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TODAY'S SMILE
"Professor Blank," inquired the reporter, "have you ever seen a lie detector in action?"
"See one!" barked the prof. "I married one!"

Sidelights Of The News

Football System

Waynesville High School's football team will be playing in the platoon system this season—Army platoons. Jaynes, the Waynesville man who now tutors the Pythons, reports the Army has called for second stringers. National Guardsmen, the boys got their marching orders from the squad was in training at Junaluska. They'll get their uniforms at Fort Bragg September 3. The 1950 eleven opens its 12-game schedule September 12 against Spencer. "It leaves us two boys who were last year," he said. "We're looking for the future." Survivors from the Army are sophomores and juniors, locally. Most of the boys, says Harry, will be staying together for the next two years. The Pythons wound up their training yesterday afternoon in a sharp practice game with the team at Sylva.

Fever

After he came home from the Hazelwood Bears last spring, Hazelwood's favorite athletic son, American Bill Milner, allowed he was a bit tired of hitting the road vice versa and was going to set down into some other profession, preferably right here at home. Reflecting his ambition, he ran for sheriff last spring, meanwhile a filling station which is making its debut in Haywood County's business world. Early this month, the Bears and the other pro football teams went into training. But Bill carefully turned his nose away from the fragrance of flying pigskins and continued studying several possibilities. Yesterday morning, bright and early, he made his final decision. He left for New York by plane on the Asheville-Hendersonville route. He'll play football for the New York Giants.

Balloon Fishing

For a picture about fishing with balloons, see page 10 in the August issue of Popular Mechanics. The magazine contains a sketch of this method, made famous by C. E. Matherby of Waynesville. Mr. Matherby declares, however, that he didn't invent it. It was an old practice when he picked it up some 20 years ago, he says. Mr. Weatherby's technique was broadcast from coast to coast this summer via the Associated Press and the Waynesville Mountaineer several weeks ago.

Was Forty Years Ago

Wednesday marked the 40th anniversary of the big auction sale in Hazelwood. This fact was discovered by J. R. Morgan, as he worked over some records at the court house. He well remembers the sale, which was the first big auction ever staged here. The property was owned by the Bass Property, and included what is now a large part of Hazelwood, south of Main street in Richmond Street. And speaking of auction sales, it is remembered that thus far this season, the famous Penny Brothers have not held a sale here. This is most unusual, since they stage five to ten sales here each year.

Same Address In

Another Town
On Tuesday of this week, Rev. and Mrs. L. G. Elliott, and two children moved from the Baptist parsonage here at the corner of Main and Academy streets to the Baptist parsonage in Roxboro. They will not have any trouble remembering their street address—it will be the same as they have had for the past six years—the corner of Main and Academy Streets.

No Reducing Pills Needed

Two members of The Mountaineer staff while watching Coach (See Sidelights—Page 8)

The Weather



Thursday, August 24 — Variable cloudiness and mild today and Friday with occasional afternoon showers or thunderstorms.
(Official Waynesville temperature as recorded by the staff of the State Test Farm):
Date Max. Min. Rainfall
Aug. 21 79 54
" 22 80 56 .31
" 23 80 53

Bethel, WTHS Building Plans In Making

Haywood Officers Hit Jack-Pot



These Haywood County officers found three stills all neatly collected in one spot up on Deep Gap early Tuesday. It was the largest single haul of the year. Left to right are Deputy John Kerley, Constable Horace Mehaffey, Deputy Wade McDaniel, and Deputy Max Cochran. (Staff Photo.)

Huge Crowds Attend 65th Annual Meet Of Baptists

82-Year-Old Man Killed When Hit By Auto Monday

The body of William Dunham Miller, 82-year-old victim of a traffic accident, was sent to Jacksonville, Florida, yesterday afternoon by train for funeral services and burial.

Mr. Miller, former Jacksonville man, was struck by a car Monday afternoon about five miles west of Waynesville.

