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COVERING HAYWOOD'S POLITICAL FRONTS

Saturday, May 30th
It is a day you'll be hearing about from now on. That is a day of days in Haywood. It will be constantly reminding scores of people, both men and women, to "remember me on 30th." Do what you can for your country.

Announcing This Week

BRYAN MEDFORD
For Register of Deeds
J. T. BAILEY
For State Senate

appropriate, as there is always a "sadness" for defeated candidates on election day.

On other day in the year has equal for excitement as the day of the primary election.

War or no war, Haywood will be the usual interesting, high-tension primary campaign. Some of the younger poll workers will be in the service, but all in all, the primary will run true to form, ending the famous "Friday night line."

Interest in politics is born in the people of Haywood. They take it seriously, and don't let anything interfere with their parting. Neighbors work hard together for 22 out of 24 hours, but for the two-month primary campaign, each must take care of himself.

Haywood's Republicans got off to a flying start Saturday, getting their ducks in a row, for the primary, and with a determination to give a bigger and better showing next year than ever. Details of the meeting Saturday are given elsewhere in this paper.

Listen candidates. Time's a-ticking.

Starting today, there remains only a few days until the election. (Continued on page 8)

Frank Ferguson Dies Suddenly; Burial Friday
Funeral services were conducted at home on Woolsey Heights at 10 o'clock Friday afternoon for Frank Ferguson, 62, prominent in the political life of Haywood for many years, who died at the Haywood County Hospital at 9:45 Wednesday night. The Rev. J. Clay Madison, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiated. Burial was in Greenhill cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers were: St. V. Welch, John Boyd, Grover Davis, Chas. C. Francis, Henry Campbell, Dewey Ross, Clarence Brown, and Ed Fincher.

Mr. Ferguson, who is widely known, (Continued on page 8)

C. Medford Is Named Justice of Peace Here
Clark Medford has been named by the clerk of the court to succeed the late Frank Ferguson as justice of the peace. Mr. Medford served 11 years in the county jail from 1924 to 1934, and has established a reputation in the sheriff's office. He gives Waynesville two justices of the peace, W. H. and Mr. Medford, both work in the sheriff's office.

Defendants who had unfinished business pending before Mr. Ferguson or papers in his hands should bring them to Mr. Medford.

Curtain Up On 1942 Election As 2 Announce

The curtain was run up yesterday on Haywood's 1942 primary election, when two candidates took their places on the stage in preparation for what is predicted to be one of the hardest fought elections in many years.

Bryan Medford, long prominent in Haywood politics, took a seat in the center of the stage, making Haywood Democrats to nominate him as candidate for register of deeds.

The other seat on the stage was taken by Mayor J. T. Bailey, of Canton, who wants to go to the State Senate next January and be one of the two senators from this district. Haywood will send one of them, and Jackson the other, by mutual agreement.

So far, Mr. Medford and Mr. Bailey are the lone occupants of seats on the political stage, but by next week, if predictions run true, they will have a lot of company.

Mr. Medford is deputy tax collector, successful farmer, and prominent in Haywood county politics.

Mr. Bailey is a wholesale grocer in Canton. He was in the legislature several years ago, as Haywood's representative, and is the present mayor of Canton, and also member of the Canton draft board.

Other political news this week is condensed in the new column, "Along Political Fronts," which will appear every week in this newspaper.

Seawell Heads Two Newspapers In Carrollton
Thomas M. Seawell has assumed active managerial duties of the two newspapers which the corporation he heads publishes at Carrollton, Ga.

Mr. Seawell will edit The Carroll County Times, a 78-year-old progressive newspaper, and supervise the editorial policies of The (Continued on page 8)

Following Men In Service Around the World
This column is devoted to news of men serving their country. Such news is solicited from parents and friends of these men. When writing, be sure to sign your name.

Dr. G. M. Davis Gets Naval Commission
Dr. Grover M. Davis has received his commission as a lieutenant, junior grade, in the United States Naval Reserve for service with the dental corps.

He will report for active duty on March 30th.

Dr. Davis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Davis, of Waynesville. He attended Davidson College and was graduated from the Atlanta Southern Dental College in 1940.

He is a member of the American Dental Society, and the Lions Club here. He has served as scoutmaster of the Hazelwood troop.

Lt. David Stentz Receives Promotion To Flight Commander
Lt. David Stentz, U. S. Air Corps, stationed on the Pacific coast, has recently been promoted.

Air Raid Wardens Waynesville Area Are Announced
Announcement has been made this week of air raid wardens for the Waynesville area. A practice blackout is planned for the community in the near future, pending the arrival of the equipment that is expected any day.

Those who will serve the area (Continued on page 8)

Brand New Features
Always on the lookout for something new to give our readers, The Mountaineer this week is presenting four brand new features:

On page 10, is the first presentation of thumbnail sketches of 1942 high school graduates.

