



A FAR DIFFERENT VIEW of the mountains from the Blue Ridge Parkway link on Soco Gap compared to that seen by summer visitors is this frost scene photographed last Saturday, looking toward Highway 19 and Maggie Valley.



HIGH ABOVE PIGEON GAP the woods on Cash Edwards' farm were turned into a frozen wilderness by the rime which remained on mountain tops in Haywood County for four days last week. This scene was taken some 750 feet above Highway 276.



LIKE FINE LACE was the rime clinging to the branches of this tree near the old log house on Soco Gap Friday at noon. As this picture was taken, a bright sun was starting to melt the frost.

Hazelwood Group Begins Study Of Community Improvement Program

Committee Soon Will Be Named

Approximately thirty-five civic and community leaders of Hazelwood were the guests of the Carolina Power and Light Company at a dinner meeting Tuesday night at the Hazelwood Presbyterian Church. All the civic organizations, churches and schools were represented. The purpose of the meeting was to present the details of the Finer Carolinas' Contest for 1956.

Hazelwood has taken part in this Contest for the past three years. Mrs. Vivian Bushong of Asheville, and Roy Wright presented the rules of the contest and directed the discussion of the group. Suggestions were made by those present for projects for this year and the following things were decided on as possible projects:
A balanced year-round Recreation Program with full-time Director during summer.
A paved area on school grounds for tennis, skating and such activities.
More facilities in Hazelwood gym for use of Teen-Agers this

winter.
The possibility of a Community Center and swimming pool sometime in the future.
Some young people from the High School were present and discussed their needs in the Community.
Also mentioned were town beautification, town zoning, a sidewalk along Highway 19 to Five Points, and Community Welfare Activities, such as, a welcoming committee for newcomers to our town; and a drive to encourage every person in our community becoming a member of some church.
The following were selected to

act as a steering committee for the coming year:
A. P. Ledbetter, Carl Ratcliffe, Paul Bryson, Lawrence Davis and Mrs. Clyde L. Fisher.
This committee will meet soon to elect a general chairman and get the contest under way.
The chairman of last year's contest was Mr. E. A. Williamson. Mrs. Rudolph Carswell was publicity chairman and compiled a scrapbook of the year's activities which has been submitted for judging.

23 Haywood Boy Scouts Get Badges

Twenty-three Haywood County Boy Scouts received badges of rank and merit badges at a Pigeon River Council court of honor at the Central Methodist Church in Canton Monday night.
Awards made included:
Tenderfoot—David H. Inman of

Troop 16, Canton, and Austin William Ferguson of Troop 18, Waynesville.
Second Class — Billy Stahl and Joe Todd of Troop 18.
First Class—William Clark and Freddie Hall of Troop 2, Waynesville, and Robert Wright of Troop 16.
Merit badges—Charles Hall of Troop 1, Canton, bookbinding; John Bottoms of Troop 1, painting; Terry Swalm of Troop 16, home repairs; Larry Best of Troop 16, firemanship; J. B. Hill of Troop

16, firemanship; Kill Kears of Troop 1, public health; Freddie Hall of Troop 2, music; William Clark of Troop 2, scholarship and home repairs; David Ferguson of Troop 2, scholarship, safety, and gardening; William Wheeler of Troop 16, home repairs; Stephen Dye of Troop 16, surveying, rabbit raising, and geology; J. B. Hill of Troop 16, safety, forestry, and citizenship in the community; Michael Leatherwood of Troop 16, personal fitness, and public health; James Rosendahl of Troop 16, painting, cooking, and woodcarving; David Hardwick of Troop 18, chemistry; Danny Whisenhunt of Troop 18, music, first aid, marksmanship and safety; Gary Todd of Troop 18, citizenship in the nation, woodcarving, safety, weather, and citizenship in the community.
Robert Walker served as chairman for the court of honor, while Bill Moore acted as clerk.
Badges were presented by Tom Speed, Phil Kinken, and J. H. Howell.

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