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## Waynesville Comes Into Its Own

(Exchange.)  
With the recent addition of the following real estate firms Waynesville is experiencing a decided boom: The Pinnix Development Company, E. K. McGee & Co., Buell Betners Hyatt, Atkins & Neal and H. G. Stone.

Citizen.  
Haywood county orchardists and agriculturists have been taking premiums at world, Southeastern and State fairs for many years.

Since the Paris exposition, Haywood county orchard and farm products have stood unequalled and yet land values have shown but little gains compared with some other sections of Western N. C. There has been, however, a steady gain in values and good homes are to be found in every part of the county, with many fine residences in the county seat.

Waynesville, capital of Haywood county, is the pivot of a vast domain formerly the hunting grounds of Cherokee braves, and now at the very threshold of the great national park offers every convenience to further the pleasure of her guests.

United Effort Pays.  
That the citizens, in their government and as individuals, realize a sense of responsibility to themselves and their city to aid further progress, is indicated on every side while craftsmen are erecting homes for new business enterprises and those which have outgrown old quarters, and fine residences for a perpetuation of the home ideals which have long made Waynesville famous as a center of culture.

Topping the list of improvements now under way is the acquirement of the city of 6,000 acres, insuring an adequate water supply for a city more than double the population at present.

Bonds totaling \$175,000 have permitted the city administration to extend water and sewer mains to the city limits in all directions and give these city conveniences to every resident at a low rate.

The present administration is a progressive but conservative one and streets have received their particular attention, \$250,000 being invested in them, making possible the paving of over ten miles of city streets for Waynesville.

Paving Starts Improvements.  
It is generally believed that the street paving program here has done more than any other one thing toward the betterment of the city. Good homes have sprung up as fast as paved streets penetrated a section.

The belt line between Waynesville and Hazelwood is now being paved and a boulevard 24 feet wide will soon connect the two places, affording more rapid transportation and further cementing the interest of the two communities which in reality form the middle of the county.

City officials are J. H. Howell, Mayor; W. T. Shelton, F. W. Miller and S. H. Jones, aldermen; J. M. Palmer, tax collector; C. G. Logan, superintendent lights and water; W. A. Whitner, chief of police and C. O. Howell, assistant chief of police.

While building activity has commanded a great part of the interest of everybody in Waynesville educational advantages have not been neglected. To the contrary, many of the leading citizens, men and women, have made it their business to keep the educational forces together and have schools which none surpass.

A new high school building for the consolidated district and nine other buildings comprise the physical equipment of the township school system. Under the present administration a quarter of a million dollars has been expended in giving the children of the township the best opportunities for an education. Comprising the school board are Mrs. J. M. Long, M. T. McCracken, R. L. Prevost, J. W. Reed and H. Gibson, all citizens enjoying enviable reputations and well equipped to conduct the school affairs.

Immense New Plant.  
Manufacturing importance of Waynesville is increasing rapidly and the Suncrest Lumber Company is now completing the erection of three large band mills on the very edge of the city. The monthly pay roll of this

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## Should Haywood Vote Hospital Bonds

To my mind there are two great outstanding reasons leading to the answer, YES and one these I wish to set forth in this communication. This reason is that Haywood should have a county hospital for the sake of sick and hurt Haywood folks.

In a previous article I tried to set forth the value to Haywood county of the devoted services of Dr. G. D. S. Allen in years long gone, and the like value to the public of the labors of certain of our doctors today. The work of two of these men is largely surgical, and the closing of the old county hospital on Pigeon street has badly crippled the effective services of these two men to Haywood county.

