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Bids On Courthouse-Jail Awarded, Work To Begin Immediately

County Attorney Bill Atkins reported Wednesday afternoon that contracts for necessary work on Yancey County's new courthouse-jail building were awarded at 2:00

Postmaster Explains Zip-Code

Paul E. Buck, acting postmaster of Burnsville, this week explained the operation of zip-code numbers assigned to postoffices throughout the United States.

Zip means Zone Improvement Plan designed by the Post Office Department to route mail for quicker delivery. Mr. Buck said there are ten U. S. postal regions in the United States and each region has a different code number. Each state in the region has a number and each sectional center has a number.

Zip-code number for the Burnsville Post Office is 28714.

The first number in the code is for the region. The second number is for the state. The third number is for the sectional center and the last two numbers indicate the local post office.

Mr. Buck said that every post office in the United States has five numbers constituting a zip-code and that outgoing mail bearing the zip-code of the delivery point will be delivered easier by postal employees. He pointed out that often mail to towns of similar names that do not have the zip-code might be routed to the wrong town. Whereas zip coded mail would be routed correctly. Also, packages bearing zip-codes will have less breakage in handling than those not bearing the code.

All mail to be forwarded requires a zip-code number and Mr. Buck said that patrons should acquaint themselves with the use of zip-code numbers since some time in the future all mail would require a zip-code number for delivery.

The postmaster also pointed out that the Burnsville Post Office will be glad to furnish code numbers to patrons, or will assist in securing numbers for mail to cities where the code is unknown.

Four New Names Added To Blood Donor List

Mrs. Bob Rhinehart reported this week three names to be added to the Gallon Club and one name to be added to the Two Gallon list through the American Red Cross Blood Program. The names turned in to Mrs. Rhinehart are Mrs. Lela Banks Johnson, Mrs. Nell Hensley and Mrs. Phyllis R. Bailey, to be added to the Gallon Club and Miss Lola Mace as a Two Gallon Donor.

Mrs. Rhinehart will be glad to hear from anyone else who has donated blood through the Blood Program, and has not been listed as eligible for the Gallon Club.

Cpl. Adkins Participating In "Operation Springboard"

Cpl. Harold Lee Adkins, son of the Rev. and Mrs. E. G. Adkins, Sr., of Rutherfordton, N. C. is participating in "Operation Springboard" aboard the heavy cruiser U. S. S. Newport News in the Caribbean.

The exercise, conducted annually by units of the Atlantic Fleet, takes advantage of the favorable weather of the Caribbean area to conduct amphibious landings and flight training operations.

p. m. Wednesday.

The County Attorney said Z. B. Robinson Contracting Co. was awarded the general building contract on a bid of \$316,930.00. Heating and Air Conditioning was awarded to Moser Contracting Co. on a bid of \$72,985.00. Also, Moser Contracting Co. was awarded the plumbing work on a \$20,915.00 bid. The electrical wiring contract was awarded to Haynes Electrical Co. at \$31,300.00. And Southern Elevator Company was awarded contracts on elevator on a bid of \$21,049.00.

Work on the site will begin immediately according to Mr. Atkins.

The courthouse and jail site was recently purchased from the George W. Anglin heirs. The property lies east of the Town Square and takes in the Anglin property east to the old jail road and south to the gravel city street.

According to plans, the new building will face the square and will be located as to cover the part of the property on which the Anglin residence now stands.

Leon Talmadge To Speak At Sunrise Service

Leon Talmadge, Minister of Faith Fellowship Mission, will speak this Sunday morning at Yancey County's traditional Easter Sunrise Service. Worshipers will meet at 6:30 A. M. to greet the rising sun on the Burnsville town square.

Music at the service will be led by Ronald Jackson, Director of Music at First Baptist Church. Other participants will be the Rev. Raymus Hilliard and the Rev. Woodward Finley.

If inclement weather prevails, the gathering will meet in First Baptist Church.

Benefits From Lower Tax Rate

Unmarried persons who qualify as "heads of households" benefit from lower tax rates, the Internal Revenue Service explained today.

Tax law provides special rates for you if you are unmarried (or legally separated) on the last day of the year and furnished over half the cost of maintaining a home for the full year for at least one relative.

Whether the relative must qualify as a dependent and whether he must actually live in your home depends upon the relationship.

All relatives, other than your parents, must actually live with you. With the exception of your unmarried child, grandchild, or stepchild, all other relatives must qualify as your dependents.

