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TODAY'S SMILE

Even a tombstone will
say something good about
a fellow when he is down.

Civic Group Proposes Commissioners Swap Welch Farm Land For Horse Show Property

Proposed SS Law Change Is Opposed

The directors of the Chamber of Commerce opposed any changes in the present Social Security laws, and agreed with the U. S. Chamber in the feeling that the proposed changes are "not practical." A letter from the local organization was ordered sent to the Tar Heel senators, and officials of the National Chamber.

The board also voted unanimously to allocate \$225 to the Haywood Highlanders for their annual publication of 20,000 booklets, as has been the custom in the past. The amount was voluntarily increased by \$25.

The advertising committee, headed by Henry Tuttle, was authorized to proceed with plans of re-erecting a highway sign which blew down recently, and repaint it, along with repainting and repairing of a similar sign on the Dellwood Road.

An encouraging report was made by Harvey Dulin, chairman of the membership committee, that the campaign was going forward satisfactorily. The budget for the year is \$19,625.

C. T. McCuiston, chairman of the civic and professional group, told the board that final plans for a county-wide safety program are being completed, and will be presented to a large county committee soon.

The program is being formulated in cooperation with safety experts (See C. of C. page 8)

U. S. Approves \$50,000 Loan For Haywood REA

The federal Rural Electrification Administration has approved a \$50,000 loan to the Haywood County Electric Membership Corporation, it was learned here Wednesday.

A telegram to that effect was sent to The Mountaineer by Rep. George A. Shuford of Asheville. R. C. Sheffield, manager of the REA office here, said that the \$50,000 will be used by the cooperative to grant loans to members for the purchase of electrical appliances.

Action is expected soon by the Rural Electrification Administration on the Haywood firm's application for a \$600,000 loan to be used for system improvements and membership extensions. This loan already has been approved by the North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority board at Raleigh.

Only Few Enter Complaints On Tax Assessments

The Board of Commissioners, sitting as a board of equalization and review, will conclude their hearings Friday, with taxpayers of Waynesville appearing before them.

"The number of complaints, and errors have been extremely light," Faraday C. Green, chairman, said. The board will go out in the county in the near future and review the property on which adjustments of assessments have been requested.

Haywood Herefords Take 3 First Places At Enka

Haywood County Hereford cattle producers took three first places in the Western North Carolina Hereford show at Enka Wednesday, including the award for the Grand Champion Female, exhibited by Dr. A. P. Cline of Canton.

Dr. Cline also took first place for the best senior heifer calf. Joe Reinertson of Rocky Knob Farm, Waynesville, took first, third, and fifth places in the class of older females.

Dr. N. F. Lancaster of Waynesville won a third place with his entry in the summer yearling heifer class.

The fourth consignor at the sale from Haywood County was M. C. Harkins and Sons of Canton.

A total of nine bulls and 35 females were shown at the Enka pavilion by 29 WNC breeders. The animals will be sold today by auctioneer A. W. Hamilton of Lewisburg, W. Va.

The show was judged Wednesday by Prof. E. H. Hostetler, head of the N. C. State College animal husbandry department, who was assisted by L. B. Outlaw, Jr., of the N. C. Department of Agriculture, and J. S. Buchanan, State College animal husbandry specialist.



PLANNING FOR the Methodist Jurisdictional Conference (July 11-15) at Lake Junaluska, brought in leaders from several states to confer on the mass of details, as some 3,000 delegates are expected to attend. Seated left to right: Rev. Frank Smathers, district superintendent, Waynesville; Dr. Lud Estes, Nashville, executive

secretary of the conference; Dr. Embree H. Blackard, in charge of transportation; standing, Rev. Clinton Howell, Jackson, Miss., editor of the daily paper to be published; Admiral W. N. Thomas, trustee of the Lake, and dean of the chapel, and J. W. Smith, Nashville, assistant treasurer of the conference. (Mountaineer Photo).

Industrial Courses In Schools Proposed Here

Spring Bargain Festival Days Being Staged Here

Friday marks the beginning of the Spring Bargain Festival being staged by the merchants of this community.

The stores are decorated for the occasion, and many of the firms have bought special merchandise which they are featuring for the event.

Throughout the pages of this edition, the merchants are advertising some of the many specials which are being offered for the spring event.