State Highway Patrol Corp. John L. Carpenter said the driver of the car was Keith Elmo Posey of Pritchard, Ala.

The officer said two other autos collided a few minutes before the tragedy as one of them stopped suddenly to avoid hitting Mr. Miller. The auto was struck in the rear by another as the driver, Ira V. Stephens of New Bern, jammed on his brakes. The driver of the second car was Glenn F. Allen.

Allen's auto sustained approximately \$200 damage, while Stephens' was damaged to the extent of \$75.

Mr. Miller, whose home was on Waynesville route 2 at the time of his death, is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Watts Miller of Jacksonville; a daughter, Mrs. R. E. Jones of Waynesville route 2; two sons, W. D. Miller, Jr., and Hammond W. Miller, both of Jacksonville; a sister, Mrs. Louise Rash of Atlantic Beach, Fla.; and two grandsons.

He came to Haywood County about 15 years ago.

Garrett Funeral Home sent the body to Naugle Funeral Home of Jacksonville for the final rites.

Dr. J. Frank Pate, Haywood County coroner, will hold an inquest here Wednesday afternoon in Mr. Miller's death.

The tragedy brought the county's highway death toll for 1950 to six. The number of deaths is two more than the number of lives lost up to the same time last year.

FLORIDA EDITOR VISITS HERE

Luther Jones of Belle Glade, Florida, owner and publisher of The Herald, Belle Glade newspaper, is a guest at Mount Valley Inn.

Heavy Enrollment Seen For High School Here

Registration at the high school is about 80 per cent complete, it was learned from M. H. Bowles, district superintendent, at noon today. Approximately 1,200 students are expected to be enrolled in the high school and junior high by noon Monday. Eighth grade students are to enroll Friday, and seventh graders when they get to school at 8:45 Monday.

By ESTHER MAE GIBSON

Member of Mountaineer Staff

Around 900 Baptists attended the three sessions of the Haywood Baptist Association, which was held Tuesday and Wednesday to hear the progressive reports of the forty-eight churches that make up the Association.

Tuesday morning's convention met at the Spring Hill Church, then back to another section of Canton for the evening program at Sunny Point. Mount Zion Church was host to the Haywood Baptists on Wednesday.

Rev. Ben Lee Ray, pastor of the Calvary Church at Canton was elected moderator for the year succeeding Rev. M. L. Lewis, of Hazelwood.

A number of the leaders of the Baptist work in the state attended the sessions of the association, as well as visitors from other associations, and made brief addresses. Among them included: L. L. Carpenter, Editor of Biblical Recorder; Dr. Ed Preston, of Meredith College; M. A. Huggins, General Secretary of State Missions; Phil Elliott, of Gardner Webb College; M. H. Kendall, of Mars Hill College; Mr. Reed, of the Baptist Orphanage, and Dr. W. K. McGee, Director of the North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. C. D. Sawyer, and the Doctrinal Sermon by the Rev. Elmer Green, who has recently been appointed Association Worker for the County.

Officers elected in addition to Rev. Mr. Ray were: Rev. Avery Peek, vice moderator; Miss Esther Mae Gibson, clerk; Neal Webb, treasurer; R. E. Sentelle, historian; Rev. G. E. Scruggs, superintendent of evangelism; Rev. J. Doyle Miller, and Rev. George Mehaffey, associate superintendents of evangelism; Harry Mashburn, director of Brotherhood; Rev. D. D. Gross, associate director of Brotherhood; Rev. H. L. Smith, chairman of the executive program committee; J. R. Morgan, chairman of stewardship and finance committee; Rev. Otto Parham, associate chairman of stewardship and finance committee.

Rev. Robert Gaddis, director of Training Union; Mrs. Sam Knight. (See Huge Crowds—Page 8)

Still-Hunting Officers Hit Jack Pot Tuesday

Haywood sheriff's deputies, searching for "still" life, hit the jackpot about 3 a.m. Tuesday — three of them practically in one place up at Deep Gap.

