

Sheriff Griffin Middleton, of Jackson County, was shot and killed early this afternoon. He died about an hour after being shot. No other details were available at press time. He is the second sheriff in WNC to be killed while on duty in recent months.

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## Spotlights Of The News

### From "Ham"

...feels he has "cov-  
...with his ham radio  
...With 102 foreign sta-  
...in his log, and 317-  
...ations listed, Homer  
...no a little bass fishing  
...  
...an S-40B Hallicrafter  
...began his quest of the  
...January 15th. He listens  
...hours daily — 4 to 5  
...afternoon, and then from  
...that night.  
...at night when static was  
...with the reception,  
...unhooked the antenna,  
...put a 3-inch safety  
...static was gone, and in  
...Moscow, Berlin, and Lon-  
...  
...thinks there might be  
...magic to the over-sized pin,  
...yows he is going to keep  
...for other evenings when  
...he gets bad.  
...seldom has visitors come  
...ing his "listening periods"  
...as he explains it, "they  
...st as the announcements  
...as to the station."  
...s at Homer's side is  
...the Boston Bull. The pup  
...to enjoy traveling over the  
...via ham radio as much as  
...There is one thing that  
...just won't stand for—and  
...loud preaching.

### Works Climax 4 Program Junaluska

...ful fireworks display at  
...aturday will climax a special  
...of July program at the Lake  
...ka Methodist Assembly.  
...ored by residents and busi-  
...ness of Waynesville and Juna-  
...luska the fireworks will be the  
...and most varied assortment  
...pendence Day celebrations  
...lake, according to Arthur  
...O'Neil, recreation direc-  
...  
...ring line will be top Mis-  
...sile, the explosives to include  
...bombs, fares, streamers,  
...cursors, Roman candles, and  
...spes to be shot high over  
...  
...oliday program also will  
...field and water events, and  
...game between teams rep-  
...resenting Ridgecrest and Lake  
...ka.  
...said the field events for  
...girls will start at 10 a.m.,  
...include dashes, egg and  
...aces, and handicap races. 9  
...of dolls" for young girls  
...held at 11:30 a.m., and  
...and boat races are scheduled  
...at 1:30 o'clock. The soft-  
...is set for 3:45 p.m.  
...trophies will be awarded  
...to the best winners, O'Neil said.

### Asphalt Goes Hazelwood Sets Today

...g of the first coat of as-  
...phalting Hazelwood streets start-  
...tomorrow, according to an  
...Construction Company  
...man. Conditioning of the  
...of streets to be paved  
...last Wednesday and the  
...action to be worked on was  
...for asphalt today.  
...weather has aided in  
...the job a little ahead of  
...the company said, and  
...are for the entire con-  
...struction work to be completed  
...than the time anticipated.  
...g the past week the streets  
...were prepared for paving  
...a coating of "traffic-bound-  
...— a mixture of crush-  
...and earth. This is rolled  
...to form a compact  
...at least six inches in depth.  
...ing includes three layers  
...of stone, bonded together by  
...of liquid asphalt, with the  
...ver a "seal" coat.  
...is being done according to  
...North Carolina State Highway  
...specifications.

