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## Young Men Must Register For Draft

Yancey County ASCS Office will be responsible for administering the new 1974 Rural Environmental Conservation Program. The new program, which replaces and modifies the old REAP, has several new aspects of interest to Yancey County residents.

According to Edd Holcomb, ASCS County Executive Director, the new cost-sharing phase of the program could be extremely beneficial to Yancey County farmers. It provides for a minimum of 50% and maximum of 75% return to the user for all expenses he incurs while establishing conservation or forestry practices on his land, including labor costs. Also under the 1974 program, an applicant can either elect to apply for a single one-year program of conservation improvement or select a three to ten year continuing program. The extended period of time now allowed will be most beneficial to those wishing rather extensive conservation improvements on their land but preferring to spread them out over a period of years.

All applications must be made directly to the ASCS county office. Complete information and details on the specific programs will be available in

## Open House

Don't forget! The public is invited to attend Westco's Open House on January 26th and 27th. Tours will be conducted between 1 and 6 p.m. The tour of the building will take from 45 to 55 minutes and slides will be shown.



## Journal Receives Award

The Yancey Journal was presented a certificate of commendation on January 16, 1974 by the Burnsville Woman's Club. "In recognition of achievement in the beautification of its business establishment and a significant contribution to the overall community environment," Mrs. Mack Ray of the Woman's Club made the presentation, which was accepted by Ed Yuziuk, Publisher of the Journal.

## Rescue Squad Needs Funds For Ambulance, Equipment

By Ashton Chapman

The Yancey County Rescue Squad began sponsoring the regularly scheduled visits of the Red Cross bloodmobile to Burnsville last August 27. The Squad has been highly commended for securing donations of 58 pints of life-saving blood on December 17, despite the cold and snowy weather which prevailed that afternoon.

## New Doctor Welcomed

Dr. Melvin Webb announced recently that Dr. John Roger Hemphill, MD, will be located in Dr. Webb's office until his own office is open at Banks Family Square.

Dr. Hemphill, a General Practitioner from Gainesville, Georgia, moved to Burnsville in December following intensive efforts by Yancey County to gain his services for this area. He comes from a successful practice of medicine in Gainesville.

With Dr. Webb's announcement was a full endorsement of Dr. Hemphill's excellent qualifications and ability. "I do not hesitate to leave my patients in his care," he said. "I hope to be back in my office near March 1, 1974." In the meantime, Dr. Webb asked that everyone give the Hemphills a hearty welcome.

Office hours are as usual: 9-12 and 1-4 p.m. daily.

## Three Hurt In Accident

A two-car accident injured three persons on highway 19E last week. The collision occurred at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, January 17.

Involved in the wreck were Clifton J. Briggs, traveling west on 19E in a 1973 Ford with a passenger in his car, Anderson Briggs. According to reports from the chief of police in Burnsville, Zoe Young, driver of the other car, a 1968 Chevrolet which was eastbound on 19E, made a left turn and hit Briggs' vehicle.

Miss Young was charged with failing to yield.

All three were taken to Yancey Hospital with injuries. Clifton Briggs remained under treatment for three days and was released. As of this writing, Miss Zoe Young and Anderson Briggs are still hospitalized, but are reported in fair condition.

Chief R. L. Adkins investigated the accident.

## Beds Available

The Yancey County Rescue Squad has four hospital beds available for loan to County residents who have invalids to care for at home. The beds are available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call Arnold Higgins at 682-2122 or John Humphrey at 682-6036.

Sergeant-at-Arms; William Higgins, First Sergeant.

The three-man Board of Directors includes the President and Wade Styles and Jerry Laws.

Other members of the Squad include Wesley Silvers, Harold Young, Wayne Young, Ernie Howard, Ed Young, Albert Briggs, Dan Wilson, Harold Buchanan, Jesse Lawhern, William Morris, Clyde Styles, Horace Biggs, Ronald Eubanks, Billy Silvers and Anthony Peterson. Dr. Garland Wampler is an honorary member. Each is entitled to have his car bear a red and white metal tag indicating his membership in the Yancey County Rescue Squad. The tag also includes the Red Cross emblem.

