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The Symphony To Play Tonight; School Revert Friday Morning

Program To
In WTHS
At 8:30
Tonight

Carolina Little Sym-
phony orchestra
will present a concert
tonight at 8:30 o'clock
in the WTHS high
school auditorium.

for school children,
postponed until
Friday because of the
spread of influenza in
this area.

Dr. Swalin
announced yesterday
that Woods chairman
of the symphony
membership

the second appear-
ance of the Little
Symphony here,
having played last year
in the auditorium.

Carolina Symphony
was founded in 1932
as a federal project,
but in 1939 when tak-
ing present director,
it was under patronage
of the state.

Dr. Swalin began his
musical studies at
the age of 7, with a
violin, and when he
reached 16 was teach-
ing in a St. Paul, Minn.
conservatory.

His career includes
playing with the Min-
neapolis symphony,
studying for an M. A.
at Columbia and the
Ph. D. at the University
of Vienna.

He and his versatile
wife have, since 1939,
dedicated themselves
to bringing the best
of symphonic music to
the people of North
Carolina.

Plans for the largest
Boy Scout camp ever
held in this area were
discussed at a meeting
of the camping commit-
tee for the Daniel Boone
Council, Saturday night
in Asheville, reports Ben
Colkitt, general chairman
of the council.

Eight hundred boy
scouts from all of
Western North Carolina
are expected to attend
the Boy Scout camp on
Little East Fork of
Pigeon, Camp will last
for five weeks, from
June 23 to July 26,
Mr. Colkitt announces.
More complete details
of the activities planned
for the camp will be
reported soon.

Three men taken
in connection
with auto theft

Three men were
arrested Saturday
in connection with the
theft of an automobile
here and breaking and
entering a small rural
store in Jackson county,
Vance "Buster" Caldwell,
his brother, Bobby Caldwell,
of Waynesville, and
Raymond Green of
Hazelwood.

The trio is charged
with taking a 1937
Ford sedan, the property
of Gerald Mooney of
Canton, when parked
in front of a home on
Welch street, about
1:30 a.m. Friday.

The car was abandoned
with a burned-out
clutch in Jackson
county and recovered
by Sheriff Middleton
and Patrolman Lindsey
Green and the two
Caldwells are said to
have caught a ride in
a truck to Sylva and
returned here in a
taxi. They were
arrested by Deputies
Wade McDaniels, John
Kerley, Chief Orville
Noland, and Police-
men Bill Sawyer and
Paul Gough.

Other Report

The Mountaineer by
Feather Bureau:
March 17—Cloudy with
very light snow flurries
and cold today and to-
morrow. Temperature
near tonight.

March 18—Partly
cloudy, slightly warmer.
Waynesville tempera-
ture recorded by the
staff of the
Farm:

Max. Min. Rainfall
35 33 27
57 44 10
35 25 10
46 20

TON—Lyda Motor Co.

Schools Are Still Closed To Prevent Spread Of Flu

Bethel Added To List
Of Closed Schools;
All May Open
This Week

The Waynesville District
schools, which were closed
last Thursday afternoon
by order of the health
department, due to an
epidemic of influenza,
will remain closed
through Wednesday,
according to Dr. Mary
Michal, county health
officer and Jack Messer,
county superintendent
of education.

Crabtree-Iron Duff
school also will close
from today until
Monday of next week.
An announcement will
be made over WNC
Wednesday as to the
opening date of the
Waynesville schools,
which will depend on
the stage of the epidemic,
it was pointed out
by the officials.

It was necessary to
close the Bethel school
yesterday due to sim-
ilar conditions. Mr.
Messer stated that the
Bethel school would
definitely not open
before Monday, the
24th.

The spread of the
disease has about
reached its peak in
the Waynesville area,
due to the fine coop-
eration of the public
and the school authori-
ties, it was learned
from Dr. Michal.

While hundreds of
students were out of
school and many who
were ill were attend-
ing classes, when the
Waynesville schools
were closed last Thurs-
day, the disease has
continued, despite the
discomfort of the in-
fection, to be in a
mild form, and there
have been few cases
resulting in complica-
tions or relapses.