Taxpayers will find helpful information on head of household benefits in Document No. 5107, "Fixing Your Tax Return." It is available on request from the Internal Revenue Service.

Pensacola 4-H Club Elects Officers

By: Morris Byrd, Reporter

The Pensacola 4-H Club met on Monday, March 16 after school. The meeting was opened with the pledges, after which Mrs. Katie Wilson presented the members with the new project books. After the projects were selected new officers were elected. They include Sharon Williams, president; Bob Anderson, vice-president; Nancy Anderson, secretary-treasurer; Morris Byrd, reporter; Linda Wilson, girl song leader; and Davis Robertson, boy song leader.

Former Pastor Here Publishes Book

Rev. O. L. Brown, a former pastor of Higgins Memorial Methodist Church here, recently published a biography-type book of a great man. The book titled, "Blanford Barnard Dougherty, Man To Match His Mountains," will be read with great interest by people of Yancey County and North Carolina and by all who knew B. B. Dougherty.

Preacher Brown, as he is lovingly referred to by his many friends here, has written a very understandable and understanding book on the life and works of the founder of Appalachian State College and president of that institution until a short time prior to his death in 1957.

The book will be of great interest to former Appalachian State Teacher College students who came in direct contact with this great but humble educator. And a clear picture of the consistency of purpose in the life of Dr. Dougherty will be framed.

The ancestry of Dr. Dougherty is traced by Rev. Brown from Ireland to the mountains of Western North Carolina, where he became known as the State's most progressive educator.

Through his first hand knowledge of Dr. Dougherty since 1912, through his letters and publication, Rev. Brown brings to the reader a feeling of friendship with this great man. This feeling of friendly kinship begins with the picture of a lad who was nicknamed "Boots" by his teacher and goes with the reader as he follows Dr. Dougherty through his youth to adulthood and into greatness. And his greatness is felt as the reader sees him advising governors and humbly conversing with red caps and bellhops.

As to Dr. Dougherty's ability as a speaker and to his ability to make a plea toward his cause for appropriations for his college, Yancey's Attorney Bill Atkins is quoted in the book—"The other men who came before our committee would get up, hardly move out of their tracks and make their appeals. But Dr. Dougherty would walk up and down among the members, stopping here and there to slap a man on the back or lay a hand on another's shoulder."

In reading the book, one not only enters into the life of a great educator, but realizes the ability of Rev. Brown as a writer and biographer as well as a minister.

"Blanford Barnard Dougherty" may be secured by writing to Rev. O. L. Brown, 1416 Cyrus Drive, Charlotte 5, N. C.

Dr. T. F. Hahn Speaker At Men's Club

More than 25 men and their wives attended the annual Ladies' Night Banquet of the Men's Club in the community building Monday night.

Speaker for the occasion was Dr. T. F. Hahn, Public Health Officer here. Dr. Hahn used as his subject "A Good Neighbor" using a little known facet in the life of Johann Sebastian Bach, German composer and musician. The speaker painted a picture of the composer during most of his life and finally brought about his death. He also brought out the high moral and religious character of Bach.

New officers installed—in the club for 1964 were the Rev. Woodward Finley, president; Herbert Allen, vice-president; and Albert Sutton, secretary-treasurer.

Following the installation of officers Dr. Garland Wampler presented a film on Cancer Research.

NOTICE

Offices in the county courthouse will be closed Monday, March 30, Easter Monday.

Yancey County BA Officers Installed

The annual meeting of the Yancey Breeders Association was held Tuesday night, March 24. Bruce Bailey called the meeting to order. The following officers were elected: President—Bruce Bailey, Vice-President—Vernon Presnell, Secretary—Treasurer—Walter Edwards, and 3-year directors—Roger Banks, Johnny Robertson, John Brown, field representative for the American Breeders Service, explained the new progeny testing program to prove young bulls. He showed an interesting film on the sires and their daughters that are available through the American Breeders Service.

Services Held For Claude Wilson

Claude Wilson, 58, of Burnsville Rt. 4, died in a Buncombe County hospital Monday night after a brief illness.

He was a World War II veteran and was a timber cutter at various saw mills.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Wednesday in Bee Log Baptist Church.

The Rev. T. A. Wheeler officiated. Burial was in the Wilson family cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Cleota Hicks Wilson; three sisters, Miss Thelma Wilson of Burnsville Rt. 4, Mrs. Clarence King of Caretta, W. Va., and Mrs. R. J. Caldwell of Oakdale, Pa., and a brother, James Wilson of Burnsville Rt. 4.

