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Sidelights Of The News

Innervation Known

Waynesville folks were out-of-town visitors at the art auction by guiding to the places they were staying at Medford Farm, and where are you staying, and you find your way there right?" he inquired. "I've out there all my life."

Much

A lot of folks in Waynesville are buying local groceries in fear of a non-existent shortage, at least one Charlotte is trying to give the staff in fear that he can't sell it. The neighborhood grocery in big city has a notice to the effect that the customer will get one pound of sugar free for every five pounds purchased.

Chaps It Was Water Snake

Deputy John Kerley is having a fun with a picture he recently made during a raid in getting an illicit still. The still was 50 feet of fire. Deputy Kerley placed the in the form of a coiled rope, and pulled one end over his shoulder. He now shows the and explains that he killed 50-foot white rattlesnake."

Case Observers

Several candidates who were nominated by the Democrats in have been regular attendees court this week. They explain to us. "We are getting the feel the new job." At the same time, a former deputy sheriff was back in the court for the first time in several years, and explained: "Nothing same kind of cases, same old—it all brings back many memories."

Deep Mystery Solved

Perhaps it is best not to cause red faces, but one Haywood has learned a lot about roses in spring—he has learned the early in the spring he had two bushes—both were the pictures of health—he tenderly cared for them, and in due time one of the bushes had beautiful red roses. The other seemed to thrive, and just as healthy, but not a single bloom. Added care and attention was given the non-bloomer. Before long, that bush also burst into full bloom—not with roses, but blackberry blossoms. The disgruntled gardener chopped the bush to the ground. Yesterday was told he had ruined a valuable bush again for the third time about the mystery bush.

Sunday School Record of 1884.

A Sunday School class roll book kept by the late J. L. Morgan of Lyde in the Sunday School then known as the Pleasant Hill Baptist Sunday School at the Post Office building known as Pigeon Valley, (now Lyde) written and kept sixty-five more years ago shows an enrollment of then young women and girls, giving their ages as follows: Lou Robinson (Mrs. John Holder), 17; Mrs. M. Shoek, 22; Cella Haynes (Mrs. Jim Medford), 16; Ada Rogers (Mrs. Ebe Dotson), 14; Now surviving; Sally Jones, 22; Mandy Conner, 28; Etta Haynes (Mrs. Wiley Shoek), 18; (now surviving); M. M. Kinsland, 30; Altha Rogers (Mrs. Altha Murray), (now surviving); Mattie Haynes (Mrs. W. H. Blich), 12; Vona Holcombe, 15; Mrs. E. F. Osborne, 24; Lou Osborne, 17; Emma Haynes (Emma Young), 16; (now surviving); Adda Rutherford, 16. The record was found by J. R. Morgan as he was going through some of his father's papers this week.

The Weather

By The United Press

CLLOUDY
Thursday, July 13—Partly cloudy and cool Thursday with scattered showers mostly in the afternoon. Friday considerable cloudiness with scattered afternoon thunder-showers.
(Official Waynesville temperature as recorded by the staff of the State Test Farm):

Date	Max.	Min.	Rainfall
July 10	82	51	...
" 11	80	57	...
" 12	83	62	35

N. C. Park Commission Re-Elects Chas. Ray Chairman



W. F. Osborne, of Sparta, center, is shown congratulating Charles E. Ray on his re-election as chairman of the N. C. Park Commission here this morning, in the Commission's office in the Masonic Temple. Other members of the commission are, left to right: William Medford, Waynesville, attorney, and author of the legislation establishing the commission, Francis Heazel, of Asheville, Dr. Kelly Bennett, vice chairman, of Bryson City, Raymond Sutton, of Sylva, Mr. Osborne, newest member of the commission, E. C. Guy, of Newland, C. M. Douglas, secretary, of Brevard, and Mr. Ray of Waynesville. Mrs. Edith P. Alley is secretary of the commission. Percy Ferebee, of Andrews, was absent when this picture was made.

National Guard Unit To Return From Camp Sun.

