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## Opening Burley Sales Average \$50 Per Hundred

### Seventeen Pretty Young Ladies In Haywood Tobacco Queen Contest



These are the 17 pretty young ladies who took part in the first annual Haywood Tobacco Festival queen contest. This photograph was taken Friday evening just after the judges had selected the queen's court of five, who are seen seated in the front. On Saturday the judges named Miss Peggy Noland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Reeves Noland, as queen. Miss Noland is seated second from the left. Those standing, left to right, are: Misses Nancy Leatherwood, Frankie Woody, Edith Chambers, Bonnie Davis, Nancy Medford, Betty Sue Whitford, Maxine Mann, Betty Ann Jones, Betty Leatherwood, Mrs. James Melton, Misses Reba Rhodes and Patsy Kinsland. Seated, left to right, Misses Alwayne McClure, Delane Sutton, Georgia Finger, Peggy Noland (the queen), and Margaret Greene. (A Mountaineer photograph by Ingram's Studio.)

## Tobacco Festival Is Success

### Gala Parade Of Beauty Contestants And Four Bands Attracts Many

Martin Electric company's float, bearing Miss Peggy Noland of Waynesville high school, won first prize among entries in the Tobacco Festival parade on Friday afternoon.

Second prize was awarded to Sims Tire and Battery company, whose float carried Miss Nancy Jane Medford of East Waynesville; and third place was won by Underwood Lumber and Supply company, in which Miss Georgia Finger of Maggie was featured in a float offering the theme of tobacco grading.

Judges had a difficult time selecting the winners from among the many attractive floats and decorated automobiles, making one of the most successful parades ever staged in Waynesville. Hundreds of people lined Main street between the First Baptist church and courthouse to witness the colorful event.

Four bands provided music for the occasion, the Mars Hill college, Canton high, and Waynesville junior and senior bands, Canton's majorette corps marched with their band, which presented a brief concert at the courthouse following the parade.

In the leading vehicles were W. Kerr Scott, state commissioner of agriculture; Wayne Corpening, general chairman of the festival; and other agricultural leaders. Town officials of Waynesville and Canton, and Haywood county officials followed next, followed by the Tobacco Queen contestant floats and bands.

The winning float carried Miss Noland on a throne, and topped the decorations was a large reproduction of a cigarette.

Judges for the parade were O. R. Roberts, Orville Noland and Bill Stroup.

### Winners Announced Tobacco, Other Contests Staged During Festival

Haywood county's first Tobacco Harvest festival came to an end Saturday night hailed as a shining success; winning the acclaim of visiting agriculturalists and bringing satisfaction to those who worked on the many angles of promotion in staging the two-day event.

Wayne Corpening, general chairman, in expressing his gratitude to the committees who made the celebration possible, said that their hard work and general cooperation was unexcelled. The festival was sponsored by the Merchants Association, of which David Felmet is president.

Tobacco growers of the county were praised by J. W. Van Arsdall, grading and marketing specialist for Tennessee, for the high quality leaf entered in the tobacco show at the Armory. Mr. Van Arsdall gave an exhibition of tobacco grading which proved him one of the most competent men in that field, and stated that Haywood county had one of the best shows he ever graded.

All was not work at the festival, for the accent on entertainment was heavy.

Crowds jammed the Armory successively on Friday and Saturday nights to witness the selection of Tobacco Queen—an honor taken by Miss Peggy Noland of Waynesville Township high school—and to hear singers, string bands, and see the graceful efforts of square dance teams.

As arranged by Roy A. Parker of Canton and Tom Queen of Hazelwood, singing groups who participated in Friday evening's program were the Elkins Quartette, Hazelwood Quartette, The Singing Five, Golden Key Quartette, Sanford Family, Cherokee Indian Quartette, Surratt Family, Allens Creek Trio, Ruff Phillips Quartette, Happy Five, Mae West and her Smile-While Quartette, the Champion Quartette, Allens Creek Choir, Tone Masters Quartette, Elkins Trio and Jackson County Quartette. The Farmers Federation String Band won first place in the band (Continued on page 8)

### Price Outlook Good, Taylor States In Feature Address Of Festival

After giving a well-rounded picture of what affects the market price of burley tobacco, Hugh W. Taylor, executive secretary of the Burley and Dark Leaf Export association, stated that the auctioneer's chant will be sweet music this year and growers will return a profit for their year's work.

