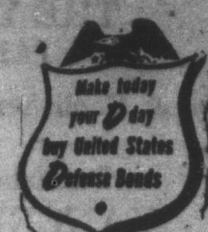




# THE YANCEY RECORD



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## BIDS ON PROPOSED SCHOOL BLOCKED AGAIN

### Red Cross Plays Part In Community Health

The District Health Department feels that this is a suitable time to point out a relationship which is unknown to the public as a whole, between the immune globulin now being widely used in the measles epidemic, and the American Red Cross Donor Program. In recent weeks, several hundred children who had been exposed to measles have been given injections of the globulin, in order to lessen the severity of the disease, if they should break out with it. This has been done both by the District Health Department and by the practicing physician.

This globulin comes from the Red Cross. It is derived solely from blood supplied by volunteer donors. Thus these donors may have the satisfaction of knowing that they are not only supplying blood for wounded American soldiers in Korea, and for patients needing it in hospitals here at home, but that they are also making it possible for their children or their neighbors' children to be protected at least partially from the effects of measles.

The Health Department and the private physicians of this district feel that if this were generally known it would encourage more persons to volunteer as blood donors, especially those whose children have benefitted from having

been given the immune globulin.

Any man or woman in average health can donate a pint of blood without ill effect. A thorough check is made of all volunteers to make sure that their physical condition is up to normal. Before they are accepted as donors. Persons between 18 and 21 years of age must have written permission from their parents in order to become donors.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in the basement of the First Baptist Church Friday from 11:00 a. m. to 5:30 p. m.

### SMOKY MOUNTAIN BOYS TO PLAY FOR DANCE ON JULY 5th

Mrs. Ira West who heads the Yancey Betterment Association's square dances each Saturday night at the Burnsville Gymnasium announced this week that for the dance of Saturday, July 5, Gene Davis and his Smoky Mountain Wranglers will furnish the music. Davis' band is a four-piece string band and they are popular square dance musicians for Western North Carolina.

The Saturday night square dance is growing in popularity with both adults and children. Each week the crowd gets larger. Last Saturday night 102 paying customers took part. Children twelve years of age and younger are not required to pay admission.

### WOOL SOLD BY FARMERS

E. L. Dillingham reported this week that 27 Yancey farmers recently sold 2461 lbs. of wool through the wool pool sponsored by the County Agent's office. The wool brought a total of \$1,210.42 for an average price of 49c per lb.

This year's wool is much lower than the amount received by farmers in the pool last year. This drop in price could be caused by a general drop in raw wools several months ago, but which is not evident yet in finished products.

### Soil Conservation Referendum To Be Held

A referendum will be held in Yancey County to determine if the county will be organized into a Soil Conservation District to include all lands in the county under the provisions of the North Carolina Soil Conservation Districts Law.

All persons, firms and corporations who hold title to or have contracted to purchase any lands lying within this county are eligible to vote at the voting places or by mail.

So that farmers and other land owners may be instructed on the meaning of organizing the entire county under the soil conservation program, the following meetings have been scheduled in the high schools of these districts:

Micaville, Monday July 7; Burnsville, Tuesday July 8; Clearmont, Wednesday, July 9; Bald Creek, Thursday, July 10; and Bee Log, Friday, July 11. All meetings will be at 8:00 p. m.

Voting places which will be open from Saturday morning, July 12, through Saturday, July 19, for farmers of Yancey County have been designated as follows:

Brush Creek, Kenneth Johnson's Store and Lowe Thomas' Store; Higgins, Higgins Post

### WILDLIFE COMMISSION GIVES HUNTING DATES

The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission recently set official dates and bag limits for the 1952-53 hunting season. The only major change over last year's rules were a state-wide uniform season on wild turkeys, quail, and rabbits, and a more uniform season on squirrels. License will go on sale August 1 for next season.

