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**"WAYNESVILLE'S CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE"**

So Waynesville has two Chambers of Commerce.

The action taken before and at the second mass meeting last Friday night decided to have the two organizations, instead of the reorganization of the old Chamber of Commerce under the plan recently outlined by C. M. Dicus, as had been suggested. It seemed for a while that that action would be taken, thus giving Waynesville only one organization. But the directors of the old Chamber of Commerce felt that it was best not to do that, and therefore did not interfere with the organization of the Waynesville District Chamber of Commerce.

Today we have two similar organizations that are set out to accomplish similar things for the community. Just what two similar organizations will mean to Waynesville and community cannot be determined at this time. It might be the best thing that could happen. It might mean otherwise. We hope it will be for the best.

Since there are two similar organizations in Waynesville, The Mountaineer shall not be partial to either, but will gladly give publicity of the activities of both in an unbiased manner. We shall try to attend all meetings to which we are requested and report that which we feel our readers would like to read.

Editorially, we shall continue the policy of trying to promote all things which we feel are for the good of the community regardless of what organization is sponsoring the movement.

In the future we shall be glad to cooperate in every way with both organizations in giving facts and publicity, but in no way do we now feel that we shall take an active part in trying to mold public sentiment for either organization.

The fields are white unto harvest in the tourist business, but it is going to take unity to harvest the crop.

Without unity, we can do but little.

**100 MILES AN HOUR ON HIGHWAYS**

Three New York and Boston architects have just completed drawings for a private motor road from New York to Boston on which motorists can travel at the rate of 100 miles an hour. The plans of the architects are to have the road pass under cities and towns along the route between the two northern cities.

We might think on this in a lighter vein now, but no doubt some day we'll be riding, or should we say flying, on this very project at which we now snicker.

Riding at 100 miles an hour would not come under the head of joy-riding for those of us who thought 5 years ago that 25 miles an hour was break-neck speed.

**SOMETHING NEW**

It was not until we read the article published elsewhere in this paper by a 13-year-old girl, in which she gave many reasons how the home economic class at the Waynesville Township school helped her in so many practical ways, that we realized just what good is being done by such a class.

The article written by this girl seems almost like one of these stories written by a person with imagination and set out in such a way as just to make interesting reading, and nothing more, but this article is based on conditions actually existing and problems made easier for this child because of things taught in school.

Sometimes we are led to believe that many departments of our school system are not appreciated as they should be. And perhaps there have been times when we have expressed an opinion before we knew the facts in the case. Anyway, we realize now, more fully, the value of the home economics class than ever before because of the article written by Mary McAbee.

**PARK FACTS**

With the construction of new roads and mountain trails, leading into formerly inaccessible portions of the park area, the Great Smoky Mountains National Park should be a mecca for many visitors, touring into Western North Carolina during 1933. Hiking, horseback riding, fishing and motoring will be in popular vogue in this new recreational area.

Spurred by President Roosevelt's employment program and by North Carolina state projects, already under way, development of roads entering the park and of trails and other facilities, within the area, should be rapid. Work is going forward on the surfacing of Highway 107 from Elizabethton to Newfound Gap and traffic through the park is maintained on this route.

Construction is under way on Highway 112 to Cherokee, and on the new Soco Gap route into the Smokies on this side. Highway 112 will be completed at an early date.

Although it will not be ready for traffic until late in the year, the Soco Gap route is attracting much attention. Construction is under way on the eight mile approach from Dellwood N. C. to Soco Gap and surveys are being made of the remainder of the route from the gap to Cherokee. Featured on this new and shorter route into the Smokies will be a tunnel several hundred feet in length, bored through a mountain to prevent defacement of the natural beauty of the route, by highway construction.

The Soco Gap Highway will be the shortest approach to the Park from here. The route commands magnificent views of the Smokies from the heights of the Balsam Mountains at the gap. The route will also pass within a short distance of the scenic Soco Falls, one of the beautiful waterfalls of the nation park section.

Within the park, construction of class A bridle trails through the mountains, leading to points of spectacular scenic beauty, has been pressed forward and many new trails are ready this season. The trail along the crest of Thomas Ridge through extensive rhododendron areas should present a panorama of gorgeous flower masses during the rhododendron flowering season in June.—Ex.

**IS IT SELFISHNESS?**

We might have drawn hasty conclusions about the bringing in of men from Eastern cities into this section to work in the national forests in an effort to relieve the unemployed up north, when hundreds of men in North Carolina are without work. Not only in North Carolina but right here in the counties which gave up many thousands of dollars of taxable property for the building of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and other national forest and park areas in Western North Carolina.

