

County Forest Fire Loss Slight During Past Year

Forest fires in Haywood County during the last 12 months did relatively slight damage. And new fire-detection equipment installed during the fiscal year will help make the damage even slighter in the future.

This information was contained in County Forest Warden R. E. Caldwell's annual report which he submitted recently to the board of county commissioners.

The county's forests were hit by 29 fires during the 12-month period from July 1, 1943 and June 30, 1930.

But the total damage to the 750 acres burned amounted to only \$1,007.

"This makes the average size fire for the year amount to 26.2 acres per fire," Mr. Caldwell's report said, adding:

"This represents a very minute small percent of the total acres of forest land."

In all, the county is blanketed by 211,218 acres of forest land. Of this, 88,223 are under the protection of the North Carolina Division of Forestry in cooperative agreement with the county.

The county didn't have to pay the whole bill for fighting these fires, however.

The report said two of the five defendants prosecuted for violation of the forest fire laws "were allowed to reimburse the county and state for funds expended in suppressing two fires."

Mr. Caldwell also reported that a new type fire finder and a new plotting map were installed in the fire tower on Chambers Mountain.

Along with the radio in the towers and the trucks the fire wardens use, this new equipment will enable fire fighters to reach much more quickly and accurately, before they develop to dangerous proportions.

Mr. Caldwell worked 1,990 hours and travelled 9,992 miles in carrying out his duties during the 12-month period.

The entire organization, excluding Mr. Caldwell, worked a total 4,045 hours.

In addition to doing forest fire work, the county forest warden assisted the county agent's office

Stewards-Trustees To Meet At Long's Chapel

The Board of Stewards and the Board of Trustees of Long's Chapel Methodist church will meet at the church on Thursday evening, July 13, at 7:30 o'clock. Guy Fulbright, chairman of the Board of Stewards will preside.

Homecoming Set For Fines Creek Church

The Lower Fines Creek Methodist church will hold its annual Decoration and Homecoming Day July 15.

The Rev. Joe Shackford of Greensboro will preach the sermon at 11 a. m., and a picnic will follow the services.

Everyone is invited to attend, bringing a lunch and flowers.

in securing applications and delivering 202,300 forest tree seedlings in the county. These were sent by the Tennessee Valley Authority.

A large part of the warden's time was devoted to public relations work in efforts to educate the people in the necessity of protecting forests and using sensible methods in cutting forest lands, and in preserving the forests for future generations to the benefit and welfare of the county.

He prepared 20 articles for newspaper publication, gave seven lectures on forestry, showed 13 movies on the subject, had an exhibit at one fair, set up 32 window displays, and distributed 110 posters.

Besides this, his office prepared 2,916 transcriptions and spot announcements for radio broadcasts, and distributed 9,425 pieces of literature.

He also made 1,076 personal contacts in discussing forest protection, while attendance at various functions totalled 3,123.

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Strand's Big Air Force Epic



Gen. Claire Chennault, as played by Raymond Massey, instructs Dennis Morgan before the big flight over enemy territory. This scene from Warner Bros.' stirring air epic, "God Is My Co-Pilot," coming to the Strand Theatre Wednesday and Thursday.

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Another official expressed amazement over the condition of the county's beef and dairy herds—"altogether, among the finest I've seen in the state. We certainly were impressed with Haywood County's livestock."

These impressions were derived in visits to some of the county's finest livestock farms.

Observed the Commission's public relations director, William Snyder after the tour:

"I wish I could move up here." He termed the meeting here highly successful and very educational.

"The members of the Commission have gained a very extensive knowledge of this county and its road conditions because of this visit," he added.

During the tour, Mr. Thrash showed the visitors an example of a 12-foot road.

This type highway, an innovation in the state's rural road construction system, would prove suitable, he declared, to mountain areas where traffic volume was substantially lighter than that over primary roads.

The standard primary highway is 22 feet wide with a 30-foot road bed. The secondary road is 16 feet wide with a 24-foot road bed.

The officials also saw roads that had just received their first black-topping treatment, and some which were still in the "mud" class.

They saw a "model mile" in the Rattlesnake Cove, motored over the Soco Gap highway through Maggie, visited Jonathan Creek, the Coman Mountain road in Iron Duff, and Fiberville, Clyde, and the Canton area.

They also got a good idea of the comparative costs of building a road in the mountain section and building one in the "flats," and of the unique problems involved in mountain road construction.

It was the first meeting the Commission held as a group in Western North Carolina in more than 15 years, and only the second it has ever held in the mountain area.

