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FOREST FIRES IN COUNTY CAUSE \$9,115 DAMAGE

Over 1,150 Acres Are Burned During Year, According To Report

Amounting to \$4,786,225 destroyed by forest fires in North Carolina during 1931, the season on record, according to a report issued by the division of Forestry of the Department of Conservation and Development.

In Haywood County, the area burned was 4,153 acres, causing damage estimated at \$9,115.00.

Total area covered by the fires during the year, according to the report, was almost equal to the combined area of six counties of an average size in North Carolina or 72,809 acres.

Conservation officials assert that the amount of damage between the amount of destruction and the size of fires in Haywood County, having organized wardens and those without this form of protection prove the value of the warden system.

Of the total forest area of North Carolina aggregating an estimate of 28,000,000 acres, 7,483,639 acres were having protection, and 12,516,361 acres as being without organized protection. The protected area was in those counties which co-operated with the State in fire control and in areas in which control was carried on with the co-operation of landowners. In addition 561,227 acres in North Carolina are included in National Forests under the supervision of federal foresters.

Protected counties suffered approximately eight times the amount of damage from fires as those with organized service although their area was double that of those under protection. Total damages in non-protected counties was \$4,248,086; in protected counties, \$538,159.

The burned area in co-operating counties amounted to 310,571 acres; in non-co-operating counties, 411,778 acres. The proportion of burned areas to the total area in co-operating counties was 2 per cent; and 11.27 per cent in non-protected counties.

Two Convicts Escape While Working The Roads In This County

State prisoners escaped last night in this county while working on the road near Mount Pisgah. Both were trusties, having been assigned to the Hazelwood camp Craggy camp as worthy of being released.

One of the prisoners, Steven Lundstrom, was serving a six months term for assault with a deadly weapon. He was sentenced from Buncombe County. The other was Lawrence, 30, who was also serving a six months sentence and was from Buncombe County.

Patrolmen and officers in the area have been notified and are on the lookout for the two.

Singing Convention Meets Sunday, Here

Haywood County Singing Convention will meet at the Waynesville school next Sunday morning, for their regular singing.

C. L. Allen, secretary of the convention, has urged that every member of the county be present and be on time to take part.

The convention is scheduled to meet at 10 o'clock, but it was pointed out that singing will begin immediately after the opening prayer.

The convention always attracts a large audience and it is expected that a large audience will be present for the singing of the old songs.

Clubs Have Two Meetings In County

Club meetings were held in the county yesterday, Wednesday.

The first meeting was held at the home of the older members of the high school.

The second meeting was scheduled for Wednesday but the cold weather caused it to be postponed and refreshments were had at the home.

Victory Meeting Held Wednesday, 23

Victory Campaign meeting in Waynesville Township will be held Wednesday, March 23, at 7:30 o'clock in the courthouse in Waynesville. Francis, township chairman, at the meeting said, "A good number of citizens attended this meeting."

Thermometer Goes To New Low Reading During Cold Period Here

Waynesville and Haywood County had their first touch of real winter during the past week-end and continued cold through Wednesday. The thermometer reached the lowest reading of the winter Wednesday morning when it fell to 12, according to S. H. Stevenson, who is in charge of the official weather bureau here. The highest recorded Wednesday was 29 degrees.

The lowest registered Tuesday by the government official thermometer was 15 and the highest for Tuesday was 37.

Snow fell in the county Sunday and again Tuesday afternoon and night. The mountains near here have been covered since Sunday. By noon Wednesday most of the snow had disappeared, except for that in protected places from the sun.

NEWS BRIEFS

March 9
Englewood, N. J., was rumored today to be the site selected for taking Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr., when and if his kidnapers deliver him. The rumor lacked confirmation, but it was deemed logical that the child might be surrendered there, inasmuch as that was his customary home—the estate of his grandmother, Mrs. Dwight Morrow.

Hopewell, N. J.—Hope was revived for the return of Charles Lindbergh, Jr. with official reports of "progress," identification of lumber used in the kidnapers' ladder, and a mysterious motor trip by a personal representative of Colonel Lindbergh.