On the same page, is the first column written for The Mountaineer by two experienced newspapermen in Washington, on what is going on there.

On page 11, is a timely, and interesting illustrated Sunday school lesson.

On page one is The Mountaineer's political column on what is news in Haywood politics. Through this column you can get a ring-side seat for the coming campaign.

Pages 14 and 15 are this week devoted to the observance of the 30th anniversary of the Girl Scouts.

Republicans Hold Annual Convention In Canton Saturday

Elect Delegates and Alternates To District and State Conventions.

Haywood county Republicans held their annual convention at the Canton high school building Saturday afternoon with A. T. Ward, attorney of Waynesville, chairman, presiding.

The election of officers, which was scheduled to have been held at the meeting, was postponed until the next meeting of the group which has been announced for April 11th, to be held at the high school in Canton.

It was agreed to accredit as delegates all who may be able to go to the congressional district convention to be held in the court house at Sylva on Thursday, March 12th. This will also apply to the state convention to take place in (Continued on page 8)

Rationing Board Grants 12 Out Of 21 Applications
Twelve applications out of the twenty-one submitted to the local tire rationing board were granted during the week.

Those receiving their applications in full were as follows: Ben Cook, hauler of raw forest products, 2 truck tires; M. H. Caldwell, wholesale milk hauler, 2 light truck tires; Lowdermilk Bros., Construction company, highway construction, 1 truck tire and 1 truck tube; U. S. Department of Agriculture by Dr. G. Tudder, professional veterinarian, employed (Continued on page 8)

New Ruling Affects Registrants With Dependents
The War department has announced that in the near future selective service registrants who have been deferred solely because of dependency will be given an opportunity to qualify as officer candidates by volunteering for induction through selective service, it was learned yesterday from the local draft board.

This policy will make it possible for registrants who have dependents to obtain commissions, if they can qualify themselves for commissions and thereby enable them to serve in the armed forces of the nation in this hour of grave emergency and at the same time take (Continued on page 8)

Gene Sutton Returns From Pearl Harbor
Eugene Sutton is back home from Pearl Harbor.

As far as is known, he is the first man to come here since the attack by the Japs on December 7th.

Mr. Sutton was enroute to the Hawaiian Islands when war broke out, but he kept on going. He was scheduled to take a job, but due to physical ailments, was unable to pass the physical examination.

He is on the Rotary program Friday to tell of his trip.

Harold's Stocks To Be Auctioned
The stock and fixtures of the two stores of Harolds, here and Canton, will be sold at public auction Tuesday. The Canton stock will be sold at 11 o'clock and the Waynesville stock at 3, according to Virge McClure, of Canton, who is trustee.

M. H. Rabhan, owner of both stores, recently made an assignment of the merchandise and fixtures, and named Mr. McClure as trustee.

Withers Now In Miami Air Corps School
Sergeant Ernest L. Withers, Jr., has left the huge Air Corps Tech- (Continued on page 5)

Haywood Demonstration Farmers Honor 2 Waynesville Firms With Placques



Bear Meets Pig--Proves No Match--Leaves At Once

Just about daylight an early visitor called at the home of Charlie Jaynes, near Lake Junaluska, Wednesday morning of last week, but he did not tarry long, it was learned.

Mr. Jaynes was aroused by the unusual barking of his dogs and went out to investigate the cause, to find in the lot with a 500 pound sow, a bear which he thought must weigh around 400 pounds.

The bear, no doubt thought the hog lot a good place to find some food, but changed his mind pretty soon, for he proved to be a poor match for the lazy looking sow, who was more energetic than she looked. So in great haste Old Bruin left the sow to reign supreme in her domain, traveling in the direction of Pisgah Ledge.

According to G. C. Platt, county game and fish protector, it is very unusual for bears to come down out of their winter quarters at this season, and he attributed the visit to the heavy snow that sent him in search of food.

900 Registrants In Last Draft Given Serial Numbers
On March the 9th, the date set by the government, serial numbers were given the 900 registrants who had registered in the Waynesville area by the local draft board.

On Tuesday the 17th, the grand lottery will be drawn in Washington, and then the men will be filed according to the order in which they will be called into service.

The registration included all males between the ages of 21 and (Continued on page 8)

Chamber Of Commerce Directors To Open Office About April 15

The doors of the Chamber of Commerce office will swing open again on April 15th.

This decision was reached by the board of directors last week, and the announcement was made yesterday by Paul Davis, newly elected president of the organization.

Who will be secretary? That question will be answered when the board meets again on the 25th. In the meantime applications are being received and the board will go over these and announce their decision in ample time before the opening of the office on April 15th.

