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## New Ambulance Arrives

Earl Young and O.W. Dayton received a new ambulance for Yancey County from Southern Ambulance Builders on Wednesday, August 13, 1975. The Governor's Highway Safety Program is helping the county to pay half of the cost of the vehicle fully equipped. Mr. Elsberry Holcombe, field representative for the GHSP was present to inspect the vehicle and assist in the delivery details. The vehicle is a type I ambulance, conventional cab-chassis with a modular ambulance body and dual wheels. The ambulance has room for two stretchers, has a main and portable oxygen supply systems, suction aspirator system and extensive equipment for rescue work. The vehicle should greatly increase the County's capability for rescue and ambulance work. The grant application was written by Arnold Higgins.

## Board Of Election Names New Precinct Officials

The Yancey County Board of Elections, Mrs. Janice Boone, Mrs. Mary Ohle and Luther Ayers met on Tuesday, August 5 in the Board office. The Board named precinct officials for the next two years. The precinct officials are advised to come into the office before September 1, 1975 to be sworn into office. Officials named by precinct are: Burnsville-Luther Banks, Registrar; Billy Anglin and James Ray, Judges; Cane River-Johnny Buckner, Registrar and Willard Ayers and Yates Bailey, Judges; Egypt-Don Renfro-Registrar and Andy Edwards and Tilden Fender, Judges; Ramseytown-Dean Higgins, Registrar and Charles Wilson and Albert Edwards, Judges; Green Mountain-Mary Hall, Registrar and Ellis Renfro and Mafra Laws, Judges; Jacks

Creek-Claudine Arrowood, registrar and Carl Evans and Fred Ayers, Judges; Brush Creek-Alberta Ramsey, Registrar and Madge Harding and Enzy Letterman, Judges; Crabtree-R.C. Parsley, Registrar and John Dale and Max Ray, Judges; South Toe-J.W. Miller, Registrar and Della ogelvie and Herman Robinson, Judges; Pensacola-Billy Wilson, Registrar and Mary Ann Miller and Dawson Briggs, Judges; Pices Creek-Hobart Banks, Registrar and Dot Austin and Viola Buckner, Judges. According to the election laws passed by the 1975 General Assembly the judges as well as the registrars of each precinct may register voters; also each member of the Board of Elections may register. The Board of Elections office is open three days

## Church Is Home For Vietnamese Family

BY REV. MICHAEL HOBAN  
Pastor, Sacred Heart Church  
"God bless America",  
"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost".  
In two weeks time it is expected that a Vietnamese family will take up residence at Sacred Heart Church, Burnsville. They will come to us from their "staging area" in Arkansas and will stay at Sacred Heart until such time as they can locate themselves in the area of choice and suitability. We welcome them as friends of the United States, who have been invited to come to our country by our President. It is hoped that other groups will aid in this project when this farm family of nine becomes a part of our community.  
Ever since Columbus discovered America, it has become home for people all over the world, especially for the millions who came to it from every country in Europe. In recent decades there has been a greater influx of people from Asia.  
In the early years people arrived by ship and settled in great numbers around the ports of arrival: Boston, New

York, Baltimore, Charleston, Mobile and New Orleans. Halifax and Quebec had their arrivals also. Until such time as the people had the opportunity to move to other and all parts of the continent, these cities became their "staging areas". There were trials and difficulties, but in due time they were overcome with some degree of satisfaction to all concerned.  
In the book of Deuteronomy, chap. 10, Vs 12-22 we are told how God treats the aliens. It goes on to tell the people how they should befriend the alien. God will bless them for it. "God is a friend of the wanderer, and gives him food and clothing. You too must befriend the wanderer; were not you strangers yourselves in the land of Egypt?"  
When peace came to Europe in 1945, it was realized by leaders such as Churchill, Roosevelt and others that the tidal wave of Atheistic Communism was still threatening Europe and the world. In 1948 Churchill and Truman served notice to the world, that they would

## Queen Chosen From Pageant Finalists

Melynda Lou Martin, a blonde-haired beauty from Avery County, was crowned Miss Mayland at the conclusion of the 1976 Pageant which was held at Burnsville's Parkway Playhouse last Saturday night. Miss Martin succeeds Miss Debbie Shook of Spruce Pine, the 1975 Miss Mayland, who gave a final appearance and "walk down the ramp". Miss Martin, the seventeen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin of Crossnore and a rising senior at Avery County High School, performed a

patriotic ballad in the talent competition. She will receive a \$300 scholarship and will compete in the Miss North Carolina Pageant in Charlotte next year.  
First runner up was Elizabeth Gillette of Burnsville. Miss Gillette, who was also the winner of the swimsuit competition, will receive a \$200 scholarship.  
Cindy Kramer of Linville was second runner up in the 1976 Pageant. She will receive a \$100 scholarship.

