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NEWS BRIEFS

Gov. O. Max Gardner has been requested to call a special term of Buncombe superior court for trial of cases involving the condemnation of lands for inclusion in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. The board of county commissioners at a special meeting adopted a resolution requesting the special term to begin January 25.

Confident Chairman Raskob has definitely abandoned his state liquor plan as a Democratic platform plank. Democrats Congressional leaders believe a harmony session is in sight at next month's national meeting.

In a statement yesterday Joseph Daniels said that the Democrats will win next year. A candidate must have no vestige of "pink republicanism" he stated. He also said prohibition was not an issue this year.

Fifty-three suits were filed in the Buncombe county superior court against persons who failed to pay pledge to the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. Quite a few of these suits were against Haywood county citizens.

The state budget bureau cut state expenses at Raleigh yesterday. Expenses that were drastically slashed by the 1931 assembly were slashed still further.

Max Schmeling and Mickey Walker are scheduled to fight late in February in Miami, Fla., providing certain agreements between managers can be worked out by that time.

HAYWOOD BOY IS KILLED BY EXPLOSION CHRISTMAS

Ulyessus Harvey, of Mount Sterling, attempts to shoot Holiday bomb.

Ulyessus Harvey, 23, of the Mount Sterling section, was fatally burned Christmas eve night when he attempted to shoot a home made "bomb". The bomb was made of an unusually large amount of powder and it was his intention to use it as part of the holiday celebration.

After lighting the fuse he waited for the explosion, but instead of the bomb exploding, his belief was that the fuse went out. Just as he neared the bomb it went off, setting his powder covered clothes on fire. He started to run and ran half a mile before his two friends could catch him. When they finally caught him his clothes were burned completely off and the flesh severely scorched.

His friends tried in vain to relieve him of his suffering and tried to carry him but he could not endure the pain being touched. He walked a mile and a half to the home of his mother, Mrs. B. A. Harvey. There friends made a bed on a truck and started for the Haywood hospital here. The arty reached the hospital at 4 a. m. Christmas morning.

He suffered intense agony, and very little could be done to give him relief because of the nature of the burns. The accident occurred about 1:00 the night before.

The two friends with Harvey at the time of the explosion were Ernest White and Gilmer Leatherwood.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist church in the Mount Sterling section Saturday afternoon.

Surviving are his mother, one brother, Ernest, and five sisters, Mrs. Ernest Early, Susie, Alma, Leo and Eldred.

KILL LARGE DEER

Guy Massie and Roy Francis bagged an 8 spike buck deer Tuesday afternoon. They are members of the Red and Gun Club, where the deer was killed.

LAWRENCE SMITH SHOOTSELF IN HEART, IS REPORT

Two Pistols are Found by his Side After Fatal Shot is Fired.

NO MOTIVE GIVEN

Was Resident of Mount Sterling Section. Was in Company of David Sutton.

Reports reaching Waynesville from the Mount Sterling section were that Lawrence Smith, 22, had committed suicide late Saturday afternoon.

Sheriff J. A. Lowe investigated the death but up until Wednesday morning had no comment to make on what he had "uncovered". The meager reports reaching here were that Smith called at the home of David Sutton, a neighbor Saturday afternoon to get a pistol he had let Sutton have some time back. After receiving the pistol from Sutton, Smith talked for several minutes to Sutton and asked him to walk part the way home with him.

The two, it is said, walked for about 75 yards, when Smith turned the pistol on himself, firing a bullet through his heart.

Upon investigating it was found that two pistols were found near Smith's body. Sutton told officers that Smith committed suicide.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith.

CIVIL COURT CONVENES HERE ON JANUARY 11

Hon. A. M. Stack, Presiding Judge. Over 70 Cases are Scheduled for Trial.

The regular civil term of Superior court of Haywood county will convene here Monday, January 11, with Hon. A. M. Stack, presiding judge. Approximately 70 cases are scheduled for trial, most of them are minor cases and will consume little time.

