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Haywood County Made Part Of Health District

Chambers of Commerce Have Merged. Directors to Be Elected Friday Night At Mass Meeting

Election of Nine Directors Will Be Held At Courthouse Friday At 7:30 O'clock

A series of meetings, the boards of directors of the two chambers of commerce of Waynesville have made a mutual agreement to merge and establish one organization with officers for the new organization coming from both groups.

A nomination committee was named Tuesday afternoon to present the names of twelve men at a mass meeting which will be held at the courthouse Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. Nine of the twelve will be elected by ballot.

The committee has not named the candidates as yet, but it is understood that they will be men, and perhaps some women, from the community at large.

The committee appointed to negotiate between the two bodies here has worked out in detail whereby with the election at the meeting Friday night the entire community will have an opportunity to take part in the formal organization of the one chamber of commerce which will immediately get under way in catering to the tourist for the coming season and other duties of such a group.

The night was stressed that every citizen in this community should be present at the mass meeting Friday night. With the forming of one organization here it will be necessary that each individual cooperate and take an active interest in the organization. The new group will not just cater to citizens within Waynesville, but will take in all the territory within a radius of several miles. As each community is directly dependent on the adjoining section the committee has suggested that scope of territory be increased and the number of people directly benefited by the operation of one chamber of commerce be increased.

Details of the merger and of the meeting Friday night are given in the column statement from the two past presidents on this page.

Services Will Be Held At Episcopal Church Noon Fri.

Pastors Of County To Deliver Short Addresses On Last Seven Sayings Of Christ

In "Grace Church in the Mountains" beginning promptly at noon, the Three Hours Service will be held with addresses on the seven last sayings of Our Lord while hanging on the Cross.

The Rev. A. V. Joyner, pastor of Canton Baptist church will speak on the first "Word"—Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.

The Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., pastor of the Waynesville Methodist church will speak on the second "Word"—Today shalt thou be with me in Paradise.

The Rev. F. O. Dryman, pastor of Lake Junaluska Methodist church, will give the third address—Behold Thy son. Son! behold thy Mother.

The fourth address will be given by the pastor of the Baptist church, Rev. H. W. Baucom—My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken Me?

Rev. R. P. Walker, of the Waynesville Presbyterian church will speak on "I thirst," the fifth Word.

Our Community Moves Forward

CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE INVITE YOU TO HELP REORGANIZE

The Waynesville Chamber of Commerce and the Waynesville District Chamber of Commerce are consolidating in a spirit of broader service to the community.

WAYNESVILLE IN NAME—DISTRICT IN SCOPE
In name, the merged organization will be the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce. It will function under the charter which has served the Waynesville Community many years. It will embrace Hazelwood, Waynesville, Lake Junaluska, and all contiguous territory. Its purpose will be to develop a greater spirit of neighborliness throughout the region; to unify our objectives; and to consolidate our forces. Thus prepared, we shall be in a position to encourage needed projects.

NEW BOARD TO BE ELECTED FRIDAY NIGHT
Friday night at 7:30, the citizens of the community are invited to meet at the Court House to elect a Board of Directors who shall govern the reorganized body. All responsible citizens should be there. It is your community—your Chamber of Commerce—and you will share in the benefits.

A nominating committee comprising an equal number from each of the two organizations includes the following persons:

J. M. Long, W. T. Shelton, Paul Hyatt, and Hilliard Atkins; E. J. Hyatt and C. M. Dicus, Ex Off. Officers.
They will present 12 names from which nine (9) directors shall be elected. Each name represents a unanimous choice on the part of the Committee. Ballots will be submitted carrying the 12 names. You are to indicate the name you prefer. The nine receiving the greatest number of votes will be declared elected. By agreement between the two organizations, nominations are not to be accepted from the floor.

NEW OFFICERS WILL BE ELECTED BY BOARD
In accordance with the by-laws, the Board of Directors later shall elect a President, a Secretary, and shall arrange for suitable office facilities. The Chamber of Commerce will then be ready to function. A get-together banquet will be staged followed by a membership campaign. Committees will be appointed and preparations gotten underway for the summer season.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS WILL STATE OBJECTIVES
Short keynote talks will be made by two or three local men. The Park and the Park-to-Park highway alone, are enough to demand a vigorous organization. The boarding houses and hotels need support. Lake Junaluska, Duke Summer School, and New College need our cooperation. Local business and industries need backing. Garages and filling stations can be benefited. The farmer can be helped. Our recreational facilities need strengthening. You committees are determined that these needs and opportunities shall be met. YOUR COOPERATION IS INVITED.

FOLKS—LET'S GET GOING
THE COURTHOUSE—FRIDAY AT 7:30 P. M.
J. E. MASSIE, President
Waynesville Chamber of Commerce
C. M. DICUS, President
Waynesville District Chamber of Commerce.

