

Harrison Is Now Merchants' Head

Promotions Planned By Group Here

A. D. Harrison, manager of Stovall's Five and Ten Cent Store, was elected president of the Merchants Association at a meeting Monday night. He succeeds Frank Moore in that post.

Other new officers of the Merchants Association, which is one of five divisions of the Chamber of Commerce, are:

Tommy Curtis of the Curtis Drug Store, vice president, and Roy Parkman of Parkman's Hardware, treasurer.

Directors in addition to past president Moore are:

Stanley Henry, J. Euel Taylor, Hugh Massie, W. L. Turner, Max Rogers, Charles Balentine, J. C. Jennings, J. W. Ray, Francis Massie, Charlie Woodard, Hye Shep-towitch, and N. J. Tucker.

Committees named included:

Budget and Finance Committee — Frank Moore chairman; Store Hours Committee — C. J. Reec, chairman; Wilford Ray, Joe Howell, Bob Wilson.

Christmas Decorations Committee — Hugh Massie, chairman; Harry Whisenhunt, and J. W. Ray. (See Merchants—Page 8)

Robert Evans Wins UDC Speech Contest

Robert Evans won the annual speech contest sponsored by the Haywood Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, for boys in the Waynesville junior-high school. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Evans, Sr., Robert is an eighth grade student. His speech was "The Death of Stoneviall Jackson," by Theodore Roosevelt.

Tommy Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Campbell, Jr., also an eighth grade student, won second place with "The New Americanism," by Henry Walter-son.

Honorable mention went to Jimmy Francis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Francis and a student in the seventh grade. He also gave "The Death of Stoneviall Jackson."

Other contestants were Ricky McCarroll, Tommy Walker, Phillip Chase, William Roland, and James Messer.

The contest was held Tuesday morning in the high school auditorium. Mrs. Sam Queen presided and Mrs. Millard Ferguson awarded medals to the winners.

Judges were Glenn W. Brown, Kenneth Fry and Charles McDarris.

Goal for the visit here will be 125 pints of blood.

Each CDP group has been asked to form a committee in its own community to arrange for donors to the Blood Bank here.

Hazelwood Man Sails For Litle America 'Deepfreeze'

ANTARCTICA, (Delayed) — Lawrence Conrad, pipe fitter third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Conrad, Hazelwood, and husband of the former Miss Willodene Sanders of Gideon, Mo., is serving aboard the Operation Deepfreeze icebreaker USS Edisto which sailed yesterday for Little America from the McMurdo Sound Site of the Air Operation Facility.

The crew of the Edisto have performed the multiple duties of icebreaking, cargo handling and general roustabouts while the ship cut channels through thick ice and led heavier ships through broken ice, towing them when necessary.

When it was found that the ice was too jagged for her thinner skinned sister ships, the Edisto and other icebreakers created a shuttle service, carry-

ing supplies and equipment from cargo ships at the mouth of the Bay to the unloading site 40 miles inside the bay.

The unloading operation proved more difficult than expected when the weight of equipment, combined with freak antarctic weather conditions, threatened to break up the remaining shelf ice.

Crewmembers, working in shifts on a 24-hour basis, several times were forced to reload cargo unloaded only a few minutes before, when fierce winds swept it and the ice foundation out to sea.

When the Edisto lost a propeller in the continuous operations, she assumed new duties as an escort vessel, obtaining hydrographic data and exploring sites for future weather stations and emergency landing fields.

Sale Of State Stock For Development Going Good

The sale of stock in the North Carolina Business Development Corp. by Waynesville Jaycees will end Saturday night, president Elmer Hendrix announced today.

He said that the sale of the stock here is going over well, but must end Saturday night to meet a previously established deadline. Mr. Hendrix asked any area resident interested in purchasing the

stock to contact him or any member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce before Saturday night.

North Carolina Jaycees have agreed to sell \$200,000 of a total of \$1,000,000 authorized by charter to raise funds for the development of new industry in the state.



FANCY LUGGAGE looks good on an ocean liner or train, but far more practical is a German rucksack ("back sack") which carried all of Geraldine Fish's possessions on her bicycle tour through 18 European countries. Miss Fish asserts: "I'd rather lose my passport than lose my rucksack." (Mountaineer Photo.)

Clyde Girl Says Bicycling Best Way To See Europe

By BOB CONWAY
When it comes to traveling in Europe, most Americans tend to think in terms of luxurious ocean liners, fast airliners, cars, or trains.

But a Clyde girl just back from a stay of a year and a half abroad is convinced that the best way to see foreign countries is on a bicycle!

Despite the fact that a bicycle moves comparatively slowly and demands more energy than a lot of car-loving Americans are willing to put forth, Geraldine Fish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fish, traveled through 17 European (See Clyde Girl—Page 8)

A report from Mrs. Medford today reveals that Ronnie's general condition is considered a little better—his pulse and color are better.