Asheville, N. C.—Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt continues to be the favored candidate for president among voters of Western North Carolina, although the latest tabulation of ballots cast in the straw vote contest of The Times and The Citizen reveals he lost ground to President Hoover and two Democratic opponents since the previous count.

Camden, N. J.—Sixteen workmen were killed and at least 10 more are believed to be dead following an explosion in a gas purifying tank of the Public Service Electric and Gas Co. today. Four men were injured. Residences for blocks were shaken by the explosion, the scene of which is a mile from the central city area.

Shanghai.—Japanese military authorities continued to pour reinforcements and huge quantities of ammunition and supplies into their lines on the western Shanghai front today. Four transports arrived at Woosung during the day with an undetermined number of fresh troops. At least 2000 of these were landed soon after their arrival and they immediately sloshed off through pouring rain and thick mud toward Kiangwan.

New York.—A 50-mile gale, raging in its fourth day over the North Atlantic, held the fate of at least 25 men reported missing and prevented immediate rescue of 34 others from the freighter De Bardeleben. A number of vessels were reported helpless.

Marshall.—While firemen struggled desperately with frozen water pipes, fire which broke out at 10:35 o'clock today virtually destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. West on the hill above Marshall.

Black Mountain.—Sixteen inches of snow blanketed the crest of Mount Mitchell while the mercury slipped down to eight degrees below zero on the highest peak east of the Mississippi this morning, according to a message telephoned from the ranger's station to Black Mountain.

ROBBERS BREAK INTO MIZELL'S, ONLY GET \$5

Sometime after 8:30 Tuesday night someone broke out a back window in Mizell Sales and Service, local Ford dealer, and robbed the cash register of \$5. The register was broken into and slightly damaged. A check up showed that the prowlers took nothing except the cash.

Blood hounds from Asheville arrived here about 11:00 o'clock Wednesday morning and were on the trail shortly after arriving on the scene.

Katherine Abel Is Much Better After Operation

Katherine Abel, three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Abel, was reported to be very much improved Wednesday noon, after suffering from a ruptured appendix. She was carried to an Asheville Hospital last week.

Her physician stated Wednesday morning that she was out of danger.

Two Chicago Bankers Prominent In Drive Against Depression



Charles G. Dawes (left), Chairman of the New Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and Melvin A. Traylor, Chicago Banker.

CHICAGO and the Middle West have a double interest in the success of the gigantic Reconstruction Finance Corporation which is now being organized in Washington following speedy action by Congress.

Charles G. Dawes, whose name is almost synonymous for the business community of Chicago will sit in the driver's seat as the active head of the great \$2,000,000,000 Federal corporation just authorized by Congress.

Another Chicago banker, a Democrat who is being repeatedly mentioned as a man of Presidential timber, has the distinction of making a vital contribution to the initial strength and success of the Reconstruction Corporation. That man is Melvin A. Traylor, president of the First National Bank of Chicago, who was the first to visualize

Milk-For-Health Campaign Will Be Observed In Haywood Next Week, 14th-20th

FRUIT CROP IS NOT HURT BY RECENT COLD WAVE

Cold Will Retard Apple Trees From Blooming. Many Insects Killed.

The cold wave, which struck the south during the past week-end did more good to Haywood county's fruit crop than it did damage, according to J. L. Robinson, county agent.

"Perhaps a few peach trees were damaged, but as a whole the cold will retard the blooming of the apple trees and save them from danger of frost later on," he said.

A few tobacco buds were thought to have been hurt, but not to any great extent.

The cold weather will also tend to lessen the insects that up to the present time have not been killed by cold weather.

Later reports from the weather bureau stated that the cold weather is general throughout the country and will continue cold until probably Sunday.

Survey Being Made Of Local Products Being Sold Here

A survey of retail sales of farm products that are sold in Haywood County is being made this week by vocational students, 1-H club boys and others, to aid the 5-10 year farm program.

