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## SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE BY HORTICULTURAL CROPS COMMISSION

A \$500.00 per year college scholarship will be awarded to a high school graduate of the 38 county area of Western North Carolina by the Horticultural Crops Commission of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council.

Purpose of the annual scholarship, the first of which was awarded in 1965, is to encourage young people from this area to enter the professional field of horticulture and to provide financial assistance to them in attending college. The recipient must pursue the four year course leading to a degree in horticulture in a college with an approved horticulture curriculum.

Other recipients of the scholarship, all of whom are now attending college, include Robert Spencer Hamilton, Rutherfordton; Gary Randolph, Mars Hill; Dennis Deyton, Green Mountain and D. C. Coston, Hendersonville.

Applications for the scholarship and details can be secured from high school principals, guidance counselors, vocational agriculture teachers or 4-H Club agents in the area. Deadline for making application is April 1, 1969. The winner will be announced by May 1.

High school graduates of the 38 counties composing the Agri-

cultural Development Council are eligible. These include: Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania and Yancey.

The grant will be awarded on the basis of interest, relative need, scholastic record, leadership and citizenship.

The committee responsible for reviewing the applications, interviewing applicants and awarding the scholarship is composed of Burwell Smith, Asheville, Chairman; H. R. Caldwell, Fletcher; Ellis Lyda, Skyland; W. J. Nesbitt, Edneyville and Paul Peterson, Skyland.

In announcing the scholarship, Harley Blackwell of Fletcher, Chairman of the Horticultural Crops Commission and Superintendent of the Mountain Horticultural Crops Research Station stated, "The Horticultural Commission is pleased that we can again offer this \$2,000 scholarship to assist a boy or girl from Western North Carolina to go to college and study horticulture. This is the fastest-growing agricultural enterprise in the area and offers many opportunities for young people with professional training."

## Young Anderson Directors Of Mt. Mitchell DHIA

BURNSVILLE — Earl Young, Yancey County dairyman, and Franklin Anderson, Madison County, dairyman, was elected new directors of the Mount Mitchell Dairy Herd Improvement Association (DHIA) at a meeting held Tuesday night in the Courthouse at Burnsville. This was the annual meeting of the cooperative association. E. L. Dillingham, Yancey County Extension Chairman, was elected as public director. The membership is made up of 20 dairymen from Madison, Mitchell and Yancey Counties.

## Crisp Appointed Heart Fund Chairman

Mr. Joe Crisp of Burnsville has been appointed Heart Fund City Chairman. Mr. Carlie Rice of Burnsville has been appointed Heart Fund Rural Chairman. These appointments were announced by Yancey County Chairman, Mrs. Hazel Hensley.

Mrs. Hensley said, "Heart disease is still the leading killer in North Carolina, the nation, and the world. Last year in North Carolina alone, 23,000 persons died from cardiovascular disease. The best way we can help to stop this killer is by contributing to the Heart Fund."

## MESSER AND RAMSEY SPONSOR BILL TO AUTHORIZE NEW REGISTRATION

Representatives Messer, and Ramsey of Madison, are sponsors of a Bill to be entitled: An Act to authorize County Boards of Elections to conduct a new registration of voters during the year 1969 pursuant to installing loose-leaf registration as required by G. S. 163-65. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact "Section 1 — There shall be conducted in those counties listed in Section 2 — a new registration of all qualified voters within each said county during the period from April 1, 1969, to September 30, 1969. Such new registration shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 163, Section 67 (a) of the General Statutes, except that the registration books, in addition to the time prescribed in Section 67 (a) of Chapter 163 may be available for registration in the office of the County Board of Elections or at some pre-announced location or locations during the week days of said period. The cost of conducting such new registration shall be allocated by the respective Board of County Commissioners.

Sec. 2. Counties covered under this Act are Ashe, Columbus, Haywood, Stokes, Yancey, and Yancey.

Sec. 3. Any and all Counties ordering a new registration as authorized by this Act shall, upon determining to order such new registration, notify the State Board of Elections of the decision and publish notice as is now required by law.

Sec. 4: All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby temporarily, until Sept. 30, 1969, suspended.

Sec. 5: This Act shall be in full force and effect from date of ratification.

## Mrs. Tom

## Griffith Dies

Mrs. Tom Griffith, 78, of Burnsville, died Monday morning in a local hospital after a brief illness.

She was a lifelong resident of Yancey County.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. W. J. Banks, Mrs. T. G. Edge and Mrs. Robert Hilliard, all of Burnsville; two sisters, Mrs. W. O. Griffith and Mrs. E. B. Silvers, both of Burnsville; two brothers, Welzie W. of Lakeland, Fla., and J. C. Ray of Asheville; and three grandchildren.