This is assured through the support price which is six cents above last winter, and the general supply situation.

Outlook for domestic consumption of tobacco is very favorable because of increasing use of cigarettes, Mr. Taylor stated, but the export prospects depend primarily on whether tobacco will be included in the European Recovery Program; which it "logically should be" to build up morale among Europe's workers, be offered as an "incentive product" on which they (Continued on page 8)

### Scott Speaks Friday At Courthouse On Effects Of Leaf Acreage Cuts

With the tobacco market shrinking, now is the time for North Carolina's farmers to re-analyze their farm production and see if it is in line with the opportunities of today, State Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott declared in his address Friday afternoon which marked the opening of the Haywood County Tobacco Harvest festival.

A concert by the Mars Hill college band preceded the speech, which was heard by a crowd that filled the main courtroom here.

Haywood was cited as having a much more diversified agriculture than counties in Eastern Carolina, with its well-developed pastures and livestock industry, large apple orchards, and dairying. Future planning should be directed towards a further variety in crops, more economical production, and (Continued on page 8)

### Eye Clinic To Be Held Dec. 3-4

An eye clinic will be held Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 3-4, at Pennsylvania Avenue school, Canton, sponsored by the District Health Department in cooperation with the county Welfare Dept. and Lions Clubs of Waynesville and Canton.

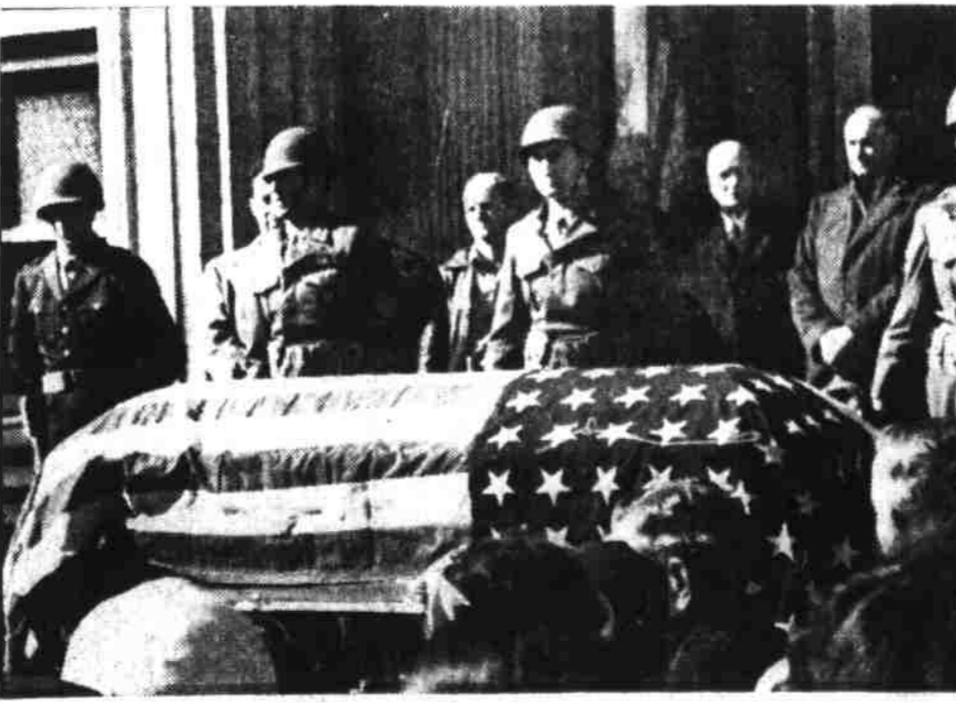
A selection of students from all schools in the county who have vision defects and a number of adults will attend the clinic, which will be held under supervision of the State Commission for the Blind.

### Duke Endowment Aided Hospital Care In Haywood

The Duke endowment for hospitals contributed funds providing 4,024 days of care to indigent patients at the Haywood County Hospital, or 19 per cent of the total during 1946, according to the latest edition of the endowment's year book.

