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degree frost hit badly at es, cherries, tomato apples at the State Test rding to Howard Clapp, h Massie reported that ds and crops were dam- e Pigeon section.

orchard found that their w places were frostbit- n over 50 per cent loss t with little or no dam- trees in higher altitudes. morning's frost was n the previous one, and did not add to the dam-

fortunate in having the a period of dry weath- ented Wayne Corpening, farm agent. "If the d been wet the damage been much worse."

plant beds are believed en covered with cloth or ciently to remain undam-

s needed most now is a ," remarked the county will take a freeze, rath- st, to cause heavy dam- lthough a lot of gardens pretty badly by the frost

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ral, Robert W. Gilliland Mehaffey, and Hobert G. to technician 5th grade, Gifford, William H. Grif- n D. Hall, James E. Har- l F. Sheehan; to private Rufus Harris, James A. nd Jack R. Snyder.

Clausons d Friday weden

Mrs. Erick Clauson of burg, Fla., and Waynes- d last Friday on the for a four and a half it to relatives in Sweden abroad will also visit in tries.

leaving Mr. and Mrs. pent several weeks here son-in-law and daugh- and Mrs. William Ray. extensively entertained during their visit here. ent the past winter at in St. Petersburg, Fla.

d Handlers School Open Here Today

at 9:00 o'clock this he first food handling conducted here will eek's session at the armory, with outstand- ities from U. S. Public rvice, North Carolina State Board of Health, Western North Carolina and county leaders in charge of the various lectures and classes.

Those coming from out of the county were honored last night with a dinner given at The Lodge. Representatives from the various civic groups and community leaders were present for the affair.

The school to be held this week through Friday evening is a part of a nation-wide movement and is sponsored by the Haywood county restaurant owners and managers, the Waynesville civic organization in cooperation with the U. S. Public Health service, the North Carolina state board of health, and the county health department. Robt. W. Livingstone, district department sanitarian is in charge of the local arrangemnets.

Classes have been so arranged

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ther Report

ished The Mountaineer S. Weather Bureau:
May 12—Fair and warm- nd tonight.
May 13—Partly cloudy, rather windy.
Waynesville temperatures recorded by the staff of the Farm:

Max.	Min.
65	30
60	26
67	27
75	30

Haywood Record On Highways Is Still Holding

Up until noon yesterday, Haywood County had gone 37 days without a person being reported injured on the highways.

The last change made in the highway scoreboard maintained by The Mountaineer through cooperation with the highway patrolmen of the county, was on April 5th, when a woman was killed on Allens Creek.

The record so far this year is much better than last year.

Legion Will Back Move To Secure Bookmobile

Officers Are Installed, Plans Laid For Memorial Day Program

In the traditional ceremonies of the American Legion the entire group of officers was installed at the meeting held on Friday evening with Maj. J. Harden Howell, acting as installation officer.

Those installed with William Medford as commander included: Adjutant, Fred Y. Campbell, vice commander, J. H. Howell; second vice commander, Howell Crawford; third vice commander, Ernest Edwards; assistant adjutant, Dave Felmet; finance officer, J. T. Russell; service officer, John Williams.

Assistant service officer, Charles Woodard; guardianship officer, Milas Ferguson; sergeant at arms, T. W. Berry; chaplain, Rev. S. R. Crockett; historian, E. K. Herman; athletic officer, B. R. Hundley.

Child welfare officer, Richard L. Bradley; Americanism officer, Ben Phillips; national defense officer, James M. Davis; graces registration officer, Howell Crawford; boys' state officer, R. H. Gibson, Jr.; publicity officer, Ed Spears; oratorical contest officer, Jack Messer.

Following the installation of the officers a business session was held with various reports presented, including the following:

Dave Felmet, chairman of the committee that had previously been appointed to report on the recommendation that the American Legion sponsor the purchase of a bookmobile for the Haywood county library.

Following the report a discussion was held and it was unanimously decided to sponsor the proj-

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Few Motorists Park Overtime

Waynesville motorists are learning that the one hour parking on Main Street means just what it says.

According to Chief Orville Noland, the traffic officers are finding very few violations of overtime parking. A strict check is being made from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. All persons guilty of parking overtime are cited to police court.

Ground Broken For Hazelwood Church

Pictured above is the ground-breaking ceremony for the new educational building at the Hazelwood Baptist church which is expected to be ready for use by August. Rev. M. L. Lewis, the pastor (Wearing coveralls), and Clarence A. Scruggs, chairman of the building committee, are holding the first two shovels of dirt moved for the foundation. The building will be 46 by 56 feet, two stories high, of brick veneer, and contain 21 classrooms, an office, two restrooms and two assembly rooms.

