

# Swimming, Skiing, Ice Skating Coming To Ga.

BLAIRSVILLE, GA. - Skis and ice skates are going to become a permanent part of vacation equipment for Georgians in the future. The reason for this is a new year-round resort near Blairsville called Blood Mountain Lodge.

The 140-room Lodge has convention facilities, dining room and two heated pools. The Area Redevelopment Administration has approved an \$838,500 loan to Georgia Mountain Enterprises, the leader, for financing the \$2,900,000 project. Another \$29,000 in local funds will be provided by the Union County Redevelopment Corporation and the remaining \$22,500 will be raised by the sale of stock.

**INDIAN LEGENDS**  
According to tradition, gold still lies buried in the caves of Blood Mountain, left there by the Cherokees before they were forced westward. The mountain gets its name from a battle in which the Cherokees defeated the Creeks for possession of the north Georgia highlands, and the streams supposedly ran red with blood. Even before this, Blood Mountain was the home

of the Nunnah --- a race of spirit people who lived in great townhouses. A hospitable tribe, they often sheltered lost hunters and wanderers in their homes.

Hidden gold and romantic legends aside, Blood Mountain has much to recommend it as a year-round resort spot. It is situated on the Union-Lumpkin county line in an area of splendid natural beauty. Because of its proximity to other facilities --- the Chattahoochee National Forest and Vogel State Park --- visitors may enjoy hunting, fishing, swimming, boating, camping and horseback riding. And for the hardy souls who are in the mood for a "long walk" the Appalachian Trail winds within 1500 feet of the Lodge.

**IMPROVES ECONOMIC SITUATION**  
Already thousands of tourists flock to the north Georgia region annually. There is a growing need for more accommodations for these people. Blood Mountain Lodge will help alleviate this need, but more important, it may be the catalyst to develop the tourist-recreation facilities of north Georgia.



U. S. HIGHWAYS 19 and 129 lead to the side of Blood Mountain Lodge, a year-round resort in north Georgia. This will be the first attraction in Georgia offering skiing facilities.

It would be difficult to calculate the economic and psychological impact of Blood Mountain Lodge. Certainly a demand for more goods and services will be stimulated, along with the development and improvement of other attractions. New jobs and bigger payrolls would be created, leading to the overall upgrading of the region's economy.

Bonnell Akins, president of Georgia Mountain Enterprises, is responsible for the development of Blood Mountain. Georgia Mountain Enterprises, which has offices at 1502 Candler Building, Atlanta, plans to place its stock on the market within a week or two. Mr. Akins hopes many Georgians will buy shares, thereby becoming owners of the resort. "After all," he states, "people would naturally spend their vacation at a place in which they have an interest, and encourage their friends to do the same. They would be the best advertisement we could possibly have."

Skiing and ice skating will keep vacationers coming to Blood Mountain right on through the winter months. The ski run, located on the northeast slope, will use artificial snow. A lift will take skiers to the top of the run, although getting to the bottom is likely to have its own "ups and downs."

# Search For Superior Trees Being Conducted In County

**SPECIAL TO SCOUT**  
By County Forest Ranger Harold Hatchett  
N. C. Division of Forestry  
**MURPHY** - The North Carolina Division of Forestry like private wood using industries, and the U. S. Forest Service, are searching the forest for superior trees. This is one of the phases of scientific forest management that is being carried on in Cherokee County, and one that is creating considerable interest.

County Forest Ranger Harold Hatchett says we do not expect to find the perfect forest tree but we do have the one tree in 10,000 that is superior to others in size, quality, form, and rapid growth. After a lot of looking and search, Ranger Hatchett located a superior Shortleaf Pine on W. S. Dickey farm 9 miles west of Murphy on Route 64.



Dr. Bruch Sobel, N. C. State College Forestry professor and Jack Parmer, Clay County Ranger, are shown boring the superior short leaf pine tree for its correct age. (Photo by Hatchett)

**Shoal Creek**  
By Beulah Slaughter  
Mr. Harold Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Brown was home from Southern Missionary College, Colledgeale, Tenn., to spend the weekend and brought three students with him: Miss Barbara Bowen, Miss Sally Blow, and Mr. Ronnie Wash.

We are trying to find superior trees of other species also in order to start seed orchards to grow seedlings to be planted on private lands that will produce the same type of superior trees as their parent stock.

Twigs are taken from these parent trees and are grafted on ordinary pine trees which are usually three years old. Through controlled pollination these grafts will produce seed cones bearing the same excellent characteristics as their parent trees.



W. S. DICKEY, owner of the farm where the superior short leaf pine was found, stands beside the tree on his farm at Ranter. (Photo by Hatchett)

Miss Carol Loudermilk of Ducktown spent Sunday with Mrs. Clint Loudermilk.