The stills had capacities of 500, 400, and 100 gallons. The officers also confiscated a total 5,000 gallons of mash and beer and 12 dozen fruit jars.

Deputies Max Cochran, John Kerley, and Wade McDaniel, and Constable Horace Mehaffey made the raid just as the men were preparing to light the fire under the 100-gallon job, ready to start producing corn.

The four to five men fled in a car across the Tennessee border, about 600 yards away, as the officers approached.

The deputies said they had known of the presence of only one, and were going after it when they hit their jackpot.

The three brought to 21 the number of stills taken by Haywood officers since January 13.

WTHS Band To Give Concert At 7:30 P.M. Today

The Waynesville Township High School band will give its second concert of the summer at 7:30 p.m. today on the lawn of the Haywood County Court House.

Appearing with the band, which will be directed by Charles L. Isley, will be Cornetist Carol Underwood, Cornetist Tommy Curtis, Baritone Sammy Wiggins, and Flutist Joe Fortner, all band alumni.

The program will feature selections of light music.

Rev. Cochran To Speak At Lake Junaluska

The Rev. Leonard Cochran, of Columbus, Ga., featured speaker for a south-wide Conference on Evangelism meeting at the Lake Junaluska Assembly, August 20-25, will speak twice Thursday from the Assembly pulpit.

Widely known for his evangelistic type of preaching, the Rev. Mr. Cochran, in an interview, applied Scriptural teachings to the solution of 20th century problems, drawing lessons from the preaching of Jesus the Baptist and the witness of John the Baptist concerning his ministry.

"There has never been so much restlessness and insecurity in the mind of any generation than at the present time," said the speaker. "If this generation does not pass on to the oncoming one a greater spiritual force than we have today, the church and the nation will be weakened."

"I've never known a generation of young people to respond to the call of religion more readily than the youth of today. The trouble is with the older generation."

"Our rising generation is subjected to more temptations than (See Rev. Cochran—Page 8)

Annual REA Meeting To Open Aug. 26

Mixing business with pleasure, the members of Haywood Electric Membership Corporation, of Waynesville, will hold their annual meeting on Saturday at 10:00 A. M., at the Waynesville Armory, according to announcement by the co-op manager, R. C. Sheffield.

Kenneth N. Hardy, regional head, REA Applications and Loans Division, Washington, D. C., will be the principal speaker.

Valuable attendance prizes will be awarded, and winners of the Boys and Girls Essay Contest will be announced.

An Electrical Appliance Show will also be held in connection with the meeting, at which local dealers will display the latest models of labor-saving electric appliances.

Eleven directors will be chosen, reports will be presented, and routine business will be transacted.

Any member may nominate candidates for the board of directors. Entertainment will include movies, and community singing.

All members are urged to attend. Plans also will be discussed, Mr. Sheffield added, to bring electric service to as many rural people in the remote areas as possible.

Recently, the organization launched a new \$670,000 construction program aimed to carry electric service to 1,250 farms and non-agricultural institutions, like schools, churches, and small industries.

Provision also has been made for re-phasing the system's main trunk lines, boost substation capacity, install sectionalizing switches and other new equipment, and build a new headquarters near Waynesville.

Prior to the launching of the new program, the Haywood organization was operating 750 miles of line serving 3,850 members in Buncombe, Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Transylvania counties of North Carolina, and Rabun County in North Georgia.

These projects are now in the stage of final planning, and construction contracts were scheduled to be awarded soon, the manager said.

The federal Rural Electrification Administration has allocated the local group a total \$2,041,000.

The cooperative has repaid \$167,679 on principal and interest. This includes \$35,000 paid in advance of the date due.

Appointed to the nominating committee were:

T. C. Davis, for White Oak, Ivy Hill, Jonathan Creek, and Iron Duff; Wayne McElroy for Crabtree and Fines Creek; James T. Smith for Beaverdam; C. E. Brown, Jr., for Clyde and Waynesville; Oder F. Burnette for East Fork.

E. F. Burnette for Pigeon and Cecil; Percy Yarborough and Ralph Nichols for Buncombe County; Luther Stephens for Jackson County; Ernest Denslow for Transylvania; and Paul Grist for Macon County, and Rabun County, Ga.

3 Clyde Boys Are Honored

Three boys from Clyde have been awarded the title of Carolina Farmer for 1950.

This is the highest state honor a North Carolina boy in the Future Farmers of America can attain.

The youths are Donald Carver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilmer Carver, Clyde, Route 2; Howell C. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn D. Brown; and Joe Morrow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Morrow, Waynesville, Route 2. All three are members of the Clyde FFA chapter, headed by Agriculture Teacher Robert Evans.

When Donald started taking vocational agriculture, he had neither livestock nor money.

But today, four years after he first joined the FFA, he is manager of the home farm and owns a beef cow, beef heifer, purebred dairy cow, feeder calf, two stocker steers, a draft horse, and \$350 in the bank. During the school year he served as reporter for his FFA chapter, served on the chapter's beef judging team, and was an official delegate at the recent State FFA Convention in Raleigh.

"Our rising generation is subjected to more temptations than (See 3 Clyde Boys—Page 5)

Biggest 'Cat' of Year In Fontana



Fred Inman, left, and his Hazelwood neighbor, E. O. Ensley, show the 25 1/4-pound catfish and four smaller ones they hooked in the waters of Fontana Lake early Tuesday. The big one is the largest catfish landed from Fontana this year. Mr. Ensley hooked it, but needed Mr. Inman's help to haul it aboard. (Staff Photo.)

New Student Insurance Plan Okayed

A comprehensive insurance plan covering Haywood County's school children was endorsed unanimously Tuesday night at a county-wide meeting.

Expressing their support of the plan were representatives and officials of the county's Parent-Teachers Associations, local school committees, and Community Development Program organizations.

They met with the county's district school principals and County Schools Superintendent Jack Messer at the East Waynesville School.

The insurance, costing only 60 cents per child for the entire school term, covers the students from the time they leave home in the morning until they return in the afternoon.

It will cover injuries from accidents incurred when the child is riding a school bus or family car or walking to or from school; when he or she is taking part in a school activity — including traveling as a member of an athletic team or from a game, and during a game;

While practicing for an athletic contest and a member of a team; while within a school building or on the school grounds or premises;

While practicing or participating in intra-mural sports and gymnastics.

Each policy will pay \$1,000 for loss of life, and up to \$500 for medical and dental expenses incurred in treatment of an injury.

Starting with the next school term opening Monday, Mr. Messer declared, principals in each school will collect 60 cents for each child along with the regular school fees.

To go into effect, the total children enrolled under the plan must equal the average daily attendance of the schools during the 1949-50 (See New Student—Page 8)

Local Men Land 25 1/4-Pound Catfish Tuesday

Two Hazelwood men came home from Fontana Lake Tuesday with a catfish weighing 25 1/4 pounds — largest hauled from the lake this year.

E. O. Ensley and his neighbor, Fred Inman, also landed four other cats, weighing one, 5 1/2, six, and nine pounds.

Mr. Ensley hooked the big one in 30 feet of water while fishing about 75 feet off Oscar Wiggins' Dock below Bryson City at about 7:30 a.m.

But he needed his neighbor's help to haul the catch in.

"Thought we'd gotten a whale at first," he grinned.

He was using cut carp for bait at the end of a 50-pound test line.

For moral support, the two men had ten-year-old Billy Ensley, Mr. Ensley's son, and eight-year-old Gladys Anne Inman, Mr. Inman's daughter.

