

MEN'S CLUB SUPPORTS SCOUTS—The Burnsville Men's Club, which has long sponsored Boy Scout activity in Yancey County, gave tangible evidence of its support last Monday night. Dr. Garland Wampler, on behalf of the Club presented a check for \$100 to Scout Leader John McLain to help send two local boys to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico. The boys will leave by bus on June 24 for a three week trip. Enroute they will visit New Orleans, points across the border in Mexico, and Carlsbad Caverns. While at the Scout Ranch which covers a vast area in northeastern New Mexico, they will spend 10 days on a hike covering about eighty miles of wild mountain terrain.

Bluegrass Festival Planned For June; Proceeds To Aid Pensacola Fire Dept.

A meeting was held February 15, 1972 and plans were discussed and made for a Second Annual Bluegrass Festival to raise money for the Pensacola Volunteer Fire Department. This second festival grew out of a successful event held last May, which was the first fund raising project of the organization.

History of the Volunteer Fire Department began when on May 3, 1971, a group of Pensacola citizens met at Mountain Wilderness to organize a fire department to serve the Pensacola area. This group chartered the organization and officers were elected as follows: President, Jerry Wilson; Vice Presidents Ronald Eubanks and Frank Hensley; Secretary-Treasurer, Jeannie Eubanks. The seven-member Board of Directors included Byrl Ballew, Walter Riddle, Ray Miller, Kenneth McMahan, Isaac Williams, Ben Wilson, and Wayne Ray. Three aldermen were elected as follows: Billy Brooks Wilson, Sammy D. Riddle, and Mrs. Grace Grassmuck. Attorney G. D. Bailey drew up the Charter and it was filed at the State Capitol on July 23, 1971.

In order to stimulate interest, enthusiasm and at the same time build a foundation for this plan, a Bluegrass Festival was planned and held on May 28 and 29, 1971. It featured Jim and Jesse and The Virginia Boys from the Grand Ole Opry. An amateur Bluegrass Band contest was held on Friday evening, May 28. First place winners were the Motor City Bluegrass Boys from Detroit, Michigan. Second place winners were Ralph Lewis and The Piney Mountain Boys of Asheville. Jenny Yancey and The Linville River Boys from Crossnore were the third place winners. The next day Jim and Jesse per-

formed along with the winners of the band contest, and then an "ole timey" square dance was enjoyed by all. Although it was very cold and rainy that weekend, the festival was a huge success.

Other fund raising projects conceived for the fire department included a fund raising square dance planned by the youth of the community. It featured "The Leads" and was held at Mountain Wilderness.

July 31 and August 21, 1971 two Spaghetti Suppers were held in the Pensacola School cafeteria to raise more funds for the fire department.

On October 2, 1971 a raffle was held at a Browning Automatic Rifle was won by Mr. Boyd Banks of Burnsville.

The Pensacola Community has worked very hard and put in many long hours to get a volunteer fire department star-

ted. Along with the fund raising projects they have received several donations but it takes a considerable amount of money to get needed facilities. The community is very determined to get these facilities.

The Second Annual Bluegrass Festival will be planned further and more information can be found in later issues of The Yancey Record or over WKYK radio. At present, the festival is to be held at Mountain Wilderness Park, donated for this purpose again this year by Ray Miller, on June 23 and 24, 1972. Due to so many requests, Jim and Jesse and The Virginia Boys will be the featured guest stars again this year.

Watch for further details of this second big fund-raising festival—sure to be a great success again this year.

French Broad: No Hike

On February 17, 1972, the North Carolina Utilities Commission has granted Carolina Power & Light Company a 14.38% hike in their electrical rates which includes continuation of the 5.6% interim increase the company has been charging since June. This rate increase will cost the average CP & L consumer an additional \$3.00 a month. The rate increase of 14.38% which was granted by the North Carolina Utilities Commission to CP & L will not affect the member consumers of French Broad EMC.

At the present time the rates of French Broad EMC are less than those of CP & L Company's. French Broad

EMC has only had one rate increase in the 31 year history of the Cooperative which became effective June of 1971, however, the Cooperative has had three rate reductions that have saved the member consumers of French Broad EMC hundreds of thousands of dollars annually. These rate reductions took effect in 1946, 1957 and 1966.

The management of French Broad EMC regrets to inform the members that the electrical bills will be late due to difficulties in changing over from the out-dated and badly worn billing equipment to new and modern computer billing procedures. Penalties will not be charged to the consumers on this January and February billing. We regret that the February bills will be three to four weeks late, D. M. Robinson, General Manager said.

