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Local Women Attend HD Club Meeting

By: June Street, Home Ec. Agt.
Twenty-six Yancey County Home Demonstration Club members attended the Annual District IV Home Demonstration Meeting

Library Association Adopts Specific Goals

Concerned with the development of good library service for all the people of this State, the North Carolina Library Association membership has adopted specific goals. These are being distributed widely by the membership in an effort to focus attention on the vital role of libraries in a State on the move.

Introducing the goals, the President of the Association, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Hughey, points to the significant contributions libraries have made to education and research and to intellectual and cultural growth of North Carolinians, but recognizes at the same time that they still lack essential resources. There are not enough books, not enough library-trained personnel, and not enough adequate facilities for library use.

The President points out further that the unprecedented demand for library services to help with day to day living, to aid research, and to support education at all levels makes it imperative to improve library service in North Carolina.

Recognizing this great need the goals of the North Carolina Library Association require the development of: (1) library service available to all people in the State; (2) public awareness of library service; (3) adequate personnel to meet the needs of our expanding population and changing social order; (4) strong programs of library services to reach all people.

Flower Box Contest To Be Held

The third annual Flower Box Contest for public places is being sponsored by the Garden Club.

Those entering the contest may plant their flowers in boxes or pots outside or inside windows, or in flower beds. Entrants may give their names to Mrs. Robert I. Wicker at the Yancey County Merchants' Association office on the Square.

Members of the club believe that if the contest is entered into with enthusiasm, the town will be beautified, civic pride will be fostered, and the incentive to keep the town clean will be increased.

Judges will be appointed and prizes will be given. The contest is under the direction of the civic committee, composed of Mrs. Troy Ray, Mrs. Charles Proffitt, and Mrs. Dawson Briggs.

Methodist Youth Attend Peace Seminar

Misses Dianne Roberts and Carolyn Ray of Burnsville left Tuesday morning for New York where they will attend a United Nations Peace Seminar of the youth of the Methodist Church of Western North Carolina. This is an annual event of the Western North Carolina Conference.

Misses Roberts and Ray were among the youth of the western district who left by chartered bus from Asheville Tuesday. They will return on Saturday.

Miss Roberts is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Roberts, and Miss Ray is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack B. Ray of Burnsville.

which was held at the Manor Hotel in Asheville on Thursday, April 6. Mrs. Donald Shook of Buncombe County presided.

The highlight of the day was a most inspiring talk, "Living up to Expectations", by Mrs. Betty Freezer, WBTV Home Economist. She left these thoughts with the women:

1. Is your family proud of you?
2. Are you a credit to your community?
3. Are you a true servant of God?
4. How do you look to yourself?

Mrs. Kenneth Johnson, of the Brush Creek Club, will serve as the new District Chairman and Mrs. Brooks Wilson, Pensacola Club, was installed as secretary.

Several Yancey County women participated in the program — Mrs. Brooks Wilson gave the Response to the Welcome; Mrs. H. D. Ray, Jr. did the introductions for Yancey County; Mrs. Grace Ray served on the Resolutions Committee; Mrs. Gus Peterson was a member of the Courtest Committee; Mrs. Clyde Edwards was chairman of the Place Committee; Mrs. Andrew Johnson served on the Nominating Committee; and Mrs. Herman Howell assisted with the registration.

Approximately 300 women attended the meeting. The 1962 meeting will be held in Yancey County.

Funeral Services For Jack Thomas

Jack Thomas, 38, died Thursday night in a Buncombe County VA hospital after a two-year long illness.

Mr. Thomas was a veteran of World War II and an electrician. He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Faye Wilson Thomas; one daughter, Freda; two sons, Jack, Jr., and Jeffery; a step-son, Billy Wheeler, all of Micaville; the mother, Mrs. Lora Thomas of Micaville; and three brothers, Frank of Micaville, Ray and Harold of Detroit, Mich.

Services were held at 2:30 p. m. Saturday in Micaville Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. Frank Chappo and the Rev. Ralph Young officiated. Burial was in Young Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Forrest Thomas, S. A. Young, Floyd Wilson, Jack Boone, Tommy Robinson and Bobby Shehan.

Local Students Named On ASTC Honor Roll

Names of Appalachian State Teachers College students who maintained a "B" or higher scholastic average through the winter term (November-February) have been released by Registrar Herman R. Eggers.

