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Substantial Growth Of Waynesville

BUILDING PROGRAM IN WAYNESVILLE GREATEST EVER KNOWN.

That there is a stupendous building program in Waynesville can be noted by the numerous new store and office buildings being built, just completed and contemplated. There are about a dozen new filling stations of a substantial nature going up, scores of new houses, cottages and one large apartment house near the Suncrest Lumber Company plant.

His Honor Judge Frank L. Smathers has just completed a beautiful new palatial home at a cost of over \$25,000.00 on the old Smathers hill near the Sulphur Spring property.

A new \$15,000 home on the Good-year lawn by Mr. Fred Howell, another \$12,000 by Colonel Woolsey, another by Mr. Doan \$12,000, three in one block.

Mr. Grosse of Cocoa, Fla., has just completed a beautiful new home in Southeast Waynesville and is busy laying off and preparing a sub-division of his acreage there.

The new store and office building of Morgan & Ward is one of the very finest in Waynesville.

The new store building of Joe Mormino and occupied by J. M. Mock's leading department store of Waynesville has added greatly to the business section of Main street—and right here let it be said that Mr. J. M. Mock has just about the nicest, largest and most up-to-date department store in the up-town section of Waynesville. Mr. Mock is to be congratulated upon his store and that he is appreciated is evidenced by the tremendous popularity of his business.

The new store of the Massie Furniture Company needs no mention to Waynesville folks, but to those outside of Waynesville it should be mentioned as the second best block in the heart of our city. A block costing around \$75,000.

Mr. Ralph Davis is building a \$5,000 house in Grimbark Park. There are three or four new houses going up in that section.

Mr. C. G. Logan has just finished a most attractive home on Academy street.

The Stubbs house on Haywood street, opposite the school, has just been remodeled.

The handsome new home of Dr. Tom Stringfield on Walnut street is one of the show places of Waynesville.

The Georgia Home on Walnut street has just been extensively remodeled and is a most modern boarding house.

Mr. M. M. Noland has just remodeled his home on Walnut street.

Also a new wholesale store at the Depot about a \$30,000 block has been built for the new home of the Haywood Supply Company.

Dr. N. M. Medford has a new home on Love Lane. Several new homes are going up there.

Mr. Albert Abel is building a new garage and filling station in East Waynesville.

The Cherokee Auto Company has a new filling station in East Waynesville.

Mr. D. C. Turpin has put up a third filling station in East Waynesville section.

There is a new filling station on No. 10 highway near Long's store.

There are two or three new residences going up on the Hazelwood highway and in the town of Hazelwood a tremendous building boom is taking place. This town, Hazelwood, has just about finished a tremendous street paving program.

Mr. Porter McClure has just about finished two new homes in Grimbark Park section.

A beautiful new home is now being erected on Church street by Dr. R. L. Allen. This will be a beautiful home and will cost many thousands of dollars.

The St. John's Catholic Chapel on Church street has been extensively overhauled and practically rebuilt. A beautiful new retaining wall has been erected which adds very much to the attractiveness of this property.

The town of Waynesville has built many miles of paving in the last few years. Facts will be published later.

There are many new buildings contemplated and a genuine wave of prosperity is now in progress in Waynesville.

About 500 Visitors Attend

OPENING OF JUNALUSKA CLUB HOUSE.

Attracting five hundred or more visitors from Waynesville and vicinity, the opening of the Junaluska Golf Club house, marked a gala occasion, in which inspection of the handsome club house, driving and putting exhibitions, an outdoor pageant by girls from Camp Cheonda and other entertainment features had a prominent place.

Monday was social day at the Southern Assembly. In addition to the open house at the golf and country club, there was an art exhibit by Miss L. Pearl Saunders, head of the school of art; in the evening the Sunday school leadership classes had an old fashioned party. A reception by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bullock of Montgomery, Ala., to compliment house guests, and a birthday party for six-year-old George Ratcliff, given by his mother were among the other hospitalities of the day.

