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## Supreme Court Rules That Kinsland Is Tax Collector Of Canton

Two-Year Suit Heard In  
Several Courts, Over Ap-  
pointment Of Tax Collector

Supreme Court handed down  
decision affirming the action of  
the board of aldermen in ap-  
pointing J. D. Mackey, involving  
the tax collector of  
Canton, it was learned  
here.

Case of the board of alder-  
men of Canton and Way Kinsland  
was first named to the  
attention of tax collector of  
Canton, it was learned  
here.

On September 27, 1937, in  
1939 an order was said to  
have been made by the aldermen  
appointing him in office.

Shortly after in June, Way  
Kinsland was named as tax collector  
without any mention of Mackey.  
Kinsland refused to give up office  
until a demand was made upon him,  
it was alleged.

Order was made by the board  
of aldermen on July 24, 1939 with  
regarding vote, it was further  
alleged that Mr. Mackey to deliver  
to W. Bowden Henderson  
auditor, and Way Kinsland,  
he said that Mr. Mackey

complaint, the board of  
aldermen on June 30th, was also  
a part of Mr. Mackey. The board  
petitioned the court to put  
Kinsland in possession of the  
office together with the papers,  
and money then in the hands  
of Mackey.

They won the case in the Sep-  
tember term of Superior Court here  
with Judge F. E. Alley  
sitting. Kinsland took an ap-  
peal to the Supreme Court.

Case was then tried again  
September term of court here  
before Judge Wilson War-  
ren who held that in the light  
of the opinion of the Supreme Court,  
Kinsland was entitled to the  
office and the emoluments accruing  
therefrom.

During the time of litigation  
the 1940 trial Mackey  
was to the Supreme Court  
whereby the verdict in favor  
of Mackey was handed down.

Roberson and R. L.  
will address  
Wood PTA on 3rd

Hazelwood Parent-Teacher  
association will meet on Monday  
evening, March 3, at 7:30 o'clock  
at the home of the school.  
The evening will be  
entertained by the  
Stuart Roberson and R. L.  
Roberson. Dr. Roberson will talk  
on "Safety," and Mr. Prevost will  
talk on "Safety."

Annual election of officers  
will be held.

Advertisements  
Results

C. Brown, a frequent user  
of the Mountaineer's Want  
ad space, reported this week  
that he got "Excellent Re-  
sults."

We have used the columns  
for advertisements, and for  
rental articles, and every  
time we got prompt results.  
We have paid us to use the  
columns of The Moun-  
taineer.

sell, rent, and swap  
the want ad columns—it  
pay you like it did Mr.

## Office Of County Farm Agents To Close At 1 on Sat.

Beginning on Saturday,  
March the 8th, and continuing  
until further notice, the county  
farm agents' office will close  
at 1:00 p. m. on each Saturday.

During the last twelve  
months the county agents' of-  
fice has remained open until  
5 o'clock p. m. on Saturdays,  
while all other county offices  
have closed at 1:00 o'clock.

The county agents are ask-  
ing the farmers who have been  
accustomed to coming to the of-  
fice on Saturday afternoons to  
make an effort to come before  
1:00 p. m.

## Never Sick-a-bed Or Dose Of "Drug Store Medicine"

W. A. Early, who will be seventy-  
five years old the 20th of next  
month, says that he has never been  
sick in bed in his life as far as he  
can remember and that he has never  
taken a dose of "drug store medi-  
cine."

Mr. Early is a native of Haywood  
county, and resides on a farm in the  
White Oak section of the county  
about 26 miles from Waynesville.

"Fishing, hunting, and wading  
in Cataloochee Creek and plenty  
of fresh air all the time are the  
mighty good reasons I'd claim for  
having been so healthy," he said  
here Tuesday while visiting in town.

He lives on a 60-acre farm, but  
only cultivates about 5 acres, he  
says. He also pointed out that his  
three room log house is well ven-  
tilated and he enjoys fresh air at  
all times.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sloan and Miss  
Alice Stringfield spent several  
days in Birmingham, Ala., during  
the past week.

