

Proposal For New Health Department Building Rejected

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TODAY'S SMILE

The words "In God We Trust" was placed on pennies for the benefit of those who use them for fuses.

Delights Of The News

Smart Than Bright

People learn the hard way some people don't learn. I saw what she took to shopping pausing to rest new living room couch. I saw her as a kind-hearted over (and not wanting to new upholstery), she did for the fly swatter, but clapped her hand quickly. She missed. Get to the varmint for another, she shrieked in horror that her dear little was a crying — but far from wasp. (The upholstery not to spot easily after

The Answer?

Afternoon, a beautiful an a long colorful tail, up to Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Sr. in their garden, and every sign of being as well as pretty creature. General appearance is with bright green feathers and the neck. The fowl is the size of a half-grown and is as tame as a house-

barbers are feeding the giving it the best of care, that some one, somewhere, a fine and beautiful pet. would like for the owners the fowl back, and at the find out exactly what

Graph Hounds

parlor game is going the in Waynesville, but you need a parlor to get. All you need is a look at the unfamiliar signature. Really honest, you must be writing is strange to you just try to guess whose it

rs, bookkeepers, clerks whose occupations require writing may sign in the same habitually, but as often as not, let themselves go — and the bankers and business-ee for yourself.

Initial letter may be quite by the end of the full you are apt to see what the zigzag record of a graph, or the dots and dash-abbit in a hurry.

the skill of a Daniel to the handwriting on the it still requires consid-ination plus pure luck er the signatures of many

Phillips Will Preside Superior Court July 13

uly term of Haywood Court, has been set for July 13, when a term will begin for both and civil cases.

Don Phillips will preside. The docket has 95 cases other cases carried over last term of court.

ry list for the two weeks selected as follows: Week—Roy L. Pless and ney. Beaverdam; W. B. R. Waynesville; E. C. abtree; Eugene Craig, le; Will Mintz, A. J. C. M. Hawkins, William Charlie R. Willis, J. M. R. Barnes, Allen Gragg, R. Ralph Lucas, Waynes-aph Blalock, East Fork; mer, Robert Mills, Zim-Carlton P. Holt, Waynes-

Rathbone, Fines Creek; esser, Crabtree; L. H. C. L. Lawrence, Waynes-ede Medford, Clyde; Jesse Cove Creek; John W. Pigeon; Hack Price, aw, Bruce McKinley, le; Henry Farmer, Pi-Hack Clark, Turner S. Joe R. Cogburn, Pat

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COOLER

cloudy and cooler, with afternoon thundershowers. Waynesville tempera-mpiled by the State Test

Maxi.	Min.	Rainfall
88	64	
88	65	26
80	63	23

Two Members of Board Feel Proposal For New Quarters Should Be Studied Longer

The proposal for a new Health Department building for Haywood County was turned down today ever coming to a vote by the Board of County Commissioners. There as an economy measure without was no second to a motion to Commissioner Frank Davis that the Board appropriate sufficient money from this year's budget to qualify them to apply to the Medical Care office for their pro rata of 70.4 cents on the dollar to make possible a health center and office building for Haywood County. The motion therefore died without coming to vote.

The three Commissioners stated in full their reasons for their respective positions on the matter. Commissioner Davis stated: "I am in favor of a health center and I think now is the appropriate time to do it. We are financially able to do so with the aid of the amount proposed to be put up by the Medical Care Commission. With the crowded conditions that exist in the Court House, which is now running over, and the increase that has taken place, we are forgetting the need of the health of our people."

"Taking it on a strict financial basis, it is economically wise to do it at the present time. The health of the people is the first consideration, in the home, in the community and in the nation. All the wealth and all the power is worth nothing unless our people are healthy."

"The excellent work of our Health Department through the years has proved its worth. The small amount of \$17,000 required by Haywood County — plus the site — is a justified expenditure. It will have to be done in the near future. Some provision will have to be made for some of our offices

in the Court House, and while the appropriations from the Government is at it is now, with no assurance that it will last, we should take advantage of it.

