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The windy, rainy, cold weather may have dampened the zest of some youthful Trick or Treaters on Hallo 'ween night, but the gloom was an ideal cover for intrepid Pranksters who decided that Captain Otway Burns should have an adornment.

Crowning the noble captain, impaled on his cap, is the age-old symbol of Hallo'ween: A Jack - O - Lantern.

The pranksters' identity remains a mystery, but a likely line-up of suspects can be found on page 14 of this issue.

NC Heart Assoc Sponsors Heart Scan For Children

Volunteers using a computerized heart scanner will begin a two year program in January to detect heart murmers among some 13,000 school children in Watauga, Avery, Mitchell and Yancey Counties.

The project, sponsored by the North Carolina Heart As-

Season Ends

The East Yancey High School football season has come to an end. The Pan - ther's final record was 3 wins and 7 losses. The boys who played showed a great deal of improvement over the season. We would like to thank everyone who has helped the athletic program this year. The support of many people working and many more people supporting us at our game was a big help to the program.

We would like to thank averyone who has backed the athletic program at East Yancey.

-Butch Sussavage & Harold Bennett, Jr.

sociation, is aimed toward discovering heart defects in children and referring them for treatment before their hearts are damaged. The tests are free without cost to anyone for children from the 1st through the 12th grades.

Laymen volunteers will use a machine called the Phono Cardio Scan, which is able to detect a murmur in a person's heart within two and a half minutes. This causes no pain, no medicine is involved, no needles, said Mrs. Mary S. Wilson, area coordinator for the project.

A training program for volunteers will begin in December with the screening of children at Deyton Elementary School in Spruce Pine.

Children will be tested only with their parents permis sion. If a murmur is found in a child, another machine test will be made and if the murmur is certified, a doctor will visit the school to make a diagnosis.

Economic Impact Of 6,000 Acre Resort Will Be Felt Through Entire Region

An announcement was made last Friday regarding an estimated \$15 million expansion of the resort and residential facilities at Bald Mountain. Authorities stated that the 6,000 acre tract being leveloped takes in parts of Yancey and Madison Counties in North Carolina and a part of Unicoi County, Tenn. Most of the land is in Madison County.

There was an enthusiastic attitude shown by the investors and developers regarding the future growth of the Bald Mountain resort and one authority noted The economic impact of this development.. ..will be felt throughout the

entire region."

A five-year development program will be prepared this winter to complement the spectacular mountain golf course which opened last summer and the partially completed Wolf Laurel Ski Village.

Plans now are for the ski facility to be opened in the winter of 1970. There will be three ski slopes included in the complex and two 18-

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hole golf courses, one par hree golf course, fishing, brilal paths for horseback riding, and hunting.

Also under study at this time are ski dormitories, motels, and shopping center, a craft shop and summer theater.

Road construction will be completed soon by the State of North Carolina to the Bald Mountain area and will accelerate the building program which contemplates the creation of several hundred new jobs by mid-1970.

The developer and ori ginal planner of this multimillion dollar resort, C. P. Edwards III, was lauded for the business vision and daring he exhibited in this project. Edwards began developing the 6,000 acre area several years ago and will now take a seat on the board of directors of the new company which is to take over the expansion and complet ion of the resort. The company which now holds the majority interest of the Bald Mountain Development Corp. and Wolf Laurel Properties, Inc. is named Dynamic Systems, Inc. and is a subsidiary of a public company called 60 Minutes System Inc.

This resort and those at Seven Devils and Beech Mouncain will make this area the ski center of the south said a spokesman for Dynamic Systems Inc.

Postmaster Announces The '69 Christmas Time Table

From Paul E. Buck, Postmaster

The Christmas season is almost here again. We should mail our packages and Christmas greetings in time for them to reach their destination by Christmas Day. In order to do this the following time table should be used:

Mail to Armed Forces Overseas - APO & FPO:

1-Surface mail should be in the mail by November 8, 1969. 2-SAM Mail should be mail-

ed by November 22, 1969.
3-PAL Mail should be mailed

by November 29, 1969. 4-Air Mail should be mailed

by December 13, 1969.

Be sure to include the APO or FPO number in the mailing address.

Domestic packages and greeting cards should be mailed by December 15. All packages either domestic or foreign should have inside the package a list of the contents and the address of the mailer and the addressee so that the package can be delivered even if the wrapper is detached.

Patrons on rural routes who mail cards and letters during December must affix the post age stamps. The rural carriers are not required to perform this service during the month of December 1.

Snow Flurries

Many Yancey Countians saw their first snowfall of the winter season on Monday afternoon. Snow flurries continued at intervals throughout the night and the early morning hours.

Highway 19 Heads List

The improvement of US19 from Burnsville west to Cane River has been recommended as a top priority highway construction project by Novile C. Hawkins, area Highway Commissioner from Mars Hill.

Hawkins said this week he had called for action on the project which was suspended when the Highway Commission was unable to sell the last \$60 million of its \$300 million bond issue because of interest rates.

The two-mile stretch of road is expected to cost \$1,200,000. Right of way acquisition, which was suspended when the bonds were frozen, can be resumed as soon as the Commission approves the project.

Other projects in his area to which Hawkins assigned priorities were US 25-70 in Madison and Buncombe Counties from Marshall to Weaverville; N.C. 213 in Madison County from Mars Hill to Marshall; N.C. 209 in Haywood County from Lake Junaluska north to Crabtree school and a bypass of 19-E at Spruce Pine.

I¢ Sales Tax Defeated Here

The results of Tuesday's election on the Option 1¢ Sales Tax surprised a great many people. An unofficial tally of ballots showed the tax issue, which would have supplied the Yancey school system with badly needed funds, was defeated by only 9 votes.

We list the following vote talles by communities:

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| | For | Agains |
| burnsville | 421 | 106 |
| Green Mtn. | 11 | 149 |
| Cane River | 44 | 35. |
| Egypt | 15 | 36 |
| Ramseytown | 3 | 61 |
| Jack's Creek | 42 | 49 |
| Brush Creek | 10 | 72 |
| Crabtree | 82 | 92 |
| South Toe | 57 | 50 |
| Pensacola | 20 | 32 |
| Prices Creek | 16 | 48 |