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Lure Of The Mountains Draws Vacationers To North Carolina Photo by Hugh Morton

ERDA Selects Two WNC Counties As Study Areas In Uranium Search

The Grand Junction (Colorado) Office of the Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA) has placed on open file a report containing analyses of stream water and sediment and ground water from four areas in the southern Appalachian Piedmont and Blue Ridge regions.

The four areas were selected for orientation studies to aid in the design of a geochemical reconnaissance program for uranium being conducted in the eastern United States by the Savannah River Laboratory, Aiken, South Carolina for the Grand Junction Office of ERDA. The Laboratory is operated for ERDA's Savannah River

Operations Office by E.I. duPont de Nemours & Company.

The study areas are located in (1) Lamar County, Georgia; (2) Oconee County, South Carolina; (3) Mitchell County, North Carolina; and (4) Avery County, North Carolina. Collection dates were from August 24 to

October 10, 1975. For each of the study areas, the 219 page report includes sample locality maps, tables of field data, and tables of analytical data (primarily uranium analyses). The report, GJBX-9(76), titled "Raw Data from Orientation Studies in Crystalline Rock Areas of the Southeastern United States," March 1976, by Van Price, Jr. contains seven maps and 17 tables.

The Savannah River Laboratory study is part of ERDA's National Uranium Resource Evaluation program to determine systematically the distribution of uranium in surface and underground waters and stream sediments as possible indicators of areas favorable for the discovery of uranium.

Copies of this report may be made at the requestor's expense by contacting: Colorado Copy Center, Suite T-8, Valley Federal Plaza, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501.

Kindergarten Registration Scheduled In Yancey Schools

Friday, May 7, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. has been scheduled to register all children who will be entering Kindergarten classes in the

Yancey County School System, in the fall of 1976. Also, children who were not enrolled in Kindergarten during the 1975-76 school year will be

registered for the first grade on this date.

The parents or guardian should bring the following information when registering their child: the child's birth certificate and immunization records.

Children enrolling in Kindergarten classes must be 5 years of age on or before October 16, 1976. Those enrolling in the first grade must be 6 years of age on or before October 16, 1976.

All children who are currently enrolled in Kindergarten classes will not report to school on May 7. The teacher in each Kindergarten class will be responsible for registering those children who will be enrolling next year.

Sales-Use Tax Report

Local one percent sales and use tax collections were reported for North Carolina counties for the month of March, 1976, by J. Howard Coble, Secretary, N.C. Department of Revenue. The report shows Yancey County collections for March amounted to \$14,759.21. Madison County collected \$13,521.71 for the same period, while Avery County collections amounted to just over \$12 thousand. Mitchell County collected \$18,590.52 for the same period.

Spaghetti Supper Set

A Democratic Spaghetti Supper will be held Saturday, May 1, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at Clearmont Elementary School. Price is \$1.50 per person. Everyone is welcome.



Play Staged

Chef Phyllis Downing discusses the dinner menu with Tourist Phillip Shore while the ambassador's son Jim Friesmeyer looks on in the Burnsville Little Theatre production of "Don't Drink The Water" to be presented Friday, April 30 and Saturday, May 1 at the Parkway Playhouse at 8:15 p.m. Other cast members include Betty Bacon, Gail Deyton, Tom Gardner, Theresa Coletta, Kevin Shirley, Tim Thompson, Liz Lasley, John David Stewart, Chris Day and Gene Cannon. Director is Barbara Bailey. Photo by Ann Hawthorne

Visitors Want To Share It:

The 'Good Life' In Yancey

BY CAROLYN YUZIUK

Yancey County is forging ahead rapidly as a mecca for vacationers, and happily, in spite of the great strides made towards attracting visitors, the county's greatest attraction has not been lost. The charm of simple mountain living is still here in abundance.

It is not only the mountain land and climate that lures visitors to Yancey County. There are many other attractions, some new, some old, which have developed here. For the music lover there is a wide variety--from gospel through blue grass to Chamber Concerts by Music in the Mountains. Art lovers will find excellent work in anything from pottery and ceramics to oil painting and watercolors. And participation is encouraged with classes at Painting in the Mountains and craft classes sponsored by Mayland Technical Institute and private artists. Theatre buffs will enjoy the Parkway Playhouse productions during the season and for those who want to try acting themselves, the Burnsville Little Theatre is attracting attention with quality productions by local amateurs.

Outdoor activities abound in Yancey County as fishermen, hunters, campers, and hikers thrive on the pure mountain air. Rock hounds rake the earth for exciting discoveries in gems and minerals. Golfing came to Yancey with the opening of Mount Mitchell Lands. Virtually everything that makes the "good life" is found here, and visitors who know it want to be a part of it.

Many visitors to Yancey County remark that the very absence of trademarks of tourism--which are usually associated with garish souvenir shops, "wall-to-wall" motels, and fancy eating places--keeps them coming back to this out-of-the-way place. And more and more often, the vacationer who has found a true charge of pace here decides to buy his own piece of the mountains and have a place to come back to again and again, or to which he can retire.