Impressive Dedication Held At Bethel Church

Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe Of Duke University Is Principal Speaker Sunday

Marked by perfect weather and an impressive series of services the Bethel Methodist Church was dedicated Sunday, with Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, of Duke Divinity school, delivering the dedicatory sermon at the initial service and Rev. Walter West, superintendent of the Waynesville district in charge of the dedication of the building.

The service opened with a violin solo, "Largo", by Handel, played by Sol B. Cohen, followed by a number by the choir and assembly singing. The invocation was given by the pastor of the church, the Rev. Clark W. Benson, who was in charge of the preliminary ritual leading up to the dedicatory sermon.

Dr. Rowe took as his subject "Faith", and elaborated on the theme of the importance of taking an inventory of one's self. He made three points including, "How do you feel", "How do you think" and "How do you act?" in your life as a Christian, bringing out the thought that in a person's life they reveal their attitude toward religion.

Special vocal numbers were sung by William Whitesides at the morning service, and evening service.

Following the morning service dinner was served on the grounds and at 2:15 there was an informal gathering in the church to welcome the former pastors and friends who had returned to Bethel for the service.

In the evening at 7 o'clock the congregation enjoyed a sandwich supper around the fire which consumed the notes of indebtedness formerly held against the church, into flames.

This service was followed by a worship period in which the presentation of a pantomine of "The Old Rugged Cross" was given by

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Four Legged Chick Comes In McClure Spring Hatch

With a new hatching of spring chicks, James R. McClure, of Waynesville, R. F. D. No. 1, Balsam road, had a big surprise on Saturday morning, when out hopped from his shell a four-legged chick, who strutted around with all the ease of his two-legged brothers and sisters.

The McClure flock is a strain of Plymouth Rock and Wyandott mixed and this is the first freak of nature the owners have had from the combination.

"Apparently the other chickens have not noticed his unusual foundation of four feet for they have not started pecking on him yet," said Mr. McClure in telling about the new addition to his poultry.

Rogers Is Named Head Of Lions Club

New Officers Elected Last Week, Final Report on Minstrel Given

Claude Rogers, principal of the Central Elementary school, was elected president of the Waynesville Lions club at the regular meeting Thursday evening in Patrick's Cafeteria. The newly elected officers will begin their duties in July, when Mr. Rogers will succeed Joe Davis.

Other officers elected are Joe Casabella, first vice president; J. B. Siler, second vice president; Lloyd Kirkpatrick, third vice president; M. E. "Tony" Davis, secretary; Joe Jack Atkins, treasurer; Howell Crawford tail twister; and John Cuddeback, lion tamer. Lee Davis was elected director for three years.

A final report from the treasurer, Lawrence Leatherwood, showed that the club made slightly over $1,100 from the Cotton Blossoms Minstrel. After deducting the expense, more than $600 was earned

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Rotarians Hear Report On Recent District Meeting

Rev. M. R. Williamson, president-elect of the Waynesville Rotary club, gave a report of the recent district conference meeting in Charlotte, at the regular meeting of the club here Friday.

He reported on the high type of speakers, and the general enthusiasm created at the conference with encouraging reports from all sources of the growth of Rotary and its work.

Mr. Williamson was warm in his praise of the year's work of Holt McPherson, who served as district governor for the past year. Mr. McPherson is a Shelby newspaperman, and radio executive, and is vice president of the firm which will operate a radio station here.

The new town board was present, and two visitors from Florida and one from North Carolina.

Merchants Association Will Elect Officers

All merchants of Waynesville, Hazelwood and Lake Junaluska are urged to attend the meeting at 7:30 o'clock tonight of the Merchants Association, in the Chamber of Commerce office.

Officers for next year will be elected at the meeting, it was announced by Carl Munday, president.

Clyde FFA Dairy Team Wins First In Contest

Fines Creek Livestock Judgers Place Second, Dairy Team Is Sixth

The Clyde high school Future Farmers of America dairy cattle judging team made the highest score in that division during district No. 5 contests at Statesville, Saturday, May 10.

Sixth place was earned by the Fines Creek high school dairy team in competition with teams from 29 Western North Carolina counties whose federations make up district 5. The Haywood county teams represented the Nantahala federation.

Fines Creek's livestock judging team won second place in the contest at Statesville.

Members of the Clyde FFA chapter dairy team were Massie Osborne, David McCracken and Earnest Jackson. Bob Evans, agriculture teacher at Clyde, supervised their training.