Tuesday's social calendar included the birthday party under the auspices of the Junaluska Woman's Club and marshmallow roast and lawn party which Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Adams of Tampa, Florida gave for the young people at the lake.

Open house at the golf country club Monday was a brilliant affair. Fatio Dunham of Waynesville, Mrs. F. M. Jackson of Birmingham, and H. A. Mann of St. Petersburg, Fla., members of the house committee, were assisted in receiving by men and women prominent in social and business life of Waynesville and the summer colony at Lake Junaluska. Music was furnished by the orchestra from the Hotel Gordon.

H. A. Mann of St. Petersburg won the putting contest. R. S. Scally of Pensacola, Fla., pro, and Fairley Scott, assistant, Fayetteville, N. C., pro, and Billy Oliver, of Thomasville, Georgia, staged an interesting exhibition in driving.

Sixty girls from Camp Cheonda with their director, Miss Aileen Moon, of Nashville, staged a pretty pageant on the lawn in front of the club house.

Dr. A. W. Anderson of St. Petersburg, to whose efforts Junaluskans are indebted for this fine addition to the grounds, and Mrs. Anderson, were the recipients of many congratulations Monday. The new club house recently erected through Dr. Anderson's influence occupies a commanding position on the golf greens. It is equipped with lounging and rest rooms, wide porches on every side, showers, lockers and workshop. New furnishings in green fiber, recently installed and bright draperies and hangings, together with a wealth of flowers made Monday's reception a brilliant affair.

H. G. STONE REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS.

Mr. H. G. Stone, our Waynesville "live wire" real estate man, is moving property in and around Waynesville.

He has just closed a deal on three lots in Grandview addition to Mr. Paul Prigg, nationally known motor boat speedster of Miami. These lots were owned by Mrs. Mary McDaniel Hall of this city.

Mr. J. W. Doan of this city has also just purchased a lot for \$3,700 in Waynesville.

Mr. Prigg has just given contract to Norris Construction Company for a new home to begin work this week. A new residence will also be built at once on a former lot near by which has been purchased by Miss Silverthorne of the Gift Shop.

Mrs. Mary Gauntier of Miami is negotiating for a house and lot which will be closed soon.

Mrs. R. N. Barber also bought a lot joining her new home on Dellwood Road. This property belonged to Mrs. Schoaf of Washington, D. C.

Mr. Stone, with his crack salesman, Mr. W. Reed, is just as busy as can be these days showing city property and acreage near Waynesville. They are ever boosters for this community.

PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will meet on next Tuesday, August 6th, at 4 p. m. in the Sunday School room. A full attendance is requested.

Waynesville the Growing City In Which to Invest:

"Watch Waynesville Grow."
(Buel B. Hyatt.)

Many centuries ago, the famous Roman Censor was so impressed by the wealth and beauty of a city that all of his speeches ended with the merciless declaration "Carthage must be destroyed." Several days past, a leading citizen of Clearwater, Fla., was in my office. He asserted that he had been informed in a nearby town, that Waynesville is only a narrow place in the road, with a blacksmith shop, a cabin or two, and a group of queer and ignorant mountaineers. I immediately thought of the statement of Ben. H. Hill, at Tammany Hall. "There was a South of Slavery and Secession—that South is dead. There is a South of union and freedom—that South, thank God, is living, breathing, growing every hour." The Old North State; the forerunner in making possible the acquisition of the geographical area known as the United States is riding high on the waves of prosperity. On every breeze the story of her successful growth and development is wafted to the world. With 7,000 mills and factories giving employment to 159,000 workers, are you surprised that we pay more taxes to the Federal Government than South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Florida combined? With North Carolina leading the South in the manufacture of furniture, leading the world in the manufacture of tobacco, having the largest denim and towel mills in the world, the largest aluminum plant on the globe, first in the production of peanuts, second in the production of cotton, leading the Southern States in the value added to raw materials after production, ranking fourth in agricultural products, spending \$30,000,000 for education in 1925; and, last, but not least, distilling the purest "moonshine" made in the whole Sahara Desert. Of course, the apple crop is considered a national asset. "An apple a day keeps the doctor away." Also, the geological survey shows that Haywood county has the richest soil in the Alleghany Mountains.