The local unit of the National Guard, comprising 84 men, are expected back Sunday from the annual two-week encampment at Fort Jackson, where they have been undergoing extensive training. The local company carried six heavy tanks with them for the two weeks of training. Capt. Sam Carswell is in command of the company, which is designated as the Heavy Tank Company of the 120th Regiment of the North Carolina National Guard. Serving with the company are Frederick W. Chandler, Paul M. Mull, Albert C. Jones, Willard J. Warren, Jr., J. W. Finney, James N. Williams, James E. Robinson, Louie Curtis, William L. Davis, Wayne M. Edwards, Ralph Pressley, Buic L. Sharpe, Joe R. Russell, William G. Arrington, Floyd E. Nelson, Grover K. Robinson, Wiley Williams, Claude E. Greene, Edward J. Stepp, Pete L. Dock, Edward R. Rickman, Bill E. Sutton; George M. Milner, John E. Norman, Robert A. Lovelad, Robert Bryant, George D. Plemmons, Frank J. Poteat, James C. Burgess, Frank J. Moody, Hubert Parton, Jr., George D. Maney, Nathan Hill, Albert Crayne, Jr., Robert L. Curtis, Francis W. Ruff, James A. Ruff; Thomas M. Radford, B. L. Cooper, Edison E. Williams, William M. Boone, Ray W. McLean, Ray V. Gibson, Joseph J. C. Hall, James E. Harris, Floyd E. Mehaffey, Kenneth B. Boring, Charles R. Smithers, Ned M. Burreas, Walter L. Lance, Robert Wyatt, Gordon L. Kinsland, Aaron K. Greer, Ralph Grasty, Francis A. Wyatt, William A. Grasty, William O. Plemmons, Kenneth Goodson, Jack Kirkpatrick, Leonard B. Messer, Charles C. Bryant, Neil R. Pressley, Gordon C. Raines; John D. Ezell, Jr., James R. Adams, Robert G. Williams, William L. Lovelad, Edward Hill, James P. Gibbs, William H. Coward, Robert Dixon, Jack H. Snyder, William L. Burnette, John D. Chapman, Carl J. Rhymer, Jr., Donald L. Plemmons, John E. Freeman, Jack Reece, James R. McClure, and Carl H. Coward; Capt. Carswell, and First Lieutenants Frank E. Byrd and Robert H. Winchester.

Charles E. Ray Re-Elected Chairman of Park Group

Commission Holds Annual Meeting Here; Re-Elect All Officers

The members of the North Carolina Park, Parkway and National Forest Development Commission held their annual meeting here today and re-elected all officers. Charles E. Ray is chairman; Dr. Kelly Bennett of Bryson City, vice chairman, and C. M. Douglas, of Brevard, secretary. The meeting was held in the commission office in the Masonic Temple this morning, and among the matters discussed this morning was a report by Tom Alexander on conditions of prevailing trails in the Great Smokies. Soon after lunch the commission held a conference with L. Dale Thrash, highway commissioner of this area, and discussed with him several highways as related to the Park, National Forests and Parkway in the tenth district. Mr. Ray said that before the commission adjourned this afternoon that the matter of concessions in the Park would be discussed. While this was the annual meeting, the commission has been meeting about once every two or three months, due to the large amount of work on the program.

Weather Shelters For Indian Drama

CUSTOMERS at the Mountaineer Theatre in Cherokee, in addition to being able to hear every line of "Unto These Hills" from any seat in the huge amphitheatre, are rapidly being provided numerous other comforts to add to their enjoyment of this spectacular outdoor drama. The threat of rain, which caused the audiences many anxious moments during the first week of the production, is now being taken care of with the addition of ample rain shelters, a convenience made possible by the first box office receipts of the show. If the short mountain showers of the Great Smokies happen to extend into a longer rain, the audience can now be assured of staying dry and comfortable. For the brief intermission period, as well as the time before the show begins, the concession stand provides hot coffee, as well as soft drinks, popcorn, candy, and other refreshments. For those customers who desire more comfort, sturdy leather cushions can be rented at the theatre, or spectators may bring seat-cushions of their own. All persons attending the drama are urged to provide themselves with warm wraps, since hot summer days turn into refreshingly cool nights 3,000 feet up in the Great Smokies. One of the great thrills of the Cherokee drama has been the sight of the twilight mist over the hills surrounding the vast theatre, and for this reason many spectators come early and enjoy the panorama of mountain twilight from their seats in the theatre, as they listen to a program of organ music before the show begins.

White Oak People To Meet Saturday

Residents of White Oak will meet at the Community House Saturday night for their regular CDP meeting. Final plans will be made for entertaining the South Clyde residents at an inter-community field day July 26th.

Stamey Gove Group To Meet At Junaluska 21st

Members of the Stamey Cove Community Development group will meet at their ball field Saturday afternoon at four o'clock for the initial practice of events for meeting Lake Junaluska on July 21st. On Monday, the 17th, the group of Stamey Cove singers will meet at eight o'clock at the home of James McFalls for a practice program for the singing contest which will be staged against the Lake Junaluska group during the visiting day on the 21st. The visitation day program with Lake Junaluska will begin at ten o'clock, and a large number from Stamey Cove are expected to participate in the program. Leaders met Wednesday night at the home of McKinnley Pressley and completed plans for the event. The following were named chairmen of the different events for the occasion: Singing, James McFalls; Tug-of-war, Herman Rogers; Horseshoe pitching, young women—Mrs. Walter Roberts; older women—Mrs. Herman Rogers; men Weaver Cook; Egg throwing contest, Phillip Capps; Family relay races, Judy Stephens; Women's blindfold race, Mrs. D. B. Reid; Softball—girls, Mrs. Carrol Trull; men, Jennings Rogers; Eating contest, Walter Roberts; Turner Cathey, county recreation director, explained the program to the group.

