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## Construction of Highway 19E From Spruce Pine Assured

A delegation of Yancey County citizens which attended a meeting of the State Highway Commission at Waynesville Monday morning returned with assurances that contracts will be let for the construction of the new Burnsville-Spruce Pine highway in January or February next year.

The apparent standstill on this

### Mrs. G. C. Graham Is Guest Speaker At Garden Club

Mrs. G. C. Graham, of Kona and formerly of London, England, was guest speaker of the Garden Club Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Proffitt. Mrs. Dover Fouts, program leader, introduced the speaker.

Mrs. Graham's subject was English gardens, particularly the public gardens. The most beautiful of all is Hampton Court, she told the members of the club. This garden, 15 miles from London, was built by Cardinal Wolsey and later was presented to Henry VII.

Mrs. Graham described the Dutch and Italian gardens, Hyde Park with its acres of crocuses in early spring, St. James Park, Regent's Park, and Lime walk which is reputed to be haunted. The most outstanding feature of the Buckingham Palace gardens, she said, is the large bed of red tulips followed by red geraniums. She also described the Shakespeare garden at Stratford on Avon and told of the garden at the house where Shakespeare lived as a young man. The original sundial still stands in this garden, Mrs. Graham said.

In telling of the different gardens, she related the legends connected with each.

Mrs. Brooks Wilson, vice-president of the club, presided at the business session in the absence of the president, Mrs. W. A. Y. Sargent. The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. E. L. Beeson. The civic committee reported on the replacement of missing street markers in town. These markers have been made by the Rev. H. M. Alley, and the hand-wrought iron brackets were made by Daniel Boone VI. The town board will furnish and set the posts for these signs, it was reported.

The club voted to send a note of thanks to the mayor and town board for their assistance. During the social hour, a dessert course was served by the hostess.

### East Yancey P. T. A. To Meet Monday Night, Oct. 6

The Parent-Teachers Association of the East Yancey High School will meet Monday, October 6 at 7:30 p. m. in the school cafeteria. Immediately following the P. T. A. meeting the Booster's Club will hold their meeting.

### Burnsville Senior Woman's Club To Meet Thursday

The Burnsville Senior Woman's Club will hold its regular meeting Thursday, October 9 at 8:00 p. m. in the Community Building. Final plans for the district meeting, which will be held here on Monday, October 13, will be made at this meeting.

The district meeting will be held at the Higgins Memorial Methodist Church beginning at 9:30 a. m. A luncheon will be served at the community building at 1:00 p. m. and Mrs. Raymond S. Dent of Spruce Pine, state president, will speak after the luncheon.

Mrs. James Ray, president of the club, urges all members to be present at the regular meeting in order that all plans may be arranged.

## New Amendments To Social Security Act

This is a fourth in a series of articles by George F. Leinwall, of the Asheville office of the Social Security Administration, and field representative for Yancey County, on the 1958 Amendments to the Social Security Act.

The new provisions in the law now make it possible for widows, dependent widowers, aged parents, or disabled children 18 or over, who are receiving benefits to continue to receive these benefits if that person marries someone also receiving one of these social security benefits.

The amendments also provide that a person receiving dependent or survivor benefits who marries an old-age or disability insurance beneficiary need no longer wait three years to qualify as a dependent of the new spouse.

The former determination that, with remarriage, the dependent or survivor had a new source of security was not supported in those instances where two persons received dependent or survivor payments married one another and their social security benefits were terminated. These couples, more often than not, had no other source of income and were forced to secure public welfare aid in many instances. Under the new amendments, both will receive the benefits for which they qualified before the marriage.

Those persons who had married and had their social security benefits discontinued prior to the new amendments may be eligible for resumption of the benefits, if they married someone who is, or was, collecting old-age or survivor benefits. These payments can be resumed only upon the filing of an application with the social security office.

Free copies of pamphlets on the new amendments may be obtained by writing to George F. Leinwall, Social Security Administration, Asheville, N. C.

## Five Men Arrested On Whisky Count

"As much as Wine has played the Iridel, And robbed me of my Robe of Honor — Well,

I wonder often what the Vintners buy, One-half so precious as the stuff they sell."

Three Yancey County men must have had the same idea concerning their product that Omar Khayyam had of the product of the vine. At least, according to Sheriff Terry Hall, the men were so carried away by their "precious stuff" that they were found in a drunken condition at a still site in the Pensacola section last Thursday night. One of the men escaped but was captured later the same night.