The motion docket is set for Saturday 16th and is scheduled to last through Wednesday 20th of the second week.

The cases and their respective numbers, as appear on the court calendar are as follows:

Monday 11th

- 1921—Hips vs. Gibson.
- 2469—Corzine vs. Sloan et al.
- 1926—Hips vs. Green.
- 2057—Wright vs. Medford.
- 2124—Dempsey vs. Orr.
- 2328—Morgan, Admr. vs. McGee et al.
- 2352—C. I. T. Corporation vs. M.I.I.S.
- 2422—Moon vs. Massie.
- 2460—Smith vs. Alley, Admr.
- 2478—Holland Furnace Co. vs. Keller.
- 2486—Mackey vs. Haney.
- 2391—Sloan vs. Trull.

Tuesday, 12th

- 2496—Haywood Garage vs. Howell.
- 2501—Mackey vs. Mackey.
- 2502—Kinsland vs. Kinsland.
- 2524—Rogers vs. Wells.
- 2525—Sheehan vs. Town of Waynesville.

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Hit-And-Run Driver Caught, But Escapes

W. W. Blackwell, of the Blackwell-Bushnell Wholesale Grocery Company was convinced early Monday morning that a caught hit and run driver is worth more than several such menaces still at liberty.

Mr. Blackwell was driving along highway No. 10 near Balsam early Monday morning when a drunk negro ran into Mr. Blackwell's car, doing considerable damage. The negro was caught and brought to Waynesville to be turned over to the officials.

The negro was left in the car alone while a telephone call was placed for help, whereupon, the negro seeing his opportunity of escape bid farewell to his victim.

He was later found and paid for damages done to Mr. Blackwell's car.

J. M. Mock Spends Over \$10,000 For Acid Wood In 1931

J. M. Mock, local merchant, in auditing his books for the year found that he had bought over \$10,000 worth of acid wood from the farmers of this county during the year.

Most of the wood is resold by Mr. Mock to the Champion Fibre company at Canton.

In connection with the acid wood Mr. Mock bought quite a bit of bark used in tanneries.

Mr. Mock is in constant touch with the farmers of the county and he says conditions in Haywood county are much better than in any other county in Western North Carolina. He is also optimistic over the business prospects for the coming year.

W. F. BELL, SR., 70, DIES AT CANTON CHRISTMAS DAY

Has Lived in County For Number of Years. Well Known Here.

WAS AN INVENTOR

Several Inventions Patented by him, was a Contractor in County.

Funeral services were held Sunday for W. F. Bell, Sr., 70, of Canton, at the St. Andrews Episcopal church, with the Rev. George Lennel Granger, pastor of the church, conducting the services. Interment was made at Bon Adventure cemetery, Canton. Mr. Bell died Christmas Day after an illness of several weeks, of double pneumonia.

Mr. Bell was well known in Haywood county. He moved to Canton in 1913 from Ronda, N. C. Before moving to Canton Mr. Bell was engaged in the lumber business. He was a pioneer lumberman in Wilkes county and was the first to introduce steam saw mills in that county. After moving to Canton he served on the board of aldermen for that city and was engaged in contracting. He was the builder of the Episcopal church in Canton. Later he devoted his time to the automobile business.

Not only was Mr. Bell a lumberman, contractor, and in the automobile business, but invented a number of practical devices, which he received a patent on several. One of the outstanding inventions was the machine now used by the state highway for marking the line in the center of the highway.

Mr. Bell is survived by seven children, two sisters and one brother. The children are: Miss Victoria Bell, Newton, Mrs. O. C. Dudley, Canton, Holland S. Bell, Canton, C. V. Bell and W. F. Bell, Jr., Waynesville, Mrs. Wigginton, Morristown, Ten., and Dan Bell, student at Weaver College, Weaverville.

His two sisters, Mrs. R. P. Crater and Mrs. W. S. Sale, of Elkin. Mr. Charlie Bell, brother, of Yadkinville, North Carolina.

Mr. Bell was born in Yadkin county of this state.

