

Girl Scouts, Brownies Hold Court Of Awards

The Burnsville Girl Scouts and Brownies held their annual joint Court of Awards on Tuesday evening in the Community Building. Special guests were Mrs. McEllyea, executive director of the Pisgah Girl Scout Council, and Miss Betty Brinson, district director of the Pisgah Girl Scout Council. Other guests were the local Boy Scouts, the Senior Scouts and the Girl Scout leaders from Bee Log.

Mrs. P. C. Coletta presided over the Court of Awards, and the following program was presented:

1. Presentation of the Flag - Intermediate Troop.
2. World Friendship Pageant - Eleven Intermediate Scouts.
3. Awarding of Brownie Wings and Pins by Mrs. Rush Wray to the following Brownie Fly-Ups: Julia Bellou, Suzette Peterson,

Miss Randolph To Give Piano Recital At Parkway Playhouse

Miss Cynthia Randolph will be presented in her Senior Piano Recital Thursday, May 22, at 8 p. m. at the Parkway Playhouse. She is a student of Mrs. G. D. Bailey.

Her program will include "Sonata Pathétique" Op. 13 by Beethoven, "Reverie" by Debussy, "Etude in E Major" Op. 10 No. 3 by Chopin, "Rustle of Spring" Op. 32 No. 3 by Sinding, and "Impromptu A Flat Major" Op. 90 No. 4 by Schubert.

Appearing with her will be Miss Nancy Young of Asheville, a former student of Mrs. Bailey. She will play "To a Water-Lily", MacDowell, and "Claire De Lune", Debussy.

Miss Randolph is valedictorian of the senior class of Burnsville High School and plans to continue her study at Salem College, Winston-Salem, N. C., in September. Miss Young is a senior at Lee Edwards High School, Asheville, and plans to enter Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in the fall.

Crestview To Open Saturday, May 31

Crestview Playground in east Burnsville will open for the summer season on Saturday, May 31st. The swimming pool and playground will be open each morning at 11 o'clock.

Yancey Hospital Report

BIRTHS

A son, not yet named, born May 8 to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hopson, Green Mtn.

A daughter, Gwendolyn, born May 9 to Mr. and Mrs. Doff Silver, Rt. 2, Burnsville.

ADMISSIONS:

Bernie Pittman, C. O. Brinkley, Rt. 1, Burnsville; Baby David McKinney, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine; Perry Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville; Ona Jean Hopson, Tony Ann Thomas, Cathlene Cox, Green Mtn.; Elzie Ray, Rt. 3, Burnsville; Lucy Robinson, Rt. 1, Green Mtn.; Lillian Silvers, Rt. 2, Burnsville; Lillian Pate, Rt. 4, Burnsville; Juanita Butner, Alva Styles, Burnsville; Baby Janice Elaine Peek, Baby Robert Snelson, James Pate, Micaville; Maxine Woody, Kona.



ON N. C. HIGHWAYS
Raleigh-The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a. m. - May 12, 1958:
Killed This Year: 296
Killed to Date Last Year: 357

Soil Stewardship Sunday To Be Observed May 18th



By Lewis W. Dameron
Yancey Soil Conservationist

Soil stewardship will be the topic of sermons in several of the Yancey County churches on Sunday, May 18.

Several years ago, Soil Stewardship Sunday was started in the southern states to urge ministers to remind their congregations of man's duty to be good stewards of the soil, water and other natural resources. Now under the sponsorship of the National Association of Soil Conservation Districts, it has nationwide observance.

Quite often, people forget that the soil and other natural resources they have to use do not belong to them alone but also to the future generations. It is essential that we, both farmers and city dwellers, realize our dependence on our soil and water resources and our duties to protect them from abuse.

When we truly realize "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof", then we will fulfill our obligations as stewards of God's creations.

COMMUNITY CLUB News

JACKS CREEK CLUB MEETS

The Jacks Creek Community Club had a winter roast at the last meeting on Monday of this week.

During the business session, a committee was appointed to make plans for the erection of signs with name plates for the branch roads. The committee, including Roy Duncan, W. O. Briggs, and W. P. Honeycutt, also will make a survey of the families on the side roads.

It was decided to give prizes to the families making the most home improvements during the next year.

The next meeting will be a picnic supper at the clubhouse on Monday, June 9.

Democratic Convention Held May 10th

At the County Democratic Convention, held last Saturday in the Courthouse, Woodrow W. Anglin was re-elected chairman of the executive committee, Mrs. W. H. Peterson was re-elected vice chairman, and Jack Boone was elected secretary. The newly elected precinct chairmen compose the executive committee.

Registration books will be open again this Saturday, May 17, to give unregistered voters a chance to qualify for the May 31 primary.

GOSPEL SINGERS TO GIVE PROGRAM AT FLAT CREEK

A group of Gospel singers will present a program at Flat Creek School auditorium Friday night, May 23, at 8 o'clock. The program is being sponsored by the Odd Fellows of Piney Mt. Lodge IOOF 230. Edd Ball will serve as master of ceremonies.