Dr. McCracken's preventive surgical work is largely done with children. In relieving children of enlarged adenoids and infected tonsils, and in putting glasses on children with crippled eyes, he has done a service of incalculable value to the youth of Haywood county—it has like taking the brakes off a loaded wagon with a team just starting up hill. May I again say that in my long years of teaching I have had many pupils whose very poor work led to their being called "dull," "dunces," etc. However, certainly in many cases, these children had eyes that could not see clearly and ears that heard imperfectly, and adenoids that made mouth-breathers of them and prevented their getting the oxygen necessary to enable their little brains to work, and enlarged tonsils which helped along poor breathing, which served as catchalls for bacteria, and which becoming infected lead to a pouring of poisons into the system. No wonder they seemed dull.

Dr. McCracken is seeking to relieve Haywood children of such burdens, but lacking a hospital with its equipment in which to operate is handicapped. It is true that he has fitted up in his office an operating room where he can handle the smaller and simpler cases. But for difficult, dangerous and chronic cases he must have a hospital in which not merely to operate, but to care for his patients during the recuperative period. What his services have meant to the children of Haywood county, let those say to whom he has brought relief and a new outlook on life.

Much more seriously crippled is the work of our general surgeon, Dr. Abel. As I have said before when in his country's service he went into the great war, he determined to get all the surgical training possible, so that if and when he came back home he might serve his own folks more skillfully. This he did and his success in the old Haywood hospital on Pigeon street was little short of phenomenal. In part this has been due to his skill, but in large part to the man and the confidence in his patients is one of the chief assets of a successful doctor and surgeon. Everybody in Haywood knows Dr. Abel and has confidence in him, first as a man, and then as a doctor.

Here is the point. Suppose that one of our people seriously needs hospital service medical or surgical. If he can go to Waynesville to Dr. Abel, the chances are that he will go at once. However, since he cannot do this now, he waits until he has one foot in the grave—until it is possibly too late to go to Asheville. And why? May I quote my own experience? Twice I have had to go on the operating table, both times for small operations, done under a local anesthetic, both of which, being a scientifically trained man, I thoroughly understood and knew to be trivial.

The first was done in a Baltimore hospital, where the surgeon was my brother's friend, the superintendent was a Hopkins trained nurse and my sister's friend, and my own nurse had had several cousins in my classes at N. C. College at Greensboro. I was among my own people, and the whole thing was more or less of a vacation. However, the second time was in a big New York hospital. I was only a name to the surgeon, to the head nurse, to the surgical nurses, to my own nurse. When I was rolled into the operating room through an error my hands were buckled down and—never in all the years of my whole life have I felt so utterly help-

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## Meeting of the Woman's Club

The Woman's Club was most delightfully entertained by Mrs. J. H. Howell Thursday afternoon, May 13th, Mrs. R. L. Allen, presiding.

After the usual opening the business was taken up in order. Mrs. Allen discussed a course in Home Art, Dressmaking and Millinery to be given under the auspices of the Civic League.

Mrs. Theodore McCracken was appointed to take the names of those wishing to take the course.

Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Shoolbred, Mrs. C. F. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. Blackwell gave interesting reports of the State Federation meeting.

Mrs. Frank Ferguson discussed the problem of getting the ladies out to vote. After this discussion every one present felt more keenly her responsibility toward this issue. A motion was carried that a committee be appointed to deal with this problem.

Mrs. C. F. Kirkpatrick reported that \$15.00 had been given Mr. Edgerton for beautifying the high school grounds and that he had obtained a variety of shrubbery. Mrs. Chas. U. Miller reported that she had donated a quantity of jonquil bulbs for the same purpose.

Miss Hobson discussed the importance of preserving the natural beauty in Waynesville.

A most interesting lecture on "Beautifying Gardens" was delivered by Dr. Green.

Piano solo by Mrs. Keener.

During the social hours a delicious course was served by the hostess, assisted by Miss Helen Marshall and Mrs. Faucette Swift.

The club was glad to welcome Mrs. Swift as a guest.

The next meeting will be May 27.

## MEETING OF THE U. D. C.

Mrs. D. M. Killian was the delightful hostess to the daughters of the Haywood chapter of U. D. C.