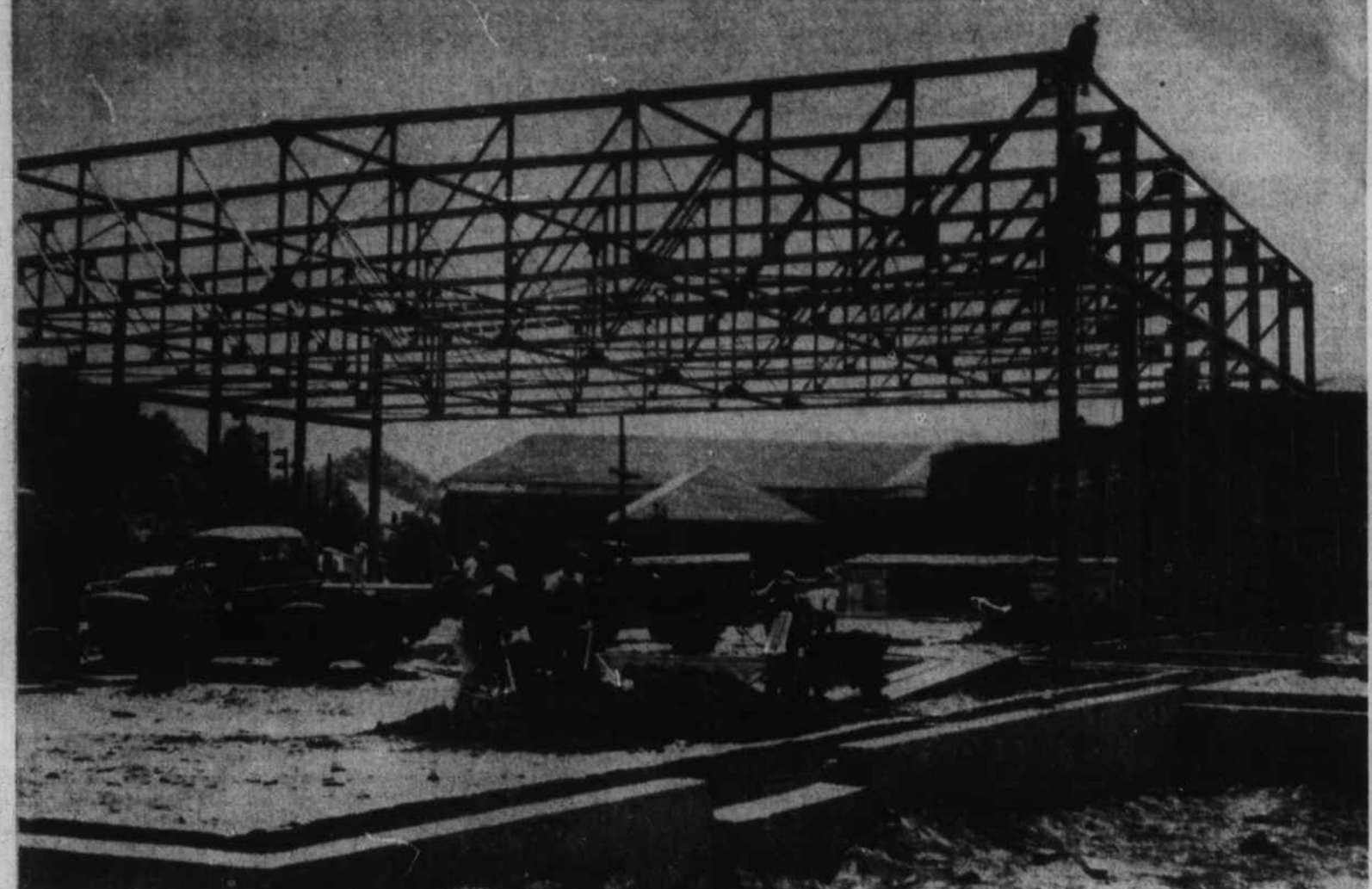


### HOT

...day—Fair, but hot and sul-  
...th a few isolated afternoon  
...ly night thunder showers.  
...chance of change in near

Waynesville temperature  
compiled by the State Stat-

Max.	Min.	Rainfall
86	60	—
80	59	—
92	52	.02



WITH THE STEEL FRAMEWORK of the new Waynesville Vocational High School building in place the structure is beginning to take shape. Workmen said this week that with the foundation work completed they are through the most difficult part of the job. At least another 12 months will be required to complete the building. (Mountaineer Photo).