The purpose is to determine what agricultural products are bought from other counties and other states. Some of these products can be grown in this county. If an idea of the volume of this product is known, it gives a definite market for Haywood farmers to work for.

Each retailer of produce is being asked to fill out a questionnaire, giving the information desired. This will be held as confidential information, so far as the individual dealer is concerned. Only the amounts will be published and not the firms doing the business.

Those in charge of the 5-10 year farm program asked the business men in this survey.

20 Boys Out For High School Baseball Team

With basketball out of the way, Coach Weatherly issued the first call for baseball Monday afternoon. About 20 boys responded to the call.

Coach Weatherly reports that the prospects for a winning team this year are favorable. He has many outstanding players out for the team this year and has several new recruits on the pitching staff.

Due to cold weather the boys have not had the opportunity to begin active practice.

AMERICAN LEGION TO MEET MONDAY NIGHT

The local post of the American Legion will hold their regular monthly meeting next Monday night at the Masonic Temple at 7:30 o'clock.

Several important matters are scheduled to be brought up and Commander J. C. Patrick has asked that all members be present.

Rev. L. B. Hayes To Preach Twice At The First Methodist Church Next Sunday

Dr. L. B. Hayes, presiding elder for the Waynesville District of the Methodist church, will preach both morning and evening at The First Methodist church here in the absence of the pastor, Rev. W. O. Goode.

Dr. LaRue Accepts A Position In Georgia

Dr. Byron LaRue, osteopath of this city, left last week to accept a position with the Warm Springs Foundation for the Treatment of Infantile Paralysis, in Warm Springs, Ga.

Dr. LaRue came to Waynesville last fall and had his office in the building formerly occupied by Dr. R. L. Allen.

Mayor J. H. Howell, Named Chairman of Organization At Meeting Monday.

MUCH ENTHUSIASM

Speakers From Here And Canton To Make Talks in All Schools Next Week.

A group of 35 enthusiastic citizens, which were appointed by the county sanitary officer, E. J. Hinton, met at the court house Monday night and formed an organization for carrying out the Milk For Health Campaign, as suggested by Governor Gardner and the State Board of Health, which will be observed during the week of March 14 to 20.

J. Harden Howell, mayor of Waynesville, was elected general chairman of the campaign, but asked that Mr. Hinton continue to preside over the meeting. The purpose of this campaign, it was explained, was to educate the citizens of the state to the importance of milk and the food value contained in products of the dairy.

It was decided to give \$30 in prizes in the county to the school children that took an active part in the campaign. The prizes will be awarded as follows:

Best essay, not to exceed 500 words, \$7.50.

Best Poster, \$5.00.

Best Rhyme, \$2.50.

One group of prizes will be given to high school students and the grammar schools will be given the other. The winners of these prizes will also be entered in the state wide contest for the two silver loving cups, donated by Governor Gardner and Dr. Parrott, state health officer.

The cash prizes for this county were donated by the Waynesville Rotary Club, Canton Civitan Club, Hazelwood Boarder's Club and Mr. Hinton, each giving \$5.00. The civic clubs of Canton and Waynesville have been asked for the other \$10.

The school activity committee, under whose supervision the contests will be held, are: Prof. A. J. Hutchins, B. D. Bunn, R. C. Cannon, J. E. Stafford and Mr. Hansel.

W. D. Smith and Dr. Wells, Canton, were named as chairman of the speaking committees. Mr. Smith is to secure speakers for Waynesville, Ivey Hill, Jonathan, Fines Creek, Crabtree and Ironduff. Dr. Wells will be responsible for speakers in Beaverdam, Clyde, Pigeon, East Fork and Cecil townships.

Special posters have been made and will be distributed during the coming week. Those in charge of distributing these posters are: Mrs. D. M. Simon, Mrs. F. W. Vetter, Mrs. Carlisle Haynes, Mrs. J. L. Robinson, Mrs. Hilda Hubbard and Mrs. Dewey Noland.

It was pointed out by those in charge of the campaign that special emphasis would be made to get the children to drink more milk. Several doctors present, made the statement that one quart of milk was equal to 20 pounds of potatoes, 3 pounds of spinach, or 18 eggs.

