

### DEATHS

#### INFANT DAUGHTER

The ten-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Strickland, of the Gulf section of Haywood county, died Thursday morning at the home of her parents, following a brief illness. Funeral arrangements were not complete as The Mountaineer went to press, but it was thought that funeral services would be held today.

Surviving are the parents; three brothers, Perl, Oliver and Vernel; three sisters, Ida, Lillian and Mildred, all of the home.

Crawford funeral home is in charge of the arrangements.

#### MRS. JANE PARTON WOOD

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at the Haywood Methodist church for Mrs. Jane Parton Wood, 39, widow of the late D. A. Wood, who died at her home in Gastonia following a long illness.

Rev. C. O. Newell, pastor of the Haywood Methodist church, officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are two sons, Erastus Wood of Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 2, John Lee Wood of Bessemer City; five daughters, Mrs. Roy Parton of Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 2, Mrs. Medford Caldwell of Greer, S. C., Mrs. John Carver, Mrs. Walter Jolly and Mrs. Nora Wood, all of Gastonia; twenty-seven grandchildren and forty-eight great grandchildren.

#### NEW RADIO STATION

A new radio station, WESC will begin operations Sunday afternoon from Greenville, S. C., and can be picked up at 660 on the dial. Policy of the new station is not to run any serial dramas during afternoon hours, but instead to broadcast music almost without interruption.

### Missing Tools

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Missing Tools. The letter told how they had been acquired, and stated that the writer was ready "to do business" with the Virginian, to come at once with his car and get the tools.

Elated at his find, Noland brought the letter to the sheriff's office. A search warrant was prepared, and Deputy Sheriff Wade McDaniels and Patrolman O. R. Roberts went to Anders home. A thorough search of the premises uncovered tools and boxes answering the description of those lost.

A preliminary hearing was conducted by the magistrate Saturday, and Anders was bound over to Superior Court on the charge of larceny. He was released upon posting bond of \$500. Evidence against him, the tools and letter, will be in the custody of the law until the trial is held.

### Tobacco

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new quota plan decided by the Department of Agriculture. Those farmers who last year had a one-tenth acre allotment and received an adjustment up to two-tenths acre will be granted this increase. However, any grower whose adjustment was upward to more than one-half acre will not receive the benefit of the change.

Notices of authorized acreages are not being mailed to producers whose farm is being divided, or where two or more farms are being combined into one unit, states Mr. Dulin. When all details of ownership are completed regarding the land, tobacco quotas will be worked out by the county committee, and forwarded to the state office for approval.

### Commission

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pire the Governor shall appoint members to serve for six years. Members are eligible for re-appointment.

The commission will meet monthly, with five members constituting a quorum. The duties of the commission, as set out in the Medford bill would be to "promote the development of that part of the Smoky Mountains National Park lying in North Carolina, the completion and development of the Blue Ridge Parkway in North Carolina, the development of the Nantahala and Pisgah National Forests, and the development of other recreational areas in that part of North Carolina immediately affected by the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the Blue Ridge Parkway, or the Pisgah or Nantahala National Forests. It shall be the duty of the commission to study the development of these areas and to recommend a policy that will promote the development of the entire area generally designated as the Mountain Section of North Carolina, with particular emphasis upon the development of the scenic and recreational resources of the region, and the encouragement of the location of tourist facilities along lines designed to develop to the fullest these resources in the Mountain Section. It shall confer with the various departments, agencies, commissions and officials of the Federal Government and governments of adjoining states in connection with the development of the Federal areas and projects named in this section. It shall also advise and confer with the various officials, agencies or departments of the State of North Carolina that may be directly or indirectly concerned in the development of the resources of these areas, but shall not in any manner

### Schools

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take over or supplant these agencies in their work in this area, except in so far as expressly provided in this Act in respect to those commissions and agencies provided for in Article 6 of Chapter 113 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended, or Chapter 48 of the Public Laws of 1927, as amended. It shall also advise and confer with the various interested individuals, organizations or agencies that are interested in developing this area and shall use its facilities and efforts in formulating, developing and carrying out over-all programs for the development of the area as a whole. It shall study the need for additional entrances to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, together with the need for additional highway approaches and connections, and its findings in this connection shall be filed as recommendations with the National Park Service of the Federal Government, and the North Carolina State Highway and Public Works Commission.

The epidemic was sudden, and seemed to have spread over the week-end according to the health officer. Since it is in light form, many of the children who are ill are attending school, thus exposing others to the infection.

