



CLYDE'S NEW GYM begins to take shape as the steel framework for the structure goes up on ground just west of the football field, across the river from the school. The gym is part of Haywood County's two million-dollar school construction program now in progress.

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Waynesville-Canton To Meet In Just One Football Game Per Season, Starting In 1954

Crews Battling 3 Forest Fires In Different Areas Of County

Fifth Dog Dies From Rabies Bite



DOG WARDEN Ernest Chambers, appointed to his new post last week by county commissioners, is now working throughout the county to enforce the dog quarantine now in effect. (Mountaineer Photo). (See story page six)

A six-months-old dog owned by Lonnie Bishop of the Ninevah section of Waynesville died from rabies Thursday evening to become the fifth animal victim of the dread disease in the county during the past two months.

The dog died on Thursday and on Friday a report was received from the state health department saying an examination disclosed that the animal had been rabid. It has been kept penned up and is not believed to have bitten any other dogs or persons.

Mr. Bishop told the Haywood County Health Department that the rabid dog killed in the Pigeon area two weeks ago had been fighting with his dog, and probably infected it at that time.

In order to protect other dogs and owners in the Ninevah section, a clinic will be conducted by Dr. A. R. Riegg, veterinarian, from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Ninevah Baptist Church. At that time, dogs will be vaccinated for one dollar.

On Thursday another clinic will be conducted in the Hyatt Creek area from 4 until 6 p.m. in the Green Valley grocery. Both this clinic and the one at Ninevah are open to the general public as well as to persons in those areas, Dr. Riegg explained.

In addition to the one at Pigeon, other dogs who have died of rabies have been in the Allen's Creek, Camp Branch, and Sannook sections. Several persons were bitten in September, but all have been taking shots for rabies.

In order to prevent the outbreak of rabies, county commissioners last week hired Ernest Chambers, a retired Army man, as county dog warden. His duties are to see that all dogs in Haywood are vaccinated and that owners comply with the present quarantine, which specifies that animals are to be kept in confinement while the quarantine remains in effect.

Lowest Reading Of Season Down To 12 Saturday

The coldest morning of the season rolled around Saturday, when the mercury slid down to an even 12 on the official thermometer at the State Test Farm. On Sunday morning the temperature was four degrees warmer as the official reading was 16.

Santa Will Arrive Here December 5

Santa has included this community on his pre-Christmas eve tour.

According to a message received this morning by Joe Cline, president of the Merchants Association, Santa has accepted an invitation to visit here on Saturday, December 5th.

Santa wired: "Am happy to accept your generous invitation to visit your beautiful community. Will bring plenty of candy, and pass it out during and after the parade. The Mountain might fine that you will have two bands to meet me and parade down the streets of Waynesville and Hazelwood. Tell all my friends I am anxious to meet them. Am shipping big supply of candy today. Be on the lookout for it."

Mr. Cline said that the parade would start at ten o'clock and would feature the two WTHS bands. The details of the route will be announced later. The wire from Santa came so suddenly that the details of local arrangements have not been completed. However, a committee composed of Frank Moore, Euel Taylor, Bill Cobb, J. C. Jennings and Robert (See Santa—Page 6)

Tweed Captures Football Contest

Only one miss out of a possible 12 brings Howard Tweed of Balsam Manor Apartments \$15 this week as winner of The Mountaineer's weekly football contest. Duke's tie with Navy marred his otherwise spotless record.

Eleven other grid guessers missed only two games, while 32 missed three.

Consultants Here

Three representatives of the State Board of Health were visitors in the Haywood Health Department offices last week. They were: Miss Rebecca Swindle of Raleigh, nursing consultant; Mrs. Louise East, of Asheville, district nursing consultant; and Miss Sarah Goggans of Raleigh, records and procedures analyst.

Parkway In Pisgah Closed For Winter, Construction Of 4.5-Mile Link Continues

Banks, Courthouse Offices To Close On Armistice Day

All offices in the Haywood County courthouse, except the sheriff's and the banks in Waynesville and Hazelwood will be closed Wednesday for Armistice Day, it was announced today. Retail stores, however, will observe their regular Wednesday hours—8:30 a.m. until noon—according to the Merchants Association. Waynesville town offices will be open all day Wednesday.

A special Armistice Day program sponsored by the American Legion is to be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Hazelwood School, with Rev. James H. Coleman as the principal speaker.

Francis Addresses

R. C. Francis, "Haywood County's Will Rogers," was a featured speaker Friday night at Watauga County's annual Home Demonstration Achievement Day at the Daniel Boone Hotel in Boone. He discussed the role of women in the Community Development Program. Home Demonstration Agent Mary Cornwell and Assistant Agent Jean Childers also attended the event.

Escaped Convict Spotted by Children As He Ate Walnuts Beside A Creek

Three young children spotted a four-year-old Roosevelt Buie, escaped convict, as he cracked walnuts on the edge of Big Branch in the Pisgah section, not far from where he escaped from a gang Wednesday afternoon. He was behind bars after 24 hours of freedom.

Ed Sims Resigns From Committee On Agarts Project

Ed Sims has tendered his resignation to the Board of Commissioners as a member of the Advisory Committee for the construction of the Livestock and Home Arts Buildings.

Haywood Steer Brings Top Beef Sale Price

A 1045-pound steer owned by the Waynesville Lions Club, the Jack Felmet of Ratcliffe Cove, other owned by George Kirkpatrick which was declared Grand Champion of the Western Carolina Fat Stock Show at Enka Wednesday.

