

# Yancey Health Dept

## JANUARY 1975 CLINIC SCHEDULE

Jan. 9, Thursday, Family Planning, Dr. Webb	8:00-12:00
Jan. 13, Monday, Immunization Clinic	8:00-11:30
Jan. 13, Monday, Nurse Screening Clinic	1:00- 3:00
Jan. 14, Tuesday, Child Health Clinic	8:30- 3:30
Jan. 16, Thursday, Maternal Nurse-Miss Kingham	4:30- 7:00
Jan. 17, Friday, Eye Clinic (App't. Only), Dr. Rogers	8:00-11:30
Jan. 18, Saturday, Maternal Nurse Clinic Miss Kingham	8:00- 3:00
Jan. 20, Monday, Immunization Clinic	8:00-11:30
Jan. 20, Monday, Nurse Screening Clinic	1:00- 3:00
Jan. 21, Tuesday, Maternal Health, Dr. Hemphill	8:00-12:00
Jan. 23, Thursday, Family Planning, Dr. Webb	8:00-12:00
Jan. 27, Monday, Immunization Clinic	8:00-11:30
Jan. 27, Monday, Nurse Screening Clinic	1:00- 3:00
Jan. 28, Tuesday, Child Health Clinic	8:30- 3:30

# 1974 School Report

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**BAND DIRECTOR**  
Early in January Mrs. Lisa Mauney was employed as band director. The band was formed of sixth, seventh and eighth grade students with plans to follow through with these same students through high school. At this writing the band consists of some ninety members.

**TITLE II FUNDS**  
In February it was learned that the Yancey County schools would receive Title II funds in the amount of \$13,405 plus approximately \$3500 at a later date. These funds were appropriated for purchase of library books and materials for the upper elementary grades with the idea that most of these materials would be moved to the middle schools upon completion of the new high school.

**CHILD PLACEMENT**  
Policies for placing children in the following programs were adopted during the year: trainable mentally retarded, learning disabilities, gifted and talented, and educable mentally retarded. Policy concerning use of gymnasiums by non-school groups was established. At its December meeting the Board approved notification to the State Department of its intent to seek accreditation for the Yancey County schools, preliminary review having already been made.

**ATHLETIC PROGRAM**  
With the consolidation of the two high schools in the near future, the state athletic department advised that they would approve combination of the sports programs beginning in the fall of 1975. At a

special called meeting on November 11, 1974 attended by both high school principals and athletic personnel, it was agreed to consolidate the entire sports program and apply for admission to the Mountain Athletic Conference (3A). The conference, comprised of Buncombe county, Henderson county, Mitchell and Madison county schools, accepted. Mr. Charlie Hensley was appointed interim athletic director and it was decided to search for a new football coach to direct that aspect of the consolidated program.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Two board members, James Gardner and Charles Hopson, concluded two year terms in November. In December Charles Gillespie and Romie Burns began four year terms on the Board and

Claude Vess was re-elected Chairman.

The Yancey County Board of Education meets the first Monday evening in each month in the superintendent's office in the Briggs Building. All meetings are open for public attendance but not participation; executive sessions concerning personnel are closed.

## Lions To Meet Tonight

The Burnsville Lions Club Board of Directors will meet Thursday, January 9, 1975 at 7:00 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church. All Board members please attend.

## Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:  
"Will you please print the following article in your Journal. I think it would be very fitting for our county since so many places of business do remain open on Sunday. I would like to express my appreciation to all those who do close their doors on the Lord's Day. Thank you,  
Mrs. Helen Young, Newdale

[The following is reprinted from the Philadelphia Inquirer]:  
"Our great-grandfathers referred to it as the Holy Sabbath. Our grandfathers called it the Sabbath, and our fathers called it Sunday. Now people call it the weekend."

A declining concern for observing the Lord's Day properly was criticized by Methodist Bishop Arthur J. Moore of Atlanta, and reported in newspapers. He said, "For many today the religious Sabbath has been invaded by the gay and the godless."

The bishop further stated that "No civilization can ultimately survive without faith in something beyond itself...It isn't enough that we believe in America. We must believe in God--the God of America. The secular can only be made secure by the spiritual."

# Folk-Ways and Folk-Speech

of SOUTHERN APPALACHIA  
with Rogers Whitener

Long before I had developed more than a passing interest in folklore, I recall that one of the interesting features appearing in the *Watauga* (N.C.) Democrat and several other mountain papers was a column under the heading, *News From Pigeon Roost*.

