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Pictured above are members of the Brownie Scout Troop. They are front row, left to right: Debra Westall, Anna Warner, Sandra Fox, Janet Presnell, Renee Peterson, Natalie Fox, Sheila Angel, Mary Louise Wray, Tammy Brown, and Joy Coupey; back row: Sandy Bennett, Carol McDonald, Beth Bailey, Diane Wampler and Janice Biggerstaff.

## GIRLS INVESTED IN BROWNIE TROOP

Nine girls were invested into Brownie Troop No. 86 on Friday, Oct. 24, in the Brownie room.

Each girl made the Brownie promise, gave the salute and a reason for desiring to be a Brownie Scout. The girls sang the Brownie Smile Song, and pledged allegiance to the flag.

New members of the Troop are Sheila Angel, Beth Bailey, Janice Biggerstaff, Joy Coupey, Sandra Fox, Anna Warner, Debra Westall, Rene Peterson and Janet Presnell. Other girls in the Troop are Sandy Bennett, Tammy Brown, Natalie Fox, Carol McDonald, Diane Wampler, and Mary Louise Wray. Leaders are Mrs. Dick Bailey and Mrs. Garland Wampler.

## Services For Miss Proffitt

Miss Catherine Proffitt, 58, of Bald Creek, died in an Asheville hospital Sunday morning after a brief illness.

Miss Proffitt was a former teacher in Yancey County and had been associated with Proffice and Co. since 1945.

Surviving are the mother, Mrs. Virginia Gibbs Proffitt of Bald Creek; three sisters, Mrs. Vera Steel and Mrs. Yates Bailey, both of Bald Creek, and Miss Mary Glen Proffitt of Louisville, Ky.; two brothers, James W. Proffitt and Ralph T. Proffitt, both of Bald Creek.

Services were held Tuesday at 11 a. m. in Bald Creek Methodist Church, where she was a member and served as steward for many years.

The Rev. Thomas Weeks officiated. Burial was in Proffitt Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Horton Gibbs, Jimmy Neil, Bob Young, Ray Tweed, Otto Proffitt, Thor Anglin, Phil Johnson, Charles Tramberlin, Ray Robertson, and Claiborne Scott.

## Clubs Have Access To Slides

By: Ashton Chapman

Clubs or other groups interested in the art of ancient periods now have access, through the Avery-Mitchell-Yancey Regional Library, to more than 1,500 important items in the slide collection of the North Carolina State Library in Raleigh. The collection is divided into sections relating to Old Stone Age and New Stone Age art, Egyptian, Mesopotamian, Aegean, Greek, Etruscan-Italic, Roman and Northern European (pre-Christian) art.

The public libraries in Newland, Spruce Pine, Bakersville and Burnsville, which compose the A-N-Y Regional Library, have catalogs listing the numerous slides available on these subjects. A selection may be quickly and easily made from the catalog, and the desired slides can be booked through the Interlibrary Loan Service, just as films are booked.

All organizations interested in showing these very worthwhile slides are invited to consult the catalog at their nearest library in the three counties.

## Bloodmobile Here Nov. 14

The Bloodmobile will be at the Armory Saturday, November 14, from 1:00 p. m. until 6:00 p. m. All who can are urged to be on hand to give blood for this worthy cause. Look in next week's issue for more details.

## Yancey Producers Discuss Tomato Project For 1968

The Yancey Producers Association, with about 35 members present, met at the Courthouse in Burnsville Monday night, the 30th. The main object of the meeting was to discuss the Tomato Project for 1968. The principal speaker was Mr. D. M. Robinson of Marshall, manager of the French Broad Electric Membership Corp., with headquarters in Marshall, who told of the success of the Madison County Producers Association, and especially with regard to the growing and marketing of tomatoes. The Yancey Association, which got off to such a good start, is in a slump due to

the bad season and poor tomato crop last year. So far only 40 people have signed up to raise 25 acres of tomatoes. In order to go ahead with the project it will be necessary to sign up 75 to 100 growers, with a much larger acreage.

New growers are encouraged to sign up in order that the men backing the Association may go ahead securing the loan, purchasing the proper site and erecting the necessary buildings before another season. Anyone interested may secure the necessary information by calling Mr. F. L. Dillingham at the County Extension office.

## Yancey Tomato Growers Presented Awards



Charles Wesson, left, congratulates Hugh Pate of Bald Creek after presenting him with a prize as a leading tomato grower in Yancey County. John Ramsey, right, holds an award presented to him as first place win-

ner as a tomato grower of the county. Mr. Ramsey was also presented a check.

The awards and prizes presented to the two leading tomato growers were given by the Yancey County Chamber of

## BLUE RIDGE HEALTH COUNCIL OFFICIALLY INCORPORATED

The Blue Ridge Health Council was officially incorporated Saturday at Valle Crucis to begin working on comprehensive health planning for Watauga, Avery, Mitchell and Yancey counties.

About 50 persons at the Health Seminar heard Dr. John Reese of Morganton declare that total community involvement, particularly of physicians and dentists, was essential to the success of new health projects.

Dr. Reese, a past president of the North Carolina Medical Society, also said there were growing opportunities for cooperation between counties and between health districts, in the sharing of personnel and facilities, and urged the new group to keep other areas of the state fully informed on their progress.

Following lunch at the day-long seminar, representatives of

the four counties broke up into small planning groups to discuss three pressing problems.

The group discussing home health care reported back to the Health Council a request for an immediate feasibility study of all four counties to document the need for home health care and to determine the best ways of financing these new services.

(Elderly area residents now miss out on many services provided by Medicare because there are no home health care agencies or approved extended care nursing homes in the four counties.)

Representatives of the State Health Department present at the Saturday seminar agreed to conduct a feasibility study immediately on home health services.

The group discussing nursing home facilities recommended that the Council study and find ways to provide new facilities as soon as possible.

The Council also adopted a report from the dental services study group which called for emphasis on preventive dentistry to begin solving dental problems in the area. Initial efforts in preventive dentistry might include fluoridation, school education programs, and home education programs.

Elected to the interim board of Directors were: Clifford Aldridge, Dr. H. C. Evans, Dr. Lawson Tate from Avery County; Rev. W. Ross Bailey, Dr. J. T. McRae, and Mrs. Hugh Dobbin from Mitchell County; Mrs. Ernest Briggs, and Mr. Oscar Deyton from Yancey County; Mrs. Jack Groce, Mr. Joe Hartley, and Rev. George Abele from Watauga county.

Commerce, represented by Mr. Wesson. The certificates presented were hand-made by the Rev. Woodward Finley, former president of the Yancey Chamber of Commerce who is now studying at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.