H. A. Osborne, regional chairman of the 5-10 year farm program stated at the meeting that this campaign was working in connection with the farm program, although this is a state wide event, where the farm program is confined to Western North Carolina. He also stated, "It is foolish economy to drop milk from the family menu because of the expense. It is the most inexpensive food in the world. There is really more food value for the cost in milk than any other food."

The publicity committee appointed for this campaign were: W. C. Russ, Miss Lura Wright, Ernest L. Withers, Mrs. Marie Bell and Thos. M. Seawell.

Clear Quartz Is Added To Mountaineer's Collection Of Minerals

Another mineral was added to the Mountaineer's collection last week. This time a piece of clear quartz was brought in by Herbert Carpenter, of Franklin, route 2.

The quartz is about the size of a bird egg and resembles a piece of ordinary glass, except of the glassy construction.

Mr. Carpenter stated that the mineral was plentiful where this was found.

The collection being made by The Mountaineer has created keen comment. Every day many of the citizens stop in and look over the number of treasures produced by mother earth.

Bonner Ray Returns

Bonner Ray, of C. E. Ray's Sons, returned to Waynesville Sunday night after spending a week in New York buying merchandise for his firm.

WOMEN OF HAYWOOD COUNTY ARE ORGANIZED FOR 5-10 YEAR FARM BETTERMENT PROGRAM OF W. N. C.

By Mrs. J. H. Howell, Chairman of Women's Work.

A great deal of interest is being shown by the women of Haywood County in the 5-10 Year Farm Program. They are not only co-operating with the men in their farm program, but endorsed the following objectives:

- (1) Grow sufficient products for our home needs and a supply for our local market.
- (2) Standardization and quality in vegetables, fruits, butter, cream, chickens, and eggs.
- (3) Standardize poultry to two breeds, Barred Rocks and White Leghorns.
- (4) Grade all products to meet the requirements of our nearby towns.
- (5) Use good seed. Certified seed where possible.
- (6) Produce cheaper by using modern methods so the surplus can be sold at a profit.
- (7) Urge better home conveniences and improvements of the home grounds by planting flowers, shrubs and trees.

The county organization is composed of Mrs. J. Harden Howell, county chairman, Waynesville, Mrs. Harley G. Reno, county vice chairman, Canton, Mrs. James Platt, county secretary, Maggie.

During the month of February organization meetings were held at the various schools of the county in connection with the men's farm program.

Talks were given by Mrs. J. Harden Howell, Mrs. W. D. Smith, Mrs. H. W. Baucum, Miss Louise Edwards, and Miss Bernice McElhannon.

The following ladies were elected at these meetings:

Beaverdam: Mrs. Harley G. Reno, Chairman; Mrs. Pat Holland, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Bert Robeson, Secretary.

Allen's Creek: Mrs. R. O. Allen, Chairman; Mrs. John Clark, Vice.

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Sam M. Robinson Will Be In Race For State Senate

Prominent Attorney of Canton Makes Formal Announcement Here

In today's issue of The Mountaineer Sam M. Robinson formally announces that he will be a candidate for the state senate in the coming primary in June.

Mr. Robinson is a prominent lawyer of Canton and has been in constant touch with politics for the last 15 years. He was born in this county and has lived here continuously, except for the time he spent in school.

In 1931 Governor Gardner appointed him on the judicial conference and advisory committee to the state legislature.

He has served as police judge in Canton and served as president of the Chamber of Commerce of that place in 1931.

He is also a member of the county, state, and international bar association.

GIRL SCOUTS TO PLANT SHRUBS AT H. SCHOOL

The local Girl Scouts will observe the birthday of their organization Friday afternoon at 4 p. m. by planting shrubs at the high school.

A short program will be given under the direction of the education committee of the Community Club, of which Mrs. Thos. M. Seawell is chairman.

The Girl Scouts here are under the direction of Mrs. W. D. Smith.

**For your health's sake
Drink More Milk**

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