

Commencement Exercises of Township Schools Will Begin Sunday, April 24th

Sixty Six Seniors Will Graduate Here Wednesday, April 27

Years in School's History To Close Last Of April

Commencement exercises for the township schools will be held at the baccalaureate sermon, Sunday, April 24. With the graduation of the class of 1932, the school's history of 35 years is closed. The exercises will be held at 10 o'clock in the morning at the high school.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Dr. W. J. Jackson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Columbia, S. C. The graduates of the high school are: Mrs. John M. Queen, Mrs. Helen Queen, daughter of Mrs. John M. Queen, has the distinction of being valedictorian of the class and Miss Sara Helen Queen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Medford, has the distinction of salutatorian.

The exercises will be held Wednesday morning, April 27. The seniors that will receive diplomas are as follows:

- BOYS**
- Hamilton M. Akers, T. L. Bramlett, James Howard Bryson, Sam Campbell, E. Camp, Wilburn A. Campbell, Ernest H. Carver, William C. Ferguson, Noland Ferguson, Walter J. Haynes, Harold Henderson Haynes, Helmeck, Robert Howell, James H. Howell, Jr., William Frederick Jones, Carol Owen Jones, Glenn Massey, Marcus McCracken, Derrick R. Moody, Willard L. Pugh, (certificated) William S. Prentiss, Carl R. Ratcliff, Jack Harrison, Sam Strainfield, Jr., Carl G. Terwood.

- GIRLS**
- Paula Isabelle Allen, Flora Annie, Geraldine Briggs, Belle Frances Ethel Burgin, Katherine Rebecca Calhoun, Iris Ester
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Frank Davis Enters Commissioners Race

One of the youngest candidates to run so far is Frank Davis, who announced he was a candidate for commissioner. Mr. Davis is a prominent farmer and cattle raiser in the Duff section of the county. He is educated at the Western North Carolina Teachers College at Culloway. After finishing school there he spent school for two years in this county.

This is Mr. Davis' first time as a candidate, although he has been an active member of the Democratic party. Mr. Davis has many friends in the county, especially among the younger men. He was born and reared in Iron Duff community. He stated that he favored the strict economy for the county government, and if elected would strive to see that economy was used. He is a member of the Junior Order and Knights of Pythias.

Nanette Galloway, 16 Dies At Local Hospital

Nanette Galloway, 16, local school teacher, died at the Haywood County hospital late Saturday morning after being crushed there with a ruptured appendix.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon and interment was made at the Ratcliff Cove cemetery. She lived with her aunt and uncle, and Mrs. Sam Galloway, her partner, having died two years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Galloway were her only relatives, except two sisters, Edna and Irene.

Fit's County News and is Fit to print It will be in The Mountaineer

OUT FOR CONGRESS



J. Q. GILKEY, OF MARION The latest candidate to announce for Democratic nomination to congress from the 11th Congressional District.

Triplets Born In County Tuesday

The stork made an unusual visit to Haywood County Tuesday morning. He left triplets at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Massey, of the Pigeon community. The trio was two boys and a girl. The girl died Tuesday afternoon. The boys and mother are doing nicely, according to Dr. Medford, of Clyde, in a telephone communication with this paper just before going to press.

The babies weighed four pounds each. There are two other boys in the family, one 9 and 6.

The funeral for the little girl was held Wednesday afternoon at Allen's Creek.

Clean Up Campaign Put On By Business Firms Of Waynesville

It Is Pointed Out That Now Is Opportune Time To Clean Up, Paint Up and Repair.

In connection with the policy of the city officials to clean up and put on a better appearance in the city, several merchants and business men are advertising this week specials on clean up, paint up and repair needs.

It was pointed out that now is the time to make necessary repairs and build, while paint and labor are at lower levels than they have been for years.

Building contractors state that now while the weather is suitable is the best time of the year to build and do repair work. The merchants and business houses have made special prices for this campaign and it will be money saved to read their advertisements in this paper this week and patronize these firms.

