



Mayor Robert Helmle of Burnsville (left) was among area leaders reviewing development programs to boost the economy of Western North Carolina at a meeting of the 10-state Appalachian Regional Commission in Asheville Monday. Others who took part in the session included (left to right) D. M. Robinson of the Madison County Planning Board; Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., Undersecretary of Commerce and Appalachian Regional Commission chairman; and D. S. Weaver, mayor of Hayesville.

Yancey Roundup

Blood Quota Is Exceeded

BY MRS. BOB RHINEHART

Yancey Red Cross
Last Thursday the temperature dropped and the snow blew, but it did not cool the flow of blood in Yancey County!

One hundred fifty-eight persons presented themselves to give blood at the Red Cross Bloodmobile's quarterly visit at the Burnsville 144 pints of blood received, 48 in 144 pints of blood received, 48 pints were for the replacement of blood used by persons in this county.

Yancey County should be grateful to the Agricultural Council for the superb job it did in assuring one of the biggest turnouts to give blood that the county has known.

Once each year the "Ag. Council" takes the responsibility for a Bloodmobile visit. This year it

not only placed posters throughout the entire county, but provided transportation for those desiring it. Anglin-Westall permitted the Council to use one of their show windows to place a display concerning the Red Cross and the Blood Program.

The Newdale Home Demonstration Club provided the refreshments in the canteen. The Gray Ladies assisted the Bloodmobile personnel.

The employees of Pollard's Drug Store turned out 100 percent including the janitor, to give blood. Not all passed the requirements, but a least all tried. This should be an incentive to other stores and plants to try for 100 percent.

In business where there are as many as fifty employees, they can receive group coverage for one

year if 35 percent give blood during a fiscal year.

The Burnsville Garden Club will meet Friday (Nov. 22) at 3 p. m. at the home of Mrs. D. R. Fouts. Mrs. Fred Proffitt is co-hostess and Mrs. W. A. Y. Sargent is program leader.

The Senior Woman's Club met at the Community Building Nov. 14 and heard Scott Wiseman discuss "Operation Second Chance," the training program for public school dropouts.

Wiseman, of Ingalls, is chairman of the program in Yancey Mitchell and Avery Counties.

Hostesses were Mrs. E. L. Briggs, Mrs. James Ray and Mrs. (Continued on page four)

UF Leader Optimistic

BY FR. DON KAPLE
UF Drive Chairman

The Yancey County United Fund Drive, now in its third week, already has reached more than one third of its \$3,387 goal. At one point Fred Bacon, the U. F. Treasurer, reported that the receipts were running \$400 ahead of previous years. The amount collected to date is \$2,368 in cash and \$220 in pledges for a total of \$2,588.

I feel very optimistic about reaching our goal. In fact, at this point, I'm hopeful that we will exceed the goal. We are entering the critical phase of the drive which will provide whether or not such optimism is justified. The last \$2,000 or \$3,000 will be the most difficult because by that time most of the large donors will have contributed.

It is hoped that all workers will have reported in and the drive will be closed before the Christmas season officially begins. Otherwise it is feared that the hustle and bustle of the holiday preparation will detract from the drive and the contributors will find it more difficult to you.

100 PERCENT HONOR ROLL

- Pensacola School
- Clearmont School
- South Toe River School
- Bee Log School
- Yancey Hospital
- Central Barber Shop
- Yancey Barber Shop
- Ray Brothers Food Center
- Pollard's Drug Store

MAKES HONOR ROLL

James Lawrence (Jimmy) Hall, son of Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Hall of Rt. 3, Burnsville, has made the Dean's List at Brevard College.

Vote On Bond Issue For Courthouse, Jail Is Delayed 2nd Time

The bond issue election which will determine whether or not Yancey County gets a new combination courthouse and jail has been delayed a second time.

County Attorney Bill Atkins said Tuesday that "red tape" had forced postponement of the vote, scheduled for Dec. 3, until "some time in February."

Atkins said that the County Commissioners will meet Dec. 2 to set a date for the election.

The election at which county voters will be asked to approve the issue of \$250,000 in bonds was originally set for Nov. 5.

"We are, naturally, disappointed at this further delay," said Atkins. "However, there is a great deal of red tape involved here and you simply have to thrash your way through it."

The federal government has offered to supply approximately two-thirds of the cost of the new structure if the county will furnish a building site and the equipment.

The government's share of the "bill" will be approximately \$340,000.

"This is the biggest bargain Yancey County has ever been offered," said Bill Ray, chairman of the County Commissioners. "It will be a tragedy if we don't take advantage of it."

Both Ray and Atkins reiterated a plea to voters to approve the measure when it comes to a vote.

Ray said that the courthouse is "totally inadequate." He pointed out that several agencies which must keep permanent records simply have no further room for storage. And that several more agencies are located in private buildings.

"The rent bill for the departments we must locate outside the courthouse is staggering," said Atkins. "Of course, if the new building becomes reality, all agencies will be located in it and there will be adequate storage space."

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As for the jail, the officials labeled it a "public disgrace."

"The building is over 50 years old and it is simply a vic-

tim of ages," said Atkins. "If nothing is done about the jail, we're going to be forced to close it and transport prisoners to another county. I'd hate to see the bill for that."



Celebrates Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Welzie McMahan celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 15 in their home at Newdale.

Mrs. McMahan, the former Lora George of Celso, married McMahan, a native of Madison County, on Nov. 15, 1913 at Celso.

They are the parents of Clarence, John and Glenn McMahan,

all of Newdale; Mrs. Ernest McCurry of Roan Mountain, Tenn.; Mrs. B. M. Young and Mrs. John McCarty of Marion, Mrs. Jack Garland of Baltimore, Md.; and Mrs. S. R. Young of Hendersonville.

