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Rural Health Conference Is Scheduled In March

A Rural Health Conference, the first meeting of its kind for this section, will be held in Asheville on March 24. The rural folks from all over Western North Carolina will be invited to come and discuss their health problems and how to solve them with a distinguished group of North Carolina doctors and educational leaders.

The Conference is being sponsored by the North Carolina Medical Society and will be an all day affair at the George Vanderbilt Hotel. The meeting will start at 10:00 a. m.

The aim of the Conference, according to Dr. H. A. Fathews, of Canton, Chairman of the Program Committee, is to acquaint the rural leaders with some of the existing health problems and what can be done to

help solve some of these problems by the people themselves.

Some of the subjects to come under discussion will be: Farm and Home Safety, Sanitation, Hospital and Surgical Insurance, Mental Health, Dental Health, Physical Examination, and Child Care, including Prenatal. The summary discussion at the end of the day will be handled by the Rev. Robert Stamey, President of Brevard College.

Special invitations have gone out to men's clubs, school groups, home demonstration clubs, community development clubs, and Farm Bureaus. An invitation has also been extended by the Medical Society to all interested individuals to attend the Conference.

Methodist Women Sponsor Mission Study Of India

A series of four mission study sessions on India, Pakistan and Ceylon will be held at the Martins Chapel in Newdale with the first session scheduled for Wednesday evening, February 23 at 7:30.

The first session will include a panel discussion in which Elmer Erickson of Spruce Pine will discuss the three main religions of the Indian countries, the Rev. Worth Royal will discuss the official attitude toward the Christian religion and the impact of Christianity on life in India. Dr. W. A. Y. Sargent will discuss the health situation there and Max Proffitt of Bald Creek will discuss agriculture and economics in India.

The worship service will be led by the Burnsville Methodist women. Mrs. Arle Brooks will be in charge of the discussions.

The remaining sessions will be held each Wednesday evening at the same time and place. The study series is sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

FUNERAL SERVICES

MRS. SAM MOORE

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning in Little Creek Church for Mrs. Sam Moore, 88, who died Monday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Johnny Miller of Swiss. The Rev. Elzie Robinson officiated and burial was in Williams Cemetery.

Surviving are the husband; five daughters, Mrs. N. E. Randolph of Bee Log, Mrs. Matt Higgins of Johnson City, Mrs. Erwin Hensley and Mrs. Miller of Swiss and Mrs. Ira Randolph of Virginia; four sons, Avery of Bee Log, Calvin and Bailus Moore of Asheville and Harley of Fletcher.

Arrangements were under direction of Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home.

MRS. PEARL P. BANKS

Mrs. Pearl Pleasant Banks, 66, formerly of Burnsville, died at her home on the Reidsville road recently. She was a native of Caswell county, the daughter of the late W. Dallas and Nannie Jones Pleasant. She was the wife of Carl L. Banks.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist church. Pallbearers were nephews: Earl Fox, Roger, Paul and George Banks, of Burnsville, J. C. Pleasant, of Marion, and Arthur Pleasant. Burial was made at the Mt. Hermon Baptist church cemetery on the Reidsville road.

Surviving are the husband and two sons, Claude and James, both of Leaksville; a daughter, Mrs. Henry Farrow, of Leaksville; two brothers, Wingate Pleasant, of Leaksville and John Pleasant, of Albuquerque, N. Mex., and five grandchildren.

Among relatives coming from a distance were her brother, John Pleasant; Mr. and Mrs. Connor Banks and son, Dickie, of Maryville, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pleasant, of Marion, Mrs. Hugh Banks, Floyd, Roger, Paul and George Banks and Earl Fox, of Burnsville, and a number from Danville, Va., and Reidsville.

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NAMED FRENCH PREMIER-DESIGNATE — President Rene Coty, in Paris, France, has named Pierre Pflimlin of the Popular Republican Party as premier-designate of France in a second attempt to end the government crisis in France. Businessman Antoine Pinay, a former premier, earlier notified Coty that he was unable to line up enough support to form France's 21st government since the end of World War II. Pflimlin was the only member of his party, the MRP, who voted for the expanding Western European Union, and thus was considered most acceptable to both the right wing and the socialists.

Deacon Fellowship Plans Meeting

The Deacon Fellowship group will hold their Quarterly Fellowship meeting with the First Baptist Church of Burnsville on Sunday, February 20th, at 2:30 p. m. Prof. B. M. Tomberlin will be the main speaker.

A good program has been arranged and it is hoped that Deacons from all the Baptist Churches will attend. All other interested people will find a welcome in this meeting. Pastors are also invited. The Deacon Fellowship Group meets once each quarter and in a different church.

YANCEY COUNTY BOYS TAKE HONORS IN TOBACCO SHOW

Edgar Wheeler of Route 1, Burnsville, and Keith Letterman of Day Book, both 4-H members, were the only entrants from Yancey County in the Junior Tobacco Show and Sale held in Asheville February 4. Both boys won honors in the event. Edgar Wheeler was awarded 2nd prize, consisting of a \$50 bond and \$20 cash; Keith Letterman was awarded a gold medal. Wheeler had planted 2 acres of tobacco with a yield of 792 pounds, which is at the rate of 3960 pounds per acre—the highest yield listed for any of the contestants. Letterman had planted .5 acres, yielding 644 pounds, with a per-acre yield of 1288 pounds.