According to Sheriff Hall the arrests of the three men came from a raid on the still by him and investigators of the Federal Alcohol and Tobacco Tax unit and a deputy U. S. Marshal.

Arrested were Roscoe McMahan, Homer McMahan and Lee Rathburn, all of the Pensacola section, who were charged with the illegal manufacture of whisky.

In the raid the officers destroyed a 60 gallon galvanized still, four 55 gallon barrels with 200 gallons of mash and 3½ gallons of whisky.

According to the officers the men had just finished a run of whisky when they surprised them. The three related to the officers how they had been lying on the ground and drinking their finished product as it came from the still. One of the trio was quoted as saying he usually drank a half gallon of whisky a day and had been drunk for two years.

The men were arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Lawrence C. Stoker in Asheville and were bound to the November term of Federal Court. Bond was set at \$500.00 each.

A 60-gallon pot still was destroyed in the Mine Fork section during week-end raids by state and federal officers.

Federal Alcohol and Tobacco Tax investigators and Sheriff Hall arrested Virgil Deyton and Landon Peterson on charges of operating the still and poured out 50 gallons of mash.

The two men waived preliminary hearings Monday before U. S. Commissioner Lawrence C. Stoker and were ordered held in default of \$500.00 bonds a piece for trial at the November criminal term of U. S. District Court in Asheville.

## Week Of October 5 Proclaimed As Fire Prevention Week

President Eisenhower has proclaimed the week beginning October 5 as Fire Prevention Week, and no one has a more direct interest in this proclamation than the foresters of North Carolina.

The number of forest fires on the Pisgah National Forest has been low for the past several years. Ranger Clifford Faulkner says that two things have helped — people are more careful and the weather has been cooperative. The foresters' fear, however, that the favorable weather conditions may not always continue, and this leaves it entirely up to man.

Can the fires be kept out of the forest? Ranger Faulkner says he is convinced that the folks who use the forest are becoming more and more careful every year. "Smokey the Bear" and "Keep America Green" reminders are with them all the time.

"Our forest resources are becoming too valuable to burn up," said Faulkner. "The soil, the water, the wildlife, the campsites, and the timber increase in value every year. As more landowners realize the value of their woodland, there will be fewer and smaller fires."

Most forest fires are man-caused. The Ranger urges us to use care in disposing of the burnable material we clear out of our house during Fire Prevention Week. Make sure that no fires get away from the trash-burner to start a fire in the woods.

## Mars Hill Wins Over Cane River 26-0

Last Friday night a strong Mars Hill eleven beat inexperienced Cane River 26 to 0. The Mars Hill team has not been scored on since the first game of the season. Inexperience again hampered the Rebel cause. They had the ball within the 10 yard line of Mars Hill twice but could not score.

The Wildcats took the kick-off from Cane River, and on the third play hit paydirt. Grindstaff of Mars Hill went over his right tackle and raced 53 yards for the first touchdown. The try for extra points was good and Mars Hill led 7 to 0.

Cane River took the kickoff and moved down field to their own forty yard line where they were forced to punt. Experience again paid off for Mars Hill. After moving the ball to the Rebel 23, Gibbs of the Wildcats took the ball around left end on a reverse play for the second touchdown of the game. The try for extra point failed.

Neither team scored in the second quarter, however, Cane River recovered a fumble and moved to the Wildcats' eight yard line where they lost the ball on downs to the strong Mars Hill line. The score at the half remained 13 to 0.

Fender of the Rebels, took the kickoff starting the second half and ran it back to his own 38 yard line. The Rebels attempted a pass, which was intercepted by Gibbs of the Wildcat 45 yard line, running it back to the Rebel 10. Three plays later Gibbs tore through the center of the Rebel line for the third touchdown. The try for extra point was good, giving Mars Hill a lead of 20 to 0. They scored once again in the third quarter on a pass play, but the try for the extra point failed. The game ended with the Rebels on the Mars Hill 7 yard line. The final score was Mars Hill 26, Cane River zero.

Cane River was handicapped by the absence of their hard-running fullback, Bill Lewis, who was out from an injury from a previous game.

The Rebels will play Walnut High at Marshall Friday night with the kickoff at 8:00 p. m.

## Men's Club Endorses United Fund

At the last meeting of the Burnsville Men's Club plans were made for the annual Farmer's Night Banquet which will be held at the next monthly meeting, October 27. Each year farmers of the county are invited to take a tour through Glen Raven Silk Mill and through Firth Carpet Co. prior to the banquet.

