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Engineers Began Survey Of No. 280 Monday Afternoon

Road From Here To Top Of Pisgah To Be Relocated As Quickly As Possible

Highway engineers under the supervision of B. S. Marsh began actual surveying of Highway 284 at Wagon Road Gap on top of Pisgah Monday afternoon. Work will be pushed along as rapidly as possible, Mr. Marsh said, with the survey being made towards Waynesville.

Last winter Mr. Marsh and his crew surveyed the road from Wagon Road Gap to Brevard a distance of 13 miles. The new location does not follow the old road, but turns off on Pisgah and goes to the head of Looking Glass Creek and follows that gorge down to Davidson River.

Mr. Marsh stated that when the new road is built it will afford one of the most scenic sights in Western North Carolina. The road, he says, surpasses the beauty of the Soco Gap road.

Within sight of the road for about ten miles there are countless waterfalls, rapids and pools, he continued.

The road from Waynesville to the top of the mountain which is the Haywood-Transylvania line is about 25 miles. The entire route 284 is now under the Federal system, and it is because of that change that a prompt survey has been ordered.

The road from Wagon Road Gap to Brevard is ready to be let to the contractors now. It is expected that the surveying of the route in Haywood county will consume approximately five or six months. Present plans are to relocate the road from Wagon Road Gap into Waynesville.

Mr. Marsh and his crew of about ten have moved their headquarters from Asheville to the third floor of the court house here, and expect to be here all winter.

Surveying of 106 near Sylva will also get under way this fall, with the office here as headquarters.

Much Interest Is Being Shown In County Fair

Program For The Six Days Announced. Feature Will Include A Public Wedding

Haywood County Fair will open October first.

The premium list of the Greater Haywood County Fair which will be held on the Dellwood highway Band Mill Grounds during the entire week of October first to sixth has been issued and attractive features are listed. The premium list includes many prizes for poultry, preserves, jellies, school exhibits, farm, garden and orchard products, needle and fancy work, bread, rolls, custards, pies and cakes.

The Krause Greater Shows will furnish all midway attractions with seven mammoth riding devices and twelve high class entertaining shows. Special days will be Monday, October first-opening day.

Tuesday, October second, Canton Day.

Also fraternal day when all members of fraternal lodges in Haywood county will be admitted free upon presentation of their paid up membership card.

Wednesday, October 3, Haywood county school children day when all school children will be admitted free and all riding devices and shows will be less than half price.

Thursday, October 4, Don't forget the ladies. Its their day, and they can come and go as they like.

Friday, October 5, 5th is the day when some couple will be united in matrimony on the midway. That couple's names will not be made known until the grand wedding ceremony.

Saturday, the final day, has been designated by the committee as Waynesville day with many special features and the awarding of all prizes from the numerous contests. Headquarters for the fair have been opened on Main street, next door to the Waynesville Theatre where all information on the fair can be had for asking.

A contest to determine who is the most popular boy or girl with a grand prize of a genuine circus pony, bridle and saddle to the winner. A second prize is a fifteen dollar bank account at the First National Bank of Waynesville, and a third prize of seven dollars and a half.

Another interesting feature will be the baby pageant open to all babies up to the age of five years. This will take place Monday night and promises to be one of the most beautiful attractions ever offered in Haywood county. Information on this gorgeous pageant can be obtained at fair headquarters. Loving cup prize honors will be bestowed on some lucky hundred per cent baby in Haywood county.

Haywood's Delegation At The Parkway Hearing



The above picture was made Tuesday morning of the 49 delegates from Haywood County who attended the hearing before Secretary H. S. Ickes in Washington for the proposed Parkway. The photograph was made immediately after the delegation had finished breakfast as guest of Champion Fibre Company at the Mayflower Hotel. (Photo by The Mountaineer).

Committee Proposes "Loop" Into This County With Parkway Thru Soco Gap

CHAMPION FIBRE ENTERTAINS DELEGATION AT MEAL

Forty-nine delegates to the Parkway hearing from Haywood county were guests of the Champion Fibre Company at breakfast Tuesday morning at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington.

Hog And Corn Contracts Are Prepared Here

This Is Headquarters For 11 Counties In Western North Carolina

All of the corn-hog contracts for the 14 counties composing the Haywood district have been prepared and are ready for transmission to the Washington office, it was announced last week at the office of the county farm agent. Out of the 14 counties only 11 are reporting contracts for transmission to the national office.

