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Lea and Blevins To Attend Craft Fair

Mrs. Wanda Lea, who operates a pottery shop at nearby Celo, thinks that pottery is one of the most engaging of all crafts.

A gifted painter, she says that when she started studying ceramics it proved to be "more exciting as a total engagement of both practical skills and imagination."

She still paints, and this is important not only for relaxation. "I shift media to sharpen design sense in clay," she explains. "One has to keep alert. When my work in clay begins to feel dull, I start painting or enamelling. Then

I return to pottery refreshed."

A member of the Southern Highland Handicraft Guild, Mrs. Lea will be at the Craftsman's Fair in Asheville, July 17-21.

For the past 10 years she has spent much time experimenting clay bodies and glazes, teaching herself to formulate or alter glazes through use of molecular ratios. She has familiarized herself with characteristics of various chemicals.

Mrs. Lea, a native of Peoria, Ill., was graduated from Kendall College, Evanston, Ill. Then she studied at the Art Institute and the American Academy of Art in Chicago, following which she spent a semester studying sculpture at Black Mountain College. She studied ceramics for two years at Kalamazoo Institute

of Arts.

Mr. Wiley Blevins, also a member of the Southern Highland Guild, will display his minerals and gems at the Craftsman's Fair on July 17-21. Mr. Blevins operates the Gem Shop in Burnsville.

The Southern Highland Handicraft Guild, which sponsors the Craftsman's Fair, is a non-profit organization, formed 31 years ago to preserve the indigenous

crafts and to teach handicrafts to those who seek supplementary living incomes. The Guild has tried to sustain a healthy respect for our resourceful, creative forefathers and for the original Americans as well as the Indians, who are among our best craftsmen. At the same time it has

welcomed to its membership the many modern craftsmen who have moved into the Highlands because of the congenial environment and the opportunity to work through an organization that seeks to improve markets for crafts.

Feed Grain Program Well Received in N. C.

Tar Heel farmers registered their approval of the 1961 Feed Grain Program by turning out in great numbers to participate in the program.

38 per cent of all farms in the State with feed grain basis signed up to reduce their plantings of corn or grain sorghums and thereby to participate in the program. Final tabulation after the close of the sign-up shows that 54 thousand tar heel farms are taking part in this program.

The emergency feed grain program, the first farm legislation sponsored by the new administration had as its goal to cut the production of corn and grain sorghums by 20 percent. Acreage contracted for diversion from plantings of these crops throughout the nation totals 24 percent of the total average acreage planted in 1959 and 1960. This percentage will be somewhat higher than 24 percent since the final week of the sign up for the nation has not been tabulated.

Under the program in North

Carolina 540 thousand acres of corn and grain sorghums will be diverted to conservation uses. This diversion represents 47 percent of the base corn and grain sorghum acreage on participation farms.

The percentage of total acreage diverted for North Carolina, for comparison with the 24 percent national figure is slightly over 26 percent.

Advance payments to participating farmers through the close of sign-up will amount to about 6.6 million dollars. The final payment will reach about 17 million in this State.

Parkway Playhouse Will Present Six Plays

Burnsville again makes its annual contribution to the enjoyment and entertainment of North Carolina's mountain vacationers. Once more the famed Parkway Playhouse will present a season of six fine plays on succeeding weekends beginning July 7th and ending August 12th.

First offering of the Season will be the justly famed Tennessee

Williams' drama "The Glass Menagerie." This play is currently being presented in various European Capitals by the U. S. State Department as the leading example of American Playwriting along with "The Skin Of Our Teeth" which is the closing play of the Burnsville Season.

The cast for Glass Menagerie is well known to Burnsville audiences. Blanche Kelly, well remembered from previous years and particularly for her portrayal last season of Thomas Wolfe's mother in Look Homeward Angel, will play the role of Amanda, the mixed-up Mother of a mixed-up family. The lead role will be played by Anthony Maltese who has received well-deserved plaudits the past few seasons.

The entire schedule follows: July 7-8, THE GLASS MENAGERIE; 14-15, THE LOUD RED PATRICK; 20-21-22, DIARY OF ANNE FRANK; 28-29, PERSONAL APPEARANCE; August 4-5, ANTIGONE; and 10-11-12 SKIN OF OUR TEETH.

The Burnsville presentations, as in past seasons, will be cast from professional actors including Blanche Kelly, Dee Dee Winner, Anthony Maltese and the much admired "Mutt" Burton, and from Collegiate aspirants of the Drama Department of various Universities including Miami, Rutgers etc. Vivienne Le Bhar and Harry R. Callahan return for another season and fully expect to win their professional spurs this season.

The season's program, fully staffed will be under the general direction and supervision of Lester L. Moore of Rutgers.