"We can do this and still cut our tax rate 5 cents under the present rate, and after all, with the growth of Haywood County, its many buildings and industries that are developing day after day, there is no immediate danger of a over-t-x burden on our citizenry."

"That Haywood County property and real estate ranks above all other counties around it is due to our fine hospital, roads, schools and the other progressive moves it has made. The soil might not be so good, but the spirit of progress is high. The continued guarding of the health, and the protection of our people, is one of the steps that has made this a desirable place to live. I am voting for a health center in the hope that Haywood County will continue to grow and become a better place to live."

Commissioner Jarvis H. Allison gave his viewpoint as follows:

"I want to say something on both sides of this question. I am in the habit of weighing things from all angles. To begin with, I admit we are about to outgrow the Court House, and I think that the preceding Board of County Commissioners acted wisely in buying the half acre of land between the Court House and Branner Avenue. I appreciate the fact — I am speaking now on the debit side of this — that the State and National governments propose to put up 70.4 cents if we put up 29.6. I realize that this Court House in the near future will have to expand."

"I further understand that promoters of this proposition have already told us that it takes an acre of land. That disbars us from the opportunity of putting it on the Court House space, and if by some means they could be persuaded to put it there, they would not allow anything else to be put there. This would prevent the expansion of the Court House in the future. It is probably true that \$17,000 would be our proportionate part — except for the site; and the site would have to be purchased in addition to the \$17,000."

This would only relieve us to this extent — it is true that we are paying \$75 a month for quarters for the Welfare Department, but if we had this building it would only provide room for the Health Department and would therefore only relieve us temporarily."

"I further state that we have a wonderful Health Department as it is. In that statement I am including the Health Department as we usually know it, the hospital and all the doctors—they have a form of hospitalities."

"If we were to add the purchase (See Health Building—Page 6)

Lake Dedication Ceremony Opens Children's Building

The southeastern summer assembly grounds of the Methodist Church at Lake Junaluska added a new activities center to its Christian education facilities when a new \$60,000 children's building was formally opened Sunday with appropriate ceremony.

Miss Elizabeth A. Jarratt, Charlotte, chairman of the building committee, announced that the official name of the handsome, modified colonial structure is "Children's Building—the Kennedy-Skinner Memorial."

She presided at the ceremony and welcomed visitors to the opening exercises. "Today we celebrate a dream come true," she said in her tribute to the committee and donors.

Dr. Carl H. King of Salisbury, treasurer, said that \$45,000 of the building costs had been contributed, largely through "small change" offerings of Methodist Sunday

School classes in nine southeastern states, and that he was confident that Methodists interested in children's work would soon subscribe the balance.

Miss Jarratt and Mrs. C. A. Rauschenberg, Jr., Atlanta, vice chairman, praised Dr. King as "the one who has worked hardest in making this building possible." Dr. King is executive secretary of the Methodist Board of Education in the Western North Carolina Conference.

"We link this building to the memory of two wonderful women — Miss Minnie E. Kennedy and Miss Mary E. Skinner—in gratitude for their love of children and their long years of service as Methodist directors of children's work," Dr. King said.

He said the new center is an enlargement of the nearby J. B. (See Lake Junaluska—Page 6)



SITE OF THE AGRICULTURAL EXHIBIT BUILDINGS is outlined with white dotted lines in this photograph taken from an elevation opposite the location. The county has selected 20 acres

on Highway 19-A on the M. O. Galloway farm near Waynesville. Barn at lower left is on the Welch Farm Place.

(Mountaineer Photo).

600 Masons Are Expected To Attend Summer Assembly Here This Weekend

Band Gives Effective Show In Three - Hour Lions Parade

Jaycees Bringing Putnam Here For Address July 9th

The Waynesville Jaycees are sponsoring an 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.

