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## Students From Twelve States Register For Junaluska Conference

Registration Will Last One Week; Records Set Previous Years

Registration for the annual conference at Junaluska would exceed 425, the highest ever for the conference held by the National Shrine of the Holy Fathers since the work was inaugurated in 1939.

Dr. C. Brown, of Nashville, and Wesley Foundation of the Methodist board of Christian education staff, will direct the work which will continue through the week ending Sunday.

Leaders of the Methodist and other churches are scheduled to participate in the program which will include a conference on "God and the World."

Registration was held at both the Lake Auditorium and the Dr. J. O. Smith, of S. C. the morning of the morning.

Dr. E. J. Rees, of Danbury, will be in charge of the registration.

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## He'll Be More Cagey Hereafter



SEEMINGLY FORGETFUL of the limitations of a monkey house cage, Bohu, 6-year-old favorite at the Washington Zoo, literally went overboard while going through his antics before a crowd of amused fans. Losing his grip while swinging from the bars, he fell. Here Malcolm Davis, zoo curator, attends a double fracture of the right arm. (International)

## 2 Slightly Hurt When Plane Falls

### Two Waynesville Men Crash On Take-Off As Plane Meets Cross Winds.

Two Waynesville men were painfully, but not seriously hurt, when their light plane crashed shortly after the takeoff from the Smoky Mountain Flying Club grounds Sunday morning.

Charles Balentine, pilot, and James Milner, an aviation mechanic, suffered cuts and bruises, and were treated at the Haywood County hospital. Both were reported getting along nicely yesterday noon, and it was believed they would be released from the hospital later in the day.

The light plane met with strong cross current winds, and shot earthward, landing on the nose and left wing. Milner was thrown clear of the wreckage, and Balentine had to be taken from the cockpit.

Vaughn Platt, who lives near the scene of the accident, was the first to reach the wreckage, and sent the men to the hospital.

News of the crash spread fast, and hundreds visited the scene on Polts Creek Sunday afternoon. Many of the spectators started stripping the plane for souvenirs until a guard was placed on duty.

The plane was owned by John D. Broom, of Jackson County. The plane was brought to the local field Saturday afternoon. The plane was covered by insurance, and estimates made yesterday by those in charge of the field said the plane was almost a total loss, as the left wing and motor appeared to be beyond repair.

## Had A Little Too Much Party



IT WAS A SWELL PARTY while it lasted, but just a little too much for Georges Edouard Green, three-months-old, of Boston. He was one of a number of children of overseas wives and ex-GI husbands attending an affair held at the International Institute, Boston. (International)

## Town Board Discusses Many Local Problems In Two Recent Meetings

### Steel Tower For Radio Station Has Arrived Here

#### Wallace Reports Station WHCC Has Signed United Press News Service

The 150-foot steel tower to be used by the radio station WHCC has arrived, and is ready for a special crew of erectors to start installation.

The tower is made of a new lightweight metal, and will be painted white and orange.

Engineers estimate it will require about four days to get the tower erected.

Work started yesterday on the studios over the Park Theater. About two weeks will be required for workmen to complete the task of insulating the walls with acoustical tile, install the viewing windows to the studios and refinish two business offices.

Robert M. Wallace, general manager, announced that a contract had been made with United Press for 24-hour news services, which will be received here over a teletype machine in the studios.

Tentative date for the station going on the air has been set at August 1.

### Mosquitoes, Garbage Cans, Taxis and County-Wide Police Radio Talked Over

Two meetings were held the latter part of last week by Waynesville's recently-elected board of aldermen, during which several local problems were discussed and time was spent in making a detailed study of the town's monthly operating expenses.

Among the major propositions now being considered are expanding the town limits to the Dellwood road and in East Waynesville, and becoming one of the sponsors of a county-wide police radio network.

Action was taken on:

- 1) Authorizing the town attorney, J. R. Morgan, to write an ordinance to require the use of approved types of garbage cans by all citizens at their homes and business places. This is to be considered at a later meeting, with indications that it will be passed.
- 2) Adding several types of businesses to the list of privilege taxpayers; some of which had been cut off during the war and others which may move here in the future.
- 3) Passing on the bills for town expenditures during May, thus authorizing their payment.

