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WAYNESVILLE, N. C. TUESDAY, JULY 1, 1947

\$3.00 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

-Day Fourth Of July Program Set For Friday

Waynesville Tax Rate Will Remain At \$1.40

U. N. C. Wants To Start College Center Here



Directors of Farmers Cooperative

EIGHT of the nine officers and directors of the Haywood County Farmers Cooperative, Inc. are pictured above. They are, from left to right, Sam Ferguson, treasurer; J. L. Westmoreland, president; Hugh L. Ratcliff, vice president; George E. Stamey, secretary; R. H. Cogburn, J. F. Rogers and Joe Medford. The other member of the board, not pictured, is Jule Boyd. Photo by Ingram.

Haywood County Farmers Co-operative To Open Saturday

Co-op Manager

H. M. Dulin, Former AAA Man, Named Manager of New Farm Retail Unit



H. M. DULIN is manager of the Haywood County Farmers Cooperative, Inc., store which will hold its formal opening Saturday. Mr. Dulin has been chief clerk in the Haywood AAA office for the past four years.

Fines Creek Memorial To Be Unveiled On Sunday

War Dead Of Community Are Honored By Stone Memorial At School Grounds

A memorial to the war dead of Fines Creek will be unveiled during a special ceremony Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, at the Fines Creek school grounds, conducted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars chapter. Rev. Paul Townsend, VFW post chaplain, will be the principal speaker. The stone memorial features a helmet and draped flag in bas relief, the names of the eight men who made the supreme sacrifice. (Continued on Page Two)

Paratroopers To Parade From Famed 82nd Div.

In the thick of action from the Sicilian campaign through Central Europe and the occupation of Berlin, America's crack 82nd Airborne Division will be represented in the Friday morning parade here. Headquarters company of the 508th Parachute Infantry regiment's second battalion, 100 men and three officers strong, are scheduled to leave their present station, Fort Bragg, early Thursday morning and arrive here before dark, in motor convoy. They will spend two nights at the local Army and return to Bragg Saturday. First Lt. Charles White of El Paso, Tex., one of the company officers, was here Friday to make arrangements for the Regular Army

troop's part in the July Fourth celebration. Although many of the men in headquarters company are recent enlistments (Lieutenant White estimates their average age at 19), several of the non-commissioned officers served through six campaigns on the road to victory in Europe with the regiment. It was the first U. S. unit to make a combat jump, flying from Tunisia to land in Sicily, July 9, 1943. Next mission was the Salerno beachhead in Italy, after which the regiment fought north and on October 1, spearheaded the division's attack on Naples. From Italy the division joined the troops massing in the British (Continued on Page Five)

Registration Of Students July 7 to 11

Supt. Messer States That Minimum of 30 Freshmen Needed For Center

The University of North Carolina has offered to establish a college center in Waynesville, offering regular first-year college work beginning in September, provided a minimum of 30 students will enroll. Jack Messer, county superintendent of education, in making the above announcement stated that all persons interested in taking the freshman college training here are asked to register Monday through Friday of next week (June 7-11) from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., at his office in the courthouse.

Credit would be given by the state university for all courses completed. Classes, if organized, would be held after regular school hours at Waynesville Township high school. The center would open during the first half of September and continue until next June.

Last summer an attempt was made to organize a college center here, but the initial registration failed to get the required response. Shortly afterwards Western Carolina Teachers college offered to conduct a center of the same type, but through lack of time to work out all difficulties that arose the plan had to be abandoned.

The off-campus centers, states Mr. Messer, are not designed to replace or compete with established colleges. They will be set up to offer the opportunity for the start of a college education to students who are unable to find a college of their choice in which to enroll, and to induce young people who otherwise would not go to college at all.

Three Workers Join Citadel Salvation Army

Three workers have recently joined the group in the Salvation Army, Mountain Division, at the headquarters who have joined Maj. Cecil Brown to serve this area, according to an announcement this week. They are Lieut. Florence Wall of Cumberland, Md., and Lieut. Zeta Fleming and Lieut. Mildred Kirley, the latter two of Waynesville. All three graduated on June 2 from the Salvation Army training college at Atlanta. They will reside at the Haywood house next door to the citadel, headquarters at Maple Springs.

TO HAVE OPERATION

James Mann flew to Miami yesterday to be at the bedside of his wife who is scheduled to undergo an operation today.

111 Attend Lions Club Installation Program

Claud Rogers, president, and other officers of the Waynesville Lions club were installed at a ladies' night dinner meeting Thursday in the Cherokee Inn, Lake Junaluska, attended by 111 club members and their guests. W. J. Stone of Canton, Lions zone chairman, conducted the installation ceremony and presented a master key to Lawrence Leatherwood for his work in raising the club membership. Rev. Malcolm Williamson, one of the guest speakers, gave an entertaining review of his trip to the recent Rotary International convention at San Francisco. He urged as many Lions as could attend



CHARLES M. JOHNSON, state treasurer and candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, is expected to make an important address in North Carolina political circles as he makes the keynote speech here Friday as one of the features of the July Fourth celebration.

FHA Unit In Haywood Is Cut To Sub-Office

State Drops 40 Per Cent of Personnel; McDarris Goes To Jackson County

Haywood county's farm home administration office today became a sub-office of the Buncombe FHA to be visited each Monday in the future.