Bee Log 4-H

The Bee Log 4-H Club held its monthly meeting on February 7th. During this meeting the 4-H summer camp was discussed. It will be held the first week of July.

A Valentine party was also planned and held Feb. 11.

The members decided to sell "Auto Handy Brushes" to raise money for the club.

Following the meeting, Miss Wanda Edwards, Public Health Nurse, talked to the group about First Aid. Everyone enjoyed her visit.

The next monthly meeting will be the 2nd Monday in March.

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MAY Tech Courses Ok'd

The State Board of Education in regular session in Raleigh on Thursday, February 3, approved the offering of the following curricula by Mayland Technical Institute: Automotive Mechanics, Business Administration, Secretarial Science. Mayland Technical Institute is now ready to accept applications for the above courses for this fall. Application forms may be obtained from Mayland Technical Institute or from high school counselors.

The above curricula were selected after a survey of the interest of all high school students of Mitchell, Yancey and Avery Counties. 1717 responses to this survey indicated a strong interest in these fields. Advisory committees made up of local people engaged in these fields are assisting in continuous planning and evaluation of courses.

Automotive Mechanics is a one-year diploma course designed to develop the basic knowledge and skills necessary for inspecting, diagnosing, repairing, and adjusting components of Automotive vehicles. Manual skills are developed in practical shop work, and understanding of the operating principles involved in the modern automobile comes in class assignment, discussion and shop practice.

Increasing complexity and changes in automotive vehicles, brought about by science and engineering, make it imperative that students have opportunities to adapt to new techniques in servicing vehicles.

Graduates of the curriculum diagnose engine trouble, maintain and repair mechanical, electrical, and other component parts of passenger cars, trucks, and buses. Many specialize in particular types of repair work such as transmission after they have obtained an all-round knowledge of automotive servicing and repair.

Business Administration is a two-year degree program designed to prepare the student for employment in one of many occupations common to business. The training is aimed at preparing the student in many phases of administrative work encountered in the average business.

Secretarial Science is designed to offer students the necessary skills in typing, taking dictation, transcribing, filing, and other skills essential for stenographic or secretarial work. The curriculum is so arranged that a student may, during the final quarter, take options as to specialized areas in the secretarial field such as medical, legal, or executive terminology and vocabulary. The graduate may thus enter a secretarial position in a variety of offices, business, physicians, or other medical offices, law offices, etc.



TWIRLERS WIN STATE COMPETITION—The Metrolina Twirling Festival, a state wide competition, was held Saturday, Feb. 19 at Belmont Abby College, Belmont, N.C. The Flashettes, a twirling group made up of girls from Ashville, Spruce Pine, and Burnsville, placed 1st in Parade Corp in the juvenile division and are now eligible to attend the Drum Majorettes of America nationals which will be held in Ashville. Four girls from Burnsville entered an individual event—Special Beginners Best Appearing Event—in which they modeled in their twirling costumes. In the division for ages 6-8, Cynthia Whitson placed 4th, and Tonya Allen placed 3rd. In the division for ages 9-10, Sonya Riddle placed 4th, and Gina Ferguson won 2nd place. Posing in their costumes 1. to r. are Tina Banks, Gina Ferguson, Tonya Allen, Sonya Riddle, and Cynthia Whitson. Two other Burnsville members of the Flashettes are Kim Slagle and Sherri Phillips.

4-H County Council Met

By Carol J. Pyle
Extension Agent

The 4-H County Council met Thursday night, February 24th at the Courthouse. All the 4-H Clubs in Yancey County were represented. The main order of business was the election of County Council officers: President, Mike Hopson, Brush Creek Club; Vice President, Kay Honeycutt, Clearmont Club; Secretary-treasurer, Janet Treadway, Bee Log Club; Reporter, R. Laws, Clover Club.

A list of club resource persons, educational programs and calendar of events were given to the club leaders and presidents. An addition to the resource list this year is an opportunity for tours to various industries and businesses in the county. Upcoming dates and events were discussed. The Council voted to meet on the fourth Thursday evening of every school year month with a monthly program.

A County-wide Clean-Up Campaign in cooperation with the Community Development Clubs was discussed as a project for March through May. Discussions on possibilities for 4-H softball teams during the summer followed. Concrete plans will be made at the next 4-H County Council meeting March 23rd.

Notice

The Yancey County Board of Education will meet Friday night, March 3rd, at 7:30 p. m.

