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## Sanford Closes Forests

Wild game in 26 Western North Carolina counties—including Yancey—was granted a temporary reprieve from hunters this week by Gov. Sanford, but the animals are in virtually no less danger.

Sanford closed the hunting season due to extremely hazardous fire conditions, which have been brought on by a month-long drought.

The governor's proclamation, which was issued Monday and went into effect at 12:01 a. m. Wednesday, closed the forests to campers, hikers and fishermen as well as all hunters. In addition, the ban extends to brush burning or the firing of debris or grass within 500 feet of a woodland area. Fishing from boats on the lakes in the state's western portion will be permitted if no camp is built or maintained along the shore.

State game protector M. B. Higgins and state forester Craig English pointed out that violation of the governor's ruling is a misdemeanor and that the penalty for violation is left to the judge's discretion. The maximum penalty is two years in jail.

English said that Yancey had had no major fires, but that "we are setting atop a powder keg." The ranger said that despite a slight drizzle Monday night, the woods are about as dry as he has ever seen them.

## Library Sets Botany Program

Slides on wild flowers will be shown by Latta Clement at the Yancey County Library Wednesday (Nov. 6) at 8:30 p. m.

Clement's photographs of native wild flowers represent his hobby of botany which he has followed along with the operation of a nursery and greenhouses in the Bltmore section of Asheville. He is a graduate of North Carolina State College and has been given a citation by the college for outstanding work in the field of native plants.

He will be accompanied by William Notshstein of the Visitors Information Service department of the U. S. Forest Service at Asheville, whose special interest is native shrubs.

The program is sponsored by the Yancey County Friends of the Library, and was planned with the help of District Ranger Harvey Price of the Forest Service in Burnsville.

The public is invited.



**LEADING CONTENDERS**—Now that Republican Charles R. Jonas has withdrawn from the race, political experts say that one of the two Democratic judges above—Dan K. Moore (left) or Richardson Preyer (right) will be North Carolina's next governor. Both men have endorsed changes in the public school program that should please Yancey Countians (see "Others Say..." on Editorial Page).

## Double Island, Arbuckle Claim Awards In Community Contest

Double Island and Arbuckle are the top winners in this year's Rural Community Development Program contest in Yancey County.

Double Island won an award as best farm community, while Arbuckle was proclaimed No. 1 non-farm contestant.

Announcement of the winners was made Monday (Oct. 28) during the annual Farmers' Night program of the Burnsville Men's Club at the Burnsville Community Center.

Other winning communities were Newdale, in the youth development division, and Brush Creek for roadside improvement.

Mrs. Mary Dayton of Brush Creek, Chairman of the Western North Carolina Rural Community Development Program, presented cash awards to the winners.

Congressman Roy A. Taylor of Black Mountain was speaker at the annual banquet, which was attended this year by approximately 100 farmers and business leaders.

Charles Gillespie, president of the Men's Club, presided. Taylor was introduced by Mack B. Ray, chairman of the Yancey Agricultural Workers' Council, which aids the Men's Club in organizing the fete.

Double Island was awarded \$150 for being judged the outstanding community. Brush Creek won \$100 for finishing second and Arbuckle and Newdale took \$75 and \$50, respectively. Horton Hill, Jacks Creek, Green Mountain, Mine Fork and Bald Creek received \$25 each for honorable mention.

Newdale received \$25 for winning the youth development segment and Double Island received \$15 as runner-up. There is no award for roadside improvement. Congressmen Taylor told the

Yancey County group that the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, sponsors of the Rural Community Development Program, was established with the realization that city and rural leaders must work together to accomplish their goals.

"Never, since the days of the pioneers, when to survive it was necessary to work closely with your neighbor and for him to work closely with you, have people in Western North Carolina in all walks of life so united for a common effort," Taylor said.

He noted there are now 133 organized communities in 16 WNC counties participating in the pro-

## Yancey Jury Hears Contrivous Trial

A Yancey County jury is currently trying to decide who owns what in a case involving a former Madison County school teacher and his ex-employers, the Madison Board of Education.