Thomas C. Henderson, agriculture teacher at Fines Creek, had a livestock team composed of Ted James, Buel Ferguson and Thomas McCracken. Members of the dairy team were S. T. Swanger, Max Rogers and Wayne Trantham.

In interfederation contest, conducted at the State Test Farm here April 23 the Fines Creek and Clyde teams earned the right to enter the district competition.

Superior Court Adjourns Monday Until July Term

The May term of Haywood county Superior Court disposed of the civil docket during the first week, and adjourned at noon Monday after having spent the morning clearing up motions and minor details that did not require the use of a jury.

Next session of Superior Court will be the criminal term, which Judge William H. Bobbitt will open Monday, July 7.

In court actions last week several cases were transferred to other courts. Among the instances in which settlements were reached were:

H. P. Campbell and wife vs. O. H. Shelton et al., regarding the disposal of some property in Dellwood; the plaintiffs recovered part of the land, the defendants got another part of it and the house and received $1,600 from the plaintiffs.

Caroline Stevenson Carol and James Donald Stevenson vs. General Marion Stevenson, regarding the money received from the sale of some property which the court awarded to the plaintiffs.

The last case tried was Hyatt Brothers vs. J. C. Lewis, in which the plaintiffs recovered $380.16 for work performed during the construction of a residence.

Commerce Head Protests Rail Service Cut Appeal

New Board Organizes After Taking Office;

Mayor and Board Are Sworn In Friday Morning For Four-Year Term

Waynesville's mayor and newly elected board of aldermen, who held their organization meeting Friday afternoon following the election, will meet at 4 o'clock on Thursday in the Town Hall to acquaint themselves further with the routine of their duties.

Mayor J. H. Way was sworn in Friday morning for another four-year term of office by Magistrate Wade Noland, at the courthouse; and the new board, David Cabe, Dr. Tom Stringfield and Henry Gaddy, were administered the oath of office by Magistrate W. C. Medford.

At 3 o'clock that afternoon the group met at the Town Hall, when the aldermen were elected to the following departments:

Mr. Cabe—will serve as mayor pro tem, serving as presiding officer at meetings, or in mayor's court, during any absence of Mayor Way. He also will have charge of the police and fire departments.

Dr. Stringfield—will be chairman of water and lights.

Mr. Gaddy—will be chairman of streets and cemeteries.

Members of the old board held their final meeting Thursday evening of last week, passing on routine matters from their final month of administration.

Their regular meeting date was the first Thursday night of each month, except when Thursday came too soon at the start of the month to allow the arrival of bills. One of the matters to be decided by the new board will be their day and hour for holding meetings, which is left to their discretion.

Power Will Be Cut Off 2 to 6 P. M. Sunday

Electricity will be off in Waynesville, Hazelwood, Lake Junaluska, Clyde, Balsam, the R.E.A. and other rural lines on Sunday, May 18, from 2 to 6 p. m., it is announced by H. M. Burleson, local representative of the Carolina Power and Light company.

This four-hour interruption of service is for maintenance work on lines that could not be done safely without discontinuing the service.

Burley Men Are Advised To Observe Their Quota

Excess Plantings Will Bring Penalties, Warns ACA Chairman Francis

R. C. Francis, chairman, Haywood county, Agricultural Conservation Association committee, today cautioned all tobacco growers in Haywood against over-planting their farm acreage allotments this year.

"Growers who harvest any acreage of tobacco in 1947 in excess of their farm acreage allotments are subject to marketing quota penalties and will not be eligible for full participation in government price support loans," Mr. Francis stated.

Growers who plant within their farm acreage allotments can market all their tobacco without penalties and are eligible for full government price support loans, Mr. Francis added.

In connection with price support loans Mr. Francis emphasized that any acreage harvested in excess of the farm acreage allotment will make all the tobacco produced within the allotted acreage on the farm ineligible for any price support loans. "This year there will be no acreage tolerances in establishing loan eligibility, as contracted with the 1946 tolerance of the lesser of three-tenths acre of 5 percent of the allotment. Any acreages harvested in excess of farm allotments, however small, will disqualify growers for full loan privileges and subject them to marketing quota penalties," which last year was 16 cents per pound.

Mr. Francis also stressed that eligibility for government price support loans on tobacco is becoming increasingly important to tobacco growers now that domestic supplies of tobacco are adequate and the future level of exports uncertain.

Rock Hill School Students Will Give Juvenile Minstrel

The Juvenile Blackface Negro Minstrel will be given at 8 p.m. Friday in the Rock Hill school, it is announced by Mrs. Stella R. Hall and Miss Estell Allison, who are directing the student performance.