W. H. Henderson Announces Himself For Commissioner

W. H. Henderson, present member of the board of commissioners is making his formal announcement this week that he is a candidate for reelection for nomination to that board. Mr. Henderson has served several terms as commissioner and takes pride in saying that he was a member of the board that built the county home and also when the county was entirely free from debt. Mr. Henderson is a successful farmer and lives near Canton. He has for years been active in the political affairs of the county. He is a leader among the Democrats. He is offering his record as commissioner to guide the voters in the June primary. He said he was for the people of the county at large and is re-elected would serve to the best of his ability.

J. Q. GILKEY, OF MARION, CANDIDATE, CONGRESS

Sets Forth His Platform In This Week's Issue. Well Known

J. Q. Gilkey, prominent business man of Marion announced for Democratic nomination to Congress from the 11th District, Monday, stating that he stands for more economy in the administration of the nation's affairs, early re-organization of business and the curbing of the power of the corporation, and the adoption of a sound monetary policy. The text of Mr. Gilkey's platform is as follows: "I am running for the support of the voters of the 11th District, primarily for the better re-organization of the executive branch of government, from the State to the National Government, and the sound monetary policy."

Mrs. Thackston Is Buried Here Last Saturday Afternoon

Wife Of Dr. Thackston, Druggist, Passes Away Friday At Hospital

Funeral services for Mrs. L. H. Thackston, who died suddenly last Friday morning as a result of pneumonia following a slight attack of the flu, were held at the First Methodist church of Waynesville, Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. The hundreds of people who filled the large church auditorium to capacity attested the love and esteem in which the deceased was held by every one in the city.

The service was conducted by Rev. Watson O. Goode, pastor of the church, and Dr. Lon B. Hayes, presiding elder of the Waynesville district. Interment was in Green Hill cemetery, where the mound of earth marking her last earthly resting place was completely covered with the most beautiful and profuse floral offering ever seen in this city, all of which had come from friends far and near as unspoken tributes of love and expressions of sympathy deeper than could be spoken. They were placed by loving hands of those women and girls with whom she had been so constantly and intimately associated for many years.

Mrs. Thackston's passing was a shock to the entire community. For (Continued on page 8)

Jarvis H. Allison Is Seeking Re-election For Commissioner

Jarvis H. Allison, leading farmer and dairyman of Haywood county announced yesterday that he was a candidate for the nomination and reelection for county commissioner. This is Mr. Allison's first term as commissioner. He served for four years as county welfare worker. Up to a few years ago Mr. Allison taught school in the county and did a little farming after the school sessions, but his farming duties and dairying increased until he gave up teaching.

He is a native of Haywood, having been born and reared in the Jonathan's Creek section.

In stating his platform Mr. Allison said most of all, he wanted to see an even assessment of property for taxes among the people, and that each community in the county should share alike in the distribution of the tax money. "I intend to serve the county as a whole and not cater to any particular section, if elected."

Edwin Haynes Enters Race For Register Of Deeds Of County

In this issue will be found an announcement by Edwin Haynes formally entering the race for Register of Deeds in the Democratic primary on June 4th.

Edwin, as his many friends know him, has been for some time deputy clerk of the Superior Court. Several years ago, when his father, Mr. C. A. Haynes, then clerk of the court, became incapacitated on account of illness, Edwin took over the office as assistant clerk and managed the same for nearly two years. The lawyers of the county say that he made one of the most efficient clerks of the court that the county ever had, and approached the ability of his father who was conceded to be one of the best clerks in the state.

Mr. Haynes was educated at Waynesville High School, Mars Hill College and Wake Forest Law School. He is a Baptist and unmarried. His friends are enthusiastic for his nomination, and it is generally said that he would make a good Register of Deeds.

EHRINGHAUS TO SPEAK HERE TONIGHT AT 8 P. M.

Candidate For Governor States That He Will Be Next Governor.

J. C. B. Ehringhaus, candidate for governor, is slated to speak here tonight at the court house at 8 o'clock. A large crowd is expected to be present to hear Mr. Ehringhaus.

Mr. Ehringhaus made a statement last week in Raleigh that has aroused the curiosity of local voters. He stated that he would be North Carolina's next governor, and gave his reasons for declaring that he would be. According to press reports, Mr. Ehringhaus has gained much strength during the last week, and mainly because of his speeches and his association with which he has gone about his campaign.