Homer Davis Seeks Place Of Constable

Homer Davis, well known in Waynesville and throughout the county, has announced that he is a candidate for constable of Waynesville Township. This is the first formal announcement to be made thus far for this office.

Mr. Davis had given the idea of running but little thought until a number of his friends persuaded him to make the race.

Miss Jewel Hipps arrived Sunday from Peace Junior College in Raleigh to spend the spring vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hipps.

Massie To Spend \$2500 On Theatre

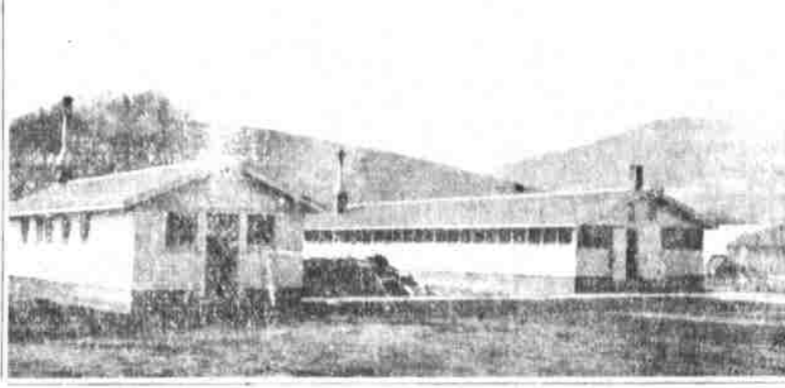
J. E. Massie, owner of the Waynesville Theatre, announced yesterday that within the next thirty days he expects to spend approximately \$2,500 in making improvements at the local theatre.

New upholstered seats, a late model screen, new spotlights, and interior decorations will be among the improvements made. Mr. Massie also said he was going to rearrange the stage in order that stage attractions could be presented.

The Home Of "Long-Time Prisoners"



This building is the headquarters quarters at the state prison camp at Hazelwood which is now the "home" of men serving long sentences.



On the left is the laundry and on the right is the mess hall at the Hazelwood State Prison Camp. The camp was built 26 months ago.

Parkway Officials Here Monday Noon Enroute To Park

Advisory Committee Encounter Bad Weather During Inspection Tour Through State

Members of a party of federal and state highway engineers, inspecting the proposed route for a scenic highway linking the Shenandoah and the Great Smoky Mountains National Parks, stopped here a few minutes Monday noon enroute to Soco Gap. They arrived here over Highway 284, having been to the top of Pisgah.

Waynesville extended the party an invitation to have lunch here, but as they wanted to get to Knoxville before night they had no lunch prepared in Asheville and ate as they drove.

The party arrived in Asheville Saturday night after having driven through rain, fog, sleet and snow. All day Sunday was spent in Asheville. Leaving there at 9:30 Monday for Pisgah and arriving here at noon. More rain was encountered on top of Pisgah.

When the party returned through Waynesville from Soco Gap they were presented with Haywood apples at the Chamber of Commerce office. Quite a number of business men met the party while the cars were being filled with gas and oil. While here the sun shined for a few minutes.

Leaving Waynesville after their trip to Soco Gap the party headed for Cherokee and then to Gatlingburg, and on to Knoxville for the night.

At Knoxville, T. S. Straus, special advisor to the secretary of the interior, said the purpose of the proposed federal parkway was an "economic one."

"We want to use this highway to bring the tourist business to the counties which need it most," he said.

In connection with this phase of the project, he said data was being sought from counties showing the percentage of farms owned and those operated by tenants, percentage of high school graduates, percentage of those employed, sales income per farm and retail trade.

Mr. Straus said there would be little difficulty in selecting the route in Virginia but the hardest route task would come in choosing between Tennessee and North Carolina.

Hazelwood Prison Camp Is Home Of 76 "Long-Timers"

Camp Is Now Caring For Prisoners Serving Long Sentences, Others Transferred

The Hazelwood State Prison Camp is now the "home" of prisoners serving long term sentences, instead of short terms as has been the case for the past 26 months since the camp was opened.

Those serving short sentences have been sent to Mecklenburg, Rutherford, Mitchell, Madison counties and also to Crayg in Buncombe.

Seventy-six from Cadden Farm near Raleigh have been transferred to the Hazelwood camp. Eight cooks were kept at the camp and not transferred when the other were.

The sentences of the prisoners at the camp now range from two to thirty years. In a press dispatch from Raleigh, it was said that one of the Harvard bankers recently sentenced to prison was at the Hazelwood camp, but a check with camp officials showed that the former banker was at Crayg and not at Hazelwood.

