

Church Holds Special Events

Vacation Bible School and evangelistic services will be held at Faith Fellowship Baptist Church on Mitchell Branch.

Rev. Robert Lankford of Marshville, North Carolina will be the speaker at the special meetings at the church which will begin June 26 through July 2, continuing each night at 7:30. Rev. and Mrs. Lankford are missionary appointees under Baptist Mid-Missions to Manaus, Brazil. They will be going to Brazil in the near future.

Vacation Bible School will be held each morning, June 26 through 30, beginning at 9 a. m. Rev. and Mrs. Lankford will be involved in directing and teaching in the school. The pastor, Rev. Richard Buchanan, and the church family invite the public to these services.

Notes Of Thanks

Our sincere gratitude goes out to our friends and relatives for the kindnesses shown to us, and for food, flowers and sympathy extended to us in our sorrow at the loss of our loved one.

--The family of Mr. Joe Silvers

The family of Mrs. Dollie Higgins wishes to express our sincere thanks to all our friends and families who so generously gave beautiful flowers, prayers and visits, and for Rev. Frank Phillips and Rev. Richard Buchanan for their wonderful inspirations of words and thoughts for us all. Also our many thanks to the Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home for their great friendship and kindness. Our prayers to all in thanks.

--Shelby Higgins and family.



BARBARA McCURRY

Mrs. Barbara Ann McCurry, 87, of the Bee Log Community, died at her home Monday evening after a long illness. She was the widow of Wash McCurry who died in 1948.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Lewis Fisher of Gloucester, New Jersey; three sons, John, Clyde and Alvin McCurry of Route 4, Burnsville; three brothers, Lynn and Jim Hensley of Sylva and Ulysses Hensley of Route 4, Burnsville; 26 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. Thursday in the Bald Mountain Free Will Baptist Church. Rev. Roscoe Briggs Jr. and Rev. T.A. Wheeler officiated and burial was in the McCurry Cemetery.

CLARENCE BYRD

Funeral Services for Clarence M. Byrd, 63, of Enka who died Saturday evening in an Asheville Hospital were held at 3:00 p. m. Tuesday in the Chapel of Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home. Rev. Frank Ellis officiated and burial was in the Byrd Cemetery at Jacks Creek.

Mr. Byrd was a native of Yancey County and was a clerk in the office of the Yancey County Board of Education for 8 years in the late 30's and early 40's. He was with the North Carolina Highway Patrol for 15 years and was stationed in Macon County most of the time. Later he was owner and operator of a service station in Franklin.

Surviving are the wife, Mrs. Verdine Rice Byrd of Asheville; one daughter, Mrs. Bill McIntosh of Enka; two sons, Danny of San Francisco, Calif. and Michael Byrd of Asheville; three sisters, Mrs. Dempsey Hopson of Burnsville, Mrs. James Elliott of Baltimore and Mrs. Norman Young of Daytona Beach, Florida; four brothers, Ernest of Burnsville, Emmett of Spruce Pine, Roy of Baltimore and Charles Byrd of Inman, S.C., and one granddaughter.

SUE COFFEY

Mrs. Sue Coffey, 87, of Burnsville died in a Watauga County hospital Saturday afternoon after a long illness. She was the widow of L. T. Coffey who died in 1937. She was employed in hospital work for many years in Philadelphia, Pa. and did practical nursing in Yancey County until illness.

Surviving are one step-daughter, Mrs. Dawson Briggs of Burnsville; one step-son, Dr. Ralph Coffey of Morganton; four sisters, Mrs. Luther J. Banks of Burnsville, Mrs. L. A. White of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Joseph Nowicki and Mrs. Claude Honeycutt of Asheville; one brother, J.J. Tipton of Renfrew, Pa.

Funeral Services were held Tuesday at 2:00 p. m. in the Windom Methodist Church. Rev. Phillip Nordstrom and Rev. Benny Walters officiated and burial was in the Rte Young Cemetery.

MARY KINCHELOE

Mary Kincheloe, 79, of the South Toe River Community died in a Burnsville hospital Saturday morning after a long illness. She was the widow of J. F. Kincheloe who died in 1938.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Vernie Harris and Mrs. Claude Self and a son, Woodrow Kincheloe, all of Route 5, Burnsville; two sisters, Mrs. Mollie Wright of Marion and Mrs. Virgil Hollifield of Old Fort; two brothers, Garren Wilson of Marion and Bascomb Wilson of Route 5, Burnsville; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p. m. Monday in South Estatoe Baptist Church. Rev. Dave Blevins and Rev. John Gates officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

JOE SILVERS

Joe Silvers, 85, formerly of the Higgins Community died Tuesday evening in an Asheville hospital after a long illness. He had been residing in Swannanoa for the past 8 months.

