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Burnsville Native Higgins Becomes Record Publisher

J. Tom (Tommy) Higgins, a 25- Times.

year-old native of Yancey County Higgins was born in Burnsville Higgins enrolled at Brevard became this week the editor and in 1937 and attended both elemen- College in 1955. At Brevard he publisher of The Yancey Record. tary and high school here. He was also edited the sports section of Higgins, son of Mr. and Mrs. editor of both the school paper both the school paper and year-Milton B. Higgins of Burnsville, and yearbook, and was also a, comes to the Record from the participant in three varsity sports Durham Morning Herald, where he -basketball, haseball and softwas associate sports editor. ı ball.

He previously was a sports re- He was a starter on the Burnsporter for the Winston-Salem ville basketball teams which won Journal and Sentinel, and prior to the county tournament in 1954 that with the Asheville Citizen- and the Toe River Conference, he moved to the sports department

Leaving World Of Sports Brings Back Fond Memories when he decided to Vancey County.

By: Tom Higgins

When I left my desk in the sports department of the Durham Herald for the final time last week, I had a feeling of apprehension probably not too much unlike that, which the veteran athlete senses when he has played his final game.

Although the departure was made without regrets, there was

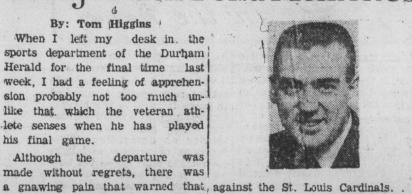
life at the axis of the sports Or Eddie Darrell, the rotund, ed to cover the University of Norworld would be missed. self-styled "golf detective" who

Not, in particular, the contests! makes owners of "All You Can During his career Higgins has themselves. For a sportswriter, Eat" establishments wince or covered several of the southern the basket at the buzzer which'else bolt their doors when they sports world's "classic" events. won which game or the decisive see him approaching. . .

long touchdown passes or home | Or Billy Packer, the mighty tournament in Augusta, Ga., the runs eventually become hopelessly mite of Wake Forest's great basenmeshed. But the cast. . . . it ketball teams of the past few Clearwater, Fla., the now defunct is indelibly cast on the brain. years, bawling out giants twice Dixie Classic basketball tourna-Who could forget Horace his size and prodding them-and ment and the ACC basketball century January 4, (Bones) McKinney, bouncing his thus, the team-to national promi- tournament.

lines, exhorting his Wake Forest who acts like an ape in the ring, even carried over to the wedding College basketball team in a fash- but who is really an articulate colion that would have made even lege graduate who holds several former Caroline Plemmons of Billy Sunday envious. . . degrees. . . .

Or "Sunny Jim" Tatum, the late Or Norman Snead, the bashful (Bones) McKinney, who is also a University of North Carolina foot- ex-Wake Forest quarterback who Baptist minister, performed the ball coach, standing in the middle surprisingly took charge of the Washington Redskins and made of a busy street and commandeer-



book while again competing in three varsity sports-basketball, baseball and track.

He began his newspaper career in 1957 as a reporter for the Canton Enterprise.

After three months at Canton, of the Asheville Times for a year. then was employed for four years by the Winston-Salem papers. He had been in Durham 10 months when he decided to return home

Higgins' assignment at Asheville was the Western North Carolina prep sports beat. At Winston-Salem he specialized in golf writing, edited the papers' outdoor page and also covered Atlantic Coast Conference athletics.

In Durham, he continued to cover the golf beat and the ACC and also wrote a thrice-weekly column, "Along the Sidelines." Last fall he realized an ambition of long standing when he was assign-

th Carolina football team. including the famed Masters golf

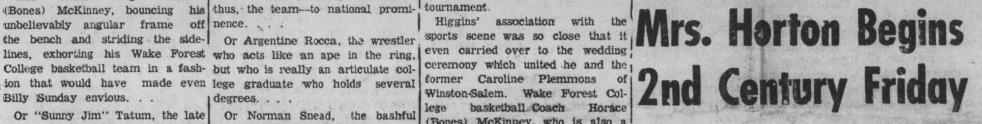
World softball tournament in

ceremony which united he and the Winston-Salem. Wake Forest Col-

ceremony.



CELEBROTES BIRTHDAY ... Mrs. Edmonia Horton, pictured above on the 100th observance of her birth in 1962, begins another



other

distinction no

Mrs. Edmonia Horton will be- than and Elizabeth Stewart Horgin her second century Friday, ton. Mrs. Horton says that she en, 48-47, in a game that was sumburn, is an injury to surfa Yancey can recall the influx of the so- hotly-contest throughout.

niversary.

Patrolman Rector Moved To McDowell

man A. W. (Arnold) Rector last He came to Yancey in August of cey to McDowell County, and remained here until his trans-Rector became something of an fer just before Christmas. which normally rotates its men

Presbyterians

Slate Meeting

In Spruce Pine

Program arrangements

President, Fred Anglin.

Mars Hill Edges

Banner Elk.

Church.