Girl Scout Cookies Arrive—Home Delivery In Progress

Monday, February 28th, Girl Scout Cookies were unloaded at the First Baptist Church, Burnsville under the supervision of Mrs. Garrett D. Bailey, Neighborhood Cookie Coordinator; Mrs. John McLain, Chairman for the Junior Troop; Mrs. Helen Ferguson, Chairman for the Brownie Troop and Mrs. Charles B. Gillespie Jr., Leader of the Cadette Troop. They helped to sort and count cookies for distribution to the troops.

Girls began taking orders for cookies January 28th. They will be delivering cookies March 1st through 18th and

persons wishing to order additional cookies may call 682-2323, Mrs. Garrett Bailey, or one of the Troop Chairmen. The senior girls in Troop #66 will be selling on Saturday and after school from booths in various places of business in town.

Profit from the purchase of cookies will help 8,000 girls in Western North Carolina benefit from Girl Scouting activities. Local troops earn five cents on each box they sell. The profit which Pisgah Council makes provides Day Camping, Resident Camping, and Troop Camp equipment

for all events such as Scamper, Roundaree and other troop and council-wide events.

Burnsville has four active troops: Brownie Troop #86, Leaders: Mrs. Gene Woody and Mrs. Donald Styles; Junior Troop #88, Leaders: Mrs. Carlyle Bledsoe and Mrs. Bill Hess; Cadette Troop #65, Leaders: Mrs. Charles Gillespie Jr. and Mrs. Forest McCall; Senior Troop #66, Advisors: Miss Sandra Fox and Mrs. Margaret R. Young.

Special thanks during this annual project goes to Troop Chairmen, Mrs. H. T. Ferguson, Mrs. John McLain and Mrs. Frank Horton.

East Yancey Beats Tryon

By Rick Huskins

Friday the East Yancey J. V.'s won over Tryon 66-50 to clinch the Blue Ridge Tournament Championship.

High scores for the Panthers were Hughes with 23, Honeycutt 19 and R. Biggerstaff, 13.

High scores for Tryon were Mize with 17 and Carter with 15.

Honeycutt, Hughes, and R. Biggerstaff received all-conference player awards for East Yancey. Mize, Payne and Jackson received all-conference for Tryon.

East Yancey JV's have a record of 10-4 on the season.

All-Star Game

By Robert Howard
Friday night, March 3, the East Yancey All-Stars will put their undefeated record on the line when they tackle the Over-The-Hill-Gang.

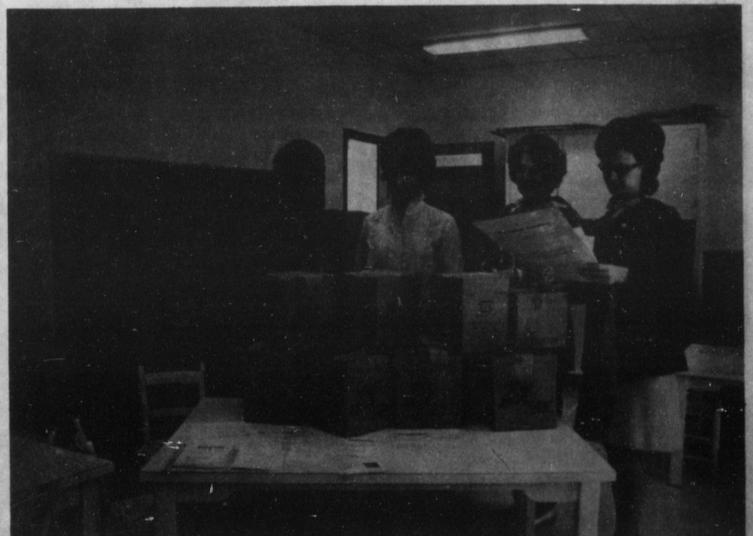
The East Yancey All Stars consist of Kenny Deyton, Ronnie Fox, Emie Howard, Boyd Howell, Coach Dean Hicks, Jeff Linton, Gene Metcalf, Jim Norris and Randy Thomas.

The admission is \$1.00 for adults and \$.50 for children and under 8 free.

Game time is 7:30 p. m. in the East Yancey Gym.

Blood Mobile

The Bloodmobile will be at the Armory in Burnsville on Wednesday, March 8, from 1:00 to 6:00 p. m. The quota for this visit is 100 pints.



Girl Scout Leaders Supervise Delivery Of Hundreds Of Boxes Of GS Cookies