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# School Speech Program Praised

The first years of school are an exciting time for every child. They make new friends; encounter new ideas, and take the first steps out of babyhood. What children learn in those first few years stays with them for the rest of their lives. For the millions of America's children who have a speech or hearing problem, school will be a challenge they cannot meet alone. When detected early, these problems can often be overcome. Without treatment though,

the problems intensify and educational and emotional development may suffer irreparable damage. School-wide speech, hearing and language services offered by a qualified speech pathologist are necessary if these children are to have a full and appropriate education.

This spring a speech and language conservation program was completed in the Yancey County Schools. The speech pathology section of Crippled Children's Services at Appalachian State Univer-

sity agrees to screen kindergarten, first and third grades for speech and language problems. A child identified in a screening program does not automatically begin working with a speech therapist. That he is identified in the screening does mean that he needs to be observed more carefully to determine if he needs the assistance of a speech therapist. If it is found that the child does need supplemental work with his speech and language, then he

can be enrolled in therapy so he can work to overcome his problem.

Those familiar with the program and its aims compliment Ed Hunter, Yancey School Superintendent; Patri-

cia Jordan, Title I speech therapist; and the administration and faculty of the Yancey County Schools for their concern for children who have speech and language problems.

## Playschool Program Slated; Registration Begins For 77-78

Burnsville Playschool will close for the summer with a program to be held in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church on Friday night, May 27, at 7:30. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

Children participating in the program are Kent Anglin, Donald Banks, Daniel Boone,

Reed Brown, Bryan Cooper, Christopher Evans, Van Hensley, Jodi Hicks, Christopher Honeycutt, Brian Jones, Benjie Riddle, Stephen Sparks and Christal Styles.

Burnsville Playschool is in session 3 hours daily, 5 days a week, September through May for children three and four years of age and offers a

varied program of fun and learning activities. Each Tuesday the children enjoy attending "Story Hour" at the Yancey County Public Library with the children's librarian, Miss Theresa Coletta.

This week, some of the activities planned are making butter and a visit from Dr. Jeanette Maddox and her dogs.

Parents interested in registering their children for the fall session may do so by calling Mrs. Jess Styles at 682-2524. Registration is limited to 12.



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Tammy Williams, Harold Bennett, Jr.

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## DECA Student At 1977 Conference

On April 26, Tammy Williams, a Distributive Education student and DECA Chapter member, traveled by plane to Anaheim, California to compete in the 1977 National Career Development Conference for DECA. Tammy was accompanied by her teacher/coordinator Harold Bennett, Jr. The group arrived in Anaheim Tuesday afternoon and the conference

began on Wednesday. The conference also included educational tours for the students and teacher/coordinators.

On Wednesday the group toured Hollywood and Beverly Hills; Thursday the group included Universal Studio Friday was the day of major competition. Tammy participated in the Display competition while Mr. Bennett served as an Adult Assistant in one of the other areas of competition. Friday evening was a time of fun and recreation at Dodger Stadium to watch the Dodgers play the Expos. Saturday included the Awards Session and the Awards Banquet. Sunday was the closing day for the conference and the day included the Awards Banquet, the Awards Session and the Awards Ball. On Monday the group toured such places as the hometown of Richard Nixon in Sar Clemente and a short visit to Mexico. Tuesday was the return home to the beautiful mountains of North Carolina. "The place we love," says Tammy.

Congratulations, Tammy, for representing Mountain Heritage so well at the National DECA Career Development Conference.

## Represent True Value At Market Convention

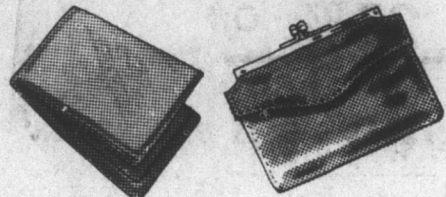
Representatives of Burnsville True Value Hardware Store at Banks Family Square recently attended the 59th Semi-Annual National True Value Hardware Red Carpet Market and Convention held at Cotter & Company headquarters in Chicago. Attending the three-day event were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Leonard.

The over 5,000 True Value Members nationwide had the opportunity to shop the 85,000 square foot display area filled with merchandise for the fall and winter selling seasons. They placed orders for the Christmas selling season for toys, gifts, and Christmas decorations, in addition to basic hardware, plumbing and electrical supplies, housewares and sporting goods from over 800 manufacturers.

Upon their return from the Market in Chicago, the Ed Leonards said that their purchases will make the Burnsville True Value Hardware Store the headquarters in Burnsville for the newest, most popular merchandise for the Christmas selling season.

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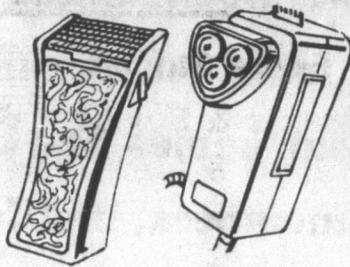
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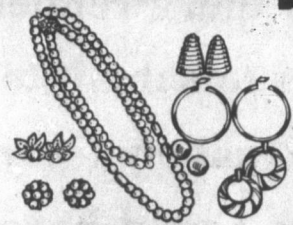
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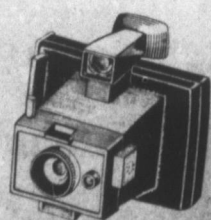


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