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Open House At New Library To Be Held Sunday

Sam Lee Radford Nominated For Air Force Academy By Congressman Whitener



BILLY BRUCE RAY operator of this vehicle was only slightly injured when his car left the Blue Rock Road and turned over five times. The car came to rest on its wheels one hundred and fifty feet below the road. Ray was released after treatment at a Spruce Pine Hospital. Patrolman Charles Elliott, who investigated, said that no charges were made.

Washington, D. C. —Sam Lee Radford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Radford of Cane River, has been nominated by Congressman Basil L. Whitener to take the competitive examination for appointment to the United States Air Force Academy.

Radford, who is stationed in the Air Force at Lincoln Air Force Base, Nebraska, has been notified by Congressman Whitener of his nomination. He is a graduate of Bald Creek High School and completed two years at Mars Hill College.

During his high school years he was very active as a member of the basketball, baseball, and track teams. He attended Cane River Baptist Church before entering the Air Force.

In announcing Radford's appointment to take the competitive examination for the Air Force Academy, Congressman Whitener commented: "I am very happy to give Sam Lee Radford an opportunity to compete for admission to the Air Force Academy. He has been highly recommended by many fine citizens in Yancey County. I wish him every success on his examinations."

The Air Force Academy is located at Colorado Springs, Colorado. Graduates of the school receive commissions as second lieutenants in the Regular Air Force.

Watson Dies at 93 Was Prominent Lawyer

Col. E. Frank Watson, 93, of Spruce Pine died in the Spruce Pine hospital Tuesday morning after a long illness.

The story of Col. Watson's life as a North Carolina lawyer is closely tied to the history of the

mountain area. His court victory for what is now the Clinchfield Railroad was responsible for construction of that line through the mountains and the subsequent opening up of the Spruce Pine area about the turn of the century.

He was also interested in education and was instrumental in the formation of what is now the Clinchfield Institute which operated for 25 years. He served as chairman of the board of trustees. He was also on the board of trustees of Mars Hill College.

A native of Jackson County, he was named for his father, a pioneer who died at the age of 99. Col. Watson attended law school at the University of North Carolina and was admitted to the bar in 1892.

He married Miss Cora Ray of 1934, after which he moved from Burnsville to Spruce Pine. He married Mrs. Lucy Davidson Bailey in 1942 and lived with her until her death 10 years later.

Surviving are two nieces, Mrs. Welzie Riddle, Jr. of Burnsville and Miss Louise Watson of Asheville; and three nephews, Frank Watson of Spruce Pine, Charles Watson of Asheville, and D. R. Fouts of Burnsville.

Services were held in First Baptist Church in Spruce Pine at 2 p. m. Wednesday.

The Rev. R. M. Cassidy officiated and the body was brought to Burnsville for burial in Academy Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Clifton Gibbs, Bill McKinney, J. W. Riddle, G. L. Hensley, Phillip Ray, and Grady Bailey.

Honorary pallbearers were attorneys of the 24th District Bar Association, members of the Men's Bible Class of First Baptist Church of Spruce Pine, Carter Hodgins of Marion and Edward of Greensboro and Dr. Hoyt Blackwell of Mars Hill. Flower bearers were women of the church.

An Open House to be held Sunday afternoon, January 29th, in the Yancey County Public Library in Burnsville, has been announced by the Library Board of Trustees.

The public is invited to visit the library from 3 to 5 p. m. Sunday in its new quarters in the Randolph Building on Academy Street, back of the Hilltop Restaurant. Friends of the library will be in charge of refreshments, with Mrs. Mack Ray, Mrs. Ernest Briggs, and Mrs. Ralph Adair serving as the planning committee.

The present accessible locations of the library is the result of the efforts of a Friends of the Library group of citizens cooperating with the Board of County Commissioners and the Town Board of Burnsville. Shelving moved from the old location has been installed by Robert K. Helmle, Senior Girl Scouts have assisted in re-shelving books. Carolyn Ray, Celia Coletta, Alice Hensley, and Martha Bradshaw are among those who have donated their services.

