

## Hazelwood Finer Carolina Group To Seek Land For Community Center

### Paving Of Playground Also Slated

Obtaining of land for a new community center and paving of the playground at Hazelwood School have been proposed by the Finer Carolina group at Hazelwood for the organization's 1956 program.

Also on the Finer Carolina agenda this year at Hazelwood are four town-improvement projects and the organization and operation of an industrial junior league baseball team.

This year, the four major civic groups in Hazelwood—the Boosters, Boosterettes, Lions Club, and PTA—will take charge of the four Finer Carolina projects.

Arrangements for the purchase of land and construction of a community building will be made by a Boosters Club committee, headed by C. N. Allen and including Dr. Stuart Roberson and A. P. Ledbetter.

The project for paving a play area at Hazelwood School will be sponsored by a PTA committee, with Carl Ratcliffe as chairman and Bill Kanos, Dr. Hugh Daniel, Bill Prevost, Mrs. Bill Ray, and Mrs. Charles Isley as members.

A Boosterettes' committee, made up of Mrs. George Bischoff, chairman, and Mrs. C. N. Allen, will sponsor these four town-improvement projects:

1. Establishment of town zoning.
2. Increase of church attendance.
3. Improvements and regular maintenance of Scout Hut.
4. Installation of street markers (begin last year).

Labeled "Project No. 4," a three-point program will be sponsored by the Hazelwood Lions Club.

1. Organization and operation of an industrial junior league baseball team.
2. Expansion of Hazelwood School gymnasium facilities.
3. Purchase and installation of trash containers for town business section.

J. C. Burrell will head the Lions Club committee, which also include Gene Wyatt and Dr. Warren Kutté. Beverly Jo Holloway will keep a scrapbook for this committee.

Mayor Lawrence Davis is general chairman of the Finer Carolina program at Hazelwood this year, while Mrs. Howell Bryson, chairman, and Mrs. Kyle Campbell will serve as a publicity committee.

The general steering committee for the program is composed of A. P. Ledbetter, chairman; Paul Bryson, Carl Ratcliffe, Mrs. Clyde Fisher, and L. C. Davis.



**BOOSTERS CLUB COMMITTEE** of the "Finer Carolina" program at Hazelwood for 1956 includes (left to right) A. P. Ledbetter, Mayor Lawrence Davis, C. N. Allen, chairman, and Dr. R. S. Roberson. (Mountaineer Photo.)

### All Tar Heels Must Take Driving Test Periodically

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Driving License Examiner

In 1935 the General Assembly of North Carolina passed a modified version of the uniform driver licensing act, which was weakly enforced, but in 1947 a new law was passed, providing for the re-examination of all the states drivers and making a road test mandatory.

Today there are 136 examiners, five Supervising Examiners, and 10 hearing officers—all of whom are members of the safety division of the State Highway Patrol.

Offices of examiners are located in county courthouses, town halls, police stations or any other locations that are designated by higher headquarters. State license examiners check all applicants for licenses four ways: eyesight, sign recognition, knowledge of driving procedure and a road test.

A person is given an eyesight test and sign test on an instrument called an "ortho-rater." Since the last General Assembly, tests have been changed somewhat. Persons who have already been licensed and come in for renewal purposes are given the eye test, sign test and a written or oral test of 20 questions.

Persons who wished to be licensed for the first time in North Carolina are given the eye and sign test and then a written test of 30 questions or an oral one of 20 questions.

On tests for renewal purposes or those given orally, a person must make a score of at least 70. On the test of those getting license for the first time in North Carolina there is no set number of questions

that a person may miss for some questions count more than others.

On the road test a person must make a score of at least 70 for operator license and at least a score of 80 for chauffeur license. The test for chauffeur's license is more stringent than for operator license.

Automatic rejection of most drivers come from applicants failing to stop at intersections or unsatisfactory parallel parking.

Driver license examiners in Haywood County are myself, Thomas J. Lentz, Jr., or Durham and Howard J. Newton of Forest City, N. C. Examining days are: Waynesville, Monday and Tuesday, 8:00 to 5:00; Canton Town Hall, Wednesday and Thursday, 8:00 to 5:00; and at Sylva courthouse on Fridays from 8:00 to 5:00.