Written by a man with no great amount of formal education, it revealed a natural style of story-telling and a down-to-earth manner of relating the every day events in a small mountain community. It was a column to which I turned with anticipation and one in which I was seldom disappointed.

Because it had not appeared in the local paper in recent months, I had come to the conclusion that the columnist had either passed away or grown weary of the task of rounding up enough information to meet a weekly newspaper deadline.

Happily I have discovered that the columnist, Harvey J. Miller, and his column are both hale and hearty at this writing. In addition, through the good offices of Eliot Wigginton a compilation of 25 years of the column has been printed as an issue of *Foxfire*, and additional copies have been printed under the title, *News From Pigeon Roost*.

Wigginton notes that in selecting the columns to be reprinted, he waded through a "three-foot high stack of material" and became thoroughly engrossed in the lives of the people who found their way into Miller's column: "Holt Herrell, for example,

who started out as a merchant on Pigeon Roost and would up preaching. Or Donald McCoury, whose birth was duly recorded, and who progressed through the columns from a



child weather recorder to a father of two children whose parents were visiting him rather than the other way around. Personalities emerged, grew and faded; roads were washed away in spring floods, then paved; and Personalities emerged, grew and faded; roads were washed away in spring floods, then paved; and always in the background were the ever-present hills--noted, revered, studied, exploited and loved."

Perhaps Folk-Ways could perform no better service than to offer a sample of Pigeon Roost news as seen by Mr. Miller. The following column appeared in March of 1965 and readers can judge from the items noted why the column has continued to be published over the years.

"There came a new heifer calf on Friday, February 19 to

the farm of C.W. Hughes on Byrd Creek at Pigeon Roost that had a bob tail of about only two inches long. Hughes said for one thing sure the shorttailed calf will never have the 'hollow tail.'

All the old timey cattle raisers of this hill country says when a worm gets in a cow's tail or any other kind of big cattle, if their tail is not split open in the middle and salt put in the wound, the cattle will die. They also said that sometimes to pour turpentine on the cow's tail will kill the worms.

One old timer recently reported to the writer that he once found a cow that was so sick that she was down and couldn't get up, and he got him a short plank and held the cow's tail on it and split the cow's tail with his pocket knife where he could tell it was hollow. He put salt on it and tied up the tail with a piece of cloth and it wasn't long until the old cow got up and began to eat some corn meal mixed with black soot from the chimney. It was the first thing that she had eat in two days.

It's balm of Gilead bud picking time again."

News From Pigeon Roost may be seen in the current volume (VII) of *Foxfire Magazine* or may be ordered at \$2.95 per copy from Harvey James Miller, Box 293, Relief Route, Greenmountain, N.C. 28740.

Please send all material to: Rogers Whitener, Folk-Ways and Folk-Speech, Box 376, Univ. Station, Boone, N.C. 28608.

Pollard's Drug Store  
Dial 682-2146 Burnsville, N.C.

## PHARMACY COMMENTS

Your Rx Specialists:  
Charles Gillespie, Jr.,  
and Ferril McCurry

## Advice on Alcohol: Heed It!

"Drunkenness spoils the health, dismounts the mind, and reveals secrets. Inebriation is impudent, dangerous, and mad." So says William Penn, and I must agree.

Alcohol is thought to act as an agent which causes the formation of morphine-like substances in the brain with the effect of gradual dependency upon the drug, alcohol.

My purpose here is not to attack the use of alcohol so much as to remind you of the responsibilities that go with its use. Each year well over 30,000 people die on our highways because of drunk drivers -- not to mention alcohol's effect on the heart, the liver, the pancreas, and other organs. How many marriages and families do you suppose alcohol usage has destroyed?

If you must drink, heed this advice: Take it slowly, in small quantities, and infrequently -- or, not at all!

We try to give the best prescription service at the lowest possible price. Always feel free to call us.



# NC Textbook System Best

[Cont'd from page 1] teachers or principals in the high schools. There is an added proviso that one of the members will be a county or city superintendent.

The State Board of Education authorized textbook adoptions as set forth in the State law. The State Superintendent notifies members of the Commission that there is to be an adoption in a given subject area. The State Superintendent also notifies all textbook publishers of the adoption call and invites them to submit any materials they would like to have considered.

Before books are considered, members of the Commission and the professional staff of the Department of Public Instruction develop a thorough overview of the program of studies and develop a concise statement of philosophy, goals, and objectives for the subject area under consideration. This statement reflects any changes or innovations in the program and takes into account current trends and emphasis stemming from

sound, authoritative research and experimentation.