GEO. D. SHERRILL PROMINENT HERE DIES SUDDENLY

Photographer and Successful Business Man Here for 30 Years.

GOOD CHURCH WORKER

32 Degree Mason, Member of Junior Order, is Buried In Asheville.

Funeral services for George D. Sherrill, 52, were held at the First Baptist church here Wednesday afternoon. The Rev. H. W. Baucom, pastor of the church, conducted the service. Fellow Masons of the Waynesville Masonic Lodge conducted the Masonic service. Interment was in Riverside cemetery, Asheville.

Mr. Sherrill died late Tuesday afternoon after an illness of about three weeks due to pneumonia. Tuesday noon it was thought that he had passed the crisis and would probably recover from his illness, but a turn for the worse later in the afternoon resulted in a sudden death.

Mr. Sherrill was a native of Western North Carolina, born in Sylva, Jackson county in 1879. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sherrill, both of whom were widely known in Western North Carolina.

Mr. Sherrill came to Waynesville 30 years ago, where he has lived continuously up to the time of his death. He opened a photographers studio when he first came to Waynesville, but at times has operated several other business establishments in connection with the studio.

Several years after coming here he established a five and ten cent store, which he operated for several years. He was also owner of an insurance agency here, but was compelled to sell this business because of his health and the increased work in the studio.

Mr. Sherrill was one of the best known men in Haywood county and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He took much interest in church work and was one of the most faithful and loyal members in the (Continued on back page)

Rumors That Two Waynesville Boys Killed In Florida

Word was received here by The Mountaineer from Jacksonville that two boys from Waynesville, Bill Forester and a Messer boy were killed in a wreck there last week.

The sheriff's department was unable to place the boys and it is thought that it must be Waynesville of another state, although the third boy in the party, Ernest Watson, of Bryson City, was also killed.

Paper Printed 40 Years Ago Brought To The Mountaineer

A copy of The Waynesville Courier printed September 17, 1891 was brought to this office last week. It is yellow with age but can be easily read.

At that time Z. V. Rogers and J. D. Boone were editors of the paper. The advertisements consisted mostly of patent machines and farm implements.

SOUTHERN TAKES OFF PASSENGER TRAIN ON BRYSON LINE, ONE A DAY

Officials of the Southern Railway System announced this week that the passenger train from Asheville to Bryson City will be discontinued on Sunday, January 3rd. With the discontinuance of this train Waynesville and vicinity will have only one passenger train a day from Asheville and Murphy.

The morning train, No. 17, will arrive from Asheville at 9:32 a. m. Eastern Standard Time. Train No. 18 will arrive here from Murphy at 2 p. m. Eastern Standard Time going to Asheville.

The new schedule makes it im-

possible to make a round trip to Asheville in one day, as has been possible heretofore.

J. T. Terrell, local ticket agent here, said that the new schedule would not affect the freight trains. Freight hauled on this road this month increased considerably over the same month last year.

In commenting on the new schedule, Mr. Terrell, pointed out that the railroad here used Central Time while the time used in Waynesville was Eastern Standard Time. The Central Time is one hour later than Eastern Time.

County Agent Jas. L. Robinson Completes Year's Work. More Accomplished Than Expected

FIRST DRUGGIST IN CITY, J. B. S. McINTOSH, DIES

Former Resident Here Passes away at Home of Neice in Brevard, December 26.

WELL KNOWN HERE

In 1881 with Brother opened Frst Drug Store West of Asheville Here.

The friends of Mr. J. B. S. McIntosh will be grieved to hear of his death on December 26th at the home of his niece, Mrs. Frank Jenkins, in Brevard, N. C. While Mr. McIntosh was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, he was of Southern parentage, being a descendant of John M. McIntosh who was prominent in the settlement and early history of Georgia. On the maternal side he was of old French Huguenot extraction. His mother's family, the LeGarr's, having come to South Carolina as refugees from religious persecution in France.

The early childhood of Mr. McIntosh was passed in Charleston and Greenville, S. C. He was educated in the private schools, and later at Furman University.

