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lington, Vermont, a line branches directly to Montreal; while at Atlanta, Ga., the tourist will find optional routes to Pensacola, Florida, and Mobile, Ala. From Quebec to Atlanta, this highway practically parallels the Atlantic Seaboard, bearing slightly to the west, from that point to New Orleans. So direct is the route that a straight line drawn from Quebec, Canada, to Pensacola, Florida, will scarcely leave the highway as much as fifty miles at any point. Tourist traffic for the peninsula of Florida will probably be routed via DeFuniack Springs and Pensacola, over the Old Old Spanish Trail; while those headed for Texas, Mexico and Southern California, will connect with the same thoroughfare at Mobile or New Orleans.

From Montreal, Canada, to Asheville, N. C., the entire routes is now hard-surfaced, with the exception of 8½ miles, which is already contracted for, and will be completed this year. From Asheville south, the roads are now hard-surfaced to a point below Waynesville, N. C., and all roads between that point and Atlanta are now either hard-sufaced or under construction, with the assurance that thep will be completed by this fall. South of Atlanta most of the roads are either paved, graveled, good sand-clay, or under construction. By the time the winter tourist travel begins to turn southward, it is hoped that the entire distance into New Orleans can be traversed in comfort and without danger of delay by reason of bad roads. The few remaining streches of questionable roads in Alabama are rapidly being eliminated.

The most remarkable feature of the Appalachian Scenic Highway, the featurre which puts it in the forefront of highways, is the remarkable scenic and historic interest of the route traversed: From the quaint old French city of Quebec, perched upon bluffs along the noble St. Lawrence, skirting the famed Adirondack region, along the shores of Lakes Champlain and George, through the moutain of Eastern Pennsylvania, traversing the wonderful Shenandoah Valley, over the Blue Ridge Mountains, along the splendid Smokies, through the magnificent Nantahala Gorge, over the mountains of North Georgia, by Steel Pass, past Stone Mountain, through the fruit and cotton regions of Georgia and Alabama, and into the Gulf Coast region, there is scarcely a mile of the route but what is rich in history, in romance and scenery which can scarcely be duplicated. En route we pass several caves and caverns, the Natural Bridge of Virginia, Stone Mountain, and other world-famed attractions far too numerous to touch on in an article of this length. At one point the road is paved with mavble for many miles; at another it passes over a roadbed rich in gold. Two nnational parks, and not less than three unusually attractive national forests and game preserves are passed en route. The tourist traveling purely for pleasure could easilp spend an entire summer on the Appalachian Highway and then not exhaust the outstanding points of interest.

It is hoped to have the preliminary organization along the entire highway completed in time to hold a national organization meeting in Asheville in early September, at which time permanent officers will be elected and the present tentative plans endorsed or improved upon.

As now contemplated the Appalachian Scenic Highway will be divided for administration purposes into five sections: the Gulff, Blue Ridge, Shenandoah Valley, Central and Maple Leaf. Each of these will be headed by a president, who will be, ex-officio, a vice-president of the national organization, and with the president and general manager, form the national governing board. Thus each section of the highway will be adequately represented. If found desirable, there will also be separate state organizations.

It is further planned to give tourists on this highway the best service possible. Each local organization will be required to keep the central office advised at all times of the exact condition of roads in its section, and this information will be broadcast to all organizations on the route. Convenient, exact maps and logs will be prepared and furnished to travelers, through touring bureaus, chambers of commerce, leading hotels and garages, etc. It is planned to so thoroughly mark the highway throughout its entire length that the driver can follow the markers without the slightest doubt or hesitation. In addition, a campaign of publicity will be put into effect as soon as possible, to the end that every man, women and child in Eastern America, at least, will know something of the wonders to be found along this great artery of travel.

The Appalachian Scenic Highway Association does not contemplate any road building program. The roads from Canada to Atlanta are ready, or now under construction, and south of that point they are rapidly being whipped into good shape. As soon as the routes south of Atlanta are definitely decided upon, however, the Association will do all in its power to etimuate the building and improvement of roads along the route selected, and will co-operate with local organizations to that end.

The support of the project is by popular subscription. Chambers of commerce, Rotary, Kiwanis, Civitan, Lions, Exchange and other civic organizations pay a membership fee, as organizations, of $25 annually. Individual members pay a membership fee of $10. In practically all of the towns and cities so far visited in organization work, the response has been instant and enthusiastic. From the present outlook, there will be in the treasury by the time the national organization meeting convenes, a sum sufficient to carry forward in a thorough and efficient manner the work planned.

As at present contemplated, these funds, after meeting the necessary cost of surveys, mapping, logging, organization work, printed matter, etc., be devoted to the following purposes:

1. Issuing and distributing the best possible logs and strip maps for the guidance of the traveler.

2. Marking the highway throughout its entire length.

3. Gathering, collating and publishing books and booklets, attractively illustrated, giving full information concerning the scenic attractions, historic connections, and physical and economic data of all sections along the highway.

4. Securing the greatest possible amount of publicity for the highway and its advantages.

5. Maintaining an efficient central organization for the gathering and dissemination of information to tourists, the proper management of the highway, and the furtherance of its aims.

Since there is at present no other highway in Eastern America offering so direct a northeast-southeast route through the sections traversed and none so rich in natural wonders, beautiful scener, historic associations, and variety of experiences, the sponsors of this enterprise are firm in their belief that the Appalachian Scenic Highway is one of the greatest contributions ever made to tourist travel in America, and confidently believe that as it becomes known, it will rapidly take frout rank among the most popular highways of the world.

