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WORK LET FOR PAVING STRETCH ON 284

Jess Hannah, 39, Instantly Killed In Auto Collision

Workman Of Champion Fibre Killed Early Wednesday On Dellwood Road

Jess Hannah, 39, was instantly killed when the small roadster he was driving, collided with a truck loaded with wood, driven by Fred Moody, around 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, on the Dellwood Road, near the road leading into Lake Junaluska.

When the officers rushed to the scene to investigate the accident, young Moody reported that Hannah was driving on the wrong side of the road and that owing to the curve he could not observe this in time to turn around. Trucks of the roadster and truck verified his statement, it was reported by those who were present. Moody stated that he jammed his brakes with such force that the truck made a slide in the road and when the two collided the roadster was completely demolished.

Hannah was found to be dead when his body was recovered from the wreckage.

Young Moody was accompanied by his brother. Though the truck turned completely over and was off the pavement, neither one of them were injured, nor was the truck damaged. Fred Moody is the son of Grady Moody and the truck was owned by Kyle Campbell.

Hannah, who was alone at the time, was returning from his night's work at the Champion Fibre Co., where he was employed on the night shift. He was en route to his home in Cove Creek.

Dr. J. R. Westmoreland, county coroner, stated that the accident was unavoidable.

Mr. Hannah is survived by his wife and eight children, Velma, Ralph, Bessie, Zolund, Wilford, Fred, Verdie and Olean.

Harley Hyatt, 50, Buried On Saturday

Last rites were held Saturday morning for Harley Hyatt, 50, who passed away Friday morning at his home in Hazelwood following a lingering illness of several months.

Funeral services were conducted at the home, with Rev. C. L. Allen officiating. Burial was made in Green Hill cemetery.

Mr. Hyatt was a native of Haywood county, and the son of the late F. Taylor Hyatt and Mrs. Rosa Taylor Hyatt.

The deceased is survived by his widow, the former Miss Cecil Robinson, and three children, Harley, Jr., Edith and Virginia, his mother, Mrs. Rosa Young Hyatt; one brother, Davis, of Whittier, and two sisters, Mrs. Ralph Toy, Sylva, Mrs. Myrtle Minor, of Macon county.

16 Make Initial Hike Of Club Here

Despite the weather, the first hike of the season was a decided success. The rain did not dampen the enthusiasm of the group of sixteen who turned out Sunday for the trip to Lake Junaluska.

Under the leadership of R. L. Prevost, the hikers reached their camp, where they were camped, on account of the downpour to seek shelter. As the hike could not be prolonged the group walked to a nearby place and purchased melons and enjoyed a watermelon feast.

Several persons who had planned to go thought it too rainy, but those who weathered the storm were: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Prevost, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Colin McInnes, Dr. and Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ledbetter, Mrs. Johnny Ferguson, Miss Daisy Boyd, Miss Harriet Boyd, Miss Peggy McInnes, Miss Margaret Hyatt and Master Johnny McInnes.

Next Sunday the hikers are planning a trip on the Hood Road. Those interested in going who do not have a car can make arrangements for getting to the Army Club, the meeting place at 2 o'clock, on Sunday afternoon, by calling the Chamber of Commerce. W. A. Bradley will be the leader of the group.

The next meeting of the club will be held on Monday night, July the 31st, at the office of the Chamber of Commerce, at which time the organization will be perfected.

TENNIS EXHIBITION AT PIEDMONT SUNDAY

An exhibition tennis match arranged by Dick Covington, of Asheville, will be staged at the Piedmont Hotel Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Group Who Sought Action On Highway No. 284



The above is the group that met here last Thursday to discuss Highway No. 284—Waynesville to Brevard. Kneeling, left to right: Dr. S. P. Gay, Waynesville; Rev. Paul Harrell, Brevard; and Otto Alexander, Brevard. Standing, left to right: J. H. Howell, Waynesville; W. Curtis Russ, Waynesville; J. Duke Stentz, Waynesville; J. W. Ray, Waynesville; Ernest L. Withers, Waynesville; W. E. Brees, Brevard; Charles E. Ray, Waynesville; Frank W. Miller, Waynesville; W. W. Zuckery, Brevard; D. MacDougal, Brevard; C. M. Douglas, Brevard; B. S. Marsh, Waynesville; H. H. Patton, Brevard; W. D. Cash, Brevard; and R. L. Prevost, Hazelwood. Mr. W. T. Shelton attended the meeting, but was not present when the picture was made.

