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TODAY'S SMILE

A fellow who wakes up to find himself a success, hasn't been asleep.

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## Polio Immunization To Open Wednesday

### Salk Vaccine Available At Health Center

Immunization of persons under 20 years of age and expectant mothers with Salk polio vaccine will begin at the Haywood County Health Center Wednesday in an effort to reach as many people as possible before the polio season starts this summer.

It has been estimated that there are approximately 18,000 persons eligible for the shots in Haywood County. Of this total, 5,000 children are classified in the pre-school group, 9,000 in school, and 4,000 young persons between the ages of 18 and 20.

At school clinics last fall and this spring, 1,882 students received their first doses and 1,600 their second shots.

Since vaccine was made available to private physicians, Haywood County doctors have given 1,082 polio vaccine shots in their offices. This number includes 23 shots given free of charge.

Miss Dorothy Whisenand, records clerk at the Health Center, said that there were six polio cases in Haywood County last year, but none involved children who had polio shots. One person afflicted was a 25-year-old woman; one a 14-year-old boy, and the rest were under 10 years of age.

Present recommendations are that the second Salk immunization be given from four to six weeks after the first shot and the third in from seven to nine months after the second.

Dr. Jonas Salk, developer of the vaccine, has stated that even one shot affords some measure of protection.

The Health Center has enough vaccine on hand at present for 100 shots and expects to receive enough for 900 more in the near future.

The Health Center was sent vaccine for 1,400 shots last fall by the State Board of Health to be used for the immunization program in Haywood County. However, nurses at the center were instructed not to give the shots here and the vaccine later had to be returned to the state for use in counties where the shots were in great demand.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Truitt and two children, Babs and Buddy, who have been making their home on Walnut Street, moved to Hickory last week. Mr. Truitt is with the Metropolitan Insurance Co. Mrs. Truitt has been employed as a nurse with Champion Fibre Co.

### Ground-Hog Day, Valentine Day, Take Your Choice

For those who hold with Ground-Hog Day on February 14, tomorrow is the day.

No complaints were registered on the 2nd, however, a day of snow, sleet, and rain—when it was presumed the old weather profit was glad to stay in his hole and wait for an early spring.

Could be, those who are still undecided on The Day, were glad to decide in favor of the 2nd and leave the 14th for sending Valentines, a custom over which there is no controversy.

### Three Hurt In Weekend Accidents

Three persons were injured in two of four traffic accidents investigated in Haywood County during the weekend by the State Highway Patrol.

Ray Conard, 12, of Route 4, Waynesville, suffered the loss of several teeth when the 1940 Ford in which he was riding, driven by his brother, Junior Conard, collided on the White Oak road Sunday with a 1951 Chevrolet driven by Elmer Gene Hembree, Route 1, Waynesville.

Hembree was charged with driving on the wrong side of the highway by Patrolman W. R. Wooten. Damage to both cars was estimated at \$125 each.

Mrs. John W. Soesbee of Asheville suffered head cuts and Dal Watson Warren of Canton sustained facial cuts and a leg injury at 7 a.m. today when a 1950 Ford driven by Warren collided with a 1953 Mercury driven by Mrs. Soesbee's husband at the intersection of the four-lane highway and the road leading to radio station WWIT in Canton.

Patrolman V. E. Bryson charged Warren, who was entering the highway, with failure to yield the right of way.

Damage to the Warren car was put at \$250 and to the Soesbee car at \$350.

Both drivers were charged with traffic violations when a 1951 Mercury, driven by James Shirley Treadway, 24, of Canton, struck the rear end of a 1940 Ford driven by Leon Ray Penland of South Norfolk, Va., on the Asheville highway three miles east of Canton. (See 3 Hurt—Page 6)



11 WELCO EMPLOYEES, cutters, are starting tests which will save the firm \$100,000 per year. Shown left to right, seated: Mont Parham, W. S. Kaufman, executive vice president; Lula Parham, plant manager; Guilford Taylor, supervisor cutting department;

J. C. Crayne, Standing: Ray McCall, Alcy Kates, Jr., Clinton Pruet, Rufus Massie, Gabbie Jackson, Leonard Woodard, Ernest Sutton, John Chambers and Corbett Chambers. (Mountaineer Photo).