Hospitals throughout the state were assisted similarly by the endowment, which provides \$1 a day for the care of indigent patients.

### Return of Haywood War Dead Memorialized



TECH. 5TH GRADE LOW PARTON, Haywood County's first World War II dead who was returned from an overseas cemetery for final burial at home, was given a fitting memorial service here Nov. 25th symbolic of the return of all the county's fallen heroes. Shown behind the flag-draped coffin are part of the firing squad, furnished by Waynesville's National Guard company under command of Lt. Frank Byrd. The guardsmen, American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars jointly participated in the memorial, held at the courthouse steps.—A Mountaineer photo by Ingram's Studio.

### Court Ends As Sentence Is Given In 2 Cases

#### Fullbright Given 18 Months, Suspended; Moore Draws Fine

The November term of Superior Court came to a close Thursday morning when Judge Felix E. Allen pronounced sentence on Robert Fullbright, found guilty by the jury as an accessory after the fact in the killing of James Herman Mitchell of the Hanging Dog section during October; and Emanuel Moore, who pled guilty to involuntary manslaughter in an automobile fatality case.

Fullbright, 28, was given a sentence of 18 months, suspended during five years of good behavior during which time he is on probation, and was fined \$50 and costs of the action. This sentence was accepted by the defense, which had begun a legal move to set the jury's verdict aside when Fullbright was found guilty Wednesday after two days of trial.

John Head, Jr., 23, who had been jointly indicted with Fullbright in the case, had pled guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to three years in prison.

Emanuel Moore was ordered to pay \$300 to the family of George C. Snyder, who died following an automobile accident near Balsam Gap in April of this year, and court costs.

Due to the criminal calendar lasting into the second week, divorces were the only civil actions dispensed with in what normally is a combined criminal-civil trial. All civil suits were continued until the next court in January.

### Test Farm Jersey Cow Earns Silver Medal Test Award

Mount Royal Foxy Eva, 1421445, registered Jersey cow owned by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture of Waynesville, North Carolina, has completed a production record of 10,659 pounds of milk and 501 pounds of butter fat which has qualified her for the Silver Medal Award of the American Jersey Cattle Club whose offices are located in Columbus, Ohio.

The record of Foxy Eva was made on a 305 day test at the age of three years. All tests were verified by the North Carolina State College and the American Jersey Cattle Club. In compiling this record she produced more than 2 1/2 times as much butter fat as the average dairy cow in the United States.

She has also been officially classified for type by the American Jersey Cattle Club with a high rating of very good.

### D. A. R. Pilgrim



MISS EUGENIA BOONE, who has been chosen by the Waynesville township high school students and faculty to represent the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter of the D. A. R. in the annual Citizenship contest sponsored by the State Society of Daughters of the American Revolution.

### Eugenia Boone Is Chosen As D.A.R. Pilgrim

Miss Eugenia Boone, a member of the senior class of the Waynesville high school, has been chosen by the faculty and students of the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in the annual State Pilgrimage contest. Miss Boone was one of three girls selected by the students with the faculty making the final decision as to the winner. Selections of girls for this honor are based on records of scholarship, leadership, citizenship and community service.

Miss Boone will compile a scrapbook of her four years activities in high school and of her activities for the same period in church and community activities and will compete with winners representing D. A. R. chapters throughout the state. The winner in the state contest will be given a five-day trip to Washington, D. C. under chaperonage of the national D. A. R. chairman, with all expenses paid.

The award is a coveted high school honor throughout the United States, as one girl is chosen from each state in the union.

Miss Boone has been outstanding in her school work. She has been a member of the high school band and high school chorus since entering high school. She is a member of the Beta Club and treasurer of the senior class. She was secretary for the Student Council while in the 10th grade, a member of the school annual staff last year and this year, and while in junior high school was a member of the 4-H Club. In the 8th grade she was winner of the American Legion Citizenship award.

Miss Boone is also prominent in (Continued on page 8)

### First Day Auctions Bring High Leaf Price

#### R. M. Fisher of Fines Creek Sells Entire Crop at \$50.30 Average.

Bidding was spirited Monday morning as the Western North Carolina tobacco crop went on the auction block, causing an optimistic feeling that prices would range higher than last year.

