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TODAY'S SMILE

Some people seem to have opinions that have been in their family for generations.

N. C. Park Commission Held Annual Meeting Here Tuesday



Members of the N. C. Park Commission are shown just after finishing their lunch at the Towne House, Tuesday, which concluded the annual meeting, in which officers for the coming year were elected. The Commission heard reports during the morning session, and named Charles Ray, Francis Heazel and W. Ralph Winkler, as a committee to work out details of a program for the opening of the Heintooga section of the Blue Ridge Parkway early in August. Shown seated here, left to right: Francis Heazel, Asheville; Dr. Kelly Bennett, chairman, Bryson City; Ralph Winkler, vice chairman, Boone; C. M. Douglas, Brevard, secretary; E. C. Guy, Newland. Standing: Mrs. Edith P. Alley, office manager; Miss Martha Guy, Newland, a guest; Charles E. Ray, Waynesville; Frank Brown, Cullowhee; W. F. Osborne, Sparta; and Sam P. Weemes, superintendent of the Blue Ridge Parkway; William Medford, attorney for the commission was absent when the picture was made. (Mountaineer photo).

Haywood County Set To Celebrate Varied Fourth Of July Program

Official Results Show Shuford Won By 73 Votes In Haywood Balloting

"Old Fashion" Singing To Be Held Saturday

The all-night, "old fashion" sing which will be held in connection with the Fourth of July celebration, is inviting all singers, either individuals, quartets, trios, duos, or full choruses, to participate in the sing which will be held at the Waynesville High School auditorium Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

Reappointment Of Thrash Is No Surprise

The reappointment of L. Dale Thrash as highway commissioner of the 10th district has come as a surprise to no one and fulfills a prediction by The Mountaineer some three weeks ago.

17 Miles Haywood Roads Improved During June

The State Highway Commission completed 17.0 miles of widening, resurfacing and surfacing in Haywood County during the month of June, Chairman H. W. Jordan reported today.

Official returns from the Haywood County Board of Elections showed that George A. Shuford defeated Frank M. Parker by 73 votes for the Democratic nomination for Congress of the 12th district in the run-off Saturday.

The official count of 73 ballots was exactly the figure listed by The Mountaineer as computed from unofficial returns and published in Monday's issue.

The figures show that Parker received 2,358 votes to Shuford's 2,431.

Mr. Shuford received the nomination by winning in every county in the district during the second primary.

Official returns of the balloting were computed by the Board of Elections Tuesday and they turned out to duplicate exactly the figures reported over WHCC Saturday night by The Mountaineer and published in the June 30 issue of the paper.

In the Supreme Court race, Judge William Bobbitt easily defeated Judge Hunt Parker for both short and regular terms of office. The official tallies for the short term were Parker 983 and Bobbitt 2,949, for a difference of 1,966; regular term, Parker 957 and Bobbitt 2,887 for a difference of 1,930.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Stanmyre will have as guests for the long weekend, Mr. and Mrs. William Bersenbrugge and the latter's mother, Mrs. Alice Steinhoff, of Mt. Carmel, Illinois.

With the week-long 4th of July celebration just half over, the major part of the activities are still to come. Six baseball games, an "all-night singing," a Soap Box Derby race, and several nights of activity at the Waynesville High School field, are scheduled to be held during the next four days.

Business will come to an almost complete standstill on Friday. All stores will be closed, as well as the banks, the post office, and all county, city and state offices. Retail grocery stores will remain open Thursday night until 7 o'clock.

On Friday, which is the 4th, the Boosters Club, sponsors of the celebration, have planned a full day, beginning with the running of the Soap Box Derby at 10 o'clock on Main Street in Waynesville. At the same time the Welco softball team will meet a team from the Champion Paper and Fibre Company league on the high school field.

The Soap Box Derby, which is being jointly sponsored by Watkins Chevrolet and the Waynesville Jaycees, will have the starting ramp located just in front of the First Baptist Church. There are eight contestants in the race, which means that at least seven heats will be run off. All the boys will enter their cars in the regular running in Asheville July 12.

