



Yancey Contestants In 'Miss Mayland' Pageant

Yancey Girls In Miss Mayland Pageant; Contest Will Be Held July 30 And 31

The Yancey County Jaycees and Jaycettes gave a tea July 16 in the Community Building for the contestants representing Yancey County in the Miss Mayland Pageant.

Girls representing Yancey County are Linda Deyton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Deyton of Burnsville; Patsy Briggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Briggs of Burnsville; Joan Atkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Atkins of Pensacola.

The "Miss Mayland" Beauty Pageant, sponsored by Spruce Pine Jaycees, Avery County Jaycees and Yancey County Jaycees, will be held on July

30 and 31 in the Harris High School auditorium in Spruce Pine, N.C. Thirteen girls are representing Yancey, Mitchell and Avery Counties.

Contestants will be judged in swim suits, evening gowns, and talent. The winner will be a representative for the three counties in the 1971 Miss North Carolina Pageant.

To avoid confusion, the pageant, which has always been conducted in Spruce Pine as the most convenient or central location in the three counties, was for the past several years known as the "Miss Spruce Pine" pageant, although contestants from all 3 coun-

ties continued to enter each year. The name is now changed back to the original name, the "Miss Mayland" pageant this year.

It is hoped our girls from Yancey County will have lots of support when they compete for the title on July 30 and 31.

Burnsville Men's Club Picnic

The Burnsville Men's Club, together with member's wives, children and guests, will hold their annual summer picnic on the coming Monday evening, July 26, at the Black Mountain Camp in the Game Refuge. This is the same location where the picnic has been held in previous years.

The feature of the supper will be barbecued chicken prepared by the club's veteran, expert outdoor cooks, led by Jim Covington, E. L. Dillingham and Ned Jester. Supper will be served at 7 o'clock, but families are invited to come earlier, with entertainment activities starting soon after

3 o'clock.

The picnic is planned as a family affair, with entertainment for children as well as adults, including volley ball, soft ball and horseshoe pitching.

Members are urged to bring guests.

Legion Picnic

The American Legion and Auxiliary annual picnic will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Roberts on Tuesday, July 28 at 7:00 p. m. All veterans and their families are invited to attend and bring their picnic supper.

Prospects Seem Good For Water System Improvement

By Bob Helmle

The prospect for financing the improvement and enlargement of the Burnsville water system has brightened appreciably. The Town Board is applying to the North Carolina Local Government Commission for authority to hold a bond election for authorizing the borrowing of up to \$230,000 to finance the water project.

Mayor James Anglin, Commissioner Bob Helmle and Town attorney, Dover Fouts, recently reviewed the financial aspects of the project in Raleigh with Local Government Commission officials. It appeared from this conference that the Town's present financial position would permit undertaking

the project. Authority to proceed with the election, which should be held in September, appears assured.

The water project as planned, a major part of which will be the addition of a new 2,000,000 gallon storage reservoir, is estimated to cost about \$335,000. The financing will come from the following sources: from the Farmer's Home Administration a grant of \$10,000; from the Appalachian Regional Commission a grant of \$100,000, and from the bond issue and from the Town's reserves now on deposit in the bank \$225,000.

The FHA has already approved its grant and has agreed

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'Arms And The Man' Comedy Worth Seeing

By Carolyn Yuziuk

"Arms And The Man", the popular light comedy by George Bernard Shaw, who is considered the greatest British playwright of modern times, is the current production showing at the Parkway Playhouse. Though it is the fourth play Shaw wrote,

of the fifty that he brought out in his long, busy career, it was his first to be presented in America, and its success was the making of his career. When Shaw wrote this "pleasant play" some 75 years ago he was, of course, preaching to a world which suffered from certain stupidities that "nauseated him". One such "stupidity" was the heroics of war. "Arms And The Man" satirizes war, soldier-heroes and love.

Chris Walsh, as Raina Petkoff, sweeps grandly about with her visions of noble heroes who charge impetuously into battle, and comes across beautifully and believably. Also believable and extremely comic in his role as Sergius is Alfred Peter Miller III who typifies a soldier-hero who truly believes in his own bravery and glorious actions.

Perfect foils for these two are Mike Coyne, who plays Captain Bluntschli and Marta Schley, as Louka. Bluntschli, (Cont'd on page 16)



Stars, Mike Coyne And Chris Walsh, Sample Chocolates

Notice

All Yancey County Girl Scout troop leaders, committee members and parents are urged to attend a meeting this Friday, July 24th at 9:30 a. m. in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church, Burnsville. The meeting will not be long. It is being held to discuss plans for the Girl Scout Day Camp in August.