Stockholders Of Federation Hold Business Meeting

H. Arthur Osborne
Nominated To Succeed
Himself On Board

H. Arthur Osborne was
nominated to succeed
himself as a director
of the Farmers Federa-
tion, as some 250
stockholders of the
Waynesville and Canton
warehouses met here
Saturday morning for
the annual business
meeting. Nomination
is equivalent to elec-
tion, although the
formal election does
not take place until
the following Saturday.

James T. Bradshaw,
of route 2, was added
to the governing com-
mittee of the Waynes-
ville warehouses. Other
members of the com-
mittee include: Mr.
Osborne, Henry Francis,
route 1; Glenn A. Boyd
and J. B. Medford, route
2; R. F. Davis, Dave
Boyd and N. W. Carver,
route 2; C. S. Green,
Clyde route 1, and
W. A. Bradley, Hazel-
wood.

Members of the
Canton warehouse
committee were re-
elected as follows:
Charlie Evans, Monroe
Silver, Mrs. H. G. Reno,
O. B. Wilson, D. M.
Clark and J. L. West-
moreland, of Canton,
route 1; W. T. Hips
and Dave Sharp, Can-
ton, route 2; Virgil
McClure and Miss
Florence Osborne, of
Canton.

James McClure
Clarke, field secretary
of the Federation,
conducted the meeting
in the absence of
James G. K. McClure,
who is recovering from
an operation. Mr.
Clarke reported on the
1946 business of the
Haywood warehouses.
Max M. Roberts, edu-
cational director of
the Federation, spoke
of the quality hatchery
now operated by the
cooperative, and Rev.
Dumont Clarke, head
of the Federation's
religious department,
addressed the group.
Short talks were
made by Howard Clapp,
director of the state
test farm here, and
E. W. Stallings, as-
sistant county agent.

Music was by the
Federation string
band and coffee and
doughnuts were served.

Lions Club Minstrel To Be Given Here April 11

First performance
of the Lions Club
minstrel for the school
lunch program benefit
will be given Friday,
April 11 at the Waynes-
ville Township high
school auditorium,
it was announced at
the meeting last week
by Joe Casabella of
the committee in charge.
Shows will be given
the following week at
East Waynesville and
Crabtree.

Two minstrel books
will be condensed,
additional script and
spots for specialty
numbers worked in,
and parts distributed
to members of the
cast as soon as possible.
Dave R. Mauney, Lions
district governor from
Cherryville, was

AFTER TRUMAN REVEALED U. S. POLICY IN GREECE



PRESIDENT TRUMAN'S Congressional advisers on foreign affairs and appropriations are shown as they left a White House conference, called by the Chief Executive to discuss American policy in Greece. They are (l. to r.): Sen. Tom Connally, Texas, former chairman Senate Foreign Relations; Rep. Sam Rayburn, (D) Texas; Chairman C. A. Eaton, (R) N. J., House Foreign Affairs; Rep. Sol Bloom, (D) N. Y.; House Speaker J. W. Martin, Jr., (R) Mass.; Rep. J. W. McCormack, (D) Mass., minority whip (at rear of Martin); Rep. Charles A. Halleck, (R) Ind., House majority leader; Senate President Arthur Vandenberg, (R) Mich., chairman Senate Foreign Relations; Rep. John Taber, (R) N. Y., chairman House Appropriations; Sen. Robert A. Taft, (R) Ohio, and Sen. Scott Lucas, (D) Ill., Senate minority leader. (International Soundphoto)

Red Cross Drive Near Year's Goal Of \$3,122

Chairman Plans To
Conclude Drive This
Week; All Reports
Are Not In

Additional contribu-
tions reported during
the week-end brought
the total for the annual
Red Cross drive in the
Waynesville area to
approximately \$2,800,
it was announced
yesterday by James
Kilpatrick, general
chairman.

As of noon Monday,
the drive lacked only
\$353 of reaching the
assigned quota of
\$3,122, with several
of the rural areas and
the professional group
committee not having
turned their reports in.
"We hope that from
these returns and
additional contributions
we can close the cam-
paign by the end of
this week," stated Mr.
Kilpatrick.

