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\$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

Eagle's Nest Hotel

Mysteriously Burned Monday Afternoon—A Famous \$50,000 Structure Built in 1900 on High Mountain Top—\$20,900 Insurance

WAS A PAYING PROPOSITION

Waynesville people all feel keenly the loss of the famous Eagle's Nest hotel which went up in flames Monday afternoon about 3 o'clock while thousands of people on our streets and at their homes stood in awe and watched the destruction, perfectly helpless as they saw the pride of all this section as a unique institution disappear.

The effect was more like a volcano in eruption than anything we can

reservations at Eagle's Nest. The building and furniture were insured for \$20,900, less than half its conservative value.

Strange to say that Mr. Satterthwait had been considerably injured in his yard in town about an hour before the fire by a long drive baseball which struck him in the side, while a game was being played on the Good-year lawn near by. He is resting easier now and it is believed no serious results will follow. But he was suffering too much to even watch the destruction of his property on the mountain more than 2,000 feet above the town.

It is feared that the owner may not rebuild but every one in this section hopes he will do so for Eagle's Nest has been one of the best mediums for advertising Waynesville and Western North Carolina. It was unique and different and was appeal-

CAPTAIN J. H. PAYNE PASSES

After a long illness and much suffering Capt. Jas. H. Payne passed away Tuesday night about 9 o'clock without a struggle. He was in a dying condition for more than a week. He was 68 years old and up to a few years ago when his age and condition forced him to leave the Southern Railway, which concern he faithfully served about 30 years, he was strong and active. Captain Payne came from Manasses, Va., to Charlotte first, then Hickory and later to Waynesville as road supervisor of the Murphy Branch. He had a large number of friends all over this section who will regret his demise.

Surviving are the widow, two sons and two daughters as follows: Mrs. Capt. W. W. Ray, of Toxaway; Mrs. Edward E. Edwards, of Snow Hill; Capt. J. H. Payne, of Old Fort, and

Red + Cross

Waynesville Chapter

Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons are devoted to Red Cross work. Don't forget these days. All are welcome. This week's work has been given to making comfort kits for our boys who go to camp Friday noon. As the contents for bags could not reach us before Wednesday evening, those interested are asked to come for a while on Thursday afternoon.

A group of ladies, members of the Red Cross Chapter here, purchased material and made nine aprons and caps for the waitresses at the Government hospital at Sulphur Springs. This donation has been presented through the chapter.

A branch of the Waynesville chapter has been organized among the colored people with some 19 members. This the chapter is pleased to announce and from the interest manifested we expect to hear of much good work done by them in the future. More of this organization when the chairman of this committee makes her report.

Will the friends of the chapter bear in mind that all donations of money will be welcomed toward the comfort kits as they will cost about \$1.50 a piece and the four dozen being made and filled will mean quite a sum from the treasury.

Many thanks to Mrs. Logan for the sewing machine which has already been of great service.

KATE C. PEGUES,
Pub. Chairman.

RED CROSS ENLARGES WORK

March Report Shows Increased Care of American Troops Abroad

(Editorial from N. Y. Times, Apr. 15)

The American Red Cross made public yesterday the March report of its Department for Military Affairs in France. The report indicates a large development of the Red Cross canteen, rest station, and other activities behind the American front. Thirty canteen stations are now being operated three miles behind the American first line trenches. In addition to supplying the troops with hot drinks and other refreshments, these canteens supply first aid materials. Four rest stations on the American lines of communication supply food and hot drinks to American troops en route to their camps from the various ports of debarkation. No charge is made for the drinks or any of the articles that are distributed.

The great German drive has created a new refugee problem for Paris, and the Department of Military Affairs detailed a large number of its workers to assist the civil authorities in caring for the thousands of refugees from the battle zone. Food and shelter were provided for large groups of them until they left Paris for the South. Shortly after the German offensive started a Red Cross field kitchen was dispatched to the front, and fed more than 75,000 refugees and soldiers.

The March report also shows that 5,000 pairs of socks, 780 sweaters, 1,200 pairs of gloves, 1,500 comfort kits, and 145 mufflers were distributed to American soldiers during that month. The Bureau of Donations also shipped for American soldiers in hospitals more than 15,000 shirts, 12,000 handkerchiefs, 13,000 pairs of socks, 15,000 pajamas, and 1,900 pairs of slippers. The Hospital Supply Service supplied 1,466 hospitals with 3,821 cases, weighing more than 190,000 pounds.

