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Naming Of Superintendent Of Education Causing Much Comment In This County

Three Candidates Are Seeking Place From New Education Board.

Perhaps the most discussed topic of the day in Haywood county is "who is going to be county superintendent of education?"

During the past week many of the local people have been talking about the topic and it is the main topic of almost every group of Haywood citizens. It has displaced the beer topic and the much discussed depression.

The general assembly is expected to name the three members of the board who were elected last June about April 15. The members elected in the June primary were, H. Arthur Osborne, Canton; R. F. Messer, Waynesville; and Homer Cagle, Canton.

One member of the board stated in an unofficial capacity that he expected that the board would meet about the first Monday in May to take in the matter of naming the county superintendent.

It has also been rumored here that a movement is under way to get the members from Haywood in the general assembly to get a bill through which would provide for 5 members on the board instead of the three elected. There seems to be little possibility of this being done, according to statements from those closely connected with the two representatives. Each of the three candidates stated that they were also opposed to any such action.

The office of superintendent has not been declared vacant, but the ambition of several for the office has brought about the discussion.

Those now in the race for the office includes the present superintendent, Homer Henry; W. Thomas Reeves, principal of the Saunook school; and Jack Messer, teacher in the Sylva schools.

The person named as superintendent by the board of education will take office July first.

All three members of the board are being approached daily by interested parties urging that "their favorite man" be given the office when the board meets. Just what effect this will have, if any, will not be known until after the board meets. As far as that goes, the board has not yet been confirmed but there have but few, if any cases in the state where the legislature did not confirm those receiving the largest number of votes in an election.

It has been expressed that there is a possibility that the confirmation of the board be withheld by the legislature, but there is little probability of that, it seems, and it is only a matter of form before the three elected members will be officially named as members of the board of education and begin their duties in that capacity.

And of course, one of the first duties is that of naming of a superintendent of education.

It will be remembered that during the primary last June that this matter was brought into the fight and some campaigning made along this line.

Quite a bit of campaigning is now being done by some candidates for the position, both personally and through friends. One of the candidates was asked if he had a statement to make through the columns of

PLANS TO ERECT PARK ENTRANCE SIGN ON MAIN STREET STARTED

Large Electrical Sign Would Point Entrance To National Park.

Much interest has been created here in the park entrance sign on Main street since Oscar I. Briggs, superintendent of the city water and street department, erected a miniature sign in Massie Furniture Store window showing how the proposed park sign across Main street at Depot street would look.

Plans are already underway to raise funds to erect a sign just like the miniature one which is electrically equipped and built so as to attract the attention of every motorist driving on Main street.

The sign is to be the width of Main street and 25 feet above the street. The arch will have the words, "Eastern Entrance To Great Smoky Mountains National Park" on it, while a large arrow suspending below and pointing down Depot street will have "Soco Gap 14 miles. Highway 284."

Three six-inch steel posts will be erected and the sign suspended from them. Posts will be placed at the corner of the bank and at the court-

Heads Rotarians



B. D. Bunn Elected Rotary President; Dr. Gay Sec-Treas.

New Board Of Directors Elected For Coming Year At Recent Meeting.

B. D. Bunn, superintendent of the Waynesville township schools, was elected president of the local Rotary Club last Friday by the newly elected board of directors who were chosen the week before.

According to Rotary rules, W. D. Smith, present president, assumes the duties of vice president.

Dr. S. P. Gay was elected secretary-treasurer, to succeed W. L. Lamplin. The board of directors elected were: B. D. Bunn, Dr. R. H. Stetler, Ernest L. Withers, W. T. Rainer, W. C. Ross, and Dr. S. P. Gay.

The local club was one of the strong contenders for the cup which is offered each year for the best attendance in the district during the year.

Among the many things sponsored by the club is the young people's work, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts work.

There are at present about 20 members in the club.

Local Man Gives Information On Beer Drinking In Capitol

The first direct information received here on beer in northern states was brought back by C. H. McCracken, local mail carrier and his brother, W. C. McCracken, who have just returned from Washington.

G. H. McCracken said, "I believe it is impossible for anyone to get drunk on the 3.2 per cent beer. I did not see a drunk person all the time I was in Washington."

"Women and young girls are drinking it, too, at all cafes, and every body seems satisfied with it. I'm sure it's hurting the 'bat-wing' business," he concluded.

500 DELEGATES ARE EXPECTED AT CONFERENCE

Methodist Conference Women To Hold Three-Day Meeting Here Next Week

The All-Southern Society of the Methodist church here is busy on last minute plans and preparations for the Western North Carolina Conference which will be held here next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. J. M. Long reported yesterday that letters had been received from over 500 delegates who expect to attend the conference and this number will be increased with every mail. Mrs. Long is chairman of the Place of Women's committee.

The women of the church are preparing for the conference by holding a series of prayer meetings and by holding a series of socials. The women of the church are also preparing for the conference by holding a series of prayer meetings and by holding a series of socials.