The Jaycees are placing signs on parking meters from the courthouse to the First Baptist Church requesting drivers to please remove their cars before 10 o'clock Friday morning. The race, which will get underway promptly at 10 o'clock, is not expected to last more than an hour.

At one o'clock the first of two donkey baseball games will be played on the Waynesville High School field. This game will feature the Boosters and the Hazelwood Fire Department.

At 3 o'clock the selected representatives from Little League teams will meet a squad from Canton. The boys will play a regulation game. Immediately following this game a squad of Knee Pants League players will meet a selected squad from Canton.

At 8 o'clock in the evening there will be another donkey ball game, this time with the Waynesville Kiwanis Club against the Waynesville Jaycees.

Rides are open on the 4th from 10 o'clock in the morning until midnight. The American Legion and Boy Scouts will operate refreshment stands during the entire week, and they will be located in close proximity to the athletic field.

On Friday there will also be a big program at Lake Junaluska. Richard Crowder, director of recreation at the Lake, announced that (See July 4th—page 8)

The Mountaineer Being Published Wednesday

The Mountaineer has moved up its Thursday publishing date to Wednesday this week so that subscribers may receive their papers on time.

The action was necessitated because mail delivery will be suspended Friday for the Fourth of July holiday.

Miniature Golf Course To Open Here July 4th

The Waynesville miniature golf course, something new in the way of recreational facilities for this area, will open Friday, July 4, at five o'clock, and will be open daily from 10 a. m. until 10 p. m. throughout the summer.

Announcement of the opening of the golf course, which will be located opposite the East Waynesville School on the Asheville Road, was made by Diana Boyd, owner and operator.

Mrs. Boyd will also operate a regular size shuffleboard court next to the nine-hole golf course. Moderate fees have been set.

The golf course has been designed to present to the player a real test of his golfing skill, having several "sporty" holes, and numerous obstacles which aren't too hard, yet make the game interesting.

Bishop Moore To Speak At Candler Camp Meeting

One of the most widely known preachers of the South, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Atlanta, Ga., will make his first appearance Friday night at 8 o'clock in the second annual Candler Camp Meeting now underway at the Lake Junaluska Methodist Assembly.

In addition to the Fourth of July evening service, Bishop Moore will preach again Saturday night and Sunday morning.

Meanwhile, Bishop Roy H. Short, formerly of Jacksonville, Fla., and assigned last week to the Nashville, Tenn., episcopal area, will preach tonight and Thursday morning. Dr. Harry Denman, who opened the meeting Sunday, will preach Thursday night.

The largest crowd of the season, composed of visitors from throughout the South and other states, is attending the camp meeting series

Board Checking 5500 Names On Petitions Asking Beer Election

Almost 5,500 Names On 270 Pages Of Petitions

The Haywood Board of Elections began this morning checking almost 5,500 names on petitions handed them Tuesday afternoon by Haywood Dry Forces, in which they ask for an election to abolish the legal sale of wine and beer in Haywood. There were over 270 pages of the petitions, with the names of voters from each of the 28 precincts in the county.

Glenn W. Brown, chairman of the board, said that a little less than 1,600 names were needed on a petition asking for such an election.

Don Young, attorney for the Dry Forces, said that the workers with the petitions could have gotten 10,000 names of qualified voters without any trouble.

Rev. L. E. Mabry, chairman of the committee of the Ministerial Association, sponsor of the petitions, said that the workers had reported keen interest in the matter throughout the county.

Chairman Brown said that it is the intention of the Board of Elections to check every name against the registration book, in order to have the complete record of the petitions on file. He gave no indication as to when the checking would be completed.

"From a casual glance through the more than 270 pages, it appears that the checking will be relatively easy, as the name of the precinct of each voter is written beside their names. I also understand that the workers getting signatures, got the people to sign their names exactly as they appear on the registration books, since the books were copied by the Dry Forces some weeks ago."

