

### Area Awards Announced For Community Development Program

Over \$2,000 in recognition awards will be presented to the organized rural communities in western North Carolina making the most progress in the 1957 Community Development Program. This announcement was made by W. F. P. Cox, president of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, area sponsor of the contest, and W. W. Sloan of Franklin, chairman of the steering council for the Community Development Program.

Last year 105 organized communities in 16 western counties participated in this community, farm and home improvement program. Accomplishments of these communities resulted in national recognition in the Reader's Digest and Farm Journal magazines. The program sponsors and agricultural agencies report much interest among communities over the area, and it is expected that a great many communities will take part this year.

"The amazing results achieved by the organized community clubs in western North Carolina show what can be done when people work together," stated Cox and Sloan. "The Community Development Program has proven to be a wonderful means of developing friendship and cooperation and bringing about community improvements. The opportunities are unlimited in what can be accomplished through this program of people in our rural communities working together."

Participation in the program is open to any organized rural community that is actively engaged in a program of community development and which was organized on or before May 15, 1957. Interested communities are urged to contact their County Farm or Home Agent's office or other agricultural agencies so they can get started.

Top prize in the area contest is \$500, offered by the Farmers Federation. Second prize of \$400 is given by the Asheville Citizen Times, third prize of \$300 by the Agricultural Development Council,

fourth prize of \$200 by Sears, Roebuck and Company and fifth prize of \$100 by Parkland Chevrolet Company of Asheville. Awards of \$50 each will go to all other county winners designated as "honorable mention." These are presented by the Smoky Mountain Hatching Egg Service and the Agricultural Development Council.

In addition to the area prizes, businessmen and civic clubs, of many of the counties offer local prizes. The county awards in 1956 amounted to \$10,000.

The communities will be scored one-half on community wide improvements from November 1, 1956 to November 1, 1957 and one-half on progress reported by the individual families in developing increased income, farm or non-farm and in home improvements.

#### AIRMAN BLACK AT LACKLAND A. F. B.

Airman Paul J. Black 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brady Black Burnsville, N. C. is completing the first phase of his basic military training at the "Gateway to the Air Force," Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

Upon completion of this training, he will be assigned to an Air Force technical training course or an advanced basic training course leading to a specialized Air Force job.

While at Lackland the new enlistee undergoes the transition from civilian to airman through a program which includes processing, aptitude testing, physical conditioning, survival and weapons training, and classroom studies ranging from citizenship to military customs and courtesies.

Like the USAF Officer Candidate and Pre-Flight Schools, also located at Lackland, basic military lays the groundwork for either an on-the-job assignment or vocational schooling in line with capability of the individual.

#### MARCH NAMED EGG MONTH

According to Fleet Proffitt of Bald Creek, March Egg Month Chairman for Yancey county, local housewives now have a wonderful opportunity to buy and serve more eggs. Mr. Proffitt states this is due to the very heavy production of eggs, which has resulted in a surplus of eggs above normal consumption and in low prices. Along with the usual heavy springtime production from commercial and farm flocks has come a large supply of hatching eggs being sold for eating purposes.

The March Egg Month program is being conducted on a statewide and national basis to encourage the consumption of more eggs. "The program in North Carolina is being sponsored by the state Department of Agriculture, N. C. State College and the Poultry and Egg National Board.

Mr. Proffitt states that eggs are not only an excellent buy, which should cause more to be consumed at the present time, but that most people need to eat more eggs for their health's sake. He states that a survey among the American people found that on the average 60 percent failed to eat an adequate breakfast before going to work. We do not expect our car to run without gas, but too many people expect their own body to keep going at a normal rate without supplying the needed fuel. The most important meal of the day is breakfast.

And what can make a finer breakfast than two eggs cooked the way you like them.

#### EYE CLINIC

The first eye clinic to be held in the new Health Center in Burnsville was held on Monday, February 25. Dr. Wayne Woodard of Asheville was the examining oculist; 36 persons were examined, of whom 30 were school children. 23 of those examined were fitted for glasses; of the remainder, 2 were recommended for eye surgery, to be arranged through the State Commission for the Blind, and other treatment was prescribed for three others. Refreshments were provided through the kindness of the Burnsville Lions Club.