## Booster Clubs To Consolidate

There will be a joint meeting of the Cane River and East Yancey High School Booster Clubs on Thursday night, August 21, at 8:00 p.m. in the courtroom of the courthouse. The purpose of the meeting will be to organize a consolidated Booster Club and to make plans for the forthcoming sports season.  
In addition to the organization of a new club, school officials will discuss the proposed plan to play all home football games on the East Yancey field, and to play all home basketball games in the Cane River gym.

Other finalists chosen from the thirteen competing for the crown were Mary Kathleen Johnson of Spruce Pine and Sandra Norris of Burnsville. Miss Norris also was voted Miss Congeniality by her fellow contestants.  
The Pageant, which is sponsored annually by the Jaycees from Yancey County, Spruce Pine, and Avery County, was given to a "standing room only" audience at the Playhouse.

## Funds Will Add Deputy

The Sheriff's Department of Yancey County received a grant from Northwest Planning Council for a Juvenile Officer Program. This program will add a deputy trained in juvenile problems and a car to the Sheriff's Department.



## WLOS-TV Visits Burnsville

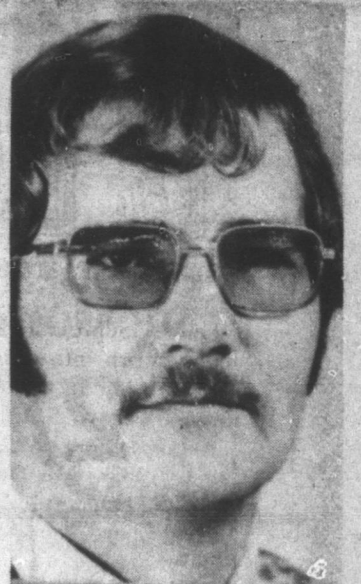
Bill Stroupe of WLOS-TV Channel 13, brought the TV Van to the Burnsville town square on Tuesday, August 19, for the purpose of interviewing local citizens on general topics concerning the county. This WLOS feature is planned for once a month throughout the area served by Channel 13. The Burnsville interviews will be shown at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, August 24, and at 1:00 p.m. on the following Sunday, August 31.

## Burnsville Awarded Grant To Improve Water System

A grant totaling \$13,750 has been awarded to Burnsville to aid in financing improvements to its water supply system, according to Human Resources Secretary David Flaherty.  
Similar grants have been made on five other occasions to cities and towns throughout North Carolina. In all, \$53 million has been awarded totaling 294 grants since the

program began in 1972. Applications for the grants were approved in accordance with the Clean Water Bond Act of 1971. Voters approved the issuance of \$150 million in clean water bonds in a 1972 referendum.  
State grants provide only a portion of the total project cost. Most of the financing comes from local sources with some projects receiving federal assistance, though the amount of federal grant money has decreased during recent months.  
Grant applications for water supply construction projects are now being received by the Division of Health Services for processing during the first semi-

annual review period of fiscal year 1975-76. Grant awards for these are expected to be issued in January.



Jessie Sigmon

## Fire Dept Supper Set

The South Toe Volunteer Fire Department is sponsoring a Trout Supper this Saturday, August 23, at 4 p.m. The dinner will be held at the South Toe Elementary School. Tickets can be obtained by calling 675-5279 and are \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children under the age of 12. The trout are being provided by Troxell's Trout Farm.

## New Man In Revenue Office

The North Carolina Department of Revenue is pleased to announce that Jesse Sigmon is now in charge of the Burnsville Revenue Office.

Mr. Sigmon has been with the department for two years in the Charlotte office prior to moving to this area. Originally from Denver, North Carolina, he is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Mr. Sigmon states that he is pleased to be here and hopes to assist the people in whatever way possible.

## Playschool Begins In September

Burnsville Playschool will open on Monday morning September 8th. Those registered are: Daniel Boone, Bo Dover, Karen Maddox, Scotty Cooper, Joel Hughes, Crystal Styles, Christopher Evans, Scotty Laws, Dawn Francis, Reid Brown, and Donald Luther Banks.  
The most important adjustment that the children make in Playschool is learning to work and play together and feel secure in a new situation away from parents and home. Many learning experiences are provided for them through the activities in which they will participate.  
Registration is limited to 12 children. One opening remains at this time. Further information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Jess Styles at 682-2524.



Action & Adventure Participants Attend Activity Day Events



Program Ass't. Johnny Deyton, Randy Crowder, David Gibbs

## 4-H Action, Adventure Awards

On August 16, the summer 4-H Action & Adventure Program ended with Activity Day at Burnsville School baseball field.  
The team award for Outstanding Team on Activity Day went to Randy Crowder's team which amassed a total of 82 out of 100 possible points. The team award for Most Outstanding Achievement throughout the summer went to David Gibbs' team from Micaville.



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TEMPERATURE FROM THE UPPER PORCH  
Hi in 90°  
Low 58°

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