After the usual opening exercises business was taken up in order. The following officers and chairmen of the committee gave reports:

Treasurer reported \$21.94 in treasury. The Recorder of Crosses said she would have crosses ready to give on June 3rd. The President read her report which she gave at the convention.

Mrs. D. M. Killian gave a most interesting report of the district meeting at Asheville. Mrs. J. H. Howell gave report of the delightful luncheon. The wreath committee reported a wreath sent to Mr. W. H. Leatherwood.

Miss Robina Miller gave an interesting account of the unveiling of the Robert E. Lee marker at Fletcher on May 2nd.

The daughters voted to decorate the veterans graves on May 10th, Southern Memorial Day.

The annual Veterans' Picnic Dinner will be served on June 15th in the dining room of the Methodist church. The following committees were appointed:

Arrangement, Mrs. T. C. Breeding. Mrs. Theo. McCracken, Miss Robina Miller; Refreshments, Mrs. Ernest Hyatt, Mrs. J. S. Jones, Mrs. Leon M. Killian, Mrs. W. C. Garrison, Mrs. W. L. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Roy Martin, Mrs. R. N. Barber; Invitation, Mrs. S. A. Jones, Mrs. J. W. Kirkpatrick.

On June 3rd a program will be rendered in honor of Jefferson Davis. The Confederate Cross of Honor will be given any veteran who has not received one if he will come in on that day.

The program committee for June 3rd is Mrs. Clarence Miller, Jr. and Mrs. F. D. Ferguson.

Meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. R. H. Blackwell, June 4th.

The hostess served delicious refreshments.

## CLYDE BAPTIST CHURCH TO HAVE SPECIAL SERVICE SUNDAY.

Clyde Baptist church will observe "Home Cimong Day" May 23rd. All the present members and all those who have ever been members are specially invited to attend on this day. There will be a sermon by a former pastor, speeches, addresses, singing in Christian Harmony, etc. This is to be an all day service with dinner on the ground.

## Condensed State News From Raleigh

(By M. L. Shipman.)

Raleigh, N. C., May 17.—Looking forward to the first week in June when the Democratic primary will be held, Raleigh citizens this week were interested in matters of other than politics. The showing of the State Treasury, the recital of what has been spent for education in North Carolina, the action of the tobacco farmers in re-organizing under their own power and several statements coming from the Governor held interest. The promotion of B. R. Lacy, Jr., to the head of Union Theological Seminary at Richmond was a matter of pride to Raleigh folks and great interest was displayed in the statewide musical festival in the auditorium the last three days of the last week.

The statement of the Treasurer and Auditor showing that there was on hand approximately \$3,000,000 with only two months of the fiscal year yet to run was a complete vindication of the McLean policies. Mr. McLean has met during the first 18 months of his office considerable opposition in some quarters to his method of financing, but has gone steadily ahead with his plans. He claimed he wished to put the state on a sound financial basis and this has been done. July first ends his first fiscal year, when his policies were fully in effect, and the Treasury shows an actual cash balance for the first time in a number of years. Full credit must go to the Governor for it was he who instituted the present regime's financial policies and urged the legislature to inaugurate them, though he was beset by opponents of his methods.

The tremendous strides North Carolina has made in education during the past 48 years is well illustrated by the appropriation of 1878 and those of this past biennium. In 1877-78 the state spent \$8,000 on education. In 1923-1924 and 1924-1925 the state spent a total of \$14,157,200, an increase of from about four thousand dollars a year to more than seven millions.

Governor McLean has had a busy week. He spent a portion of his time in Washington seeing about the proposed radio station for the state which is waiting on assignment of a wave length by the Department of Commerce. He returned in time to address the T. P. A. at Goldsboro on how they could help the state. He wrote a story for the Electrical World on North Carolina in which he told of the wonderful progress made by the state in recent years. He sent Robert House to Williamsburg to represent the state at the semi-centennial of the Virginia Resolution at which President Coolidge spoke as he was unable to be there himself. He wrote a message claiming Daniel Boone as North Carolina's "own" which was read at the unveiling of a Boone bust in the Hall of Fame, New York. He attended the trustees meeting of Union Theological Seminary at Richmond which named B. R. Lacy, Jr. as new president of the institution. He returned to the State Friday in time to get down to work Saturday and read with pleasure the report on the State Treasury issued that day.

