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Polls Set Up For Burley Tobacco Quota

Polling places for the February 20 referendum on marketing quotas for the next three crops of burley tobacco have been designated by the County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation

Burley Tobacco Program At Stake In Feb. 20 Referendum

All burley tobacco producers in Yancey County are being urged to vote in a grower referendum being held on February 20 to decide whether the present government tobacco allotment program will be continued or dropped. If at least two thirds of the growers participating vote "yes", the present program including 90 per cent price supports and acreage allotments will be in effect for the next three years. If the growers do not approve the referendum, there will be no allotments and no loan program for the 1962 burley crop. The burley program has been in effect continuously since 1940.

Agricultural leaders are urging all Western North Carolina farmers who are eligible to vote in this election to do so. They point out that burley tobacco is the number one cash crop in the area, having returned approximately 14 million in gross sales to farmers in 1961. "Each person who is eligible to vote in this election on February 20 should make every effort to do so," states the WNC burley growers referendum committee. "This is the Farmers' Program. Too much is at stake to let someone else decide for you." There is a total of 18,118 farms in Western North Carolina with burley tobacco allotments. These farms harvested a total of 10,189 acres of burley tobacco last year. In Yancey County there are 1887 farms with burley tobacco allotments totaling 1216 acres. Any person who shares in the production of burley is eligible to vote. The referendum will be conducted by the Yancey ASC office.

County HD Leaders Attend Conference

Mrs. Kenneth Johnson, Chairman of the District IV Home Demonstration Clubs; Mrs. Enzy Leterman of Green Mountain; Mrs. H. W. Miller, Mrs. Roy Young of Route 2, Burnsville; and the County Home Economics Agent, Miss June Street, attended the Western District Leadership Conference which was held at the George Vanderbilt Hotel in Asheville February 9.

"Together We Grow in Leadership" was the theme of the day. The theme was stressed in each of the committee meetings — Citizenship, Education, Health, International Relations, Music, Public Relations, Safety, and Family Life.

Mrs. Johnson gave her impressions of the National Home Demonstration meeting which she attended in Maine.

The day was of inspiration and information for leadership growth.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N.C. HIGHWAYS

RALEIGH — The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 A. M. Monday, February 12, 1962:

KILLED TO DATE 96
KILLED To Date Last Year 114

Awards Presented At 4-H Achievement Night

Approximately 275 4-H Club members, leaders, parents and friends attended 4-H Achievement Night which was held Wednesday, January 31, at the Burnsville elementary school auditorium. Donna McDougald presided. The pledges to the American and 4-H flags were led by Oscar Fender, Jr. Invocation was given by Mary Sue Grindstaff. The Yancey County 4-H Highlights were given by Sharon McMahan and Basil McDougald. As special entertainment, Sharon Hopson and Lynn English did a skit "Jack and Jill vs Fred and Mary". Virginia McMahan presented Mr. E. L. Dillidham, Yancey County Agricultural Agent, who spoke to the group about "The Community 4-H Club".

Awards were presented by Charles Steelman, Assistant Agent, and Alice B. Hopson, Assistant Home Agent. Those receiving awards for having done outstanding work were: Linda Ann Wilson, Virginia McMahan, Linda Jean Deyto, Norma Jean McCall, Linda Ann Smith, Silvi Schwintzer, Sharon McMahan, Sheila Turbyfield, Paula Ritchie, Carolyn Tallent, Kay Buchanan, Janet Cox, Mary Sue Grindstaff, Alene Nordstrom, Nancy Dayton, Joan Gortney, Linda Bartlett, Sheila Pate, Betty Cook, Phyllis McMahan, Ida Jane May, Louise Ballew, Louise Pritchard, Elizabeth Hughes, Gail Street, Sandra Duncan, Rhea Jarrett, Wagon Duncan, Nellie S. Thomas and Mildred Presnell. Boys — Oscar Fender, Steve Robinson, Douglas McNealey, Charlie Banks, Ira Robbins, Tommy Carver, Sheriff.

Elbert Crowder, Gary Bennett, Gary Gillespie, Dennis Ball, Dilda Fejler, Basil McDougald, Eugene Styles, Eddie Edwards, Keith Styles, Glean Presnell, Tommy Atkins, Ralph Wilson, Roger Grindstaff, Sammy Grindstaff, Dean Jarrett, Dean Hoey-cutt, Raymond Randolph, and Morris Randolph.

Certificate of Years Service awards were presented to the following leaders: Mrs. Ruth Rice, Mr. Richard Howell, Mr. Ed Hunter, Mrs. Katie Wilson, Mrs. Maphra Bennett, Mrs. Ginger Howell, Mr. C. B. Bennett and Mr. Vernon Presnell.

The gold clover award went to Mrs. Hazel Dellinger who has served as 4-H leader for 10 years. Each year two leaders are selected to be honored as outstanding. This year the awards went to Mrs. Ruth Rice, leader of the Clearmont 5&6 4-H Club, and Mr. C. B. Bennett, leader of South Toe 7&8 grade club. Mrs. Katie Wilson and Mrs. Maphra Bennett have received these awards.