Admission will be 25c for children under 12, and 50c for adults.

Be Sure To Read

This Week's
OVERLOOK ON LIFE

A timely editorial on politics

Bald Creek Lions Elects Officers

The Bald Creek Lions Club met Monday evening, May 5th to elect officers for the coming year. Those elected to office were: president, Charles B. Tomberlin; 1st vice president, Jack McIntosh; 2nd vice president, Reece Brinkley; 3rd vice president, Jim Hall; secretary, Reece Robertson; treasurer, Ralph Proffitt; trail twister, Earl Wilson; lion tamer, Pershing Wilson; directors for 1 year, Yates Bailey and T. F. Sams; and directors for 2 years, Shelby Robertson and Ronald Wilson.

Fair Skies, Warm Days Encourage Clean-Up Projects

Gully-washing rains and electric storms have been the unlikely heralds of the first real summer weather, and the weatherman is predicting fair skies for the rest of the week.

The weatherman did not give much cooperation, however, during Burnsville's annual "Clean-Up Campaign", which ends today. Almost every day during the campaign, Burnsville residents saw heavy rains - not much encouragement to enthusiastic citizens who wanted to get outdoors to clean-up and improve the appearance of their premises.

Although the "Clean-Up Campaign" has ended officially, residents of the town are carrying on unofficially with clean-up, fix-up, paint-up projects now that fair skies and warm days are here.

Poppy Day Set For Saturday, May 24th

Saturday, May 24, will be Poppy Day in Yancey County when everyone will be asked to wear a poppy in memory of those who gave their lives for our country. Volunteer workers of the American Legion Auxiliary will be in every township in the county offering poppies for sale. Do your part! BUY A POPPY.

FINAL REPORT MADE ON 1958 "RESERVE"

Final report on the 1958 Soil Bank Acreage Reserve Program shows that 434,100 acres will be removed from production of allotment crops this year.

E. W. Ament, of the state ASC office, says this participation more than meets all goals established for this state and will go a long way toward alleviating surpluses of the commodities involved.

The total acreage "reserved" under the program for 1958 is made up of 195,900 acres of cotton, 115,700 acres of corn, 85,200 acres of wheat, and 37,300 acres of tobacco.

Ament called attention to the fact that one of the primary objectives of this Soil Bank Program is to assist farmers in reducing their production of surplus basic commodities.

Using average per-acre production that prevailed in the state last year, he estimated that surplus stockpiles will be reduced by the following amounts through Soil Bank participation: tobacco, 55.7 million pounds; cotton, 127,300 bales; corn, 3.7 million bushels; and wheat, 1.6 million bushels.

Other primary objectives of this program are to encourage additional conservation of agricultural resources and to maintain the farmers' net income at a time when farm income is at a low point compared to operating costs. Payments that will be made to farmers in this state to cover the net loss they would otherwise realize from these reduced plantings will be in excess of \$30 million with \$13.5 million to be paid out to participating cotton farmers, \$9.6 million to tobacco farmers, \$4.4 million to corn farmers, \$2.2 million to wheat farmers. The balance of \$400,000 will be paid out under the other phase of the Soil Bank Program - the Conservation Reserve.

Local Women Attend Raleigh HD Meet

One of the highlights of National Home Demonstration Club Week, observed last week by North Carolina Home Demonstration Club women, was a United Nations-Citizenship Day program which was held in Raleigh on May 9.

Eighty-two counties in North Carolina were asked to make flags representing various countries, and a woman from each of these counties dressed in a costume typical of the country. The flags were beautiful and the costumes were very colorful and attractive.

Mrs. Champ Ray, from Newdale Home Demonstration Club, represented Yancey County. She carried the flag of Iceland and dressed in an Icelandic costume. Miss June Street, Home Agent, also attended the meeting.

It is hoped that programs of this type will help create an interest and a better understanding of foreign countries.

Miss Atkins Will Vacation In Japan

Miss Edna Atkins, assistant principal of Naha Elementary School, Okinawa, plans to vacation this summer in Japan before returning to her school duties at Naha. Miss Atkins is the daughter of Mrs. T. M. Atkins, of Pensacola, and the late Mr. Atkins.

At the close of this school term on June 6, Miss Atkins will teach a summer session at Sukaran, up the island from Naha, before leaving Okinawa for her vacation in Japan.

Before going to Okinawa, Miss Atkins spent two years teaching in Germany and France.

RADIO PROGRAM GIVEN BY IVY GAP CHURCH

The Rev. E. W. Jenkins, pastor of Ivy Gap Church, and a group of young girls from the church presented a radio program last Sunday over the Marshall radio station. The girls, who took part in the singing, were Misses Mary Clemm and Linda Chandler, Ella Mae Shepherd, Brenda Buckner and Jean Chandler.