Yancey Farmers Applying Fertilizer by Plane

Two airplanes landed in Yancey County this week; but unlike the Cuban plane that landed in Florida, they were expected by the Yancey County farmers, according to E. L. Dillingham, County Extension Chairman.

Unlike the arrangements in previous years, where the Extension Office was primarily responsible for arrangements, private industry is taking the responsibility for providing fertilizer, loading planes and spotting fields. The Extension Office has worked with the applicators in locating landing strips, publicity and in serving as a go-between. The Whittington family is providing the landing strip.

Farmers applying fertilizer by plane are: George Wheeler, George King, Luther Ayers, J. C. Whitaker, Millard Ledford, W. O. Briggs, Mrs. Sally Blankenship, and H. Robertson.

Farmers wishing to contact applicators can do so through the County Extension Office.

Special Service At Presbyterian Church

Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. the Presbyterian Church will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at a Maundy Thursday service.

Ever member of the church is urged to attend this special service.

Rural Development Program Reports Progress In 1963

Expenditures for home improvements totaling nearly seven million dollars were reported by nearly five thousand rural families that submitted reports for 1963 in the Western North Carolina Rural Community Development Program. According to a summary released this week by the Asheville Development Council, the value of the improvements reported by

these families amounted to a whopping \$6,785,835. This included a wide range of items, ranging from the building of new homes to the improvement of electrical wiring. They all pointed to the already well-known fact that the community development program and family progress go hand in hand.

Former Resident Dies In Va.

Word has been received here of the death of Clarence Charles Beatty of Dillwyn, Va., a former resident of Burnsville. He died on Friday, March 20 in a Richmond Virginia Hospital. Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church in Dillwyn on Sunday, March 22 and burial was in the Dillwyn Town Cemetery.

He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Lucille Blankenship Beatty; one daughter, Mrs. J. B. Harvey and one granddaughter of Richmond, Va.; and one brother, Elmer Beatty of Chula Vista, Calif. Mr. Beatty was a retired machinist of Dillwyn.

Mrs. Albert Williams and Catherine and Bernice Blankenship of Pensacola attended the funeral services on Sunday.

Largest single item was the building of 380 homes at an estimated cost of \$2,850,000. Next in line was the remodeling of 507 homes at a cost of \$912,500. Other major improvements reported by the 4739 families included running 427 bathrooms added, 469 kitchens remodeled, 1309 houses painted on the inside and 848 on the outside.

Expenditures for purchasing mobile homes amounted to over one-half million dollars, cost of rooms added came to \$424,800 and major electrical appliance purchases totaled 445 thousand dollars.

According to Paulton Hodge of Rutherfordton, chairman of the WNC Community Development Program, "We are all well aware of the tremendous job that has been done by the organized communities in the way of building community centers, sponsoring youth programs and all the other fine community projects. Equally important are the many improvements that are being made each year by the individual families in these communities."

Not all community attention was focused on the side of spending money. Equal attention was given to trying to increase the income. Over 800 families reported increased income during the year from non-farm sources and 783 from farm enterprises.

Of the families reporting, 14 percent were full-time farmers, 32 percent were part-time farmers and 54 percent were non-farmers. There were 3900 family members employed full-time off the farm and 1366 employed part-time.

In the way of "living at home," canned, 260,174 quarts frozen and 373,429 pounds of food frozen. Nearly 70 percent of all the families had home gardens, 3768 carried hospital insurance and nearly one-half contributed to the United Fund.

Regular attendance at Community Development meetings was reported by one-third of the families and another one-third attended some of the meetings.

The strong emphasis on youth work was shown by the fact that 1469 young people in the 78 communities that turned in detailed reports, worked on community project and over 1500 attended community meetings. These communities reported 1,118 4-H Club members, 474 Scouts, 397 FFA members and 336 FHA members.

The Community Development Program is a program of competition open to all communities in Western North Carolina with an organized development program. A total of 133 communities participated in the program during 1963.

Mrs. Kiser Awarded Grant By Science Foundation

Mrs. Ronald Kiser of Chapel Hill has recently been notified that she has been awarded a Grant by the National Science Foundation under which she will be given a six weeks special course in the field of mathematics at the University of North Carolina during June and July of this year. Mrs. Kiser is employed by the City School System in Durham. She is the former Miss Susan Shepard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Shepard of Burnsville.



May the joy and promise of Easter uplift your spirit and gladden your heart.



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