'Bare' Facts Should Not Be Taken Too Literally

Speaking of bears in the Smokies, which everybody does sooner or later, Bart Leiper tells a hard-to-believe tale of a bear's startled "prosperity" who succeeded in "phoning for help. As Mr. Leiper puts it:

"It is seldom if ever that a man treed by a bear in the wilderness has been able to telephone for help. But that happened in the case of a hiker who had ascended one of the fire towers scattered at strategic points on mountain tops of the Great Smokies. Tired of waiting his descent, the rest of his party hit the trail. When finally he started down the ladder, he found a huge mother bear and cub reaching up the ladder for him."

"How was he to know that the food he had stashed away in his pack was really what they sought? Because it was early spring and getting late, the hiker began to shake and shiver with cold. At last a flash of inspiration came over him: the telephone on top of that tower!"

"Up he scrambled to call for help — and the Park rangers answered his frantic plea."

Chamber of Commerce Board To Meet, 14th

A meeting of the board of directors of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce will be held Tuesday, July 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall.

Dr. Boyd Owen, president of the group, has requested a full attendance.

(Special to The Mountaineer)

CHICAGO — Waynesville High School's 110-piece band, marching in a spectacular parade down Michigan Avenue for the annual convention of the International Association of Lions Clubs Wednesday morning, put on a fine show for the 125,000 spectators and came through the three-hour event "without a casualty."

The weather man looked favorably upon the Mountaineers and provided a pleasant 74-degree temperature.

The band, representing North Carolina, was part of an estimated 14,000 paraders representing all of the states and a number of foreign countries. It was a typical big-city show complete with showers of confetti.

Following the parade the band members relaxed at Jackson Park Beach and later played for a session of the Lions convention at the Chicago stadium—substituting for another band. Wednesday night they enjoyed a boat ride with supper aboard.

The band caravan arrived in Chicago according to schedule Monday night and spent Tuesday visiting the stock yards and the Museum of Science and Industry. Today's schedule calls for a visit to the Adler Planetarium, the Chicago Museum of National History, and Shedd Aquarium.

The last day in Chicago will include a performance at the stadium, a tour of Marshall Fields, the Tribune Tower and North Lake Shore Drive, and attendance at the double-header baseball game between the White Sox and the Cleveland Indians.

According to the latest plans, forty members of the band will remain in Chicago Saturday morning with their director, Charles Isley, and will play for the final session of the Convention. The remaining sixty members, accompanied by Robert A. Campbell, assistant director, will leave according to schedule for Cincinnati, O., to attend the opera, "Carmen." The two groups will meet at the University of Cincinnati later Saturday night and will leave together Sunday morning at 7 o'clock for the trip home.

Headquarters for the North Carolina delegates in Chicago is the Morrison Hotel. The band group, which had reservations at the Hotel Riviera, moved on Tuesday to the Hotel Croyden which provide larger and more spacious quarters. (See Band—Page 6)

(See Pictures on Page 1, Sec. 3)

A vanguard of an estimated 600 Masons and members of their families from many states are scheduled to arrive here Sunday, July 12 for the fourteenth annual Masonic Assembly of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of North Carolina.

The three-day event will open with registration Sunday from 9:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. at the Waynesville Armory — headquarters for the meeting. All Masons are requested to report and register upon arrival in order that they may be assigned to their hotels and tourist courts.

The first meeting will be held Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the Armory when the Rev. James H. Coleman will conduct a Masonic Service. All Master Masons, their families, and friends are cordially invited as well as all churches in the community.

A social hour will be held immediately following the service and refreshments will be served by members of the Eastern Star.

At 7 p.m. Sunday a motor trip is planned for all who wish to witness the drama, "Unto These Hills" at Mountaintop Theater at Cherokee.

Following is a complete schedule of events:

Sunday, July 12.
10 a.m. to 6 p.m.—Registration and assignment.

7 p.m.—A motor trip for all who wish to witness the play "Unto These Hills" at Mountaintop Theater at Cherokee.

8 p.m.—Masonic Service at Waynesville Armory. Social hour and refreshments (arranged by the ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star) immediately following services.

Monday, July 13.
9 a.m.—Opening the Grand Council by the Most Illustrious Companion Thomas G. Slate, Grand Master; Introductions and reception of distinguished guests; announcements; call from labor to refreshments.