A telephone has been installed in the library through the cooperation of the Yancey County United Fund Agency. This should increase the usefulness of the library to all citizens of the county. The telephone number is Murray 2-2690.

The Board of Trustees of the Yancey County Public Library urges the public to attend the "open house" on Sunday afternoon, and to use the improved facilities of the library. For the present the regular library hours are: Tuesdays, 2 - 5; Wednesdays, 9 - 1 and 2 - 5; Saturdays, 9 - 12.

Thirteen To Become Gray Ladies

Thirteen local women are serving their probationary period in the Yancey Hospital as Gray Ladies. The Gray Lady organization is one of the many volunteer programs established by the American Red Cross, having its beginning during World War I when the volunteers wore a uniform and a gray veil. When the patients in the military hospitals needed attention they would affectionately call "gray lady" because it would be impossible to know the names of all the volunteers, and thus the name "Gray Lady" has become the official name of this womens organization which serves in military and public supported hospitals. The uniform is still gray, but the veil has been replaced with a cap.

The purpose of Gray Ladies is solely to be of help and assistance to the patients without charge. They visit in wards and rooms, and during their visits they give personal services in writing letters, reading, obtaining reading material, arranging flowers. They may also shop for the patients, serve as guides to visitors, and assist by assisting the nurses with non-nursing duties.

The staff of Yancey Hospital requested that some type of volunteer service be established, and the Senior and Junior Womens Clubs appointed committees to sponsor and organize such a group. The sponsoring committee was composed of Mrs. Donald I. Burhoe, Chairman; Mrs. Melvin Webb, Mrs. Harlon Holcombe, Miss June Street, and Mrs. Garland Wampler.

Although Gray Ladies are volunteers there are certain requirements they must meet before serving in the hospitals. A woman must have several hours of orientation to the Red Cross and to Gray Lady Service, as well as instructions from a staff physician and the hospital administrator, plus serving ten hours probationary period in the hospital.

The Senior Girl Scouts are planning to serve in the hospital after they have completed a First Aid course. Many of the girls have already completed their orientation training.

Additional classes will be set up if enough women indicate a desire to serve in this rewarding organization. Service may be rendered at the hospital or by doing sewing and mending for the hospital at home.

The group is without a chairman, but Mrs. Harlon Holcombe and Mrs. Robert L. Rhinehart are serving as co-chairmen of scheduling. Other members of the organization are:

Mrs. Clarence Burton, Mrs. J. Hubert Cooper, Mrs. E. L. Dillingham, Mrs. Harold Evans, Mrs. Hershel Holcombe, Mrs. Annie C. Hassell, Mrs. R. K. Helmle, Miss Betty Motsinger, Mrs. Edward Ryan, Mrs. W. A. Y. Sargent, Mrs. T. M. Tyner.

A "capping" ceremony will be held for the volunteers after each member of the present class has served her ten hour probationary period.

Godfrey Gets Washington Appointment

A 26-year career with the U. S. Department of Agriculture was climaxed Saturday for Horace D. Godfrey with his appointment as Administrator of the Commodity Stabilization service in Washington.

Godfrey 45-year-old native of Union County, said he planned to go to Washington Sunday and be ready to report to his new office on Monday Jan. 28.

Mr. Godfrey who lives in Raleigh has been with the U. S. Department of Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation since 1949. Except for a tour of duty with the Air Force during World War II, he has been with the Department of Agriculture since 1934. As C. S. C. Administrator, Godfrey will be responsible for formulating the policies, procedures and regulations for administering acreage allotments and marketing quota programs and all price support activities for all commodities including tobacco, cotton, peanuts, and wheat.

The Administrator also has Supervision of State A. S. C. Committees and office operations. He serves as executive Vice-President of the Commodity Credit Corporation, and the financial Agency for Price Support Program.

Godfrey is married and has three children. For the time being, the family will remain in Raleigh. Godfrey is a Baptist, Mason and Democrat.

Godfrey said he was honored to be asked to take the job. "I also appreciate very much the support and confidence expressed by my friends in my ability to fill such a high post in our Government," he said.