Persons who have
not been solicited and
wish to contribute to
the American Red Cross
may mail or bring their
gift to the office of the
Waynesville chapter,
in the third floor of
the courthouse.

Hearing Date Set On Ratcliff Cove Case Of Forgery

The hearing in the
forgery case against
Bennie Mae Early and
Mrs. Howard Clark,
both of the Ratcliff
Cove section, has been
set for 2 o'clock
Wednesday afternoon,
the 19th, before
magistrate Wade
Noland.

Bennie Mae Early is
alleged to have cashed
a check for \$60.00 on
February 15th, forged
with the name of a
well-known Haywood
county citizen. The
forgery was discovered
during the afternoon
of the day it was
passed out, at the
First National Bank.

Last Saturday, Mrs.
Clark attempted to
cash a check for \$150,
signed in the same
handwriting, on the
same man, which was
instantly discovered
by the bank teller.
Mrs. Clark later
claimed that she was
cashing the check for
Miss Early, who had
promised to pay her
\$5.

When Mrs. Clark
was returned to the
street, Bennie Mae
Early is said to have
run into a store, but
both she and Mrs.
Clark were soon
arrested by Sheriff
R. V. Welch and
deputy Wade
McDaniels. Bond for
the former was set at
\$500.

Edith Camp Takes Part In Meredith Dramatics

Miss Edith Camp of
Waynesville is
announced as one of
the cast of the one-act
play, "Arteca," a
story of pre-conquest
Mexico, given
Saturday evening at
Meredith college.
Three plays were
presented at the
time, featuring the
annual Phil-Astro
competition between
the two literary
societies, and accom-
panied by the
freshman play,
Miss Camp is a
member of the
Astro society.

WTHS Musicians Take Honors In WNC Contest

School Band, Choruses
And Soloists Get
Coveted Rating
Of "One"

Students from the
Waynesville Township
high school came home
with more than their
share of honors from
the Western North
Carolina district
music contest, which
was held in Asheville
on Saturday and
attended by more than
800 students taking
part in the events.

Taking part in the
contests were students
from Canton, Waynes-
ville, Hendersonville,
Marion, North
Cove, Mars Hill,
Burnsville, St. John's,
Bethel, Sand Hill,
Lee Hill, Edwards,
David Millard, Hall
Fletcher and the
Plunk School of
Creative Arts.

Judges were Oliver
Cook of Harding
high school, Charlotte,
and Miss Birdie
Hollaway, Woman's
College of the
University of North
Carolina. Mr. Cook
judged the instru-
mental section and
Miss Hollaway,
the vocal section.

The winners from
Waynesville, who
were awarded a rating
of "one" and will be
given an opportunity
to participate in the
State Music Contest
to be held in
Greensboro April
20-25 include:

Girls Glee Club,
mixed chorus,
vocal solos, tenor,
Aaron Hyatt;
the high school band,
one of the three
receiving ratings of
"one"; Solos,
trombone, Ray
Rogers, E. Flat
Sax, Joe Morrow,
piano solos,
Theresa Alley,
saxophone, Clarence
Morrow, St. John's
school.

Others from
Haywood county
winning were:
Solos, trombone,
Bob Matthews, Jr.,
Canton; tenor sax,
David Hoff, Canton.

Rotarians Reject Daylight Saving Time For Section

The members of the
Waynesville Rotary
Club voted against
daylight saving time
for this community,
at their weekly
meeting here Friday.

Several members
spoke in favor of
the plan, while others
pointed out "confu-
sion would result in
making the change."
Eight favored the
plan, and 31 were
opposed.

The speaker was
W. Curtis Russ,
who discussed news
gathering and the
modern trends of
journalism. Jack
Messer is chairman
of the program
committee, and was
in charge of the
program.

Plane, Hunted In Haywood, Found On Va. Mountain

LEBANON, Va. —AP—
State Trooper R. L.
Williamson said
tonight the bodies of
two persons found
in a wrecked airplane
on Bear Town moun-
tain 10 miles from
here had been
identified as John
R. Britz, 35, and his
mother, Mrs. C. C.
Hollon, both of
2217 Cole avenue,
Waco, Texas.
"The plane described
above was the one
that was lost Feb-
ruary 22 during a
snow-storm. An
intensive search was
carried out in the
mountainous sections
of Haywood county
since that time when
it was believed that
the plane crashed in
this vicinity."