The committee in charge of entertainment with Mrs. J. Harden Howell as chairman, announced that a reception will be held for the visitors in the dining room of the church immediately following the first session Tuesday night. An automobile ride through the apple orchards and

Waynesville District Chamber Of Commerce Is Organized

Mrs. W. B. Matthews Is Elected Secretary Of New Body Wednesday.

Action taken last Friday night at the second mass meeting gave Waynesville and surrounding territory another Chamber of Commerce. The new organization being known as the Waynesville District Chamber of Commerce, and organized for the purpose of advertising this community and creating a better community spirit. No new plans or amendments were made.

At the meeting Friday night, C. M. Dicus was elected president and Richard N. Barber, Jr., was named secretary.

At a special meeting held Wednesday afternoon at the LeFaine Hotel, at which 35 were present, representing the different organizations and business enterprises of the community, organization of the Waynesville District Chamber of Commerce got underway.

Mrs. W. B. Matthews was elected secretary of the organization, but at her request, this was left open until she could confer with the newly elected board of governors.

The meeting Wednesday adopted the constitution and by-laws drafted by Joe E. Johnson, W. B. Ferguson, and W. A. Bradley, who were named on the committee last Friday night.

Jarvis Allison, Glenn Boyd, and R. M. Ferguson, all farmers in the district, were named to form an organization in their respective communities.

Others named to represent different groups or organizations included: Paul Hyatt, hotels; Mrs. Naomi Garrett, boarding houses within Waynesville; Mrs. Carl Medford, boarding houses in the territory outside of Waynesville; James Atkins, to represent Lake Junaluska.

Plans are underway to make a membership drive in the near future. Other committees appointed were: Conveyancing committee: Lee Davis, Richard Barber and Jarvis Allison. Budget committee: Guy Massie, Mrs. C. E. Kirkpatrick and Paul Hyatt.

A week ago last Friday the plan was presented to a mass meeting, and after much discussion the plan was adopted, but at the request of the minority, no officers were elected in order that the matter might be presented to the directors of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce in the hope of getting the two organizations together into one organization. The directors of the old Chamber of Commerce could not be gotten together because some were sick and others were out of town, but a statement was sought from each and the general opinion was that the old Chamber of Commerce continue under the same charter and under the same organization set up.

Under this situation, the mass meeting

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2 CANDIDATES OUT FOR MAYOR. 2 FOR ALDERMEN

Atkinson And W. T. Shelton In Race For Mayor, P. V. Massey And Dick Turpin For Aldermen.

Up until Wednesday noon, 2 candidates for mayor and 2 for members of board of aldermen had filed or announced that they would be candidates in the city election which will be held on Tuesday, May 2.

Mayor C. B. Atkinson is a candidate for re-election, and W. T. Shelton, well known business man announced in the columns of this paper that he is a candidate for the office.

The two that have filed for board of aldermen are "Doc" Turpin and P. V. Massey. About a dozen others filed stating that they intend to enter the race, but to date have neither filed nor made formal announcement.

A vote will be taken on Tuesday, May 2, for mayor and aldermen. Mr. Massey is clerk of the board of aldermen, and Mr. Turpin is clerk of the city council.

First Car Of Mica Shipped Wednesday

Car of 30-Ton Moved From Here, Two Other Cars Ready For Shipping.

From Lowe, president of the Eureka Mica Company, announced Wednesday that the first car of mica was shipped yesterday afternoon. The car had about 30 tons in it.

Mr. Lowe stated that two other cars were ready for immediate shipment. The mica is being mined at the Grassy Ridge Mine near Balsam. This is one of the county's newest enterprises, and the prospects are very encouraging, according to those engaged in the work.

Mrs. Coolidge Is Visitor At Lake Junaluska Monday

Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, widow of the late ex-president, who is spending sometime at Tryon and in Western North Carolina with friends, was a visitor at Lake Junaluska last Monday.

Mrs. Coolidge drove around the lake and told James Atkins, manager, that the lake property was "very beautiful."

2 LABOR RELIEF CAMPS WILL BE BUILT NEAR HERE

Unemployed From Eastern Cities Will Be Given Work In Park Area.

J. Ross Eakin, superintendent of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park returned to his headquarters at Gatlinburg this week from Washington to prepare for the construction of two labor relief camps in the park, three of which will be in Western North Carolina.

One of the camps will be built at Sunburst near here, and another at Mt. Sterling post office. These sites have been selected by the park officials, but have to be approved by President Roosevelt, but it is certain that it will follow the recommendation of the park service.

Men will be brought from the congested eastern cities and given work in these camps of reforesting the park and national forest areas. Before the men are sent to the camps they are given several weeks training at army headquarters to get them in shape for the work.

The men will be given their board and a salary of \$30 a month. Of this amount between \$20 and \$25 will be sent direct to relatives for support while the work is being done.

It is the purpose of those at the head of the work to have about 250,000 at work by May 15. Of course a few hundred will be worked in each camp.

Mr. Eakin stated that about 8 per cent of the labor used in the camps would be local labor. The local men would act as foremen of the work. He also stated that the farmers would find a market for their produce at these camps.