Mr. Crouse, who has charge of this branch of the work here, said that eight of the 11 counties have sent in their reports. These are Cherokee, Clay, Jackson, Rutherford, McDowell, Polk, Buncombe, and Haywood. These contracts have been tabulated here, and are being mailed to the central office today.

Three other counties making up the full number reporting, will send in their contracts in a few days. When all of them have been sent to the Washington office, the campaign for the corn-hog contracts will come to an end, it was learned.

Mr. Crouse pointed out the advantages to the farmer in signing the contracts. He said that the farmer is paid \$5 by the government for each hog he has left after a 25 per cent reduction of his brood.

In order for the full benefits to be obtained, it is necessary for each contractor to have his acreage in corn measured at an early date. The measuring will get under way in a few weeks, it was said.

Service Station Robbed of Over \$100 In Tires On Wednesday

The Standard Service Station on the Asheville Road just at the city limits was broken into sometime after two o'clock Wednesday morning and more than \$100 worth of tires and tubes taken.

The robbers entered the station through an end window. No definite clues have been found that would throw any light on the solving of the robbery. D. J. Howell is manager of the station.

Mrs. Louis Rouser, of Asheville, spent some time last week here visiting her brother, Mr. Joe Tate, who is ill.

Three Hundred Tar Heels In Delegation At Washington. Tenn. Has Advantage Over N. C.

(By W. C. Russ)

Inspired by a delegation of over 300 Tar Heels, the six speakers from North Carolina made earnest and sincere pleas to Secretary Harold Ickes, in Washington Tuesday afternoon for the approval of the scenic Parkway from Blowing Rock to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park over the route suggested by the North Carolina State Highway Commission, which is by Craigie, Pisgah and Balsam Mountains.

During the three hours of debating, Tennessee's six speakers sought to tear down North Carolina's claims, basing their arguments on the report of the special advisory committee, which Secretary Ickes appointed last winter to give over the proposed route suggested by the two states. The advisory committee recommended that the Parkway be built from Blowing Rock across to the Unaka Mountains and on through Tennessee to the Great Smoky Mountains, containing the route on the Tennessee side and to Cherokee on the North Carolina side.

The Tennessee speakers also made a strong argument on the fact that North Carolina has already been given one-half of the Parkway that is south of the Virginia line. "Even if we are given all the remainder of the route from Blowing Rock to Gatlinburg there would be 20 more miles in North Carolina than in Tennessee," one of their principal speakers stated.

The Tennessee speakers made a scoring point when they urged that the Parkway be given them in order that two entrances into the park would be possible. The Parkway would divide at Hartwood, Tenn., with one spur going on to Gatlinburg, and the other turning south into North Carolina near Waterville, and then following Pigeon River to the mouth of Jonathan's Creek, and then up Jonathan's Creek to Soco Gap and into the park, making a complete "loop."

When the proposal was made, Secretary Ickes took keen interest in the manner in which the Tennessee speaker, Mr. Webster, presented the plan.

North Carolina's speakers were introduced to Secretary Ickes by Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus. They spoke in the following order, consuming one hour and thirty minutes: R. G. Browning, locating engineer of the state highway commission, Frank Page, former head of the highway for 10 years; Robert Latham, editor of The Asheville Citizen; Senator Robert Reynolds; Congressman R. L. Doughton, and Senator J. W. Bailey.

The Tennessee speakers were introduced by their Governor, Hill McAllister, who also made the last, and most impressive summary of the case in the behalf of his state. Frank W. Webster, for 17 years chief engineer; General W. T. Kennedy, chairman of citizens committee, Knoxville; Congressman J. Will Taylor; Senator Kenneth D. McKellar, and Senator Nathan Beckman.

Twenty minutes before the hearing began, all seats in the auditorium of the Interior Building were taken, and over a 100 stood in the aisles and hallway. Secretary Ickes requested that there be no applause, but each delegation ignored his request and applauded heartily at the close of their speakers even during the course of their remarks.

This was especially true of Senator Bailey of North Carolina and Governor McAllister of Tennessee—these two making the outstanding pleas of the hearing.

The North Carolina delegation gave a tremendous applause when Governor Ehringhaus and Senator Reynolds walked into the auditorium. The Tennessee delegation which was only about one-fourth that from North Carolina, well supported their speakers throughout the three hours of rapid-fire pleading.