For any and all information desired relative tickets, price, or reservations write or phone Jack Kelly at the Parkway Playhouse. Mr. Kelly will handle the business and public relations for the Burnsville project again this season.

Both Moore and Kelly will be available to the public, ready, able, willing, and anxious to supply any information desired from June 28th. Tickets will be available at various Inns, Motels, and Stores in the Burnsville area from July 1st onward.

CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carroway of Winston Salem, N. C., recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. They are former residents of Burnsville. Mr. Carroway served two terms as Clerk of Court of Yancey County. Mr. and Mrs. Carroway recently moved from Wilmington, N. C. to Winston Salem where they are living with their daughter, Mrs. R. M. Muecke at 2835 Hermitage Drive, Winston Salem, N. C. Mr. Carroway was employed with the Colquit Tie and Pole Co. in Wilmington for many years. They left Burnsville around 30 years ago and went from here to Spartanburg, S. C. and from there to Wilmington where they have lived for the past 20 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroway have two children, the daughter, Mrs. Muecke and one son, Carlton Carroway of San Diego, California and three grandsons.

Obituaries

JOHN H. EDGE

John H. Edge, 94, of Rt. 5, Burnsville, died in a Yancey County nursing home Friday night after a long illness.

A lifelong resident of Yancey County, Mr. Edge was a retired merchant and a former county commissioner. He was the son of the late Thomas and Margaret Silver Edge.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday in the chapel of Holcombe Bros. Funeral Home.

The Rev. C. B. Trammel and the Rev. A. Z. Jamerson officiated. Burial was in Holcombe Cemetery.

Pallbearers were J. G. Wallace, Jack and Billy Ray Edge, Phillip, and Glen Westall and Dale and Marshall Young.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Joseph A. Young, and Mrs. E. H. Westall of Burnsville; three sons, Arthur G., Horace S. and Ollis Edge of Burnsville; a sister, Mrs. Nettie Hughes of Suffolk, Va.; 15 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

MRS. C. H. WARRICK

Mrs. C. H. Warrick, 81, of Green Mountain, died in the Yancey Hospital Friday morning after a long illness.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday in Zion Baptist Church.

The Rev. E. G. Adkins and the Rev. Jesse Hughes officiated. Burial was in Bailey Hill Cemetery.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. J. P. Hutchison of Washington, D. C.; four brothers, A. C. Bailey of Rt. 1, Burnsville; J. Bis Bailey of Leicester; Joe W. Bailey of Miami, Fla.; and Jake C. Bailey of Detroit, Mich.; and four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

SAM J. HUSKINS

Services for Sam J. Huskins, 79, Burnsville merchant and farmer, who died about noon Thursday in an Asheville hospital after a short illness were held Tuesday at 2 p. m. in the First Baptist Church here. Services were originally scheduled Sunday, but a son, Major Sam J. Huskins, Jr., was detained on his way home from Tokyo, where he is stationed with the Air Force. He was weathered in while flying home from his station at Tokyo. The major, through ham radio operators, got in contact with his brother, State Highway Patrolman Bill Huskins, and assured him he would be home before Tuesday afternoon.

Services were conducted by Rev. C. B. Trammel; burial was in Holcombe Cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Pearl Bailey Huskins; a daughter, Miss Peggy Jean Huskins of Burnsville; two sons, Major Sam J. Huskins, Jr., stationed with the Air Force in Tokyo, and William B. Huskins of Charlotte; two brothers, Joseph E. and Grover C. of Burnsville; and two grandchildren.

Mr. Huskins, a former vice president of Peoples Bank in Burnsville which he helped organize, was known in Yancey County as the first man in the county to own an automobile. His widow, Mrs. Pearl Bailey Huskins, has been associated with the State Revenue Department since 1933.



GARY BENNETT

JANET COX

By: Alice B. Hopson, Ass't. Home Economics Agent

The annual Yancey County Dress Revue and Health Pageant was held Friday, June 2, in Burnsville elementary school auditorium.

The girls entering the division were: Virginia McMahan, Sharon McMahan, Phyllis McMahan, Barbara Brewer, Claudette Cooper, Ramona Bowditch, Carolyn Johnson, Irma Miller, Ida Jane Maney, Alene Nordstrom, Jean Robinson, Judy McCurry, Nina Honeycutt, and Murrell Crowder. Out of these, 8 girls won blue ribbons, 4 won red ribbons, and 2 won white ribbons. The junior Dress Revue winner was Alene Nordstrom and the runner-up was Ramona Bowditch.

The girls entering the senior

division were: Nancy Deyton, Joan Gortney, Mary Sue Grindstaff, and Sandra Duncan. Two received blue ribbons and two received red ribbons. Mary Sue Grindstaff was the senior winner and Joan Gortney was runner-up.