J. E. McIntire, who now teaches in Northampton County, is at odds with the school board.

McIntire, who taught vocational agriculture at Mars Hill from 1951-61, says that when he put some of his own tools into use in his classes W. W. Peek, school superintendent at the time, told him that if any equipment were worn out, lost or destroyed it would be replaced.

When he was dismissed in 1961, McIntire moved to Northampton and took a supply of tools along. Madison subsequently indicted him for grand larceny. The case was scheduled to be tried in Haywood County in March, but was thrown out by Judge J. W. Cope and because of defective warrants.

When McIntire said that he felt he couldn't get a fair trial from a Madison jury, Judge J. Frank Huskins of Burnsville ordered a special venire from Yancey into the proceedings.

Serving on the jury are Grover Ray, Mrs. Mae Angel, Frank Laws, Adam Mitchell, Glenn Ledford, Mrs. Gladys Fox McKinney, Carter Randolph, W. L. Rathburn, Homer Lee Robinson, Arnold Penland, Hollis Honeycutt and Lee Maney.

**CHURCH SUPPER SCHEDULED**  
The Bald Creek Methodist Church will sponsor a supper and Fall Festival at Cane River High School Nov. 2, 5-8:30 p. m. Tickets may be bought from Church members or at the door.

## Father Kaple Is Chairman United Fund Drive Is Set To Open In Yancey Nov. 5

The annual United Fund campaign in Yancey County is scheduled to begin Tuesday (Nov. 5). Fr. Don Kaple, campaign chairman of this year's drive, said that the goal in Yancey is \$8,347. The money supports several health, recreation and welfare agencies serving in this area.

This year's goal is about \$600 more than in 1962. In announcing final plans for

the launching of the drive, Fr. Kaple said, "We are hoping for a short, hard-hitting drive to raise our goal, which represents a minimum amount necessary to assure the continuation of many essential services."

Kaple said that Mack B. Ray had been appointed chairman of a committee which will organize the drive in rural areas, and that Dr. Garland Wampler will super-

Dr. Wampler, president of the local organization, said that the board of directors "feels most fortunate in securing the services of Fr. Kaple. His leadership of the campaign will be an inspiration to citizens of the county."

Kaple is Pastor of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Burnsville. Dr. Wampler again pointed out

that the budget is well within the contributing capacity of Yancey County. The goal amounts to less than 60 cents per capita, which makes it among the smallest of approximately 70 drives in the state.

Kaple said that the names of other officials in the drive will be announced later. Organizations contributing 100 per cent will be honored.

## Meeting Set By 'Historians'

**YANCEY ROUNDUP**  
The Yancey County Historical Association will meet Monday (Nov. 4) at 8 p. m. at the Town Hall in Burnsville.

Since the last meeting, much historical material has been found. Z. B. Byrd, president of the association, expressed a hope that community leaders will send to him information about the history of their communities. He suggests that they examine their Bibles for records of early settlers and send to him the dates of birth and death and information connected with them.

Byrd's address is P. O. Box 774, Burnsville.

Winter came to Yancey County Monday night.

The season's first snowfall was reported from Mount Mitchell, about peak east of the Mission on Tuesday morning. Approximately a half-inch of snow blanketed the crest of the peak in southern Yancey. The temperature during the night plummeted to 26 degrees.

A'ma Chandler was elected president of the Library Club at Cane River High School last week. Other officers are: Betty Jean Hylemon, vice-president; Judy Miller, secretary; Janet Cox, treasurer; and Wanda Riddle, reporter.

Members of the club seek to promote a better knowledge of books and their authors and assist the librarian.

Red Cross officials this week reminded Yancey Countians that the Bloodmobile will be in Burnsville Nov. 14.

The mobile unit will be at the armory from 12:30-6 p. m.

Quota this trip is 100 points. The Agricultural Workers' Council, which annually takes responsibility for assuring a large turnout of donors, is sponsoring this visit.

