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Acraege Reserve Operates On First Come, First Served

The first come, first served basis for accepting 1956 acreage reserve agreements may be important to farmers in Yancey County, according to Alvin Pate, chairman of the Yancey Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee.

Rural Carrier Sought For Burnsville Post Office

An examination for Rural Carrier for the post office at Burnsville, N. C., will be open for acceptance of applications until March 12, 1957, the Commission announced today.

Applicants for this examination must actually reside within the delivery of the above-mentioned post office and must have so resided for one year next preceding the closing date for acceptance of applications.

Hospital Report

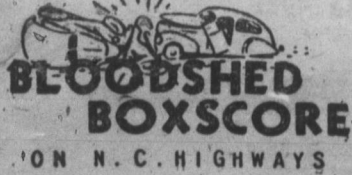
The Yancey Hospital reports one birth this week, a daughter, Cynthia Diane, born Feb. 8 to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Honeycutt of Route 2, Burnsville.

Twenty-eight other admissions were reported during the past week. They include Mrs. Willie Dale Burton, Jewel McIntosh, Mrs. Carl Riddle, Joyce Garland, Georgia Thomas and Mary Black, all of Burnsville; Pearl Pressnell and Patricia Scorsone of Star Rt.; baby Janet Lee Melin, Carolyn Johnson, Ann Banks, Margaret Bailey, Cora Anglin, Bill Laws, Eugene Ray and Ruetta Letterman, all of Route 1; Mrs. Dwight Boone and Cecil Bodford of Route 2.

Also Christine England of Rt. 3; Edith Edwards and Belle Honeycutt of Route 4; Jean Allen of Pensacola; Melba Ray of Micaeville; Helen Runion of Bakersville; Maxine Louise Woody of Kona; Julius Henline of Spruce Pine; Linda Taylor of Johnson City; and Joseph Maddox of Atlanta, Ga.

SINGING CONVENTION

The Yancey County Singing Convention will meet with the Bald Creek Methodist Church on the 4th Sunday at 2 p. m. All singers are invited to come and take part.



RALEIGH—The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a. m. Feb. 11, 1957:

Killed This Year: 128
Killed to Date Last Year: 103
If safety is worth a life, drive and walk carefully!

WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET TONIGHT

The Burnsville Woman's Club will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the Community House. Mrs. Worth B. Royals will be in charge of the program on music appreciation, "Moods In Music".

Hostesses will be Mrs. Reece McIntosh, Mrs. B. R. Penland, Mrs. Troy Ray, and Mrs. W. E. Black.

ATTEND ALL-STATE ORCHESTRA CONCERT
Mrs. R. K. Helmle, Mrs. Mack B. Ray and several of Mrs. Helmle's music students attended the All-State Orchestra concert at the Woman's College, UNC, Greensboro, last week-end.

The All-State Orchestra is recruited from the most talented and competent students in N. C. schools having orchestras and bands.

Local music students who attended this annual event were Carolyn Ray, Marietta Atkins and Janet Sue Gornio. These students observed rehearsals of the 140 piece orchestra on Saturday and attended the concert on Sunday.

The concert program included Tchaikowsky's 4th Symphony, Overture from Orpheus by Offenbach, a Rumanian Rhapsody by Enesco, Suite from Carmen by Bizet, and a String Suite by Gillis.

Following the concert, the audience was invited to inspect the new music building at Greensboro High School.

P. O. TO BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS

The Post Office Department, in cooperation with the business establishments in Burnsville, will close Wednesday afternoons beginning Wednesday, Feb. 27, at 12 noon and will continue until further notice.

Boy Scouts Hold District Court Of Honor

The monthly Boy Scout Court of Honor for the Mayland District was held Wednesday evening, February 7, in the Spruce Pine Presbyterian Church, before a group of parents and friends who almost completely filled the church.

Harold Van Day of Spruce Pine, district advancement chairman, presided. The court clerk was Paul Willis, Jr., the colors were advanced by James Blalock, Bobby Willis, and Julian Johnson, and the pledge to the Flag was led by Eddie Connelly, all of Troop 1, Spruce Pine. The invocation was offered by the Rev. William Heath, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Spruce Pine.

The award of Tenderfoot rank was made by Robert M. Garner of Asheville, Field Scout Executive with the Daniel Boone Council, to the following boys from the newly-organized Troop 25 at Hawk: Shelby Dellinger, Billy Dean Buchanan, James Burleson, Hazen Ledford Jr., Ronnie T. Pitman, Sammy Pitman, Clarence Pitman, Ronnie S. Pitman, Burton Woody, Richard Ward, Gene Burleson, Bobby Buchanan, Tommy Buchanan, Emmett Burleson, Wade Red, William Buchanan, Arthur Ledford, Bobby Ledford, James Metcalf, Robert Pitman, Billy Pitman, and Jerry Pitman.

