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Men's Club Entertains Farmers With Banquet

The Burnsville Men's Club held its first Farmers' Night banquet on Monday evening, Oct. 22, in the Community Building in Burnsville. This special feature of the club's activities was considered a big success and will probably become an annual event.

There were thirty-six members present and thirty-seven farmer guests. The event began at 4 p. m. with a guided tour of the Glen Raven Silk Mill, the new Health Center, the new Western Carolina Telephone building, the new post office and county agricultural offices, and the new city hall and fire department. According to W. H. Anderson, chairman of the

Men's Club committee which arranged the program, very few of the farmer guests or club members had previously visited the mill and new buildings in town.

The tour was followed by a dinner, served at the Community Building by the ladies of the Higgins Memorial Methodist Church, and a program of special interest to farmers.

A. V. Allen, animal husbandry extension specialist from N. C. State College, was speaker of the evening. His topic was "The Economic Aspect of Sheep in Yancey County", which he illustrated with color slides.

Mr. Allen pointed out that sheep are well suited to the topographical and climatic conditions of Yancey County. He stated that wool was supported at 110 per cent of parity, which is higher than for any other commodity. Sheep have the further advantage, he said, that they give a return the first year, whereas with young beef animals, it requires three years to reap a harvest.

Among other matters related to sheep raising, Mr. Allen discussed the protection from dogs, and in this connection suggested that employment of a dog warden in the county would be advisable. He stated that experience of other counties having dog wardens has been that the warden has received full support of the people and that much has been done toward protection of sheep in the communities.

Dr. Holt To Preach At Baptist Church Sunday

Dr. Robert Holt, vice president of Mars Hill College, will preach Sunday at the First Baptist Church at both the morning and evening services. Dr. Holt will supply for the pastor, the Rev. C. B. Trammel, who is guest minister in a revival at the Bakersville Baptist Church.

High school seniors and juniors who would like to have conferences with Dr. Holt are invited to talk with him while he is here. He will be glad to talk with parents who have sons and daughters who will enter college next fall. Because of the crowded conditions in our colleges, Dr. Holt feels that it is wise to make plans now.

Young Republican Club Organized

The Young Republican Club of Yancey County was organized at a meeting on Oct. 18. Certain business matters were discussed, and Misses Nancy Brown and Linda Banks were elected temporary secretary and reporter.

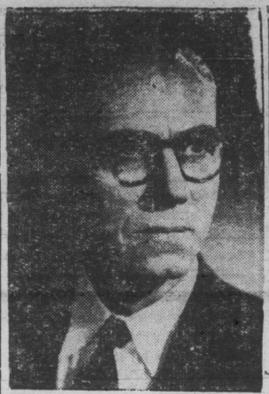
All young republicans between the ages of 14 and 25 are invited to attend the next meeting which will be held in the County Courthouse on Friday, Oct. 26, at 7:30 p. m. Election of officers will be held at this meeting.

CELO WSCS TO SPONSOR SUPPER

The Women's Society of Christian Service of Celso Methodist Church will sponsor a Chicken Supper, Saturday, Nov. 3, from 5 until 8 p. m., in the new church basement. Tickets will be \$1.00 per plate.

The supper is being given to help raise money for the building fund.

Mrs. Tillie Brooks will be hostess in the dining room, and Mrs. Phillip Nordstrom is in charge of planning the supper.



Missionary Will Speak At Church Here

Dr. George W. Harley, medical missionary of the Methodist Church in Liberia, Africa, who is known there as the "Good Witch of Ganta", will be guest speaker at the Higgins Memorial Methodist Church for the Missionary Institute in the Burnsville area on Monday, October 29, at 7:30 p. m. Dr. Harley and his wife were pioneer missionaries at the interior village when they arrived in 1925. Since that time they have carved "out of the bush" one of the most progressive mission stations of the church.

Dr. Harley opened his medical practice on the screened porch of a mud hut by asking each of his patients to provide one chicken in payment of services, which would entitle the patient to medical care for two years. Today at least 50,000 natives in a 100-mile radius of his clinic have this type of paid-up health insurance.

In addition to his medical work, Dr. Harley has developed a tile and brick factory, a sawmill, and has taught Africans how to use them. They in turn helped to expand the mission station to include a hospital, school, blacksmith shop and other buildings on the 320-acre site.

When the mission dispensary ran out of chaulmoogra oil used in the treatment of Hansen's disease, Dr. Harley found a substitute through experiments with native products of varnish. By crossbreeding a goat he had imported from England and another he had brought from Canary Islands with native goats, he founded a species that gives twice as much milk.