Thirty pupils of the Rock Hill school are in the cast. Playing the leading roles are Darrel Cagle as the Interlocutor, Eddie Caldwell, Norris Smith, Ima Jean Caldwell, Bobby Boyd, Earl Carver and Janice Rich as End Men.

Proceeds from the minstrel will go to the school. The public is invited to attend.

Senator Medford Tells Boosters Of New N. C. Laws

Explanation of New Vehicle Laws Given By Haywood Senator To Club

Senator William Medford discussed happenings in the 1947 General Assembly and explained in detail some of the laws which were recently passed, as he addressed the Hazelwood Boosters club last Thursday night.

Much of the discussion was the new motor vehicle laws which will require being checked twice a year, and renewal of drivers license every four years. The new provisions in the law are part of the campaign being conducted by the state to curb highway accidents.

Senator Medford explained how bills were introduced and the procedure for getting measures enacted into law.

Frank Underwood is president and John Summerrow is secretary of the club.

Southern Railway Will Ask Right To End Passenger Train on Murphy Line

The Waynesville Chamber of Commerce yesterday were making plans to join forces with other communities along the Murphy Branch to appeal to the North Carolina Utilities Commission and ask that passenger train service be continued.

The Southern Railway, through the district superintendent, on Sunday posted notice at all stations along the Murphy branch of the road, stating that an application would be made to the Utilities Commission for approval to discontinue trains Numbers 17 and 16, now running daily between Asheville and Murphy.

The Murphy Branch now has only one passenger train each way daily.

C. J. Reece, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Miss S. A. Jones, secretary, yesterday were at work to get other communities to band together to protest the proposal of the railroad.

"Other communities in Western North Carolina serving the tourists have adequate passenger train services, and to discontinue our only train would be a handicap," Mr. Reece said.

"The same proposals were made as far back as 1938, and several times since that date, and each time the citizens of the towns along the Murphy Branch had to protest the proposal to the utilities commission to keep the trains in service," he continued.

J. G. Terrell, general agent here, said that passenger service was "at a low ebb" but said express business was holding up, and freight business was good.

In years past when the proposal was made to take off the passenger trains, it was explained that express would be sent out in a special car on the early morning local freight.

As to mail service, now handled on the trains no one yesterday seemed to have the answer. Most of those contacted predicted that should the trains be discontinued the post office department would use trucks.

The notice which was posted on the bulletin board at the Depot Sunday, read:

"Notice — application will be made to the North Carolina Utilities Commission for consent and approval for the discontinuance of Trains 17 and 16 between Asheville and Murphy.

If the honorable commission grants approval of the petition the services now rendered will be discontinued."

The notice was signed by T. R. Good, district superintendent, and dated the 11th of May.

Dr. McCracken Presides At Masonic Meeting

Dr. J. R. McCracken, grand master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of North Carolina, made his formal report at the annual meeting in Raleigh last night, which concluded with a business meeting and the election of officers. Dr. McCracken has served as Grand Master for the past year.

Haywood Has Big Stake In Committee's Actions

"Haywood County stands to gain several hundred thousand dollars in Park construction, if the Senate committee on expenditures for the Executive Branch approves a request that will probably be presented by the Department of Interior and a committee from Western Carolina," Charyes Ray, a member of the committee said here yesterday.

The committee, working closely with the Department of the Interior, spent several days the past week working out details to be presented in a brief before the Senate committee.

Mr. Ray's plans call for an appropriation of $350,000 for construction of the Blue Ridge Parkway from Black Gap Camp to Heintooga, and an additional $100,000 for a camping area at Heintooga. Both these are just inside the Park boundary just to the northwest of Haywood.

Other funds which are being sought would be assigned to maintenance in trails and roads, extension of some trails, and additional personnel.

The committee awaiting a call

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Highway Record For 1947 In Haywood

(To Date)

Killed - - 2
Injured - 12

(This Information Compiled From Records of State Highway Patrol)

Radio Station Assigned Call Letters WHCC

This is station WHCC.

(Waynesville - Hazelwood - Clyde-Canton.)

Within 60 days, these call letters will be heard as the radio station here goes on the air. The call letters were assigned the station last Friday by the Federal Communications Commission.

The letters stand for a number of things, but the chief meaning, which was worked out by the board of directors of the broadcasting company, stand for: Waynesville, Hazelwood, Clyde and Canton. Another interpretation, Wonderful Haywood County Communities. Still another. Where Heavens Come Close.

Robert M. Wallace, manager, is due here today to complete details for construction of the studios on Main street. The 150-foot tower, and transmitter house, will be between Waynesville and Lake Junaluska.

Smoky Mountain Broadcasters Inc., own the station.