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Burnsville Junior Scouts, First Place Winner



Burnsville Cadette Scouts, Second Place Winner



East Yancey High School, Third Place Winner

Burnsville's Fourth Annual Christmas Parade Big Success

Burnsville's fourth annual Christmas parade on Saturday, was, from the viewpoint of both viewers and sponsors, a great success. In spite of overcast skies and chilly weather, approximately 4,000 people were on hand to help usher in the Christmas season.

Only those working on the floats, costumes, and routine work that goes into staging a parade, know the number of hours which were put into making the parade a reality.

Each float deserved "first place", but since only three "places" could be named, it had to be narrowed down.

First place and a \$75.00 prize went to the Junior Girl Scouts. The Scouts, all dressed in green elf suits, were busily engaged in making toys while riding on the colorfully decorated float.

The Cadette Scouts, second place winner with a \$50.00 cash prize, were dressed as engineers in brightly colored pants and white sweat shirts and engineer caps. They marched behind their float, which was in the form of a train.

East Yancey High, third place winner with a \$25.00 cash prize, was represented by huge "panthers" pulling a Santa Claus sleigh.

In addition to the cash awards mentioned above, \$20.00 went to all entries. These prizes were contributed by the sponsoring Yancey Merchants Association and Yancey County Chamber of Commerce.

And what would a Christmas parade be without good old

"Saint Nick", who was there, whiskers and all, bringing greetings to all and candy for the children.

An added attraction this year was the parade of beauty queens, which drew much admiration and speculation from the cheering crowd. We say "speculation", because from these will be crowned on Friday, the 15th, at East Yancey High, "Miss Yancey County".

Since Yancey County Schools are sadly lacking in bands, the appearance of our neighbor, the Harris High marching band, is always a welcome sight, and this year's was no exception. The French Broad High School Band, with its colorful uniforms, precise drills, and swirring music, was a sight to behold and a delight to all. We are much indebted to both Harris High and French Broad High for adding so much color to our parade. May the day hasten when a Yancey County Band may be stepping along there with the best of them.

Judges were Asheville television newsman A. Jack Belt, Ian McBryde, and newspaperman Larry Corn.

May we express our appreciation to the sponsors for the time, effort and money that went into bringing the Christmas Spirit to Burnsville. It was indeed a joyous occasion for both old and young.

First Baptist Junior & Youth Choirs To Present Cantata Sunday Night

The choirs of the First Baptist Church have been hard at work since early in October in preparation for the special Christmas services. On December 10 at the 7:30 worship hour, the Junior and Youth choirs will present "The Night the Angels Sang", by John Peterson. Peterson is composer of many Christmas Cantatas including "Night of Miracles" which was presented by the Adult Choir last Christmas.

"The Night the Angels Sang" is Peterson's first cantata writ-

ten especially for youth. It combines choruses, solos and narration in telling the Christmas story.

On December 17 at 4:00 p. m. the Adult Choir will present a most unusual cantata, "Dawn of Redeeming Grace" by Robert Graham.

The cantata was written in 1960 and both the original text by Jeana Graham and the music by Robert Graham are very picturesque. It tells the wonderful old Christmas story in a wonderfully new way.

Mrs. Deyton Appointed Home Economics Agent Here

The Extension Service of North Carolina State University has announced the appointment of Mrs. Mary Margaret Deyton as Home Economics Extension Agent for Yancey County. The appointment was approved by the Board of Commissioners and became effective December 1, 1967.

Mrs. Deyton will work with Extension Homemakers Organizations and the 4-H youth in the areas of home, family, community life.

Mrs. Deyton's work experience

Home Economics teacher in Buncombe and Yancey Counties and a total of eleven years as Home Economics Agent in Transylvania and Mitchell Counties.

For the past 16 months she was on the Professional Staff of Pisgah Girl Scout Council as Field Advisor for Avery, Mitchell, Yancey, and Madison Counties.

She received her training from Asheville College, the University of Tennessee and has had inservice training at N. C. State University.