PROGRAM OF MUSIC SCHEDULED AT INDIAN GREEK CHURCH

Edd Ball and the Singing Prayer Band will be at the Indian Creek Missionary Baptist Church this Sunday, May 18, at 2:00 p. m. Everyone is invited to hear them.

Mrs. Wheaton, Sister Of Thomas Wolfe, Speaks To Woman's Club

Mrs. Mabel Wheaton, of Asheville, sister of Thomas Wolfe, spoke to the Burnsville-Woman's Club last Thursday evening at the Community Building.

Mrs. Wheaton gave a most interesting account of her famous brother's boyhood in Asheville, his college years, and told a great deal about the writing of his first book, "Look Homeward, Angel", which recently has been made into a play that has received rave notices for its Broadway run and has won the Pulitzer Prize.

Mrs. Wheaton told the club that her mother's family was from Burnsville and her mother taught school near here many years ago. She brought in many other interesting bits of family background, many of them humorous accounts of incidents during her childhood.

She told of attending the opening night performance of "Look Homeward, Angel" in New York several months ago. Although the critics have given the play fine reviews, she remarked, "I

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Convicts Sentenced For Burch Fatality

Two escaped convicts from the Yancey Prison Camp road gang, who were involved in the collision which killed Mrs. Elaine H. Burch of Bat Cave, were sentenced 14 to 17 years imprisonment each during Henderson Superior Court on Wednesday, May 7.

James Edward Crispy, 25, of Concord, N. C., and Johnny Lee Miller, 26, of Albemarle, N. C.,

were sentenced after pleading guilty to manslaughter. Miller had identified himself as the driver of the stolen truck involved in the collision.

Judge James O. Farthing, of Lenoir, made the sentences concurrent to those the men were serving when they escaped. The road gang on April 25 with two other convicts.

Mrs. Burch, wife of Dr. William H. Burch, director of Valley Clinic and Hospital at Bat Cave, died when their sports car, and the stolen truck in which the convicts were riding collided early April 23 near Bat Cave. The State Highway Patrol said the truck had swerved to the left side of the highway.

Judge Farthing said in considering the sentences he had taken into account the fact that the convicts left the scene of the accident.

Officers said both men were captured about 10 hours after the accident.

The two other convicts were captured in Yancey County earlier the same day.

Crispy and Miller each were serving five to eight years - Crispy for breaking and entering in Mecklenburg County, and Miller for arson in Stanly County. Both had served considerable portions of their sentences.

The two other convicts in the escape were Luther Honeycutt, Jr., 20, of Wadesboro, and Glenn Hensley, 34, of Asheville.

Dr. Burch also was injured in the accident and has returned home from Memorial Mission Hospital at Asheville following treatment there.

College Class Visits Banks Home Here

Second year students of the home-furnishing class of Mars Hill College, accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. J. V. Howell of the college home economics department, and Miss Virginia Hart of the physical education department, visited Mrs. W. A. Banks on Wednesday of last week to view her new home at Crestview.

The students were Miss Karen Bailey, of Green Mountain; Miss Betsy Stroup, of Spruce Pine; Miss Glenda Lawrence, of Boone; Miss Carolyn Bennison, of Hendersonville; Miss Gay Howell, of Hertford; Miss Susan Wetzel, of Pompano Beach, Fla.; Miss Sara Auel, of Waynesville; and Miss Ann Wilson of Norfolk, Va.

Bald Creek Seniors To Present Play

Bald Creek seniors will present the play, "THE KISSING LINK" Friday night, May 16, at 8:00 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

Characters are: Valerie Anglin, Evelyn Ledford, Mary Frances Thomas, Fuller Pittman, Pat McInturf, Emory Briggs, Allena Lyla, James Pate, Phyllis Tipton, Reece Honeycutt, and Max Metcalf.

Miss King To Be Graduated Tomorrow

Miss Betty Jean King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy King of Bald Creek, will be graduated from Banner Elk School of Nursing in exercises held tomorrow May 16.

Miss King will remain in Banner Elk until August, when she will be employed at the Yancey Hospital in Burnsville. She is a graduate of Gold Creek High School.

Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Banks and children, of Burnsville, and Mr. and Mrs. John English and children, of Hickory, returned last week from a vacation trip to Daytona Beach, Fla.

John Blake, of Lyman, S. C., visited his mother, Mrs. Julia Blake, here this week.

Mrs. C. W. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Robertson and family, and Miss Ruth Lee Sims, of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Ethel Williams and son, Lloyd Williams, of Alexandria, Va., are here to attend funeral services for C. W. Robertson today at 2 p. m. at the Presbyterian Church at Micaville.

A Reminder

June 15, exactly one month from today, is the date set for the first judging in the "Flewer Box Contest".

Two other judgments will take place during the summer, and prizes will be awarded after the final judging.