## Mercury Hit 11 Sunday, Fourth Time This Season; Light Snow

## Mrs. R. S. Coman Buried Wednesday In Bon-a-Venture

Last rites were held at 2:30  
o'clock yesterday afternoon in the  
Central Methodist church in Can-  
ton for Mrs. R. S. Coman, 75, who  
died on Monday at the Imperial  
Hotel of that place, where she had  
been making her home for the past  
two years.

The Rev. W. R. Kelly, pastor of  
the church, officiated. Burial was  
in Bon-A-Venture cemetery.

Nephews served as pallbearers  
and granddaughters were in charge  
of the flowers.

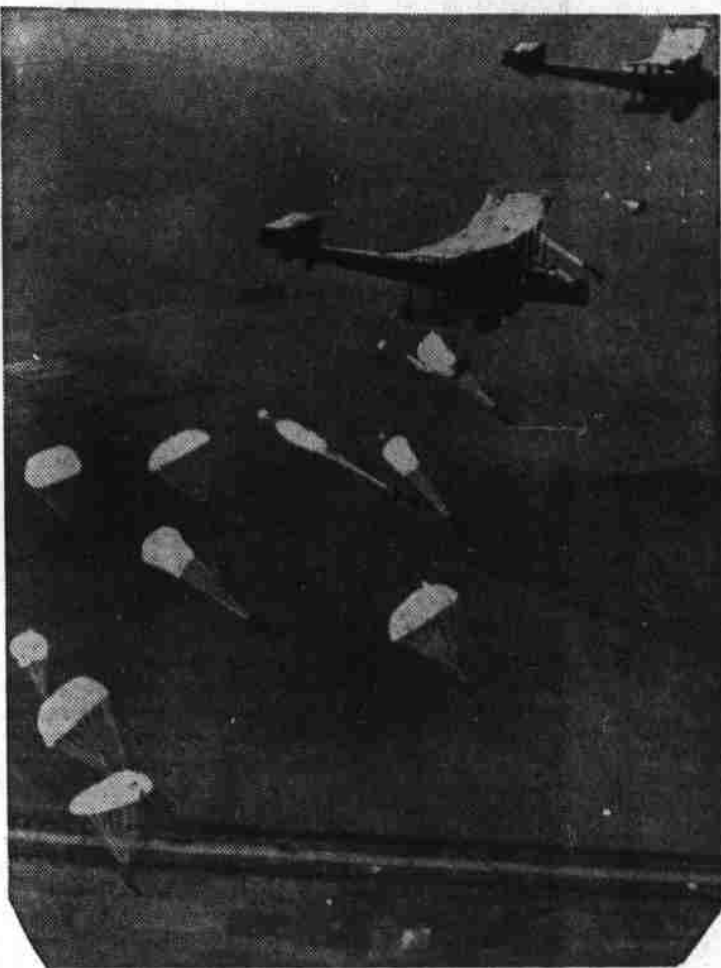
The body was brought to the  
home of her sister, Mrs. T. N.  
Massie, of Waynesville, and re-  
mained there until the hour of the  
funeral services in Canton.

Mrs. Coman was the former Miss  
Mary Cordelia Evans, daughter of  
the late J. Taylor and Emma War-  
ren Evans, of the Bethel section  
of the county. She was born on  
June the 4th, 1866. She was first  
married to the late Rev. W. P.  
Fincher, of Clyde, in 1886. The  
Rev. Mr. Fincher died in 1927. Later  
she was married to the late R. S.  
Coman, of Canton.

Mrs. Coman joined the Metho-  
dist church early in life and was  
an active and faithful worker in  
the affairs of her church. She was  
beloved by a large circle of relatives  
and friends.

She is survived by two sisters,  
Mrs. T. N. Massie, of Waynesville,  
and Mrs. W. A. Short, of Charlotte;  
three brothers, George E. Evans, of  
Asheville, R. K. Evans, of Chat-  
tahooga, Tenn., and L. E. Evans, of  
Canton, route 1; two step-daugh-  
ters, Mrs. Ralph Mease, and Mrs.  
Walter S. Price, of Canton; four  
step-sons, Love A., and Will Coman,  
of Canton, Grover Coman, of Ashe-  
ville, and Hillery Coman, and a  
number of nieces and nephews.