### REVIEW PROCESS

During the review and evaluation process the Commission members secure the help of as many advisers as they wish. The number will vary, but the usual practice has been for each member to select 8 to 12 such advisers. Each member tries to secure a representative group including classroom teachers, college personnel, supervisory and administrative personnel, lay persons, and students.

Once the review process is completed, each Commission member files a written evaluation of every book submitted. These reports are delivered to the State Superintendent. At the next meeting of the State Board of Education after evaluation reports are filed, the members of the Commission meet with the Board for joint review and considerations of the reports. In the evaluation of textbooks, the members of the Commission do not concern themselves in any way with the prices of the book or its physical features.

### CALL FOR SEALED BIDS

Following the joint session of the Textbook Commission and the State Board of Education to consider the findings and recommendations of the Commission, the Board officially calls for sealed bids on those books which the Commission found to be most appropriate. Bids are customarily received on five to eight books. At the next meeting the bids are opened and contracts are awarded. Where significant differences in the appropriateness of books were noted by the Commission, the Board traditionally has placed priority on securing the best materials available. The textbook selection process normally takes four to six months.

North Carolina carries a massive inventory of textbooks. According to Claude Warren, director of the Division of Textbooks for the State education agency, the State has an inventory of about 10 million basic textbooks. In an average year, about 3 million new books are added.

The current trend is for multiple titles to be adopted at each grade level, Warren said. Selecting texts from the multiple listing is the responsibility of each school unit. The Division of Textbooks purchases and distri-

butes the textbooks to the schools.

### N.C. SYSTEM IS MODEL

North Carolina's textbook selection system has become a model for the nation and people from other states often visit to see how the system works. "It has given us the best possible textbooks at the lowest possible price," noted Warren.



# A Summertime Breakfast!

Summertime English Ironstone dinnerware from Northwestern really brightens up a breakfast table. Start with yellow or green placemats topped with place settings of Summertime. Pile omelets and bacon high on the big 12 inch platter. Add a good hot cup of coffee and toast. Summertime fruit or soup dishes double for cereal bowls. Then for that extra special touch, include a fresh, yellow daisy.

At Northwestern, you can get a complete set of Summertime when you save. Start by saving \$25 or more and get your first place setting free. Then pick up an accessory piece, or additional place settings, each time you save \$25 or more. You'll get the highest legal interest rates on your savings and beautiful Summertime dinnerware!

Accessory Pieces	Price
4-Fruit Dishes	\$3.50
4-Soup Dishes	\$4.95
4-Salad Dishes	\$4.25
1-Open Vegetable Dish	\$3.95
1-Gravy Boat	\$5.25
1-Sugar & Creamer	\$5.50
1-12" Platter	\$5.75
1-14" Platter	\$7.50
1-Covered Casserole	\$9.50
Additional 4-Piece Place Setting	\$3.95

Plus North Carolina Sales Tax.

# THE NORTHWESTERN BANK

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## CANE RIVER HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

1974-1975 SEASON

A Rosman	Nov 26
H Polk Central	Nov 29
H Edneyville	Dec 3
H W Henderson	Dec 6
A Bakersville	Dec 10
Open	Dec 13
Open	Dec 17
A East Yancey	Dec 20
A Edneyville	Jan 3
H Spruce Pine	Jan 7
A Tryon	Jan 10
H Rosman	Jan 11
A Spruce Pine	Jan 14
H Bakersville	Jan 17
A N.C.S.D.	Jan 20
H East Yancey	Jan 24
H Tryon	Jan 28
A Polk Central	Jan 31
H N.C.S.D.	Feb 4
A W Henderson	Feb 7

**COACHES:**  
J.V. Arthur Hawkins  
Girls-Ben Deaton  
Boys-Blaine Whitson  
Principal Mrs. Cara Cox

## EAST YANCEY HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

1974-1975 SEASON

H West Wilkes	Nov 26
H Edneyville	Nov 29
A West Wilkes	Dec 2
A Polk Central	Dec 6
A Tryon	Dec 10
H Bowman	Dec 13
A A.C.Reynolds	Dec 16
H Cane River	Dec 20
H Madison County	Jan 2
H W Henderson	Jan 10
A Bowersville	Jan 14
H Tryon	Jan 17
A Madison County	Jan 18
H Spruce Pine	Jan 22
A Cane River	Jan 25
A W Henderson	Jan 28
A Edneyville	Jan 31
H A.C. Reynolds	Feb 1
H Spruce Pine	Feb 4
H Polk Central	Feb 7

**COACHES:**  
J.V.-Mr. Bennett  
Girls-Varsity-Mr. Kruk  
Boys Varsity-Mr. Kruk