The Junior Tobacco Show and Sale for next season will be much like this season's, with some minor changes, according

MRS. JOHN BOONE

Mrs. John Boone, 58, of Burnsville RFD 2, died at her home at 4 a. m. last Wednesday after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the Plum Branch Baptist Church at 2 p. m. Thursday.

Burial was in the family cemetery. Surviving are the husband; six daughters, Mrs. Jeanette Grindstaff, Mrs. Liddia McCracken, Miss Carsie Boone and Miss Vanquelin Boone, all of Burnsville RFD 2, Mrs. Madge Hollifield of Asheville and Mrs. Kathleen Harris of Marion; and a son, Landon, of Burnsville RFD 2.

to Assistant County Agent William Bledsoe. Only 4-H and FFA members in good standing are eligible to participate. Tentative dates are December 2 and 3 in the Walker Warehouse in Asheville. The show and sale will consist of three parts: crop display, 4-H and grading contest. Sponsors will be the N. C. Extension Service, Vocational Agricultural Dept., and Asheville Business men. Application blanks will be given out at the March 4-H meetings, the deadline for entry being April 15.

Each boy or girl entering the show and sale must fill in a special record book and practice sheet. The tobacco allotment is to be 2 acre or more and must be measured and certified by the County Agent's Office. The tobacco project must be kept separate from any other tobacco on the farm.

The stated purpose of the show and sale is to encourage young farmers to produce tobacco of high quality, to improve handling, sorting and display of an attractive product through the adoption of recommended practices in all phases of production and marketing.

Correction

The advertisement of The Northwestern Bank appearing in this week's Record contains an error. The bank does not pay 2 percent interest as stated. Instead it pays one and a half percent interest, plus the intangible tax, on savings accounts.

Pepper Sign Up Time Extended

County Agent E. L. Dillingham announced that Yancey County farmers have until the end of February to sign up for pepper growing allotments. Farmers interested in this should see the county agent.

Veteran's Counsellor Comes To Burnsville February 24

The North Carolina Veterans Commission will have a representative, Jack C. Winchester, District Officer, with the County Service Officer, in Burnsville, on Thursday, February 24, from 11 to 4 and with the County Service Officer in Bakersville, on Friday, February 25, from 8:30 to 2:30 to assist veterans and their dependents.

Mr. Winchester states the deadline for completing WW II veteran training is July 25, 1956 for almost all veterans, including disabled veterans, with a few special exceptions.

The deadline for Korean veterans entering school of training is before the end of three years following discharge, separation, or retirement from service. All Korean veterans have 120 days following separation from service in which to take up the waived service insurance or pickup the new insurance. Service-connected disabled Korean veterans have one year from the date Veterans Administration notifies of service connection established in which they may apply for special service insurance.

Many veterans have not filed claims for injury, illness, or disease conditions which resulted from service. This should be taken care of soon after release from active duty as it is less trouble to establish the conditions than years later. Get in touch with the Service Officer for assistance on these and other benefits, Winchester advises.

Tax Collector Schedule Given

Mrs. Sam J. Huskins, deputy collector of the state revenue department has announced the itinerary for filing the 1954 state income and intangible tax returns. The schedule is as follows:

February 7, 14, and 28 in Burnsville at the State Revenue Office; February 24 Burnsville, Duplan Corporation; Feb. 22, Spruce Pine, Employment Security Office; Feb. 25, Newland, County Courthouse; Feb. 23, Marshall, County Courthouse.

March 1, and 8, Spruce Pine, Employment Security Office; March 2, Bakersville, County Courthouse; March 3, Marshall, County Courthouse; March 9, Mars Hill, City Hall; March 11, Newland, County Courthouse; March 4, 7, 10, 14 and 15; Burnsville, State Revenue Office.

A single person with an income of \$1,000 or more, or a married man with an income of \$2,000 or more is required to file a State Income Tax Return. A married woman, with a separate income of \$1,000 or more, is required to file a return.

Burnsville P T A Have Founder's Day Program

The Burnsville PTA observed Founders Day Tuesday evening in the school lunch room.

Mrs. Fred Lewis gave the history of the national PTA and Gus Peterson gave the history of the Burnsville organization. The past presidents were all recognized and a pink carnation presented to each.

A beautiful three-tiered Founders Day cake and coffee were served as refreshments.

Burnsville Brownies Entertain Bald Creek Scouts

The Burnsville Brownie Scouts and Intermediate Girl Scouts entertained the Bald Creek Scouts and other guests at a party at the Community Building in Burnsville.

All the girls forming the Scout friendship ring participated in a typical opening exercise with the singing of America, the Brownie Scout promise and song followed by the Girls Scout promise, laws and song.