Southern Bell To Conduct White Oak Phone Survey

Mrs. Boyd Dies Following Brief Illness

Mrs. James R. Boyd died this morning at 4 o'clock in the Haywood County Hospital where she had been a patient since becoming suddenly ill Monday morning. She was 74.

Mrs. Boyd was working in her flower garden, one of the most beautiful in Waynesville, when the attack came.

The former Miss Jimmie Roberts, Mrs. Boyd was born in Crabtree, the daughter of the late Dr. Charles Boone and Elizabeth Teague Roberts. She moved to Clyde with her parents during her girlhood and attended the Clyde schools.

She also attended Greensboro College. (See MRS. BOYD page 8)

A survey will be conducted by the Southern Bell Telephone Co. in the White Oak community within the next two weeks to determine how many people in that area desire telephone service. C. T. McCuiston, manager of the Waynesville and Canton telephone exchanges announced Wednesday.

At present, White Oak is the only community in Haywood County which does not have telephone service, Mr. McCuiston said.

The subject of extending Southern Bell telephone lines into the area was discussed at a meeting of the White Oak CDP Monday night at the community center.

Speakers at the meeting in addition to Mr. McCuiston were two other Southern Bell officials, Charles Reynolds, rural-development representative and H. D. Jamison, engineer, both of Asheville. (See TELEPHONE page 8)

UTD Program Will Be Planned On Friday Night

Special agriculture demonstrations for 1956 will be discussed Friday night at 6:30 at the South Clyde community center at a meeting of Haywood County unit test demonstration farmers and their families.

The principal speaker, W. P. Collins, of Asheville, Western District farm agent, will discuss the progress made by the test demonstration program in Western North Carolina.

R. H. Boone of Francis Cove, president of the Haywood UTD group, will preside over a business session at the meeting.

Women planning to attend the program are asked to contact Miss Mary Cornwell, home demonstration agent.

A proposal for establishment of classes in school that will train prospective employees for industry, was made by the Industrial Council to the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce.

Russell E. Fultz, manager of plant accounting of the Dayton Rubber Co., chairman of the committee, presented a five-point program, which was adopted by the directors. The program included:

1—Establish and maintain a program of activities designed to promote good relations between the community and established manufacturing plants in the area. Attempt to work out a setup whereby the council will serve as a clearing house for problems between industry and the community.

2—Work with the various departments of education in order to establish classes of study in the public schools, trade schools and colleges that will train prospective employees to fill the needs of industrial plants for clerical workers, trade draftsmen and technical personnel. Attempt to setup a night school of special classes conducted by key industrial personnel on a voluntary basis to further that idea.

3—Encourage the employment of local people to fill industrial job vacancies in local industries whenever possible.

4—Encourage the sale and use of locally manufactured products, insofar as is possible, throughout the area. (See Industrial Classes page 8)

St. John's Seeking Bids On Wiring, Heating Units

The Rev. Lawrence Newman, pastor of St. John's Catholic Church, has disclosed that specifications were mailed Wednesday on electrical wiring and heating equipment for the new St. John's School, for which ground was broken last Wednesday.

He said that bids on the wiring and heating contracts probably will be opened within the next 10 days.

The new St. John's School will have 20 rooms, including 10 classrooms for both high school and elementary students, library and work room, four lavatories, two storage rooms, office, science laboratory, furnace and coal room. It will be situated on the corner of Church and Meadow streets, with entrances to the high school on Meadow St. and the main entrance on Church St. The elementary and high school departments will be completely separate.

The Z. V. Robinson Construction Co. of Asheville has the general contract for \$113,000. J. Bertram King of Asheville is the architect.

Election On Maintenance Tax Coming

Plans for the renewal of the Horse Show program, and activating plans for a Home Demonstration Building, and Livestock facilities, came to the forefront again this week.

The proposal, backed by the directors of the Chamber of Commerce and a number of other taxpayers of the county suggested that the County Commissioners exchange their 16.39 acres of the Welch Farm on Highway 19A-23 for the 15-acre Horse Show Park.

The Horse Show Association announced earlier that they did not plan to stage the show again this summer, and that the property would be sold. C. C. League, president of the Horse Show group, and owners of the property, has indicated he would be willing to exchange properties, it was explained to the civic group here Tuesday night.

The County Commissioners said today that the proposal had been made to them during a casual conversation, but no action had been taken as there were "some complications" involved in the matter.