The directors set five and a half months for keeping the office open. That will mean closing time sometime about October first. By that time, if conditions warrant, they will continue to keep it open, provided the treasurer shows sufficient where-with-all to pay the expense and still refrain from using red ink.

"Labor Day and the livestock show will be over by October first, and that would just about close the active season for the office," Mr. Davis said.

In the meantime, a budget committee composed of M. D. Watkins, R. B. Davenport and Jack Messer have sharpened their pencils and are getting down to the dollar and cents side of the business.

83 Haywood Boys Left This Week For Service In The Army

Waynesville Board Had 49 and Canton Board Had 34, the Largest Unit Yet To Leave.

Thirty-four men left on Monday from the Canton area for induction in the U. S. armed forces as follows:

Wiley Caldwell, William Troy Gaddy, William Lester Bramlett, Walter Henry Ledford, Lommie Herman Davis, Samuel Ben Green, George Richard DeBoard, Mark Medford Jones, Orville, Woodrow Gaddy, William Isaac Brown, George Vaughn Medford, Troy William Trull, William Edward Singleton, Jim Revis, Charles Rufus Stamey.

James Carl Gibson, James Bannigan Hurley, William Harding Keith, Fred Thomason, Harry Lee Birchfield, Jennings Wilson Sizemore, Lenoir William Smathers, Homer Tipton Whitted, John Willis Singleton, Mitchell McCarter, Manuel Glenn Wiggins, James Quenton Blaylock, Harry Edward Spence, Harley Sampson Wilson, Robert Andrew Brookshire, Joney Marler, Carl Edgerton Powell, and Earl Wease.

Hugh Rogers, acting principal of the Cruso school, was deferred until the end of the school term.

Church Attendance Down Last Sunday
Only Half Of Participating Pastors Make Reports

Two of Canton's churches showed substantial gains Sunday, and kept the total attendance for the 10 reporting churches from going so far in the red for last Sunday, which was the second Sunday of the 9-week go-to-church campaign.

The First Baptist of Canton showed a gain of 187, and the Central Methodist of Canton showed a gain of 36. The Hazelwood Baptist had the same number both Sundays, while the other seven reporting churches had a loss, ranging from 9 to 110.

The totals for the ten reporting churches for March first was 3,170, while last Sunday was 3,117, a net loss of 53. Rain and slush kept many away from the morning services, while a steady down-pour kept many others indoors for the evening services.

Pastors and laymen were optimistic. (Continued on page 8)

Health Officers Enforcing New Regulations

"America has been too careless in the past about demanding clean eating places. The boards of health, and health officers of the nation are now doing what should have been done in the past—cleaning up," Dr. C. N. Sisk told Rotarians last week.

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Volunteers For Knitting Urged By Red Cross

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Miss Stringfield is urging that those who plan to knit for this quota get in touch with her at once, as there was a delay in receiving wool and work will have to be rushed to complete the large number requested.

The present quota calls for 99 (Continued on page 8)

Rotarians Will Sponsor Easter Seal Sale Here

The Rotary Club will sponsor the annual Easter Seal Sale, with the funds to be used for crippled children's work. A special play directed by Miss Hester Ann Withers will also be sponsored by the club.

Details were being worked out this week by the committee designated to carry on work among crippled children.

Production Rooms Open For Cutting And Sewing

The Red Cross production rooms have been officially opened, and will continue to be so, three days each week, namely, Monday, Wednesday and Friday until otherwise announced, it was learned from Mrs. Jack Messer, production chairman of the local chapter. On Monday and Wednesday a (Continued on page 8)

Attract Representative Group Of Citizens In Community Gather To Tell Them Goodbye.

The largest number of men leaving here under the selective draft service, totaling 49 strong, drew the largest crowd of citizens in the community yet to assemble to bid draftees goodbye, here on Wednesday morning.

The final instructions in the draft office when the leaders were announced and papers to be taken to the induction center were handed over, took on the air of a more serious occasion than on former such events. As a final touch, a prayer was offered for the men who were entering the service.

T. L. Green, member of the draft board, told them, they were representing Haywood county in the great army of this nation and that they would not find their training and service an easy job. He expected them to conduct themselves with honor both to their home county and families.

After receiving their last orders, the men were invited to the W. W. N. C. Cafe, where the owner, C. A. George, served coffee and the Girl Scouts, assisted by their (Continued on page 8)

Reclassifications Made During Week By Draft Board

The following reclassifications were made during the past week by the local draft board:

Finis Bradford Stroud from class 1-H to 1-B; Ernest Carl Truitt, from 1-H to 1-A; Sam Major Blackman, from 1-H to 1-C; Claude Sutton, from 1-H to 1-A; William Portland Jones, from 4-F to 1-A.

Alvin Mills, from 4-F to 1-A; Walter Houston Plemmons, from (Continued on page 8)

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