He comes to Waynesville under the auspices of the Young Peoples Democratic Clubs of North Carolina.

350 Boys Sign For 4-H Club Work In Haywood County

An Increase Of Over 20 Per Cent. Many Projects Planned For Boys.

The 4-H Club enrollment has been completed for 1932 in Haywood county. The membership has increased 20 per cent over 1931, this year 350 boys have signed up to undertake a project and keep a record.

The largest club is Fines Creek with an enrollment of 100 boys. Jonathan's Creek is second with 50 boys, though Beaverdam township with Beverdam and Morning Star boys together have 60. Bethel, Clyde, and Crabtree are all between 30 and 40, while Cruso and Iron Duff are between 20 and 30.

Most of the increase in membership is in the enrollment for corn projects. The season was unusually favorable last year and the Haywood boys won three state prizes.

The clubs and their organization follows: Bethel Club—Chas. Rogers, President; Robert Pless, Vice President; Howard Stamey, Secretary; adult leader to be elected. Squad No. 1, Maurice Evans, leader; Squad No. 2, Joe Cathey, leader; Squad No. 3, Henry Justice, leader; Cruso Squad, Ulus Burnett, leader and Paul Groves.

Chas. McCrarry Announces Himself For Register Of Deeds

The third candidate to announce for Register of Deeds is Chas. B. McCrarry, of Fines Creek. He is a native of the county, having been born and reared in the Fines Creek community. He was educated at Weaver College and took a business course after finishing college at Cecil's Business College in Asheville.

He has been a teacher in the county for a number of years. He is now engaged in farming and cattle raising.

He has always taken an active part in politics, but this is his first time as candidate.

He served over seas during the war. After the war he joined the army of occupation and remained in Germany for a year after the armistice was signed.

Mr. McCrarry is an active member of the Fines Creek Methodist church.

R. S. Coman Enters Race For County Tax Collector

R. S. Coman, of Canton, announced last week that he was a candidate for tax collector, subject to the Democratic party in the June primary.

Mr. Coman was born and reared in this county and spent most of his life as a farmer. He has been voting and working for the Democratic party for 50 years. He takes his politics seriously and believes he will be nominated in June. He stated that he did not have any platform. If elected he would serve the people as he would like to be served, he said. He lived at Lake Junaluska for a number of years before moving to Canton.

Dr. Highsmith To Speak At Fines Creek Friday

Announcement was made yesterday that Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, State supervisor of high schools and elementary schools will deliver the commencement address at the Fines Creek High School Friday night at 8 o'clock. Dr. Highsmith is one of the best known orators in the state and it is expected that a large number from Waynesville will drive out to hear him Friday night.

Diplomat Praises This City And W.N.C. While On Visit Here Monday

Distinguished Visitor



Photo By Sherrill's Studio.

Eric H. Louw, of Capetown, South Africa, who spent the week-end here enjoying the many natural advantages of Haywood county.

Prisoner Pulled Off Fence By Other Convicts While Escaping

One certain prisoner at the state prison camp at Hazelwood will know better next time he tries to escape not to climb the fence near the mess hall of the camp.

Last week the call of freedom lured one prisoner to attempt to scale the fence and he was on his way to freedom when the cooks in mess hall saw their fellowman and went to his rescue, or rather to his capture. They pulled him down and notified the guards who immediately took charge of the fence climber.

All the cooks at the camp are trustees, and given the task of being good prisoners for the influence they have over other prisoners.

Veterans To Hold Special Meeting Monday Night, 18

Local Veterans To Vote On Bonus Question. Clark To Speak.

All world war veterans of Waynesville and surrounding country are urged to be present at a special meeting of Haywood Post No. 47, on next Monday night, April 18th.

Post Commander J. C. Patrick, in answer to a request of the State Commander, has called this post to meet at a victory celebration of the membership drive, and for the very important purpose of voting on the immediate payment of the adjusted compensation certificates.