Remember, there were Seven Wonders of the Ancient World immortalized in history. In Our Country, nature has prepared a series of wonders that surpass those produced by the hand of man. These inspiring conditions of natural phenomena, the results of the blending of air, liquid and solid, slow working through incalculable cycles of time; and, still moving with infinite patience, on the same grand scale of mathematical process of development, finds man has made toys of them; at the same moment being enveloped in the never betraying charm of her alluring mysteries. Geographically, Western North Carolina is so situated as to meet the requirements of an unparalleled civilization. Cities and Nations are no longer separated by the handicaps of primitive methods of travel and communication. The finest highways in the world now form a network throughout this land of sunshine and flowers. This area of forgetfulness, where the great laboratory of the Universe has fashioned and modeled with magic wizardry. The Land of the Sky. The deist has aptly called this section God's Country. But, more practical and reasonable beings realize that along with the Yellowstone Park, Wonder State Wyoming, Arizona's Petrified Forests, Grand Canyon of Colorado, the Yosemite Valley, the Great Trees of California, Niagara Falls, Mammoth Cave, and North Carolina, WAYNESVILLE is truly the final word in comprehending wonder and beauty.

Like the archeologist seeking the hidden story of ancient people; like the geologist counting the strata of the earth; like the chemist burning a torch and catching the vapors; like an astronomer gazing into infinite space; like a philosopher meditating on Life; like an artist touching a canvas; like the song of the night-tengale at twilight; like the hum and throb of the mechanical operation of industry and commerce, North, East, South and West exclaims "Western North Carolina, Eureka!" And we reply to the four points of the compass "Enter into our midst. Eat,

drink and be merry with us. That palace on yon hill is yours. That cabin thither will quench your thirst. That mighty oak will shelter you from the noonday sun. The bellows of the firmament set rousing the leaves that whisper a melody that will lull you to rest. All the elements are blending to heal the wounds of habitation in other less favored sections of the globe. Let us play together in these hills. You're from "out yonder." You don't know how glad we are you're here! The great melting pot of the world has nothing on us. Though of the purest blooded American stock, we delight in the purest and best citizenship from other countries. We admit there are a few men and women in Waynesville who could not be modern with all the "catch-up" (catch-up) in all the wholesale houses in America. To them we are saying with the Scotchman: "Step to the rear, and let a modern man take your place." We are builders. Are you a worker or a drone? There are some things we do not care for; but, if you have the spark, we want you to glow with the rest of the flame. Be a beacon light to reflect to those without knowledge of our environments, the light that is eternal. Buy our lands, build your home here. We offer you the gem of the Appalachians as an abiding place.

In issuing an invitation to capital, tourist and investor, I offer the following facts to illustrate that Waynesville and her surrounding territory has natural resources, developed and undeveloped, great enough to attract the best financiers, the most cultured intellectualists, the deponent seeker of health and the practical searcher of riches. Our summer climate is second to none. Having an elevation 650 feet higher than her nearest neighboring towns; with an average temperature of 59° the year round; with water that the State Department of Hygiene has pronounced as the purest in this section, and showers that insure a permanent and sure reserve and supply to the most famous water shed in Western North Carolina; a climate that does not favor disease, and an ozonized atmosphere purer than was used with the creation of Adam; mountain sides verdant with flora and fauna unknown to any other part of the world; agricultural products that bring home first prizes from every fair where they are exhibited; streams abounding with prolific and game fish; hotels, schools, industries, churches and general conditions favorable for the development of a Resort Utopia exceeding the fondest dreams of a people. A town is as great as its citizenship. An acquaintance with our inhabitants will convince you that all requisite constituents of that phase of life exist here in most favorable and gratifying manner.

