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Hazelwood Man Is Killed In Accident

Rushing Instantly
Then Burned After
Near Spartanburg.

Rushing was instantly killed in a head-on collision with a car five miles from Hazelwood late Friday afternoon. Rushing was a helper on a transport truck which was carrying milk.

Carroll, also of Waynesville, was in the truck, suffering from the face and hands. He was taken to the hospital, where he is being treated. The accident is being investigated by the highway department.

Posthumously Awarded



STAFF SGT. WILLIAM EARL LEATHERWOOD, who was killed in action on November 21, 1944, has been given the Purple Heart and other recognition for his bravery in combat.

Town Puts 10 Trash Cans on Main Street

Ten metal trash containers were placed in the community by the Town of Waynesville on Monday morning. Nine have been put on Main Street and one on Depot Street.

Wood Record Broken Again

Waynesville set a new record for the number of trees cut during the past three weeks, according to Wade McDaniels. There was not a single tree cut during the past three weeks, according to McDaniels.

Mrs. Rung From California

Mrs. Harry Rung have from fourteen months stay in California, Calif., where she and her son-in-law and daughter, Mrs. J. F. McDaniel, are opening up their new tea room on the highway in East Waynesville. The building formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Brading.

Civil Air Patrol Will Organize Tonight

The organization will be completed at Armory tonight at eight o'clock.

U. S. Needs More Production Of Vital Acidwood

Farmers, Woods Workers Urged To Boost Chestnut Timber Output For War Uses.

Farmers and woods workers are being asked to go into the woods with their axes and saws and produce chestnut extract wood so our fighting men will not run low on shoes.

Council Sponsors Men's, Women's Basketball Event

Tournament To Be Held With Out-Coming Teams Competing From March 19-23.

Plans are under way for conducting an all-star basketball tournament for men's and women's teams of this section under the sponsorship of the Community Council of the Waynesville-Hazelwood communities. It was announced this week by E. W. Tenney, director of the Council.

The excellent playing facilities of the local armory will be available for the tournament, which it is hoped will become an annual affair.

The tournament will take place during the week of March 19-23, and all out-coming men's and women's all-star teams are being invited.

The following are the tournament regulations which have been adopted, according to Mr. Tenney: Ten male players and 12 female players with their coaches will be admitted; a \$3.00 entry fee for each team will be charged, but will be refunded when each team makes its appearance in the tournament.

All practice and game balls will be furnished by the tournament officials. Game and scoring officials will be furnished by the tournament officials; all entry blanks must be in hand by Monday, March 12.

John F. Snyder, Haywood Farmer, Buried Tuesday

John F. Snyder, 70, Haywood county farmer of the Haystack Creek section, died at his home at noon on Monday. Funeral services were conducted at the residence at 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon with Rev. Nando Stevens and Rev. William Sorrells officiating. Burial was in Green Hill cemetery.

Active pallbearers were: Claude Snyder, Dan Snyder, Carl McCracken, Jr., Roy Smithers, Perry Smithers, and J. H. Smith.

Honorary pallbearers were: J. M. Long, R. V. Welch, Joe N. Tate, Dr. Sam L. Stringfield, Dr. R. S. Robinson, John Brendle, W. A. Bradley, Jim Bradshaw, John Platt, West Patton, W. F. Swift, Dewey Hyatt, Dutch Smithers, George Troutman, Will Moore, Monroe Oyner, Clayton Nichols, H. B. Milner, and James M. Palmer.

Mr. Snyder is survived by his widow, the former Mrs. Ellen Lauer; one son, Jack Snyder, who resides at home; seven daughters, Mrs. Dewey Brendle, Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 1, Mrs. J. E. Sims, Asheville, Mrs. Vaughn Platt, Hazelwood, Mrs. Wilsie Snyder Cook, Waynesville, Mrs. Debe Dean, Hazelwood, Mrs. Herman Arrington, Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 1, and Mrs. Richard Geringer, Bismarck, Ga.; one brother, Marion Snyder, of Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 1; four sisters, Mrs. Mattie Justice, Deer Park, Wash., and Mrs. John Hoffman, Charlotte; twenty-three grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