Clubs having exhibits showing some of the work done during the year were: Arbutle, Bee Log 5&6, Bee Log 7&8, Bald Creek, South Toe, Pensacola, Burnsville, Pensacola won in the school club division and Arbutle won in Community 4-H Club division.

4-H girls, assisted by the home agent, prepared and served refreshments.

Bee Log 5&6 grade club was honored for turning in the most record books.

Congratulations go to 4-H members, leaders, parents and friends of 4-H who have helped to make 1961 a good year for 4-H.

Film To Be Shown At Higgins Church

An informative film entitled Inspiration of the Bible which explains the origin of the World's Best Seller the Bible will be shown at the Higgins Seventh day Adventist Church on February 18, 1962 at 7 P. M. All are cordially invited.

Library Discussion Group To Meet Feb. 24

The library study-discussion group on the problems of the Congo and Katanga has planned a second meeting on Saturday, February 24th. The Friends of the Library invite anyone interested in the study of current events to attend and share in the discussion.

A student from Warren Wilson College, Francis Gichia from Kenya, was the guest of the group on Saturday evening, February 10. In answer to questions directed to him, Mr. Gichia commented that he felt that the Congo had been granted independence too soon; that not enough Africans had been educated under the previous Belgian policy which promoted thousands of primary schools, but practically no secondary or higher education. The work of the United Nations has been effective in many areas of education, public health, technical help and other areas of need. Newspaper accounts of violent outbreaks have obscured the solid progress that has been made in civilian life.

The rapid recovery made by the Congo was stressed by Mrs. W. A. Y. Sargent, who described the series of events from Independence on June 30, 1960, admission to the United Nations a week later, elections, the outbreak of violence, and the intervention by United Nations troops. Obstructive tactics by the Communist forces as well as the massive propaganda campaign by radio, pamphlets, and experts in disorder were described by Dr. I. Burhoe.

The history of European conquest and development of the Congo was presented by Robert Helmle. A comparison between American history from 1763 to 1860 and the present Congo situation was suggested by Mrs. Ernest Morgan.

Lessons from the Congo situation that might be helpful with the new emergent nations of Africa that will be due for independence soon were discussed and particularly the need for education for democracy.

Edwards Receives Promotion

W. R. Edwards has been promoted to senior research chemical engineer in Humble Oil & Refining Company's Research and Development at Baytown, Texas. He is engaged in the development of processes for the manufacture of chemical raw materials, and intermediates that may be used for the production of synthetic rubber, plastics and other finished products.

Edwards attended Mars Hill College two years and received the B. S. degree at North Carolina State University. At the former he was a member of the Touring Choir and the Science Honor Club, and at North Carolina State he was elected to the Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi honor fraternities, and was president of the student chapter of American Institute of Chemical Engineers, a member of the Engineers Council and manager of the square dance band. He is still active in AICE.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and their daughters Janet Ruth and Julie Ann live in Baytown at 124 Caldwell Drive. The former Mildred Evans, Mrs. Edwards is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Evans (Burnsville).

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Edwards of Mars Hill are Edwards' parents.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Mrs. Molt Henley wish to express their deep appreciation to their friends and relatives for their many acts of kindness and loving works of sympathy during their recent bereavement.

Brush Creek CD Club To Sponsor 4-H

Brush Creek Community Development Club president, Yates Randolph, has announced that club members voted their full support in sponsoring the Community 4-H Club.

Speaking before approximately 50 members attending the February 9 meeting, President Randolph said, "The Community Club has a responsibility to its youth and should give much attention to promoting the 4-H Club work in the community." He pointed out that the youth today will be our leaders tomorrow and 4-H Club work gives our boys and girls valuable training in leadership as Agriculture and homemaking project work.

The Club voted to sponsor an old fashioned box supper for the 4-H Club at the regular Community Club meeting on March 9. Proceeds will go to the 4-H Club treasury and will be used to help send 4-H boys and girls of the community to camp.

A workshop to complete the project of reseating the chairs will be used Friday, February 16 at 7:00 p. m. at the community building. All members are urged to participate in this workshop.

Don Pardue, Assistant Agricultural Agent, presented a program on Community Development Work in W. N. C. Color slides were used to show results of many projects being carried by Community Development Clubs in this area.

A social hour concluded the meeting.

Masonic Lodge No. 717 To Hold Meeting

Burnsville Masonic Lodge No. 717 will hold its stated communication Thursday night, February 15 at 7:30 p. m. in the Lodge Hall. All Master Masons are invited.

4-H Club Members Selling First Aid Kits

Yancey County 4-H Club members are selling first-aid kits all over the county. They are being sold to promote the 4-H Development Fund and to provide needed first-aid equipment for the home. Each county in the state is responsible for its share of the 4-H Development Fund. The Development Fund is being used for scholarships, better camping facilities and other 4-H activities. Each club will receive part of the proceeds to be used within the club to send a member to camp or sponsor other 4-H activities. If you need first-aid supplies, buy them from a 4-H Club member.