At present, Waynesville is not so enormous that a few hours will not suffice to familiarize you with local conditions. However, I wish to call your attention to a few commendable enterprises here: Suncrest Lumber Company, a million dollar manufacturing plant, cutting a fifteen million dollar virgin boundary of timber, with a monthly payroll of \$50,000 dollars, and employing over 600 men. City ownership of the finest water shed in Western North Carolina, supplying Waynesville, Hazelwood and Lake Junaluska abundantly, (we never knew anything about a water shortage during the drought). Municipally owned library, with 10,000 volumes; five churches, Catholic, Episcopal, Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian. Ten miles of concrete and asphalt roads within the city limits, with more miles of paved sidewalks. An electric and well circulated newspaper. Modern laundry; ice and cold storage plant; barrel factory and roller flour mill and meal mills; three big furniture factories, and steam tannery; two wood working plants; one wagon works; one machine shop and blacksmith shop; two strong banks; two drug stores; four large hotels and a score of boarding houses; six garages and three furniture stores; a Chamber of Commerce (in embryo); three barber shops; and so on in all the trades and

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Bishop Hafey Visits Praise City Of Waynesville

A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

Waynesville is to be congratulated upon having had for the past week Bishop Hafey of Raleigh, N. C. He has been visiting St. John's Chapel in Waynesville.

In an interview with a representative of the Waynesville Mountaineer Bishop Hafey became quite enthusiastic over the marvelous scenic grandeur of this section and declared that the people of this community were unusually friendly, courteous and hospitable.

He pointed out that next summer there will be a convocation, held near Waynesville, of the United Catholic Daughters of America, an organization whose activities are similar to that of the Knights of Columbus. There will be about one thousand delegates to this "convention and should they visit Waynesville it will mean much in the way of favorable publicity, etc.

Bishop Hafey emphasized the fact that the main feature of Waynesville as a tourist resort was the lack of noisy, bustle and hustle of our business section. That there did not seem to be the mad rush of real estate speculation, etc., by the business interests. That there seemed to be such a conservative and sensible point of view upon the part of the citizens in regard to so called booms. He also believes that with through pullman service, without having to change cars at Asheville and other points, it would have a tendency to bring many more visitors to Waynesville where, he was quite sure, they would not seek shelter elsewhere.

In regard to the Catholic church property which is located on Church street, there is ample room upon the church property for future expansion. The chapel, which now will accommodate about two hundred, has had many visitors and upon several occasions was filled with a goodly sized congregation. Father McDevitt is very popular in Western North Carolina and is fast becoming familiar with the folks of Waynesville. He is a true red blooded American citizen who respects and co-operates with all religious bodies and denominations. From now on we will get many tourists of the Catholic faith who otherwise would not come unless they could attend their church.

Bishop Hafey was not interested in politics, but was greatly interested in this work. In regard to temperance he has advised his people to request their children to sign the pledge to abstain from drinking all alcoholic or stimulating drinks until they are twenty-one years of age, thereby making sure that they will not be apt to acquire an appetite or taste for strong drink.

The citizens of Waynesville are glad to have had such a distinguished visitor and extend a cordial invitation for Bishop Hafey to come again, stay longer and to visit us often.

THE FLOWER SHOW.

Among the many entries of the Flower Show to be held August the 11th in the Parish House will be a large and beautiful collection of dahlias of Mr. J. B. Ivey of Charlotte and Lake Junaluska. Of special interest to lovers of flowers will be the sale of these after the exhibit—the money derived to be added toward the expenses of the show. Mr. Ivey's generosity and interest in behalf of better dahlias is an inspiration to all who grow gorgeous flowers.