Members of the Squad have previously taken Red Cross First-Aid courses. All of them are enrolled in the new 16-hour Standard and Advanced Red Cross First Aid courses which were started on Jan. 8 with Bill Hall of Spruce Pine as instructor, under sponsorship of the Mayland Technical Institute.

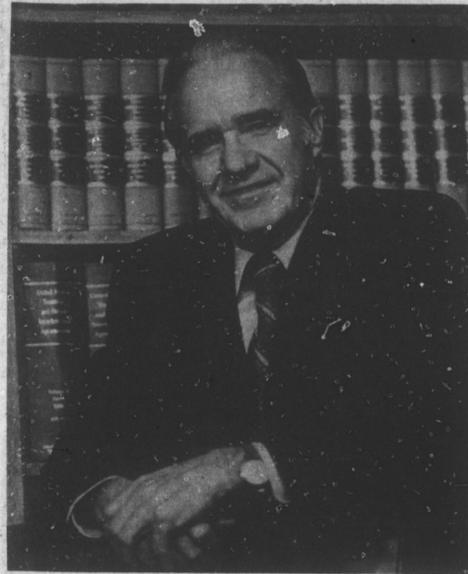
The Squad has acquired a number of the approved Red Cross First-Aid kits to be carried in members' cars at all times. A windshield sticker is (Cont'd on page 2)

## Plans For Crafts Fair, Jamboree

Plans are already underway for the 18th annual Mt. Mitchell Crafts Fair and the 7th annual Yancey Youth Jamboree to be presented again this year in August. Both events are sponsored by the Yancey County Chamber of Commerce and are growing attractions for Yancey County and the surrounding area. The Fair is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, August 2nd and 3rd in downtown Burnsville and will feature craftsmen and their crafts, barbecue chicken, refreshments, games, and other entertainment. The Jamboree will be staged on Thursday and Friday evenings, August 1st and 2nd at East Yancey High School. Yancey young people of school age will be presenting their many talents in the traditional folk music, singing and dancing.

Several plans concerning the Crafts Fair were made at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce last fall. These will be announced later as letters are mailed to all the craftsmen who were in attendance last year. A meeting was held in December by the directors of the Youth Jamboree to make plans for the event in August. These plans will be given to the Jamboree participants and their directors sometime later this winter.

The craftsmen who will be coming to the Fair and the young people who plan to participate in the Jamboree should begin now to think about preparing for the two events which help to make August a special time of year.



Congressman Roy A. Taylor

## Yancey ASCS Office Will Administer New Program

All young men who reach age 18 during 1974 should plan this year on making their first contact with Selective Service, William H. McCachren, State Director of Selective Service for North Carolina, announced today. "Even though we are not currently drafting for military service," McCachren said, "registration with Selective Service is still compulsory for all young men at age 18, so each young man should make certain that he complies with the law by registering."

McCachren stated that a young man has 60 days in which to register—30 days before his 18th birthday and 30 days after. "This should provide adequate time for an 18-year-old or a near 18-year-old to register," McCachren said, "and his time

ly registration will prevent any problems that might otherwise result from a late registration."

McCachren further explained the processing of each new registrant this way: "Following registration, an 18-year-old registrant will be classified 1-H until the year in which he reaches age 19. During the year he reaches age 19 he will be given a lottery number—or draft number from one to 365 (or 366 in a leap year) which is based on his date of birth. At about the same time, the Selective Service System will establish an Administrative Processing Number between one and 365 and all registrants who have lottery numbers above the Administrative Processing Number will remain in 1-H which means that they will not be subject to further Selective Service processing unless there is a major mobilization."

"All registrants, however, (Cont'd on page 2)

## Students Get Top Honors

A straight "A" student led three Yancey County sophomores who have been named to the Dean's List at North Carolina State University for academic achievement during the fall semester.

Majoring in demanding technical fields of study, the Yancey honor students are among 3,250 NCSU scholars to have achieved averages of "A" or better.

Chancellor John T. Caldwell commended the honor students, noting that 226 scholars earned perfect "A" averages.

Forrest R. Westall of Rt. Burnsville, earned all "A's" and honor student John R. Rife of Route 1, Green Mountain, are majoring in civil engineering.

Yancey County honor student John C. Renfro of Rt. 3, Burnsville, is a mathematics major in the School of Physics and Mathematical Sciences. He is one of seven academic departments help to develop potential scientists and mathematicians.