Although the Parkway link atop the Pisgah National Forest has been ordered closed, construction work on the four-and-one-half mile stretch out from Wagon Road Gap is proceeding on schedule.

This particular section of the Parkway begins at a point approximately four miles west of Highway 276 at Wagon Road Gap. The work is being done by the Clement Brothers Construction Co., of Lenoir, and will be continued until hard, wintry weather sets in.

A large rock bluff near Yellowstone Falls impeded the progress of the road building crews, but after considerable dynamiting, the work is proceeding on both sides.

At the present time, the new stretch is within 1,300 feet of the completed link from Beech Gap. Roughing in and grading will be completed this fall and next spring and it is hoped that paving can be started next summer.

When the new section of road which is now under construction is completed, it will be possible for motorists to make a complete loop from Wagon Road Gap west via the crest of the mountains and back to 276, for a distance of some 20 to 25 miles. This is expected to become one of the most scenic drives in eastern America.

3 Canton Youths Hospitalized As Auto Overtakes

Three Canton youths were hospitalized Saturday when the car in which they were riding overturned several times on the new superhighway at Clyde.

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Fourteen head of stock entered also brought the top price—50 cents—in the sale held yesterday. The animal was purchased by the S. & W. Cafeteria in Asheville.



GRAND CHAMPION of the annual Western Carolina Fat Stock Show held at Enka last week was this 1045-pound steer owned by Jack Felmet of Ratcliffe Cove, a 4-H Club member. High

ratings were also won by a number of other animals entered in the show by Haywood 4-H and FFA members. (Davis' Photo).

High winds Sunday night revived a forest fire on Rough Nob between Big Branch and the Crabtree Section which was discovered at dawn Monday by Dewey Franklin, lookout in the Chambers Mountain firetower. A crew headed by E. R. Caldwell, County Fire Warden, was battling the blaze again Monday.

This was a rekindle of a fire which was brought under control with great difficulty last Friday after it had burned out a partly timbered area of between 20 and 25 acres. Franklin stated that it was in extremely rough territory and had burned last week about 14 hours.

Perhaps greatest tragedy of the current forest fires is one in Sunburst area of Sherwood Forest. Rangers have reason to believe that this fire was wilfully set after midnight Sunday by a series of 4 or 5 different fires started on heavily timbered property owned by the Champion Paper and Fiber Company around and above Lake Logan on the West Fork of Pigeon River. A crew of some 30 men have brought this fire under control, but a round-the-clock watch is being kept to avoid its spreading or being renewed. A fourth fire in the Pisgah Forest at the head of Crawford's Creek is in the (See Forest Fires—Page 6)

Bloodmobile Due On November 30

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will visit Waynesville on Monday, November 30, it was announced today by Johnny Edwards, co-chairman of the blood program committee. The Waynesville Lions Club will sponsor the Bloodmobile's visit here.

The mobile unit will operate from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church.

Each member of the Lions has been asked to enroll a blood donor between now and the 30th. Those who wish to contribute have been requested to call the Red Cross office in the courthouse.

U.S. Milk Survey Made; Higher Rating Expected

A federal milk inspection of Haywood County producers and dairies was completed last week by a federal inspector, P. L. Pessup of Raleigh.

Although an official report will not be made for several weeks, Mr. Jessup told Haywood Health Department workers here that he believed the county will be given a satisfactory rating.

During the four-day survey, 28 producers of Grade-A milk, one retailer of raw milk, and two pasteurization plants were inspected. Assisting Mr. Jessup in the inspection were Health Department sanitation officers Bill Milner and Jack Arrington.

New Schedule Necessary In Order To Meet With State Athletic Association Rules

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Waynesville and Canton will return to a schedule of one football game each season, beginning with 1954.

The two-game per season schedule, started in 1937, will end with the second of the 1953 series here on Thanksgiving Day.

The decision to play just one game per season between the two schools, was reached by the athletic associations of both schools, after the meeting of Blue Ridge Conference members with officials of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, at Sand Hill several weeks ago.

Officials of the State Association told members of the Blue Ridge Conference that the only way they could participate in the state football playoffs would be to end their regular season by November 15th of each year.

Until now, no member of the Blue Ridge Conference has been participating in the state playoffs, because of the late dates in ending their schedules.

Sentiment at the Conference meeting seemed to favor participation in the state playoffs, and then it was that the officials of the two athletic associations—Waynesville and Canton—decided to return to the one game per season schedule.

Each school, however, plans to play a full 10-game schedule each season, starting earlier in order to have the schedule completed by the State Association's deadline of November 15th.

The game will be played early in October, it was learned from a reliable source. The exact date will be set within a few days, along with the place of play for the first game of the new series.

Officials, together with coaches, of both schools were emphatic that the return to the one game per season was wholly due to the regulations of the State Association, and not because of the outcome of (See Football—Page 6)

Heavy Dynamite Blast Moves Rock On Road Project

Tons of rock were blasted to bits shortly after noon today, as workmen set off a heavy charge of dynamite at the highway intersection at Lake Junaluska, where the road is being widened.

Workmen have been working on drilling for the blast about ten days or two weeks.

The road is being widened 39 feet. The cut is 50 feet deep, and about 27,000 yards of dirt and rock will be moved.

Highway Record For 1953 In Haywood (To Date)
Killed . . . 4
Injured . . . 46
(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

The Weather FAIR
Monday, partly cloudy and continued cool, cold again tonight. Tuesday, fair and slightly warmer.
Max. Min. Rainfall
Nov. 9 . . . 57 41
Nov. 10 . . . 44 33
Nov. 11 . . . 49 12
Nov. 12 . . . 56 16