This is the real story behind the Real Estate boom in Yancey County which has caused land prices to rise higher and higher in recent years. Not many people quibble at paying more for the land, however, because the old adage about land being one thing that no one can make more of is not a joke in these times of crowded cities and suburbs with their crime and pollution problems. Visitors realize that it is not only the land that is precious in the North Carolina mountains,

but also the simple, meaningful way of life which is almost an anachronism in today's jet age.

Real estate is also booming as investment property, not only in Yancey County, but all over the United States. Investors have found that money put into real estate far outdistances stocks, bonds, savings certificates, treasury notes and other investments in financial appreciation.

According to Ladd Shell, president of the Johnson City, Tennessee Board of Realtors, "In all other forms of investment, the investor faces the possibility that the value might decrease or that the increase may not keep pace with the rate of inflation."

"Real estate is the only investment that continues to appreciate, and generally more than keeps pace with the inflation rate," Shell noted. "Besides, it is the only investment form that offers

the investor extensive income tax advantages," he added. This edition of The Yancey Journal is largely devoted to real estate. We have encouraged Yancey County realtors to list their properties so that our readers, both local and non-resident, can have the opportunity of choosing a piece of the "good life" for themselves.

WLOS-TV To Feature Yancey RR

Yancey Railroad will be featured on WLOS-TV Montage Program at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, May 2, 1976.

Passenger Charters will run on May 1 at 10:30 and May 2 at 1:00 p.m. Phone 765-7242 for reservations for either date.

Mayland Concert Slated

The Mayland concert on Monday, May 3rd at 8:00 p.m. in the Presbyterian Church, Burnsville, will feature May Jo Grey, violin, member of the Music Department of Mars Hill College; Charles Medlin, cello, Salem College School of Music; and Eve Lynne Reeve, harpsichord, member of the Celso Chamber Players. For those who do not have season tickets, admission at the door will be \$1.50.

The baroque program will feature works by Bach, Rameau, and Couperin. Grey, Medlin, and Reeve, three outstanding musicians in Western North Carolina, have teamed up in previous concerts at Mars Hill College, and all three will be making return appearances in Burnsville, although they have not been heard here as a trio.

On May 18th, Mitchell and Yancey Counties look forward to a return of the North Carolina Little Symphony, which was so enthusiastically received in 1975. Tickets for the Symphony concert, sche-



North Carolina Little Symphony

duled for 8:15 p.m. in the First Baptist Church, Burnsville, are \$3.50 apiece and can be bought wherever you see one of the large Symphony posters, through many of the clubs, or from Music in the Mountains, Burnsville, 28714.

The conductor will be James Ogle, the young and talented winner of several national and international

awards before becoming the assistant conductor of the North Carolina Symphony in 1975. Buy your tickets early and help to make this visit by the state's splendid orchestra for an adult and a children's concert a success. Those wishing to sponsor the Symphony are urged to call Music in the Mountains, 675-4060 in the next few days.

Notice

The W.A.M.Y. Bus that has been making the Jack's Creek-Green Mountain runs will be changed from five days a week to Tuesday and Thursday only at the same scheduled time. This will be effective May 1.

Dr. Braswell Wins 3-Year Court Battle

Judge Woodrow W. Jones of U.S. District Court brought to a close Dr. Jack Guy Braswell's three-year battle waged with the North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners. Judge Jones ruled in an order signed Friday, April 23, that Dr. Braswell was denied the right of due process guaranteed by the Constitution when his dentistry license was revoked in May of 1974.

Judge Jones ordered the license of the Mitchell County dentist to be restored. It had been revoked following previous court battles after Braswell was accused of sexually molesting female patients while they were under the influence of laughing gas.

Braswell said at a news conference in Marshall on Saturday in the law offices of one of his attorneys that he has been "totally exonerated" of the board's charges. The board was ordered to fully reinstate the license, and a Superior Court judge in Asheville directed that the case be wiped from the records of the Mitchell County courts.

"I think I can say that this is one of the happiest days of my life. I have been totally

exonerated, vindicated of the awful accusations that were made against me by the North Carolina State Board of Examiners," Braswell stated. He said he has now dropped a \$1 million lawsuit against the board and its original members who were serving when his license was revoked. Braswell has insisted from the beginning that the charges against him were false.

These three years have been a terrible nightmare. I can never understand how an dentist on the board could believe those awful accusations they were making against me with no more facts and evidence than they had," Braswell said. He stated that most of the women the board of examiners said had complained about improper advances during treatment are still regular patients in his office. He also stated that the "g" referred to was nitrous oxide, an analgesic which is improperly called a gas, which produces insensibility to pain without loss of consciousness.

Braswell said he feels that changes in the membership of the board over the past three years had a bearing on his victory.



Students Hold Bicentennial Quilting Bee

The Family Living Class, taught by Mrs. Neill, had an old-fashioned quilting bee to celebrate the Bicentennial. The quilt, which was completed last week, illustrated each of the one-hundred counties in North Carolina. These were embroidered by the students on squares of unbleached muslin in red, white and blue cotton fabrics were used to put the quilt together. The quilt was put in a scroll-type quilting frame to be tacked.