Members of the club discussed the road situation in Yancey County and several of the men later attended the highway meeting held in Waynesville. Also the club passed a resolution endorsing the principle of the Yancey United Fund of combining in a single annual campaign the fund raising activities of the various health, welfare, and character building agencies which desire to raise money in Yancey County.

## Application To Incorporate Filed

Application has been sent to Raleigh to form a corporation under the name of Cane River Recreational Association. Incorporators are James A. Anglin, Wesley Roberts, Carl Rice, Ralph Adair and Dr. Melvin W. Webb.

The corporation is being formed as a membership organization which has grown out of efforts by several people in the community to organize to repair Cane River dam as a recreational area.

Members of the newly formed organization has announced a meeting to be held Friday night at 8:00 p. m. in the courthouse. They urgently request all persons interested in taking part in the association to attend the meeting. The urgency comes from the fact that repair work should be completed before winter weather begins. Also, the organizers hope to determine at the meeting Friday night how many persons are actually interested in the project and how much support may be expected.

## Brush Creek Wins Finer Farms Contest

Brush Creek Community gained high honor and won first prize money of \$350.00 in the Carolina Power and Light Co. Finer Farms Program, which was announced last week by the sponsoring company.

The community won this distinction in the Soil and Water Conservation program by showing more progress during the 1957-58 contest in the conservation field

### Highway Work Approved In County

Raleigh, N. C.—The State Highway Commission has approved and set up funds for road work in Yancey County.

This work involves grading, grading and stabilizing a total of 6.1 miles on the following roads: 1.6 miles of Baker Creek Road; three miles of Blue Rock Road; 0.5 mile of Arbutle Road and one mile of Arbutle Road.

It is anticipated that work on these roads will be completed on or before October 15, 1959, at an estimated cost of \$68,450.00.

Once funds have been approved and set up for similar projects, the money is encumbered until such time as the work is completed.

### Junior Woman's Club To Sponsor Children's Clothing Closet

The Carolina Hemlock Junior Woman's Club, co-operating with the Yancey County Welfare Department, will sponsor the Children's Clothing Closet for the first time this year, according to a recent announcement by Mrs. Melvin W. Webb, the club president. The Children's Clothing Closet project is a community service project sponsored by the Junior Woman's Clubs of North Carolina in cooperation with county departments of public welfare.

It had its beginning as a state-wide project at the Federation convention held in Goldsboro in 1949. Carefully developed policies have guided the project from its inception.

The Carolina Hemlock Junior Woman's Club hopes to furnish needy children in Yancey County with adequate clothing for the winter.

A committee for the drive has been appointed with Mrs. Bill Banks as chairman and Mrs. Earl Young, Mrs. Lewis Dameron and Mrs. Julian Cornwell as members.

The Welfare Department has provided a room in which to store the clothes. The room is located in the post office building and across the hall from the Welfare Department.

Mrs. Banks, chairman of the project stated that members will begin work on the room immediately so that it will be ready when the drive begins.

The project has not only helped people in need but has saved the taxpayers a great deal of money since these clothes did not have to be purchased by county departments of public welfare.

### Presbyterian Church To Observe Worldwide Service

The Presbyterian Church will observe Worldwide Communion Service next Sunday at 11:00 a. m. The Rev. Dr. Asa J. Ferry, a retired minister now living in Asheville, will be in charge of the service.

A congregational meeting and a covered dish supper will be held in the church Tuesday, October 7 at 6:30 p. m.

The Rev. Warren Reeve, pastor of the church, who recently underwent surgery, returned to his home Saturday from the Yancey Hospital. He is making daily improvement at his home here.

than any other communities in the fifty one North Carolina counties and twelve South Carolina counties eligible to enter the contest.

A prize of \$150.00 also went to the Yancey County board of conservation supervisors, and \$50.00 to John M. Deyton, supervisor of the community.

Jacks Creek with J. B. Stamey as supervisor and Hardscrabble with Thad Ray as supervisor were also entered in the contest. Jacks Creek Community was awarded \$50.00 for outstanding conservation work.

Soil Conservation Specialist, Lewis W. Dameron, states that there are 40 farms in Brush Creek Community. According to Dameron approximately 50% of the total land is in woodland, 24% in pasture, 21% in perennial hay, and 5% in row crops.

Some of the accomplishments by the community and methods of conservation considered in the program included waterway development, farm drainage, contour farming, strip cropping, crop rotation, method of thinning and cutting woodland and land used for wildlife conservation.