Shown above is Rachel D. Davis, M. D., 1962 American Cancer Society Crusade Chairman for North Carolina, conferring with her Co-Chairmen. Left to right are Joe S. Nagelschmidt, Director of Public Relations and Advertising for Hospital Savings Association, Chapel Hill, and Mark McD. Lindsey, M. D., outstanding Hamlet surgeon. Dr. Davis, prominent Kinston Obstetrician and Gynecologist, is also a member of the State Legislature. This trio will lead over 50,000 volunteers in the April American Cancer Society Crusade.

Medical Society Approves Blue Shield Program

The Medical Society of the State of North Carolina, through its Executive Council meeting of January 28, 1962, has approved at the State level the recently announced Blue Shield National program for prepaid medical care for the aged. In making the announcement, Claude B. Squires, M. D., Charlotte, State Medical Society President, stated that the plan is to be promptly implemented along with other Blue Shield plans.

Yancey Hospital Allocated \$914 By Duke Endowment

Charlotte, N. C. — Trustees of The Duke Endowment have appropriated \$1,304,733.22 to North Carolina and South Carolina hospitals and child care institutions on the basis of their charity work in the fiscal year which ended Sept. 30, 1961.

In announcing the appropriations, Thomas L. Perkins, chairman of the Endowment, said they bring to \$33,342,444.67 the amounts given in 37 consecutive years to help such institutions finance charity care.

One hundred and thirty-seven hospitals, 99 in North Carolina and 38 in South Carolina, and 43 child care institutions, 28 in North Carolina and 15 in South Carolina, are included in the current appropriations. Hospitals will receive \$864,574 and child care institutions, \$439,552.22. Applications from other hospitals, which had not been completed when the applications were made, will be considered at the February meeting of trustees.

Burnsville's Yancey hospital is allocated \$914 toward its 1961 charity costs under the current appropriation. Last year it received \$639 for charity in 1960.

Non-profit hospitals of the two states are eligible to apply for these funds and are assisted at the rate of \$1 for each day of bed care. Marshall I. Pickens of Charlotte, secretary of The Endowment, and Director of its Hospital and Orphan sections, explained that reports of the 187 hospitals show that 17.5 per cent of their work was for charity patients. This compares to 15.9 per cent in 1960.

Assistance to child care institutions, provided on the basis of days of care of orphan and half orphan children, amounts to approximately 54 cents a day. The 48 institutions aided reported that 47.6 per cent of their work was for such children, which compares to 49.4 per cent for 1960.

The Duke Endowment is a perpetual trust founded in 1924 by the late James B. Duke. Its principal beneficiaries are hospitals and child care institutions of the Carolinas. Duke University, Davidson College, Furman University, and Johnson C. Smith University, and retired ministers and rural churches in North Carolina.

Coverage services will be "paid in full" for single persons whose annual income is \$2,500 or less and for a husband and wife with a combined income under \$4,000, through participating physician agreements.

Rates for this program when completed will be uniform nationwide, accomplished by determining a composite of all local plan rates. The present actuarial estimates place the one person rate at \$3.10 per month (\$9.30 quarterly) and the monthly husband and wife rate at \$4.90 (\$17.70 quarterly).

This high benefit, low cost program can be offered and maintained because the total risk will be shared by all plans in a common pool. Thus, retirement areas will be protected against an excessive risk.

It is proposed that pre-existing conditions will be covered after a reasonable waiting period, probably six months.

The State Medical Society's action has thus made it one of the first states to sanction implementation of the national voluntary program extending provisions of surgical and medical care benefits for persons 65 and over.

This program of uniform, nationwide Blue Shield benefits for physicians' services for older persons has just recently been announced jointly by the American Medical Association and the National Association of Blue Shield Plans at an estimated monthly cost of approximately \$8 per person.

The Medical Society officials announced that this program of national uniform service at a recognized national cost level will be administered in North Carolina by the Hospital Saving Association of Chapel Hill as the approved Blue Shield agency in and for North Carolina.

The announcement of the action of the North Carolina Medical Society fully complements the action of its House of Delegates in February 1961 when it endorsed the plan for and sale of voluntary coverage in the form of the "Senior Certificate" which has been available for certain of the benefits which will be expanded under the newly announced plan.

Under the proposal all Blue Shield plans will underwrite a uniform contract for persons over 65 years of age which will include the following when provided and billed for by a physician:

Surgery — wherever performed; Anesthesia — wherever hospital medical care; Medical care in Nursing Homes — physician's visits to subscribers confined in a licensed Nursing Home; Radiation therapy — treatment for malignancies, wherever rendered; by use of X-Ray, radium and radiotopes; X-Ray examinations for hospitalized bed patients; X-Ray examinations for outpatients if rendered within 72 hours at 7:30 p. m. in the lunch room. Laboratory and pathological examinations — for hospitalized bed patients; Consultation services — for hospitalized bed patients when requested by the attending physician.

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Oak Crest School Announces Honor Roll

Oak Crest School in Burnsville has announced the honor roll for the first semester. Students eligible for the honor roll were Randolph Parker, 8th grade; Jeannette Henson, 7th grade; and Patty Lou Griffith and Nellie Olivia Parker, 8th grade.