Those qualifying for the honor roll from this county were: Mary Lou Howell of Rt. 2, Burnsville; and Frank Howard Lewis of Burnsville, both seniors.

'Oscar' Show

Bob Hope will MC the star-packed telecast of the 33rd Annual Awards of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Monday night, April 17. Hollywood's most glamorous stars will be seen at this gala event which traditionally is the biggest TV Show of the year.

Anglin To Head Presbyterian Men's Group

Fred Anglin was elected president of the Presbyterian Men's group at the Breakfast Sunday morning. Other officers elected were Clyde Ayers, Vice-President; and Fred Street, Secretary-Treasurer.

Plans were made for a family breakfast for May 14 and the Mitchell Yancey Presbyterian Men's Meeting at Newdale April 19.

Yancey Unit Of NCEA Elects Officers

The Yancey County unit of the North Carolina Education Association met at the East Yancey High School Friday (afternoon, April 7).

Mr. Monroe McIntosh, retiring local N. C. E. A. president, presided at the meeting. After a short business session the newly elected officers for the next school session were recognized by Mr. McIntosh. The following officers were named: Jack McIntosh, president; Mrs. Louise Hughes, vice president; Mrs. Sara Proffitt, secretary-treasurer.

Miss Ethel Boone, Supervisor of Yancey County Schools, introduced Mr. J. E. Miller, Assistant State Superintendent of Public Instruction, guest speaker for the occasion, who was cordially received by the teachers of the county.

Mr. Miller spoke at length of "Contemporary Trends in Education." He gave his views relative to the different phases of a total school program that would encourage the standard of excellence for the schools of the state. Mr. Miller also stressed the importance of priority being given to classroom work through skillful teaching and ability grouping.

Miss Shepard Honored At ASTC

BOONE — Twenty-one students go before the 2200-student body of Appalachian State Teachers College during spring convocation on April 19 to be recognized for their scholastic attainments.

The honor students will hear an address by Rebekah Rivers, assistant editor of THE CAROLINA FARMER MAGAZINE, and receive special certificates from Dr. D. J. Whitener, the college dean.

Dr. Ina W. Van Noppen, chairman of the Scholarship Recognition Day committee, states that those to be honored represent the top students academically in the freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes.

Scholarship Recognition Day is an annual event at Appalachian. Miss Barbara Shepard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Shepard of Burnsville, is among those to be honored. Miss Shepard is a senior at Appalachia.

East Yancey PTA Elects Officers

East Yancey High School held their last Parent Teacher Association meeting of the year Tuesday night.

The Glee Club, under the direction of Mrs. Kenneth Robertson, and the Home Economics Department instructed by Mrs. Mack B. Ray and Mrs. Max Hughes, gave the program.

The Glee Club sang several numbers and the Home Economics Students gave a dress review. No winners were selected nor prizes given.

Officers for the coming year were elected. They included E. L. Dillingham, president; Mrs. Arthelia Brooks, vice-president; Mrs. J. H. Cooper, secretary; and Mrs. Wesley Roberts, treasurer.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Raleigh Report

(By: Representative Holcombe)

COMPLETE HEARINGS

A long and heated debate by the citizens' committee for the removal of Camp Polk Prison completed the hearings before the joint appropriation committee last week.

The citizens' group came to argue that the entire Camp Polk Prison, located in northwest Raleigh, should be moved lock, stock and barrel from its present site to another site—any place—away from the Capital.

This is a medium security camp located about 3 miles from the Central Prison City. They had become concerned because of two tragic incidents, one in 1959 one in 1960, involving prisoners at the camp. (This camp, was built in 1920 and houses about 400 prisoners).

George Randall, director of prisons, pointed out that neither the governor nor any prison official ever promised to remove the entire camp but had promised to remove the danger. This, he explained, had been accomplished by transferring felons from the camp and by establishing a trade school for first offenders. This school will offer prisoners an opportunity to learn a trade to prepare for return to civilian life.

But the citizens would have none of this. They wanted Camp Polk moved as far away as possible and the land used for other purposes. They requested that the appropriation committee join the fight by holding up funds for the project.

Since no vote on a measure is ever taken at a public hearing, action was postponed—and the situation will be considered at a later date.