## \$60,000 Children's Center To Be Dedicated Sunday At Methodist Assembly

A dream of many years will be realized Sunday when the new \$60,000 children's building is formally opened at the Lake Junaluska Methodist summer assembly. In large part, the building is the gift of children themselves. Sunday school classes of Methodist churches throughout nine southeastern states have been contributing nickels and dimes to the fund for several years. Members of the building committee said the new center will provide facilities for a daily program of religious, educational and recreational activities throughout the summer for children five to 14 years old. It will also serve as a laboratory school for parents and church workers with children throughout the South who come to Junaluska to observe and learn the latest techniques in Christian education. Mrs. C. A. Rauschenberg, Jr., Atlanta, Ga., a summer resident at Lake Junaluska and volunteer superintendent of children's activities, said church school classes will be held in the building every Sunday, a "story hour" and vespers at 4 p.m. The weekday program will feature dramatics, nature studies, music, folk games and handicraft. Mrs. Rauschenberg is vice chairman of the building committee. The opening exercises at 4 p.m. Sunday will be directed by Miss Elizabeth A. Jarratt, director of religious education at Myers Park Methodist Church, Charlotte, and chairman of the building committee. Program principals will include Mrs. Rauschenberg, Dr. Carl King, Salisbury, executive secretary of the WNC Methodist Conference Board of Education, and treasurer of the building committee; Dr. Harry Denman, executive secretary of the Methodist General Board of Evangelism, Nashville, Tenn., and Mrs. Ruby Sandefur, staff member of the children's department at the Methodist General Board of Education, Nashville. The children's center will be a memorial to two pioneer women (See Children's Center—Page 8)

## Now It's Route 4

The people who formerly received their mail through the Cove Creek and Dellwood post offices now call Waynesville their post office. At the close of business Tuesday afternoon the two rural post offices shut down for good. Both had been serving their communities for many years and gave identity to small sections of the county that gave pride to the people way out of proportion to the actual effectiveness of delivering mail as compared with regular rural delivery. Their closing is a sign of the times: turning over smaller agencies to be served through a large, central organization. Milas Ferguson, who was formerly carrier for Route 2, now delivers the mail on Route 4. The regular substitute for Ferguson's former delivery area, William P. Boyd, Jr., is now carrying Route 2. So if you address a letter to Dellwood or Cove Creek, it will probably be delivered to the addressee, but a clerk at the Waynesville post office will undoubtedly mark through the community name and scribble "Route 4" underneath. J. B. Siler Attending Court Clerk Meeting J. B. Siler is attending the 4-day session of the Superior Court Clerks Convention, to be held in Asheville. The session began Wednesday. Mr. Siler is a member of the state program committee.

## Waynesville Band Looking Forward To Interesting Visit At Lions Convention

When the Waynesville Township High School Band leaves here early Sunday morning for the International Lions Convention at Chicago, it will be starting the most interesting trip that a Haywood county band has ever taken. First of all, of course, is the distinction the band received in being chosen to represent the State at the convention. At Chicago the 110 band members will start their official week by performing Wednesday morning at the North Carolina Lions breakfast. Later in the morning they will march in a two and a half mile parade down Michigan Avenue leading the North Carolina delegation, will give a concert in the lobby of the Hotel Morrison, and are scheduled to perform Friday morning at the Chicago stadium. At that time John L. Stickleby of Charlotte will be nominated for Third Vice President of Lions International. This constitutes the official part of the band will play for the convention. During their "off time" the band will tour Chicago itself to see the Museum of Science and Industry, the Adler Planetarium, the Shedd Aquarium, Marshall Field Store, Chicago Tribune Tower, the stock yards of Armour and Company, and the Chicago Natural History Museum. On Friday afternoon they will see the twilight double-header baseball game between the White Sox and the Cleveland Indians. This, then, is the most important part of their trip. But on their return to Waynesville the band will stop Saturday in Cincinnati where they will be guests of the University of Cincinnati and hear the opera, "Carmen" at the Zoological Gardens. By Sunday night, seven and a half days after leaving, the band will be back in Waynesville. Preparations for the trip are about completed and Band Director Charles Isley is planning to leave Waynesville about 7 a.m. Sunday after brief religious services have been conducted by several band members. The band will make the round trip in three chartered air conditioned buses. The first night will be spent in Lexington, Ky., and by Monday night they will be lodged in the Hotel Riviera at Chicago. But it takes more than three buses to take the band on a trip of this nature. Two trucks will also go along to carry equipment and in addition there will be two automobiles carrying various officials and a Highway Patrol car driven by Cpl. Pritchard Smith, who is also a delegate from the local Lions Club. Others who will accompany the group include Dr. Boyd Owen, a Lion, who will serve as band doctor; Mrs. Howard Bryson, band nurse; Miss Mary Cornwell, in charge of housing; and Mr. Black from the Carolina Motor Club in Charlotte, a native of Chicago, who will help the band keep on schedule during its various tours in the