Keen interest centers around the lovely silver basket now on display in the window of the office of the Pinnix Land Co. This basket is to be given to the person who enters the largest collection—the points of the contest being the number of varieties—the quality and size of the flowers, and the arrangement. Quite a number are competing for their first prize.

Remember now is the time to give your flowers the best attention. Much depends on what you do for them now, if you want to carry off some of the prizes on the 11th. Whether you make entries or not, remember you are cordially invited to attend and bring your friends.

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FOREIGN SANITARY EXPERTS VISIT WAYNESVILLE.

A group of sanitary engineers who have been guests of the Rockefeller Foundation, by the courtesy of North Carolina State Board of Health have been spending ten days in North Carolina inspecting water, sewage and general sanitary work last Sunday telephone the President of the Board, who happens to be one of Waynesville's respected citizens, expressing a desire to pay their respects in person. Arriving in Waynesville they spent some time in going about the town after which Dr. Way, as their guest, returned with the party to Grove Park Inn where their final luncheon in North Carolina was partaken of; following this, the entire party left on the 4:50 train for Washington, D. C. The gentlemen were very extravagant in their praises of North Carolina in general, stating nowhere had they seen more up-to-date equipment in the sanitary services. They were especially loud in their praises of the "clean nice look your town city, Monsieur Doctor Way."

Of the party were Dr. Milan Yovanovitch, Minister of Public Health, Belgrade, Jugo-Slavia; Dr. Victor Milioje Petrik, Professor in School of Hygiene, University of Jugo-Slavia; Dr. Victor Medina, Bogota, Columbia, S. A.; Dr. Alexander Saniolis, Professor State School of Hygiene, Warsaw, Poland; Prof. Rene Cyr, Sanitary Engineer, Board of Health, Province of Quebec; Dr. Felix Oseguilla, Department of Health, San Salvador; Dr. Alexander Mihitchevitch, of the Ministry of Health, Belgrade, Jugo-Slavia, and in addition Dr. Roy J. Morton, Tennessee State Board of Health; K. E. Miller, C. E. Jno. E. Floyd, C. F. McLead and R. F. Beatty of the N. C. Board of Health; and Mr. Chas. E. Waddell, C. E., of the Asheville Board of Health. As usual, alert and on the job, when he has opportunity to serve the community, Mr. E. L. Withers presented each of the visiting gentlemen souvenir booklets of Waynesville.

MISS DAVIES TO BE AT LAKE JUNALUSKA.

Miss Daisy Davies of Atlanta, field secretary of the Belle Bennet Memorial, Woman's Missionary Council, M. E. Church, South, will be the Sunday afternoon speaker at Lake Junaluska, seat of the Methodist Southern Assembly, August 1, it is announced by Mrs. J. Dale Stentz, secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society of Waynesville district.

Following the two-day meeting of missionary leaders at Bryson City, Friday and Saturday, July 30-31, at which she will be the principal speaker, Miss Davies has accepted an invitation to spend Sunday at Lake Junaluska and will be the guest of Mrs. J. Dale Stentz, wife of the manager of the Southern Assembly. She will speak Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

Miss Davies, who is known throughout the country principally for activity in organizing the Methodist Polish Relief expedition is a general favorite here, where she has spoken on previous occasions. She is considered one of the strongest platform speakers in the denomination, man or woman, and it is expected that a large crowd will gather to hear her. She will speak on some aspect of missions.

For the past year Miss Davies has had charge of the Belle Bennet memorial through which the women of the Southern Methodist church have raised \$500,000 to erect a building at Scarritt College for Christian workers, Nashville, as a memorial to the late Miss Belle H. Bennett, noted missionary leader of Methodist women. Miss Davies has spent much time in Europe since the war, especially in Poland where she was head of the Polish relief station, and later toured the country on an evangelistic mission.

E. K. McGEE & COMPANY BUSY.

Mr. E. K. McGee and staff are all mighty busy, in fact too busy, to be interviewed in regard to their real estate business. But they have made several large sales recently and others are pending.