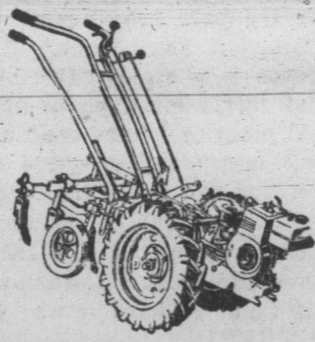
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#### THIS WEEK'S SAFETY MESSAGE

By Cameron F. Moore, M. D.

Let us quote again from "Accidents and Health in North Carolina, 1956". This report shows that the greatest number of deaths (215) in home and farm accidents in 1956 were due to fires, burns, and explosions. "Over one-third of these deaths from fires and burns were among children under 15 years of age, and another third among those in the advanced years of life. Both of these groups are made up of those who may be less able to protect themselves when fire breaks out. The frequency with which small unattended children die from fire deserves special note. Almost without exception, studies have shown, the children who die in fires are those whose parents have left them unattended while the parent is away from home. Some of the parental excursions have been for only a few minutes, while in other instances children have been left alone for several hours while the mother and father were at work. There are grounds for the prediction that at least fifty children would be alive today if their parents had not left them alone during the past year."

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#### DRUNK DRIVING CONVICTIONS IN N. C. SURGE UPWARD

RALEIGH—January drunk driving convictions, including repeaters, soared to a probable record breaking 1,237, the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles said today.

Ordinarily drunk driving convictions average about 900 a month; Officials had no explanation for the January surge upward.

Of the total, 263 were down on second offense charges with the remainder spread out over third, fourth, and fifth convictions.

One conviction for a sixth offense was noted.

First offenders lose their legal driving privileges, the agency said. Multiple offenders are assigned additional penalties with per-

#### YANCEY FARMERS SET 50,000 WHITE PINE

Burnsville—Yancey County farmers, 4-H and FFA members are busy setting out 50,000 white pine tree seedlings received from the TVA Nursery last week. This makes a total of 2,405,867 trees set in the County furnished by the TVA Forestry Division, free to farmers through the County Agent's office, according to E. L.

Permanent withdrawal of their driver's license on the third offense.

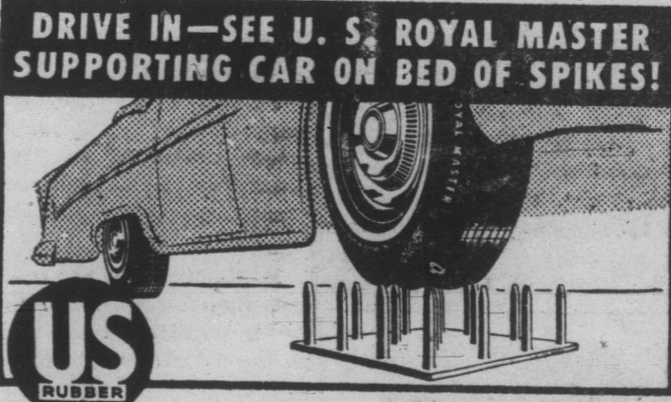
After spending most of the month totalling drunk drivers, agency statisticians announced the suspension or revocation of 1,911 other licenses for offenses ranging from speeding through incompetency.

Dillingham, County Agent. Those receiving trees and the number are as follows: Ralph Adair, 500; Charles Ayers, 500; R. L. Bailey, 2,000; Cecil Bennett, 1,000; Steve Briggs, 2,000; Levi Deyton, 2,000; Kenneth B. Duncan, 500; Craig English, 1,000; Wash Fox, 1,500; Phillip Garland, 1,500; Claud Hensley, 1,000; P. B. Hensley, 1,000; Sylvester Hughes, 1,000; Mrs. Sam J. Huskins, 2,500; Will Lockner, 2,500; Carl McKinney, 2,000; Mrs. T. A. McKinney, 2,000; E. R. Ohle, 2,000; Turner Pate, 1,000; Mrs. Dorothy Potter, 1,000; Lonnie Pressnell, 2,000; Ralph Ray, Kenneth Robertson, 2,500; A Silver, 1,000; Clyde Silver, 2,000; Charles L. Tilley, 500; Effie Tille, 2,000; J. B. Wheeler, 2,000; J. Woody, 2,000; Bis Young, 500; Mack Higgins, 1,000; Paul Ayers 1,500; and John Deyton, 500.