Selling got underway to the singing chant of the auctioneer in the Walker warehouse on Garfield street, Asheville, and when the day was over 275,000 pounds of burley had been bought for an average price of \$50 per hundred.

James E. Walker, Jr., president of the Asheville board of tobacco trade and operator of the Walker house, expected that all 450,000 pounds—2,470 baskets—in it would be sold by early Tuesday afternoon. Then the buying force will move next door to the Bernard-Walker No. 2 house, where another 406,000 pounds awaits them.

One of the best opening day sales was made by R. M. Fisher of Fines Creek, who received an average of 50.3 cents per pound for his entire crop of 3,020 pounds. His was divided into six baskets; 770 pounds going at 35 cents, 440 pounds at 53 cents, 468 pounds at 59 cents, and 1,349 pounds at 60 cents.

County Agent Wayne Corpening, who attended the morning auctions, reports that the highest sale he noted was at 62 cents, and that there was a good deal of tobacco moving at 60 cents. Growers who had taken care in grading their leaf were seeing the results of their work in higher prices, he added.

Warehousemen predicted that the Asheville market would sell 10,000,000 pounds for the second time in its 18-year life.

Several hundred Haywood growers were present to see what fared on opening day, though many of them had their year's crop on another floor. Nearly 1,000 spectators in all followed the bargainers; between auctioneer and buyers as the annual drama moved down rows of stacked tobacco.

All of the bigger tobacco companies, Reynolds, American, Liggett and Myers, plus a number of smaller firms and independent buyers were represented.

Early predictions were that about 30 per cent of the crop would go (Continued on page 8)

### Sight Seal Drive By Lions Club Has Raised \$250

More than \$250 has been raised by the sale of sight and blind aid seals, it was announced yesterday by Charlie Woodard, chairman of the Lions Club committee in charge of the drive. The goal for the drive is \$500.

All proceeds from the seal sale will be used in Haywood county to provide glasses for persons with visual defects and similar work administered by the welfare department in cooperation with the Lions. Persons planning to make donations to the sight and blind aid drive are requested to mail their gifts to Mr. Woodard or other members of his committee.

Highway Record For 1947 (To Date) In Haywood Injured --- 50 Killed ---- 8 (This information Compiled From Records of State Highway Patrol)

### Number Second-Growth Fruits Found In County

Second growth in fruit crops seems to be general in several areas of Haywood county this fall. Many grape growers have had two crops, and numerous apple trees throughout the county have had second growth apples.

Among the latest samples of the second-growth fruit brought to The Mountaineer was a Winter Banana apple, about half the normal size, brought in by F. N. McElroy, of Hazelwood. The tree had a good crop earlier in the season, and produced a number in the second crop.

This condition seems to prevail when the area has a late fall, after a late freeze in the spring.

### Two From Here At Area Meeting

Charles E. Ray and James Kilpatrick, will attend the executive committee of Western North Carolina Associated Communities at Cherokee today.

Mr. Ray is former vice president, having resigned when made chairman of the N. C. Park Commission. He is now acting in an advisory capacity to the group. Mr. Kilpatrick represents Waynesville on the committee.

10 People  
within 20 miles of  
Waynesville—their ideal  
center.

### Vote Today Haywood Farmers

Will Open In Committee Election  
10 A. M.,  
At 6 P. M.

Vote is expected today  
of community agri-  
cultural committees  
Haywood.

Places will open at 8:30  
committees for the com-  
pleted by the early arriv-  
ing in each of the 22 com-  
mittee a three-member  
and a delegate to the  
convention.

Marketing cards are be-  
ing at the voting places  
who have not yet re-

### Gift Given At Church New Organ

Miriam W.  
And Daughter,  
Page, Set Up  
Organ

Baptist church this  
week a gift of \$5,000 from  
Mrs. E. Moore, and her  
daughter, Mrs. Martha M. Page, of  
Waynesville.

### Weather

(From the United Press)  
Dec. 2 — Increasing  
with mild afternoon  
Waynesville tempera-  
ture recorded by the staff of the  
Farm:

Max.	Min.
63	44
54	24
46	20
40	20
47	30
55	19
45	26