The tobacco growers of the Old Belt in Western North Carolina and Virginia, seeing that the end of the Tri-State Co-operative Marketing Association is near, have decided to organize for themselves on a basis of a fifty per cent sign-up of the next year's crop and will be known as the Old Belt Co-operative Marketing Association. They plan to take advantage of the experience of the Tri-States and profit by the mistakes that organization made which have led to its troubles.

The building and loan associations of North Carolina had a banner year last year with three and a half millions profit, an increase of half a million over the previous year. One feature was the increasing number of negroes now investing in building and loan shares.

The child welfare board was meeting Friday and Saturday to plan its survey into industry with relation to women. The plans probably will be announced in the near future. The increasing of fire insurance rates by the Southeastern Underwriters is viewed with regret and it is possible

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## Rebecca L. Poindexter Crutchfield

Rebecca Lovell Poindexter was born in Franklin, N. C., May 23, 1864, and entered rest at her home in Waynesville, N. C., May 3, 1926. She was the daughter of Francis and Margaret Bryson Poindexter, a member of the Poindexter and Lovell families of Virginia and of the Calvert family of Maryland.

During the early eighties she came with her parents to Waynesville to make her home, where her sociable disposition and her unfailing ability to see good in others won for her many friends.

In 1897 she was happily married to Mr. N. B. Moore of Marietta, Ga. Soon after their marriage they went to Thomasville, N. C. to make their home where for about twelve years Mr. Moore was associated with Mr. Archibald Johnson on the staff of Charity and Children. After the death of Mr. Moore she again came to Waynesville where she later married Mr. A. J. Crutchfield of Pikeville, Ky., who with one son, Frank C. Moore, of the United States Navy, survives her.

She was a member of the Waynesville Review of the Ladies of the Maccabees almost from its beginning, and is the second resident member mourned by this Review since its organization in 1903.

In her early girlhood she was converted under the preaching of Rev. E. Allison and joined the Baptist church. She was a consistent Christian and served the Baptist church of this place for many years as a Sunday school teacher, and as a member of the choir and as an enthusiastic member of the B. Y. P. U.

During the long hours of her last illness the way was made plain to her, and several days before the end came she told her loved ones that all fear of death had been removed and that she was ready and willing to go. Ever mindful of His own, the end was perfect peace.

Besides her husband and son she is survived by one brother, F. W. Poindexter and one sister, Mrs. Toonie Davis, five nieces, Mrs. M. Silver of Newport News, Va., Miss Sylla Davis of Waynesville, Mrs. Wm. Pennington of Thomasville, N. C., Mrs. Hugh M. Felder and Miss Mary Poindexter of Asheville, and one nephew, Frank Poindexter of Asheville and one grand nephew, John Webb West, Jr., of Waynesville.

## REGISTRATION AT SUMMER SCHOOL GIVEN TO HAYWOOD TEACHERS.

The enrollment of teachers for the Lake Junaluska Summer School which is affiliated with the Duke University shows that the school is an assured success. Any one who has taught in Haywood county during the past year or who is to teach in the county next year will be given free registration. This is a special arrangement made by the County Board of Education with the officials of the summer school. It is expected that the teachers of the county will show their appreciation of this plan by taking advantage of a course at the Lake Junaluska school.

## M. M. NOLAND FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

It is not necessary for the Waynesville Mountaineer to publish the qualifications for the office of County Commissioner of Mr. M. M. Noland. He is too well known throughout Haywood county.

In fact his long years of service as County Commissioner shows the esteem in which he is held by the voters of old Haywood.