In developing the mission station, Dr. Harley also became a road

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Patrolman Pruitt Assigned To Yancey

Highway Patrolman R. A. Pruitt of Morganton, was assigned to duty in Yancey County on Monday of this week. Pruitt completed his training at the Patrol's Training School at the University of North Carolina Institute of Government, Chapel Hill, on Wednesday of last week and was graduated with a class of 62 patrolmen. The school is conducted by the Institute of Government and the N. C. Highway Patrol.

Pruitt is a graduate of Salem High School in Burke County. He served 4 years with the Air Force as a gunner on a B-26, with 150 flying hours on missions in Korea. Following his Air Force service, Pruitt was employed in Morganton for approximately six months before entering the Patrol's Training School.

In July of this year, Pruitt worked with Patrolman A. W. Rector in the county for a brief training period to observe another officer at work. He was sworn into the Highway Patrol on May 8, after his six months of training at the Patrol School.

Pruitt is residing at the home of Mrs. Tom Griffith on Azalea Lane in Burnsville.

Dedication Ceremony For New Health Center Held

The Yancey County Health Center was dedicated in a program last Sunday afternoon in the reception room of the new building. Speakers for the occasion were Dr. J. W. R. Norton, state health officer, and County Attorney Dover R. Fouts. Dr. Cameron F. McRae, district health officer, and John M. Randolph, chairman of the Yancey County Health Council, also spoke briefly and introduced the main speakers.

Dr. Norton pointed out the varied services provided through the Health Department. The work of the Health Department has enlarged into a comprehensive service, working with the private physicians and nurses in hospitals, he said; and the Health Department has an even bigger contribution yet to make. There is a bigger challenge and more pioneer work to be done than has ever been done. Dr. Norton concluded that we can express our appreciation and gratitude for the new Health Center by doing a better job ourselves in supporting the Health Department.

In Mr. Fouts' address, he spoke of the spiritual and mental attitudes of the people of the community toward progress and changes. Our progress should not lead us to stop where we are, he said, but every individual must possess the attitude of helping the community continue to grow. We should be not only proud of the new Health Center, he stated, but thankful for the many services provided to the citizens of our community.

The Center was formally opened by W. Mark Hall, chairman of the board of Yancey County commissioners. The invocation was given by the Rev. Worth B. Royall, pastor of Higgins Memorial Methodist Church here.

Approximately sixty people were present at the dedication ceremonies. Local staff members present, in addition to Dr. McRae, were Jake F. Buckner, district sanitarian; Mrs. Annie Jo Ballard, R. N., public health nurse; and Mrs. Alma B. Shepard, stenographer-clerk.

Those attending from the western district office of the State Board of Health included Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Broadway, Miss Elizabeth Moore, R. N., Miss Clara Schwager and Miss Anne F. Mercer. Robert Brown and Nat T. Clark, sanitarians with the Buncombe County Health Department, were also present with their wives. Mrs. Cameron F. McRae came from Washington for the occasion, where she has been working with the headquarters of the Children of the American Revolution.

An open house followed the dedication ceremonies.

South Toe School Party Scheduled

The South Toe River School will have its annual "Halloween Party" on Saturday, October 27th at 7:30 p. m. There will be a movie, "Black Magic", a Charlie Chan mystery. There will also be contests, cakewalks, and plenty of food and drinks including many gallons of cider. Admission for school children is 15c and for adults 35c.

Appointed Chairman

Mrs. J. J. Nowicki of Swiss, was appointed chairman of the Gold Star Mothers during the election of officers at the State American Legion Auxiliary convention held recently in Charlotte.

Mrs. Nowicki is a past president of the local American Legion Auxiliary chapter. She has been active in Legion Auxiliary work for several years.

State Expert On Beef To Speak To Farmers

Dr. Guy Cassell of N. C. State College will give a demonstration in connection with the Beef Education Program, Friday, Oct. 26, from 1:30 until 2:30 p. m. in the Home Economics Department of Burnsville High School.

The Beef Education Program is being conducted in various western North Carolina counties through the cooperation of the N. C. Department of Public Instruction, the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service and the Beef Cattle Commission of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council.

The purpose of the program is to show consumers how to make better use of beef. Home economists and meat specialists say there is unlimited opportunity to get variety in the diet by preparing beef in several different ways and by using new cuts that offer maximum value for the food dollar.

Methods of preparation by cut and grade, selecting cuts and identification of cuts will be stressed in Dr. Cassell's demonstration. The importance of this program to western North Carolina is revealed by a recent study which shows that over one hundred thousand head of cattle will go to market in the area during 1956. This means a plentiful supply of local beef, particularly in the medium grades.

Housewives are being urged to choose beef wisely using more of the lower price cuts. All cuts of beef can be tender and they all have a high food value. The wise food shopper selects beef with an eye on the value received for the money spent.

During the Beef Education Program, demonstrations will be conducted in various high schools, civic clubs, and on television.