Following are official dates and bag limits for game in this county by the commission: Bear: Open season October 15 through January 1, with a daily bag limit of one instead of two in some western counties. No bear weighing less than fifty pounds may be taken.

Deer: Yancey and surrounding counties will have three open seasons for deer, November 17-18, 24-26, and December 3-6. Daily bag limit, one; season limit, two.

Raccoon and opossum: October 15 through January 1. No bag limit except in some western counties.

Rabbits: State-wide open season from November 27 to January 31, with a daily bag of five, possession ten, and a season limit of 75.

Squirrels: October 1 to January 1, with a daily bag limit of eight, possession limit of sixteen, and season limit of 100. Local exceptions control some western areas.

Quail: State-wide season from November 27 through January 31, with a daily bag limit of eight, possession sixteen, and a season limit of 100. Grouse: October 15 through January 31, with daily bag limit three, possession six and thirty for the season.

### Dr. Ware To Speak At Methodist Church

Dr. R. Dwight Ware, District Superintendent of Methodist Churches for Asheville district, will speak at the 11:00 hour at the Higgins Memorial Methodist Church here Sunday.

Haston Presnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Presnell of Pensacola, was recently promoted to the rank of corporal. He is serving with the 351st Inf. Regt. in Italy.

Office; Bee Log, Bee Log Post Office and Pauline Hensley's Store; Little Creek, Bradford's Store; Bald Mountain, Bruce Fender's Store; Ramsaytown, Dove Adkins' Store and Ramsaytown Post Office; Sioux, Sherrill Whitson's Store; Green Mtn., J. W. Howell's Store; Toledo, Ramsey's Store; Relief, Fox's Store; Day Book, D. J. Peterson's; Coxes Creek, Edd Hipkin's Store; Upper Jacks Creek, Lat Evans' Mill.

Bald Creek, Proffitt's Store and Pate's Store; Cane River, Earl Wilson's Store; Swiss, Ingles Store; Ivy Gap, Clyde Ferguson's Store; Prices Creek, S. R. Hensley's Store; Miller Ledford's Store and Ollis Wilson's Store; Paint Gap, England's Store; Horton Creek, Penland's Store; Riverside, Ledford's Store; Burnsville, Lacy Johnson's Store; Farmers Federation, Deyton's Farm Supply, Ray Bros. Store, Stanley Bailey's Store and Dawson Briggs.

Viken, R. S. Ray's Store; Pensacola, Brooks Wilson's Store; Windom, Young's Store; Micaville, Silver and Dellinger; Newdale, Howell's Store; Celo, Chrisawn's Store and Celo Co-op; Hamrick, Hamrick Post Office.

### YOUTH DROWNED IN SOUTH TOE

Frank Brewer, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brewer of Newdale, was drowned in South Toe River above Hall's Chapel Sunday morning.

Brewer and two companions were said to have been swimming and playing with a small boat in the river at the time of the accident. The boat floated away from the three boys and they were trying to retrieve it when the Brewer boy became strangled and went under the surface. When he failed to come up, the other boys went for help.

His body was found an hour later and carried to Celo Health Center where Dr. E. R. Ohle failed to revive the boy by artificial respiration.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the Blue Rock Baptist Church, with the Rev. Charles Moffatt officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving, in addition to the parents, two sisters, Eloise and Jane; and four brothers, Billy Henry, Guernsey and Benjamin, all of the home.

### WORK ON HOSPITAL BEGUN

Actual construction has begun on Yancey Hospital. Concrete foundation footings were poured this week in preparation for the beginning of block and brick work which will start soon.

The removal of some more dirt from the site will be necessary before the walls may be started, but the small amount to be moved will be only a minor operation.

Material for the building has been no hold up on the beginning of construction. The greatest item in the delay has been in laying out suitable plans which will meet fire regulations and hospital association requirements.