### Haywood County Mental Health Group To Meet

The Haywood County Mental Health Association will hold its first meeting of the year at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Health Center, according to the Rev. Earl H. Brendall, president.

Mrs. M. G. Stamey will present a program on the educational functions of the Mental Health Association as carried out through cooperation with other groups and agencies interested in promoting mental health.

Present members of the association and other interested persons are invited to the meeting Thursday night.

### Forest Fire Burns Over Three Acres

Two acres of timber and one acre of open land in the Waynesville area were swept by a forest fire Sunday afternoon, according to County Fire Warden Eldridge Caldwell.

Scene of the blaze was the Wildcat Cliff section between Allen's Creek and Highway 276 on land owned by Miram McCracken.

Mr. Caldwell said the fire was reported at 1:45 p.m. Sunday, was brought under control at 2:45 p.m. and extinguished by 3:15.

He said that the fire started on a trail and may have been caused by a careless smoker.

He added: "We were surprised to have a forest fire so soon after the heavy rains we have been having, but this shows how quickly sun and wind will dry out a forest."

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His place in the Waynesville office of the insurance firm will be taken by his brother, Cecil.

### 11 Wellco Men Start On Project To Save \$100,000

#### Toastmaster Meeting Set Here Tonight

Jerry Rogers and John Reeves will be speakers at the semi-monthly meeting tonight of the Waynesville Toastmasters Club.

The meeting will be held at 7 o'clock at Spaldon's Restaurant with Wayne Rogers acting as Toastmaster.

Ted Stackpole, Charles Underwood and Al Marshall will serve as evaluators. Instructions will be given by Jack Noland and Clifford Harrell will give the invocation.

Others appearing on tonight's program will be William Medford as table topics master, Homer Justice, table topics evaluator; John Thomas, grammarian; and Bob Hall as master evaluator.

Mr. Rogers will speak on the subject "The Need For A Traffic Court or Clinic" and Mr. Reeves will use as his subject for tonight's program "The Relationship of the Parent, Teacher and Child."

#### Andy Blanton Accepts Post In Forest City

Andy Blanton, who has served as agent for the Life Insurance Co. of Virginia in Waynesville for the past four years, has accepted a promotion as associate manager of his firm's office in Forest City and will move to the Rutherford County city this week.

While here, Mr. Blanton has been a member of the First Baptist Church and the choir, the Waynesville Lions, and Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is a native of Sylva.

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### Eagle Store Managers Set Meeting Here

The annual meeting of Eagle Store managers of this district will be held here Tuesday and Wednesday, according to Miss Elizabeth Leatherwood, manager of the local Eagle Store. The district includes 16 towns in Western North Carolina and East Tennessee.

The meeting will open with luncheon at The Towne House at 12 o'clock Tuesday and will close Wednesday afternoon.

L. C. Miller of Charlotte, district superintendent of the Eagle chain, and Frank H. Shook, sales manager, both of Charlotte, will attend the meeting and will lead discussions. Three district buyers will also be present and will display merchandise.

The Eagle chain is made up of 52 stores, divided into three districts.

### Bloodmobile To Be Here On Tuesday

A goal of 125 pints of blood will be sought here Tuesday when the American Red Cross Bloodmobile from Asheville visits the First Methodist Church of Waynesville, from 1 until 6 p.m.

The visit will be sponsored by the Community Development Program, but all residents of the county, both in town and in rural areas, are urged to contribute blood.

Theme of the trip will be "Have a Heart on Valentine's Day," according to Bob Tippet, assistant county agent.

Persons desiring to contribute blood, but do not have transportation are asked to call the Methodist Church (GL 6-8122) for a ride to the church and home again.