### Mosquito Control

Among the matters considered, to be investigated further before action is taken, were:

The mosquito control program, as presented by the district health department sanitarian, R. W. Livingston, was reported as having not met the approval of Hazelwood, one of the participating sponsors. Mr. Livingston was asked to arrange a meeting of all the sponsors, the county commissioners, Junaluska assembly, Waynesville and Hazelwood, for a joint discussion and final decision.

### Taxi Licenses

Four taxicab operators, headed by Hub Ruff, declared they had heard that the town was going to be turned "wide open" in respect to licensing new taxis, and asked that the board not do so. "We have a good, decent group of taxi drivers in town now," they stated, and warned that if anyone who applied for a license was given one it would open the way for bootleggers and other illicit operators.

Other information brought out was that the number of cabs had jumped from 27 in Waynesville, Hazelwood-Junaluska area before the war, to 47 at the present time, 33 of which are in Waynesville.

Dr. Tom Stringfield answered for the board to the effect that they would discourage anyone applying for a taxi license here, but would not go on record as saying that no new ones would be allowed. "The law of supply and demand will take care of the number that will stay in business," he added, assuring the drivers that no person of bad reputation would be granted a license.

### Police Radio Network

Friday morning, at their second meeting, the board heard Patrolman O. R. Roberts ask that they consider helping to finance a county-wide radio setup, to be tied in with the State Highway Patrol, which would increase the effectiveness of law enforcement and promote good will between the neighboring police agencies.

Canton, he related, has been discussing a police radio for some time, and is in favor of building one, and is waiting until the county board and Waynesville take it up with a view to a county-wide network before going ahead with a local setup only.

One of the SHP radio experts, reported Roberts, has estimated that the county network would cost

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## Wreck Leads To Arrest On Stolen Car Charge

### Tennessee Man Picked Up Saturday Night After Crash At Junaluska

Harvey Edgar Jenkins, 28, of Kingsport, Tenn., and Robert Francis McGinnis, 26, of Kansas City, were arrested Saturday night in an intoxicated condition near the auditorium at Lake Junaluska, following the wrecking of the car in which they were riding, which was later revealed to have been stolen by them.

The arrest was made by Deputy Sam Kelley of the Sheriff's department and the men were lodged in jail.

When the car had been stolen in Kingsport on Saturday, in their rush to get away, the men had neglected to discard the title of the 1938 blue Ford coupe, and it was found upon checking to belong to Hillis Burgess of Gate City, Va.

The sheriff's department got in touch with officers at Kingsport, from which point the men had driven Saturday and it was found that they had not only stolen a car, but had also broken into three wholesale firms in Kingsport and had taken \$900 worth of cigarettes.

Officers from Kingsport came here yesterday and identified Jenkins, who was returned with them. McGinnis refused to go without extradition papers and it will take around 10 days to clear up all the necessary technicalities of removing him from the Haywood county jail to Tennessee, it was learned from the sheriff's department.

## Anna Jean Davis To Be Counselor At FHA Girls Camp

Anna Jean Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Davis of Hazelwood, has gone to White Lake, where she has accepted a position at the camp of the Future Homemakers of America, as assistant counselor in arts and crafts.

Miss Davis graduated last week from the Waynesville Township high school and has made an outstanding record in art. She did a major part of the art work on the 1947 edition of the local high school annual.

## Haywood Remains Dry As Part Of Nation Flooded

At 3 o'clock Monday, the Waynesville area had had only a third of an inch of rain in the past 12 days, according to the official weather report as recorded at the State Test Farm.

While the Mississippi valley was suffering from floods, this area remained dry. Advance weather forecasts gave little hope for rain before Wednesday.

## Beaverdam Totals In Health Inspection

In the annual spring physical inspection of the children of pre-school age there were 165 examined in the Canton area of the county, according to Dr. Mary Michal, health officer, who was assisted by Mrs. Elaine Gill, Haywood county public health nurse.