## Driving Aspirants Told 'Get Birth Certificates'

Tar Heel youngsters got the word this week from the Motor Vehicles Department: birth certificates will be required for all 16 to 18-year-old driver license applicants.

Commissioner Edward Scheidt said the new rule would become effective Nov. 1.

Local examiner Doyce G. McClure said the new regulation is in keeping with the provisional license law passed by the 1963 General

## Driver Course Is Stated Here

Driver Education Representative Joe M. Bennes of the Department of Motor Vehicles announced this week that driver education courses, sponsored by the state agency, have been scheduled for this area.

Traffic safety education was made mandatory by an act of the 1963 General Assembly for all 16-18-year-old youths wanting a driver's license.

The new courses getting underway are being offered in compliance with the law and will be available in all 100 N. C. counties. They are designed to supplement regular high school driver training and to meet the needs of those young people to whom such training is not available.

High school students will be required to have written permission from their principal prior to enrollment.

The department representative said persons wanting to attend the classes should apply at the local driver licensing office in Burnsville on Nov. 7 from 4-6 p. m.

Enrollment forms are available there, Bennes said, and examiners will complete the application and make class assignments. Applicants must bring with them a copy of their birth certificate.

Assembly.

"For some time the department has recognized the need for birth certificates," McClure said. "In order to obtain a correct name and date of birth. In the past we have found it necessary sometimes to correct or cancel applications upon learning that incorrect information had been given."

An official birth certificate will eliminate such situations which are embarrassing and tend to create misunderstanding, the examiner said.

In Raleigh chief license examiner Ed Wade cited several cases of extreme eagerness among young men anxious to drive before their 16th birthday.

Wade said the youngsters would register prematurely with Selective Service, establishing an age as 18, then make application to the vehicles department for a driver's license.

Later, he explained, they would notify draft officials of a "mix up" with subsequent cancellation of their draft status.

After Nov. 1 draft cards will be no longer acceptable as proof of age, Wade said.

In driver education courses, currently being established by the department under the provisional driver license law, applicants must submit their birth certificate at the time of enrollment.

## Garden Club Holds Meet

Mrs. Ike Laughrln and Mrs. E. L. Beeson were hostesses to the Garden Club Friday (Oct. 25) at the home of Mrs. Laughrln. Mrs. H. G. Bailey was program leader. Mrs. Ruby Copenen, Yancey County Home Economics Extension Agent, was speaker. She gave the origin, history and functions of the Home Demonstration and 4H Clubs. Afterward, pamphlets on canning, cooking, gardening and nature study were distributed to members of the club.

Mrs. Beeson, vice president, presided at the business session. Reports of committees were given and plans were made for the election of officers for the coming year.

Mrs. Beeson expressed appreciation of the work in the club of Mrs. Troy Ray, who is leaving early in November to spend the winter with her daughter Mrs. Roger W. Estep, in Moses Lake, Wash.

**CHURCH SUPPER**  
The Burnsville Church of God will sponsor a Turkey Supper Nov. 2 from 5-8 p. m. Admission is \$1.

**PTA MEETS**  
The East Yancey PTA will meet Monday (Nov. 4) at 7:30 p. m. Rev. T. E. Ruddle of Newdale will be in charge of a program on Alaska.

## East Yancey Can Clinch Football Title With Victory At Cranberry Friday

**BY TOM HIGGINS**  
Record Editor  
East Yancey's football team travels to Cranberry Friday for a game in which the Panthers will have a shot at nailing down the initial championship of the Appalachian Conference.

Meanwhile, Cane River will close its home schedule by playing host to Hot Springs.

Kickoff time for both games is set for 8 p. m.

Both East and Cane River were idle last week.

A victory by East would assure Coach Bob Thomas' team the title in the newly formed Appalachian circuit, regardless of its outcome in the season finale Nov. 8 against Spruce Pine.