The American Red Cross delivered in March its first lot of trench bags—that is, bags to be used for the wounded when it is impossible to get them out of the trenches, where they may have to remain for hours without medical attention. These bags contain such food as cocoa, coffee, condensed milk, and such articles as scissors, electric torches, candles, matches, insect powder, feeding spoons, "tommy" cookers, and Greeley hypodermic units. One bag is distributed for every 20 men.

The monthly report also shows that a new hospital for American Army and Navy officers has been opened by the American Red Cross on the French coast, and that another hospital, with 370 beds, has been opened for enlisted men. The Bureau of Farms now is operating 16 farms, varying from three to 100 acres in size. Most of them have been seeded,

and by the latter part of May the hospitals to which these farms are attached will be getting their vegetables from them. The Red Cross now has 17 moving picture machines in operation at base hospitals, with an average attendance at each performance of 500 men.

CHAMPION WAR SAVINGS SOCIETY OF EAST FORK

A War Savings Society meeting was held at Cruso, Haywood county, April 17, at 7:30 in the evening. Everybody joined this society of 135 members. Patriotism was at flood-tide. Hon. J. Bat Smathers poured forth red hot shot and shells in such a terrific stream for one hour and a half that not a single blind bat, or chickadee, or he owl was to be seen. Evidently they don't live there. Everything but patriotism and liberty took to cover. Politics was annihilated. Liberty and the rights of man was the only vision and spirit manifested.

Our faithful war horse, James M. Long, as usual, was deserving of all praise. But for him, braving mud, storm and tempest, we could not have gotten there. Would to God there were more like him in this great crisis of the world's history. R. H. Blackwell, S. H. Bushell, Chief of Police J. S. Mitchell, W. T. Shelton, J. S. Tipton, Arthur Osborne and Mr. Hunt are some others that have faithfully volunteered for this service and are usually on hand and deserve the thanks of every lover of his country.

The following officers were elected: President, J. R. Pless; secretary, Mrs. W. W. Shay, besides three assistant secretaries, Order Burnett, Ethel Howell and Doshia Presley.

G. D. GREEN.

Demand for Potatoes Improves

The Mountain Growers' Exchange announces that orders for potatoes are coming in faster now than for the past several weeks. This quickened demand for potatoes is due in large part to the work of National and State Food Administrations backed by the patriotic co-operation of merchants and hotel keepers, the former of whom have agreed to sell potatoes practically at cost, while the latter in striking wheat from their menus are using more potatoes as substitute. This is important to encourage the planting of a sufficiently large crop of potatoes this spring.

The Exchange, in addition to numerous small shipments, is loading a car to go Wednesday and expects to follow this car immediately with another one. These potatoes will net the grower 85c per bushel in sacks, the grower furnishing the sacks.

All growers who want to sell potatoes through the Exchange are urged to grade their potatoes up to U. S. Grade No. 1 which is legal grade. Long varieties must be 13-4 inches in diameter across the waist, while round varieties must be 17-8 inches in diameter across the waist. Both must be free from rot, frost, cuts and diseases and practically free from sprouts. Sprouts must be rubbed off. These potatoes should be sewed up in strong sacks free from holes, 150 pounds to each sack. If impossible to get 150 pound sacks, the Exchange may be able to handle a limited quantity in 100 and 120 pound sacks. But growers should get their potatoes and sacks ready to turn over to the Exchange when the Exchange has orders.

MR. ALLEY IN GREAT DEMAND

Hon. Felix Alley, of this place, is in great demand as a commencement speaker, so great that he has had to turn down some invitations because of conflicting dates and previous engagements. He is a great speaker in politics, before a jury, in behalf of the great war or at educational meetings. He will fill the following appointments soon:

Candler High School, April 23.
Webster High School, April 24.
Waynesville Graded School, April 30.
Franklin Graded School, May 1.
Murphy High School, May 7.
Canton Graded School, May 17.

PAY YOUR POLL TAX

Poll tax is due and must be paid this month if you want to vote at either the primary or general election. You have to pay your poll tax anyhow, so you better pay it this month and not lose your right of franchise.

JNO. R. HIPPS, Sheriff.