## RAF Parachutists in Action



Pictured above are British parachute troops. The use of these troops  
by Britain in the southern part of Italy marks the first time England  
has attempted this innovation in modern warfare. The heavily armed  
troops landed in Calabria and Lucania in an attempt to cut commu-  
nications. All were reported captured in a dispatch from Rome.

## County's Population Now Set At 34,804

### Miss Walker Plays Own Composition At College Concert

Miss Jane Walker was among the  
young North Carolina composers of  
Woman's College, UNC, and Duke  
University, who met last Saturday  
in Greensboro for a luncheon and  
concert. Miss Walker is a student  
at Woman's College UNC.

The concert was composed en-  
tirely of original work done by the  
students.

Miss Walker is the daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Walker, of  
Waynesville.

Haywood's population, according  
to the revised figures just released  
by the census bureau in Washing-  
ton, stands at 34,804.

This makes Haywood the fourth  
largest county in Western North  
Carolina, with Haycombe leading  
with 108,755; Burke second with  
68,615 and Rutherford with 45,577.

Beaverdam is the largest in the  
county, and Cataloochee the smal-  
lest.

The population according to  
townships, is:

Beaverdam	11,352
Cataloochee	257
Cecil	769
Clyde	2,067
Crabtree	1,609
East Fork	1,184
Fines Creek	1,609
Iron Duff	501
Ivy Hill	1,558
Jonathan's Creek	1,344
Pigeon	2,658
Waynesville	9,871
White Oak	380

## New Changes In Mattress Project Listed By Agents

### Some Misunderstanding Regarding Qualifications Of Applicants Has Arisen

A few months ago Haywood  
county was given an opportunity to  
take part in the state-wide mattress  
project, this project to be directed  
and supervised by the home demon-  
stration and the county farm  
agents.

Realizing the value of such a  
project to rural families in the  
county, plans were immediately  
made to start the project. The pur-  
poses of the mattress project being:  
first to supply farm families having  
an annual income of \$600.00 or  
less with a comfortable mattress;  
second, to teach the family how to  
make a mattress; and third to use  
surplus cotton. To date over 700  
mattresses have been made and dis-  
tributed.

When an application is made for  
a mattress the applicant signs that  
their income is \$600.00 or less and  
that they will not dispose of the  
mattress in any way and will use it  
for the comfort of themselves and  
their family.

It has come to the attention of  
the county agent's office that some  
families have sold or traded their  
mattress, so it was learned this  
week. This is a very serious of-  
fense, it was pointed out, and  
warning is being issued to all ap-  
plicants and to those who have re-  
ceived mattresses that steps will  
be taken to investigate all such re-  
ported cases.

It has also come to the attention  
of the county agent's office that ap-  
plications are being placed by farm-  
ers who show by their 1940 farm  
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## Steve Cathey, Shot In Quarrel, Said To Be Improving

O. E. Carroll, Of Canton,  
Who Fired Shots Is Being  
Held In County Jail

The condition of Steve Cathey,  
21, of the Silver Bluff community,  
who was taken to the Haywood  
County Hospital last Thursday af-  
ter he had been shot twice in the  
stomach, was reported late last  
night by hospital attaches, to be  
much better than was expected in  
consideration of the critical wounds.

O. E. Carroll, of Canton, is being  
held in the Haywood county jail  
here charged with firing the shots  
that wounded the young man.

The shooting took place between  
8:30 and 9 o'clock last Thursday  
night at Hugh Cathey's garage in  
the Bethel section.

Sheriff R. V. Welch said it was  
reported to him that the shooting  
took place after Carroll had called  
Cathey out of the garage, where  
the latter was attending a national  
defense class in mechanics.

A quarrel is alleged to have tak-  
en place while the two were out-  
side, which resulted in the shoot-  
ing.

The cause of the trouble between  
the two men has not been disclosed.

## Smathers Home Converted Into Apartment House

The Smathers residence on Bran-  
ner avenue, the former home of  
late Mr. and Mrs. Clem Smathers  
is being converted into an apart-  
ment house by J. E. Massie, pres-  
ent owner.