We readily realize that the situation in this section of the country is not nearly as bad as in the congested centers of population, as far as unemployment is concerned, but taking into consideration the fact that the counties have given up taxable property, and then to have men from other sections of the nation sent in to do the work is rather hard.

Perhaps it is selfishness on our part to even look at the matter in that light, and without a doubt, it is nothing but selfishness that has had a lot to do with the present condition of the world—so, here's to those who know best, our hearty cooperation, and a more friendly feeling toward our unfortunate fellowmen.

**USING FIRST NAMES**

A weekly newspaper editor in a small town recently announced in his paper that the reason he would rather live in his town than anywhere else in the world is because only in his town do people call him by his first name. And come to think of it, that is another advantage in living in Mooresville. There's a lot of satisfaction in being addressed as "Bill" or "Tom" or whatever your first name happens to be. It makes a fellow feel as though he is a lot closer to the world and on friendlier terms with his fellowmen. It also makes him feel, when someone does happen to call him "Mister," that he is either a stranger in a strange land or that someone is getting ready to ask for a loan. One of the drawbacks in living in a great city is that you never get well enough acquainted with your neighbors to warrant them calling you by your first name. And if you think it isn't a handicap, then move to the city after you have lived a long time in a community where everybody calls you by your first name.—Mooresville Enterprise.

We confess our little faults only to persuade others that we have no great ones.

Records set in 1932 for height and depth of exploration, by Prof. Auguste Picard and Dr. William Beebe, well may stand during this year while we strive for a correspondingly increased breadth of vision.—Ex.

**W. T. Denton Has Been In Business In County 44 Years**

Well Known Hardware Merchant  
 Started Business 44 Years Ago Monday.

Forty-four years ago last Monday, W. T. Denton, well-known hardware merchant in Waynesville, started into business, but in a general merchandise store at Tito, now Dellwood.

Mr. Denton was also postmaster at Tito when it was decided to change the name of the post office. Three names were placed in a hat and Dellwood was drawn out.

Mr. Denton was in business with J. F. Shelton at the time. He later sold out and established another store there.

In 1904 he came to Waynesville and bought the Masteller Hardware Company, which was located in the same building that Ferguson's Grocery is now.

Later Mr. Denton built and moved into the building next to The Mountain School and operated the Waynesville Hardware for 25 years. In 1930 he sold this business to R. G. Coffey.

For some time Mr. Denton did not enter business, but in the fall of 1931 he opened his new hardware on Main street here.

The veteran merchant recalls many interesting events in the 44 years of selling goods in the county. He remembers when he bought the first keg of wire nails and what a hard time he had selling them in competition to the staple square iron nail of that time.

He recalled the first bottle of soda water he sold to a customer, which was at the customer's first soda. It was "femon" and the customer begged him to put some sugar in it, saying he thought the carbonated water was "too sour."

**Howell Bill Would Validate Acts Of Haywood Officials**

Certain agreements made by the Haywood county board of commissioners and the board of aldermen of Waynesville, relating to the reorganization of the Citizens Bank and Trust company at Waynesville, would be validated under provisions of a bill before the General Assembly.

The measure introduced by Representative Howell, of Haywood, and passed under a suspension of the rules of the house, provides:

"Section 1. That the acts of the board of commissioners of Haywood county and of the board of aldermen of the town of Waynesville, in agreeing with the other depositors to accept 20 per cent of the deposits of Haywood county, and of the town of Waynesville, in said bank in certain notes, and to discount said deposits 25 per cent upon the payment of the remaining 50 per cent of said deposits in cash, be and the same are hereby authorized, ratified, approved, and confirmed.

"See, 2. That the board of commissioners of Haywood county, and the board of aldermen of the town of Waynesville shall either one acquire real estate in settlement of said deposit, said board is hereby given authority to lease or rent said real estate for such period of time and on such terms as said board may deem advisable."

"See, 3. That if said board of commissioners of Haywood county, or the board of aldermen of the town of Waynesville shall either one acquire real estate in settlement of said deposit, said board is hereby given authority to lease or rent said real estate for such period of time and on such terms as said board may deem advisable."

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While this development was begun last fall and has been worked during the winter to some extent, the coming spring has given spirit to it and is being pushed now so as to be ready when the tourist season begins. It is an enterprise that is new for this section. Those who have been out to see it say that there is nothing between here and Miami that will approach it in the many attractions that it offers.

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Mrs. R. D. Gilmer will arrive the first of next week from New York where she has been for the past three months.

Among those attending the aviation exhibition in Asheville Tuesday were: Messrs. J. N. Shoobred, William Shoobred; Hunter Blackwell, S. C. Satterthwait, John Bean, Lowry Lee, and Ray White.