"I am keenly aware of the problems facing this administration in their effort to establish a healthy and prosperous Agriculture. Agriculture is the foundation on which all nations prosper on fall. This administration is committed to de-

Book Review

By: Wendell Thomas

In 1954 Norman Cousins, editor of The Saturday Review of Literature, wrote Modern Man Is Obsolete. In this book he foresaw the grave problem we now face, the problem of atomic power in a world of international anarchy. In his new book, In Place of Folly, he states the facts concerning nuclear war, radioactive fallout, delivery systems of modern weapons, and presents an alternative to dread and the destruction of civilization.

"War is not inevitable," he declares. Give the United Nations the power and the means it needs to enforce world peace through "law." The individual is not helpless. There is a point of effective connection between the individual and what is happening on the world stage. He calls on all men everywhere to work for a "structured peace" for effective law through a revamped United Nations.

In place of Folly is available now from booksellers. Better still, it is on order at your local library. The prophetic work, Modern Man Is Obsolete, is available at the library now.

CLYDE PHILLIPS RECEIVES AWARD

S. Clyde Phillips, N. C. State Motor Club district manager for Yancey County, has received a special award for first honorable mention in the company's Top Ten in cash production for 1960, Thomas B. Watkins, president, has announced.

Develop programs which will establish a prosperous Agriculture and at the same time continue to provide an abundant supply of food and fiber for all our people.

Double Island Community Club Meets

The Double Island Community Club held a special meeting Saturday night, January 21. The meeting was to discuss plans for a new community building, and a box supper was sponsored.

In the near future the club will sponsor a calf scramble for 4-H members of the community. A committee was appointed to contact people who have relatives buried in the Double Island Cemetery for help in financing a much needed improvement program.

The club decided to meet on the 4th. Saturday with the 4-H Club meetings on the same date. On the 4th. Saturday in January the club will sell hot dogs and drinks to raise funds to apply on the building fund. The public is invited.

NOTICE

A dance will be held at the Community Building on Saturday night, February 4, beginning at 8:45 p. m. Good music will be furnished. Everyone invited to attend. Admission \$1.00 per couple.

Bloodmobile Visits Here Friday

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will visit Burnsville Friday, January 27. The mobile unit will be at the First Baptist Church in Burnsville from 1:00 to 6:00 p. m. to collect blood.

The Blood Program is very important to Yancey County. Through this program blood is donated to the Red Cross and used by the citizens of this county whenever

needed. In past years the use of blood has exceeded donations. It is necessary the people of the county respond to the call to donate. The quota for this year is 400 pints. In order to reach this quota it is necessary to collect 100 pints at this visit. Last January only 29 pints were donated.

This visit of the Bloodmobile is being sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club of Burnsville.

Hunting And Fishing Survey

Information on the hunting and fishing activities of Americans will be collected by the U. S. Census Bureau in a sample survey to be conducted here and in 332 other areas of the country, it was announced today by Director Joseph R. Norwood of the Bureau's regional field office at Charlotte, N. C. The survey will start on January 28 and is expected to be completed in a month.

The purpose of the survey is to obtain information on the number of individuals who engaged in recreational hunting and fishing in the United States during 1960, the number of days spent in these pursuits, and the expenditures which resulted from their participation in hunting and fishing for recreation. A similar survey, taken early in 1956, showed that approximately 25 million American anglers and hunters spent nearly \$8 billion in pursuit of fish and game during 1955. This averages \$114 apiece. The 21 million anglers spent \$2 billion while 12 million hunters spent nearly \$1 billion. More than seven million individuals engaged in both hunting and fishing.

The fishing and hunting survey is being carried out by the Census Bureau for the Fish and Wildlife Service, U. S. Department of the Interior.

Local interviews in the fishing and hunting surveys will be conducted by Mrs. Edna L. Harmon.

Locals

Eddie Proffitt has returned to his home from Memorial Mission Hospital where he has been recovering from injuries received in an automobile accident.

He wishes to thank his many friends for their prayers, get well cards and other acts of kindness.



RALEIGH—The Motor Vehicle Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A. M. Monday, January 23:

KILLED TO DATE 51
KILLED TO DATE Last Year 52

Join the Fight To Save a Life--GIVE BLOOD