### Army Inducts 8 Haywood Men

Eight Haywood County men left for Knoxville today for induction into the armed forces. They were:

Robert Blain Cody of Ratcliffe Cove, William Bryant Hill of the Chambers Mountain Road, Junius McKinley Mashburn of Dix Creek, James Richard Snyder of the Chambers Mountain Road, Ancil Frady of Jonathan Road, Alden Clay Hembree of Saunook, Charles Arthur Holcombe of Burnetts Cove, and Ronald Benjamin Gardner of Chestnut Park Drive, Waynesville.

### C of C Directors Will Meet Tomorrow

Directors of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce will meet tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock in the Town Hall.

Committee reports will be made at this time, according to Dick Bradley, president.

### Lions To Stage Porchlight Clothing Drive Thursday

Waynesville and Hazelwood Lions Clubs will combine forces Thursday night to stage a porchlight clothing drive for the needy people in this area.

The drive will last from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday and will cover Waynesville, Hazelwood, Allens Creek, Hilside Terrace, and Lake Junaluska.

Persons living in areas not covered by the porchlight drive or those missed can leave their contributions at the Waynesville or Hazelwood town halls.

## Session Of Court Is Nearing End

### Only Two Days Left To Get New Licenses

Only two days remain for the put-offers to get their town and state vehicle licenses. Both new plates must be displayed after midnight Wednesday, February 29.

Town tags may be bought at the town halls in Hazelwood and Waynesville. The state tags are being sold at the Chamber of Commerce in Canton. Office hours at the Canton office are 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Law enforcement officers have warned that they will arrest persons driving without the 1956 tags after the deadline.

### Civil Cases Will Open On Tuesday

Minor criminal cases were being heard this morning as the February term of Superior Court entered the second week.

Judge J. Will Pless, presiding judge, told The Mountaineer he expects the criminal cases to be completed this afternoon. The civil action will begin tomorrow morning, although Judge Pless said, a number of cases have already been settled. He does not expect the civil docket to consume the whole week. Besides, he pointed out, several Waynesville lawyers are scheduled to appear in Supreme Court in Raleigh later this week.

The following cases were disposed of during the last 3 days of last week:

Herschel Haney, non-support of his minor child, 12 months, suspended upon payment of costs and \$6.50 per week for child.

Elmer Bill Messer, false pretense, not guilty.

Nathan Lee Hampton, driving drunk, not guilty.

Billy G. Sells, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Robert Eldon Buchanan, driving drunk and speeding, \$200 bond forfeited.

James Avery Loftis, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Leo Messer, reckless driving and possession, \$200 bond forfeited.

James Roy Wilson, speeding, \$75 bond forfeited.

Lawrence Horace Croft, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Floyd Jackson Harwood, driving drunk, \$175 bond forfeited.

Roy Clyde Singleton, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Jerry Lee Foster, reckless driving, \$50 bond forfeited.

Horace William Carroll, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Robert William Simpson, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Ralph Tilman Quinn, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Ulyess Earl Henry, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Horace O. Adamson, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Elmer Pressley, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Edward Fitzgerald, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Lorene Allen Moats, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Elbert James Longwith, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

Barry Carson Payne, speeding, \$50 bond forfeited.

James M. Nichols, reckless driving, \$50 bond forfeited. (See Court—Page 6)

### Missionary Post Sought By Goodwin

Rev. J. G. Goodwin, Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church of Clyde, has informed his congregation that he and his wife have applied for foreign missionary work.

Rev. Goodwin said he had expressed his preference for the Far East—especially Malaya.

He said in order to be accepted for a missionary post both he and his wife first must pass a physical examination. This examination may be given in the next two months, he added.

Rev. Goodwin, who has been pastor of the Clyde church for the last 2½ years, pointed out, however, that only a portion of all persons who apply for work in the mission field are accepted.

He explained, too, that his announcement does not constitute a resignation.

### Beekeepers' School Slated On Wednesday

The annual Haywood County beekeepers' school will be held at the Waynesville Farmers Federation warehouse on Depot Street at 10 a.m. Wednesday, it has been announced.

The school will be conducted by W. A. Stephen, beekeeping specialist at N. C. State College, who is regarded as one of the outstanding authorities on bees in the South.