Secretary Ickes presided at the hearing and seldom changed the determined business-like expression on his face. Only once during the hearing did he smile, and that was when Senator Taylor stated that he was the only Republican taking part on the program. "We would hold that against you during this hearing," Secretary Ickes replied smiling.

Every member of the North Carolina highway commission was present, except two who were absent on account of illness; and all the congressional districts were officially represented.

Engineer Browning took the opening thirty minutes for North Carolina and pointed out to Secretary Ickes on "two eight-foot" beautifully colored maps the advantages this state had over Tennessee for the Parkway.

In part he said: "The range in North Carolina is cut by only three streams, while Tennessee has seven. There are no drainage problems to speak of, because the route is on top of the divide. There would not have to be any deep cuts, or fills in the North Carolina route, to mar the beauty of the country. Sixty miles of the route is through national forest. (This information was given in answer to a question by Secretary Ickes.) There is no end of Mountain ranges and an unlimited number of never-tiring views."

Mr. Browning stressed the fact that the Great Smoky Mountains National Park was within two days drive of 75 million people, and that the project was of national interest, and only a scenic route should be considered.

Mr. Browning was followed by Frank Page, who stressed the fact that he thought it a "practical impossibility" to build the Parkway.

SENATOR-ELECT SUFFERS ATTACK WHILE AT HEARING

The only incident to mar the trip to Washington to the Parkway hearing was the sudden and serious illness of Ralph H. Ramsey, of Brevard, who suffered an acute attack of kidney colic shortly before noon Tuesday.

Early Tuesday night he was much better, but remained in Washington under the care of his physician also from Brevard, and W. E. Breeze.

Phillips Injured

Jack Phillips, star fullback and 1934 captain-elect of Georgia Tech's football team, was badly hurt in Monday's scrimmage.

Phillips was carried off the field with a badly torn knee that will keep him out of the opening game with Clemson, just 10 days away, and possibly out of the second game with Wake Forest.

Investigation Is Started On Tax Official's Books

Haywood County Delegates

Waynesville
Roy Latham, Field Manager, Standard Oil Co.
F. W. Miller, State Highway Commissioner.

W. T. Shelton, Farmer, Merchant, U. S. Commissioner.
L. H. Bramlett, Farmer and Liveryman.

J. E. Massie, Theatres, Canton and Waynesville.
J. H. Howell, U. S. Postmaster.
W. C. Russ, Editor Waynesville Mountaineer.

S. H. Jones, Alderman and Manager Waynesville Country Club.
G. C. Ferguson, Merchant and Town Treasurer.

W. D. Smith, County Farm Agent.
J. H. Allison, Dairymen and Representative Federal Land Bank.

Mrs. W. A. Hyatt, wife of Chairman of Board County Commissioners.
W. R. Francis, Assistant District Attorney.

Edwin Haynes, Register of Deeds.
C. V. Bell, Agent Texas Oil Co.
J. H. Way, Cashier First National Bank and Mayor Pro Tem.

J. W. Ray, Merchant and President Chamber of Commerce.
E. B. Rickman, County Commissioner and Merchant.

Sam Welch, National Bank Examiner.
E. L. Withers, Secretary C. of C. and Insurance Business.
Frank Davis, County Commissioner.

G. Z. Candler, Cafe Business.
W. W. Blackwell, Retired Merchant.
Tom Lee, Jr., Service Station.
Dr. S. P. Gay, Dentist.
Hugh Massie, Merchant.

Hazelwood
Clyde Fisher, Alderman.

Canton
R. B. Robertson, Sr., President and General Manager Champion Fibre Co.

W. J. Dantoni, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer Champion Fibre Co.
D. H. Harris, City Tax Collector and Deputy Clerk.

H. A. Osborne, Wholesale and Retail Lumber.
Geo. J. Vaneourt, Construction Foreman Champion Fibre Co.

T. S. Kinley, Merchant.
W. N. Frock, Merchant.
Dr. A. P. Cline, Dentist.
Mrs. A. P. Cline.

O. M. Smathers, Merchant.
R. D. Coleman, City Clerk and Treasurer.

Dr. V. H. Duckett, Physician.
R. E. Lawrence, Insurance.
Wade C. Hill, Postmaster.
Sam M. Robinson, Attorney.
L. T. Russell, Automobile Dealer.
Ray H. Patton, Building & Loan Secretary.

Dr. W. West, Merchant.
J. T. Bailey, Wholesale Groceries.
Dr. J. L. Reeves, Physician and Mayor.