They have 27 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Harrell To Conduct Services

Before the people of Burnsville cut into their holiday turkey, they are invited to worship in the town's annual Thanksgiving Service. This year's occasion will be held in the First Presbyterian Church Wednesday (Nov. 27) at 7:30 p. m. Preaching the sermon will be the Rev. Fred Harrell, Minister of the West Burnsville Baptist Church.

Sponsors of this community effort are the five churches of Burnsville: First Baptist, West Burnsville Baptist Faith Fellowship Mission, Higgins Memorial Methodist, and the First Presbyterian. The service should last

about one hour. Special music will be sung by a combined choir of the cooperating churches.

The Rev. Harrell has been the Minister of the West Burnsville Baptist Church for the past two years. A native of Unicoi County, Tenn., he moved to the Tar Heel State in 1945, establishing a residence in Burnsville just three years ago. He had attended the Bethany Theological Seminary and the Fruitland Bible Institute. Under his leadership, the West Burnsville church has added some 50 members, and last December dedicated its new church building.



REV. FRED HARRELL

East Had 'Em, Let 'Em Get Away...Drexel Wins In Football Playoff By 20 To 19

BY TOM HIGGINS

Record Editor

"We had 'em we had 'em, we had 'em."

The person exclaiming was a member of the East Yancey football team. He spoke with bitterness, shaking his head from side to side slamming tightly clenched fist into the other hand.

The disappointed player was reliving the final three minutes of a game completed only moments before in which Drexel had come from two touchdowns behind and won 20-19.

The victory Friday night (Nov. 15) on the Marion High School field sent Drexel into the final of the Western Class-A playoffs against Andrews.

East entered the semifinal playoff a decided underdog.

But the Panthers, champions of the Appalachian Conference, over-

came several first-half errors and led Drexel's skyline Conference winners by 12 at the intermission. A touchdown in the opening moments of the second half pushed the margin to 19-6 and it appeared that the Panthers would realize their dream of gaining the playoff finale.

However, Drexel rallied and scored touchdowns on a pair of fourth down passes to turn East's aspirations into a nightmare. The deciding TD came with just 2:16 left to play.

Revelation of an obscene letter, written on Drexel High School stationery and postmarked Drexel, had fired East Yancey to "the highest point it has been all year," said Coach Bob Thomas, to whom the letter was addressed.

East's determination showed, and it paid off almost immediately.

In the first period Drexel recovered a fumble at the East 31,

but the Panthers held their bigger rivals and forced a fourth-down pass.

The ball bounced from the arms of the intended receiver and fell into the hands of East end Harold Bennett. The speedy Bennett picked up blocking and raced 70 yards from his 20 to the Drexel 10.

An offside penalty on the first play moved the ball five yards nearer the goal and on the second play from that point quarterback Gordon Banks sneaked for the touchdown. Bank's kick for the extra point was partially blocked.

Twice more in the first period East fumbled to Drexel inside the East 30, but each time the Panthers' line, playing its best game of the season, denied Drexel even a first down.

But on the first play of the second period the law of averages finally caught up with East and a miscue enabled Drexel to take the lead.

End Carl Taylor intercepted a Panther pass at the 50 and ran untouched to the end zone for a 6-6 tie. Quarterback Ken Treadway's kick gave the Burke Coum'tans a 7-6 lead.

East charged back with the ensuing kickoff to take the lead again. The Panthers started at their own 17 and with halfback Bob Anderson running for 48 yards moved to the Drexel 40. It appeared the drive might be stalled when a 15-yard penalty set East back to its own 41, but on the first play Banks passed to Bennett on a play covering 59 yards for the touchdown. A Banks pass to J. D. Silvers set the extra point, but East was penalized and missed on its second attempt.

This completed the scoring for the half, during which East did not allow Drexel a first down, although it had given up the ball six times on fumbles and inter-

ceptions.

The Panthers jarred the kickoff loose opening the second half and took possession at the Drexel 31 on Ronnie Allen's recovery. But four plays moved the Cats only to the 28 and Drexel took possession.

On the first play Drexel tried to go for a big gain, but Treadway's pass was intercepted by J. D. Silvers and returned to the 22. Anderson needed just two plays to get across the goal. Fullback Norman Ray added the extra point on a run and it was 19-6.

Later in the period a three-yard punt set Drexel up at the East 37. The Wolverines moved to the eight but were penalized back to the 23, where they faced a fourth near the sideline.

Treadway had no choice but to throw and he did. The pass was completed, but two East defenders had receiver Ken Morris apparently trapped at the line of scrimmage near the sideline.

Commission engineers will probably make aerial photos of the Cattal area within the next week.

The fate of the project, which is being financed by an Illinois organization, hinges on the state's building of an access road through the area.

"The engineers had to wait until all the leaves were off the trees before they could get suitable photos," said Bennett.

In the meantime, Frank T. Sed-

lack, president of the organization proposing to construct the year-round skiing and convention facility, told Governor Sanford last week that he will present preliminary plans and specifications to Sanford and other state officials on or before Dec. 1.

FRUIT CAKE SALE

The Burnsville Lions Club will conduct a fruit cake sale throughout the day Saturday on the town square.

STATISTICS

	EY	D
First downs	8	4
Rushing yardage	111	63
Passing yardage	116	35
Passes	7-16	8-20
Passes intercepted by	3	2
Punts	3-22-7	4-33-5
Fumbles lost	3	4
Yards penalized	35	25

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