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FRUITLESS SEARCH — Weary crew members of one of the huge fleets of aircraft searching for traces of the C-97 transport which disappeared off Japan with 67 Americans aboard discuss the fruitless search mission over the storm-tossed Pacific. (L-R) J. Schneider, co-pilot, St. Louis; Capt. Rufus D. Saylor, pilot, Lima, Ohio, and 1st Lt. Richard W. Grundy, navigator, Minocqua, Wis.

Asheville Doctors Discuss Eye Treatment Here

Eye clinics and treatment were discussed at last week's meeting of the Burnsville Lions Club. Dr. Wayne Woodard of Asheville showed slides illustrating eye conditions before and after treatment.

W. Fluharty, an Asheville optometrist, also spoke. Both are members of the Asheville Lions Club.

Dr. Cameron F. McRae, district health officer, was in charge of the program.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT NEWS

A pre-school clinic will be held at Bald Creek School on Friday, April 5, at 9 a. m.

Dr. Cameron F. McRae has received orders to attend a course for medical reserve officers at Brooks Army Medical Center, in Texas, from April 7 to 19. In his absence, the routine office clinics will be held by the public health nurses in the three counties; however, no chest X-rays can be made in the Burnsville office at the regular Monday clinics on April 8 and 15.

Certificates To Be Given Nursing Class

The fourth in the series of Red Cross Home Nursing Classes, conducted by Mrs. W. P. Honeycutt, R. N., began on Tuesday, March 26, according to Miss Sue Nottingham, home agent.

Mrs. Honeycutt states that this is the last daytime class she will instruct this spring; however, an evening class for women will begin as soon as the present class has finished its training. A class for men will be held during the latter part of May.

Members of the present class are Mrs. Harry Bowen, Mrs. Hershel Holcombe, Mrs. Paul Ayers, Mrs. Ivan Whitson, Mrs. Nat Howell, Mrs. R. A. Pate, Mrs. W. E. Black, Mrs. Roscoe Banks, Mrs. Roy Duncan and Miss Sue Nottingham.

A recognition program will be held in connection with the local Red Cross Chapter when the classes are completed. At this time, certificates will be presented to all those completing the twelve-hour Red Cross Home Nursing course.



BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N.C. HIGHWAYS

RALEIGH—The Motor Vehicle Department's summary of traffic deaths through 40 a. m. April 1, 1957:

Killed This Year: 227
Killed to Date Last Year: 243

If safety is worth a life, drive and walk carefully!

Talent Show Scheduled By 4-H Clubs

The Yancey County 4-H Talent Show will take place Saturday night, April 13th, at 7:30 p. m. in the Burnsville High School Gym.

Each 4-H Club in the county will have two talent numbers. The show will be judged and the blue ribbon winner will compete in the district contest April 27th.

An amusing program has been planned. Jarvis Harris, one of the county's well-known singers, will present one of the numbers.

Admission will be 25c for students and club members, 50c for adults. Tickets can be bought from any of the club presidents, or from Miss Sue Nottingham or Roger Hyatt.

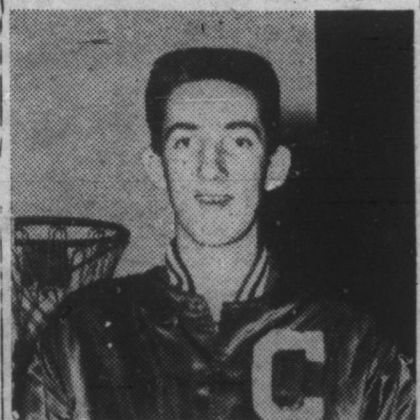
Street To School Being Widened

Green Mountain Street is in the process of being widened from the Burnsville High School to the town square. The section of the street from the square to Mitchell Branch Road will be 2 feet wider when the work is completed, and from there to the school, the street will vary from 4 to 6 feet wider.

The work is being done by the State Highway Commission through the Powell Fund.

Mayor Reece McIntosh stated that this improvement has been needed for a long time, and he hopes to have the sidewalks along Green Mountain Street repaired sometime in the future.

Deyton Selected To Play At Enka



(Photo by John Robinson)

U. B. Deyton, 6½ foot basketball center from Clearmont, was selected to play in the annual Enka Corporation All-Star game for outstanding seniors on March 29, at the Enka gymnasium, according to an announcement by Clearmont Coach Reece Wilson.

The game is an annual affair, pitting the outstanding seniors from Buncombe County against the outstanding seniors from other western North Carolina counties.

Deyton has been an outstanding cager in the Toe River Conference for the past two years. This year, he had nearly a twenty-point average in helping his team-mates win the Toe River championship.