650 Acres Bought In Soco Gap By A Retired Capitalist

James A. G. Davey To Begin Immediately Making Spot One Of Section's Show Places

The largest real estate sale to be made here in a year was completed last week when James A. G. Davey, retired capitalist of Old Greenwich, Conn., bought 650 acres of the Campbell lands in the Soco Gap section.

The land is at the very top of the mountain and is in the inter-section of the proposed Parkway and Soco Gap-Cherokee highway. All of the acreage is mountain land, and is just over the line in Jackson county.

While here Mr. Davey purchased nine horses, and stated that he plans to build a rustic home on the property. It is also his intention to make this one of the show places in the section.

He is the son of Mr. Davey who founded the famous Davey Tree Surgery organization. Mr. Davey's brother is now governor of Ohio.

He has gone back to his home for a short time to get some trucks and a tractor in preparation to beginning work on the property. He expects to spend about ten months of the year here.

The purchase price of the land was not made public.

The deal was made through the E. L. Withers Company. Mr. Withers stated that other similar deals were being worked on at present.

Another Air Show To Be Presented

The Good Will Flyers have returned here for a second week's engagement this season. Those in charge stated that a much longer and more spectacular show will be staged this time than last, with up-side-down flying, loops, spins and the air army type drop test of the parachute being given.

John Crofford, pilot, has had five years experience in flying, and is using a four-passenger plane. Both he and the plane are licensed by the government. All flying is made from the McCracken field at Hazelwood.

Home Guard Back After 2 Weeks Camp

Company "H" of the 120th Infantry returned here Sunday after spending two weeks in Camp Glenn at Morehead City.

Officials of the group, which consisted of 64 men, reported an interesting, but uneventful trip, with plenty of rain and mosquitoes.

The company did not bring back the coveted cup for being the outstanding machine gun group.

A member of the local unit, First Sergeant James E. Robinson, was given the distinction of being one of the four oldest men in camp from the point of service.

Couple Marries In Hardware Store Here

Just why a hardware store was chosen as a place to be married was not learned, but nevertheless, Mr. Williams, of Knoxville, and Miss Garrett, of Cartersville, Ga., were married here Monday afternoon in Denton's Hardware Store, on Main Street.

A large crowd of bots formed the background to the scene, at which Justice of Peace R. M. Leatherwood performed the ceremony.

Neither the bride or groom knew Mr. Denton, owner of the store. It was through Mr. Leatherwood that the request for "space to be married in" was made.

Four Local People In Auto Wreck Near Oteen. Car Smashed

Four local people were bruised and cut last Friday, when a heavy truck belonging to the State Highway Commission skidded into a car driven by Ernest L. Withers on the highway just beyond Oteen.

Mr. Withers and his son, E. L., Jr., William Medford and Wallace Marley, were en route to a district Rotary convention in Lenoir when the accident happened.

The pavement was wet at the time, and the heavy truck hit a furniture truck then the Withers car, crashing the entire left side in. It was said that at least \$100 damage was done to the car.

The highway truck was loaded with workmen, who were thrown over the road. Four being knocked unconscious.

2 Stills And 1300 Gal. Beer Nabbed

Dewey Cook and Charlie Fulbright, Deputy sheriffs, captured a 40-gallon still and five hundred gallons of beer near the Big Bend section last week. No arrests have been made.

Later, Roy C. Reece and Dewey Cook captured a 40-gallon still and 800 gallons of beer in the Sandy Mush section of Buncombe county.

Methodist Revival To Begin July 31st

The first meeting of the revival services, which will be held at the Methodist church, conducted by the Rev. Gipsy Smith, Jr., will be at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening, July 31st.