During the past 26 months that the Hazelwood camp has been open, there has not been a man to escape and not caught. One or two have gotten away but always returned. During the 26 months there has not been any trouble whatever among the prisoners, it was learned, and it is the general opinion that this accounted for the change being made, and the "long-timers" being transferred here.

The general staff at the prison camp is as follows: J. E. Cole, superintendent; Johnny Ferguson, steward; A. R. McHaezy, Fred H. Caldwell, G. M. Boone, Julius Rogers, Joe E. Davis, Gilmer Long, Jim Mauney, guards; Jasper Brookshire, night guard; Dave Cate, truck driver.

Warning Given To Delinquent Tax-payers Of County

C. C. Francis, tax supervisor of Haywood county, announced that April first was the final date set by the county board of commissioners to accept notes for taxes due the county for the years prior to 1932.

All taxes that have not been paid for the years prior to 1932 will draw six per cent interest beginning April first, Mr. Francis stated.

The fact was also mentioned that under the law, if proper arrangements are not made to take care of the back taxes, that the county can begin foreclosure proceedings.

Mr. Francis in an advertisement in this week's paper calls attention to the fact that "this is the final warning notice" and urges all delinquent taxpayers to see him immediately for proper arrangements.

Commissioner Gave Approval Yesterday To Board Of Health

County Cooperating With State And National Board To Make This "Healthiest Spot In World."

The board of county commissioners in special session here Wednesday afternoon decided to make Haywood county a part of the 8th State Health District which the State Board of Health and the United States Public Health Service is setting up in Western North Carolina.

The district is comprised of Haywood, Jackson and Swain counties.

Dr. M. V. Ziegler, acting officer of the United States Public Health Service appeared before the board and explained that a sum total of \$24,000 would be spent in this district during the next year, and the State Board of Health, together with the United States Public Health Service would contribute \$18,000 of the amount. Swain county will be asked to provide a sanitary state of \$920 and Jackson a few days ago made an appropriation of \$4,500. The county was called on to pay \$3,000. The allotment made to each county was based on population.

The district headquarters will be in the county. The set-up provides for a county officer, who will have two assistants, and an assistant with an office in Bryson City, both of whom are physicians. There will also be a sanitary officer and trained nurses in each county. The office of sanitary officer, now held by E. L. Hinton will be absorbed in the new work.

Canton and Waynesville are now paying \$600 each to the support of the work of sanitary officer, and Mayor J. L. Reeves, of Canton, and Mayor C. B. Atkinson, of this city, assured the commissioners that the respective towns would continue to contribute that amount to the work of the sanitary district.

The Haywood County Medical Association in a petition presented by Dr. J. K. McCracken urged the board to become a part of the Health District. This is the first health district set up in the state and the work is being done in cooperation with the national pack service.

Dr. Ziegler pointed out that this section is advertised as the playground of the world and that soon it can be recognized as the healthiest place in the world.

The work of the nurse and sanitary officer will be under the direct supervision of the county and state board of Health. Public Health Service of course will see to it and frequent inspections made of water supplies and public places where diseases are most prone to spread.

The matter has been before the board since March 1st, but they did not take any action until hearing from the Haywood Medical Association and other groups affiliated with the work.

Dr. Ziegler stated that the only reason that this health district was set up was by the fact that the TVA, the Cherokee Indian Reservation, and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park together with cooperation of the three counties, the State Board of Health and the local board of health had all joined in the program.

About fifteen interested business and civic leaders of the county attended the meeting.

Funeral For Mrs. Elizabeth McLean Mowdy To Be Today

Mrs. Elizabeth McLean Mowdy, 28, died at her home on Welch street here Wednesday afternoon of pneumonia following an illness of about a week.

Funeral services will be held at the home this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., pastor of the Methodist church in charge.

Mrs. McLean, mother of Elizabeth died exactly one year ago yesterday. She is survived by her father, James McLean, and one brother, Robert L. McLean, and a daughter, Betty Mowdy.

Pallbearers will be: Homer Over Frank Worthington, Jimmy Coman, Hayes Alley, W. C. Russ and Harry Roth, Jr.

Honorary pallbearers will be: C. Ray, Clyde Ray, Guy D. Davis, J. Stringfield, E. B. McChesney, J. Withers, E. J. Hyatt, C. G. L. J. R. Boyd, Dr. O. J. Alexander and W. J. Shelton, Joe M. M. and James Atkin.

W. S. Lee, 62, noted engineer and executive in the Duke Power Company, died at his home in Charlotte Saturday night following a stroke.

Stamey Chairman Of Election Board

M. G. Stamey, local attorney, has been named chairman of the Haywood county board of elections. Mr. Stamey succeeds Grover C. Davis who is a candidate for judge of this district.

J. M. Lane of Hazelwood and George Hampton, of Canton, are the other two members of the board.