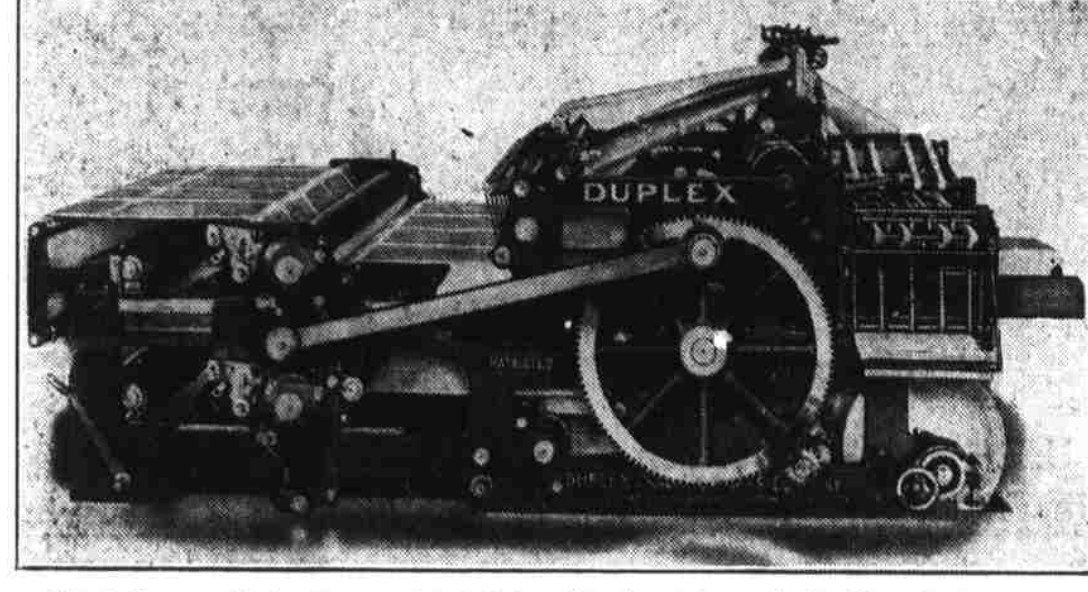
Garrett Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Killed In Action



The family of Pfc. Clarence Louis Scruggs (Laffy), who was killed in action in Pacific theatre on September 18, 1944, and who was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart, has received a memorial certificate signed by President Roosevelt as follows: "In grateful memory of Clarence Louis Scruggs, U. S. Marine Corps, who died in the service of his country at Peleliu Island, 18 Sept. 1944. He stands in the unbroken line of patriots who have dared to die that freedom might live and grow and increase its blessings. Freedom lives, and through it he lives—in a way that humbles the undertakings of most men."

The New Press That Printed This Newspaper



This is the new Duplex press, just installed in The Mountaineer, which will enable faster production and a larger newspaper than former facilities would permit. The press prints from a large roll of paper, and can produce 50 complete copies per minute.

The Mountaineer Installs A Large, Modern Duplex Press

Wins Award



CAPT. RUFUS CARSWELL, son of Mrs. Anna Carswell and the late John Carswell, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal for heroic achievement in action on 18th October, 1944, in vicinity of Montemurlo, Italy.

Excerpts from the letter from headquarters which accompanied the Bronze Star are as follows: "In an attack by Company 'B' of an armored infantry battalion, all officers but Capt. Carswell were wounded and evacuated. In addition, two platoon sergeants and a majority of the squad leaders were evacuated. Capt. Carswell was at the time suffering from an infection which had started in his left hand and spread through his left arm."

Rotary To Carry On Scout Work

Activities of the Scout troop sponsored by the Rotary Club was the program last Friday, when members of the troop committee made their reports. The club will continue as sponsor of the troop this year.

Stanley Brading, chairman, was in charge. Other speakers included: M. D. Watkins, Guy Massey, Scoutmaster; J. C. Brown, J. C. Madison, E. A. Williamson, and B. E. Collett.

S. H. Bushnell, Jr., is assistant scoutmaster and Dean Colvard is a member of the troop committee.

BOOSTERS TO MEET

The Hazelwood Boosters Club will meet tonight at 7 o'clock at the Hazelwood Presbyterian church for their regular monthly supper meeting.

Draft Board Reclassified 55 This Week

Fifty-five men were reclassified during the past week by the local draft board with ten of the group placed in class 1-A as follows: Oscar Shuler, Walter L. Shuler, Fred W. Wright, Leonard McElroy, Hector C. Robinson, Robert A. Morgan, James C. Stacy, William A. McCracken, and Edward W. Green.

Placed in class 2-A was Lloyd A. Blanton.

Placed in class 2-A (F) were Thomas E. Mills, Jesse Williams, and Carl Leopold.