However, a Cranberry triumph would mean that the championship would hinge on the Spruce Pine-East clash at East Yancey. Here's the situation:

East enters Friday's game as the league leader with a 5-0 record. Spruce Pine, Cranberry and Mars Hill are all 4-1 in the con-

ference. Since East plays all seven conference members while the other three contenders play only six, one victory in the two remaining games would automatically give the Panthers the crown and a spot in the state playoffs.

But... should East lose both it could not win the title, and it's entirely likely that the race would end in a three-way tie with Cranberry, Spruce Pine and Mars Hill sharing the top spot with 5-1 records.

Mars Hill closes its season against Bakersville Friday and is a prohibitive favorite. The East game is Cranberry's finale. Spruce Pine's game Friday will not affect league standings, as the Blue Devils face Oak Hill in an inter-conference struggle.

However, the Panthers, despite a couple of early-week crises, are reported in a good psychological frame to crush the possibility of the latter eventuality.

During practice Monday spark-

plug junior quarterback Gordon Banks aggravated an old knee injury and it was feared he might miss the game. However, the injury was not as serious as first suspected and Banks, who has passed for 16 touchdowns and run for eight more, will play.

The second crisis occurred when Thomas was called away Monday for three days due to the death of his father-in-law, Adam Bartlett of Mitchell County.

"Both the question about Banks' playing and Coach Thomas' sorrow lowered spirits early in the week," said Ford Bailey, an assistant coach who took over along with Ben Dayton during Thomas' absence. "But morale seems to be fine now."

East will have a size advantage over the Wildcats, outweighing them by an average of 10-15 pounds. However, Cranberry will have an edge in quickness and mobility, especially in the line. Cranberry, employing the single-wing offense, is sparked by tail-

back Bill Tate, an adept passer and elusive runner. The Wildcats have recorded a 6-1 slate overall, losing only to Mars Hill.

East is 7-1 for all games, and an ominous note is the fact that the only loss was inflicted by another single-wing exponent, NCSB.

This is the first gridiron meeting ever for the two schools, although they have been basketball rivals for years. Formation of the Appalachian Conference last winter drew the pair into the same football league for the first time.

The two have met four common opponents. Here are the results:

East 51, Cane River 0  
Cranberry 14, Cane River 6  
East 21, Mars Hill 7  
Mars Hill 26, Cranberry 7  
East 27, Bakersville 12  
Cranberry 27, Bakersville 0  
East 33, Crossnore 0  
Cranberry 21, Crossnore 6

Thomas indicated that with the exception of Banks his squad is in excellent physical condition. The coach said he would likely stick with his usual starting lineup which places Harold Bennett Jr., recipient of 14 TD passes, and Charles Willis at ends; Steve King and Chuck Chrisawn at tackles; Byron Zuver and Basil McDougald at guards; Benson Tyner at center; Dudley Robertson and Bob Anderson at halfbacks; Norman Ray at fullback; and Banks, of course, at quarterback.

When Cranberry has possession, East will insert defensive specialists Stan McMahan, Ronnie Allen, J. D. Silvers, Jerry Hoover and Ronnie Robinson.

In Hot Springs, Cane River will be facing the champions of Madison County. Hot Springs defeated both its intra-county rivals, Mars Hill and Marshall, but has fared poorly otherwise, amassing a 3-4 record.

Cane River is only 1-5, but the game should be a close one. The Rebels are vastly improved over the young, inexperienced team that greeted rookie Coach Bruce Peterson in August.

"After our performance two weeks ago against Cranberry, we have no doubts that we are capable of salvaging this game and our finale against Rosman (at Rosman Nov. 8) and finishing with a 3-5 record," said Peterson.

Peterson said he would start Ron Proffitt and Travis Whitson at ends; Steve Pate and Jerry Miller at tackles; John Honeycutt and Walt Edwards at guards; Clinton Miller at center; J. B. McIntosh and Mike Evans at halfbacks; Ralph Wilson at fullback; and Tom England at quarterback.

The coach added that linemen Butch Ball, Herman Wilson, Lakey Thompson and Richard Banks are also expected to see action, along with backs Steve Proffitt and Gordon Hensley.