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TODAY'S SMILE Economist: "If all girls would go back to cotton stockings for a year, there'd be no cotton surplus." Farmer: "No, thanks. We'll take the surplus."

Haywood Likely To Favor Research Plan Tobacco & Home Show Set Nov. 16-17

Talent Show Set, Queen To Be Named

A county-wide talent show, a parade of queens and the crowning of a county tobacco queen will be among the special events highlighting the Tobacco and Home Demonstration Exhibition November 16-17.

Special feature for the entire exhibition, according to Community Development officers who met Thursday night, will be a talent show on Friday night, November 16, at the Court House.

Communities are now selecting their tobacco queens to enter the county queen competition. The queens will appear on the program Friday night, will ride in the parade Saturday morning, and the county queen will be crowned at the Court House on Saturday evening.

The parade, which will start from the Waynesville High School at 10:30 a.m., will include not only the queens but the officers of the various communities.

The talent show committee is headed by C. C. Poindexter, with Carl Ratcliffe, Mrs. Porter Broyles, Mr. R. O. Kelly, the Rev. J. H. Coleman, Mrs. O. L. Yates, and G. C. Dobbins, Turner Cathey will (See Burley Show—Page 8)

Asphalt Surfacing Work On 13 Streets In Waynesville Is Slated To Start Soon

Laying of asphalt for the city's \$25,000 street-paving project will start soon, according to Town Manager G. C. Ferguson.

Grading and laying of a traffic-laying of the streets is near bound gravel base in preparation for the paving of the streets is near completion, Mr. Ferguson disclosed.

Streets included in the program are: Keller Street, Marshall Drive (from Fuller's Shop to Galloway's Mill), Vance Street, Nelson Drive, Water and Charles Streets (at Builders Supply to Boundary), Welch Street, Daisey Avenue, Ridgewood Avenue, West Street, Howell Street (from North Main to top of curve), Longview Drive, Johnson Hill, and Rowland Drive (to Virginia Avenue).

Of the \$25,000 to be used for the project, \$16,700 will come from a state fund as provided in the Powell Bill, Mr. Ferguson explained. The paving should be completed about Nov. 15, he added.

Allison Construction Co. of Asheville, has the street paving contract. Asphalt for the job will be mixed at the Dellwood plant of the Asheville Paving Co.



Pfc. Jack Leonard Hannah, USMC, 18, of Route 2, Canton, was killed in action in Korea on October 22, his family has been informed.

He was a student at Canton High School prior to his enlistment last February, and has been overseas since July.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hannah; four brothers, Earl with the Army in Germany; Mack, Walter and Denny at home; and one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Kuykendall of Atlanta, Ga.



Pvt. William C. Welch, Jr., was killed in action in Korea on October 6, according to word just received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Creed Welch of Iron Duff.

He volunteered for service last April, and after completing training in Hawaii in August, was sent to Korea. He had not been at home since he entered the service. He was a member of the 2nd M. P. Company, 2nd Infantry Division.

A graduate of Crabtree-Iron Duff High School, Welch worked in New Jersey and Detroit prior to his enlistment. During the whole of his training period he maintained a rating of "excellent," according to his commanding officer. He was awarded a sharpshooter's medal for rifle marksmanship.

Waynesville Power Set-Up Under Survey

A valuable "gift" for presentation to the town of Waynesville now is being prepared by auditors and engineers of the Carolina Power and Light Co.

Auditors are busy checking the rate structure set up by the town, while engineers are engaged in mapping the physical outlay of the power system.

When this double survey of the business aspects and material assets of the municipal power system is completed, all information obtained will be turned over to the town—free of charge—by Carolina Power and Light.

"This is a service that has been needed by Waynesville for a long time," Town Manager G. C. Ferguson pointed out. "If the job were being done by a commercial survey firm, it would cost us several hundred dollars."

The survey is being made without charge because Waynesville is one of Carolina Power and Light's largest customers, Mr. Ferguson disclosed.

Deep Freeze To Be Given Saturday

Colder weather is not expected to cut attendance at the Merchant Association's celebration of the Trade Jubilee Saturday at 2 p.m. in the football stadium.

Once again various gifts will be distributed among the thousands who will attend. A Kelvinator Deep Freeze tops the list of gifts, but in addition there will be a Bates Quilted Doublebed Pastel Bed Spread, a Chatham Virgin Wool Blanket, and a Skyway Fitted Luggage Case.

The Trade Jubilee, which encourages people of this area to trade at home, will continue until Dec. 15th at which time the biggest gift of all, a 1951 Buick, will be presented to some happy person.

Mrs. W. H. Sullivan has returned to her home in Anderson, S. C., after a weeks visit to her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Harry Sullivan.

Corpening Receives Award For Distinguished Service

Wayne A. Corpening, Haywood County agricultural agent, has been granted the Distinguished Service Award by the National Association of County Agricultural Agents in session this week in Memphis.

Mr. Corpening was one of five county agents in North Carolina to receive this award. Presentation was made by Horace Abbott of Indianapolis, chairman of the NACAA Distinguished Service Committee, at a banquet program Tuesday.

Eligibility requirements for the county agents' Distinguished Service Award include: Ten years of service, institution of a county agricultural program and completion of some constructive project, interest in the improvement of the profession of county agricultural agents, and participation in affairs of local agricultural organizations.

Mr. Corpening became assistant agricultural agent in Haywood County following his graduation from North Carolina State in 1936. Later he was promoted to county agent, but entered the Army in 1942.

Mr. Corpening served overseas for several years, during which time he reached the rank of lieutenant. (See Corpening—Page 8)

Agent Honored



Wayne A. Corpening, county agricultural agent, was granted the Distinguished Service Award of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents during the group's convention this week in Memphis.

Santa Claus Plans 'Preview', Will Arrive In Town Nov. 16

Santa Claus decided definitely this morning to pay a pre-Christmas visit to this community, arriving on Friday, November 16th.

Santa said he would get here about 3:30, and will make his first appearance at the Hazelwood town hall, where he will distribute candy, from perhaps the fire truck, which will probably be his means of transportation while in the community.

After his appearance in Hazelwood, Santa will make a quick trip to the court house, and there continue giving out candy to the children.

He also plans to ride in the Burley parade the next morning at 10:30, and Saturday afternoon will be a key figure in the Merchant's Trade Jubilee program at the high school stadium.

Statewide Vote Is Set For Saturday

Haywood County, regarded as one of the leading agricultural counties in North Carolina and the entire South, is expected to give overwhelming approval Saturday to the vote on the "Nickels for Know-How" farm research expansion plan.

Farm families throughout North Carolina will be called on to cast their vote on a proposal to add five cents a ton to the cost of all feed and fertilizer sold in the state. Money collected will be used to expand the state's agricultural research program.

The "Nickels for Know-How" plan already has won the backing of state and county agriculture leaders, and is believed likely to win wide approval at the referendum Saturday.

Farm organization officials have pointed out the gains made from agricultural research in the state in the last several years—including development of hybrid corn, green pastures, artificial breeding, disease-resistant tobacco, and better poultry—and have stressed the need for further research.

The average cost per person of the feed and fertilizer assessment has been estimated at only about 25 cents a year—just a few cents more than a pack of cigarettes. The assessment is not a tax. Farmers who wish to do so can obtain a refund on money paid in.

Collection of the assessment will not involve local agencies. The money will be paid by the manufacturers of feed and fertilizers to the State Department of Agriculture.

The polls for the referendum will be open Saturday from 6:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. Anyone who purchases feed—including 4-H and FFA members and other boys and girls (there is no age limit)—is eligible to vote.

Voters may cast their ballots in any community they wish. Registration of voters is not required.

Polling places are as follows: Crabtree—Duckett's Store, Rock Springs School; Fines Creek—Mark Ferguson, Cleve Noland; White Oak—Community Center; Iron Duff—R. L. Parks Garage; Lake Junaluska—Jerry Liner's Store; North Clyde—Fincher's Store; South Clyde—Bob Lindsay; Ratcliffe Cove—Way Ratcliffe's Store; Francis Cove—Community Church; Allens Creek—School house; Saurinook—Norman Burgess Store; Jonathan Creek—Ralph Boyd's filling station; Cove Creek—Post Office and store; Maggie—Joe Campbell's Store; Dellwood—Burgin's Store; Cecil—Rob Messer's Store; Cruso—Eugene Henson's Store and Olat Massie's Store; Hominy—Woods and McCracken Store; Beaverdam—Beaverdam School; Morning Star—Wilson's Store and Eldon Burns. (See Election—Page 8)

School Bond Election Plans Still Mired By Technicality

Setting of a date for the county's \$2,000,000 school bond election still was held up today by a technicality which arose over the proper title of the Canton school district.

County commissioners have been in recess since Monday when they met to set a date for the election. Commissioners cannot proceed until word is received from the State Department of Education in Raleigh on the proper title of the Canton school area.

The issue arose when bonding attorneys in New York disagreed over the designation of the Canton district. The question is whether it should bear the name of Canton or Beaverdam Township.

Confusion has been blamed on a state assembly act of 1933 which discontinued independent school districts such as the one maintained by Canton.

Sheriff Points Out Fireworks Are Unlawful

Sheriff Fred Campbell issued a stern warning this morning regarding shooting fireworks in Haywood. The same law which prohibits shooting of fireworks also makes it a violation to buy or sell them in the county, the sheriff pointed out.

We are going to rigidly enforce the law, and all persons who have fireworks on hand should dispose of them immediately—but not by shooting them, he explained.

Ex-Canton Man Shot

A gun battle with the elements of a wild west movie was no laughing matter for State Highway Patrolman Leonard C. Smith of Parkton, formerly of Canton. He got his Indian but he also received a bullet in the groin, and both men are now in the Roberson county hospital.

The 16-year-old Indian, Ransome Locklear, was approached by Smith after the young man had wrecked a car he was accused of stealing. The wreck had climaxed a wild chase during which Locklear had tried to hit a traffic officer who was directing the movement of cars at a funeral.

Halted at last the Indian produced a .22 pistol instead of his driver's license as requested. He fired, the hitting Smith who, nevertheless, was able to complete the exchange and shoot the Indian in the chest. Smith was last reported to be in satisfactory condition.

Dr. and Mrs. N. M. Medford spent the past week-end in Chapel Hill with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cline, Jr., and attended the Duke-Virginia football game.

Haywood 100% Organizations For Schools

The following organizations have officially gone on record as being 100 per cent behind the school expansion program here in Haywood county. Others are expected to be added later.

- Waynesville Lions
Waynesville Rotary
American Legion, Post No. 47
Hazelwood Boosters
Hazelwood PTA
Waynesville Women's Club
Business and Professional Women's Club
East Waynesville PTA.

Highway Record For 1951 In Haywood (To Date) Injured . . . 49 Killed . . . 4 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

Halloween Pranks Relatively Harmless In Haywood Except In Bethel Community

Waynesville's Halloween Wednesday night was a bit damp, but it was equally noisy, boisterous and soap-streaked. But despite all the hullabaloo, it was the kind of Halloween that the police like—but seldom get.

Waynesville police termed last night "awfully quiet; best they've been in years." No arrests were made due to the celebrating and no reports of thefts were received, police added.

Halloweening was confined mostly to Main St. where weirdly-dressed throngs paraded up and down the street. There were boys dressed as girls, and some vice versa. Two boys were garbed in "regulation" white long-handles, while a girl sported a bright pair of red flannels.

Most of the Halloween outfits were hastily contrived—with little attempt made at artistry. One of the most attractive costumes was that of a girl attired in a white bridal gown.

Traffic on Main St. was especially heavy and especially loud, with horns blowing constantly. Several convertibles sported attractive (See Halloween—Page 8)

Shots And Burning Of Dynamite Mar Bethel Halloween

A noisy but innocent Halloween in the rest of the county was contrasted sharply by two happenings at Bethel which could have resulted in serious injury to several persons.

Both incidents took place at Bethel School. The first occurred when several shots were fired through a school window—narrowly missing several girls attending a Halloween carnival at the school.

The shots were believed fired from a car, and appeared to be from a .22-caliber rifle, according to Sheriff Fred Campbell.

Police Say Canton Had Quiet Night

Canton police reported to the Mountaineer this morning that "Things were unusually quiet Halloween night. A few windows were broken and a few street lights, but it didn't amount to anything."

When asked about the amount of damage to street lights and windows, the police repeated, "It didn't amount to anything. No arrests were made. There was the usual crowd out on the streets and everybody had a good time, but nothing very much happened."

Incidents apparently were not linked, and reported that he is investigating both.

Lead Fails In Pedestrian Death Case

An apparently promising lead to the capture of a hit-and-run driver, who killed a pedestrian Saturday night on the Canton-Asheville highway, proved groundless when it was discovered that the suspect was in jail at the time of the fatal traffic mishap.

Sheriff Fred Campbell and State Patrol Cpl. Pritchard Smith, who went to Newland Monday to investigate a car believed driven by the hit-and-run driver, reported that the young man held in the case had spent Saturday night in the Polk County jail.

The dead man was identified as Keith Henson, 31, painter, of Candler Route 2. He was the fourth 1951 fatality on Haywood County highways, and the third pedestrian to be killed this year.

Mr. Henson's body was discovered on the Canton-Asheville highway near the Mountain View Inn. Authorities today still were seeking more clues in the case. Sheriff Campbell and Cpl. Smith said. They urged that anyone having any information on the hit-and-run contact the sheriff's office or the highway patrol.

The vehicle involved was described as a two or four-door vehicle, dark green—"almost black"—and is believed to have a damaged right front end, including a broken sealed-beam amber fog-light.

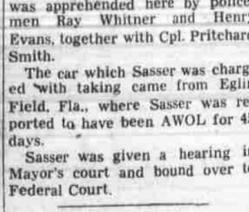
AWOL Soldier In Dual Trouble

Eugene Sasser was bound over to Federal court on charges of violating the federal Dyer Act. Sasser was apprehended here by policemen Ray Whitner and Henry Evans, together with Cpl. Pritchard Smith.

The car which Sasser was charged with taking came from Egin Field, Fla., where Sasser was reported to have been AWOL for 45 days.

Sasser was given a hearing in Mayor's court and bound over to Federal Court.

(Bulletin) Ranger M. J. Becker announced late today that the link of the Parkway from Soco Gap to Mile High Overlook will be closed over the weekend, and perhaps for the season. Slides caused or threatened by the recent rains are responsible. "Some of the fills are settling down," explained Becker.



Weather forecast table with columns for Max, Min, Rainfall and rows for Nov 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

Nov. 1—Mostly occasional rain and cooler. Thursday, Friday cooler. Waynesville tempered by the staff of the Farm: Max, Min, Rainfall 68 56 .12 68 34 . 71 39 .07 66 48 .27