Mrs. Hurley Johnson, Jr., is home after a stay in Copper Basin Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Brown are home after two weeks spent in Gastonia, N. C. Mr. and Mrs. Burl Brown, Jr., drove them home and spent the weekend with them.

These seed will be planted in the Forest Nurseries under strict control and the seedlings will be raised for the restocking and planting on poorly stocked forest lands.

Foresters through years of research feel these superior trees will be more resistant to disease and insects and will produce a higher quality tree uses.

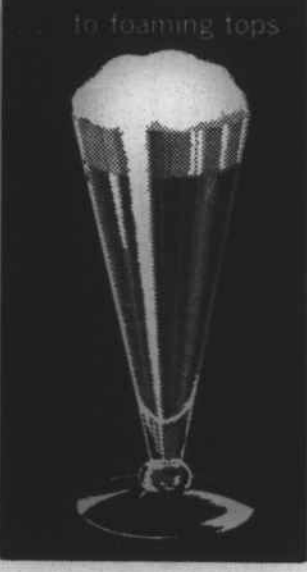
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## Men In Service NEWS

**ELGIN AFB, FLA.** - Max G. Hunt of Mineral Bluff, Ga., has been promoted to Airman Second Class in the United States Air Force.

Airman Hunt, an administrative specialist, is assigned to the 39th Bomb Wing here.

The airman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grady G. Hunt of Rt. 2, Mineral Bluff, is a graduate of East Fannin High School. His wife, Betty, formerly resided on Rt. 1, Culberson, N. C.

**AMARILLO AFB, TEX.** - Airman Third Class Mitchell B. Cooke of Hayesville, N. C., is being reassigned to Germany following his graduation from the United States Air Force technical training course for aircraft structural repairmen here.

Airman Cooke was trained in the principles, procedures and techniques used for structural repair of aircraft and metal components of Air Force aircraft.

The airman, a graduate of Hayesville High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Cooke of Rt. 4, Hayesville.



A/3c James L. Rhodes

**PATRICK AFB, FLA.** - A/3C James L. Rhodes, son of Robert L. Rhodes of Rt. 2, Murphy, is now stationed at Patrick Air Force Base, Fla. Prior to being transferred to Florida, Airman Rhodes was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, where he completed his Basic Training.

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## Contributions Are Being Made To Heart Fund

**HAYESVILLE** - Recent contributors to the Clay County Chapter of the N. C. Heart Association include: Hayesville Methodist Church; Mr. and Mrs. Cloc Moore, Dr. and Mrs. Leon Stator; Mr. and Mrs. Newell Crisp, and Mr. and Mrs. August Schultz in memory of Percy F. Day; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Murray in memory of E. C. Moore; Mr. and Mrs. Tom C. Day in memory of Luke Ellis; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Phillips in memory of A. P. Crawford; and Mrs. Sue McClure in memory of B. H. Byers.

**REVIVAL NOW IN PROGRESS**  
**HAYESVILLE** - Everyone is invited to attend the revival services at the Tusquitee Church of God in Hayesville, N. C. The Rev. Hubert McGurt is the special speaker. Rev. McGurt is the pastor of Woodfin Church of God in Asheville, N. C.

Services are each evening this week at 7:00 p.m. Rev. George H. Crider is host pastor.

Linda Foster Honored On Tenth Birthday

**HAYESVILLE** - Mrs. Roy Foster honored her daughter, Linda with a party on her tenth birthday, Saturday, Feb. 16.

The table was centered with a beautiful birthday cake, decorated in pink and blue.

Attending were: Eleanor MacCorkle, Janice Martin, Connie Murray, Carol Bristol, Teresa Ledford, Charlotte Lowe, Vivian Martin, Julia Sheryl, Brenda Gibbey, Nancy Hall, Mike Crawford, Randy Cloer, Jimmy Lanford, Danny Sheryl, David Sheryl, Donald Lowe, Rex Ledford. Refreshments of kool-aid, cookies, and cake were served to the seventeen guests.

**Redevelopment Survey To Be Made Of Area**  
**MURPHY** - Jack A. Wilson, manager of the Murphy Employment Security Office, announced today that within the next few days all employers of Cherokee, Clay, and Graham Counties who are contributors to the Unemployment Insurance Program of North Carolina will receive a survey form to fill out with respect to training or retraining some of the unemployed people of this area. Mr. Wilson urges all employers to complete these survey forms and list any new jobs they expect to have within the next 12 to 18 months that a trained worker could fill.

All three of these counties are designated as Area Redevelopment counties and as such, are qualified to receive some Federal Aid in training and retraining unemployed workers if these workers when trained or retrained can reasonably be expected to find work in their field.

Mr. Wilson states that when the survey has been completed and analyzed there will be a joint meeting of leaders from this three county area to determine what training programs to submit to Washington for approval.

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