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Pictured above are officers of the Yancey Merchants Association and Yancey Chamber of Commerce. Left to right are Vincent Westall, president of the Yancey Merchants Association, Mrs. Westall; Mayor Robert Helmle, Dr. W. D. Weatherford, Charles Gillespie, Chamber of Commerce president, Mrs. Gillespie; and Mrs. Grace Banks, Secretary to the Chamber of Commerce, at their annual dinner meeting here last Thursday evening.

Photo by John Robinson

Yancey Chamber Of Commerce Holds Third Annual Dinner

Approximately 150 people attended the third annual dinner meeting of the Yancey Chamber of Commerce last Thursday evening. Chamber members and their guests were served dinner at the Community Building by the Bald Creek Methodist Women.

Guest speaker for the evening was Dr. W. D. Weatherford of Black Mountain, who is an authority on the Appalachian area. The title of his talk for the evening was "Let Me Tell You Who You Are". In his talk he pointed out that this region has a great wealth in its boys and girls. He said that the youth of the Appalachian region was going into cities for employment when their abilities should be utilized here. He pointed out that one way to keep our youth here is to let them know of our interest in them and our need for the use of their abilities.

Weatherford has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Berea College for 50 years. Although born in Texas his mother was born in Yancey County and his father in Tennessee. His parents left this region about 90 years ago and settled in Texas where he was born.

Because of his studies and surveys Dr. Weatherford probably knows more about the Appalachian region and its needs than any other person.

Chamber President Charles Gillespie presented Miss Cheryl Lisa Banks, Junior Rhododendron Queen, sponsored by the Chamber last year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Banks.

Mr. Gillespie said that the main purposes of the Yancey

County Chamber of Commerce is to tell people what a wonderful place Yancey County is and try to make it better.

In addition to advertising the county, Mr. Gillespie pointed out that daily bus facilities through Burnsville was secured through efforts of the Chamber as well as sponsoring a barbecue on the Town Square during the Arts and Crafts Fair last summer. The Chamber assisted in securing job training for young people here and had a part in securing state voluntary workers in the county last year. They campaigned for the bond elections and sponsored Burnsville's first Christmas Parade last year.

A directors meeting of the organization will be held tonight when new officers will be elected for a new year.

BLOOD MOBILE HERE TODAY

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Burnsville today (Thursday, May 6th) from 12:30 until 6:00 p. m. at the Armory.

Blood is always urgently needed. In our own Yancey County we have a person who is undergoing heart surgery today in Chapel Hill. It will take 20 pints of blood just to get the machine going. All of this blood, and any additional it may take, must be replaced. Another resident of the county has used 18 pints, another 12 pints. The story goes on and on. If others did not care there would not be enough blood immediately available to give these sick

people. It is up to the citizens of Yancey county to see that blood is always available for her residents.

Some people wait to give blood as a replacement for what has been used. Don't wait until the need arises — give now so that tomorrow — or even today — there will be blood in the Blood Bank for immediate use.

Today's Bloodmobile visit is the last of this fiscal year. Let's accept our responsibility and show our gratitude for the life-saving Blood Program by turning out at the Armory and giving 204 pints to reach our 450 pint quota.

85 VOTES CAST IN TOWN ELECTION

Eighty-five persons went to the polls Tuesday to vote for Mayor R. K. Helmle and for B. R. Penland and P. C. Coletta for members of the town board. Each of the three received the same number of votes. There were no write-in votes and no other candidate registered in opposition to either the mayor or board members.

Mayor Helmle and Board members, Coletta and Penland were elected for their third term as Town of Burnsville officers.

During the three terms served by the present board, new street lights have been install-

FOREST SERVICE TO CHARGE FOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Forest Supervisor Peter J. Hanlon said today that the new Federal recreation — conservation sticker will go on sale May 10 at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 50 South French Broad Avenue, and at the 11 District Forest Rangers' Office in North Carolina. Stickers may be bought by mail and the order must be accompanied by certified check or postal money order for \$7 payable to the Forest Service, USDA.

The annual \$7 sticker will entitle all of the passengers, up to 9 persons, in a private automobile to enter all National Forest recreation areas throughout the United States which qualify and have been designated as charge areas. The sticker will be good until April 1, 1965. Travelling over Forest Service roads and such activities as hunting and fishing are exempt from these charges.

The recreation charge was authorized by the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965. Money from the sale of stickers will be used to help states, cities, and counties acquire and develop needed recreation areas. It also will be used in acquiring additional Federal recreation areas.

For visitors not purchasing the sticker an entrance fee ticket of \$0.50 per day or \$2.50 per season for each person over 16 is available. The seasonal fee ticket is good for the entire 1965 charge period for all the designated National Forest recreation areas in North Carolina. Single entry and season tickets may be purchased at the Forest Supervisor's Office, and at each of the 11 District Forest Rangers' Offices on or after June 1.

The charge period during 1965 for designated National Forest recreation areas in North Carolina will be from June 1 to September 10. No entrance fee will be required during 1965 before or after this charge period. Payment of the entrance fee entitles you to use the camping, picnicking, and swimming facilities that are provided on the area.

ed on town streets, a sewage project that has been hounding town officers for a number of years is now under way. Considerable paving of city streets has been done during their administration, and it has been announced that further paving will be carried out this summer.

Both Mr. Helmle and Mr. Penland are retired business men and have been able to give a great amount of time to the business of the town.

National Forest recreation areas in North Carolina designated and posted as charge areas are: PISGAH NATIONAL FOREST — Rocky Bluff, Carolina Hemlock, Black Mountain, Sycamore Flats, White Pines, Coontree Creek, Pink Beds, Davidson River, North Mills River, and Lake Powhatan.

NANTAHALA NATIONAL FOREST — Cliffside Lake, Vanhook Glade, Standing Indian, Jackrabbit Mountain, Hiwassee Lake, Tsali, Cheoah Point, and Santee/ah Lake.

CROATAN NATIONAL FOREST — Neuse River.



Mrs. Griffith Chosen For Summer Study

Mrs. Margaret B. Griffith has been chosen as a participant in the Summer Institute for teachers of French to be held at Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, North Carolina, June 17-August 10. This institute will be held in co-operation with the U. S. Office of Education under the National Defense Education Act.

The purpose of the institute is to improve the audio-lingual proficiency of high school teachers and introduce them to the newest teaching methods and techniques. The language laboratory at the college will be one of the key spots in the institute program.

There will be fifty-two participants who have been chosen from two hundred thirty-seven completed applications.

The participants will live as a group in a college dormitory and have their meals together. They will in general speak only French, and most classes will be conducted in French. Classes in conversation, language analysis, civilization, linguistics, reading, writing, methodology and laboratory techniques will occupy much of the time of the participants.

A series of lectures by nationally prominent specialists in language teaching, some carefully selected foreign films, and other activities such as learning and practicing folk songs and dances will occupy many of the evenings.

Mrs. Griffith teaches French in the East Yancey High School.

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