There will be six apartments, two  
on each floor. Work is progressing  
rapidly on the renovations and  
they are expected to be completed  
around the first of April, according  
to Mr. Massie.

A modern heating plant is being  
installed, and the latest type of  
plumbing and bath room fixtures  
are being used. The building is  
being completely rewired, and a  
new roof is being put on. It is be-  
ing painted on the outside and re-  
decorated throughout the inside.

A garage for each apartment will  
be built on the lot back of the house.  
It is understood that these will not  
be furnished by the owner.

## County Agents Call Meet To Organize Defense Program

The county farm agents are call-  
ing a meeting for Friday, March  
the 7th, at 2 o'clock in the court  
room for the purpose of organizing  
all groups for a national defense  
program.

Speakers on the program will be  
announced at a later date. At-  
tending leaders are invited to at-  
tend: agricultural extension agents,  
the county board of agriculture, all  
triple A committeemen, county  
council of home demonstration  
clubs, county council officers of 4-H  
clubs, vocational teachers of ag-  
riculture and home economics.

Also county officers of the FFA,  
farm security supervisors, WPA  
supervisors, NYA supervisors,  
county officers of the grange and  
farm bureau, welfare department  
officers, health department officers,  
president of civic organizations,  
land use planning committee, bank-  
ers, county superintendent of  
schools and board of county com-  
missioners.

## Local Men Look For Much Good To Come From Good Will Trip

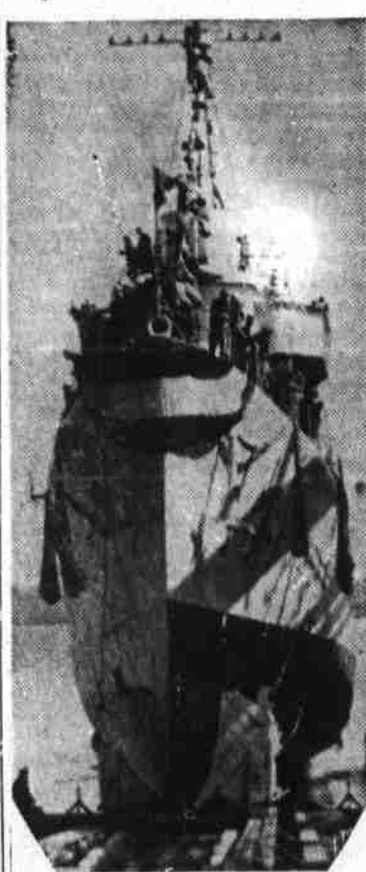
The four Waynesville men who  
were members of the recent West-  
ern North Carolina Tour to Florida seem  
of one mind about the attractions of  
the sunshine state and of the good  
to be derived from such trips.

"The outstanding feature of the  
trip was the welcome we received.  
Those people down there really  
know how to make you feel at  
home. Everywhere we went we  
were received with 'open arms' so  
to speak," said W. Hugh Massie,  
member of the town board of al-  
dermen.

"The amount of advertising given  
Western North Carolina could not  
have been bought for \$10,000  
if it could have been purchased at  
all. We talked to hundreds of peo-  
ple who are planning to come here  
this summer, wanting to know all  
about our accommodations and amuse-  
ments," continued Mr. Mas-  
sie.

## Haywood Likes Plan Joining Henderson As Senatorial Unit

### Joins U. S. Fleet



Sliding down the ways at the  
Charleston (S.C.) Navy Yard is the  
destroyer Ingraham, latest addition  
to America's rapidly growing three-  
ocean navy. Mrs. George Ingraham  
Hutchinson, granddaughter of Cap-  
tain Ingraham, for whom the war-  
ship is named, officiated at the  
christening.

## Local Women To Observe World Day Of Prayer

### Women Urged To Participate In Observance Being Held At Same Hour Throughout The World

Women members of the local  
Protestant churches will meet at  
the Presbyterian church tomorrow  
afternoon at 3:30 o'clock to hold a  
prayer service on the day set apart  
by the women throughout the  
world. Special prayers will be  
offered for the spread of peace, for  
war victims, for the church and for  
world righteousness.