No Contracts In Soil Bank Program After 15th

Tarheel farmers who desire to participate in the Soil Bank Conservation Program this year must sign a contract in their local ASC Office before the office closes on the 15th day of April. Alvin Pate, Chairman for Yancey County ASC Committee, expressed the opinion today that many farmers in the State are waiting for more suitable weather before signing up in the program.

In order not to be entirely left out of the program for this year, farmers should not wait for suitable weather, he said, but should make the decision as to whether or not they will participate and sign up now if they intend to participate this year.

Through March 15, over 20,000 acres have been put in the Soil Bank's Conservation Reserve in North Carolina. This acreage was covered by 1,076 contracts and includes all contracts signed from October 1956, through March 14, 1957.

Farmers who have contracted to participate in either phase of the Soil Bank Program should remember that they must comply with all acreage allotments for the farm as well as all Soil Bank requirements in order to qualify for payments, Mr. Pate stated.

Where a farmer willfully and knowingly harvests or grazes designated Acreage Reserve land, the payment is forfeited and in addition he is subject to a civil penalty of 50 percent of the payment which would have been made for compliance. If the payment has been made when the violation occurs, the amount of the payment must be refunded.

Clearmont PTA Elects New Officers

New officers were elected recently by the Clearmont PTA. Jess Howell was elected to serve as president of the organization, Mrs. Myrtle Peterson as vice president, Miss Maxine Peterson as secretary, and Mrs. Ruth Rice as treasurer.

Members of the program committee are Mrs. Mildred Woody and Mrs. Phyllis Bailey.

The hospitality committee includes Mrs. Dorothy Ray, Mrs. Blanche Hunter, Mrs. Marjorie Edwards and Mrs. Raylene Stamey. Those appointed to serve on the membership committee are Mrs. Ray English, Mrs. Roy Duncan and Mrs. Park Peterson.

Members of the finance committee are Mrs. Gaw Sparks, Mrs. Velmar Huffman, Fred Anglin, Cecil Deyton and Mrs. Ward Woody.

Those appointed to serve on the welfare committee are Mrs. W. P. Honeycutt, Mrs. Hugh Gornito and Mrs. Fred Anglin.

The Grade Mothers committee includes Mrs. Enzy Letterman, Mrs. Velmar Huffman and Mrs. Kenneth Johnson.

Rev. Trammel Speaks At Centennial

The Rev. Charles B. Trammel was the first speaker Monday evening at the Columbus Baptist Church in a week-long program observing the one hundred anniversary of the founding of the church.

Mr. Trammel was pastor of this church for ten years. His subject was "The Task of The Church In Today's World".

LIONS TO HAVE ANNUAL BROOM SALE

If residents of Burnsville should hear a Lion roaring at their front door anytime from 4:30 to 7 p. m. on Thursday, April 11, there will be nothing to be alarmed about. Just buy a broom and everything will be fine.

The annual Broom Sale profits are used by the Lions Club for the benefit of the blind in Yancey County.

Four Mitchell Boys Injured In Wreck

Four persons were injured when a car left the roadway and overturned down an embankment in a curve on N. C. 80 (Boonford Road) about 8:15 p. m. Monday, according to Highway Patrolman A. W. Rector. None of the injuries were serious.

Charles Johnson, 18, driver of the car, of Rt. 3, Bakersville, stated that he lost control of the car due to slick pavement after a rain. He suffered a sprained ankle.

The three passengers, all of Rt. 3, Bakersville, were Dean Buchanan, 17, who suffered a bruised right shoulder; Jack Blackburn, 20, facial abrasions; and W. L. Johnson, 23, lacerations of the face and body bruises and abrasions.

No charges were made, Rector said. The subjects were treated at Dr. Melvin Webb's office.

Local Leaders Invited To WNC Health Meeting

The 10th Medical District of Western North Carolina will hold a rural Health Conference on April 6, at Hazelwood School in Waynesville, N. C. The theme for the conference will be "Rural Health Resources—Present and Possible".

County health leaders and members of the health council are invited to attend, as well as health leaders of each Home Demonstration Club, according to Miss Sue Nottingham, home agent. Anyone interested in rural health should try to attend this conference, she said, in order that we may see what the resources are for raising our standards of health in the county.

The program will begin promptly at 9:30 a. m., with the present resource for rural health presented during the morning program.

Immediately after lunch a 4-H Club film "Better Health the 4-H Way" will be shown. The afternoon program will consist of special interest groups, "Possible Rural Health Resources", at which time each one attending may go to the special interest group of their choice. These groups are in Farm and Home Safety, in Nutrition, in Preventative Medicine, and in Mental Health.