It is estimated that more than 100 Haywood County residents will attend.

### Soil Supervisors Planning Roadbank Seeding Program

A countywide program of seeding roadbanks to control erosion and the flow of silt during heavy rains is being studied by Haywood County Soil Conservation District supervisors.

The soil supervisors discussed the problem last week at the courthouse with H. A. Coggins, district landscape superintendent of the State Highway Department, and Raymond Mehaffey, county foreman for the department.

At the meeting, Roy Beck, soil conservation specialist in Haywood County, showed pictures of highway erosion and drainage damage, and suggested that, through a "memorandum of understanding" between the soil supervisors and the highway department, a solution can be reached.

Under a plan proposed at the meeting, the highway department would furnish planting stock (primarily kudzu crowns) to landowners for planting on highway cut banks. Soil supervisors would take orders, distribute the crowns, and hold demonstrations on planting methods.

Mr. Coggins agreed to seek a memorandum of understanding concerning road bank seeding from the highway department.

County Agent Virgil L. Holloway, who also attended the meeting, said that he felt the Community Development Program organizations would actively support any program for the seeding of roadbanks.

At their March meeting the soil supervisors will discuss with school officials and members of the board of education the possibility of establishing soil conservation education in county schools.

State Forester F. H. Claridge also has been invited to attend the March meeting of the SCS.

## Cherokee Drama To Step Up Its Promotion This Season



To meet the competition of the new outdoor drama in Gatlinburg, "Chucky Jack," and to take advantage of the anticipated increase in tourist travel this year, directors of "Unto These Hills" at Cherokee plan to intensify to a great degree their promotion of the noted Indian drama.

Carroll White, general manager of the drama, told the Waynesville Rotary Club Friday that a saturation program will be undertaken this summer so that all travelers within 50 miles of Cherokee will learn of "Unto These Hills."

Mr. White disclosed that directors of the drama have authorized publication and distribution of 450,000 folders on the drama—an increase of 200,000 over 1955's total, printing of an additional 100,000 folders on the village of Cherokee, and erection of 85 highway billboards and signs advertising the Mountainside Theatre production. (See Cherokee Drama—Page 6)

### WNC Health Officials To Meet Here Feb. 29

Health officers and sanitarians from 16 Western North Carolina counties will meet at the Haywood County Health Center February 29 to discuss the state's new regulations dealing with sanitation in restaurants.

Speakers will be John Andrews of the State Board of Health, Jess Canady, district sanitarian of Fayetteville, and Bill Broadway, district sanitarian of Asheville.

The new restaurant regulations were adopted last year by the State Board of Health, but have not gone into effect as yet. Meetings will

be held over the state to explain the provisions of the act. The meeting here will be the first in a series of six.

Twenty-five health officials are expected to attend the session, which will last from 10 a.m. until 4:40 p.m.

Representing Haywood County will be sanitarians Bill Milner and Jack Arrington. Other counties to be represented are Buncombe, Cherokee, Henderson, McDowell, Jackson, Swain, Macon, Yancey, Mitchell, Avery, Graham, Transylvania, Madison, and Polk.



A CONTRACT as distributor of Armour fertilizers was presented to Tom Boyd (left), owner of the Richland Supply Co. on Commerce St., Waynesville, last week by W. A. Keith, regional representative for the Armour firm, Richland Supply will serve as both a distribution point and a retail outlet. (Mountaineer Photo).

## The Weather



Sunny and mild today, Tuesday, partly cloudy and mild.

Official Waynesville Temperature as reported by the State Test Farm:

Date	Max.	Min.	Pr.
Feb. 9	62	41	.06
Feb. 10	60	41	
Feb. 11	57	43	.53
Feb. 12	49	24	

**Highway Record For 1956**

(TO DATE)

**In Haywood**

**Killed . . . . . 0**

(1955 — 0)

**Injured . . . . . 15**

(1955 — 7)

**Accidents . . . 29**

(1955 — 25)

**Loss . . . \$10,304**

(1955 — \$11,080)

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