Burley Crop Is Down 60 Million Pounds This Year

The 1950 burley crop will be 60 million pounds under that of last year, according to an Associated Press dispatch from the Agriculture Department in Washington. This reduction represents about 10 per cent less acreage than 1949, a representative of the department pointed out.

Commerce Board To Meet Monday Night

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet Monday night. The group is expected to report on the membership drive, which is being headed by Dave Felmet. A number of matters are to come before the group, it was announced by James L. Kilpatrick, president.

Draft Board Here Given Notice To Re-Open

Official orders have been received here for re-opening the Haywood draft board. W. A. Bradley, chairman, received the orders this week. Mr. Bradley was out of town this morning, and no statement was available as to the time the board would be opened. The Haywood board was one of the 67 county boards in the state which were closed on a temporary basis several months ago. Bruce Brown, of Clyde, is veteran's officer, of this county.

Ted Rogers Ready For Soap Box Derby

Ted Rogers is spending his time practicing for the Soap Box Derby to be held Saturday in Asheville. Ted, the 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Rogers, has built a stream-lined red racer, and is being sponsored by the Twin-City Auto Parts Company. The race is slated to begin at one o'clock Saturday, and will be over about four. The boys entering the race have to build their entire cars, keeping cost to \$6, exclusive of wheels, which are the only parts which can be bought. Last year's racers got up to 35 miles per hour in the race. The motorless cars are given a start from a runway constructed at the head of the hill where the race is run. The winner goes to Akron for the national race.

Show Dates Changed To July 21 and 22

The variety musical, "Trippin' Around," will be held the nights of July 21 and 22. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bergmann, Jr., of Asheville, who are in charge of the production, announced the new, later dates today. The performances originally were scheduled for July 20-21. The change was made to avoid conflict with other local events. Beta Sigma Phi sorority of Waynesville is sponsoring the show, which will be held in the Waynesville Township High School auditorium. The proceeds will be used to help finance the construction of a club house for the community. This project is being sponsored by the sorority.

Woman Denies Engaging Man In Dog Pound Case

Miss Margaret Hahn yesterday denied she engaged or hired anyone to dig up the bodies of dogs killed at the town dog pound last spring. She referred to a Mountaineer account of business coming up in this term of Haywood Superior Court. One of the cases scheduled for hearing is Miss Hahn's appeal from a magistrate's court conviction on a charge of trespass regarding the dog pound matter.

Boosters Club Will Meet Tonight At 7

The Hazelwood Boosters Club will meet tonight at the Hazelwood Presbyterian church for the regular monthly dinner meeting, starting at seven o'clock. Rudolph Carswell is president, and Sam Lane secretary.

6-Month Jail Sentence Given To Haywood Man To Develop 'Will Power'

There is one Haywood man who will perhaps think twice before taking a drink of intoxicating beverages during the next two years. It all came about in Superior Court this week, as Judge Will Pless, of Marion, listened to the testimony of a defendant charged with driving while drunk. During the course of the testimony the defendant stated he wanted to quit drinking, and lead a sober life. Judge Pless said he was glad to hear the defendant's attitude, but in his court it took more than promises, wereupon the judge made this proposition: "For two years you are not to take a drink of anything that will make you drunk. In the event you do, then you go to jail for six months." "Judge, I understand, and agree, that is exactly what I want to do," said the defendant, "I'm trying hard to quit."

Jury Finds Both Smith Men Guilty of Assault

In The Korean Limelight



AP Newsfeatures COMMANDER IN CHIEF in the Far East, Gen. Douglas MacArthur has shouldered new responsibility in the Korean crisis. The Seventh Fleet is in his control.



IN THE AIR Lt. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer rules the roost. He commands the Far East Air Forces. His fighters have orders to clear the skies south of the 38th parallel of latitude.



FORMOSA'S KEEPER, Vice-Adm. Arthur D. Struble, commander of the Seventh Fleet. It is patterned after the hard-hitting task forces that struck fast in World War II.



HEAD ADVISOR of the U. S. military in South Korea is Brig. Gen. John H. Church, operating directly under Gen. MacArthur. He heads the Ryukyus (Okinawa) Military Government.

Not Sweet Subject, But Stores Short Of Sugar

Report Of WNC H-Bomb Plant Unconfirmed

The Raleigh News and Observer yesterday reported: "The new multi-million-dollar hydrogen bomb plant may be built in Western North Carolina or elsewhere in the Tennessee Valley area. Members of the House Appropriations sub-committee handling Atomic Energy Commission funds have indicated the plant likely will be placed somewhere in the Southeast." The report was contained in a story from the newspaper's Washington correspondent. The Mountaineer could find no local sources who could confirm or verify the report as to whether the plant would be established in this section or where it would be located, if it is.