Ten offices in North Carolina were eliminated and 40 per cent of the county supervisors were discharged in an economy move caused by the cut in Department of Agriculture budget appropriation when voted on in the lower house of Congress. All farm home supervisors were released and the farm purchase loan which has been a primary function of FHA has been eliminated.

Although the Senate may restore some of the funds asked for by the department, present plans are to conduct only small scale loans to low-income farmers for fertilizer, livestock and seed. J. C. McDarris, who has been the FHA supervisor here, has transferred to Sylva to a similar position. (Continued on Page Two)

Safety Act Bears Down On Traffic Law Violators

Stiffer penalties for traffic law violators go into effect today under the Highway Safety Act passed by the North Carolina legislature with higher fines and drivers' licenses revoked for longer periods than were previously allowed. In addition the new law provides a 55-mile-per-hour speed limit on state highways, regular inspection of motor vehicles and the renewal every four years of drivers' licenses. As explained by Chief of Police Orville Noland, reckless driving now calls for a fine of \$50, and driving while drunk requires a fine of \$100 and suspension of license for a year on the first offense. A second offender for driving drunk will be fined \$200, and license revoked for three years; while a third offender will have his license taken away permanently, unless good be-



COL. VAN H. BOND will call attention to America's needs for military preparedness in an Independence Day talk here Friday morning. A 1931 West Point graduate, he helped activate the Ninth Division in 1940, served with the unit for four years in Africa, Sicily, France, Belgium and Germany. His current assignment is assistant to the Third Army executive for civilian components of the Army, including the National Guard, Organized Reserves and R. O. T. C. in the South-eastern states.

Parking Meters Will Arrive Soon

Waynesville's parking meters have been unexpectedly delayed, but Mr. Street of the M. H. Rhodes company, Inc., told The Mountaineer this week that the meters should be here "by July 15." Parts for the meters arrived a couple of weeks back, but not the main meter, as was reported recently in The Mountaineer from information received at the town hall. Their delivery had been scheduled at that time.

Judge Alley Will Preside At Court During July Term

Judge Felix E. Alley of Waynesville will preside at the Haywood county criminal term of Superior Court, which convenes on Monday, July 7 here, having swapped districts with Judge Allen Gwyn of Reidsville. It was learned last week. No major criminal cases are scheduled to be tried, although several divorces and seven civil actions are expected to be heard during the July term.

IN NEW YORK

J. C. Jennings, manager of the Belk-Hudson company, left Saturday to buy merchandise for the firm.

Johnson And Col. Bond Will Speak After Parade

Religious Service Began Week-Long Celebration on Sunday Evening

A street parade will start from the Presbyterian church here at 10 o'clock Friday morning, and lead through Hazelwood to the high school grounds to inaugurate the annual Fourth of July celebration for Haywood county, sponsored by the Hazelwood Boosters club.

From a reviewing stand in front of the football stadium Col. Van H. Bond of the Third Army headquarters will review the parading paratroopers, National Guardsmen, Boy and Girl Scouts and the WTHS band, and after the parade is halted make a short address. He will be introduced by Wayne Corpening, president of the Haywood Reserve Officers Association chapter.

Another military feature of the day will be the appearance at 12:30 of a flight of planes from the 14th Air Force, to soar here from the Marietta (Ga.) Air Base.

All Gold Star parents are invited to the program as honored guests, with a special section of the stands marked off in which they will sit.

Charles M. Johnson, treasurer for the state of North Carolina and an announced candidate for the 1948 Democratic nomination as governor, will be the principal Independence Day speaker. He will be introduced by M. J. ... Senator William Medford.

Paul Davis will serve as master of ceremonies on the speakers' stand, Rep. Glenn A. Palmer, the mayors of Haywood's four incorporated communities, Clyde Fisher of Hazelwood, Bill Harris of Clyde, J. H. Way of Waynesville, and Paul Murray of Canton; and George A. Brown, Jr., chairman of the board of commissioners will be seated on the platform.

During the afternoon a series of foot races and contests will be held, followed by a baseball game between Hazelwood and Champion.

On Thursday evening choirs from Haywood county churches will enter an old-fashioned singing contest under the direction of Tom Queen. Mr. Queen invites each church in the county to enter their choir and announces that rehearsals will be held in the Church of God at Hazelwood.

Six rides have been installed on the school playground by the Williams Amusement company and will be in operation through Saturday night.

The week-long Independence Day (Continued on Page Two)

Health Offices To Be Closed 4th and 5th

The Haywood County Health Department offices in Waynesville and Canton will be closed on both Friday, July 4 and Saturday, July 5, according to an announcement yesterday by Dr. Mary Michal, district health officer.

The two-day holiday is in line with the state health and other district health offices, it was pointed out by Dr. Michal.

The Friday and Saturday clinics will be conducted at both centers on Thursday, July 3, so there will be no interruption of the services of the department, it was announced.

Highway Record For 1947 In Haywood

(To Date)

Killed - 4

Injured - 25

(This Information Compiled From Records of State Highway Patrol)

Waynesville Tax Rate Will Remain At \$1.40