The program committee has worked out this very good program which has been in the making for four or five months, Miss Nottingham said, in the hope that health leaders and all those interested in raising the standards of health in western North Carolina will take part and make this a profitable rural health conference.

Hospital Report

The Yancey Hospital reports two births and twenty-one other admissions during the past week.

The births include a daughter, Penny Marcella, born March 27 to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Burnette of Star Route, Burnsville; and a son, Robert Daniel, born March 28 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Snelson of Micaville.

Other admissions during the week include June Randolph, Betty Huskey and Gerald Murdock of Burnsville; Norma Burnett and Mary Ann Stokley of Star Rt.; Edith Silvers of Rt. 1; John Dale of Rt. 2; Mae Ray of Pensacola; Liddie Snelson, Georgia Gouge, Susan Hall, Faye Thomas and Johnny Hughes of Micaville; Arthur Thomas of Green Mtn.; Erma Peterson of Cane River; Patricia Hylemon of Bald Creek; Vera Stapleton, Arnold Phillips, Texie Huskins; and Ruth Grindstaff of Bakersville; and Raymond Rice of Biltmore.

QUARTET TO SING AT INDIAN CREEK CHURCH

The Metcalfe Creek Quartet of Madison County will be at the Indian Creek Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday night, April 7, to take part in the services beginning at 7:30.

Garden Club Plans To Plant Azaleas, Tulips On Square

The Burnsville Garden Club met Friday evening at the home of Mrs. D. R. Fouts.

Mrs. Fred Proffitt was program leader. In her inimitable fashion, she reviewed the book, "North With The Spring", written by Edwin Way Teale. The book is an account of a trip taken by the author and his wife, beginning south of the Tamiami Trail at the little community of Everglades in Florida, near the Ten Thousand Islands on the Gulf Coast, following the Spring north to the New England states.

Among many other things, Mrs. Proffitt described the Spanish moss, the air plants of Florida, the trillium and other wild flowers of North Carolina, the green hills of Vermont, and the migrating flight of thousands of birds.

Mrs. W. A. Y. Sargent, president, presided at the business meeting. The chairman of the civic committee reported that the plan to set summer blooming flowers in the circle on the town square has been abandoned, due to the fact that water cannot be piped to the square. Instead, the club plans to set hardy flame azaleas and tulips in front of the shrubbery around the monument. Crabapple trees will be set on the square, according to the landscaper's design; and the pink and white dogwood trees which have been destroyed will be replaced.

Mrs. Ruby Goodin, formerly of Burnsville and now of New York City, was a guest at the meeting.

MAJOR WILSON SPEAKS AT BURNSVILLE SCHOOL

Major Juanita Wilson of the Civil Air Patrol, Asheville, spoke to the students of Burnsville High School on Wednesday morning.

Major Wilson spoke on the Civil Air Patrol, its duties and functions. The CAP is a non-paid auxiliary of the U. S. Air Force, she said, and offers summer encampment at an Air Force base as well as trips abroad to Europe and U. S. Possessions.

On Friday, March 29, Major Wilson gave an orientation test to the Burnsville Civil Air Patrol Squadron. She also showed a film, "Wings Of Tomorrow".

Jerry Holcombe has been elected to serve as executive officer for the Cadet Squadron and was given the rank of temporary corporal.

Tomorrow night (Friday) at the regular meeting of the CAP, several men from the Air Force recruiting office in Asheville will present a program at 7:30.

Scouts To End Cookie Sale Tomorrow

The annual sale of Girl Scout cookies, which began Monday, March 25, and will continue through tomorrow, is progressing well in the Burnsville-Bald Creek neighborhood.

Two different kinds of cookies are available this year, the new chocolate mini cookies and the cream sandwich variety.

In Burnsville Mrs. James T. Fox is in charge of the sale for the Girl Scout troop, and Mrs. Clyde M. Whisnant for the Brownie troop. Mrs. James Proffitt is in charge of the sale for the Bald Creek troop.

The Pisgah unit has set as its goal 30,000 boxes to be sold this year. The local troop, sponsored by the Burnsville Woman's Club, has received the backing of the whole town and county in the current sale. The Brownies and Girl Scouts will continue ringing doorbells through tomorrow.

Proceeds made from the cookie sale in this area will be applied to help build housing facilities, a road, a swimming pool and other general developments and improvements at the Girl Scout Camp near Brevard.

S. T. Henry, Tri-County Editor, Dies At Home

S. T. Henry, editor of The Tri-County News, Spruce Pine, and for more than 30 years one of that region's most ardent promoters, died of a heart attack Saturday morning at his home near Spruce Pine. He was 76.

Mr. Henry was born in Bushnell, Ill. A graduate of the University of Illinois, he was associated for many years with McGraw Hill Publishing Company of New

York City, holding posts ranging from editor to assistant to the president.