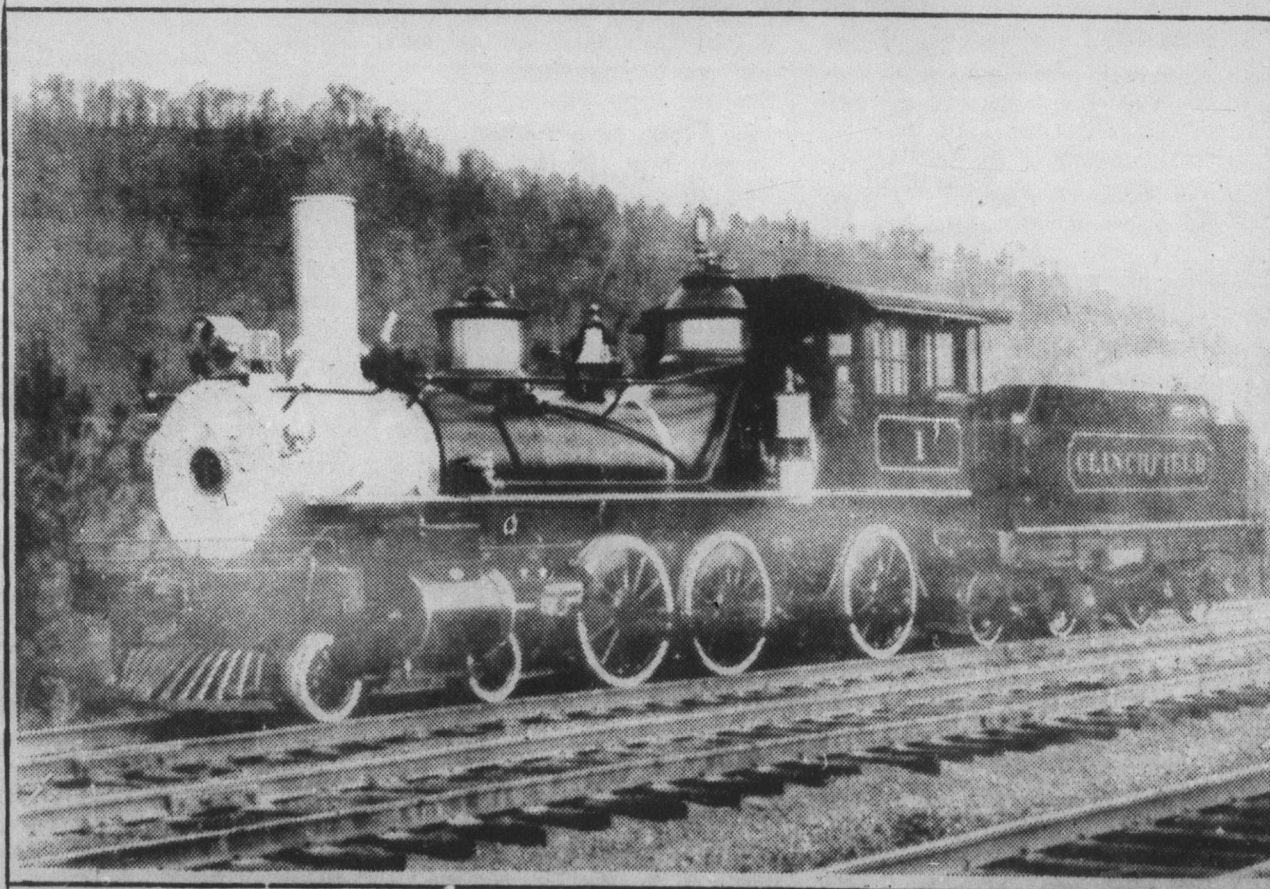
Services were held at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church of Burnsville, of which she was a member.

The Rev. Harold McDonald officiated. Burial was in Peter Young Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Robert, James and Roy Ray, James and Arney Fox, Ben and Edgar Griffith, Paul Eckstrom and Paul Biggerstaff.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to First Baptist Church of Burnsville.

## OLD NO. 1 RIDES AGAIN



### SHADES OF CASEY JONES • OLD NO. 1 RIDES AGAIN

The almost long-forgotten sound of a steam engine's shrill whistle resounding through the countryside, and the sight of its billowing smoke as it winds its way along the terrain, once again become a reality on the Clinchfield.

The Clinchfield Railroad Company has brought back to our modern world of transportation an aura of nostalgia of by-gone days, by completely refurbishing the "Old No. 1 Spot", considered to be the oldest operating steam engine in the country.

"Old No. 1" will, in the very near future, be placed in ser-

vice hauling special and excursion trains over Clinchfield scenic route, at a nominal cost to the public.

Information pertaining to reservations and ticket fares, together with the dates of scheduled trips of this "old timer", will be forthcoming.

"LOOK — WATCH — LISTEN" FOR DETAILS.

## LAUGHRUN HEALTH DIRECTOR

The Mitchell-Yancey County Health Department is fortunate in at last having a Health Director in the person of Dr. Wm. A. (Gus) Laughrun, who began his duties this week. Dr. Laughrun was appointed to this position by the local Board of Health.

Dr. Laughrun is certainly no stranger to the people of Yancey County, having been born in the Jacks Creek section of the county, and he has many relatives in the county.

He received his BS Degree from Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tenn. From there he went to Wake Forest College for two years. He received his medical training at the University of Kentucky in Louisville. He also studied at Tulane University in New Orleans. He did his internship at Charity Hospital, Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Laughrun practiced medicine in Burnsville for several years — in fact Yancey Hospital had its beginning in the clinic and offices he built now occupied by Dr. Webb. He is a licensed physician in the states of N. C., Ark. and Kentucky.

He was a major in the medical corps in the Second World War, where he contracted a severe case of arthritis from which he still suffers.

Dr. and Mrs. Laughrun moved here from Nebo, N. C., where Dr. Laughrun had been in practice. They bought the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Bingham, where they expect to entertain their five children and families as well as their friends. Their children are Dr. W. A. Laughrun, Jr., a practicing physician in Denver, Colo.; Lynn Hart Blackwell of Charlotte; Miss Tommy Lou Laughrun, a teacher in Spartanburg, S. C.; Sally Black, married to Travis Jones, and living in Akron, Ohio, Pam, the youngest, married to Tenent Teeter of Marion, N. C., who is in the School of Pharmacy at the University of N. C., Chapel Hill, and expects to go into medicine. Pam is Secretary to Dr. Campbell, Highway Safety Director, Chapel Hill.

We welcome Dr. and Mrs. Laughrun back to their home town, and are very happy he is to be connected with our Health Department.