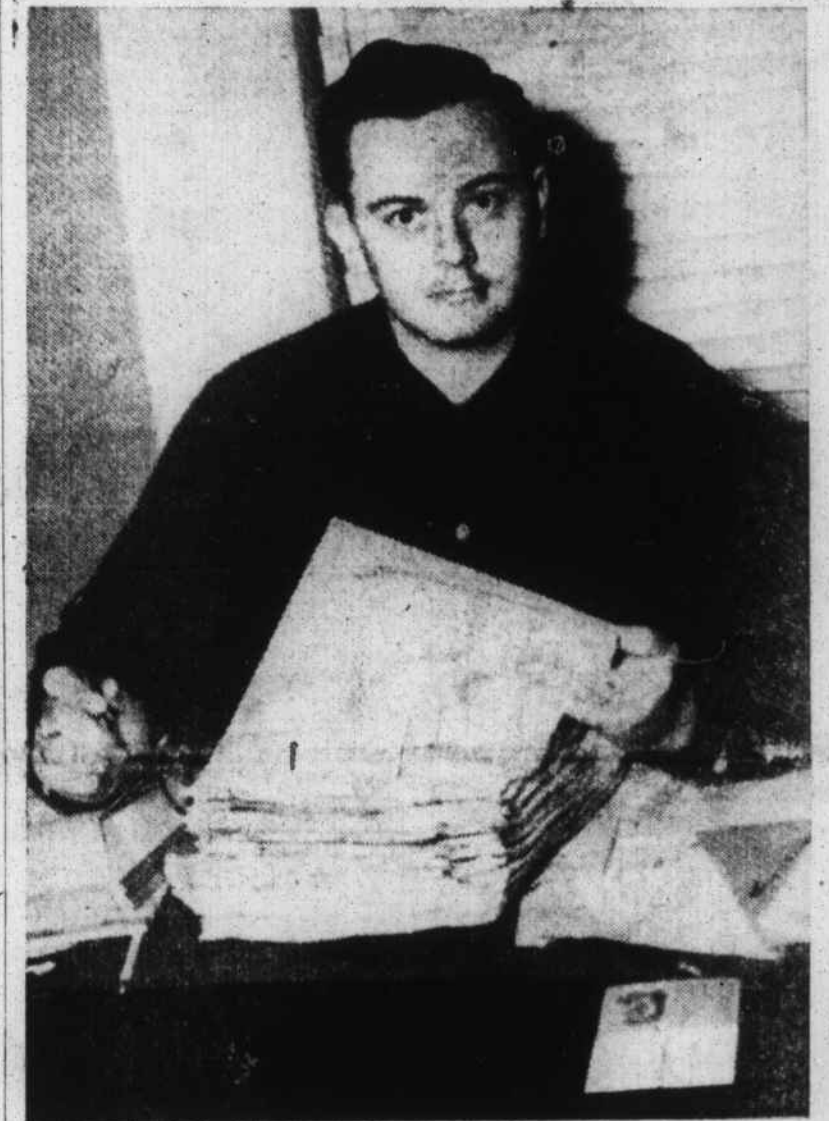
Under the law, the board has 30 days in which to check the names on the petitions, and if they find a sufficient number, then they set a date for the sought after election.

According to previous announcements, there are but about five days in this year, in which an election on the wine and beer question can be called, and get clearance of the 60-day limit of any other election. Those days are the last few of August and the first two or three of September.

"Until the check is made of the petitions, we will not make any decisions as to the tentative dates for such an election," Mr. Brown said.

Each worker who had a petition, signed a statement on the back of each sheet to the effect that they personally saw the person sign their names on the front of the pages.

This is the procedure which was recommended by Judge Dan Moore, last winter, when a hearing was held here on the set of petitions then before the board of elections. It was determined at that time that there were not a sufficient number of qualified voters, and their voting precincts shown, to meet the requirement of the law.



Glenn W. Brown, chairman of the Haywood Board of Elections, is shown as he casually looked over 270 pages of petitions calling for an election to abolish the legal sale of wine and beer in Haywood. The board began the checking of the signatures this morning. (Mountaineer photo).