CLAUDE WRIGHT IN HOSPITAL

Claude Wright of Waynesville, who is a medical patient at the local hospital, was reported to be improving this morning.

Report Of WNC H-Bomb Plant Unconfirmed

Dixie Home Stores here reported that the only sugar shortage in town is being created by people who think there's a sugar shortage. The panic buying at Dixie started Monday and exhausted its stocks of sugar by noon Tuesday. The rush, however, started with a gradual boost in sales about a week before. "During the last seven to eight days," a clerk said, "customers bought seven to eight tons. That usually is about what we sell in two weeks. "No, the warehouse at Greenville (S.C.) didn't make any cut in our usual shipment. And we haven't had any notice of any shortage down there. But we'll phone and find out about it." He said the current canning season has boosted consumption, but no more than usual. "Our sugar sales usually run ten per cent higher during the period between late May and the end of summer because of the canning, which takes quite a lot. "But that's nothing unusual." Customers who usually buy about ten pounds of sugar a week for their normal family needs were buying 20 to 30 pounds each during the rush period Monday and Tuesday, he added. The A & P store here, however, was untouched by the surge. The manager, Mr. Senn, reported Tuesday: "Yes, we're out of sugar. But we usually are out or close to it on Tuesdays. That's the day before we get our weekly supply." He said his store did not experience any more than the usual volume of sugar-buying recently. On Wednesday, however, Mr. Senn reported: "Things aren't the way they were yesterday." He said he had been informed that all warehouses in Asheville were cleaned out. One woman, who had made a tour of the groceries there declared: (See Sugar—Page 6)

TODAY'S SMILE
The 6 stages of drunkenness, as outlined by Dr. C.W. Muehlberger at a meeting of police officials in Toronto, are: dry and decent; delighted and devilish; daisy and delirious; dazed and dejected; dead drunk, and dead.

Two Residents Of Jackson County Charged With Secret Assault On Officers

BULLETIN

The jury returned a verdict of "guilty of assault" on two charges against Jerry and Oliver Smith shortly after three o'clock today. Solicitor Thad Bryson, Jr., had preferred two charges—one for the assault on each of the officers' cars. Judge J. Will Pless, presiding, had not handed down a sentence in the case at 3:15 this afternoon.

An all-male Haywood Superior Court jury was deliberating over the testimony shortly before noon today in the trial of Jerry and Oliver Smith, accused of firing on officers in an auto chase the night of March 4.

State and defense both rested their cases late yesterday afternoon after a two-hour hearing of the testimony of the eight witnesses. Each of the brothers, residents of Jackson County, is charged with secret assault with a deadly weapon on two counts—one involving the firing on a car in which Deputies Sheriff Max Cochran, John Kerley, and Wade McDaniel were riding; the other, involving the shooting up of State Highway Patrolman Joe Murrill's patrol car in which he was riding with Waynesville Police-man Paul Gough. Each pleaded innocent to the charges.

The defense offered no witnesses but cross-examined each of the state's witnesses thoroughly. Deputy Cochran, first witness to testify, told the court he saw Oliver Smith fire seven shots at the deputies' car during the chase, that the first bullet struck the windshield, another hit the radiator, and the others went wild.

He added that the shooting started shortly before 10:30 P. M., and the damage to the radiator caused water to drown out the motor, eliminating the officers' car from the chase.

Murrill testified that he took up the chase shortly before midnight when he saw the fugitive auto traveling down the Dellwood Road. "I turned around," he said, "and started following it. "We got within about 25 yards of the car and I turned my spotlight on it." He added he put the light through the rear window of the fleeing car, and saw the man in the right side of the front seat raise up and look back.

He said the man was Jerry Smith, but that he didn't see who the driver was. As they reached the bridge in Frog Level, he continued, the lights of the fugitive car went off. He said he saw the flame from a gun as the two autos went up Eagles Nest Road, and a bullet struck the windshield.

The glass showed a hole within a few inches of Murrill's right. Gough was riding in the front seat next to Murrill. He said he didn't see who did the shooting. The slug passed through the patrol car and knocked out the rear window.

After that, the officer said, he turned his car across the road to form a block, and a radio report was sent back to the other officers. Meanwhile, the sheriff's office had resumed the search in other cars.

The officers testified they found the fugitive auto on the Hyatt Creek road where it had been abandoned about a mile from the point (See Court—Page 6)

Highway Record For 1950 In Haywood (To Date) Injured . . . 18 Killed . . . 3 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol)