

**As Seen And Heard
HERE and THERE
In HAYWOOD**
By Charles Edwards

A soldier of George Washington, home from the wars, could stop by the village blacksmith shop to beat his sword into a primitive plowshare, with which to scratch the virgin soil among stumps still standing upon an acre or two of cleared land near the family cabin.

**Park Theatre
Program**

MON., DEC. 10

**"The Day The
Earth Stood Still"**

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TUES. - WED.
NOV. 11 - 12

**"Let's Make It
Legal"**

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THURS. - FRI.
DEC. 13 - 14

**"The Texas
Rangers"**

In Super Cinecolor
Starring
GEORGE MONTGOMERY
GALE STORM

Although an army jeep makes a useful tractor, the modern ex-GI who operates it must become not only a skilled mechanic, but also has to master the intricacies of modern scientific farming. The Continental Congress gave generous grants of land to her soldiers; the Congress of the United States operates agricultural schools all over the country.

One of these "On the Farm Training Program" schools, flourishing under the tutelage of Bob Evans, teacher of vocational agriculture at Clyde High School, proves that the Haywood farm boy needs no more than a fair chance to make a farmer—a master farmer.

They say that the best teaching is done by example. The old remark: "Don't do as I do; do as I tell you to do" provokes a wry grin. Bob Green, former chief warrant officer, with 8 1/2 years of service in the Navy, assistant teacher of agriculture, has proved indisputably that a Haywood farmer has to be shown.

Ex-Chief Warrant Officer Green has two 500-capacity poultry houses completed and now housing 1000 hard-working hens, laying eggs for the flourishing hatching egg market. The completed year cycle of his initial 500-hen unit netted him a profit of better than \$6.00 for every hen in his house. (If Ed Sims does as well with his 10,000 flock, soon we will be addressing him as "Mr. Plutocrat Sims.") Mr. Green's 26 acre farm is in the Thickety Community.

At The Strand Wednesday & Thursday



Millard Mitchell tells Ezio Pinza and Janet Leigh that a "marriage of convenience" is the only solution by which they can avoid a scandal in "Strictly Dishonorable." M-G-M's hilarious romantic comedy, coming to the Strand screen this week.

Clark of the Hominy section whose flock of 1,500 pullets appears as likely to break records as Edgar himself cracks eggs for breakfast.

Of course, interest today is focused upon tobacco. Ten of the student farmers raise tobacco. Whether the outstanding success of the Medford boys, Charles and Robert, in raising the weed is due to guidance given them by teachers, Evans and Green, or simply to the fact that they are Medfords is for you to decide.

There is an old saying around Lake Junaluska and Clyde that "those Medfords sure know how to raise Burley."

Charles Medford for instance, placed his rows five feet apart with plants spaced at 10 inches, producing more than 3,412 pounds of marketable burley on one acre. I say "more" because hard luck cost him a considerable quantity of the total poundage. Brother Robert says that you will find his rows 10 feet apart next year.

4,080 pounds on 2 1/10 acres bringing an average of 80 cents a pound.

Although Clifford Ernest Brown's long line of baskets in the Carolina warehouse in Asheville hasn't been sold yet, I wouldn't mind having a small share in the proceeds. I know what I am talking about, because the palms of my hands itched when I saw them there.

James Holt who lives in the Jones Cove section is one of those fellows who have a natural knack for growing burley. Mr. Green remarked that James Holt's tobacco is always good—and to grow 5,600 pounds of the best quality on 2 1/2 acres is good.

Hilliard Clark of Upper Crabtree, Neal Hipps of Beaverdam, George Hoglen of Dutch Cove, Marvin Matteson of Lake Junaluska, George J. (Julian) Smathers of Clyde, Norman Burgess of Iron Duff, Arlis Summey and Harley Wilson, both of Dutch Cove do a splendid job in the "tobacco" patch and grading shed, but tend to place greater emphasis upon other branches of farming.

You can get a look at Arlis Summey's mixed herd of dairy and beef cattle by taking a jeep ride in dry weather—otherwise by a two-mile walk.

John Taylor of Morning Star and Richard Ingle of Canton specialize in growing corn, each tending more than 10 acres.

James Sizemore's family cow and herd of beef cattle are the envy of all the cow population of Haywood County. "Olin" is an enthusiastic grower of the king of the forage crops—alfalfa. His newly seeded acre of "Atlantic", a strain highly recommended for this section, will draw the close scrutiny of his farmer neighbors.

Homer Sorrells of Thickety reached the "school solution" to use the lingo of Fort Benning's 90-day wonders, by keeping a very fine herd of grade beef cattle.

Another of the beef barons is Lenoir Smathers of Clyde who has 65-head—both purebred and grade. Many of you saw his bull in the recent cattle show.

George J. (Julian) Smathers' herd of five registered Guernsey helpers is headed by a Brahman bull, but don't get the idea that he doesn't eye with appreciation, the glorious pedigree of the finest bull in Haywood County, John Carver, of the local artificial breeding association.

Let's end with the statement of Bob Green that a Haywood county farmer can earn \$15.00 an hour growing tobacco. Could be, but our hypothetical farmer would have to be a fast worker and a skillful one—and he couldn't keep count long, hard hours of waiting for pay day.

Haywood Health

GEORGE W. ROUNTREE,
County Sanitation Officer

A preliminary survey of Haywood County schools has just been completed, by the local health department. Following is a summary of the sanitary conditions found, not including the school cafeterias, which were inspected separately and which grades will be published in a separate report.

All schools were graded on a numerical basis as follows: 90.0-100.0 per cent equal to Grade A; 80.0 to 89.5 per cent—Grade B; 70.0-79.5 per cent equal to Grade C, and any grade below 70 per cent means the sanitary condition of that school is below the minimum standards as required by law and common decency.

It is apparent that the school administration has accomplished a great deal with the funds available but due to the large increase in number of children many of the toilets, drinking facilities and other equipment is very inadequate as to number and repair and accounts for many of the low grades found on this preliminary survey.

So it is very apparent that we must have more money to supply our school children with schools that will at least be in as good sanitary condition as our prison camps. Haywood County has five schools which do not measure up to 70 points or Grade C, which, as has been stated, is the minimum requirement to operate. We have 9 Grade C schools; 10 Grade B and 1 Grade A.

The major violations in all of these schools are:

- (1) A safe, adequate and potable drinking water supply;
- (2) Inadequate sewage disposal; such as, 3 schools discharging raw sewage into very small streams of water, same stream being on school yard and used as part of the playground; thereby making very possible and very probable a means of transmitting communicable disease from one child or one family to another such as diphtheria of which disease we have a record number of cases in Haywood County this past year. This stream could also be the source of typhoid, possibly infantile paralysis and a number of other communicable diseases;
- (3) Toilet facilities are very inadequate, out of style, poorly constructed, in poor repair, thereby making them almost impossible to keep clean and sanitary considering the load using them each day;
- (4) Drinking fountains are inadequate, poorly located in buildings and a few of the wrong type whereby one child may contaminate or pass such diseases as trench mouth, colds, influenza and gastro and intestinal upsets to other children;
- (5) Garbage and refuse disposal is very bad in many of our schools. A typical example, one of our larger schools takes their tin cans, garbage, paper and food scraps to a dry wash behind the school house and dumps them there without covering or burning thereby creating a rat harbor and feeding ground and a place where flies and mosquitoes can breed and thrive, thereby producing another situation whereby communicable disease can be transmitted as well as several thousand summer tourists can talk about when they leave Haywood County.
- (6) Overcrowding of the school rooms, due to the increased enrollment;
- (7) Lack of coat and clothing closets or storage space;
- (8) Lack of proper size seats for the very small and the very large and a number of other violations of the Sanitary Code as drawn up to assure our children of at least minimum requirements for decent living."

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CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE investigating tax scandals in Washington, Rep. Cecil King (left) announces that the probers will call as witnesses Attorney General J. Howard McGrath and Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark. Conferring with King are Reps. John Byrnes (center) and Thomas O'Brien (D-III). (International Soundphoto)

**Many Meetings
Planned At
Center Pigeon**

MRS. WEAVER SHEFFIELD
Mountaineer Reporter

Center Pigeon Community Development will hold the regular meeting on Thursday night, Dec. 13, at Long's church at 7 o'clock. All members are urged to attend. There has been a change made in the community insurance and this will be explained at this meeting.

Sonoma chapter No. 254 will hold the regular meeting on Tuesday night, Dec. 11, at 7 o'clock at the Masonic Hall. This will be a Christmas program and party with an exchange of gifts.

The Haywood County Methodist M.Y.F. sub-district held a regular meeting on Monday night, Dec. 3 at the Champion Y.M.C.A. This meeting was a banquet and Christmas pageant. Those attending from

Long's Methodist church were Caroline Medford, Worth Wells, Josh Welch, James Briggs, Dale Mease, Cody Blaylock, Teddy Wells, Keith Smathers, Mrs. Harley Wells, Mr. J. J. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fisher and Mrs. Nannie Gregory. Those from Bethel Methodist church were Joyce Ann Sheffield, Patsy Teague, Margaret Sherrill, Doris Rollins, Norma Jean Sheffield, Patsy McCracken, Blue Browning, Rosemary West, Melvin Early, Jack Duckworth, Neal Kelly, Bucky West and Rev. Clyde Collins.

The afternoon and night circles of the Bethel Methodist W.S.C.S. will have a Christmas party on Friday night, Dec. 14 at the home of Mrs. Leroy West, with Mrs. James Edwards in charge of the program.

Bethel High school will open the basketball season when they meet Crabtree at the gym on Tuesday night, Dec. 11.

Mrs. Elmer Mason of Murray Road is visiting relatives in Alabama.

Drinking Pays Off

COLUMBUS, O. (AP)—Liquor Director William C. predicts the department's will hit an all-time high million this year. Ohioans buy liquor the system of state liquor stores says 1951 sales should tween \$170 million and \$180 million. The previous record was \$16,943,364 in 1947 sales of \$137,528,157.

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TONIGHT - TUES



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