Over 90 per cent of the people who come to the license examiners' office will readily admit when they enter that they are so nervous that they will probably fail the test even though it may be just for a renewal of license. People should not get nervous when they enter the examining office for the examiners are there to help and not hinder people. They should not be afraid of criticism, but should accept the criticism as a beneficial factor to themselves, and try to correct the mistakes which they have committed.

The question as to who are the best drivers has arisen several times. Statistics show that only about 14 per cent of women drivers are involved in traffic accidents.

For safe driving, people should always remember

1. Don't drive when drinking.
2. Observe all laws and follow directions given by signs.
3. Don't drive too close to the car ahead.
4. Dim lights when meeting or following another car at night.

Another rule for safe driving is: "Never drive at a greater speed than is reasonable and prudent under the existing conditions."

The United States Military Academy at West Point was first opened on July 4, 1802.

### Dormitory Contract Is Awarded

The executive committee of the Brevard College Board of Trustees has awarded the contract for the construction of a men's dormitory at the college to the J. A. Jones Construction Co. of Charlotte.

Construction will begin immediately on the new dormitory which will house 100 men when completed. It will be constructed of steel and concrete and will feature a spacious lounge, recreation room and other facilities intended to provide safe and comfortable living.

The executive committee also approved the construction of five new faculty homes to be built on property owned by the college. Each home will be a six room dwelling with car-port. These units will be completed and ready for occupancy prior to the beginning of the fall semester on September 15, 1956.

Construction on the new women's residence began in December. President Robert H. Stamey stated that with the increased dormitory facilities Brevard College would be equipped to house 400 boarding students next fall. Thus, the enrollment is expected to increase from 280 this year to 450 for the academic term beginning next fall.

President Stamey also estimated that no less than nine new faculty members would be added to the teaching staff. He expects to increase the staff in the fields of English, religion, science, business, mathematics, and social science.

The executive committee also studied the architectural drawings for the new Campus Center building. The architect was instructed to prepare complete drawings to be presented at the next meeting of the executive committee, which will be held at the college on February 26.

### Off The Record

IAEGER, W. Va. (AP)—Police are looking for 10 men who broke out of jail but they're having a little trouble. Officers don't know who the escapees are, because they took the jail records with them.

### Special Lenten Services Set

The Rev. James M. Perry, Jr., rector of Grace Episcopal Church will give a series of Lenten lectures on the next five Wednesday evenings at 7:15. The public is invited to attend the talks, which will be held in the Parish House and, in each case, include general discussion.

"Christian Ethics" is the overall topic of the series with the following subjects on the dates indicated: Feb. 22, "The Scope of Christian Ethics"; Feb. 29, "Sources of Values Considered"; March 7, "The Christian and the Community"; March 14, "The Christian and Economics"; and March 21, "The Ethics of Jesus".

Each lecture will be preceded by a short Evening Prayer Service at 6 p.m. followed by a covered dish supper to which those wishing to attend from other churches will be welcomed as guests.

The Lenten Services will be climaxed by daily Union Services during Holy Week in conjunction with other churches of the community.

### Housing Shortage

TOKYO (AP)—The Construction Ministry reports that 10 years after the end of the war, 142,000 families still live in bombed-out factories and warehouses. It estimates that there is a shortage of 2,700,000 houses in Japan.

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### Scouts To Hold Court Of Honor At Courthouse



The monthly court of honor of the Pigeon River District of the Boy Scouts will be held at the courthouse tonight at 7:30 p.m., it has been announced.

Among the candidates for promotions and merit badges will be one for the coveted Eagle Scout award—Marshall Geoffrey Cooper of the Clyde Road, Canton.

Cooper is now senior patrol leader of Troop 1, Canton, and president of his homeroom class at Canton High School.

### Bethel FFA To Hold Father-Son Banquet

The annual Father and Son Banquet of the Bethel FFA has been set for Friday, February 24, at 7 p.m. The banquet will be held in the Bethel School cafeteria.

R. E. Cathey is serving as chairman of the recreation committee and Bobby Phillips is president of the FFA.

M. C. Nix and B. C. Nave are faculty advisors for the group.

### William G. Arrington Finishes Cooking Course

Sergeant First Class William G. Arrington, whose wife, Eva, and mother, Mrs. Belle S. Arrington, live in Waynesville, recently was graduated from the Third Army Food Service School's eight-week cooking course at Fort Benning, Ga.

The course, one of three taught at the school, covered the preparation of food in Army mess halls and in the field.

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