He came to Western North Carolina in early manhood and married Miss Mary Evelyn Sprague of Morganton.

In 1881 he and his brother, the late Donald M. McIntosh, located in Waynesville and opened the first drug store in this section of the state (Continued on back page)

TRUCK TO BRING MAIL HERE AFTER TRAIN TAKEN OFF

Same Service to be Given as Before Trains Were Discontinued.

Postmaster T. L. Green announced this morning that a Star Truck Route has been guaranteed to serve Waynesville in bringing and dispatching mail here on and after January 3. This was necessary when the two passenger trains were discontinued on the Murphy Branch. The truck will leave Bryson City at 7 a. m. and will arrive here about 8:20. In the afternoon the truck leaves Asheville about 3 p. m. and will arrive here at 4 p. m. This new arrangement will enable citizens here to receive mail at about the same hours as when by train.

Major Howell To Talk On Bonus Question, Jan. 11

To Speak at Regular Meeting of American Legion. Public Is Invited.

Major Howell is scheduled to be the principal speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the American Legion meeting to be held Monday night, January 11. Major Howell will discuss the bonus question. Although the American Legion meetings are not always open to the public the officials feel that since the speaker is recognized as being able to handle the question as perhaps few others could, and since the question is one of the most popular questions for discussion today, that the public will be cordially invited to hear the discussion.

The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 p. m. at the Masonic Temple. Commander J. C. Patrick urges that all members of the local post of the American Legion, be present.

Report Shows More Sheep in County than at any time in 20 Years.

MANY MEETINGS HELD

Organizing of 7 4-H Clubs was Considered Outstanding Feature of Year.

County Agent Jas. L. Robinson has just completed his annual report for the year and the results accomplished are gratifying. The first of last year several projects were begun in connection with the regular duties of the agent's work, practically every project has been accomplished and in several cases the results were more than the goal set by Mr. Robinson.

During the last few years the farm production and valuation of Haywood county have increased considerably. This is especially true in the matter of money crops, dairy products and cattle raising. Mr. Robinson has worked with the farmers continuously in an endeavor to increase their income and in most instances this has been accomplished.

The projects and results were as follows:

1. A milk market for Waynesville, not yet completed.
2. Building up cream sales—125 patrons.
3. A consignment beef bull sale (Clyde)—14 bulls sold.
4. A consignment ram sale (Clyde)—20 rams and 17 ewes sold.
5. Cooperative poultry marketing—done but not very successfully.
6. Cooperative wool pool—8,000 pounds sold.
7. Eleven cars of limestone sold—10 more cars bought.
8. Community fairs—five held with an attendance of 1800.
9. Haywood County farm tour—50 people on trip.
10. Haywood County day at Test Farm—held too late, only 15 went.
11. Six 4-H Clubs—seven organized.
12. Enrollment of 200—272 carried projects.
13. Two visits made to each member—one visit made.
14. Monthly meetings—seven out of nine.
15. Club camp at Swannanoa—75 attended.
16. Judging team to State Fair—won second place at Raleigh.
17. Health contest—won second place in district.
18. Achievement Day—100 4-H boys attended.

In connection with the above projects the county agent held a number of meetings, both educational and instructive. Several demonstrations were given throughout the year. A summary of the work is given below: Days in field—194. Days in office—98. (Continued on back page)

No Arrests Made Here Christmas

Sheriff J. A. Lowe reported that business with his department Christmas was the "dullest" in years, not a single arrest was made. For once, said the sheriff, everybody celebrated Christmas as they should. It is unusual for Christmas to pass without several arrests being made.

Chief of police, J. L. Stringfield, also reported an unusually quiet Christmas. Several people that had had a drinker two were on the street, but no disturbances were caused. None were drunk enough to be arrested, which is the first time in years that no arrests have been made in the city on Christmas.

Rev. T. B. Price, of Lake Junaluska, is spending the winter in Florida. His address is 147 Second Avenue, North, St. Petersburg, Fla.

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