Continued in class 2-A were: Charles C. Towles, William N. Hollingsworth, Lewis Gibson, Clayton E. Alexander, Tracy W. Stackhouse, Jr., Walter R. Wright, and Hugh Hall.

Continued in class 2-A (F) were: Charlie L. Carver, Frank Messer, and Carl Cagle.

Placed in class 2-B (F) were: Frank J. Hamann, and George C. Styles.

Continued in class 2-B were: James W. Fisher, John M. Fisher, Robert H. Ferguson, James K. Cravey, Samuel D. Leonard, and Fred King.

Placed in class 2-B (F) were: Joe H. Cope, and James E. Miles.

Placed in class 1-C (discharged) were: Leonard V. Shepherd, William H. Ferguson, Dan Ledford, Dewey E. Kibuchart, William L. Robinson, James Sheehan, Efton Owerd, John A. Rathbone, and Harold J. Troutman.

Placed in class 1-C (inducted) were: Lewis J. Parker.

Placed in class 4-A was William C. Hill.

Placed in class 2-C was William C. Hill.

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Five More 18-Year-Olds Register In February

On last Wednesday, February 28, after The Mountaineer had gone to press, five more eighteen-year-olds registered with the local draft board, making the total being that age during the month 24, the largest number yet to register in a single month of that group.

Those registering were: Frederick Hamilton Saunders, Jr., Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 1, Curtis Young, Waynesville, Fred Vinson Sutton, Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 2, Marshall Cade Garland, Waynesville.

New Press Will Enable Publishers To Give Readers Larger Newspaper.

The new Duplex press is in operation in The Mountaineer.

The publishers have anxiously awaited this statement since last summer when they went to New York and Philadelphia to personally select a large and modern press to accommodate the growing circulation of the newspaper.

The press was bought months ago and due to a multitude of circumstances, did not arrive until ten days ago. Since that time, C. G. Carter, press engineer of New York, and several assistants have worked night and day in assembling the more than 3,700 parts of the 24,000-pound machine.

The initial test run was made Tuesday afternoon, and the engineer gave his OK to its operation.

The new press will enable The Mountaineer to produce a larger newspaper, and the paper is now one column wider than the former size, and each column is an inch longer, giving 28 more inches of space to the page than the other press.

The press will print and fold eight complete pages at once at a speed of fifty per minute when pushed to full capacity. Two men can operate the machine, which is automatic in every detail, pulling the paper from a roll weighing up to a half ton into the machine, printing it, then folding into the proper sizes and cutting it at the last.

Like all machinery, there will be numerous adjustments to be made as the press operates, and for the first few weeks, we cannot expect to get top quality printing, but every effort and expense has been put into the press to produce a paper second to none in printing quality.

This is the first week that The Mountaineer has been completely printed in its own plant since the new type was set here, but the press work was done on the press of The Canton Enterprise.

A special foundation had to be made for the heavy press, and a 36-inch pit built underneath as some of the working parts of the press are below the floor level. All electrical control equipment and a 10-horse power motor are under the floor. The press operates at five speeds.

The paper travels 76 feet (Continued on page 6)

Killed In Action



LT. HENRY CLAY DUNAVANT son of Mrs. Crews Moody, of Dellwood, and the late Major Buford Dunavant, of Memphis, Tenn., of World War I, who was killed in action in Belgium January 30. He was serving with a parachute infantry company and attached to the 82nd Airborne Division. He was with the group when they captured the bridge at Nimegen, Holland.

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New Law Will Make Town's Posts 4 Years

Buried Yesterday



EVERY ROTH

Last Rites Held Yesterday For Harry Roth

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at the Presbyterian church for Harry Roth, 65, general manager of the South River Pipe Corporation of Burnsville, and resident of Waynesville for more than 45 years, who died in an Asheville hospital Monday morning following a lengthy illness.

Rev. Malesha R. Williamson, pastor of the church, and Rev. S. R. Crockett, pastor of the Hazelwood Presbyterian church, officiated. Burial was in Green Hill cemetery.

Active pallbearers were: Charles Ray, Bill Lamakin, Hugh J. Sloan, Bill Howell, Bill Goodhead, Jess Aubrey, Ralph Black, and R. L. Lee.