According to attending physicians the child is still in the lower level of consciousness and it may be sometime before he regains full consciousness.

Ronnie suffered a brain injury and a severe gash on the left side of the head.

225 Cases On Court Docket; Will Convene Monday At 10

With the addition of 18 more cases to the docket this morning, J. B. Siler, clerk of court, said about 225 cases would face the February term of criminal court as it convenes Monday morning.

Judge J. Will Pless, Marion, will preside.

The first matter to claim the court's attention Monday morning will be the selection of nine members, and a foreman for the Grand Jury. Nine members named last July will serve again this term.

The majority of cases on the docket are termed by court officials as being of the type that will not consume much time for trial.

Among the cases on the docket is that of Forest Bryson, charged with the death of a 12-year-old girl in a car accident near Balsam.

Also Charles H. Leatherwood, charged with the death of Charles W. Gidney, of Canton, as the result of an automobile accident at Clyde in May, 1955.

On the docket is the case of Burle Warren, who was granted a new trial by the State Supreme Court. He was charged with the wounding of his son at their home in Thickety.

Thad D. Bryson, Jr., solicitor, (See Court—Page 8)

Ground Hog Emerges To Find Cold Rains

The early Ground Hog forecasters — February 2nd variety — got to stay above ground today, in a sprinkle of cold rain.

There were no shadows to scare the weather prophet back into his den. However, the cold rain was enough to make the sleepy headed fellow dart back for a warmer place than the surface of the ground afforded today.

Some Ground Hogs, according to tradition, do not check on the weather until Valentine's Day — February 14th.

Just what is the thinking of Haywood Ground Hogs is not known, because it was too cold to stand out and watch for any Ground Hog noses peeping up this morning.

Anyway, the cold drizzle made it miserable for man or Ground Hog to be outside this morning.

And as to the prospects for more winter weather — there always has been more winter after even February 14th.

Future Outlook For Burley Tobacco Production, Prices Termed 'Bright'

Popularity Of 'Burley 21' On Increase

The future outlook for burley production and market prices in the U.S. is definitely bright, Roy R. Bennett, tobacco specialist from N. C. State College, told 100 Haywood County burley growers at the annual tobacco school held here Wednesday.

Mr. Bennett said that prospects are encouraging because of the fact that cigarette manufacturers are putting more burley into their cigarettes (an average of 40 per cent now as compared with 29 per cent in the past), because of the increase in the national population, and the rise in cigarette consumption.

Cuts in acreage allotments also are starting to bring supplies in line with demand, Mr. Bennett pointed out.

In regard to the latest research on burley tobacco, the specialist urged farmers to pay more attention to their tobacco beds and not to seed them too thick, using no more than a tablespoon of seed per 100 square yards of beds.

He also advised the watering of beds at germination time if the ground is dry.

Furney Todd, plant pathologist at N. C. State, advised growers to give special attention to disease control in plant beds, especially wildfire.

Control measures for wildfire in the plant bed are the same, he said, except for one new method—the use of streptomycin sulphate in dust or liquid. This chemical was used in the county in demonstrations last year and proved very effective. (See Burley—Page 5)

78 Pints Of Blood Given In Canton

Seventy-eight pints of blood were donated during the visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile in Canton Wednesday.

Facilities were set up at the YMCA and the visit was sponsored by the Canton Lions Club.

Fourteen persons contributed their eighth pint, making them eligible for membership in the One Gallon Club. These donors were Robert L. Snakenbrug, Clifton Miller, Edith Cochran, R. G. Chason, Mae Shipman, J. J. Martin, Letch R. Hall, Rex W. Clark, Mary Louise Cowart, Dan C. Tate, Morris B. Rowe, C. C. Rickman, Wilma A. Rhodarmer, and Joe G. King.



TALKING THINGS OVER at the annual burley tobacco school held here Wednesday at the courthouse were Roy R. Bennett, tobacco specialist from N. C. State College; Dave Boyd, Jonathan Creek farmer; Dr. Luther Shaw, in charge of to-

baeco research at the Mountain Experiment Station; Furney Todd, plant pathologist at State College, and Virgil L. Holloway, county farm agent.

CDP To Stress Rural Fire Protection, Health In '56

Haywood Ministers Set Up Chaplaincy At Hospital

The Haywood Ministerial Association has set up an interdenominational chaplaincy program for the Haywood County Hospital. The plans were set up at the monthly meeting of the organization Monday, at the Central Methodist Church, Clyde.

Rev. J. G. Goodwin, Jr., chairman of the committee, was named to head the committee to get the program under way. One member of the organization will serve as chaplain for a week at a time.

James Y. Perry, Jr., rector of Grace Episcopal church is president of the organization, and presided Monday.