Judge William Bobbitt To Preside At Superior Court Which Opens Next Week

A total of 69 jurors have been drawn for the July term of Superior Court of Haywood County with about 125 criminal cases scheduled the first week and about 15 civil cases, plus divorces, listed for the second week.

Judge William H. Bobbitt of Charlotte will be the presiding judge.

Sixty-nine jurors have been selected for the first week and 24 for the concluding civil trials.

The jurors are: First week — J. T. Conrad of White Oak, Winston Coddill of Waynesville, Frank P. Smathers of Beavertown, Norvill Rogers of Ivy Hill, J. L. Smathers of Beavertown,

P. G. Smathers of Beavertown, Mrs. Ed Murray of Pigeon, M. W. Robinson of Beavertown, Walter Wilson of Waynesville, P. H. Rogers of Beavertown.

Mrs. Mary J. H. Bellamy of Beavertown, Arthur Kelley of Waynesville, Charles Shepherd of Beavertown, Thomas Trull of East Fork, W. J. Francis of Waynesville, Paul Best of Crabtree, Garrett Hanson of Pigeon, W. D. Ketter of Ivy Hill, G. C. Ferguson of Waynesville, Walter Baines of Waynesville,

Mrs. C. O. Howell of Jonathan Creek, Noah Phillips of Pigeon, Mrs. Lucy Allen of Clyde, Cecil Teaster of Fines Creek, R. T. Boyd, Jr., of Jonathan Creek, Homer

(See Court—page 8)

Heavy Traffic Seen For Fourth Of July

This year the Fourth of July falls on Friday and therefore gives most working people a "long" weekend. For this reason State Highway officials have predicted that a record number of them will be on the highways, and that travel to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Pisgah National Park will reach an all-time peak.

Officials have advised motorists to allow at least 50 per cent more time to get to their destination than they ordinarily would take because of the heavy traffic that is likely to develop. And they've thrown in a word of caution, "Drive carefully."

Highway Record For 1952 In Haywood (To Date)

Injured . . . 27
Killed . . . 3

(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

Delights Of The News

A Million

wouldn't happen again

day a fellow came into the office and told me he had just home from a fishing trip and had a couple of small fish that should, he thought, be put up for posterity. You know these fishermen are. He had a couple of nice ones and we thought we should put up some of them. The photos of the fish were taken while he was fishing. He was wearing a fishing cap and a fishing vest. He was smiling and looking at the camera. He was a nice fellow and we were glad to see him. We were a little sad to see him go. Those fish and a picture can tell a story better than a few lines of text.

fully wrote the story about the fish and got busy with other work. In just a little while the photographer came in. First he told me that he had a wonderful opportunity to take a picture of the most fish ever caught in these parts. He had pulled out a film and said, quite dramatically, "This is a picture of a fisherman driving down the road and a station wagon from Waynesville and the station wagon in the opposite direction. The station wagon was tooling his horn furiously and the station wagon was carrying his very photogenic wife. The photographer had enough film for exactly one picture. The photographer takes a picture of everything he photographs at this time, just one. He is in Haywood County and he is keeping that day's work for the photographer as to how the people who fought the heat. The film gave us a picture and it wouldn't happen a million years.

Are Injured In Accident Day Morning

county's 26th and 27th

injuries occurred Tuesday morning near Dellwood when three people who were in an automobile were hospitalized for treatment. W. Batson of Greenville, was accompanied by his daughter and his brother were traveling west on 19 when Batson turned left on an automobile coming from the opposite direction. The other two were Robert W. Pritchard, III.

car struck the other in the rear fender and completely around. As the car swung around the wheels flung open and the passengers thrown out. Janet, a 10-year-old daughter of the driver, suffered a broken collarbone. Mrs. Ruth Batson received a concussion.

to the Pritchert auto-accident estimated by Cpl. Smith at \$250 and to the \$100, George Batson and with reckless driving \$25 and costs by Justice

son.

SUNNY

Waynesville weather as reported by the State Test Farm.)

Max. Min. Rainfall

90 66

72 60 .09