Veteran State Highway Patrol- approximately every two years month was transferred from Yan- 1952-this was his first station-

exception in the Highway Patrol, The Buncombe County native was especially popular with the teenagers of the county, and

gained state-wide recognition when the students at Cane River High School dedicated a year book to him. Patrol officials in Raleigh said they could not remember any such smilar honor being bestowed upon a patrolman.

The quarterly meeting of the Rector's wife, Jo, and two dau-Presbyterian Men of Mitchell and ghters are maintaining their resi-Yancey Counties is scheduled Jan. dence in Burnsville, but the fam-9 in the First Presbyterian Church ity plan to move to Marion soon. of Spruce Pine. R: R. M.Kinney, a McDowell A dinner at 7 p. m. will get the County native, is now the patrolmeeting under way. man stationed in Yancey.

are Whether or not a second trooper being made by E. M. Singleton, will be sent here has not been

last meeting are: President, Cold weather is back again and Charles Edwards, Secretary and with it comes the health hazards Treasurer, Lester Holcombe, Vice- that accompany subfreezing temperatures. An ever present winter Edwards and Holcombe are both danger, is frostbite.

members of the Paint Gap Church. Frostbite is, naturally, more of Anglin belongs to the Burnsville a problem in the northern states, but even in most of the south there are occasional periods of weather coid enough to nip unprotected noses and fingers.

Frostbite can be very painful for **Cane River Boys** a long period, can result in amputations, and can leave the victim Cane River split a high school hypersensitive to cold for the basketball doubleheader with Mars rest of his life. In some wears Hill Tuesday night in the Cane the damage of frostbite is similar River gymnasium.

to a burn. Injuries to both deep The Cane River girls trumphed and shallow tissue are comparby 30-26, but the boys were best able. First degree frostbite, like

president of the Men of the Spruce determined. Pine Church. The Rev. Joseph B. **Ba Careful!**

MacLeod, Director of Christian Education for the Holston Presbytery will speak and show slides There's Danger of the Presbytery's camp "a **Of Frostbite** Officers elected for 1968 at the

The Higgins have the child, ing a police car to get himself fans stop saying "Ugh" and start son, J. Tom (Chip) Jr., 2. and two sportswriters to an air- saying "How."

port in time to catch a plane. Or the sportswriting crew un-Or Arnold Palmer, the man who doubtedly one of the most colorful has forearms like drivers on a clans in the country, bluffing and To Present Play admits that the word "impossible" or else hiding their "scoops" with | Cane River High School's Draisn't in his vocabulary when it the slyness of a CIA agent. . . comes to playing golf, noncha- The list could go on and on- Players," will present a hillbilly Tuesday upon the death of Mrs. riage, only two years short of the 1, Allen 3, Ledford 1, Hensley, lantly sinking puts on which It's far too long to record here. thousands of dollare are riding. . . Or Don Cardwell, the normally gotten. All will be missed.

affable major league pitcher from Still, it's great to be home. I ium. Winston-Salem, settling a grudge sincerely hope that our associa- The play is extremely funny and now and she is confined to her bed. Maney they are: Lee Maney and Morrow. with one searing, vengeance-filled tion will prove fruitful for all of should be enjoyed by the whole A grand-daughter. Mrs. Annice Mafra Maney Robinson, both of Halftime: Cane River 17-13. performance that brought him us, but more important still, fruit-ifamily. Admission is 50 cents for Maney, shares the residence with baseball immortality: a no-hitter ful for our town and county.

Countian can claim. **Cane River Club** for all her 101 years, is, unoffi-

siding in the county. The honor apparently fell to her matic Club, "The Red and Gray comedy in three acts, "A Feud- Savannah Elizabeth Gouge of Rt. Nevertheless, none will be for- ing Over Yonder," Jan. 10 at 5, Burnsville. Mrs. Gouge was 103

Mrs. Horton's health, excellent 7:30 p. m. in the school auditor-

students and 75 cents for adults. | her.

Fort Sumter, S. C., started the Calif. Civil War. The daughter of Na-

Club Schedules

To Be Published

Mrs. Horton, who has made her south in the chaotic years follow- night, but their cross-county rive ond degree frostbite produces home in the Paint Gap community, ing the war. She married William Horton on are scheduled to travel to Tipton In third degree frostbite the cially, the oldest person now re- May 3, 1879. They had three child- Hill for a doubleheader.

ren-Frederic, Alvin and Estell -GIRLS GAME all now deceased. Her husband MARS HILL (26)-Edwards 5, died in the 73rd year of their mar- Ramsey 4, Peek 11, Flagle 1,"Boss extremely infrequent diamond an- B. Peek.

CANE RIVER (30)-Burton 4, Mrs. Horton has six living grand- McCurry 15, Ballew 2; Evans: 9, for her first 100 years, is failing children. In addition to Annice J. Ballew, Mathis, Grindstaff, cholhing dry from both outside

Rt. 3; Burnsville; Grace Maney BOYS GAME Spires, Atlanta; Mary Alice Man- MARS HILL (48)-Claus 7, Dick-

Mrs. Horton was born just ey, Black Mountain; and Margar- erson 13, Buckner 11, Green 17, try in subfreezing weather are adeight months after the siege at et Maney Clarke, San Bernandino, Anderson, Hembree, Ray, CANE RIVER (47)-Byrd She also has eight great grand- Proffitt 10, Fox 7, Smith 6, Whitchildren and seven great great son 18, Edwards, Styles, McDowell grandchildren.