J. G. Goodwin, Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, Clyde, introduced Dr. Hugh A. Matthews, Canton physician, who spoke on the theme, "Hospital Visitation."

Dr. Matthews reviewed some of the problems of the hospital administration and staff in trying to meet the needs of the patients and maintain good public relations. He emphasized that the first consideration is always the welfare of the patient. In discussing visitation in general, Dr. Matthews made the following observations and suggestions:

"A visit will either do good or harm; regular visiting hours of the hospital should be observed; keep visits as brief as possible; visitors should refrain from smoking in the corridors and wards; and that too many visitors can be harmful to the patient."

The ministers were reminded that they could do some significant work in helping the doctors with their problems.

The role of the minister in his hospital visitation was discussed. A question and answer period followed Dr. Matthews' remarks.

There were 32 members and guests present. The next meeting will be held on March 5, at 12:00 in Clyde's Central Methodist Church.

The public is invited.

Small Farm Full-Time, Profitable Business Venture

Frank Christopher's little farm in Francis Cove community wouldn't stack up much against other farms—in size, that is.

But Haywood County Assistant Agent A. L. Ramsey says Christopher is making a living on his 19½ acres of land by growing vegetables commercially.

The energetic farmer makes a year-round job out of vegetable growing, using the winter season to clean up, prune, plow, and get his land ready on time.

Annual Library Tea Is Set For Tuesday

The annual tea, sponsored by the Waynesville Woman's Club for the benefit of the Haywood County Library, will be held in the library, Tuesday, February 7, from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m.

The event will mark the twelfth anniversary of the establishment of county-wide library service.

Receiving at the tea will be members of the library board, officers of the Woman's Club, Miss Margaret Johnston, librarian, and members of her staff.

Mrs. W. S. Roberts is general chairman.

A silver offering will be taken for the benefit of the library building fund.

The public is invited.

Vocational Guidance Clinic Advocated For Waynesville

Establishment of a vocational guidance clinic in Waynesville to assist juniors and seniors in high school has been advocated by Leo Leslie, advertising manager at the Welco Shoe Corp.

Mr. Leslie, speaking to the Waynesville Kiwanis Club, said that business and professional men of this area could volunteer their services for the vocational clinic and help students profit by their experience.

Mr. Leslie pointed out that adult speakers would not attempt to "sell" students on their own business or profession, but rather would only help young people to make up their minds by outlin-

ing information on jobs such as training and education needed, opportunities for advancement, specific problems to be encountered and future outlook for expansion.

These discussions also might include, he said, specific information on various types of employment such as management, sales, production, technical, and research, the feasibility of generalization or specification, and opportunities for employment in this area or away from here.

Emphasas also should be laid on the proper mental attitudes to insure success in a chosen field such as:

(See Vocational—Page 8)

A countywide picnic and rural health conference, establishment of a county garbage disposal system and improved rural fire protection are among the major goals for 1956 adopted by the Haywood County Community Development Program.

The CDP program for this year was discussed Monday night at the courthouse at a meeting of county officers, directors, and chairmen of the individual community groups.

To make plans for the county picnic and rural health conference, a committee was named, consisting of Sherrill Jimson, Mrs. Kenneth D. Fry, and Mrs. James Medford. Dr. H. A. Matthews of Canton will act as consultant for the committee.

Committees are yet to be named to study the garbage disposal and rural fire protection problems.

At their meeting Monday night, the CDP officials also voted to:

1. ESTABLISH a safety committee in each CDP organization.

2. ENDORSE the cooperation of the CDP with Haywood County Soil Conservation District supervisors in participating in the Carolina Power and Light's "Finer (See CDP—Page 8)

Annual Banquet Here Set For February 16

The annual Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held Thursday, February 16, it was announced by Richard Bradley, president, this morning.

The banquet will be held at the WTHS cafeteria, and will feature a noted speaker. Details of the banquet are being compiled by Ned J. Tucker, executive vice president of the organization.

MOODY TO GO TO FRANCE

Airman Second Class Ed W. Moody, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noble Moody, Route 3, Waynesville, has been re-assigned to a United States Air Force unit in France. He has been at Reese Air Force Base, Texas, in Food Service since 1953.

(See Moody—Page 8)

The Weather

Mild and windy with moderate to heavy rain today. Friday gradual clearing and turning colder.

Official Waynesville temperature as reported by the State Test Farm:

Date	Max.	Min.	Pr.
Jan. 30	59	32	.46
" 31	51	22	
Feb. 1	47	18	.37

Highway Record For 1956
(TO DATE)
Killed 0
(1955 — 0)
Injured 11
(1955 — 7)
Accidents 27
(1955 — 19)
Loss \$8,905
(1955 — \$8,699)
(This information compiled from records of State Highway Patrol.)