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Waynesville Schools Will Begin 1935-36 Term 29th

Registration To Begin On 26th. J. C. Tignor To Be Vocational Teacher Here

The Waynesville Township Schools will open Thursday, August 29th, for the 1935-36 school term. Parents are requested to enter their children the first day of school, and provide the necessary supplies by Monday, September 2nd. Details of the State Textbook Rental Plan will be published as soon as this information is available, which will probably be during the week of August 19th to 23rd.

High school students are requested to report at the high school building for class schedules and registration on the following dates: Freshmen on Monday, August 26th; sophomores on Tuesday, August 27th; juniors and seniors on Wednesday, August 28th. Students should be present on the above mentioned dates in order that details of registration may be cleared up before classroom work begins on Thursday, August 29th.

All Waynesville township teachers are requested to meet in the high school auditorium Saturday morning, August 23rd, at 10:00 o'clock. Teachers will be notified of their final placement as to grade and building at this meeting.

Mr. J. C. Tignor, the Waynesville Vocational Agricultural teacher, will be in the agricultural classroom of the Central Elementary building on Saturday from 2:00 to 3:00 o'clock for individual conferences with pupils who are planning to take agriculture next year.

School officials wish to thank parents for their co-operation in the past, and solicit even more co-operation in making the school year 1935-36 the best in the history of the school, superintendent M. H. Bowles stated.

Travel In Park Shows 22% Gain

Estimated travel to Great Smoky Mountains National Park for July, 1935, was 86,963, as compared with 70,685 for July, 1934, or a gain of 22 per cent. A traffic count taken at one of the six entrances to the park resulted in a count of 21,649 automobiles carrying 71,903 people. Estimating that 20 per cent additional people come into the park at the five other entrances, a total travel figure of 86,963 is estimated.

Automobiles from 44 states, the District of Columbia and Canada were counted. Twenty-seven and one-half per cent of visitors were from other than Tennessee and North Carolina. During this travel year, autos from 47 states have been counted.

J. Frank Edwards Buried Wednesday

Funeral services for J. Frank Edwards, 50, who died at 1:15 o'clock on Tuesday morning, were held at 10:30 o'clock on Wednesday morning at the First Baptist church, with Rev. H. W. Baucom, officiating. Interment was in the Bethel cemetery. Mr. Edwards was stricken three weeks ago with a heart attack. At the time of his death he was an employee of the street department of the town. Formerly he was a distributor of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

Mr. Edwards is survived by his wife; five children, Joe, Jack, Fred, Mrs. Nellie, and Miss Mary Edwards; his mother, Mrs. J. M. Edwards; two sisters, Mrs. John A. Platt, of Waynesville, and Mrs. J. L. Causby, of Merrimon, and five brothers, D. J. Edwards, of Alabama; Claude Edwards, of Charlotte; Jim Edwards, of Ohio; and Carl and Cash Edwards, of this county.

Delinquent Taxes Being Advertised

The towns of the county and the county are advertising this week the delinquent tax list for 1934 and all prior years.

The property advertised will be sold on the second of September at the court house door.

HOME COMING DAY AT HAZELWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, August 18, has been set aside as Home Coming Day at the Hazelwood Baptist church. This will be an all day meeting with picnic dinner at the church. All members are urged to be present. The church will be called and the church program being planned. A very interesting program is being planned. All the former pastors are expected to be present. It is hoped that all members and friends of the church will be present.

Ickes Decision Will Start Work On Link Of Parkway At Once

Scenic Parkway Will Be Started As Soon As N. C. Officials Sign Right-Of-Way Deeds

A contract under which North Carolina will give the Federal government title to the right-of-way for the first link of the scenic highway between the Shenandoah National Park in Virginia and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in North Carolina was signed Saturday by Secretary Ickes.

Bids for construction of the link, a 12-mile stretch in Alleghany County, N. C., just below the Virginia North Carolina line, already have been received, and work will get under way as soon as the contract is signed by North Carolina highway officials.

Charles Ross, counsel for the North Carolina Highway commission, said he expected the state officials would sign the contract early this week, and it would be immediately returned to Washington, opening the way for actual construction.