Number Of Haywood Bills Introduced To Assembly By Medford And Palmer

Conference Set
To Cut Burley
Warehouse Costs

A conference arranged
by Glenn C. Palmer was
scheduled to be held
in Raleigh late Mon-
day afternoon, to
formally arrange for
a 75 per cent reduc-
tion in warehouse
commissions for the
sale of burley tobacco.

Mr. Palmer has pending
in the legislature a
bill which would
reduce the commission
on burley sales from
four to three per cent.

Those slated to attend
the conference were
representatives of the
operators of burley
warehouses, Mr. Palmer,
and officials of the
state board of agricul-
ture.

It was pointed out
that Tennessee
warehouses charge
three per cent, and
in the bright leaf
belt, only 2 1/2 per cent
commission is charged
the growers.

Two Measures Deal
With County Finances;
Bills In Senate
Committees

Senator William Medford
introduced two bills in
the legislature this
past week, both dealing
with finances.

One bill, relating to
the county poor, would
remove Haywood from
a state-wide law, and
permit the county board
of commissioners to
approve for indigent
work, such as sick and
the poor, a sum not to
exceed \$10,000 a year.

The other bill would
authorize the county
commissioners to take
all money collected from
defunct taxes of more
than two years old and
put the money into the
general fund of the
county, instead of
breaking it down into
several funds on which
the levy is based.

The county commis-
sioners consulted with
Senator Medford about
these matters on their
recent trip to Raleigh.

Senator Medford was
home for the week-end,
and said no action
had been taken on either
of the bills, which are
now in committees.

Boosters Hear Talk On Town Bond Vote

R. L. Prevost Discusses
Proposed Street,
Water And Sewer
Improvements

R. L. Prevost addressed
the Hazelwood Boosters
club at their meeting
Thursday night in the
Presbyterian church,
describing the street,
water and sewer im-
provements planned
for the community by
the town board.

Mr. Prevost, one of
the Hazelwood aldermen,
discussed the financial
condition of the town
and explained how it
was in sound enough
shape to repay a \$50,000
bond issue for the
improvements without
raising the present tax
rate.

A general discussion
of the federal social
security act was led
by John Smith, center-
ing around the sections
of the law dealing
with workers and
employers.

George Bischoff, who
is business manager for
the Hazelwood base-
ball club last year,
asked the Boosters
to raise funds for new
uniforms and equip-
ment for the team.
Mr. Prevost was
appointed as the
committee-of-one to
secure this money.

Lt. Ben Colkitt Given Permanent Citations

Lt. Benjamin E. Colkitt,
Jr., USNR son of Mr.
and Mrs. B. E. Colkitt
of Waynesville, has
received the permanent
citations for his Air
Medal and Gold Star
in lieu of the Second
Air Medal from Sec-
retary of the Navy
James Forrestal for
the president according
to information received
by The Mountaineer
from the Navy News
center.

Lt. Colkitt, who is
currently serving with
the Fighting Squadron
1-A attached to the
Pacific Fleet, earned
his awards by flight
attacks and photo-
graphic missions against
Japanese forces in the
vicinity of Honshu and
Hokkaido, Japan, while
serving in Fighting
Squadron 1, attached
to the USS Bennington.
Lt. Colkitt volunteered
in the navy air corps
while a student at
Davidson College, and
was allowed to gradu-
ate before he was
called to (Continued On
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Fiddlers Convention At Maggie On April 5

The second annual
Fiddlers Convention
will be held at the
Maggie school on
Saturday, April 5,
it is announced by
Roger Ferguson.

There will be a
number of new bands
taking part in the
convention this year,
reports Mr. Ferguson.
"We are planning to
make it much better
than the first one,"
he states, "and want
as many bands to
enter as possible."

A cordial invitation
is extended to the
public to attend.

Highway Record For 1947 In Haywood

(To Date)
Killed - - 0
Injured - 10

(This Information
Compiled From Records
of State Highway
Patrol)

USED CARS—Lyda Motor Co.