Refreshments were then served by the Burnsville Girls after which the Rev. W. B. Royal entertained the group with a display of his collection of bills and coins from foreign lands and from the early days of our country.

Over fifty scouts and guests were present.

Mrs. Guy McCurry has returned home after spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Parker of River Rouge, Mich.

Community Development Program Started Here

The County Agent's Office has received the 1955 Working Manual for rural communities who are interested in the current Western North Carolina Rural Community Development Program and contest. As in past years, the contest is sponsored by the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, which supplies the manual.

Based largely on successful community experiences, the Working Manual is conferred as a means of help and guidance to communities organizing in the development program, not as a set of rules by which to conduct their programs. That responsibility, the manual points out, rests entirely with each community.

Six objectives are stated for the program: Increased Per Capita Income, Miner Spiritual Values, Greater Security, Stronger Community Life, Improved Educational Opportunities,

More Dignity and Contentment in Country Living. The contest among communities, to determine which have made the most progress in these objectives, will end on November, 1955. Scoring will be based on two categories of progress: community organization and development, and improvement in family living. A perfect score would be 2000 points, 1000 in each category.

To be eligible for the contest, a community must be organized on or before May 15, 1955, and be actively engaged in a program of community development. A community entering the contest should have at least 50 families, but the sponsors warn against taking in too much territory. Too large an area makes for difficulties in getting a community organized and working.

In Yancey County, Brush Creek and Jacks Creek are organized for the community development program so far this year. It is hoped that several others will become organized and active before May 15. (If other rural communities in the county are already organized and working but unreported, the Record will be glad to receive and publish this information.)

Awards to winning communities will be given as follows: first prize, \$500, given by Farmers Federation; second prize, \$300, by Asheville Citizen-Times Publishing Co.; third prize, \$200, by Sears, Roebuck and Co.; fourth prize, \$150, by Earle Chesterfield Mill Co.; fifth through tenth prizes, not ranked, \$100 each, by Parkland Chevrolet Co.; Smoky Mountain Hatching Egg Service, and Agricultural Development Council. A Certificate of Achievement will be awarded the winning community in each county. A plaque will be presented the County-Councilor sponsoring the group doing the best job of promoting the Community Development Program.

Electric Service To Be Interrupted

Electrical service will be temporarily interrupted on Sunday, February 20, from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm while Carolina Power and Light Company crews do some necessary maintenance. This work cannot be done safely with electricity on the line.

The line will be installed to deliver a large block of electrical energy to the French Broad Electric Membership Cooperative at Mars Hill and permit Bald Creek and Mars Hill communities to receive power from two sources.

This time is chosen because the smallest number of customers will be inconvenienced, announced C. M. Watson, Local Manager of Spruce Pine for Carolina Power & Light Company.

Town Board Enforces Parking Regulations

The Town Board of Burnsville has issued the following notice: "For the convenience of our town and county people the town board has found it necessary to place a time limit on parking in certain zones, these zones being plainly designated with parking signs. The board has also found it necessary to enforce action on persons parking overtime in these zones. There has been ample space provided for parking for people working in town in unlimited time zones. It is hoped that these people will cooperate in using these spaces, leaving the time limit zones for shoppers and visitors in our town."

MANY YANCEY PEOPLE ON FARMERS FEDERATION COMMITTEE

The annual Farmers Federation Stockholders meeting for Yancey County will be held next Saturday, February 19th in the Burnsville warehouse beginning at 10:30 a. m., it has been announced by James G. K. McClure, Farmers Federation President.

The Burnsville warehouse committee will be up for reelection at which time new members may be added to the committee. Present members in-

clude: Grover Anglin, Ross Binks, Dr. W. L. Bennett, T. K. Riddle, E. N. Stamey, Burnsville; Lester Bailey, Clate Ray, G. Dewey Ray, Thad Ray, Tom Ray, all of Rt. 1, Burnsville; Joe Lewis, Star Rt. Burnsville; Wilson Edwards, H. W. Higgins, Mack Higgins, T. H. Phoenix, Cane River; J. R. Ferguson, Swiss; John Hannum, Ramseytown; Sam Hilemon, Higgins; A. P. Honeycutt, Day Book; Grover Robinson, Boonford; W. R. Robinson, Celso; Cas Thomas, Green Mountain.

Panhandle Pete and the Farmers Federation String Band will be on hand again to entertain during the meeting. Free baby chicks will be awarded as door prizes and refreshments will be served.

All stockholders, patrons and persons interested in the Farmers Federation are invited to attend.

Directors for Yancey county are Wilson Edwards and Tom Ray.

Rep. Bennett Named To Two Committees

Representative Mark Bennett of Yancey County was appointed to serve on two committees in the House of Representatives of the State Assembly on February 10. The committees are Institutions for the Deaf and Public Buildings and Grounds. House Speaker Larry Moore made the appointments.



ANNOUNCE PLANS FOR MERGER OF CIO AND AF of L — President's of the CIO and AF of L have agreed on basic plans for combining the two labor organizations. At left, shown at Miami Beach, Florida, George Meany, President of the AF of L, and Walter Reuther, of the CIO.