3 p.m.—Scenic motor trip to Masonic Marker at Black Camp Gap. Judge James I. Walker, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Tennessee, will make the address.

8 p.m.—Royal and Select Masters Degree at Waynesville Armory by a team from Blake Council No. 19, Spartanburg, S. C.

9 p.m.—Select Masters Degree by a team from Golden Triangle Council No. 28, of Eustis, Fla.

Tuesday, July 14.
9 a.m.—Grand Council business session. (See Council—Page 6)

More School Projects Are Ordered By Two Boards

Excellent progress in the \$2,000,000 county-wide school expansion program was reported yesterday at a joint meeting of the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Education. Dave Felmet, chairman of the combined board, announced that taking into account the number of contracts already let, every school was going to receive every dollar that was promised at the beginning of the program.

Next on the building and remodeling agenda is work at Crabtree-Iron Duff, Fines Creek and Sannook. The architect, Lindsey Madison Gudger, has been requested to submit preliminary sketches for a new gymnasium at Crabtree, for a lunchroom at Fines Creek and for remodeling the old classroom building at Sannook into an auditorium.

Work will get under way as quickly as possible on the water system at Fines Creek, with the expectation of having it ready for the opening of this school term.

Mr. Felmet expressed the satisfaction of the joint board with the general progress of the projects

New County Tax Rate Is Set At \$1.55

The tax rate for Haywood county was reduced 10 cents per \$100 valuation today, as the commissioners approved a tentative budget for the fiscal year, which began July 1. The new tax rate will be \$1.55.

The board will meet on July 20th, and formally adopt the budget, under the provision of the finance laws of the state.

According to James Kirkpatrick, county auditor, the new budget calls for \$1,438,434. Of this amount, the sum of \$592,875 must come from taxes. The remainder is from other sources, such as state and federal aid, and penalties.

The county debt service fund is up about \$5,000, the record shows. The county debt service covering roads, hospital and court house amounts to \$65,040, while the school debt service is \$102,991.

The general fund of the county shows a decrease of about \$1,600. This total fund for 1953 is \$84,770. This fund is lower than last year, even with the \$10 per month increase the board granted all employees whose salaries are not set by law.

The largest increase in the budget is for the Hospital, which is exactly \$100,000 more than last year, going from \$254,000 up to \$354,000. Of this, a sum of \$63,000 will be raised by taxes, as against \$47,000 raised by taxes for the past year. The remainder will come from revenues paid by patients of the institution.

A complete comparison of all funds and the tax required for each fund will be shown in detail in Monday's issue of The Mountaineer.

Only One Man Is Being Held Here In Jackson Case

All of the men held in the Haywood county jail in connection with the murder of Sheriff Griffin Middleton of Jackson county, have been removed to other jails, except Lonzo McCall, according to Sheriff Fred Campbell.

Demos Woods, the confessed slayer of the sheriff, was removed to the Bryson City jail, where he has been questioned by Solicitor Thad Bryson, and Sgt. T. A. Sandlin of the Highway Patrol.

Indications were that Woods might be returned here at a later date.

Mrs. Martin Berry left yesterday for her home in Pleasant Valley, New York after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. Harry Rotha.

already under construction.

The board also decided to re-employ Howard Hall as supervisor of construction work. After consideration of a number of applicants, it was felt that Mr. Hall's previous experience with the county in this work was of great value.

County Teaching Staff For Year To Number 203

Haywood County's teacher allotment for the coming school year remains substantially as it was last year, Superintendent Lawrence Leatherwood announced today. Personnel will total 203, compared with 202 last year.

Of this number 149 teachers will go to elementary schools, 50 to high schools, 2 to colored elementary work and 2 to supervisory work. Mr. Leatherwood said that there was a possibility of gaining one more primary teacher.

The largest number of white teachers and principals will be in the Waynesville district, where the staff will be 114. Bethel receives 42; Clyde 19; Fines Creek 11; and Cataloochee Sterling one each.

Highway
Record For
1953
In Haywood
(To Date)
Killed 2
Injured 27

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