In addition to the 16 definite points of checking, vaccinations against smallpox, diphtheria, typhoid and whooping cough were made, with the following results:

Beaverdam, a total of 29; Cecil, 7; Cruso, 21; Spring Hill, 10; Bethel, 36; Morning Star, 19; Pennsylvania school, Canton, 12; North Canton, 28; Patton school, Canton, 21; Canton colored school, 5.

In the check on pre-school children who will enter school for the first time this fall as well as those younger, the total by schools was: Beaverdam, 16; Cecil, 4; Cruso, 16; Spring Hill, 6; Bethel, 34; Morning Star, 11; North Canton, 26; Patton, 24; and Canton colored, 6.

## Crabtree Farm Is Sold For \$62,262

The 500-acre J. L. Walker home place in Crabtree, auctioned Monday morning by Penny Brothers, brought a total of \$62,262.20. The property was divided into several small farms.

This morning the auctioneers are offering a tract of 106 acres at Whittier, part of the J. R. Thomas farm.

## Restaurant Operators Urged To Hear Melvin

M. M. Melvin, executive vice president of the North Carolina Restaurant association, will be in Waynesville on Thursday afternoon it is announced at the District Health office. All restaurant operators in this vicinity are urged to attend a meeting at 3:30 o'clock in the courthouse on that day, when Mr. Melvin will address the group on some matters that are important to all.

## SPRAYING COURTHOUSE

Workers began Monday morning spraying a cement sealer between the stones of the Haywood county courthouse, which will make the building completely waterproof. The job is expected to take considerable time.

## Out-Of-County Farm Tour Will Begin On July 29

The annual out-of-county farm tour will be held for four days, starting July 19, it is announced by Wayne Corpening, county agent.

This year's tour will go into southwest Virginia and through part of Kentucky. As in 1946, when the group went to Manteo and returned through upper South Carolina, the tour is being sponsored by the demonstration farmers of Haywood, of which Leonard Westmoreland is president.

The route, stops, cost and other details are now being worked out, and will be announced within two weeks, states Mr. Corpening.

## County Has Good Red Cherry Crop

Haywood's cherry crop is larger than usual, with trees loaded to capacity. The dry weather has not hurt the cherry crop as it did the strawberries.

Since the strawberry crop was cut short, many housewives are substituting cherries for canning and freezing.

The Henry Francis orchard of 50 cherry trees are loaded, and indications are that the demand for cherries will be heavier than usual due to increased sugar allotments.

Mr. Francis also has a good crop of raspberries, quinces, grapes, gooseberries, currants and apples.

## SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

A special communication of the Waynesville Lodge 259, A. F. and A. M., will be held at 8 p. m. today in the lodge hall, to which all Masons are urged to attend. The entered apprentice degree will be conferred.

## Starting Today - - -

Mutt and Jeff  
By BUD FISHER  
and  
Reg'lar Fellers  
By GENE BYRNES

The Mountaineer is today adding two more of the nation's most popular comics to the ever-growing list of features which this newspaper has acquired throughout the years.

These two popular comics are designed solely for wholesome humor and entertainment. Surveys have shown these comics among the best liked in the entire field, and both have had a large following for many years.

As far as can be learned, The Mountaineer now publishes more comics and a wider variety of features than any non-daily newspaper in the state.

## Heavy Travel On Highways Over The Week-End

Travel over the highways in this area over the week-end was the heaviest this year, according to Patrolman O. R. Roberts.

As far as is known, no wrecks occurred on Haywood highways during the period.

City police reported a quiet week-end, with one minor accident and only three arrested for being drunk.

## Lake To Start Using New Organ Sunday Morning

The new Hammond organ recently given Lake Junaluska by J. B. Ivey, Charlotte, and H. A. Dunham, Asheville, will be formally presented and used on Sunday, June 15, at the morning services.

The organ and the piano have been tuned together and will be used extensively throughout the season, as a full musical program has been arranged.

Alec Buckingham Simson, of Atlanta, will be in charge of the music this season, and will be assisted by Mrs. Betty Milford and Mrs. Cherrie Smith.