He made his headquarters in Spruce Pine in 1925, and a year later took over as editor of the weekly newspaper there. Recently, Mr. Henry sold The Tri-County News to Bristol, Va.-Tenn. newspaper interests, but he continued in his previous capacity as publisher and editor.

He long was active in promoting the region and was instrumental in having the Linville Gorge area and Roan Mountain rhododendron gardens set aside by the government. He was one of the prime movers in the project which led to the establishment of the state Minerals Museum a nearby Gillespie Gap.

Mr. Henry was a member of First Church of Christ, Scientist, for more than 40 years. He held membership in the National Press Association, the North Carolina Society of Civil Engineers, and the Newcomen Society of Charlotte.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Agnes McDougall Henry, a native of California; a daughter, Mrs. Robert Bare of Spruce Pine; and a son, Stokes T. Henry of New York City.

Funeral services were conducted in the Spruce Pine Presbyterian Church at 2 p. m. Monday.

Operetta To Be Given At Pensacola

Eighty Pensacola school children from grades 1 through 8 will present an operetta tomorrow night (Friday) in the school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

The operetta, "Awake, 'Tis Spring", is under the direction of Mrs. Albert Williams and the grade teachers.

Admission will be 50c per person.

STRAY DOGS—RABID OR SANE

Recent reports bring news of outbreaks of rabies in West Virginia and in Ashe County of North Carolina.

Last week, Mr. Carlie Rice of Pensacola Road reported that they were expecting an outbreak of rabies among stray dogs in West Virginia where he is working on a lumber operation. Carlie reported that the situation had become so bad that cattle and even ground hogs had gone "mad" and attacked residents of that area.

Of course, this is a long way off from this county, and maybe we shouldn't feel concerned; but this week, reports from Ashe County in this state have been similar. They are expecting an outbreak of rabies in that area.

Not only does a rabies epidemic create a dangerous situation for both children and adults, but the loss to livestock owners and owners of valuable hunting dogs could run into thousands of dollars.

This is one of the primary reasons the Yancey County Agricultural Workers' Council is interested in having a dog warden program in this county. This program would benefit all by providing a way to help prevent an outbreak of rabies.

Another aspect of a good dog program would be that of wildlife conservation. Stray dogs have a tremendous effect on the population of rabbits and quail. During the nesting season, a large number of young rabbits are caught and quite often quail nests are destroyed by stray dogs. No doubt, all hunters would be happy to see an increase in the number of quail and rabbits in their areas.

Rabid or sane, unwanted stray dogs can be expensive and harmful.

Bald Creek Chapter To Install Officers

Bald Creek Chapter No. 276 of the Eastern Star will hold an open installation of officers at the Community Building, April 6th at 8 p. m.

The following officers will be installed:

Worthy Marton, Edna Bowditch; Worthy Patron, Lloyd Miller; Associate Matron, Robbie Heaven; and Associate Patron, Frank Bowditch.

Secretary, Esther Buckner; Treasurer, Lillie Ballew; Conductress, June Miller; Associate Conductress, Nancy Styles; Chaplain, Billie Jean Styles; Marshal, Magnolia McIntosh; and Organist, Anastasia Tomberlin.

Adah, Sara Hensley; Ruth, Edna Jamerson; Esther, Zula Wilson; Martha, Margaret Miller; Electa, Alma Holcombe; Warder, Philip Styles; and Sentinel, Lee Chandler.

Flora Brooks will be installing officer assisted by Marjorie Wilson, Chaplain; Sterling Bower, Organist; and Grace Brummitt, Organist.

Edwards Named Scout Executive



JOSEPH D. EDWARDS

Joseph D. Edwards will become the Scout Executive of the Daniel Boone Council of the Boy Scouts of America on May 1, it has been announced by W. C. Hennessee of Sylvia, council president. Mr. Edwards will succeed A. W. Allen who is retiring after serving as council executive since 1920.

Edwards comes from the staff of the Oconeechee Council where he has served as a district executive at Henderson, N. C. for the past four years. He had previously been on the staff at Wilmington, N. C., Winston-Salem and West Palm Beach, Fla.

He attended Mercer University at Macon, Ga. and Emory University at Atlanta. During the second World War he was a 1st Lieutenant and saw action with the 101st and 82nd Airborne Division in the European theater.

Mr. Edwards is a member of the Methodist Church and has been a Sunday School teacher, superintendent of the Sunday School and chairman of the board of stewards. He is a member of the Lions Club, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the American Legion. He is married to the former Mary Ley of Quitman, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. Edwards have three children, a son, Billy and two daughters, Lisa and Ley.