Brush Creek Community has for several years been one of the most progressive communities of the county. In 1952 a community club was organized with Mrs. Nell Johnson as the first president. O. W. Deyton is the current president. Past presidents include John Randolph, Claude Hughes and Jess Howell. Since forming the club the community has won \$50.00 awards three previous years in the Better Farms Contest and has won first place three times in the county in the Western North Carolina Agricultural Development contest.

The farms, which were a few years ago ordinary mountain farms, have been developed into some of the most productive farms in Yancey County. At the present time there are six grade A dairies in the community operating on farms owned by Elmer Peterson, Howard Garland, Virgil Presnell, Isaac Thomas, Cas Thomas and John Randolph. All of these farmers are active members in the community club. There are more acres of alfalfa in the Brush Creek area than any other comparable area in the county.

One of the first 4-H Clubs in the county was organized here and sponsored by the community club. The community also boasts of a Hunt Club, controlling several acres specifically planted for wildlife food and cover.

A recent addition of 16 foot to the community club building was financed from prize money. Installation of a new range and refrigerator for the building is now being planned.

Probably one of the most unique activities of the club is a rabbit supper which is scheduled for the second Friday night in December. This has been an annual event for the past five years. The Hunt Club provides wild rabbits for this supper and the women of the community prepare the game, along with other dishes to round out the meal. The supper group will usually number from 75 to 95.

### County 4-H Dairy Show To Be Held Wednesday

The Yancey County 4-H Dairy show will be held Wednesday, October 8 at 10:00 a. m. behind Deyton Farm Supply. According to Roger Hyatt, assistant county agent, approximately twenty five 4-H dairy cows and heifers will be shown.

The registered animals which win blue or red ribbons in the county show will go to Asheville Wednesday afternoon to compete in the District Dairy Show which will be held on Thursday, October 9.

Everyone is invited to attend the show.

## United Fund Directors Announce Budget Goal

Directors of the Yancey United Fund have announced a budget goal of \$8,790 for the fourth annual fund raising drive which is scheduled to start later this month. Included in the budget are funds to help support 16 important health, welfare and character building agencies which serve to benefit Yancey County and its citizens.

The new budget goal is \$210 lower than the total for last year, but is about \$1,500 larger than the amount actually collected last year, when the campaign raised 80 per cent of the goal.

Despite the decrease in the total, the new budget apportions approximately the same amount as last year to local Yancey County activities. An increase of \$90 was made in the amount for the Yancey County library, and \$140 in the amount for the orthopedic clinic, which next year for the first time will be held at the Health Center. Mr. George Roberts, Chairman of the Budget Committee, states that in setting up the budget the

The budget as adopted, included the following:

4-H Clubs	\$760
Rural Community Development Program	\$500
For blind and sight conservation	\$300
Orthopedic clinic at Yancey Health Center	\$200
Boy Scouts	\$500
Girl Scouts	\$850
Yancey County Library	\$300
Yancey Hospital	\$500
American Red Cross	\$2,400
Aid for adoption of homeless children	\$193
USO	\$214
Care and protection of unmarried mother and her child	\$99
Medical research in N. C.	\$171
Dread Diseases	\$800
Cerebral Palsy Ass'n—for work in WNC	\$100
N. C. Ass'n for mental health	\$32
Affiliation with Carolinas United Program	\$136
Miscel. small contributions	\$35
Expenses of United Fund	\$150
Reserve	\$550
TOTAL	\$8,790

The \$800 item in the budget for combatting dread diseases may be employed at the discretion of the executive committee for research work under the United Medical Research Foundation of N. C., and the rehabilitation of Yancey County children crippled by dread diseases.

guiding principle has been to allocate funds to the various activities in amounts which will bring the greatest benefits to the county. At the same time, the committee has recognized that Yancey County should bear a fair share of the cost of certain well-managed state-wide and national activities which clearly benefit Yancey County. The principal national appeals included are the Red Cross, and the USO.

The amount included in the budget for the Rural Community Development Program is \$500, with the additional provision that in the event additional community clubs are organized and active, \$50 will be added for each new club, to be donated from the UF reserve, after approval of the Executive Committee.

Members of the budget committee are George Roberts, chairman; Clarence Bailey, Mrs. Ernest Briggs, Dover Fouts, Robert Helme, Mrs. Fleet Proffitt, Bruce Westall, and Mrs. Jane Wray.

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