The contract, which conveys to the government a fee simple title for the right-of-way, was agreed on yesterday by Ross and Nathan Margold, Interior department solicitor.

Ross said the width of the right-of-way would vary between 200 and 1,500 feet, averaging about 800 feet for the 12-mile stretch. In addition, provision is made to give the government easements at points along the way where there are particular scenic attractions.

The highway counsel declared he had expected Secretary Ickes would only approve the document today, awaiting the signatures of the North Carolina officials before giving this.

"He said he would go us one better," Ross said, "and sign it now. This means as soon as our highway officials sign it, there will be no need for Mr. Ickes to bother any more about it."

The Federal Roads bureau, which will construct the 400-mile parkway at an estimated cost of \$16,000,000, already has approved the low bid for the first link, and is prepared to authorize work to begin as soon as the contract negotiations are completed.

Nello Teer, of Durham, was low bidder on the link, submitting a proposal of approximately \$365,000.

Hawkins Points Out Need For Early Completion Of 209

Charles B. Hawkins, of Fines Creek, was here Monday, and appeared before the county commissioners in behalf of Highway 209. Mr. Hawkins, as well as others, have been working for the past number of years to get the road from Crabtree to James' store completed. The pavement ends at Crabtree.

The survey of the road was made some five years ago, and according to Mr. Hawkins, the new route would shorten the distance a mile and a half. The present road being eight miles from the pavement to James' store.

In making his appearance before the county commissioners, Mr. Hawkins made practically the same explanation as was made two weeks ago to the state highway commission in Raleigh.

Mr. Hawkins explained that during the past year over two million feet of lumber was hauled over the road; and that more tobacco was hauled over that road than any in the county. He also pointed out that apple trucks going to Tennessee would use that route if it was better.

The board of commissioners passed a resolution that will be submitted to the state highway commission asking that they give the road their early attention.

Cattle Sales At Clyde Are Good

Last Thursday about 150 head of cattle were sold at the stock yards at Clyde, with the prices proving satisfactory to the farmers.

Cattle brought from \$4.50 to \$6. Interest in the sales, which are held every Thursday, has been steadily increasing, officials stated.

COMMISSIONERS HAVE BUSY SESSION MONDAY

The commissioners had one of the most strenuous days on Monday that they have had for many months. They were in session until after seven o'clock, having adjourned after another all-day meeting today. They will be in executive session today to dispose of some pressing matters, and

Competent Hospital Superintendents



MISS RUTH HAMPTON



MRS. MILLIE HARRIS

Returning from a leave of absence of eighteen months, Miss Hampton is again in charge of the Haywood County Hospital. During the past fourteen months Mrs. Harris successfully filled the place as superintendent. Photos by Stewart.

Records Show That Haywood County Hospital Setting Lead

Garretts Purchase Main Street Place

Announcement was made yesterday of the completion of the sale of the Dr. R. L. Allen residence on Main Street here to Mr. and Mrs. Noble W. Garrett, by Mrs. R. L. Allen.

The property for the past several years has been used by Mr. and Mrs. Garrett as a funeral home.

The property faces 52 feet on Main Street. No price consideration was made public. Mr. Garrett stated that several changes would be made on the property, but none in the immediate future.

Baptist To Decide On Sunday School Building Sunday

Definite Decision To Be Made At Sunday Morning Service, Money Is Available

The congregation of the First Baptist church will take definite steps at the Sunday morning service whether or not to go ahead with the proposed building program which calls for a three-story annex to the church to be used as a Sunday school building, costing approximately \$5,000.

The plans have been drawn and returned here for approval. The plan will give ample room for the Sunday school department for years to come, it was pointed out. Included in the plans are a large assembly room and a modern kitchen.

Arrangements have been completed for the financing of the annex, and Rev. H. W. Baucom announced from the pulpit Sunday morning that half of the necessary funds "were already in sight."

The building, if built, will join the main church by a passage way. Some improvements would be made in the auditorium if the annex is constructed.

The building committee is composed of: W. G. Byers, chairman, Hurst Burgin, Edwin Haynes, Jack Messer and William Medford.