## Jaycees Bringing Putnam Here For Address July 9th

The Waynesville Jaycees are sponsoring a address by Robert J. Putnam, here at the court house, on Thursday, July 9. Mr. Putnam has made addresses before many Haywood audiences, as well as throughout the South. His address will be "Evils of Socialism and Communism, and What We Can Do About Them." Mr. Putnam recently resigned his position with the Champion Paper and Fibre Company to spend the next 18 months in a speaking tour on the subject.

## Use Care On The 4th If You Want To See The 7th

Happy Seventh of July! The seventh is not a holiday and there is no particular significance to the date. But if the past two years repeat themselves there will be at least one person in Haywood County who will meet a violent death during the Fourth of July week-end and will not be around for the seventh. July 7 comes on Tuesday but is included as part of the week-end by the Highway Patrol because patrolmen will be on special duty from the third until the morning of the seventh. One pedestrian was killed last year and another in 1951 by automobiles. The drivers were not at fault but in many ways that makes little difference. Comparatively speaking, Haywood County has not had a bad record during its Fourth of July week-ends. There have been no cars involved in wrecks in at least three years but that is no guarantee of the future. Elsewhere in the State the picture has not been as good. Last Fourth of July week-end 14 people were killed on the highways of North Carolina, 253 injuries were reported, and 492 accidents were reported. Broken down statistically, this means that during the 1952 holiday someone was killed in a highway accident every eight and a half hours, an injury occurred every 34 minutes, and an accident every 14 minutes. What caused all this? 20 per cent of the accidents were the result of (See Use Care—Page 8)

## Boards To Meet With 2 Engineers On Plans Clearing Lake Waters

### 4 Groups Hold Initial Meeting In Effort To Solve Problem

Two engineers are being requested to come here early next week and consult with the two boards of aldermen and representatives of Lake Junaluska and Health Department, relative to the overflow of the 6-mile sewer line serving the three communities. Representatives of the two towns, the Lake, and Health Department, held a two hour session Tuesday night, in an effort to reach a solution of the problem which resulted in the Lake being closed to swimming. As a result of the closing, the Lake trustees have said they would have to resort to legal action unless the situation is corrected. At the Tuesday session, the group asked that W. Curtis Russ, editor of The Mountaineer, serve as chairman. The group also requested that he serve in that capacity in future meetings when the engineers arrive to confer with the representatives. William Medford, attorney for Lake Junaluska, said that the trustees would like to avert court action, provided the overflow of sewage, and excessive contamination of streams flowing into the Lake is corrected. "We are willing to go along and work with the two towns as long as it appears that progress is being made, according to engineer recommendations, of correcting the situation," Mr. Medford said. J. R. Morgan, attorney for the Town of Waynesville, said the Waynesville board had already approved the two major projects designated for Waynesville, and in one instance had the pipe on the job. "We realize the seriousness of the situation, and feel that we can have our part of the engineer's recommendations corrected by spring," Mr. Morgan said. Lawrence Davis, mayor of Hazelwood, pointed out that his town had already been at work checking on the lines, and would co-operate, and try to work out the matter to avoid a lawsuit. Dr. N. F. Lancaster, health officer, told of the repeated tests that had been made of the Lake water, and also water of streams flowing into the Lake. He read a letter from F. Rodwell Blaisdell, district engineer of the State Board of Health. Mr. Blaisdell told of a quantity of surface water getting into the trunk sewer line, and causing an overflow during and after rains. The overflow comes at a point at the head of the Lake. The engineer went on to say that he felt that all swimming in the lake (See Sewer—Page 8)



