

Announcement

Applications for the 1970 summer Head Start Program are now being distributed through the Elementary Schools and can also be obtained by contacting any Outreach Worker in the W. A. M. Y. program.

Mrs. Lorene Greene, Head Start Director, urges parents of

eligible children who have not filled out an application to check with the elementary principal in their school district.

All applications will be screened and parents will be notified as to eligibility at a later date.

Open Letter

Dear, dear Friends of Yancey, Mitchell, Madison and Buncombe Counties.

There aren't enough words in the English language to express to you my deep love and gratitude for making John's farewell rites so beautiful, also thank you for the lovely flowers, gifts and over 100 sympathy cards sent to me in Yancey Hospital.

John deserved a beautiful funeral for he gave all of you 28 years of loving, selfless service. He loved you all and I don't believe he had an enemy in the world.

There are a lot of debts out. If you own John Robinson Co. any money, please pay it to Dick McIntosh at Hilltop Cafe who will administer the estate.

I bought Robinson Studio 12 years ago. I have hundreds of pictures unclaimed that I hate to burn. I can operate the studio by myself if I have to. I've been doing studio work for 33 years. I'd like to stay in Burnsville at least long enough to make a group picture of every family in the county. We do good work; and a Robinson photo is guaranteed not to fade. Many of you have been taken in by my 'cut throat' competition with a cheap gimmick.

I am frankly saying do you want Yancey County to keep John Robinson Studio in Burnsville? It's up to you. This is no plea for charity. I don't want 1¢ except money due him which I need to pay his hospital bills and funeral expenses.

People having TV's, radios, etc. in John Robinson Co. can get them out by seeing John B. Westall at the B & B Tire recapping place. BE SURE to bring your claim checks. He has trained two fine young men, Elmo Edwards and Ben Lee Hensley, in TV and radio repairs and refrigerator work.

I am in Yancey Hospital with a fractured ankle and a crack in my skull, suffered in a fall the day John died. I am in a private room, number 27, so please come to see me.

I am grateful for all the love and devotion, but most of all I thank you for your prayers. For I realize it is only by God's precious love and care that I'm here.

With love to all of you.

Sincerely,
Mrs. John G. Robinson

(open letter paid for by Mrs. J.G. Robinson)

Toy Ignites Field When 'Chute' Fails

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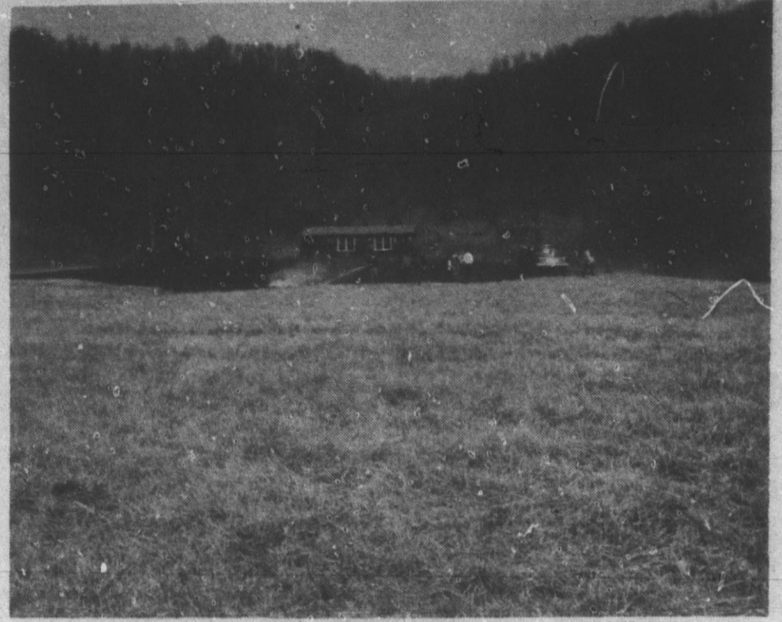
cond stage of the rocket ignited, it was supposed to burn itself out as the nose cone floated to the ground via parachute. The parachute failed to open, and the rocket hit the ground while still flaming, setting fire to the tall grass in front of a vacant house. Fortunately, the rocket did not reach the wooded area in back of the house, or the house itself, or the fire could have swept over the mountainside.

Grace Banks, Richard's mother and secretary of the Yancey County Chamber of Commerce says, "I know the toy is very popular with the boys right now and I want to alert parents to the possible danger involved. The toy is made by a reputable manufacturer, but as this accident proves, there is still the possibility of something going wrong."

"If this had been three or four teenagers shooting the rocket without any adults present," she continued, "the boys could have been seriously burned trying to put out the brush fire by themselves. As it was, even though my husband and I were out in the field with our two youngsters trying to stamp out the blaze within seconds after it started, it got completely out of control."

The fire was seen by the ranger at the station here above Burnsville and the state fire fighters arrived at the scene even before the Burnsville Fire Department.

Although the incident caused no injury and no serious property damage, it bears thinking about in terms of what might have happened.



Firemen Put Out Brush Fire Set By Toy

School Board To Study Survey Recommendations

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answer questions. The recommendations are not necessarily binding on Yancey County School Board, who are free to make counter-proposals.

Whatever planning decisions our county board makes affecting school location and building, must, in the end, receive endorsement from the State school planners. Otherwise, Yancey County cannot spend the \$338,000 in capital outlay funds allocated to us from the 1963 school bond election. This large sum has lain idle and untouched, simply because we have failed to make up our minds what we want to do with it. And in the meantime the funds have been steadily losing their purchasing power.

In 1966 the State school planners made a Yancey County survey somewhat similar to the one just completed. This

earlier survey stressed numerous serious shortcomings in our schools, and made important recommendations. At the presentation of that survey, Dr. Pierce urged our school board to make up their minds regarding a county program, pointing out that the \$338,000 was losing its buying power at the rate of nearly one percent a month in the purchase of school buildings.

For the most part, the recommendations of the earlier survey were not acted upon by our school board. However, the board then in office has been superseded by an entirely new slate, and it is understood that the new board is determined to resolve the problems.

Following the hearing, it is the intention of The Yancey Record to print significant portions of the survey.

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- 3-19-70 10 a. m. to 12 X-Ray Clinic.. No app't nec.
- 3-23-70 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. General Immunization Clinic
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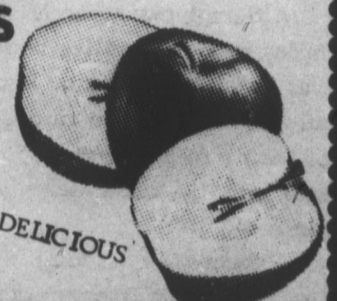
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