Liberty Loan Drive

The One Great Need Now Is to Over-subscribe the Third Liberty Loan During Next Few Days—Make It Five Instead of Three Billion

HAYWOOD WILL COME ACROSS

The Third Liberty Loan overshadows all other things which we are doing and planning to do in winning the war during the next few days. It is important that this loan should be over-subscribed for the moral effect on our own people, our soldiers and on our enemies. Instead of loaning the minimum three billions asked for by our government this country should make it five billions. The country is full of money. Money is cheaper now than anything else, although some of us haven't got any, never had any and never will have any. We haven't saved and economized in a way to have any. But the most of us have or can get money. Lending it to Uncle Sam now is important, safe as an investment, safe from the tax collectors and stamps the lender as brave and patriotic. Buy a Liberty bond and if you can buy more than one. If you can't do that you can buy Thrift Stamps.

What is Haywood county going to do in this drive that is now on? Are any of us going to be slackers? Canton had a mass meeting Monday night and raised over \$12,000. Next day Bat Smathers, Dave Kerr and other workers brought the amount to above \$30,000, or more than Beavercreek's part.

That same night Waynesville had two distinguished speakers here from Asheville, Hon. J. J. Britt and Judge Thomas A. Jones, who spoke to a court room almost filled with people at a day's notice. Their addresses were full of patriotism and sense and good war dope which is bound to do good. They kept their audience spell bound until nearly midnight and we are sure there were several converts who will buy Liberty Bonds. None were offered then as the hour was so late but several thousand dollars' worth were sold Tuesday and Chairman J. R. Boyd and Miss Jessie Rogers, chairman for the women, are planning to make this community reach beyond its quota.

A Liberty Loan meeting was well attended Sunday afternoon at Rock Hill on Jonathan's Creek when Hons. Felix Alley and Tom Green spoke. The Junior Red Cross girls attended and J. R. Boyd and Miss Jessie Rogers were present besides others from here. Several bonds have been engaged as a result.

Another meeting which filled the brick Methodist church in the Rock Spring section of Crabtree was held Tuesday night. The principal speaker was Hon. J. Bat Smathers, of Canton, who certainly had his crowd spell bound as he told of the Germans and their atrocities. Dr. Green also spoke and Dave Kerr exhorted and added enthusiasm. Five hundred dollars' worth of bonds were sold and many members were added to the 160 who belong to the War Savings Society there.

Several meetings will be held Sunday afternoon. Hon. Felix Alley will speak at the Iron Duff Methodist church at 3 o'clock. At the same hour Tom Green will speak at Bethel and another meeting will be held at Cruso.

Haywood people generally respond to duty's call and we must make the call in every section of the county.

New Manager for Junaluska Inn

We take pleasure in announcing that we have engaged Mr. Sam A. Henderson, formerly of Dallas, Tex., to manage Junaluska Inn. Mr. Henderson has had a number of years' experience with the best hotels of the South, and we are assured that first-class service will be given the guests of Junaluska Inn this season. A number of improvements have been made in Junaluska Inn which will give added pleasure and comfort to our guests. The Inn will be conducted on the American Plan exclusively, \$3 per day up.

Work is progressing rapidly on our nine-hole golf course, which we expect to have ready for players the latter part of July. This course when completed will equal any nine-hole golf course in the country. It will be classy and fast. A number of cottages are under course of construction at Lake Junaluska now.

J. DALE STENTZ,
Treasurer Junaluska Hotel Co.

imagine as the leaping flames and great volumes of smoke shot upwards. Many people brought into play their field and opera glasses as they watched the progress of the fire five miles away on the tip of Mount Junaluska, overlooking Waynesville, and the early ones saw that the fire broke out from the roof in the third story, near the observatory. It is mysterious how it could have happened unless rats might be the cause, as there had not been any fire in the building since two weeks before when some cleaning up was done by servants. Mr. S. C. Satterthwait, Jr., who managed the famous hotel, was up there on Sunday with some friends more than a week before, since which time he knows of no one entering the building. The morning before the fire, he with two men went into the corner of the basement on the north side to get something but they were not on any of the three floors above and no one was smoking or using matches. A caretaker and his family live in a cottage a few hundred yards below near the spring. He was in Waynesville at the time and the first intimation his wife had was a call from a party of two ladies and two gentlemen who had come up to see the hotel and view and who never got nearer than 50 or 75 yards to the hotel. They told her the house was burning.

S. C. Satterthwait, Jr., his brother-in-law, Ernest L. Withers, Policeman Will Whitener and John Mull hurried to the scene in Mr. Satterthwait's car as quickly as possible but were too late to save anything and could only see the finish.