D. M. Sholes and Harry Bowen, who worked out plans for the two story building, prepared blue print drawing and submitted them to State officials for approval. The first drawings needed some minor changes, according to Sholes. These changes are of a nature that will not hinder work on foundation and walls, however.

Reece McIntosh, head of the Hospital Funds Committee, said this week that donations were still coming in from every part of the county, but he said, much more cash will be required to fully complete and equip the building. McIntosh urges that persons planning to make a donation should do so at once. And he said every citizen of the county should contribute something, because the hospital will benefit every citizen.

Yancey County people, as well as those all over the country, have been undergoing a period of terrific heat since the official beginning of summer.

No official temperature reading is available in Burnsville, but the mercury has climbed as high as 96 degrees, according to some thermometers.

On the street here Wednesday morning a person was heard to say, "Whew, I don't see how anybody can stand to put up hay on a day like this."

"But you are not putting up hay," someone else said.

"No, but my brother is," he answered.

"That shouldn't hurt you." "That doesn't. But I have to change places with him this afternoon."

### MEMBERS NAMED FOR 4-H CLUB CAMP

Yancey County 4-H Members will camp next week with members from Macon, Clay and Cherokee. The members will be instructed in handicraft, recreation, electricity and swimming.

The following 4-H Members will attend: Darlene Proffitt, Wesley Parker, Jr., Steve Briggs, Jimmy Fortner, Johnny Howell, Richard Briggs, Danny Duncan, Della June Edwards, Stephen Brewer, Jimmy Lawhern, Carleton Higgins, Noel Higgins, Glennalee Howell, Johnny Ray, Harold Ray, Billy Joe Ray, Beverly Silvers, Dallas Peterson, Bob McKinney, Gerald Garland, Darius Hensley, Ray Whitson, Jerald Honeycutt, Alma Kay Letterman, Ronnie Grindstaff, Deola Jones, Charles Robinson, James Robinson, Nona Lee Robinson, Hugh Teague, John Bennett, and Keith Letterman.

Mrs. J. Frank Huskins of Raleigh underwent an operation in a Raleigh hospital recently, her condition is reported to be much improved and she plans to return to her home in Raleigh soon.

W. T. Tomberlin of Swiss is in an Asheville hospital for treatment.

### Miss Smith Wins In Queen Contest

Miss Zula Kate Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith of Burnsville, was crowned 1952 North Carolina Rhododendron Queen last Saturday. Miss Smith won the Queen Contest over 31 other entrants from North Carolina and Tennessee.

Other contestants from Burnsville were Nelda Peterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Peterson, and Llewellyn Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Ray.

Miss Smith, who was crowned by Belmont Winters of Banner Elk, won second place in the Burley Tobacco Queen Contest held in Asheville last year.

Miss Josephine Turner of Bakersville won second place in the Rhododendron Queen Contest.

Approximately 40,000 attended the sixth annual festival, which this year included a celebration for road improvements to the top of the Roan. The celebration began Saturday morning at Bakersville, "gateway to the Roan," and concluded at Carver's Gap.

Mayor Mark Bennett of Burnsville was a member of the

### Hearing Set For July 1

Judge Pless To Hear Case

An order signed by Judge W. K. McClean stopped, for the second time, the acceptance of bids by the Yancey County Board of Education to construct a consolidated high school. The order was signed by the judge on Thursday, June 19, but was not served until Saturday, the day contractors came here to place bids.

The action was brought by H. D. Young, Jennings Fox, Ed Hill, Lark Wright, Ralph Proffitt, Leslie Proffitt, and Sam Robinson against the "Board of Education of Yancey County, Jobe Thomas, Rush T. Wray, Everton B. Powell, and Frank W. Howell, Defendants."

The plaintiffs alleged that they "are citizens, voters and tax payers of the State of North Carolina, and are bringing this action for their own relief, and for the relief of all other citizens and tax payers of Yancey County and State of North Carolina similarly situated."