For twenty-four years Mr. Noland has worked faithfully for his people as County Commissioner of this county. In asking for the office of chairman of this important body Mr. Noland's friends are firmly convinced that he will be nominated on June 5.

Mr. Noland is progressive, a strong advocate of good roads, good schools, etc. As manager of Haywood Supply Company, he has shown his business executive ability by building up the splendid business which this firm now enjoys. This alone proves his qualifications to handle the immense business of Haywood county.

## News Letter From Balsam

A large number of relatives and friends attended the funeral and burial of Major Frank Green of Willets Sunday afternoon. Major Green was a former resident of Balsam.

The snow was several inches deep on our mountains Sunday morning. Mrs. Maybelle Perry spent the week-end in Canton with her sister, Mrs. Ida Bryson.

Mr. James Porter and son, George, motored to Hendersonville and Chimney Rock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Foster and daughter, Mrs. Tom Bryson, and little son, Clifton Stringfield Bryson, of Seed, Ga. were last week-end guests of Mr. Foster's mother, Mrs. Mrs. C. A. Foster.

Mrs. Modena Brown of Canton was visiting relatives in Balsam this week.

Miss Hannah Warren returned to Asheville Sunday after spending a week with her mother, Mrs. J. R. Warren, who has been very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lee, Jr. motored to Asheville Sunday.

I heard a lady remark "that if the political candidates that are so much in evidence at present were as polite and friendly to the voters after the election, as they are before, they might get better results at the polls." A hint to the wise is sufficient.

Mr. N. R. Christy was busy listing taxes last week.

Mrs. Ethel Bryson and children and Miss Sallie Christy were dinner guests of Mrs. Loranzo Crawford of Willets Thursday last week.

## COMMUNITY CLUB HOLDS CONTEST FOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS.

### A Handsome Medal Presented to the Winner.

An event of outstanding interest in school circles was the reading contest held on Friday morning in the high school auditorium for the girls of the school by the Community Club. Some weeks ago the Dramatic Department of the club offered a medal to the winner in such a contest. Mrs. Rufus Siler, President of the club, presided. The presentation of the medal was made by Mrs. T. Lenoir Gwyn. Each reading was well given and much credit should be given Mrs. Kenney who by her untiring efforts had trained the girls. The contest is to be held annually by the club. The members were much gratified by the interest created by the contest this year, and are hoping that in the years to come it will prove a source of inspiration and stimulant to the girls. The judges were Mrs. Harry Buchanan of Sylva, Mrs. Horace Keener and Miss Price. Miss Anna Jean Plott, who gave James Whitlock Riley's "Bear Story," was voted the best, while Miss Louise Campbell with the "Gypsy Flower Girl" came out second. The medal is a lovely gold one in pendant form and will always be cherished by the winner, not only for the honor, but also for its value.

The contestants were:  
Order of the Contest.

1. Elizabeth Martin—The Fool's Prayer, (By Edward Sill.)
2. Iva Yarborough—The Lost Word, (Hery Van Dike.)
3. Elizabeth McCracken—The Wedding Fee.
4. Ruth Williams—The Mission Box that Scandalized the Village, (by Frances Greenman.)
5. Clara Leatherwood—"God Bless Our Home."
6. Margaret Ashton—The Telegram, (by Beatrice Herford.)
7. Louise Campbell—The Gypsy Flower Girl.
8. Maude Kinsland—The Engineer's Story.
9. Scott Edwards—Young School Reformer.
10. Naomi Sisk—The Living Flag, (Prof. Edwin Greenlaw.)
11. Anna Jean Plott—The Bear Story, (by Whitcomb Riley.)

## ATTENDED CONVOCATION AT BILTMORE.

The following members of Grace Church in the Mountains attended the Convocation services held in Biltmore on Wednesday: Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Shoolbred, Mrs. J. W. Reed, Mrs. E. B. Camp, Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Thomas, Rev. Albert New and R. L. Allen.