The members received background information for their morning tour the night before at the Haywood County Court House as they resumed the session they had started at dinner shortly before at the Mount Valley Inn.

Charles E. Ray, Jr., of Waynesville, chairman of the State Parks Commission, told them the Friday tour would acquaint them with the problems this section faced.

"We'll have a tremendous problem in handling the tourist traffic in this section," he forecast.

He pointed out that the anticipated increase would come through the completion of the sections of the Parkway in this area and in the growing popularity of the National Park.

Mr. Ray also told the Commission that the Park, with more than 1,500,000 visitors last year, saw the heaviest volume of tourist business of all National Parks.

Not only that, he added, but two adjoining areas, though not as well known as the Park, had nearly as large numbers of visitors.

Last summer, approximately 1,500,000 people visited the Pisgah National Forest, and nearly 1,000,000 visited the Nantahala area.

He also told the highway officials that the reported valuation of land in Haywood County is second highest in the United States, topped only by one county in California.

Land in the Maggie section, he said, is running as high as \$1,000 an acre.

"And I'd like to have some at that price," declared Commissioner Thrash.

The officials in their first official act of the evening, adopted a motion to accept the invitation of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce to a picnic lunch at the Cataloochee Ranch on Saturday.

The invitation was tendered by Mr. Ray on behalf of the Chamber.

On Friday evening, the officials visited some of the six picnic areas in the vicinity of Soco Gap, and, after dinner, closed out their two-day meeting by going to the Cherokee drama.

Referring to the picnic areas, Mr. Thrash at the Thursday night

session told his colleagues they could decide whether investments in such recreational sections were advisable.

He added that he had visited the picnic areas around Soco Gap during the July 4 weekend, though not on July 4 itself.

"There weren't one-tenth enough of them," he said, describing the scene presented by motorists all along the Soco highway stopping for out-door lunches, or looking for places to have them.

Attending the meeting in addition to Dr. Jordan and Mr. Thrash were Commissioners Henry Shelton of Speed in Edgecombe County, W. Guy Hargett of Richlands, Wilbur Clark of Fayetteville, Dr. R. E. Earp of Selma, George Coble of Lexington, Mark Goforth of LeNoir, Joseph Graham of Lincoln, Chief Engineer W. H. Rogers, General Counsel R. Brookes Peters, Public Relations Director William D. Snider, and Miss Ina Ferrell, the Commission's secretary.

The only commissioners absent were Otis Poole of Candor and James A. Barnwell of Burlington.

Shortly after the meeting opened, Dr. Jordan complimented the Haywood County people for building such a fine Court House.

"I've never seen a more handsome Court House," he declared, "and I'm glad you people had the good sense to build it in 1932."

As the business meeting got underway, Mr. Rogers made a report on the county roads investigation and recommended additions to existing projects in a number of eastern and Piedmont counties.

The Commission adopted these recommendations without debate, and formally approved \$5,648,529.30 in low bids on a total 514.6 miles of road projects and structures.

The officials also voted a contribution of \$1,000 as the Commission's share in financing the ceremonies which will be held in connection with the formal opening of the Blue Ridge Parkway next August.

President Truman is scheduled to attend the dedication, which will be held at Doughton Park near the North Carolina-Virginia border.

In other business, the Commission adopted a motion to continue publication of "North Carolina Roadways," the monthly magazine for its 13,000 employees.

They closed their session after discussing but taking no official action on the McCormick Report regarding the state's prison system.

Commissioner Graham suggested that major points called for legislative action, and the other members of the group agreed that it was worthy of debate in the 1951 General Assembly.

The voluminous report was made by Austin McCormick, an authority on prison systems, following his exhaustive survey of the state's network of prison camps and its penitentiary.

Mrs. Elaine Gill, nurse; Charles Isley, music director; and Alice Fincher, swimming director.