Holftime: Mars Hill 22-20.

skin. It is likely to attack ears, called "carpet beggars" into the The Rebels are idle Friday toes, fingers, cheeks or nose. Secals, the East Yancey Panthers, blisters as in second degree burns. damage is deep and much of the frozen part may be lost. Prevention is the best protection

against frostbite. This means being properly dressed in warm clothing, waterproof shoes and heavy, dry socks, and with good moisture and perspiration and avoid tight | clothing or garters that may restrict circulation.

6. Vised to have heavy clothing and shoes in the car, in the event that there should be a breakdown and it becomes necessary to hike for help

If your auto is stalled in snow or ice some distance from help, it may be safer to stay in the car than to walk a long distance in fextreme cold with clothing that is too light.

ing and then numbness. The affected part will turn white or gray and later red.

First aid possibilities are limited. Thawing of the tissue as soon as possible is the major consideration, and this can best be accomplished by getting the patient indoors into a warm room. Treat the frozen part with gentleness and do not rub or massage it. The old technique of rubbing snow or ice water on the frozen part does more harm than good by delaying thawing.

Medical treatment is needed promptly in frostbile. Control of the often severe pain is required and antibiotics and antitetanus injections may be needed if the skin is broken. Often the frozen skin will eventually slough off.

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N. C. Has An Unwanted Record: **Traffic Deaths Are Up Again**

FROM THE DURHAM HERALD, woman and fool to drive - these, which accounts for just 15 per North Carolina has broken its are the sort of arguments used cent of the driving public but is record for highway deaths in a against effective safety measures. involved in more than 27 per cent single year.

the tens of thousands of others highway that menace everyone highways had been struck down by juries, prosecutors and judges give record comes from the six-county a disease, the public outcry would drunk drivers the benefit of every Operation Impact area where an be as awesome as the death fig- doubt because they are loath to intensive program of law enforceures. As it is, though, 1962's grisly record will be shrugged off by even though it has been grossly many persons and ignored by abused. even more.

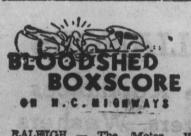
Worse than that, a sizable percentage of Tarheel motorists will young drivers in an age group actually fight the remedies for this bloody sdourge. They will balk at both the sane driving habits and the tighter highway safety laws that can prevent new bloody highway records.

Many motorists will insist on the right to believe they are good enough drivers to take repeated risks on the highways. They will fight stronger safety laws as hicles Department's summary of uniform treatment of traffic law though they were bills of attainder traffic deaths through 10 A. M. violators by the courts, the preinvoked in the name of George III. Monday, December 31, 1962: ""Convenience" and the "neces- KILLED TO DATE

In the name of convenience, North, of the nation's fatal accidents. If these unfortunate persons and Carolina leaves vehicles on the who were "only" injured on the who approaches them. Countless only encouraging part of North

take away the driving privilege ment and safety engineering is in

The driving privilege is cham- what other similar experiments pioned as a "right" even for have shown:



sity" of licensing every man, KILLED To Date Last Year 1255 ing death toll.

Have a tough time contacting all the members of your organization when an important meeting It is not an accident that the is coming up? You can solve this problem by

progress. Though the experiment

has barely began, it is showing Stork Grounded?

The deadly dangers of highway

travel can be reduced. Despite the beautiful weather of Tighter laws, law enforcement | the past few days, the stork has highway engineering, and improv- apparently been grounded as far ed signals won't make highway as Yancey County is concerned. safety automatic. The human fac- At Record press time Thursday, tor can always produce an acci- the county was unofficially still dent under the safest conditions. Rwaiting its frst newcomer of 1963.) But with tighter laws applied A check with the Yancey Hospithrough a statewide Operation Im- tal revealed that no babies had pact and backed up with more been born there during the New

dictable causes of accidents can had been delivered within the

since Jan. 1.

either dropping a card or phoning, the Record. Beginning next week there will be a weekly front page section-"The Yancey Cal-

United Fund Honor Ro 100 Per Cent Contributing

In the following organizations 106 per cont of employees have | "pins and needles" prickly feelcontributed to the 1962 campaign of the Yancey United Fund.

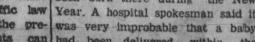
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County Agent's Office The Northwestern Bank Carolina Tire Co. **Doctor's and Hospital Staff** Farmers Home Administration South Toe School **Oak Crest School**

Town of Burnsville Employees Roberts Chevrolet-Buick, Inc. French Broad Elec. Mem. Corp.



RALEIGH - The Motor Ve-



endar."

1307 be checked. So too can the grow- county-but outside the hospital-

SUBSERIES The Reeard GIVE TO THE YANCEY UNITED FUND