Honorary pallbearers were: Judge Felix E. Allen, S. W. Feltus, Ernest J. Hyatt, E. L. McKee, T. G. Mayne, Robert Robertson, Walter Danforth, W. J. Parks, Gus Sale, S. C. Clapp, Dr. Bernard Smith, G. E. Denley, Rush Way, George H. Ward, Dr. M. Medford, Dr. Sam Stringfield, Dr. Tom Stringfield, J. K. Keener, J. W. Edman, J. R. Toad, W. L. Hardin, May Robert, Stanton McCall, David Sharp.

Robert Edmond, J. M. Long, Bill Goodhead, R. L. Feltus, Church Crockett, Mark Callaway, Norman Barnett, Len Ringer, Dr. J. R. McCracken, J. Hudson Howell, W. A. Bradley, Louis Clark, Jeff Reeves, Jim Stringfield, Alvin Ward, and J. R. Morgan.

Mr. Roth was a native of Ashland, Ky., and came to Western North Carolina in 1909. He was engaged in the lumber business for many years and for 12 years served as forestry products manager of the Farmer's Federation. In 1942 he became general manager of the South River Pipe Corporation. The position he held at

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Red Cross Drive Is Slow; Few Reports

Quota of \$7,800 Far From Being Reported; Renewed Effort To Be Made.

Only \$1,029 of the \$7,800 quota assigned this area of the county in the Red Cross War Fund Drive was in hand late yesterday afternoon, it was learned from H. B. Atkins, treasurer of the Haywood Chapter.

Only a few of the members of the working committee had reported. It was pointed out by Mr. Atkins, who left confident that when the final totals were added in this section of the county the figures would be far above the assigned amount.

The plans originally called for a ten-day drive so all persons who have not yet made their donation to the Red Cross fund are urged to do so at once, so that the workers in the various sections and in the organizations may have their quotas in hand to turn over to the treasurer.

Only one school had reported through yesterday, the Central (Continued on page 6)

Other Bills Introduced Would Increase Salaries Of Four County Officials.

Legislative measures have been introduced by Representative Glenn C. Palmer to extend the term of office for officials of Hazelwood and Clyde to four years instead of two. The county, and towns of Waynesville and Canton now have four-year terms.

Mr. Palmer told The Mountaineer yesterday that he does not plan to introduce any other bills during this session of the legislature, which he predicted would adjourn sometime next week.

Mr. Palmer introduced four bills to increase the salaries of four county office-holders. These measures are expected to pass without opposition. The salary of the county manager would be increased from \$1,500 to \$2,400 per year; the salary of tax collector would be set at \$2,500 under the new law; the assistant clerk of court would receive \$130 per month, and adjustments made on the county accountant's salary.

Another bill introduced by Mr. Palmer would regulate the issuance of licenses for beer and wine in the county. The bill would authorize the commissioners or town aldermen of any municipality to refuse to issue beer or wine licenses.

A measure that is expected to be enacted into law would permit any officer to represent a bonding company, or professional bandman.

Earlier in the session he introduced a bill to enlarge the corporate limits of Canton. This bill has already become a law.

Mrs. Bart's Family Jap Prisoners, Are Released

Mrs. Byron Bart, of Los Angeles, Calif., wife of the well known movie actor, Guy Young, and daughter-in-law of J. E. Barr, of Waynesville, has been notified by the War Department that her father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. James Stapler, and her sister who have been held by the Japs as prisoners in Manila since the war started, are being released.

It was the first word that Mrs. Barr had of her family from the government. Her father is vice president of the Marsen Company, a gold mining organization that has world wide interests.

Pfc. Robert Ledford Home On Furlough

Private Robert Ledford, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ledford, has arrived to spend a 21 day furlough with his parents. Pfc. Ledford entered the service on August 21, 1944, and was inducted at Camp Croft.

From Croft he was transferred to Fort Bragg, then to Camp Claiborne, La. From the latter to New York, and back to Claiborne.

Before entering the service he was employed at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, Newport News, Va.

John Floyd Of State Health Dept. Claimed By Death

John E. Floyd, 47, of Asheville, a sanitarian with the State Board of Health for more than 20 years, died in a Rutherfordton hospital Friday afternoon shortly after he was stricken while working in Rutherfordton county. Funeral services were conducted at the Calvary Baptist church in Asheville on Sunday afternoon with Rev. J. B. Grice officiating.

Mr. Floyd, a veteran of World War I, went with the State Board of Health soon after he was discharged from the army and was well known in Haywood county and by thousands throughout the state as a result of his work over a long period of years.

Mr. Floyd was active in Masonic circles and was a Shriner. He is survived by his widow, two brothers and four sisters.