A number of camps will also be established in Pisgah National Forest.

Commissioners Call Meeting Of Taxpayers To Discuss A Revaluation Of Real Estate

Commencement Speaker



DR. O. J. CANDLER

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES WILL BEGIN APRIL 28

Misses Morrison And Campbell Receive High Honors In Graduating Class of 51

Commencement exercises of the Waynesville Township schools will begin Friday, April 28, with the elementary schools holding their exercises that evening.

The first event of the graduating exercises of the senior class, which is composed of 51 seniors, will be the commencement ceremony on Sunday evening, April 30, at the high school auditorium, but Dr. O. J. Candler, an outstanding Methodist preacher of Asheville.

Superintendent H. D. Punn announced that Miss Jean Morrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Morrison of Lake Junaluska, had made an average grade of 92.2 for the four years in high school and was named valedictorian.

Miss Marjorie Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Campbell of Hazelwood, was named salutatorian. Miss Campbell's average grade for the four years in high school was 92.5.

Those receiving honorable mention for their four-year average grade were Sam Carswell and Eugenia Nelson.

This year the two students in each grade receiving the highest average for the year were named to serve as marshals at all the commencement exercises. The chief marshal was the one receiving the highest grade in the fourth grade.

Those named as marshals were as follows:

Eighth Grade: Patricia Branch and Hunter Henry.

Ninth Grade: Mary Medford and Mary Willie Rotha.

Tenth Grade: Abbie Fay Henry, chief marshal, Flora Gibson and Norine Lowe.

Transmissions will begin on Wednesday.

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MEETING TO BE IN COURTROOM, TUESDAY, 10 A. M.

All Interested Taxpayers Are Urged To Attend Meeting Here On 18th.

The Board of County Commissioners in special session here Tuesday decided to call a mass meeting of the voters of Haywood County at 10 o'clock Tuesday, April 18, in the courtroom here, and submit to them the question of whether the people of this county want a revaluation of real estate in the county, or a horizontal reduction.

The county board says the course they see best, but they leave it to the voters to decide the mass meeting at which time they can determine the sentiment of the people.

One commissioner stated that if a horizontal reduction is made that it is estimated that this reduction would be between 20 and 25 per cent. The revaluation of property in some cases would not amount to that much in reduction, and more in others.

After the decision of the commissioners as to the question to be asked, it is known, the general impression was that it was a splendid one in their hand to give the people the opportunity to voice their opinion in the matter.

Some counties in Western North Carolina have already made a horizontal reduction, some amounting to 25 per cent and more.

The board of commissioners stressed the fact that they are anxious that a large number of taxpayers be present at this meeting and help determine the best way to go about the revaluation of real estate in the county.

The official statement of the commissioners reads as follows:

"The Board of County Commissioners have announced that a public meeting will be held in the courtroom at Waynesville, at 10 o'clock a. m. on Tuesday, April 18, 1933, to determine whether there shall be a revaluation of real estate in Haywood county, or by horizontal reduction. The Machinery Act recently passed by the General Assembly made it optional with the Board of Commissioners to pursue either method, and the commissioners are anxious to ascertain the wishes of the people with regard to a revaluation. All interested taxpayers are urged to attend this meeting.

(Signed) Board of County Commissioners."

Ram Sale Date To Be Announced Soon

W. D. Smith, manager of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, announced that the date for the ram sale will be announced soon.

Some of the features of the center are a swimming pool, which can be fully enjoyed at all times. The first to be noted is a large swimming pool, 150 feet in length and 50 feet wide, with a soft concrete bottom and walls built of native stone or creek rock, polished up with oil and capped with a concrete slab all the way around. The pool has three sections separated from one another by iron pipes, and the number one for children has a depth of from nine to thirty inches, section number two for beginners is swimming in from thirty inches to five feet in depth, and the third section will average a depth of from seven to eight feet. Each section is separated from the adjoining one by an iron pipe.

On the upper end are two round sand pits for play, and for small children, containing swings, and other recreation equipment that children like. On the northeast side of the pool is a bath house, two stories high, built of native stone, with rear veranda.

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Recreational Center Being Built By C. M. Dicus Near Golf Course

Swimming Pool, Tea Room And Tennis Courts Included In New Development.

(By W. C. ALLEN)

One of the largest and most beautiful recreation centers in Western North Carolina is now under construction on the Belle Mead holdings on the southside of Hazelwood, adjoining the Country Club Golf Course in one of the most scenic settings to be found in the whole country. The project has been under way for several months but has been kept quiet, and is a revelation now to anyone who visits the place.

C. M. Dicus is the owner and promoter of the development that would do credit to any recreation center in the United States. The Belle Mead property of which this center is a part includes all the land on Highway No. 19 between Hazelwood and the Country Club eighteen hole golf course. The owners of Belle Mead are C. M. Dicus, H. B. Atkins, J. R. Morgan, Charles Neal, and T. L. Gwyn. Mr. Dicus bought from them the property upon which he is now building