While the disease appears in a mild form, Dr. Michal is stressing the importance of proper treatment, rest in bed, during periods of symptoms, the drinking of plenty of water and cutting down on activity during and following attack.

Parents are asked to keep all children up to sixteen years of age away from the theater and all public gathering places and to keep them at home as much as possible in the effort to avoid spreading the disease.

The epidemic seems to be confined to the Waynesville district school area and other schools in the county will remain open and continue their routine work.

The epidemic has not developed in the Sausook and Allen's Creek schools to the extent that it has in the other district schools, according to Mr. Messer, who was unable to have a complete report of the absentees yesterday, but stated that they were comparatively few in relation to the other schools.

The absentees from the school in the area and their enrollments were as follows, yesterday, according to Mr. Messer: Hazelwood, 186 out of 712 enrolled; East Waynesville, 68 out of 254 students; Central Elementary school, 30 out of the 359 enrollment; Lake Junaluska, 40 out of 181; Maggie, 65 out of an enrollment of 131; Waynesville high and junior high had 100 students absent; Rock Hill, 30 out of 71 students.

St. John's school will also be closed.

### Tax Hearings

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Mr. Brown and Commissioner John Hipps last week-end visited Raleigh and talked over several matters with the Haywood legislators, Sen. William Medford and Rep. Glenn Palmer, their primary interest being to see what was going on regarding the federal and state hospital-aid program.

No specific local legislation was proposed or discussed, reports Mr. Brown. The two assemblymen are aware of the need to enlarge facilities of the Haywood County Hospital, and of more revenue for operating expenses than it now receives, and assured the commissioners they would work to the best interests of the county.

Federal funds to pay one-third the cost of constructing and enlarging public hospitals are expected to be provided by Congress in its current session, carrying out the provisions of the Hill-Burton law which it passed last year. Any state which would receive money under this law is required to furnish one-third of the cost of local projects, and local sources would pay the remaining one-third.

Petitions sponsored by several civic clubs and businessmen of Haywood recently were sent to the county representatives asking that they sponsor legislation that would declare hospitals a "necessary expense," which would give commissioners as much authority to provide for a public hospital as they now have with schools. Such a bill would be state-wide in application.

If this measure could not be made into law, the petitioners stated, they requested that local legislation be introduced to increase the tax levy in Haywood for hospital support.

Mr. Brown states that he does not believe that the legislature has the power to increase the tax levy here, since it originally was specified in an election held before the

### President

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1. Permission to spend \$400,000,000 in Greece and Turkey for the period ending June 30, 1948.

2. The right to send civilian personnel and military men to the two countries to assist in reconstruction and supervise use of the aid.

3. Legislation giving the administration scope in making the "speediest and most effective use" of the funds in terms of "needed commodities, supplies and equipment."

4. Authority to provide for the instruction and training of "selected" Greek and Turkish personnel. In the absence of more specific information, this could mean military training in the United States such as was provided during the war for British aviators.

Not once did Mr. Truman refer to Russia by name, but his meaning was obvious. He said that the United States has made "frequent protests against encroachment and intimidation, in violation of the Yalta agreements, in Poland, Rumania, and Bulgaria."

The very existence of the Greek state, he said, is today threatened by the terrorist activities of several thousand armed men, led by Communists, who defy the government's authority at a number of points, particularly along its northern border.

"A fuller description of the Greek situation is given in an article on page 8, second section." "Totalitarian regimes imposed upon free peoples, by direct or indirect aggression," Mr. Truman emphasized, "undermine the foundations of international peace and hence the security of the United States."

"If Greece should fall under the control of an armed minority, the effect upon its neighbor, Turkey, would be immediate and serious."

hospital was built, it would take another election to make a change, he believes.

Such an election could be called either by a vote of the commissioners, or would be mandatory if 15 per cent of the taxpayers in Haywood signed a petition requesting the election and presented it to the board, states Mr. Brown.

Confusion and disorder might well spread throughout the entire Middle East. . . . Should we fail to aid Greece and Turkey in this fateful hour," he warned, "the effect would be far reaching to the West as well as to the East."

"This is an investment in world freedom and world peace. . . . It is only common sense that we should safeguard this investment and make sure that it was not in vain."

Effect of his speech was such a critical moment that other course could be misjudged. He told Congress "I would like to see what the President March 31"

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