

**Flowers In Park
Now In Full Bloom**

Rose-pink rhododendrons are already in good bloom in various sections of the Park, according to officials of the Park Service. This week-end should mark the height of the bloom on the slopes of the mountains, and next week-end on the higher peaks.

Flame azaleas are now in full flower at the lower altitude and by June 20 these shrubs should reach their flowering peak on Andrews and Gregory Bald. Mountain laurel is also in bloom at the low and middle altitudes at the present time. This shrub will continue to come into flower at the higher elevations as the days go by.

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Town Board

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a total of \$4,000 and involve only minor maintenance expenses. The expert will be brought over here soon to explain the proposition in more detail to both the Waynesville and county boards. Alderman Gaddy reported that several folks have complained about the practice of taxis pulling from their parking lots onto sidewalks, interfering with pedestrians. The cab drivers stated that the location of their lots caused this, and claimed that many of them did not have areas large enough, or back entrances, to leave their lots on back streets. No definite action was taken by the board, although Mr. Gaddy indicated the problem would be given further study.

Thursday afternoon, when the board was considering some additions to the privilege tax list, it was voted to require licenses of building supply dealers, antique shops, ice plants, machine shops and others who had not been listed. D. N. Howell, collector of the privilege taxes, told that he already had taken in more than \$1,700 for the new taxes, and saw no reason why the list—which has had several revisions from last year—should be published in The Mountaineer. The state law, explained the town attorney, requires that the list be either published in a local newspaper or posted at the Town Hall.

To date the list has not been completed, or published in either manner. Still to be decided by the new board is the matter of a license for auction sales. Representatives of interested firms were expected to present both sides of a proposal to eliminate jewelry auctions, but had asked that the hearing be postponed.

When discussing the mosquito control program, which Mr. Livingston stated had been agreed to by the old board early this year on condition that Hazelwood would help sponsor it, testimony was presented by Miss S. A. Jones, Chamber of Commerce secretary, and Charles Ray, that many persons are being annoyed by the insects and they are "getting worse and worse each year." Mr. Ray added that "I think it is a bad mistake, from a business point of view, to let the mosquitoes get established in our community," and urged that the health department program be given the necessary backing.

Although not discussed formally, Alderman Gaddy reported that citizens in the Dellwood road and East Waynesville sections have asked to receive water and sewage lines from the town. He advised them to get a petition of 15 per cent of the residents in each area to request the extension of town limits, and formal action could be taken in that direction.

Sgt. Williams Is Given Posthumous Purple Heart

The Purple Heart has been awarded posthumously to Sgt. Frank R. Williams, Jr., Air Corps, late son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Williams of Waynesville, who gave his life in defense of his country during World War II.

Sgt. Williams also received the Air Medal "for meritorious achievement while participating in heavy bombardment missions in the air offensive against the enemy over continental Europe. The courage, coolness and skill displayed upon these occasions reflect great credit upon Sergeant Williams and the Armed Forces of the United States."

In addition he was entitled to the Good Conduct Medal, American and E. A. M. E. theater ribbons with one battle star in the latter, the World War II Victory ribbon and Air Crew Member Aviation badge.

Dramatics School Will Draw Many Here This Summer

A school of the theater will be conducted here for seven weeks, starting July 5, in conjunction with the Theater in the Sky.

Maurice Geoffrey, who has been directing a successful theater season at Tampa this winter, will return here to take charge of the Theater in the Sky and the dramatics school, which has received numerous requests for information in answer to widespread publicity. Announced as members of the school staff are Electra Ballou, instructor of diction, speech and voice; Grace Shiner, teacher of pantomime and stage movement; Ella Beth Hurst, head of the dance department; and Elma Ilene Geoffrey, who will supervise workshop activities.

The school and stage productions will be held at the Hazelwood school auditorium. Mr. Geoffrey has announced plans to bring a complete professional cast to take the major roles in the plays, to be given three nights weekly here and once each week at Sylva, starting July 15.

It is estimated that if all the aluminum in the United States were divided equally between U. S. families, each would have about 125 pounds.

Reading Club

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as folklore of the mountain, wild flowers, hiking, birds, hunting and fishing and a talk on the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, giving the children a store of information about their own section.

The purpose of the reading club is to help the boys and girls to develop good reading habits and to introduce them to the county library and its facilities. Along with their reading this year it is the desire of the librarian to introduce them to the wonders of nature in their own county and section. Last year they learned of the Cherokee Indians along with their summer reading.

There are 72 mountain peaks in Haywood county above 5,000 feet and as the boys and girls read they will be taught their names and lo-

caltions. A letter will be sent to the parents of all the children who join asking their cooperation in making the reading club really benefit each child. There will be no oral reports, instead the children will turn in cards with the signature of their parents for each book read.

Boys and girls who are going to camps or on vacations or those living in the rural areas may be members under this new plan. Reading cards may be turned in at any time or held and turned in all at once. Reading certificates will be presented to those who read 10 books according to the requirements.

BAD CROP START

CHICAGO (AP)—Heavy rains and floods have disrupted the planting and growth of major crops in many areas of the nation's breadbasket states, a survey showed recently.

Watershed Expert Tells Rotarians Of Research Work

Dr. C. R. Hush, specialist in watershed management, told Rotarians and a number of special guests here Friday, of the extensive research projects underway in this area to determine the best practices for maintaining watersheds.

"Thus far, we are convinced that timber can be removed from watershed areas without apparent damage as long as the logging is done in a scientific manner," he said.

He used slides to illustrate his lecture and showed the results of various tests that have been completed by the forestry service in Macon county.

Dr. Hush was presented by Charles E. Ray, chairman of the program committee.

All Top WNC Industrial Loop Teams Winners

Standing in the WNC Industrial loop remained unchanged during the week-end, as the four top division teams added victories at the expense of their lower ranking mates.

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