## Gen. Crabb And Family Here At Reed Camp

General J. B. Crabb, with Mrs. Crabb and their two children are spending a few days at the camp of Col. Minthorne Reed, General Crabb is commander of the 9th Air Force with headquarters in Greenville.

General Crabb spent last week in Wiesbaden, Germany with Col. Reed who invited him to make use of his camp on Pigeon for an outing for his family.

General Crabb who served in the Pacific knew a number of boys from this section. Capt. Richard Queen was on his staff.

## Traffic Law Violations On Increase

### More Arrests Here Than In First Half Of 1946

Nearly one-fifth more arrests have been made by Waynesville police this year than through the same period in 1946, reports Chief Orville Noland.

This boost in "business" for the police department, says Chief Noland, is due to more arrests for traffic law violations. The shortage of gasoline, tires, and repair parts for autos has about disappeared, and drivers are not using the caution they found necessary during the war years for mechanical reasons.

Last year, through May, the number of arrests by local police totaled 198. In the first five months of this year there were 243 arrests, and 17 more since that time.

Four recent cases of reckless driving, involving Gene Howell, Furman Tate, Jess Crutcher and Buddy Wilson, are booked for trial in Mayor's Court next Monday, when another man, Martin Deltz, will face charge of driving drunk.

Other traffic law violations, such as running through stop lights, passing school buses when loading or unloading, speeding, have become more numerous on the police record than in past years.

## Haywood Red Cross Worker At Convention

Mrs. Ethel Hayes Fisher, executive secretary of the American Red Cross, is attending the national convention in Cleveland from June 7 through 14. More than 5,000 delegates from all chapters in the United States, chapter chairmen, home service representatives, and executive secretaries, are at the meeting.

Mrs. Fisher announced, prior to departure, that the Red Cross office in the Haywood courthouse will be closed during her absence, and re-opened on Monday, June 16.

## Ohio Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wagner, of Delaware, Ohio, have arrived in town and are guests at the Hotel Gordon. Mr. and Mrs. Wagner are great boosters for this section and especially for Waynesville. They have spent the past 12 summers here.

## Reading Club Organized By Library For Youths

The reading club for boys and girls in the county, which is sponsored annually by the Haywood County Library will be known this year as the "Blue Ridge Billy Reading club," according to an announcement by Miss Margaret Johnston, county librarian.

The club will have its initial meeting on June 16 and will close on August 16. Registration will begin any time after 10 o'clock

## Over-Night Camp Sites Are Made At Pink Beds

Facilities for overnight camping in the Pink Beds section of Pisgah National Forest are being constructed, it is reported by Carl G. Krueger, forest supervisor, and are expected to be opened to the public by the middle of June.

This work includes the clearing out of parking spaces for trailers, with increased privacy and seclusion, extension of water system, and the repairing of roads.

The Pink Beds are located on highway 276 between Waynesville and Brevard.

Mr. Krueger has requested that persons using the recreation areas in the forest help to keep them clean for other persons who follow them. He said that persons should be especially careful about fires, and that they should always be built in the out-of-door furnaces and never on the ground.

## Fire Trucks Answer Two Calls Sunday Morning

Two fire calls were answered on Sunday by the Waynesville Fire Department.

Sawdust at the Ben Sutton sawmill at Dellwood caught fire, with a call received by Chief Clem Fitzgerald at 1:40 a. m. He took the truck to the mill, where a large number of men already were fighting the blaze, and helped spray water on it until under control. Little damage was reported.

Next call, later in the morning, was to the scene of the airplane crash, although no use was required of the fire-fighting equipment.

## Boosters Club Will Meet Thursday Night

The Hazelwood Boosters club will meet Thursday night at 7 p. m. at the Presbyterian church for the regular monthly meeting.

Frank Underwood, president, has announced a special program for the evening.

## Highway Record For 1947 In Haywood

(To Date)

Killed - - 2  
Injured - 18

(This Information Compiled From Records of State Highway Patrol)

Max.	80
Min.	49
Fall	54
—	54
—	54
—	55