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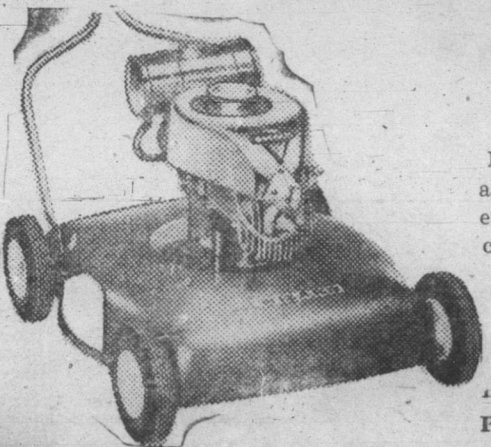
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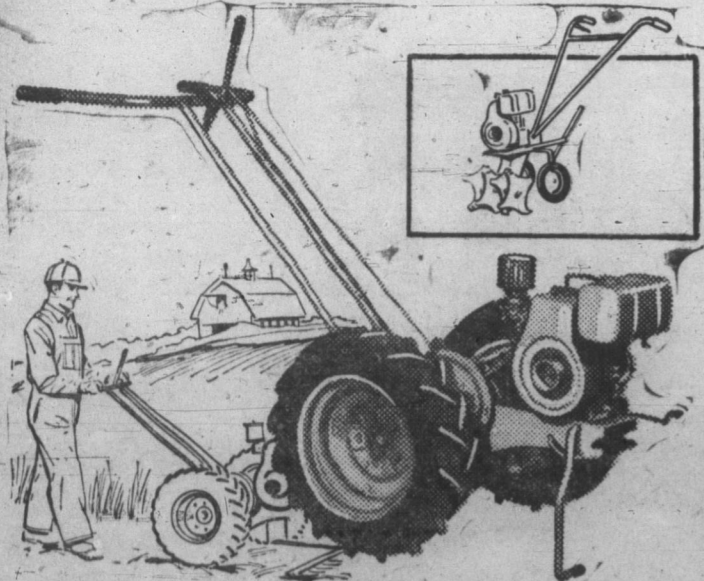