Movies Being Made Of Great Smoky Mountains Nat. Park

On Wednesday Walter K. Scott, motion picture cameraman for the National Park service at Washington, accompanied by Bascom Lamar Lunsford, of Asheville, spent the day in Haywood county, shooting pictures of local color to be used in a film of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Scenes were taken at Black Camp Gap, Cattaaloochee, home in the Cove Creek section and a dance was staged on the Wykle's Fork brogue, with Sam Queen and his famous Secco Gap dancers. Today Mr. Scott and Mr. Lunsford are shooting pictures around Waynesville.

Mr. Scott has been making pictures in the park area for the past three weeks. While the film will be silent, he explained, a narrative will be used in sound to carry the story. The first section of the picture will be called "Life" and will carry

Cost Per Patient Is 70c Less Than Average. History Of Institution Is One Of Progress

A careful comparison of the records of the Haywood County Hospital with other hospitals of the Carolinas, and of the records of the institution of several years ago, shows that a substantial gain has been made in every phase of the work here. This fact was disclosed yesterday to The Mountaineer by Rufus Siler, chairman of the board.

During the past three years the institution has been filled to capacity most of the time, with an average of 65 per cent of all beds occupied daily. The hospital has 66 beds.

Another outstanding fact disclosed, was that the local institution is now operating about 70 cents a day per patient less than the average in the two Carolinas. The average being \$2.80 while the local hospital shows a cost of only \$2.10.

For the first seven months of 1935, a total of 9,997 patient days were made by the hospital. The operating expenses during this period was \$19,779.65, while the collections, including 1934 charity endowment from Duke, amounted to \$23,029.

It was interesting to note, some of the totals in figures since the institution opened on January first, 1928. The operating expenses for the seven years amounted to \$189,547.55. The collections from patients during that same period was \$124,922.78. Donations given the hospital ran to \$44,986. During that period the county only paid toward operating expenses \$17,000.

The fact was shown where patients from the jail and county home are admitted to the institution, but no appropriation other than the six-cent tax levy is received by the hospital. Most of the tax levy is used to retire the unpaid balance of the original \$300,000 bond issue floated to build the hospital, and interest.

A check on the number of patients treated at the hospital showed that to date 6,475 have been put to bed; while an additional 3,000 have received first aid treatment or similar treatment there—they are known as the "out patients." Figuratively speaking, this total represents over a third of Haywood county's population, also, some 72,792 patient days.

Although the original investment represented an expenditure of \$300,000, the hospital plant is worth considerably more.

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No Loss To Be Sustained By County From Alleged Tax Collector's Shortage

Funeral For G. N. Henson, 51, Held Here On Sunday

Former Liquidating Agent Of Banks, Passed Away After Lingerin Illness

Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Turbyfill, for Garnett N. Henson, 51, who passed away at his home in Gastonia, on Friday night. Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., pastor of the First Methodist church, officiated. Before the body was brought to Waynesville on Saturday afternoon a brief service was held at the residence in Gastonia. Interment was in Green Hill cemetery.

Funeral bearers were: R. E. Kerr, of Charlotte; George H. Ward, of Asheville; W. A. Hyatt, L. M. Kilham, Jess Crouser, and Dr. J. Rufus McCracken.

Mr. Henson had not been well for several months and had been confined to his bed for the past six weeks. He was the son of W. M. Henson, of Henson Cove, and the late Mrs. Tyner Abel Henson. He received his education in the local schools.

While in his teens he was employed by Captain Allen Howell in the Bank of Waynesville, later known as the Citizens Bank and Trust Company. He became prominent in the banking circles of the state. After several years in the local bank he was appointed state bank examiner, in which capacity he served until he became cashier of the Commercial Bank of Gastonia. This position he held until he resigned to become liquidating agent for the Central Bank and Trust Company, of Asheville. At the time of his death he was connected with the Home Building and Loan Association, of Gastonia.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Clara Turbyfill Henson, four children, G. N. Henson, Jr., Mrs. F. E. Perry, William and Mrs. Ruth Henson, all of Gastonia; his father, W. M. Henson, and two granddaughters, G. N. Henson, III, and Julia Perry.

Among those from out of town attending the funeral were: Mrs. W. O. Stevens, of Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Kerr, of Charlotte; Mr. and Mrs. George H. Ward, of Asheville; Mrs. Myrtle Henson and Mrs. Len Henson, of Sylva; Mrs. Georgia and Mr. Ollie Thrush, of Asheville, and a large delegation of friends from Gastonia and the county.