It will not be as easy to solve as it may sound. Complicating the matter is the fact that the State of North Carolina has an investment at Camp Polk of approximately \$3,000,000 and that an extensive and expensive remodeling program has just been completed.

Then, too, no other state agency has any use for the property, even if the prison department had any place to go with its school and Mr. Randall pointed out that no other site was suited for the project.

In the words of the director: "If you deny this appropriation or request for funds and we are unable to open this school, then we shall immediately have to ask for and you must be ready to grant us an additional \$3,000,000 instead of the \$125,000 which we now need."

Mention of additional funds caused the committee members to sit up and take notice.

OTHER PROBLEMS

The Camp Polk problem is just one of many that have been tossed in the laps of the Appropriation Committee since the hearings started early during the session.

The list of those state agencies that have requested extra money would fill a good size page. One by one the representatives have filed in before the committee and stated their reasons for needing more money than has been recommended.

When to cut? What to cut? These are questions that concern the committee members as they begin the long and hard job of whipping the budget into shape. There can be no guess work; the state law says that the budget must balance before the legislature adjourns. That means that whatever the appropriations committee grants the institutions and agencies for the next two years, the same must be raised by the finance committee in taxes.

NOT EASY. The decisions are not easy. Every agency that has come before the group had a worthy cause and has made a good case. These have included schools, colleges, welfare, soil conservation groups, hospitals, labor, highways, roads, orphanages, and dozens of allied groups.

It will not be easy to cut out any of these but something has

District Conference To Be Held In Asheville

The district conference on Education for all Methodist churches in the Asheville district will be held at Central Methodist Church in Asheville on Tuesday, April 18th, beginning at 7:15 P. M.

The Rev. Robert G. Tuttle, district superintendent, will be in charge.

Outstanding Methodist leaders from all departments of work will be present to give instruction in all phases of church school work. The conference was planned by the Board of Christian Education of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church.

The Rev. W. B. A. Culp, district director, has announced that the class session for each group will begin at 7:30 P. M. and that registration will be held in each classroom.

The courses to be taught are: kindergarten workers, Mrs. R. E. Allison, teacher, "My Family and My Friends," text; primary workers, Mrs. David Hyatt, teacher, "Love One Another," text; junior workers, Miss Elizabeth Callis, former missionary to Burma, teacher, "Living and Working Together," text; administration of children's work, Miss Louise Robinson of Statesville, deaconess in the Methodist Church, as leader, with Mrs. G. M. Lookbill as assistant.

In the Youth division, the class for junior high workers will be taught by the Rev. Tom Lee, conference director of junior high work, and the Rev. C. Milton Young, district director.

Mrs. Carl King of Statesville, will teach the course for adult workers with seniors and older youth and the Rev. Paschal O'Neil of Weaverville will assist. Young adult officers and teachers will meet with the Rev. Paul Duckwall, a conference director of young adult work.

Mrs. L. H. Bagwell, sub-district director, will lead a group in the study of, "Making Our Group Christian."

Text books will be available in each classroom. All materials to be used in vacation church schools will be on display.

Pre-School Clinics Schedule

Pre-School clinics will be held with Bee Log School on Friday, April 14 and at Burnsville Elementary School on Monday, April 17th.

These Clinics will begin at 9:00 a. m. Parents who have children entering these schools for the first time this fall are urged to bring their children to the clinics.

to be eliminated. The entire extra requests must total near the \$200,000,000 mark and this kind of money is not picked up overnight even in a state budget that already totals \$1 1/2 billion.



GODFREY and WILLIAMS

RALEIGH, N. C. — Pictured above are two avid horsemen at a recent horse show in Sedgefield who have much more in common than horses. Both are volunteer Crusaders in the war against cancer. Shown on the left is Arthur Godfrey, Honorary Public Education Chairman for the American Cancer Society's 1961 Crusade, and J. O. Williams, M. D., Concord, who is Chairman of North Carolina's Crusade.

Dogwood Blossom Festival May 4-7

Waynesville, N. C. — North Carolina's third annual Dogwood Blossom Festival, the only event which pays festive tribute to the official state flower of the Tar

East Yancey Senior To Present Play

The Senior Class of East Yancey School will present SHLAS SMIDGE by Jay Toblas on Friday evening, April 14th at 7:30 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

This play suggests an old-fashioned melodrama and a highly exaggerated comedy. The entire play takes place in the early twenties.