**Recreational Center Being Built By Dicus Near Golf Course**

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partments on the first floor with an office between. On the first floor, besides the office, which is built in a circular shape facing the pool, are two dressing rooms, one on the south side for ladies and the other for men. Back of the office are the toilets and shower baths. The dressing rooms contain towels and lockers.

The front of the bath house faces the pool, and from the door branches off two concrete five foot side-walks running round the entire circumference of the pool. The concrete walkways are about four hundred feet in length. The sand that is to be used on the spaces between the walkways and the pool has been ordered from the sea-beach. Grass plots will adorn the surroundings of the bath house and pool.

The front of the second story of the bath house, that has not yet been completed, will be an observation porch all the way round the house. On the porch will be arranged swings and chairs for the comfort of visitors. From this upper porch, some of the finest views in the country can be obtained. Looking to the west, one may see Eagles Nest, Blott Balsam, Campbell Bald, and Jane's Knob; to the south in plain view are Stathe Bald, the Great Divide, Lone Bald, and Choppoff; to the east are Lickstone Bald, Wolf Den and Wild Cat; to the north the bold spine of Utah Mountain meets the sky. No place in all the country can compare with these magnificent views.

There is no place in all the country, so it is told by those who are well informed, that can surpass the setting of this recreation center. Besides the swimming pool, bath house, and playgrounds, in plain view from the upper porch of the bath house can be seen the entire stretch of the golf course and the three tennis courts. An observer from the porch, therefore, will be able to get a view of the golf players on one side, tennis courts on the other, and the swimming pool in front.

Mr. Dicus said that he was using cheap labor from the welfare department that is being paid fifty cents a day, but he is supplementing it by paying fifty cents more so that all the men he is working are getting one dollar for their work.

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**24 Years Ago in HAYWOOD**

(From the file of April 30, 1911.) Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Satterthwait and children, Misses Lillie and Lucille and William Cooper, returned Tuesday from Cuba where they spent the winter. They are looking well and they spent a very pleasant time in the island on Mr. Satterthwait's farm.

Mrs. J. N. Shoobred left Monday for her old home in Tennessee, where she will meet Mr. Shoobred, who has just returned from England, where he has been on a visit of some weeks.

Invitations to a reception to be given Tuesday, April 20, have been issued by Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Smathers. The occasion will be in honor of Dr. and Mrs. John Smathers.

An occasion of considerable consequence took place last Friday morning at the Graded School auditorium when six pictures were presented to the school with appropriate ceremony. Rev. J. H. Barnhart presented the picture of Benjamin Franklin in a short but excellent speech. The next two pictures, Henry Clay and Andrew Jackson, were presented by Hiram Kirkpatrick and Col. W. W. Stringfield, and Col. W. J. Hannah presented the picture of James A. Garfield and William J. Bryan.

A new enterprise is about to be opened on Boyd avenue. It is a brick manufacturing plant. Messrs. W. C. Garrison, J. Clarence Miller and W. E. Miller are the chief stockholders.

The Music Club held an interesting meeting with Mrs. H. C. Parke. Instrumental music was rendered by Mrs. Hugh Love, Mrs. G. W. Maslin, Mrs. Clem Smathers, and Misses Margaret Stringfield and Clara Lindfers.

A few of Miss Mary Boone's friends gave her a very pleasant surprise party in honor of her birthday Saturday night.

**22 YEARS AGO IN HAYWOOD**

(From the file of April 21, 1911.) Headlines—The City Primary of Lost Saturday Was a Hot One. J. R. Boyd Nominated for Mayor. W. T. Blaylock, J. L. Stringfield, Dr. J. P. Abel, P. L. Turville, W. A. Hartman, Aldermen. State Highway Will Probably Pass Through Haywood County if Proper Efforts Are Put Forth.

Miss Lillie and Emma Satterthwait attended Thursday evening with a beautifully appointed son dinner in honor of Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Abel.

Mrs. Hugh Love, Misses Frederika Quintan, Jessie Rogers, Margaret Stringfield, and Mary Boone will leave Tuesday for Spartanburg to attend the Music Festival.

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**BE OPTIMISTIC**

But Remember

You Can't Keep Your Chin Up

With Run-Down Heels!

Bring Your Shoe Repairing To

THE CHAMPION SHOE SHOP

E. T. Duckett, Prop.

NEXT WESTERN UNION

**ALEXANDER'S QUESTION BIRD**

What induced I promise my children to get them to take their medicine? Curious Mother Answer: P.

Good idea.

IT IS QUITE the proper thing that you have a heart to heart talk with your children about their health and their habits of life. When you are giving the little one its medicine, don't make a mystery of it—just explain that you're giving him the remedy so that he'll grow up to be a useful citizen. Remember that this drug store is your drug store.

Alexander's Drug Store

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