The junior and senior kings and queens of health were selected. They were selected on the basis of who turned in the best and most complete Health Record Book. The junior king and queen of health were Gary Bennett and Janet Cox. The senior king and queen were Oscar Fender, Jr. and Donna McDougald.

The junior winners in both the Dress Revue and Health Pageant were awarded free trips to camp were: Virginia McMahan, Sharon awarded a free trip to 4-H Club Week which will be held in Raleigh.

39 4-H Boys and Girls Attend Demonstration Day

By: Charles Steelman, Ass't County Agent

A total of 39 4-H boys and girls, parents and leaders from Yancey County attended the Western District 4-H Demonstration Day at Clyde A. Erwin High School held June 14.

Several boys and girls won awards for demonstrations. They are as follows: Basil McDougald, blue ribbon and runner-up in forestry; Dilda Fender, a blue ribbon in wildlife; Oscar Fender, a red ribbon in poultry barbecue demonstration; Gary Bennett, a white ribbon in electric; Virginia and Sharon McMahan, a white ribbon in an electric demonstration; Joan Gortney, a red ribbon in Fruit and Vegetable Use Demonstration; Nancy Deyton, a red ribbon in dairy foods; and Mary Sue Grindstaff, a blue ribbon in sewing. She also entered the District Dress Revue.

Entering the District Talent Show were: "The Top Notchers" (Lyn English and Sharon Hopson) and a rhythm band from Pensacola which was under the direction of Mrs. Katie Wilson and Mrs. Albert Williams.

DEDICATION SERVICE

A Dedication Service will be held at the Cane River Baptist Church on Sunday, June 25 at 2 p. m. Everyone is cordially invited to join in this service.

Rev. W. E. McPeters, pastor, and T. H. Phoenix, chairman of deacons, express appreciation on behalf of the church members to all sister churches and many friends who came so unselfishly to aid of the church when the old building was destroyed.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all our friends for their many acts of sympathy during the illness and death of our father.

The family of John H. Edge.



RONNIE ROBINSON

ROBINSON WINS TOP ROADEO AWARD

Ronnie Robinson, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Byrle Robinson of Burnsville, was judged the Champion School Bus Driver against keen competition at the sixth annual School Bus Roadco held in Chapel Hill Friday.

In winning the No. 1 spot in the Roadco, Robinson received a \$500 scholarship presented to him by the Governor's Traffic Safety Council to be used in furthering

his education.

Having a perfect driving record for two years in driving a bus for East Yancey High School, he earned the right to compete in the state finals by winning the district roadco at Asheville May 13.

Along with the scholarship and trophy, Ronnie will receive a 4-day all-expense trip to Carolina Beach where he will attend the N. C. Pupil Transportation Conference starting next week.



Governor Terry Sanford is shown above inducting Malcolm Ross, for several years a summer resident of Burnsville, into membership in Honorary Tar Heels at the annual spring meeting of that organization recently held at Nags Head.

Honorary Tar Heels is an organization for giving recognition to non-residents of North Carolina for distinguished service to this state. Ross qualified for the honor on the basis of his article on Yancey and Mitchell counties which appeared in the National Geographic Magazine and for the preparation of a second article on North Carolina which it is expected will appear shortly in the same magazine.

The meeting of the Honorary Tar Heels at Nags Head was a gay jamboree, attended by various members of the state government, journalists, and assorted Tar Heel Taxpayers, appearing in the guise of pirates. Mr. and Mrs. Ross stopped in Nags Head en route to Burnsville from their home in Coconut Grove, Florida. Ross was the only new member of the Honorary Tar Heels to be inducted in person at this meeting of the organization.



Eugene Styles, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Styles of Burnsville, a rising senior at East Yancey, and Michael Swann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Swann of Bald Creek, a rising senior at Cane River, were chosen by the Earl Horton Post of the American Legion to attend Boys' State of North Carolina at Chapel Hill beginning June 18th, through June 24th.

Both boys are very active in their school work, and were picked by the Legion members committee as being sufficiently mature and intelligent to profit by the instruction they will receive.



THE NORTH CAROLINA RHODODENDRON QUEEN will be selected from a field of 22 beautiful girls on Saturday, June 24th. Among those are (L-Right) Miss Sunny Nell Browning, of Nebo, sponsored by Northwestern Bank—Miss Palma Jean Flack, of Marion, sponsored by Potrat Motor Lines—Miss Jane Newman, of Forest City, sponsored by The G. B. Harrill Insurance Agency—and Miss Gail Robertson of Spudale, sponsored by Linville Caverns