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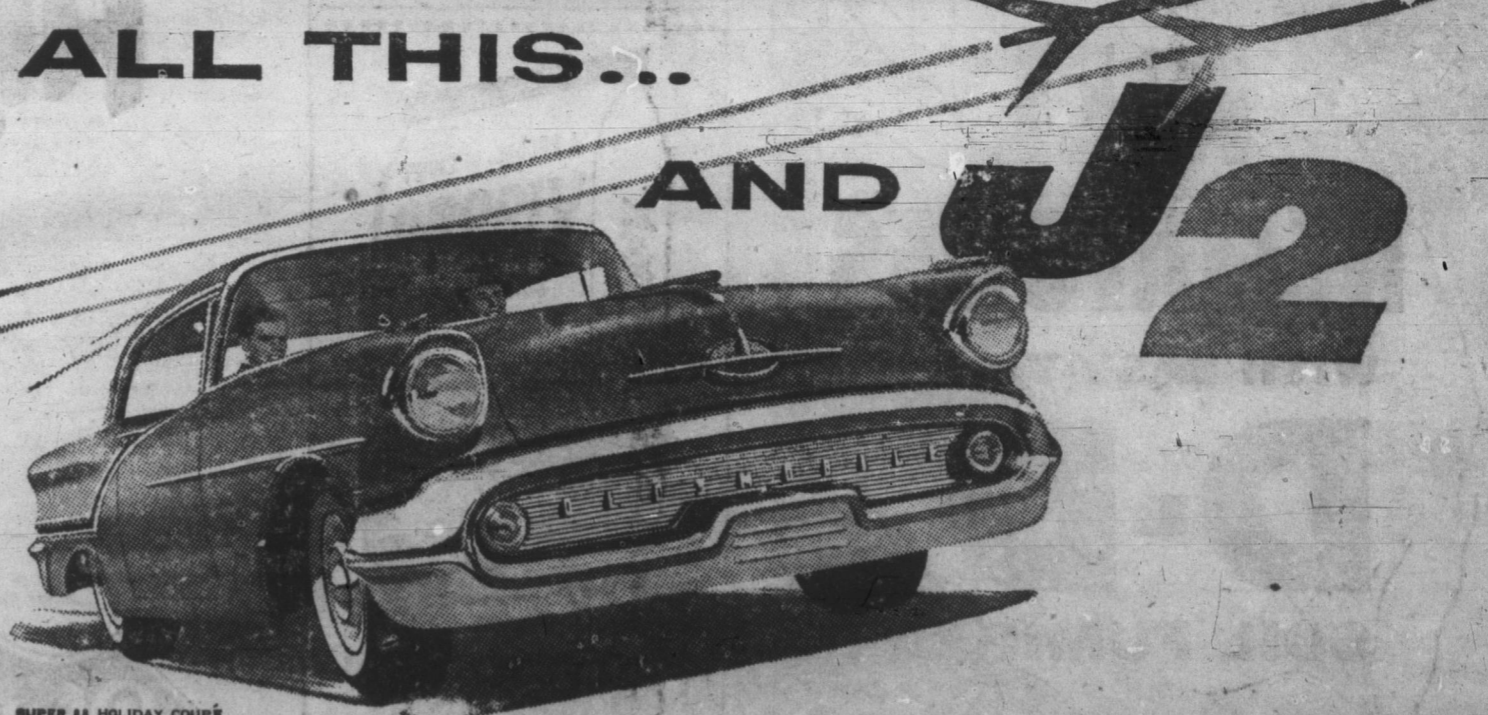
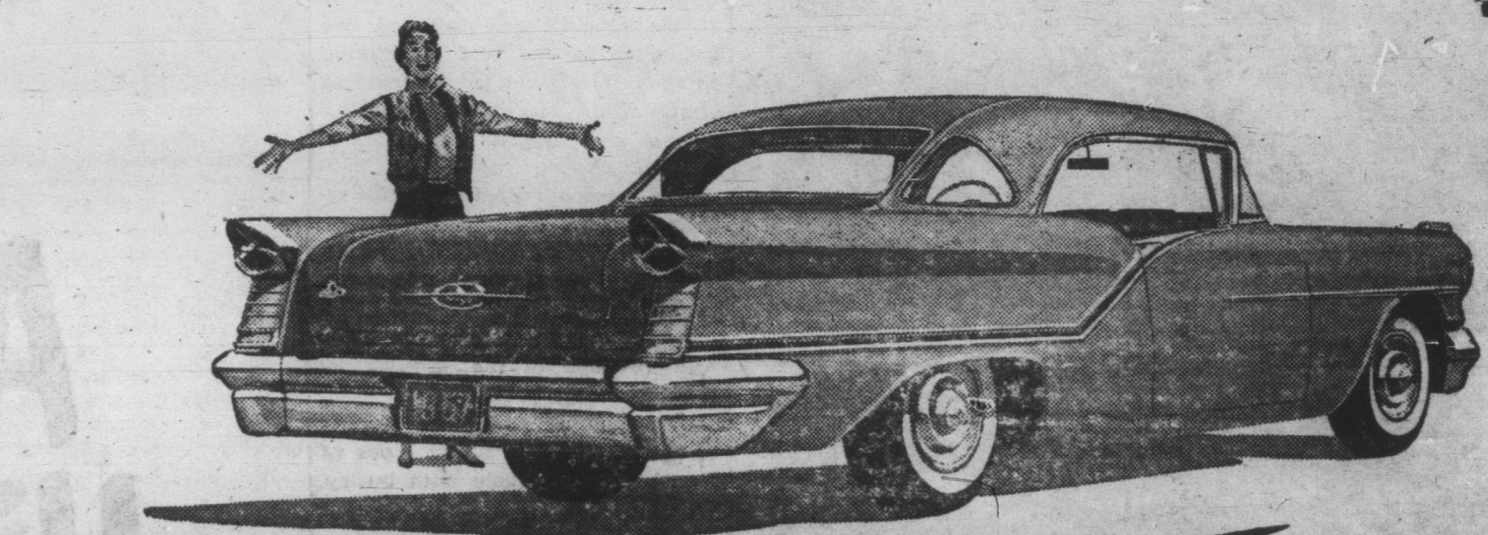
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