White Oak Farmer Raises A Big Crop Of Fine Tomatoes

George Boring who acts as a one-man Chamber of Commerce for White Oak, came into Waynesville Wednesday loaded down with big red tomatoes.

"These are samples of what grows in White Oak. We have 220 vines, and will average half bushel per vine," he explained.

Mr. Boring pointed out that spraying and constant care was the secret of the bumper crop.

H. R. Head Is New A & P Manager Of Local Store

H. R. Head, of Walthalla, S. C., has assumed the place as manager of the local A & P Store. He has been with the firm for four years, stationed at Clemson, S. C.

Mr. Senne, former manager, has been given a promotion, and transferred to Asheville.

Masons Close Successful Annual Summer Assembly

More than 1,000 Masons and their families left for home yesterday following the close of their successful 1950 Summer Assembly here.

The yearly event ended in an impressive, colorful climax Tuesday night with the conferring of the degree of Master Masons on a class of candidates.

Conducting the ceremonies were the officers of Rock Lodge 267 of Dunn, and a team from Knoxville Council 75, Royal and Select Masters of Knoxville, Tenn.

The Dunn group conferred the degree on the first section, and the Knoxville team administered to the second section.

Earlier in the day, the visitors and their host Waynesville Masons gathered at the Masonic Marker at Black Camp Gap and heard the address of Grand Master Luther Hartsell of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of North Carolina.

The annual summer Assembly of the North Carolina Grand Council had opened Sunday morning with registration.

The visitors came from more than a dozen states principally throughout the Southeast.

Bidding To Open By Sept. 15

The blue-prints and specifications for the proposed new buildings for Bethel Elementary School and Waynesville Township High School are expected to be ready for bidding about September 15.

County Schools Superintendent Jack Messer made the announcement today.

State allocations for the new buildings are \$175,000 each.

The new Bethel Elementary School building will contain 20 classrooms.

The new high school building, to be located at the corner of Brown and Balsam, will house a new cafeteria, and eight classrooms for science, home economics, and possibly, commercial department courses.

Under present market conditions in the building trade, Mr. Messer explained, the new building would be completed in time for the opening of the 1951-52 school term.

The plans, now in the process of completion, are to be submitted to the state for final approval.

Cherokees Driven West In 1838

Why do we have Cherokee both in North Carolina and in Oklahoma? They were driven west in 1838 — how does it happen that there is a Cherokee reservation here now?

The answer is that in 1838 there were many Cherokee who could not bring themselves to leave their homes. They ran to the mountains and hid for weeks and months. The U. S. Army, under General Winfield Scott, knew that it would be impossible to find them. At one point, when many Indians were escaping, the Army decided to make a strong example, and this example involved a Cherokee by the name of Tsali, or Charley.

Tsali saw his wife mistreated by a soldier. He struck back and killed the soldier, then he and his sons escaped. It was a dramatic moment, and Scott knew that the time had come. He demanded that this man be brought back as an example to the rest. Strangely enough, a white man, Will Thomas, who was a close friend of the Cherokee, went to the mountains and found Tsali and his sons, and asked them to come back. The agreement was that if they would return and be executed, the others in the mountains would not be molested. They could stay where they were.

Tsali came back. He and his sons were shot down by a firing squad. Some say soldiers were used; others say that Cherokees themselves were forced to shoot down Tsali. In any event, the bulk of the Cherokees were marched to Oklahoma, and some four or five hundred stayed in the Great Smokies, around the Oconalufy and the Tuckasee rivers, where the present reservation is located.

Will Thomas became their adviser and guardian, because they could not officially own property. Each was paid a small amount by the government as part of the removal agreement. Thomas took this money and purchased the huge tract of land where they lived, then parceled it out to families for homes and farms. As the years went by, and after a while, a regiment had joined Thomas during the War Between the States. (See Cherokees—Page 8)

Highway Record For 1950 In Haywood (To Date) Injured . . . 21 Killed . . . 6 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol)