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## Mrs. Fox Selected To Attend Science Institute



Mrs. Jeanette B. Fox of RFD 1, Burnsville was selected to attend the NDEA Library Science Institute at Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone. This program is under the National Defense Education Act, as amended in 1964. The institute is being held June 7 through July 13, with fifty persons attending from North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, and Virginia.

The content of the program will be organized around six areas: 1—Building a Basic Collection for an Elementary School Library; 2—Evaluating Children's Books and Materials; 3—Folklore, Fantasy, and Storytelling; 4—Books of Information; 5—Poetry; and 6—Writing, Illustrating and Publishing Books for Children.

Many noted authors, illustrators and editors will serve as lecturers and consultants. Miss Beaulah Campbell is director of the institute.

Mrs. Fox is a teacher in the Burnsville Elementary School, and she participated in the Comprehensive School Improvement Project in the school this year. She is a graduate of East Tennessee State University and is an alumna member of Phi Mu Fraternity.

## N. C. On Producer Dairy Honor Roll

Jake F. Buckner, District Sanitarian, Spruce Pine, N. C. has announced that he has just received a letter from the U. S. Public Health Department listing all the counties and cities that attained the Honor Roll in their producer dairies and for their milk and the enforcement used.

In order for a County or City Health Department to make the Honor Roll the latest U. S. Public Health Service Milk Ordinance and Code must have been substantially complied with.

Listed below are the states having county or city Health Departments and the Dairies that made the Honor Roll. Out of the fifty states only 18 states made the honor roll. The number of departments in each of these 18 states are listed. They are:

Alabama 1; Arizona 1; Arkansas 1; Colorado 15; Nevada 1; New Mexico 4; North Carolina 69; Oklahoma 14; Tennessee 37; Texas 37; Utah 3; Virginia 7; Washington 4; Wisconsin 21; Georgia 19; Kentucky 22; Mississippi 23; and Missouri 7.

Mr. Buckner stated that it was very gratifying to see that North Carolina led the other states by a large percent. He stated that it was especially gratifying to learn that Mitchell and Yancey Counties made the honor roll by making above 90 per cent average on all dairies.

On the latest milk sampling report 40 dairies out of 41 that was tested had a bacteria count that met the requirements. Mr. Buckner, district sanitarian, reports that he is very proud of this record. He stated that the credit belongs principally to the dairymen and their splendid cooperation with the Health Department.

## Parkway Playhouse Announces Opening Of Eighteenth Season

### Local Girl Needed For 'Miracle Worker'

Coming soon after the announcement of the season's plays, is a call from the Parkway Playhouse for a local girl to portray Helen Keller in the opening production, "The Miracle Worker." The role is the one which started the successful career of Patty Duke, that of the young Helen Keller during her first meetings with her renowned teacher Anne Sullivan.

"The script says Helen is six and one-half years old," stated the director of "The Miracle Worker," Ed Anderson, "but that seems too young for the actress I want. I think a girl around nine, ten, or eleven would be much more suitable."

Mr. Anderson also mentioned these things as important to the casting opportunity; availability for the Playhouse's lengthy rehearsals, natural intelligence, self confidence and a lack of stage fright, good powers of concentration, as well as talent as an actress.

"And, though it is certainly not a requirement, I must admit to a slight prejudice towards long hair," Mr. Anderson mentioned. "The most important single factor, besides talent, is physical stamina. The role is exhausting because of the fights with Annie Sullivan and the unending concentration. It is very difficult to portray a person who is both deaf and blind and cannot speak, and it is only through sheer concentration on her character's personal thoughts that the actress can communicate anything."

The Parkway Playhouse announces the opening of its 18th season of summer stock in Yancey County. Gordon R. Bennett continues as executive director; Edward A. Anderson will be company manager and direct the opening presentation of "Miracle Worker", playing July 8, 9, 10. Vern Smith, in addition to set design, will be technical director. Lester Moore, Associate Director, is completing his Ph.D this summer and is expected to be at the Playhouse for a short time only. A newcomer on the staff, Miss Eleanor Smith, will direct the children's theatre and present an original play on Saturday afternoon, July 31. Lauren K. Woods is returning as stage manager and director.

"Mary, Mary", the witty, wildly successful Broadway comedy by Jean Kerr, is

scheduled as the second production for July 16 and 17, to be directed by Fred Koch, Jr. Following "Mary, Mary" is "The Happy Time" an hilarious comedy about a French Canadian family of men notorious for their philandering; it is written by Samuel Taylor and will play July 22, 23 and 24.

"Hasty Heart", by John Patrick, is the story of a Scottish youth wary of friendship, because "sorrow is born in the hasty heart". It will be presented July 30 and 31.

An original musical, "Lady Bountiful", written and to be directed by Vince Petty, will be the final production of the season on the nights of August 6, 8, 9, 10.

The Craftsman's Fair will occur on the square Aug. 7. Adula Art classes will be given July 21 — August 6.

## Farrell Wilson Serving At Carnegie Hall

Farrell Wilson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Brisco Wilson, is in New York City, where he is serving as an assistant stage manager at Carnegie Hall, in preparation for the New York Festival which is to be held June 17-20. He secured the position through the Stage Director, Kurt Cerf. Mr. Cerf was in Swannanoa recently to review the play, "For Once Then, Something", written by Billy Edd Wheeler and produced by the Warren Wilson College Drama Workshop. Wilson was the Stage Manager of this play.

The New York Festival will feature some thirty of the leading folk singers of the United States, including Chuck Berry, June Carter, Johnny Cash, Grandpa Jones, and Billy Edd Wheeler.

During the past year, Farrell Wilson has been a contributor to "The Quill and Shadow", the college's literary publication and is one of the nominees to receive a poetry prize at the annual Honors Night.

SP-4 E-4 R. L. McIntosh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reece McIntosh of Burnsville, is spending 14 days leave with his parents here. SP-4 McIntosh is stationed at Fort Sheridan, Ill. and he is with the Military Personal Division. He will return to Fort Sheridan at the end of his 4 days leave.

The director will be available every afternoon, June 11, 12, 14, 15, at the Playhouse until about five o'clock. He is hoping for a number of applicants. "I see no reason to suppose the young girls of Yancey County are any less talented than those of New York or Miami," he concluded.

## Meeting On WAMY Program Monday Night

The Community Action Program of W. A. M. Y. (Watauga, Avery, Mitchell and Yancey) for which a Federal grant of over \$500,000 was recently announced, has been the subject of much discussion and speculation in recent weeks. A meeting will be held Monday in the Burnsville Community Building at 7:30 p. m. at which all interested people may learn what the program will mean to Yancey County.

At this meeting, the organization will be completed of the Yancey County Advisory Committee for W. A. M. Y. This organization is being undertaken in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Economic Opportunity Act requiring broad participation at the local level in the planning and administration of the "war on poverty."

Invitations have been sent out to approximately a hundred representative people in the county. In addition, any others interested in making the W. A. M. Y. community action program a success in Yancey County are invited to attend. The various job opportunities to be opened up under the program will be outlined.

An important object of the meeting will be the formation of several sub-committees to plan and supervise the programs. Bob Helmle, who is serving as chairman of the Yancey County Committee, reports that numerous inquiries have been regarding jobs under the various work programs. This meeting will help clarify the situation with respect to the work programs that will be undertaken in this area.



Photo by John Robinson

One of the features of a Junior Training Union is the promotion of Memory Work each week. This activity is the local church then in the recognized as winners in these three tournaments are eligible to participate in the State Tournament. This association will have three participating in the State Tournament at Fruitland next week. Barry Cornwell, Janice Hunter and Judith Cornwell pictured above. All three of the participants are members of First Baptist Church here.