TWO WIDELY-KNOWN METHODIST LAYMEN will be the principals on the Saturday morning program at the Lake Junaluska Assembly observing the 250th birthday anniversary of John Wesley, British founder of Methodism. Edwin L. Jones, Charlotte, is president of the Junaluska Assembly and treasurer of the World Methodist Council. He will preside at the 11 a.m. service, and Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, Washington, D. C., will speak on "Religion in the Making of America". On leave as president of Ohio Wesleyan University, Dr. Flemming has held high government posts since his appointment to the Civil Service Commission by President Roosevelt in 1939. He was recently appointed Director of U. S. Defense Mobilization by President Eisenhower, a post he held under President Truman.

## Wesley Birthday Program Opens Tonight; Speaker List Includes Arthur Flemming

Methodist leaders of the United States and England will join tonight in opening a three-day program at the Lake Junaluska summer assembly commemorating the 250th birthday anniversary of John Wesley, British founder of Methodism. Sponsored by the World Methodist Council and the Association of Methodist Historical Societies, the Wesley commemoration is attracting visitors to the lake from through the South, as well as numerous other sections. The principal speakers tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the lakeside auditorium will be Dr. E. Benson Perkins and Dr. Maldwyn L. Edwards, both of Birmingham, England. Along with Dr. Elmer T. Clark, Lake Junaluska resident and program chairman, Dr. Perkins is co-secretary of the World Council. Bishop Ivan Lee Holt of St. Louis, Mo., council president, will preside at tonight's service. Members of the council's executive and finance committees were scheduled to meet at 3 p.m. at Lambuth Inn. Two other British Methodists will speak Friday. Dr. Dorothy Farrar, vice president of the British Methodist Conference and vice principal of Wesley Deaconess College, Oakley, England, will address the assembly at 11 a.m., and Dr. Howard Roberts of Richmond College, Surrey, vice president of the World Council, is to speak at 7:30 p.m. Presiding at the Friday program will be Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, national president of the Methodist Woman's Division of Christian Service, and Dr. Oscar T. Olson, Cleveland, Ohio, chairman of the council's U. S. executive committee. A tea and exhibit of Wesleyana will be held at 4 p.m. at Lambuth Inn under the direction of the Rev. Dow Kirkpatrick, Athens, Ga. A prominent Methodist layman of Charlotte, Edwin L. Jones, president of the Lake Junaluska Assembly, will preside at the 11 a.m. (See Lake—Page 8)

## Work Ahead Of Schedule On New Road

Work is ahead of schedule on the Pigeon River Road, and an engineer from the contractors said his men have blasted a mile and a half through rock on the North Carolina side plus 600 feet in the Tennessee side since work started in April. The contractors, A. B. Burton Co. of Lynchburg, Va., have reached a spot where tunneling is to be done and have sub-contracted the work of an 800-ft. tunnel. Two groups are working on the highway. One is on the Tennessee side while the other is clearing on this side of the line. They are both in fairly inaccessible territory and must walk part of the way to their work each day. Tunneling cannot start until the crew clears another mile through the forests to the site and then they are expected to only work at one end rather than from both sides as is usually done. The new highway will shorten the distance considerably between Knoxville and Asheville. It will come out near Waynesville at Cove Creek. R. Getty Browning, chief locating engineer for the State, said last week that the new highway will have such a gradual slope that even the heaviest trucks will not be required to shift gears. Library Will Close For Fourth of July The Haywood County Library will be closed Saturday, July 4, in observance of the National Holiday. The library will remain open Monday, July 6, and the Bookmobile will operate as usual.

Highway Record For 1953 In Haywood (To Date) Killed ... 2 Injured ... 24 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)