The cast of characters are as follows: Cynthia Chrisawn, Alice Hensley, Ben Gouge, Judy Harris, Thanna Black, Tommy Dean McIntosh, Wynford Bodford, Celia Coletta, Pat Mayberry, Gerald Penland, Ernst Schwintzer, Arthur Lee Jarrett and Viola Hollifield.

For a sure-fire evening of entertainment and for comedy at its very best, everyone is invited to see this play.

The play is under the direction of Mr. Robert Howell.

Hearn Selected State Director Of FHA

Melvin H. Hearn of Hickory, has been selected state director for the Farmers Home Administration in North Carolina. His headquarters will be in Raleigh.

For the past four years Mr. Hearn has been in charge of sales, advertising, and plant supervision for a dairy concern at Hickory.

He was born on a farm and attended Heke and Scotland county public schools. He graduated at North Carolina State College with a B. S. degree in Agriculture in 1942. He worked at the college dairy plant and dairy farm while earning his college education, and after graduation worked for a dairy at Burlington, North Carolina, before going into the Army later that same year.

Most of his four years in the Army were spent with the Army Veterinary Service. After his return from the service he worked as a field man for a Burlington dairy, helping farmers improve their dairy enterprises. This field work continued for more than seven years, when he assumed the added duties of managing a milk processing plant. In 1957 he assumed charge of the dairy plant at Hickory.

Mr. Hearn is married to the former Edith Gilbert of Siler City. Their two boys are 11 and 12 years old. The family is active in civic, church and school groups.

The festival will reach its climax Saturday night with a beauty pageant at Canton high school during which the contestants will be judged in evening gowns, and the final selection of the 1961 Dogwood Blossom Queen will be accomplished.

Immediately following the pageant will be a Coronation Ball in the Canton Armory honoring the new queen and her court.

The festival will close with an exciting all-event horse show at Waynesville on Sunday afternoon, May 7. This will be the first ring event of the year in this area for horse lovers, and is expected to create great interest among both exhibitors and spectators.

Heel realm, will be held here in Haywood County on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 4-7.

The elaborate four-day program of colorful festivities will feature an opening parade, a talent show, an old fashioned square dance, a scenic tour of dogwood areas, a beauty pageant, a coronation ball, and a full scale horse show.

Participating in all these activities will be at least 30 beautiful and talented young ladies from all sections of North Carolina who will be competing for the title of 1961 Dogwood Blossom Queen. Special social events will also be planned for the lovely contestants.

Gov. Terry Sanford has been invited to do the honor of crowning the new queen. Thousands of other visitors will be attracted to Western North Carolina for this early season spectacular.

Co-sponsored by the four Chambers of Commerce in Haywood County, the North Carolina Dogwood Blossom Festival, though still in its infancy, appears destined to take its rightful place among the other "flower" festivals for which the Southeastern area of the United States is famous.

This event has the support of scores of leading Haywood County citizens from Canton, Bethel, Clyde, Waynesville, Hazelwood, Lake Junaluska and Maggie Valley, who are devoting their personal time to detailed committee work.

The festival will open Thursday afternoon, May 4, with a trans-county parade that will travel a 14-mile route. Among the 50 or more units of the parade will be 15 to 20 exceptionally beautiful floats decorated in the dogwood blossom motif.

Thursday night the talents of the contestants for the queen's crown will be presented and judged in a show at Clyde school.

The Waynesville Armory will be the scene of the Dogwood Jamboree on Friday night, May 5, featuring old fashioned square dancing and judging of the queen candidates in Daisy May costumes.

Saturday morning, May 6, the public will be invited to join the beautiful contestants in a scenic tour of the hills and valleys of Haywood County that will be resplendent with masses of wild dogwood blossoms.

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Girl Scout Rally Monday Night

A Girl Scout Rally will be held at the Higgins Memorial Methodist Church here on Monday night, April 17th at 7:15 p. m. Brownies and Scouts from Burnsville, Spruce Pine, Marshall, Walnut and Bee Log will participate in the affair. Miss Lunette Barber of the State Wildlife Commission of Raleigh will be the guest speaker.

The Burnsville Scouts will present a puppet show. All parents and friends are invited.