M. C. Sprinkle Laundry, Coal, etc.
E. C. Barefoot, Druggist.
Ralph Ramsey, Attorney.

Pledges Totalling \$58 Have Been Made For Library Here

Announcement was made this week that \$58 had been received in pledges toward operating expenses of the local library which is slated to be closed on October first for lack of funds.

The board has not announced just how much will be necessary to keep the library open for the next few months, but many here are interested in seeing it remain open throughout the year.

Hon. Joseph Daniels has sent in his check for \$5 to apply on the fund. This was his way in showing his appreciation for the part the library plays in the community.

Burgin Receives Fractures In Fall

Otis Burgin, manager of Burgin's Department Store, is doing nicely in the Haywood County Hospital where he was taken last Thursday after sustaining a fractured shoulder and broken arm when he fell into a ten-foot pit on the school grounds of Lake Junaluska.

Mr. Burgin had attended the P. T. A. meeting and was leaving when he stepped into the pit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Latham returned to their home Thursday from Greenville, South Carolina, where they went to attend the funeral of their mother-in-law.

Board of Commissioners Issue Formal Statement Regarding Status Of Investigation

Late yesterday the County Commissioners, together with their attorneys, made the following formal statement regarding the Tax Collector of this county:

"On August 22nd, the County Commissioner made a settlement with the Tax Collector for the taxes of 1932 and gave him the tax list for the year 1933, a bond having been filed for the protection of the county in the sum of \$50,000.00 with the National Surety Corporation as surety. Some ten days or more, after this, it was brought to the attention of the Commissioners that there were certain discrepancies and irregularities in the account as filed by the Tax Collector, and immediately the Commissioners secured the services of an auditor to audit the books in order to ascertain if certain information was correct and the auditor, Mr. T. J. Toland, of Asheville, who is a certified Public Accountant, is now engaged in the work of auditing the books for such purpose.

"The Tax Collector insists that there is nothing wrong or irregular with his settlement. Investigation will be prosecuted as rapidly as possible, and if any discrepancies or irregularities are discovered the Commissioners will take proper steps in the premises, although the county is fully protected, by reason of the bond mentioned, for any loss.

"The Tax list for the year 1934 has not been placed in the hands of the Tax Collector and cannot, under the law, before the first Monday in October, and no taxes are payable, except such payments as are made to the County Accountant, or the persons mentioned in the statute relating to the payment of taxes prior to the time the list is placed in the Tax Collector's hands."

The commissioners have employed Sam M. Robinson, of Canton, and J. G. Merrimon, of Asheville, to assist county attorney, F. E. Alley, Jr., in the investigation and any action that might be taken as a result of the investigation.

Mr. Toland, who began auditing the books Wednesday and The Mountaineer yesterday, that he was pushing the work as rapidly as possible, and would add another assistant during the next few days. He could give no indication when the audit would be completed.

Mountaineers Ready For First Game

Only two or three old faces will be seen in the new Mountaineer grid iron machine this year. The loss of 14 boys by graduation, however, has not affected the spirit of the youngsters who are determined to carry on where the old boys left off.

Jenson Ross, one of the old mainstays, seems to be picking up in his "foxy" position at end. Lock Hyatt will take over the post of Dewey Patton and with a couple of games behind him he should be put on the spot by all teams.

The tackle position will be held down by a couple of mount in peaks, an old stand-by, Edward Potent and freshman Leatherwood, who is six feet one and weighs 180 pounds.

These boys will make the going hard for opponents.

The guard position is quite a problem with Taylor Ferguson and Eugene Francis probably holding down first place positions. Caldwell and Free are giving the boys plenty of free time.

The center position is a merry scrap between two red-heads, Red Gillett and Red Byrd. Either one may get the call Friday.

The back field will be made up of entirely young colts—little weight with plenty of speed and deception. The quarter backs, who will be called for duty are Lawson Summerson, who passes, runs, and punts. He will be assisted by his able team-mate, Douglas Moore, whose specialty is line-backs and spin plays.

The half back positions are being held down by Ben Bryson and Cecil Yount. The most important position in the Warner system of football is held down by Garrett Reeves, the blocking back and the defensive full. Bill Swift is pushing Garrett for this position along with Kuykendall, who is a ten-second man.

Mrs. E. C. Jones of Loudon, Tennessee, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. K. Boone for the past ten days. Yesterday Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Boone went to Asheville where they are spending a few days with Misses Annie and Corrie Keer.