The benefits which will be derived by the towns and cities on the route of the Appalachian Scenic Highway is incalculable. The many thousands of tourists traversing such a highway spend immense sums of money for incidentals alone, such as hotel entertainment, theatres, gas and oil, supplies and repairs. Much more important than this, however, are the permanent investments mrde. Probably three out of every four tourists are potential citizens and investors. Florida and Califonia both owe their tremendous development almost entirely to tourists. The live towns on the route of the Appalachian Scenic Highway will find this enterprise paying them enormous dividends.

Address all communications to Appalachian Scenic Highway Association, Kenilworth Inn, Asheville, N. C.

KINDERGARTEN COURSE GRACE CHURCH PARISH HOUSE.

I will begin a summer kindergarten course Monday, June 15th. Most of the exercises will out of doors; riding, swings, se-saws, picnics, hayriding, also singing, marches and rythmic movements.

Children who are to enter the first grade of the public school in September should have kindergarten training this summer. Those who were in the primary grades last year will be better prepared for school work in the fall, if they have this opportunity for pleasure and up-building.

A limited number of older children who need the out door games and recreation will be admitted.

Children of summer visitors will be enrolled in the class which will afford mutual pleasure and benefit to home and visiting members.

My endeavor is to make children good, healthy, happy, to develop their faculties and to give them the right tastes and interests.

This course will close the last of September.

No further opportunity will be offered in Waynesville.

MISS SARAH ANNE HOBSON,
Principal.

ANNAUAL ENCAMPMENT OF NATION GUARD.

The annual encampment of the National Guard will take place at Camp Glenn on July 5th to the 19th inclusive. Company H, 120th Infantry has recently been paid. The approximate amount was $16.00 for the three months pay. There are 65 members in Waynesville.

LAYING CORNERSTONE OF THE CLYDE BAPTIST CHURCH.

On Friday, June 12th, the cornerstone of the new Clyde Baptist church will be laid. Services from 11 to 3 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to be present.

R. P. McCRACKEN,
Pastor

MISS GRACE BOWLES HOSTESS.

On Saturday afternoon from four to six Miss Grace Bowles gaves an informal tea in compliment to Miss Stewart of Philadelphia, who is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. G. D. Green. Vases of roses and iris added to attractiveness of the dining room. The hostess was assisted in receiving her guests by her mother, Mrs. J. W. Bowles. A delicious ice course was served.

Among those present were: Mesdames G. D. Green, J. R. Morgan, J. Howell Way, John Smathers, J. W. Reed, Walter Allen of Spartanburg, S. C., and the Misses Stewart and Jane Sullivan.

MRS. NANCEY TURNER.

Mrs. Nancey Turner who was born and reared in Haywood county passed to the great beyond May 19, 1925. She had lived only a few month short of a century being 9 9years, 5 months and 4 days old. She had spent all these years except the last three in Haywood county, moving to New Jersey with her son, J. A. Turner, to spend her last years.

Her revalation of the changes that have taken place in her native county during a century of observation were interesting to hear. Her experiences were varied and many. Her hardships during the days of the sixties were many. She gave her husband in behalf of the South and ever afterward remained a widow, rearing a large family and never asking for a pension, but seemed to feel that her county owed her nothing for her love, but a chance to make an honest living.

She was the mother of eight children, five of which are still living: Mary Burchfield of Waynesville; Christopher Turner of Sweetwater, Tenn.; Tom Turner of Portland Oregon; Lura Mauney of Canton, and Jack Turner of Elmer, N. J., with whom she made her home. She also leaves 40 grand children, 82 great grand children, also one brother still living, Thomas Liner of Franklin, N. C.

She had been a member of the Baptist church since a young woman and always expressed herself as being ready to go when the call came. She was admiired and loved by all with whom whom she came in contact, and with her relatives. She leaves a host of friends to mourn her departure.

Her remains were laid to rest rest in her adopted state to wait in peace for the resurrection.

MRS. HYATT ENTERTAINED U. D. C.

Mrs. E. J. Hyatt was the delightful hostess to the Daughters of the Haywood Chapter U. D. C. at her home in Hazelwood.

Plans for the semi-annual Confederate veteran's dinner June 15th were discussed.

The usual program will be given at the court house after which the veterans and their wives will be served dinner by the Daughters at the home of Mrs. Leon M. Killian. The following committees were appointed:

Arrangement Committee—Mrs. E. J. Hyatt, Mrs. Theo. McCracken, Mrs. Strayley Jones.

Program Committee—Mrs. Clarence Miller, Mrs. Frank Ferguson, Mrs. T. C. Breeding.

Refreshment Committee—Mrs. Leon M. Killian, Miss Robena Miller, Mrs. W. L. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. V. C. Nobeck.

The following program was given: "William Tecumseh, Sherman's March to the Sea," was read by Mrs. C. W. Miller, Jr, also part of Col Steadman's address to the Confederate Veterans at Wilson was read.

The chapter was glad to welcome Mrs. W. L. Kifkpatrick as a new member.

Mrs. M. D. Shook was a guest for the afternoon.

Meeting adjourned to meet Sept. 4, with Mrs. C. W. Miller, Jr., at her home on Haywood street.

The hostess, assisted by Miss Margaret Hyatt, served a delicious ice course.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Johnson and Miss Nell Miller of Brevard were visiting friends in Waynesville last Sundnay.

Miss Elizabeth Rogers of Clyde, Route 1, was a Waynesville visitor on Wednesday.