Surviving are the wife, Cordelia Silvers Silvers; four daughters, Mrs. Carol Hensley of Swannanoa, Mrs. Don Owens of Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. Elsie Wheeler of Springfield, Mo. and Mrs. Frank Bradford of Telford, Tenn.; four sons, Horace and Vernon Silvers of Burnsville, Ezra Silvers of Flag Pond, Tenn. and Rex Silvers of White City, Florida; four sisters, Mrs. Rex Hensley of Burnsville, Mrs. Minnie Silvers and Mrs. Myra Tipton of Flag Pond, Tenn. and Mrs. Lizzie Hensley of South Carolina; 44 grandchildren & 37 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at 2:00 p. m. in the Chapel of Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home. Rev. James Rice & Rev. Barnett officiated and burial was in Higgins Cemetery.

MOLT BAILEY

Molt Bailey, 78, formerly of Yancey County died in a Lexington hospital Tuesday night after a long illness.

Surviving are six daughters, Mrs. Tom Jones and Mrs. Stanley Lewis of Denton, N.C., Mrs. Archie Williams of Mars Hill Route 2, Mrs. James A. Moore of Marion, Mrs. V. J. Satsky of Austin, Texas and Mrs. C. A. Jones of Marion, Ohio; one son, Luther Bailey of Asheville; 22 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 A.M. Friday in the Chapel of Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home. Rev. James Cooper officiated and burial was in the Cane River Church Cemetery.

Curriculum Courses At Mayland Tech

Curriculum courses will begin for the first time at Mayland Technical Institute September 6, 1972. Classes will be held in the Ellis Building, Baker Building, and Presbyterian Church Building, all located on Oak Street, Spruce Pine. The Practical Nurse Education classes will be held at Charles A. Cannon Memorial Hospital Classroom Building located in Banner Elk, N.C.

The approved curricula for 1972-73 are as follows:

Two year degree--Business Administration; Secretarial(Executive, Medical, Legal).

One year diploma-- Auto Mechanics; Practical Nurse Education.

The Learning Resource Center (Library) will open in July and will be available to students and residents. The LRC will be open from 8:00 A.M. to 9:30 P.M. Monday through Thursday and from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Friday. The

MAY Tech Lab Open

The Learning Lab at Mayland Technical Institute is now open and can be used by anyone who is 18 years of age or older. The Learning Lab student may work toward finishing his high school education; may work to remove deficiencies of his previous education in order to enroll in a curriculum in the technical institute or other institutions; may study for certain upcoming examinations; or, may study to increase knowledge for his own self-satisfaction.

Two programs are available in the high school area. The first of these is the Adult High School Diploma Program. Successful completion of this results in a high school diploma from the County Board of Education in the county in which the student lives. The second program is the Adult High School Equivalency Program. Successful completion of this program results in a certification based on scores on the Tests of General Educational Development (GED). This certification is recognized and generally accepted as equivalent to a high school diploma.

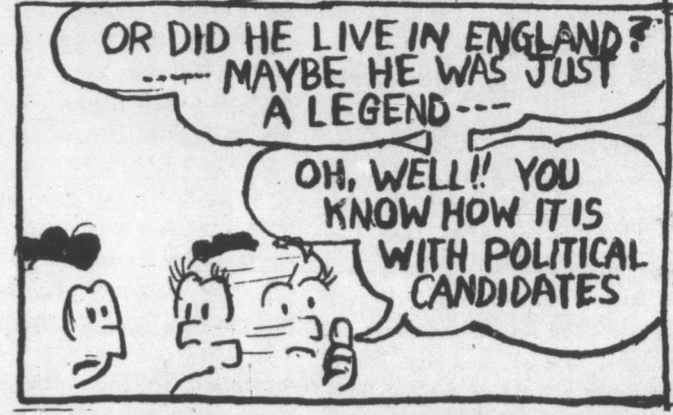
The Learning Lab has been approved as a learning opportunity for Veterans. Qualified students may apply at the Learning Lab and begin studying while drawing educational compensation.

There is no charge for any program in the Learning Lab. There will be a charge of \$3.00 for the GED tests. The Learning Lab is open from 8 A.M. to 12 noon on Monday and Friday, and from 8 A.M. until 5 P.M. on Tuesday through Thursday. It is also open from 6:30 P.M. until 9 P.M. on Monday and Thursday nights. Beginning in July, the lab will be open from 8 A.M. until 5 P.M. Monday through Friday and from 6 P.M. until 9 P.M. Monday through Thursday.

