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Dr. Ralph Campbell Guest Speaker At Mental Health Meeting Monday Night

In spite of the snow, cold and slick roads, 25 interested citizens met at the First Presbyterian Church Monday night at six o'clock to enjoy a bountiful turkey dinner and listen to an interesting talk on mental health by Dr. Ralph Campbell, Director of the Buncombe County Mental Health Center.

Dr. Campbell was introduced by Mrs. Louella Honeycutt, Chmn. of the Yancey County Mental Health Association. Mrs. Honeycutt also presided over the meeting.

Dr. Campbell gave some pertinent and interesting facts on the cause and treatment of mental illness, and the importance of recognizing mental illness and seeking treatment in its early stages. He stated that

services of the Buncombe County Mental Health Center were open to any citizen of the county needing them. He gave advice on the proper way to go about setting up an active and working Mental Health Board in the county, and suggested that this be done promptly. All present felt well paid for braving the elements to attend this meeting, and after listening to Dr. Campbell felt sure more effort would be put forth in working out suitable treatment and care for the mentally ill.

Mrs. Honeycutt gave a report on the work of the Yancey County Mental Health Association. It was gratifying to note that all present that evening became active members of the Mental Health Association.

The major Christmas project of Mental Health Associations throughout the state is the collection and distribution of Christmas gifts to patients in the State mental hospitals. Rev. Don Elly, pastor of the Burnsville Presbyterian Church has accepted the Chairmanship of this project in Yancey County. Gifts collected in the county will go to Broughton Hospital. Anyone desiring to contribute to this worthy cause please get in touch with Rev. Elly.

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Shopping Days
'Til Christmas



Five generations are shown in the above picture: Mrs. Lena Honeycutt, seated, on the right her daughter, Mrs. J. V. Jones; on the left Mrs. Jones' daughter,

Mrs. Earlene Styles; in the center Mrs. Styles' son, Eugene Styles and Mrs. Honeycutt is holding his daughter, Eugena Dawn Styles.



Photo by John Robinson.

And The Snow Did Fall

Winter came early in the mountains (and to the rest of the state). According to a report from Forester Helton Carmichael, readings taken at the Weather Station at South Toe gave the following results for Tues-

day, the 12th: Temp. readings at 7 a. m. 30 degrees — at 1:00 p. m. 32 degrees, with winds at 15 miles per hour, gushing to 50 miles per hour. 9 inches of snow had fallen up to 1:00 p. m. Mr. Carmichael stated that

reports were that only twice snow of this depth had come this early.

While main highways have been kept open, driving on side-roads is hazardous without chains.

Mrs. Honeycutt Honored On 83rd Birthday

Children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild by the dozen, were on hand to greet Mrs. Lena Honeycutt on her 83rd birthday Sunday, October 10. Her family honored her with a birthday dinner given in the fellowship hall of Young's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church at Windom, at 12:30.

Children, their children and grandchildren gathered in from all parts of the county, as well as from Waynesville, Asheville, Greensboro, and South Carolina. Missing were three great-grandchildren — Doyle Styles, serving with the armed forces in Vietnam; Eugene Styles, studying for his master's degree in mathematics at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, and Mrs. Clyde Blalock of Norfolk, Va., whose husband is with the U. S. Navy and stationed in Norfolk.

Mrs. Honeycutt is mighty proud of all her grandchildren, but the one whose vocation she is most proud of is her grandson, Jack Silvers, who is a Baptist minister.

Mrs. Honeycutt may be a "senior citizen", but she has certainly not retired from life. She helps her daughter, Mrs. Atlas Silver, with whom she makes her home, in all her housekeeping duties, as well as helping with the gardening. She rarely misses a church service, and has been one of the most active quilters in the quilting project of the ladies of the church, from which project a good deal of money has been realized.

Our congratulations to Mrs. Honeycutt on her 83rd birthday, and may she have many happy returns.

County Owes Debt Of Gratitude To Downings

Burnsville and Yancey County owe a debt of gratitude to George and Phyllis Downing — proprietors of The Yancey County Country Store — for the very fine publicity given in their beautiful hand printed and hand illustrated brochure, which they have sent to prospective customers throughout the country. In it Burnsville and Yancey County are given excellent publicity, with drawings of places of interest, and favorable comments on each — among them being Nu-Wray Inn, Parkway Playhouse, Blue Ridge Parkway, with mention of places of interest in Spruce Pine, Little Switzerland, Linville, etc.

In it are also given short histories of Burnsville and Yancey County, which may be news to even the old residents of the county. It seems ironic but true that new comers often know more about us than we know ourselves.

Congratulations, George and Phyllis, on a beautiful work of art, for which we hope and feel sure you will be amply rewarded.