Pure-Bred Bull To Be Placed In Haywood By Rotarians

The Waynesville Rotary Club voted last week to spend \$50 for a pure bred bull in co-operation with the better dairying program that is being started in the county under the supervision of county agent W. D. Smith.

The details for purchasing the bull, and the placing in a community was left to the discretion of Mr. Smith. It will be something like 30 days before the purchase will be made.

During the past month here have been several pure-bred bulls brought to Haywood county, and an effort is being made to get such an animal in every community in the county. The club has had a number of programs on better dairying and plan to follow through from year to year.

Gipsy Smith, Jr. was the principal speaker at Friday's meeting. Three visitors being present.

Tax Collections Reach New High Mark During July

Collections in the Haywood tax collector's office reached a new high mark during July, when \$88,924.05 was passed over the counter to D. A. Howell, tax supervisor and his assistants.

Of this amount \$11,419.59 was for 1934 taxes—\$8,829.25 for delinquent taxes and \$68,675.21 for 1935 taxes. His monthly report to the board of commissioners showed that a total of \$242,305.32 has been collected of the 1934 taxes, leaving an uncollected balance of \$69,196.32.

Since May first a total of \$15,491.79 has been added to the treasury in delinquent taxes. Monday and Tuesday of this week were busy days in the tax collector's office. On Monday more than \$3,000 was collected.

Commissioners Make First Statement On Completed Audit

Haywood county will not lose a cent of the alleged shortage in the tax collector's office, prior to 1934, as set out in the recently completed audit of T. J. Noland, public accountant, it was learned from a meeting of commissioners, after an hour and a half executive session here Monday afternoon, with newspapermen in the county.

The board, together with their attorneys, have carefully gone over the 70-page audit many times, and during the past several weeks, have had representatives of the bonding companies here. Although no settlement has been made, the board has been reasonably assured that no loss whatsoever will be sustained by the county in the alleged shortage.

There appears to be a number of adjustments to be made in the list handed by the former tax collector, this will materially change the amount of the alleged shortage, it was pointed out.

It is known that an official of one of the two bonding companies is expected here soon.

The board was gratified in that no loss would be sustained, although there have been a number of rumors making the rounds in the county setting enormous amounts.

The fact was brought to light Monday afternoon that a "propaganda campaign" was to be staged shortly regarding the audit, and the alleged shortage, but the commissioners welcomed the idea on the strength that the audit was on file in the auditor's office and open for public inspection.

The former tax collector and officials have been working on one of the six copies of the audit until Friday, when it mysteriously was made away with. Although it will mean considerable work on the part of the officials in rechecking the report, it will have no direct bearing, whatsoever, on the audit, as the original is still "safe—under lock and key."

The audit was begun last September, in the order of the county commissioners, and was completed several months ago. The audit was made available to the public at the time of the completion, but few could understand the vast amount of figures in the 70 page report.

The board employed J. G. Merrimon, of Asheville, an attorney in the case. He was not present Monday when the board made known the fact that it was their belief that no loss would be sustained by the county.

The report was approved immediately upon its completion by the local government commission in Raleigh, and copies sent to all involved.

Rev. Gipsy Smith, To Relate Personal Life Story Monday

On Monday evening, Rev. Gipsy Smith, Jr., will speak to the congregation at the Methodist church, on the subject of "From Gypsy Tent to Pulpit," in which he will give the origin and history of the Gipsy Smith family, their customs and how Christ entered their camp.

Sixty-one years ago Mr. Smith's family were living in England in a Gypsy camp, without education, knowledge of the Bible, or Christianity. Today there are 13 members of his family preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. Mr. Smith will give in detail the remarkable and dramatic story of this exceptional family.

The service will be held at 8 o'clock, the usual hour for the past ten days. Mr. Smith is remaining over for the purpose of delivering this message, at the request of many of the citizens of the town, who wish to hear first hand of the extraordinary family.

THE WEATHER OFFICIAL WEATHER REPORT

Date	Max	Min
1	84	59
2	90	38
3	89	61
4	84	54
5	89	48
6	90	51
7	89	49