A special program of entertainment has been arranged, with Mr. Thomas Clark, of Hendersonville as principal speaker. "If you are a Veteran of the World War, and the holder of a 'Bonus' certificate, you will do yourself and family a real injury unless you support this meeting with your presence," officials of the local post said.

The program is as follows: Post convenes in regular order at 8:00 p. m.

Introduction of the speaker by Hon. J. Harden Howell.

Victory address by Mr. Thomas Clark.

Music, (old time string) by a Waynesville string band.

Open discussion of payment by the present Congress, of adjusted service certificates, in full.

Ballot by Post No. 47 on bonus payment.

Music, followed by adjournment.

"All war veterans, ladies eligible for the Auxillary, and all other parties interested in this important matter are seriously urged to attend this meeting," D. D. Alley, publicity chairman said.

BOYD ATTENDS TRUSTEE MEET

J. R. Boyd attended a meeting of the trustees of the State Hospital at Morganton last Thursday. Mr. Boyd has been a trustee of that institution for a number of years.

This is Mr. Boyd's 11th year as trustee of the Morganton institution. He has been appointed by three different governors.

Ambassador From S. Africa Delighted With Climate, Here

Says He Would Like To Make This His Home Next To Africa

"I am very much impressed with the beauty of Waynesville and Western North Carolina. I have heard many things about this part of the country during my stay in Washington, and I decided to come and see for myself. I have been particularly impressed with the bracing climate" is the way Eric H. Louw, of Capetown, South Africa, minister plenipotentiary of the Union of South Africa to the United States, began an interview with the editor of The Mountaineer Monday morning just a few minutes before he left Waynesville after spending the week-end here at the Waynesville Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Louw arrived here on their return trip from Florida where they spent several days. They were traveling alone.

They left here for Franklin and their intention was to go from Franklin to Hendersonville and from there to Asheville and then on to Washington. He regretted that he did not have more time to spend here but he had a speaking engagement to fill in Washington Saturday.

He stated that he intended to come to Waynesville again in the near future and that he hoped he would encounter better weather next time.

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Louw drove out to Dellwood and up the Jonathan's Creek road for a few miles. They were both delighted with the magnificent scenery that section of the county affords.

He compared this country with his country. "The mountains in South Africa are more rugged and rocky than the ones in Western North Carolina. The mountains here afford more of an ever-changing scenery than does ours," he said.

"One thing that I have been impressed with is the farms throughout this section, and especially the orchards. I am somewhat of a fruit grower myself, although I am more particularly interested in peaches. In South Africa we grow the finest, juiciest, best flavored peach in the world. The sun shines there all year and that puts in the added flavor."

He was asked how he would like to make Western North Carolina his home. With a smile, he replied, "Well, if I were deprived of living in South Africa I would consider this part of the United States very seriously. It is very attractive and I can't see why anyone wouldn't be more than satisfied to live here."

Mr. Louw has been in Washington for two and a half years. He likes Washington and the American people. Before representing his country at Washington he was ambassador to England and in 1929 he was head of the delegation from South Africa to the League of Nations at Geneva, Switzerland.

Mr. Louw is Dutch, but speaks English splendidly. He is very easy to understand, although he has, naturally, as little different accent from Americans. To meet Mr. Louw on the street one would not take him to be an ambassador. He dresses as a young business man.

Mr. and Mrs. Louw have two boys, 12 and 7, who are attending school in South Africa.

Asbury Howell Is Seeking Nomination For Commissioner

Asbury Howell announced Monday that he was a candidate for county commissioner. This is not a new office for Mr. Howell, as he has served 10 years as commissioner of this county. He served 6 years at one time and 4 years at another.

He was born and reared in the county and has been a successful farmer of the Jonathan's Creek section.

He has always taken a prominent part in politics and even when not a candidate for office has worked untiringly for the party that he has faithfully served.

"I am for saving all that I can for the citizens of the county," he said.

Mr. Howell has a large farm on Jonathan's Creek.

QUITE ODD ISN'T IT?

The graduating class of the Fines Creek High School is composed of seven boys and three girls. This it was pointed out, is rather odd, for more boys than girls to graduate.