped all over the southeastern United States. Bryan Collins, farm managing specialist of the N. C. Extension Service, was a visitor to the meeting and discussed with farmers and stockholders the distribution of TVA fertilizers in this and other counties.

Tom Ray and Wilson Edwards were re-elected to represent local stockholders in the Asheville stockholders meeting. The following were elected as Yancey County committeemen of the organization: H. W. Higgins, Grover Robinson, Sam Hilemon, A. P. Hon-

eycutt, John Hannum, Lester Bailey, E. N. Stamey, Dr. W. L. Bennett, Thad Ray, Grover Anglin, T. K. Riddle, Joe Lewis, G. Dewey Ray, Roscoe Banks, W. R. Robinson, Charles Thomas, T. H. Phoenix, J. R. Ferguson and Clate Ray.

Rev. Dumont Clark gave a report on the Lord's Acre program sponsored by the organization. Music was furnished by the Farmers Federation String Band.

Both officials and stockholders joined in praising Norman Barnett, manager of the local warehouse, for the way business had been conducted during the past year and for the condition of the store.

John N. Presnell is critically ill at his home at Newdale.

Robert Presnell is confined to his home this week due to a severe case of flu.

TRY "MOSQUITO" HELICOPTER



Washington, D. C.—The army this week revealed development of new-type helicopter, XH-26, which can be dropped by larger planes, unpacked by two men and put in air in 20 minutes. Tiny craft holds two, weighs 300 pounds.

SEEKS PRESIDENCY



Washington, D. C.—Sen. Richard B. Russell (Democrat) of Georgia announces he will seek his party's Presidential nomination. Russell's "state's rights" platform may draw Southern support away from Sen. Estes Kefauver and President Truman if he runs.

LAST RITES HELD FOR MRS. W. M. MCCURRY

Funeral services for Mrs. Will M. McCurry, 51, of Candler Rt. 2, who died in an Asheville hospital Friday following an operation, were held at the Green Mountain Church Sunday at 2:00 p. m.

The Rev. Garrett Propps officiated and burial was in the McCracken Cemetery.

Surviving, in addition to the husband, are one daughter, Mrs. Geneva Matthews of Candler; one son, Dock McCurry of Burnsville; five sisters, Mrs. Pansy Letterman and Mrs. Sudie Letterman of Asheville, Mrs. Biddie Wallace of Chesnee, S. C., Mrs. Laura Mitchell of Burnsville and Mrs. Cora Ray of Micaville; five brothers, Sol, Wess, Oscar and Charlie Fox of Burnsville and Kell Fox of Oteen, N. C.