Faraday C. Green, chairman, said some folk who were interested in the county making the swap, had pointed out that the Horse Show Park already had water and sewer lines, and two nice barns, as well as a show ring. The property owned by the county does not have water or sewer, and a survey said it would be expensive to install both to the property.

When the county acquired the Welch Farm site, the Champion Paper and Fibre Company gave \$5,000 towards the construction of the Home Arts Building, and Carolina Power & Light Company added \$500 more to the fund.

The county collected about \$2,000 in taxes for the project, until it was determined that the tax could no longer be levied.

The 1955 General Assembly passed an act setting up an election to be held in November this year on whether the taxpayers would approve a levy up to three (See HORSE SHOW page 8)

Car Strikes Maggie Boy On U.S. 19

Kenneth Messer, 3½-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Messer of Maggie, received serious injuries at 5:20 p.m. Tuesday when he was struck by a car on U. S. 19 in front of the Coffee Shop at the foot of Socco Mountain.

Patrolman Harold Dayton reported that the Messer boy ran in front of a 1952 Packard driven by Lemuel Southgate Briggers, 48, of Bryson City, and was struck, receiving severe head injuries—a possible brain concussion or fractured skull—and bruises on the left leg, nose and mouth.

The boy was taken to the Haywood County Hospital by Mr. (See BOY HURT page 8)

Highway Record For 1956 In Haywood (TO DATE)

Killed	0
(1955 — 0)	
Injured	25
(1955 — 10)	
Accidents	50
(1955 — 31)	
Loss	\$15,324
(1955 — \$11,784)	
(This information compiled from records of State Highway Patrol.)	

J. Liner Ready To Start Working On Apartments

Workmen are scheduled to begin within a few days putting a new roof on the old Central Elementary school building which Jerry Liner is converting into an apartment house.

Liner said today that work might begin this week, or at least by Monday. Huge poles are on the grounds to be used for scaffolding. In addition to a new roof, new cornices will be put on the building, also a new front, the owner said.

Liner said he expected the project to take from eight months to a year to complete, depending upon the delivery of materials.

Liner has just completed seven projects, and will now divert many of his men to this apartment building.

He plans to finish the conversion of the old Clyde gym into a shop building next week. He also has a crew tearing down the old Franklin Hotel, Brevard, preparatory to building a Presbyterian church there.

Liner said that many exterior changes would be necessary in the remodeling of the Central School building.

Liner bid in the property for \$67,000 at public auction.

Sheep Outlook Is 'Bright'; Order Deadline Is Saturday

Robert Myrick of the N. C. Department of Agriculture will be in the county agent's office from 1 until 5 p.m. Friday to accept orders for Western-Bred ewes and discuss various aspects of sheep production with interested Haywood County farmers.

The deadline on taking of orders here for the ewes is this Saturday at noon. County Agent Virgil L. Holloway said that orders already have been placed for 26 head.

Mr. Myrick and Sam Buchanan, N. C. State College animal husbandry specialist, both said this week that Haywood County could very well use an additional 2,000 sheep.

They asserted that returns from money invested in sheep should be greater in the next 10 years than from any other agricultural enterprise.

Mr. Myrick and Mr. Buchanan said that the field of producing sheep is not crowded and that there is no overproduction of either wool or lambs. They added, too, prices on wool and lambs compare favorably with prices of other agricultural products.

The specialists pointed out that (See SHEEP OUTLOOK page 8)

DAR MEETING POSTPONED

A meeting of the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution which was scheduled for Friday afternoon, has been postponed until Saturday afternoon. The meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. R. L. Prevost at 3:30 o'clock.

Haywood Had 11 Highway Projects During February

During February, the State Highway Commission completed 21.6 miles of road improvements in the 14th Highway Division, Commissioner Harry Buchanan reported today.

In Haywood County, highway maintenance forces strengthened the surfaces of the following 16-foot wide county roads, and their lengths, were strengthened with additional stone by highway maintenance forces: Stamey Cove Road, 0.5 mile; Pot Leg Road, 0.2 mile; Plott Creek Road, 0.2 mile; Green Hill Road, 0.1 mile; White Oak Road, 0.4 mile; Old No. 19, 0.3 mile; Little Cove Creek, 0.2 mile; Mauney Cove Road, 0.2 mile; and Dicks Creek Road, 0.1 mile.

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