NCSU faculty teach over 200 courses in more than 200 bachelor's and 60 graduate programs in the sciences, technologies and humanities.

## Taylor Seeks Re-Election For Ninth Term In House

Congressman Roy A. Taylor of Black Mountain Tuesday announced his candidacy for re-election as Representative of the 11th Congressional District in Congress.

Taylor, 63, has represented the 11th District in Congress since 1960 and will be seeking election to his ninth term in the House. If reelected in November, he will be second from the top in seniority among North Carolina's 11 House members—ranking next to the dean of the delegation, Rep. L.H. Fountain.

Congressman Taylor now sits one seat from the Chairman—ship of the full House Interior Committee. He is also a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

During the past seven years, Taylor has moved into a national leadership position as Chairman of the Interior Committee's Sub-committee on National Parks and Recreation.

The 27-member Subcommittee is chiefly concerned with legislation to conserve and protect the nation's scenic and historic resources. During Taylor's Chairmanship of the Subcommittee more than 50 new areas totalling over 4 1/2 million acres (including 950,000 acres designated as wilderness) have been added to the National Park System.

Western North Carolina projects which originated in Taylor's Subcommittee include approval of a 180-mile extension of the Blue Ridge Parkway to Atlanta; a nine-mile access road from I-40 in Haywood County into the Cataloochee section of the Great Smoky

Mountains National Park; and acquisition of the Carl Sandburg Historic Site at Flat Rock.

Subcommittee bills directly affecting Western North Carolina include Taylor's legislation to add a portion of the Chattooga River in Jackson and Macon Counties to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; and the National Trailways Act, which Taylor introduced, giving recognition and protection to the Appalachian Trail. The Land and Water Conservation Fund, which makes matching funds for outdoor recreation available to states, counties and cities (including several WNC grants), originated in Taylor's Subcommittee.

He has supported the Appalachian Development Program from its inception and has played a key role in a successful effort to keep the program in operation. He has also worked closely with the Veterans Administration to expand the bed capacity of Ward E at the Oteen VA Hospital—where he aided in securing a new 500-bed hospital a few years ago.

Rep. Taylor formerly served eight years in the NC House of Representatives, as attorney for Buncombe County, and District Governor of Lions Clubs in WNC. He is a Navy combat veteran of WWII; a past president of the Black Mountain Chamber of Commerce; a deacon and former Sunday School superintendent of Black Mountain First Baptist Church; and a former trustee of the U.

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## Special Song Service Here

There will be a special song service at the Covey Rock Free Will Baptist Church, Green Mountain, N.C., Sunday night, January 27 at 7:00 p.m. according to pastor, Rev. Holt Herrell. The "Moccasin Gap Quartet" from Weber City, Va., the "Rebels Creek Quartet" of Bakersville, N.C., the "Revivalaires" from Bristol, Va., the "Masters Singers" from Newland, the "Higgins Quartet" of Burnsville, the "Gethsemane Quartet" from Spruce Pine, the "Wilson Family" of Johnson City, Tenn., and all of Covey Rock Church's singers will all be there.

Ms. Edd Ball of Mars Hill, N.C. will be Master of Ceremonies. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Class Begins

Mayland Technical Institute will offer an Adult Education class beginning Monday, January 28 at 7:00 in Room 3 of the Burnsville courthouse.

In the class a person may learn to read and write, complete an eighth grade education or work toward the high school equivalency.

There will be no charge for the class. All interested persons are urged to attend.



John P. Ollis

## Notice Of Candidacy

John P. Ollis, 48 years of age, former Police Officer of Burnsville and Deputy Sheriff of Yancey County has announced his candidacy for Sheriff of Yancey County subject to the Democratic Primary.

Mr. Ollis is a veteran peace officer with eleven years experience in law enforcement. He is a veteran of World War II, serving with the United States Navy in the South Pacific for three years. Presently he is a member of the Burnsville Volunteer Fire Department, the Burnsville Lion's Club, and the Selective Service Board.

Mr. Ollis has been a resident of Burnsville for the past twenty four years. He is married to the former Cora Hensley. They have one son, Randy, a Freshman at East Yancey High School.