In addition, the award of Tenderfoot rank was presented to the following boys from other troops: Melvin Carpenter of Troop 10, Minneapolis; Lewis N. Biddix of Troop 23, Altapass; and the following from Troop 18, Celso: Johnny Geuge, Charles Robinson, Jerry Hensley, Maurice Hensley, Lewis Pritchard and Joe Hensley.

The award of Second Class rank was presented by the Rev. Brown McKinney, pastor of the Avery Methodist Church, to the following Scouts from Troop 18, Celso: Terry McIntyre, Claude Sparks, Benny George, Burl Ballew, James Hoover, Richard Byrd, Ernest Schwintzer, Joe Bennett, Paul Ohle, Ronnie Mayberry, Robert D. Harroway and Dean Geuge.

Andy Prine Opens In Broadway Play

Andy Prine, who will be remembered for his outstanding appearances on the Parkway Playhouse stage during the past two summers, is now becoming a familiar face to Broadway theatergoers.

On Tuesday evening, February 5, Mr. Prine opened at the Davenport Theatre, New York, in a revival of "Mrs. Patterson", an exciting play by Charles Seabee and Greer Johnson. This new version of "Mrs. Patterson" has been given excellent reviews by New York critics.

The "Tonight" TV show presented Mr. Prine in a scene from the play last Wednesday, night. This program was viewed with much interest by local theatergoers who remembered Mr. Prine's thoroughly entertaining performance as Touchstone, the clown, in Shakespeare's "As You Like It"; his portrayal of Horney in "Stalag 17"; as Mr. Kember in "George Washington Slept Here"; and his top performance in "Dirty Work At The Crossroads".

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ASC News

The North Carolina quarterly ASC staff conference was held in Asheville on January 30 and 31. Those attending the meeting were the county committeemen, county office manager and employees.

Ed Avert, Soil Bank specialist, gave a very thorough discussion of the Soil Bank Program covering both phases of the program, conservation reserve and acreage reserve.

A. P. Hassell discussed price support, administrative and marketing quota programs. Eugene L. Carroll discussed the programs of performance and marketing quotas. H. V. Mangum discussed the Agricultural Conservation Program.

The county office employees feel that these meetings are very beneficial, since problems arise which they do not quite understand on all programs, but at the quarterly conferences, all questions are thoroughly discussed.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED

The Junior Basketball Tournament will be held at Spruce Pine's Harris High School gymnasium Feb. 21, 22 and 23rd. Two Burnsville players, Tommy Higgins and Lloyd Hensley, will take part in the tournament.

Membership Chairmen Named For N. C. Association

Mr. Os Deyton and Mr. Zeke Byrd of Burnsville have been named membership chairmen in Yancey county for the North Carolina Cattlemen's Association. This was announced this week by Morris L. McCough, Manager of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council and Gay Saelson, Asheville livestock dealer and auctioneer.

Mr. Os Deyton and Mr. Zeke Byrd stated that the N. C. Cattlemen's Association was formed about a year ago for the purpose of promoting the production, marketing and consumption of North Carolina beef. They urge that cattle growers in the county and others join the Association.

Burnsville Teams Defeat Tipton Hill

Thursday Feb. 12, Burnsville played at Tipton Hill. Both boys and girls came out victorious. Burnsville girls defeated the Tipton Hill team 47-39. Judy Briggs McCurry got 30 points to lead the Burnsville team.

Burnsville boys, under the coaching of Mr. Ford Bailey, who coached the boys in the absence of Coach Vernie Wilson, who was unable to attend the game, won their game 56-46. Donald Banks led the boys in scoring with 17 points.

Line-ups: Burnsville Girls: Briggs 30, Bennett 9, McCurry 8, Angel, L. Gardner, Woody, Subs: S. Gardner Shepherd.

Tipton Hill Girls: Tipton 2, Stanley 26, Hughes 11, Garland, Whitson, Sturgil. Subs: McKinney.

Burnsville Boys: Banks 17, Buchanan 4, Hensley 14, Fox 4, Lewis 16. Subs: Wheeler 1, Wells.

Tipton Hill Boys: Whitson 3, McCurry 15, Street 9, Slagle 11, Howell 8. Sub. Hughes.

The Burnsville High School basketball teams each won one game and lost one in the past week. Burnsville played Mars Hill Friday at Mars Hill and both teams lost. The Mars Hill boys won by a score of 43-37. Mars Hill girls won 85-41. Frank Lewis got 12 points for Burnsville boys and Judy Briggs McCurry got 24 for the Burnsville girls.

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Mars Hill Girls: Whitt 30, Ruse 20, B. Banks 13, Hamby, Fisher, Metcalf. Subs: L. Banks 2, Dyeva.

Burnsville Boys: Banks 7, Buchanan 8, Hensley 8, Harris, Lewis 12. Sub. Fox 2.

Mars Hill Boys: Smith 8, Blackwell 4, Vance 9, Wall 6, Ponder 16. Burnsville's next and final game is at Spruce Pine Friday, Feb. 15.

Blue Cross Enrollment FEB. 15th TO MARCH 1st

A special Blue Cross hospital and surgical enrollment sponsored by the Farmers Federation will begin on February 15th and run through March 1st, it has been announced by Phil Burch, rural enrollment representative for the Hospital Care Association.