LRC will contain about 6,000 volumes covering a wide range of material related to various technical fields. The LRC will also have audio-visual materials for student use.

The staff at Mayland Technical Institute is working on other curricula to be offered in 1973-74. They are as follows: Carpentry, Electrical Installation and Maintenance, Mineral Technology

GERONIMO James Frenell



Dear Mr. Publisher

PARSON JONES

Dear Mr. Publishers

Some fella came to my door the other day and declared to me that the world will end March 7, 1973. Well sir, I had enough troubles for this messenger came and tried to scare me to death. I'd be the first one to admit that the world's gonna expire someday, but in the mean-time there's a lot to be done.

It just goes to prove, Mr. Publisher, that there's all kinds of people in the world. In school they've got a way of judging folks--like A students, B students and so on. But I've come up with a new system of grading people. It's called the plus and minus system. You see, some people are minus thinkers and some are plus thinkers.

I'll show you what I mean. Two fellas will look at a half-a-glass of water--one will say it's half empty, the other will say it's half full. The other day it was raining like the dickens and everybody I met told me what a lousy day it was. That was, till I met this one guy grinning like the dickens. I said, "What are you so happy about?" He beamed, "Boy!" "I ju love this liquid sunshine."

This plus and minus attitude runs over into our feelings about one another. With the high rate of crime and meanness around these days some folks get to thinking that everybody is a crook. Ole Hezekiah, my head deacon, won't help anybody that's down on his luck. He swears he's been bit too many times, and he's convinced that they're all no-good buns.

One of my members is sure all young folks whose hair is down over their ears is a trouble maker. So she goes around seeing bad every time she sees too much hair on a boy.

What's happening, Mr. Publisher, is that folks are coming on with a negative attitude. Their eyes begin to look like big minus signs. I like to see these fellas with plus signs for eyes. They not only make a body feel comfortable, they bring on the best in people.

Well, I gotta close for now. I'm meeting with a math teacher tonight and see if there's any way we can add up minuses to equal plus. In the meantime, open your eyes real wide so's they won't look like minuses.

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FHA Policy Now Changed

Many additional families in North Carolina are now eligible for rural housing loans from the Farmers Home Administration, FHA State Director James T. Johnson announced today.

In North Carolina a family whose maximum adjusted income is more than \$8,000 is not eligible for a rural housing loan. Adjusted income is determined by deducting 5 percent of the dependable available current family income, plus \$300 for each minor who is a member of the immediate family.

"In families where both husband and wife are employed," Johnson explained, "the new policy permits half of the wife's gross income to be excluded in determining whether the total family income is within the maximum limit for loan eligibility."

For example, the husband is the principal source of income with \$6,000. His wife earns \$6,000. His entire income, plus half of his wife's, or \$3,000, total \$9,000. Deduct 5 percent, which is \$450, and \$600 for 2 children would leave \$7950

adjusted income. This is within North Carolina's moderate income level of \$8,000 so the family may be eligible for a Farmers Home Administration loan.

State Director Johnson emphasized that newly-eligible families must demonstrate that they otherwise merit FHA financing, and that credit is not available from regular commercial sources.

"The new policy will assist families in which the wife's income is needed to improve the standard of living. Note that if the wife is the principal breadwinner, the rule does not apply. This change will in no way affect our expanding service to low-income families," Johnson said.

Loans may be made to families that will buy or build homes in open country or towns of up to 10,000 population, and who are not able to secure credit from regular commercial sources. Complete information is available from the agency's 73 offices serving the 100 counties in North Carolina.

Servicemen

Army Private Blake A. McIntosh, 18, son of William R. McIntosh, Route 4, Burnsville recently completed eight weeks of Basic Training at Ft. Jackson, S.C.

He received instruction in Drill and Ceremonies, Weapons, Map Reading, Combat Tactics, Military Courtesy, Military Justice, First Aid, and Army History and Traditions. Pvt. McIntosh received his training with Company A of the 2d Brigade's 9th Battalion. The Private's wife, Diana, lives on Route 1, Relief.

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In a letter of praise from his commanding officer, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Banks were informed that their son, Johnny Royce Banks, has been promoted to Lance Corporal in the Marine Corps. He is in the 3rd Battalion, 7th Company.

A 1971 graduate of East Yancey High School, Banks took his training at Paris Island, Camp Pendleton, California, and Palm Springs. He has been in Okinawa, for the past eight months, and is a radio operator.

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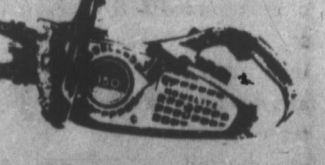
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