The local program will follow  
that arranged by the Council of  
Women of Home Missions, which  
is made up of representatives from  
the Christian churches of the United  
States. The theme for this year's  
day of prayer is "Thy Kingdom  
Come."

The program is divided into four  
parts and one woman from each  
of the four congregations participat-  
ing will lead a section.

Mrs. L. M. Richeson will preside  
and also represent the Presby-  
terian church on the program. Others  
taking part are Mrs. J. Harden  
Howell, of the Methodist church,  
Miss Robena Miller, from Grace  
Episcopal church, and Mrs. Henry  
Foy representing the women of the  
Baptist church.

A special appeal is being made  
to the women of the community to  
join in the observance this year and  
be a part of the world wide groups  
praying for peace.

### Plan Would Have State Senator Alternating From The Two Counties

Of all proposals made so far for  
a new senatorial district, general  
sentiment in Haywood leans over-  
whelmingly towards that one which  
would combine Haywood and Hen-  
derson counties.

This week a telegram was cir-  
culated for names to be sent to  
Representative Glenn C. Palmer,  
and not a single dissenting voice  
was heard against this proposal of  
becoming a senatorial mate to  
Henderson, and alternating in send-  
ing a senator to the state legisla-  
ture.

The proposal was one of many  
which have come to light since the  
legislature inaugurated a plan to  
redistrict the state. One proposal  
which did not meet with favor at  
all, was the combining of Haywood,  
Jackson, Transylvania and Polk  
having 2 senators. At present this  
district is composed of Haywood,  
Transylvania and Jackson, and has  
one senator.

It was explained by those who  
took the lead in finding out the  
sentiment of Haywood leaders, that  
Haywood and Henderson have so  
many things in common—similar in  
agricultural, industrial and tour-  
ists set ups.

In the tentative draft of a bill  
which would combine Haywood,  
Jackson, Transylvania and Polk and  
give two senators, there was no  
mandatory clause as to rotation.  
This did not meet with favor in any  
quarters in Haywood.

## Mrs. Farrell, 40 Years Resident Of Balsam, Dies

### Was Native Of Virginia, And Had Operated A Store At Balsam For 30 Years

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Farrell, 85,  
beloved woman of Balsam, was  
found dead in her bed on Wednes-  
day morning. It was thought that  
she had died about 4 o'clock from  
a heart attack.

Mrs. Farrell, a native of Virginia,  
had been living at Balsam for the  
past forty years. She had operated  
a store, dealing in general mer-  
chandise for the past thirty years.

She had been at the store on  
Monday as usual, but on Tuesday  
had complained of a cold and had  
remained at her home, but her  
condition was in no way alarming.

Funeral arrangements had not  
been completed late last night,  
pending communication with her  
brother. Tentative plans are to  
have the last rites conducted on  
Friday at the Balsam Baptist  
church, with burial in Greenhill  
cemetery.

Mrs. Farrell was born near Pet-  
ersburg, Va., in 1856. She is the  
widow of the late William B. Far-  
rell. She was an outstanding fig-  
ure for years in the Balsam section  
and was greatly beloved by the  
summer colony in the section.

Surviving are two brothers, A. B.  
Edwards, of Mullins, S. C., and A.  
P. Edwards, of San Francisco,  
Calif., two nephews, George Knight,  
of Balsam and another nephew  
living in Florida.

## Assistant State 4-H Club Leader Visits In County

Miss Frances McGregor, of Bal-  
eigh, assistant 4-H club leader,  
spent Monday in the county in con-  
ference with county farm and home  
agents in planning out the sched-  
ule of work for the clubs during  
the coming year.

Miss McGregor also made a talk  
to the students at the Bethel high  
school on Vocational Guidance.

## Mrs. J. W. Blitch To Address Methodist Women Tonight

Mrs. W. L. Hutchins will have  
charge of the program at the study  
hour tonight of the women's society  
of Christian Service to be held in  
the ladies parlor of the Methodist  
church at 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. J. W. Blitch, wife of the pas-  
tor of the Bethel church will be  
the guest speaker. Mrs. Blitch  
was born in China, of missionary  
parents.