The 4-H clubbers on the trip include: Jackie Sue Browning, Sarah Jane Burrell, Sammie Lou Burrell, Ann Carter, Betty Felmet, Jewel Dee Ferguson, Regina Ferguson, Annie Sue Gibson;

Gail Ann Green, Claudia Lathrop, Jo Anna McCracken, Phyllis Mease, Nancy Medford, Margaret Morrow, Doris Muse, Dorothy Muse;

Susie Noland, Eula Jo Stamey, Dot Swayngim, Viola Stewart, Joyce Ann Turner, Nancy Underwood, Mary White, Gail Woodard, Frances Emma Yates;

Jimmy Lee Best, Ray Buchanan, R. E. Cathey, Dan Chambers, Bob Cody, Bobby Edwards, Bernard Ferguson;

James Ferguson, Jerry Nell Ferguson, T. L. Francis, Joe Green, Charles Howell, Ray Johnson, Neal Kelly, Keith Leatherwood;

Lane McCracken, Milas McCracken, Terry McCracken, Charles Mann, Dale Medford, Doyle E. Muse, David Noland, Mack Noland;

Charles Pless, Sammy Powell, Ray Rhinehart, Dan Sayer, Tommy Singleton, Joe Davis Sisk, Teddie Skaggs, David Tate, Terrell

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by bullets from a high-powered rifle during the chase the night of March 4.

Traffic violations, including 31 drunk driving cases, dominate the calendar.

Elsewhere, other defendants are scheduled for trial in three assault cases, three for assault with a deadly weapon, 10 for non-support, one for abandonment and non-support, two for carrying a concealed weapon, one for robbery, one for cruelty to animals, three for liquor violations, and one for passing a worthless check, among others.

Many of the cases set for hearing had been continued from previous terms of court.

One of these is a criminal-assault-and-felonious assault matter that originally was set for the February 1949 session.

Another is a manslaughter charge growing out of a traffic fatality of last winter.

In the latter case, John Burnice DeWeese is scheduled to be tried in connection with the death of a school child struck by a truck on the Dellwood Road early last winter.

The list of jurors for the first week: William Ledford, Fines Creek; Albert W. Ferguson, Crabtree; Clyde Cox, Waynesville; Frank Rich, Ivy Hill; M. E. Davis, Waynesville;

Asa Grogan, Pigeon; James M. Best, Crabtree; Herman Rhinehart, Roy S. Robinson, Beaverdam; Earl Williams, Beaverdam; Jim Bradley, East Fork; Cash Edwards, Waynesville; Vess Reece, Cecil;

Francis Caldwell, Jonathan Creek; C. Y. Parks, Iron Duff; Mrs. R. H. Blackwell, Waynesville; Earl Bradley, Fines Creek; C. C. Medford, Beaverdam; N. R. Wild, Beaverdam; C. R. Francis, Clyde; Elmer Chambers, Clyde;

Earl Messer, Ivy Hill; Rufus Smathers, Waynesville; and A. C. Downs, Clyde.

Junaluska CDP To Meet Tuesday Night

Residents of Lake Junaluska will meet at the Junaluska School at 8 p. m. Tuesday to make plans for entertaining the Stamey Cove residents at an inter-community field day July 21.

Dr. Elmer Clark, Waynesville Methodist district superintendent, will conduct the devotional at the Community Development Program meeting.

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At The Park Thursday and Friday



Jean Peters is trying to resist the romantic advances of Cesar Romero in this scene from "Love That Brute," which stars Paul Douglas.

Deaths

DAN MILLS

Graveside rites for Dan Mills, 46, formerly of Canton, who died July 2 at Myrtle Creek, Oregon, were conducted in Oak Grove Cemetery this afternoon.

The Rev. A. M. Wyatt officiated. A native of Jackson county, he had resided in Canton for a number of years prior to moving to Oregon about six years ago.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Myrtle Littrell Mills; five children, Myrtle, Roberta, Louella, Billy and Jerry of the home; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mills.

Also four sisters, Mrs. Paul Bales of Trenton, N. J., Mrs. Alice Cagle and Mrs. Edwin Haynes of Canton and Mrs. Ralph Bryson of Clyde; and one brother, Dallas Mills of Glenville.

Wells Funeral Home was in charge.

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Mrs. Knopf Heads Campaign Aiding Music Camp Funds

Mrs. Freda Knopf has been elected chairman of the Waynesville Music Camp's drive for fund-raising.

The camp is seeking an annual quota of \$5,000 this year to help finance its 85-piece camp phony orchestra.

Those taking "shares" in the campaign will be admitted to a concert Friday night.

The immediate plans of the camp call for a concert Friday at 8 p. m. in the camp auditorium.

Eileen Farrell of concert and fame will sing with the orchestra.

Thursday from 9-30 a. m. Carl Mundy is giving instruction in aluminum tray etching.

at Lake Junaluska, which is sponsored by the Junaluska man's Club.

The shop, which is located at the Woman's Club Building at Lake, is open each Tuesday.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 12th

"JIGGS AND MAGGIE IN COURT" ALSO

"ROSE OF SANTA ROSA" Starring PATRICIA WHITE

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