All persons interested in joining this plan at the 15% saving in rate are asked to contact J. N. Barnette, manager of the Burnsville Farmers Federation Store, Mrs. Helen A. Williams, Blue Cross Representative, Spruce Pine, or write Phil Burch, Box 851, Asheville, N. C.

The saving is offered to all persons under 65 years of age and is made possible through enrollment on a group basis, similar to the Blue Cross enrollments in industry.

Burch also announced that all Blue Cross policy holders will receive free of charge each month the Farmers Federation News, a monthly farm magazine.

Since this Western North Carolina Blue Cross plan was first set up in 1953, more than 2,800 families covering approximately 10,000 rural people have been enrolled, Burch said.

Miss Trammel Accepts Position In Johnson County

Miss Rebecca (Becky) Trammel, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Charles B. Trammel of Burnsville, has been appointed as an assistant home demonstration agent in Johnson County. Miss Trammel, who has been visiting her parents here this week, will leave today for Smithfield where she will take up the duties of her new position.

She completed her work at Meredith College, Raleigh, on February 1, toward an A. B. degree with a major in home economics. Her work in Johnson County will be the supervision of 4-H activities in the schools in the northern part of the county.

Miss Trammel, a native of Tryon in Polk County, has been a resident of Burnsville during the eight years her father has served as pastor of the First Baptist Church here. She was graduated in 1952 from Burnsville High School where she was a member of the annual staff, a cheerleader, and a member of the Student Government Association.

Before entering Meredith College, she attended Mars Hill College for two years and was president of the Home Economics Club there.

County Responds Well To Bloodmobile Visit Here

Fifty-six persons donated blood when the Red Cross Bloodmobile visited the First Baptist Church, Burnsville, on the afternoon of February 4. Dr. Cameron F. McRae, co-chairman of the Yancey County Blood Donor Program, stated that this was a good response in view of the fact that

this was an "extra" visit of the Bloodmobile, and came too soon after the December 27 visit for the same group of donors to give blood both times; thus the two visits should be counted as one. Eight volunteers were turned down for medical reasons.

Colonel B. Bennett of Micaeville became a member of the Gallon Club, by donating his eighth pint of blood.

Dedication Of Memorials At Presbyterian Church

The morning service at the First Presbyterian Church on next Sunday, February 17th, at 11 a. m., will include special dedication ceremonies. Two church record books will be presented, the one a register to contain all church rolls, in memory of the late Mr. John S. LeFevre. The other is a book in which the minutes of meetings of the congregation and of the church session are to be recorded. This will be dedicated to the memory of Mrs. LeFevre.

The community is well aware of the conspicuous service rendered to the people of Burnsville and Yancey County through many years by this consecrated couple. Friends holding them in affectionate memory contributed for the purchase of these complete and handsome books.

Under the sponsorship of the young people of the church, new hymn books were recently purchased and these will be dedicated also on Sunday morning. Looking toward the day when many hope the several Presbyterian bodies in the United States may be merged, a joint committee of all these bodies cooperated in compiling and publishing last year this new Hymn book which the Rev. Mr. Reeve of the Presbyterian Church here considers the finest production of its kind that has ever been made available to Presbyterians.

Appropriate to these ceremonies, the subject of Mr. Reeve's sermon on this occasion will be "Eternity and Praise".

Judge Refuses Request To Lower Bond

In a hearing before Judge J. Frank Huskins last Saturday morning, a request was made by the attorney for Eugene Proffitt to lower the \$6,000 bond on which Proffitt is being held in the Buncombe County jail.

According to Sheriff Terry Hall, Judge Huskins refused to grant the request to lower the bond.

Proffitt is charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill after he allegedly shot former Police Chief Ralph Peterson on the morning of Dec. 31. Proffitt will be tried in the March term of Superior Court.

Examination Announced For Post Office Clerk

The U. S. Civil Service Commission, Atlanta, Georgia, announces an open competitive examination for career or temporary appointment to the positions of substitute clerk, in the Burnsville, N. C. post office.

Applications will be accepted from persons regardless of residence. Applications must be received or post marked on or before February 27, 1957, and should be filed with the Fifth U. S. Civil Service Regional Office, Peachtree-Baker Building, 275 Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

The beginning basic rate of pay is \$1.82 per hour. Applicants must have reached their eighteenth birthday on the closing date for acceptance of applications. This age limit does not apply to persons entitled to veterans' preference.

Necessary forms and further information may be obtained from the Postmaster at the post office, or from the Fifth U. S. Civil Service Regional Office, Peachtree-Baker Building, 275 Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta 3, Georgia.

FILM TO BE SHOWN AT SOUTH TOWNS SCHOOL

The movie-of-the-month at the South Toe School will be the outstanding film, "Lost Horizon".

This film will be shown Saturday night, Feb. 16, at 8 o'clock at the school. Tickets may be purchased at the school in advance at the price of 15c for children and 25c for adults.