GARDEN CLUB TO MEET FRIDAY

The Garden Club will meet Friday evening at 8 p. m. with Mrs. George Robinson. Mrs. Wm. Black will be program leader.

More Than 16,000 Trees Sold By Forest Service Here

ber stand improvement work. The object of this work is to grow more and better quality Christmas trees per acre by weeding-out inferior

hardwoods and shrubs, and to release those suppressed balsam fir trees which will make good Christmas trees.

Hospital Report

The Yancey Hospital reports two births and fourteen other admissions during the past week. The births include a daughter, Grace Irene, born Oct. 16, to Mrs. Helen Byrd and the late Clyde Byrd of Rt. 2, Bakersville; and a daughter, Phyllis June, born Oct. 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Dock Stephens of Rt. 1, Bakersville.

Other admissions include Violet Bradford and Virginia Styles of Burnsville; Lois Silvers and Brenda Phoenix of Rt. 3; Arlene Atkins and Gladys Riddle of Pensacola; Verlin Robinson of Mica; Vera Davis of Newdale; Margaret Wetzel of Relief; Dean Masters, J. C. Ensor, Ed Roberts and Carver Robinson of Green Mtn.; and Oveda Gibson of Spruce Pine.

Convicts Bound To Superior Court At Hearing

A hearing was held Tuesday morning before Magistrate Gaston M. Angel for the six prisoners who escaped from the Yancey Prison Camp on Sept. 24. They were brought from the Buncombe County Prison Camp, where they have been held since their capture.

The prisoners, Wayne Joyce, John Woods, Jr., Herman Patterson, Raymond Gilley, Dayton Watts and Carl Roberts, all long-termers, are charged with escape and highway robbery with fire arms. All six were bound over for trial in the November term of Superior Court.

Citizens Show Great Interest In UF Drive, Officers Report

The United Fund campaign in Yancey County is now in full swing toward raising the \$9,200 budget goal for the support of twelve health, welfare and character-building agencies participating in the drive. As this paper goes to press it is still too early to report the amount already raised, but Chairman Don Burhoe states that encouraging reports have already been received from a number of areas in the county, and that industry and business are cooperating well.

A well attended "kick-off" meeting for the drive, called by Co-chairman Rev. Jim Hall, was held in the Bald Creek Methodist Church on Friday, the 19th. Don Burhoe and R. K. Helmle, president of the Yancey United Fund, talked on advantages to the county in having the united drive and best methods of conducting the campaign. Rev. Hall believes that more interest in the United Fund is being expressed this year, and that more workers have volunteered to take part than last year. He is particularly pleased by the attitude of the teachers who express strong appreciation of the fact that the United Fund has largely taken the money raising out of the schools.

The following volunteer workers are covering the western portion of the county: Yates Bailey, Jack McIntosh, Walton Angel, Luster Wilson, R. M. Proffitt, Baxter Silvers, Mrs. Helen Wilson, Dr. Walter Ost, Mrs. Jack Hensley, E. W. Wilson, Mrs. W. H. Peterson, James Proffitt, Lloyd Miller and Sleet McAllister.

In the Eastern end of the county, Co-Chairman Hershey Longenecker is similarly getting a staff of volunteer workers into full swing. Among activities planned in this area is a program of Gospel Quartets to be held Saturday evening, October 27, in the Mica High School auditorium. The following five quartets are donating their services: Burnett Quartet, Liberty Quartet, Sunlight Quartet, Messengers Quartet, and Pine Branch Quartet. Admission will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children, and all proceeds will go to the United Fund.



A UNICEF Halloween Has Only One Trick To Help 'All The World's Children'

This year, children of Burnsville and South Toe River community will help UNICEF so that more milk and medicine can be supplied to help stop poverty, disease and malnutrition that undermine the health of 600,000,000 children throughout the world.

The Halloween doorbell ringers wearing the UNICEF symbol will ask you to help them treat sick and hungry children through UNICEF. Save your pennies, nickles and dimes for them.

Burnsville teenagers will meet at the Community Building at 6:30 Halloween night, Oct. 31; and children 12 years and under will meet at the Burnsville High School Gym at 6:30 p. m. Every child is asked to bring one dozen

cookies. Children in twelve neighborhoods in the South Toe Township will go out on "Trick or Treat" expeditions on Halloween night to help the UNICEF cause. The twelve neighborhoods taking part are Upper Browns Creek, Lower Browns Creek, Celso Center (near post office), Halls Chapel, "South" Celso, Celso Community, White Oak, Sandy Bottom, Colberts Creek, South Hamrick, Busick and Seven Mile Ridge.

The place and time of meeting in the various neighborhoods will be announced through the South Toe School. Following the "Trick or Treat" expeditions, the twelve neighborhoods will consolidate into three groups for marshmallow roasts and parties at Hamrick, Celso, and Seven Mile Ridge.

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