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MRS. ALICE HALL CELEBRATES 92nd. BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Alice Hall of Green Mountain celebrated her 92nd birthday on August 12. Celebrating his birthday with her was her pastor, Rev. Arthur Woody. Mrs. Hall and Rev. Woody were honored at a supper given by the church and Mrs. Hall's family at Double Island Community Center. Mrs. Frank Thomas of Double Island and Rev. Arthur Boone of Old Fort, who had birthdays the same week, were also honored.

The beautiful birthday cakes were furnished by Mrs. Paul Hughes and Mrs. Arthur Woody. Mrs. Hall was presented a corsage of red rosebuds by Mrs. Fred Hall.

Mrs. Hall is the mother of nine children, two of whom are deceased. Her daughters are Mrs. Pearl Thomas of Green Mountain, Mrs. Delie Sherrill and Mrs. Ellen Thomas Wright of California. Her four sons, all present at the celebration, are Salvey, Ernest and Fred of

Green Mountain, Robert of Mooresville. She has 40 grandchildren, 74 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Guests from out of the community included Mrs. Mary Sparks of Newdale, Mrs. Terry Hall of Elkin, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hall of Hickory, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Buchanan and three children of Charlotte, Miss June Ramsey of Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Petrone of New York, Charles Ward with the Air Force in San Antonio, Texas, Mrs. Buster Jarrett and son of Old Fort, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hughes and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ashton Ramsey, Elizabeth and Louise Ramsey and Mrs. Phillip Ramsey and four children of Burnsville.

Mrs. Hall is very active working every day. She crochets beautifully, doing a small piece in a day. She attends church, weather permitting every Sunday morning, and sometimes at night.

Parents Urged To Attend Meeting

Parents of boys from grade one through grade 8 who are interested in Little League football are urged to meet at the East Yancey High School gymnasium Thursday, August 22, (today), at 5:00 p. m. The purpose of the meeting is to determine the amount of interest in the county to this project. If enough interest is shown efforts will be made to form a Yancey County Recreational Commission. This effort stems from the Little League program in the county last year.

This year the Little League program will be in four subdivisions. The "Grass Cutters" League comprised of the first and second grades. The "Pee-wees" League, third and fourth grades. Midget League, fifth and sixth grades. Regular Little League comprised of the 7th and eighth grades with members of the 6th. grades as substitutes.

Insurance forms are available at each elementary school in the county and interested parents are urged to pick up these forms and bring them to the meeting. Insurance will run \$3.00 per boy and uniforms \$10.00 per boy, making the total cost \$13.00 per boy.

Parents who have questions should contact John Mattox or Jim Douglas.

Pictures Not Accepted Later Than Tuesday

Pictures for THE YANCEY RECORD will not be accepted after Tuesday. In other words, if you have pictures which you desire to appear in a certain week's issue, the picture must be in not later than Tuesday of that week.

ERVIN REPORTS ON APPALACHIAN COMMISSION'S GRANTS TO N.C.

Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr., (D-NC), reported today that the Appalachian Regional Development Program has attracted \$68.6 million in facilities and services to Western North Carolina in the last three years. Of this total, Ervin said that \$28.7 million were Appalachian funds approved by the Federal Government for the 29 county area.

In reviewing the progress of the Appalachian Commission since 1965, Ervin stated that he was "proud to have played a role in the Commission's formation. It is one of the few Federal programs," he continued, "which recognizes that the ultimate solution to its problems lies with the private sector of the economy. The Commission tries to encourage private investment by supplying these counties with facilities and services which raise them to economic parity with the rest of the country."

Ervin cited examples of the types of facilities which have been funded in North Carolina since 1965. These included: High School Vocational Education Facilities; Sewage Treatment Plants; Hospitals; Community Colleges; Hospital Outpatient Facilities; Public Libraries; Industrial Education Centers; and, Airport Facilities.

Particular interest has been placed under the program on highway construction and a total of \$26. million has been produced by the program for roads in Western North Carolina with the Appalachian Program funding \$14.7 million dollars of this total.

The Appalachian Program was praised by Senator Ervin as

being "the only Federal program where the Federal Government and the State are equal partners

Projects funded for Yancey County are as follows: Access road to Big Bald Mountain — Appalachian Funds \$140,000 — Total Cost \$200,000. NDEA Title III, Appalachian Funds \$2,400 — Total Cost \$8,000.

Winners Named In Youth Jamboree

The first Yancey Youth Jamboree which was held in conjunction with the Mt. Mitchell Crafts Festival here on August 8-9-10 was a great success.

The event was sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce

Winners in the competition were: Folk Dances — South Toe Folk Dance Team; Clogging — Little Jr. Miss Cattail Cloggers; Buck Dancing — David Gibbs; Smooth Square Dancing — Micaville and South Toe Smooth Square Dance Team; Western Square Dancing — South Toe; Instrumental Winner — Bill Gouge and Ricky Ray; Religious Song Winner — Rebecca Ann Hughes, Floyd Gouge, Linda Hughes; Folk Ballad — Folk Five; Group Talent Winner — Willore Baker and Norma Allen; Individual Talent Winner — Wanda Hollifield; Grand Champion Winner — Folk Five. and Smooth Square Dance Team — Overall Dancing Team Winner.

'MUSIC MAN' BIG HIT AS PLAYHOUSE

FINALE

Far be it from us, as a general thing, to depart from the opinion of our "city cousin" — The Asheville Citizen-Times. However, in this instance we are bound to disagree with that paper's Sunday review of the Parkway Playhouse's production of "The Music Man". Perhaps we are more naive, and less hard to please, but we thought the musical was very, very good, and from the response of the large audience on Monday night we feel sure they agreed with us. From our viewpoint THEY DID NOT FAIL. If judged in the light of a Broadway production, or even professional acting, it might have been improved upon, but we must understand and appreciate the fact

that Parkway players are students, some of them right out of high school, who are learning their craft, and are coached and directed by professors who teach drama in various colleges. Judged on this basis, we feel that this season's plays compare with the best on their field, both in acting and directing. We will go farther and say that they might well have led in the field of stage settings, lighting and costumes. To sum up, the folk in Burnsville, including our summer residents and tourists, were well pleased and happy to have had the opportunity to see such good theater as has been presented this summer, as well as past summers.

We would not attempt to point

out any one person who excelled in "The Music Man" — they were all excellent. Lauren Woods portrayal of the con artist shows that all his talents do not lie in directing — he is equally as good as an actor. "The Music Man" gave several of our local children an opportunity to make their stage debut, and they carried it off in fine style.

We would like to take this opportunity to extend our thanks to the University of N. C. at Greensboro, the directors, the students, and all who have had a part in making the Parkway's 22nd season the success that it was. WELCOME BACK NEXT YEAR.



Above, Congressman Roy A. Taylor inspects a Yancey County tomato as he comments to market manager Yates Deyton, center, and Harlon Holcombe about farm crops and marketing. The Congressman was instrumental in securing FHA funds for the new grading and marketing building here. Later, Congressman Taylor was the principal speaker at a meeting of North Carolina-Tennessee Highway and Tourism Association.