This hotel, so different from anything else in that line in our beautiful mountain section, was built in 1900 and was handsomely furnished throughout. It was always well kept and attracted the best of patrons from all over the country, especially during the hay fever season, where many came for refuge from northern and eastern states as well as those who live nearer. It was the pride of its owner, S. C. Satterthwait, who had builded a monument there but the fire demon like the German army is no respecter of such things. The hotel contained from 50 to 60 rooms, was a handsome frame structure with a metal roof and represented an outlay of \$50,000 to \$60,000. It could not be replaced now for that. Unlike most resort hotels there was no mortgage on it and strange to say it was a paying proposition. We say strange because many resort hotels do not pay, often on account of mismanagement. This one was always managed well by either the owner or his son, who prided themselves on good service and delighted guests. For days applications have been coming in for

ing to all who came within 50 or 100 miles of it during the summer season. The owner advertised it well in many ways and it was a real attraction not to be discounted. It was an asset to all our mountain resorts, for it meant one of the real trips for their guests. We earnestly hope that it will, Phoenix like, rise from its ashes.

RAY-BREESE

Only a few intimate friends were present Sunday morning, April 21, when a quiet marriage ceremony was performed at the C. H. Ray home on Arnold Heights by Rev. A. V. Joyner which made Miss Jennie Ray the bride of Robert E. Breese, of Brevard.

Mrs. Breese was one of Waynesville's most beautiful and attractive young ladies and everybody was and is her friend. She is an apostle of sunshine. She will be greatly missed in Waynesville.

Mr. Breese is a splendid type of young manhood and is located in Raleigh where he has a position with the State insurance department.

The happy couple left on the noon train for a bridal trip after which they will be at home in Raleigh.

Dr. McCracken Is President

At a meeting of the health officers of this state at Pinehurst on April 15 our popular townsman and physician Dr. J. Rufus McCracken, who is health officer for Haywood county, was elected President of the organization. All his many friends will be pleased at this recognition.

The State Board of Health also met at this time and the meetings were reported by Ronald B. Wilson, formerly editor of the Courier. Mr. Wilson is now secretary and editor of the health bulletins which are sent out to the press and elsewhere. He has since leaving Waynesville done valuable newspaper work for the Wilmington Dispatch and the Raleigh News and Observer.

WE PRINT WEDNESDAY

Last week an important news item reached this office from one of the Waynesville routes Wednesday. That was too late for publication. And an advertisement came in Thursday morning. To receive insertion, items or advertisements must reach this office not later than Wednesday noon. Mail your items or correspondence to reach us Monday or Tuesday. The last press run is now made Wednesday night and papers are mailed Thursday morning.

A fellow doesn't have to be a Marathon runner to be long-winded.

Harry Payne, in the aviation service at Newport News, Va. All these and their companions were here at the end to comfort the distressed mother and wife.

The funeral will occur today at 2:30 p. m. at the Methodist church conducted by Pastor W. B. West after which interment will be made at Green Hill, where our friend will be in charge of the Masonic order. Capt. Payne was also a member of the Royal Arcanum.

A MURDEROUS ASSAULT

Robert Caldwell was recently assaulted in his barnyard by three men who called at his home on Catteloochee in the night saying they wanted him to care for some horses. His skull was fractured, his nose was broken and he was seriously cut and injured. Dr. Pegram, of Canton, attended him. It is thought the men were moonshiners and were punishing their neighbor because they believed he had given information.

SO MANY THINGS TO SEE AND LOVE

(By Jesse Daniel Boone)

There are so many things to love On earth, in sky, in realms above, That one has not the time for hate. So blot it from your book or slate.

There are so many pretty things; So many angels, minus wings; That we should spend all future days In smiles, with honeyed words of praise.

There are so many things to hear Which bless the soul and charm the ear,

That we should never waste the time To learn of evil and of crime.

There are so many pleasing smells, So many fair, enchanting spells, That life seems one unending joy—A paradise, without alloy.

There are so many friends around Whose smiles and praise so much abound,

That one can hardly feel a pain Or even notice marks of stain.

There are so many roads to health, So many ways to bring us wealth, That none should whine nor dare complain,

But grab his share of health and gain.

There are so many ones to bless With aid in sickness or distress, That all may have a chance and part To gladden some despairing heart.

There are so many calls just now, That one must often pause and bow; But let us one and all respond And buy a sacred Liberty Bond.