They also alleged that Rush T. Wray and Everton B. Powell are not legal members of the local board of education. And that the sum of money "is

wholly inadequate to provide adequate facilities for a consolidated high school building and in order to provide adequate facilities there would be required the expenditure of at least three times that amount."

The plaintiffs asked that an order "be issued restraining the Board of Education of Yancey County as a corporation from receiving bids for the construction of the proposed high school building and restrain Rush T. Wray and Everton B. Powell from attempting to act as members of the Board of Education of Yancey County."

The temporary order issued by Judge McClean stated "that the corporate defendant and each of the individual defendants be and are hereby restrained from executing any contract for the construction of a consolidated high school building at Burnsville, North Carolina until further orders from 'the Court'."

Nothing restraining Wray and Powell from acting in other matters pertaining to the Yancey County Board of Education was mentioned in the order.

Superintendent Howell contends that the North Carolina Public Law having to do with public contracts would insure completion of the building as planned if a bid were accepted. The law states that a bid cannot be accepted for an amount greater than the "sum available therefor." The sum available for construction of the building is over \$157,000. Once a contract is completed the responsibility for completion of the building would be upon the contractor.

Hearing on the restraining order has been set for July 1 at Marion before Judge Will Pless, Jr.

### LAST RITES HELD FOR J. HENRY LEWIS, 74

Funeral services for J. Henry Lewis, 74, retired farmer and lumberman, who died Friday night in an Asheville hospital following a long illness, were held at the home here at 2:30 Sunday. The Rev. Charles Trammel and the Rev. A. Z. Jamerson officiated. Burial was in the Holcombe Cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Pansy Peterson Lewis; a daughter, Mrs. J. C. Banks of Burnsville; two sons, Frank of Burnsville and James of Ramsaytown; a brother, E. L. Lewis of Erwin, Tenn.; and two sisters, Mrs. Nora Deyton of Green Mountain and Mrs. Dolly Piercy of Day Book, and five grandchildren.

Lewis was a 32nd. Degree Mason, was a Knight Templar and a Shriner.

### FORMER RESIDENT PASSES AWAY

Word has been received here that Mrs. Ada B. Elsen of Chattanooga, Tenn., who was born at Toledo, N. C. on January 22, 1881, daughter of the late T. W. and Martha Ann Bailey, died June 14, 1952 in Chattanooga.

She is survived by one daughter, Katherine Elsen Caldwell, Chattanooga, Tenn.; one son, Albert Eugene Bailey, Chattanooga; and five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all of Chattanooga; two brothers, D. C. Bailey and M. D. Bailey of Toledo; two sisters, Mrs. O. M. Robinson, Morganton, N. C. and Mrs. T. W. Ayers of Orlando, Fla.

### RANDOLPH ATTENDS FARM MEETING

John Randolph, president of the Yancey County Farm Bureau, left Wednesday for Washington with a group of WNC Farm Bureau officials to attend a hearing on a bill to allow reduction of allotments in burley and flu-cured tobaccos.

James E. Thigpen, director of P. M. A.'s Tobacco Branch, says that because of a prospective surplus acreage in both types of tobacco, allotments will probably have to be cut in 1953 from 10 to 20 per cent.

The N. C. Farm Bureau Directors have expressed favor of a reduction in acreage of not more than 15 per cent.

If decontrol of business, services, and commodities is carried in the fight in congress all controls of tobacco will be off. This would include decontrol of allotments, as well as price controls and supports.

Tobacco warehousemen throughout the burley belt predict that burley production and prices will be close to the records established by the 1951 crop.

The support level for 1951 was 49.8 cents per pound, while this year the minimum support will be at least 49.5 cents per pound.

Representatives of the burley tobacco industry say that some grower's habits of mingling grades in grading and packing baskets will seriously effect the continued use of burley in both foreign and domestic markets. Some handlers are requesting a lower support price for tobacco improperly prepared.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness and sympathy shown us at the death of our son and brother.

Ralph Brewer and Family