On Sunday, July the 28th, Mr. Smith closes a meeting in one of the large churches in Detroit, after which he goes to Washington, D. C. and will arrive in Waynesville in time to conduct the meeting on Wednesday.

Members of other denominations and all visitors in town are cordially invited by the pastor, Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., to attend the services.

Court Ends 2 Busy Weeks. Pickens Is Acquitted In Case

Number of Sentences Dealt Out During Past Few Days Of Session By Judge Alley

The July term of criminal court adjourned Saturday afternoon soon after a jury returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of Howard Pickens, in which he was charged in connection with the death of Ruby Clark.

The case took the greater part of three days. Judge Alley passed sentence on a number during the last of the week, among those being:

George Raines, assault with deadly weapon, six months on road.

Joe Sutherland, fined \$50 and costs, Wilson Bunnagener and Ira Singleton, larceny, 12 months on road.

Eva Wilkes, 6 months at labor at county home for larceny.

Bad Smith, Carroll Smith, Cliff Holland and Thurman Summy, assault. Each fined \$20 and costs, except Summy, he ordered to pay fourth of costs.

Julia Gibson, three months in jail.

Roland Pembroke, larceny, costs and three years suspended sentence.

May Moore, Reba Ramsey and Connie Hagan, disorderly conduct, two years in jail.

Marie Medford, disorderly conduct, year in jail. Commissioner have authority to hire out.

Howard Gentry and Gay Kirkpatrick, public drunkenness, five years suspended sentence upon payment of costs.

Everett McElroy, 12 months suspended sentence for violation of prohibition law.

Lash Haynes, four months on road for possession of liquor. A 12 months suspended sentence for retailing.

Troy Smith, fined \$50 and given 6-months suspended sentence for reckless driving. Denied right to drive car for 90 days.

Gus Boone, fined \$50 and costs for assault, and given 6-months suspended sentence.

Jacob Lenoir, fined \$50 and costs for assault, and 6-months suspended sentence.

Additional Contract Slated To Be Let In Early August. Immediate Action Wanted On 209

Fines Creek Road Presented As Necessary Link In County By Delegation Tuesday

RALEIGH—It looked like a reunion of Haywood county citizens in the capitol this week, when two delegations from the county appeared before the state highway commission making plea for early completion of roads in the county.

Highway No. 209, known as the Fines Creek Road, was presented to the commission as one of the most important roads in the county, and that for several years the survey of the road had been made but no action taken regarding the improvement.

The commission gave the delegation assurance that they would take the matter up regarding early improvement.

The road leads from the intersection of No. 10 at Lake Junaluska to Hot Springs. The road being paved from Lake Junaluska to Crabtree.

Among those appearing on this delegation were: D. Reeves Noland, Dave H. Harris, H. Arthur Osborne, Plenumons, Madison county, and Mr. Ang Woods, of Madison.

HIGHWAY 206 CONTRACT LET

The commission also let the contract for the construction of Highway No. 206 in Jackson county, from Tuckasee toward Glenville. This contract went to E. W. Gramms, of Fayetteville, for \$57,774.

Contract for structures going to Hobbs Peabody Construction Co., Charlotte for \$19,772.50.

This road when completed will give a direct route from Sylva via Cullowhee to Cashiers Valley.

Large Audience Hears Judge Alley

With a capacity audience in attendance, Judge Felix E. Alley, of the 20th judicial district, delivered his lecture: "Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of Man and the Son of God," at the First Methodist church on Sunday night.

The service was sponsored by all the churches of the town, with their usual Sunday night services being omitted.

Judge Alley asked that the congregation serve as the jury to hear the testimony he presented in establishing the divinity of Jesus. The two issues which he brought out were: First, he exhibited the proof of the fact, that there was a man by the name of Jesus, who preached to the people and wrought miracles as set forth by the teachings of the Bible; second, "Was Jesus the Son of God?"

In his usual eloquent and scholarly manner, Judge Alley proceeded with the presentation of his evidence. As witnesses, he brought forth the four evangelists, the apostolic fathers, Barnabas, Ignatius, Polycarp, and others, the Roman historians, the Jewish historian, Josephus, and the life of Jesus, himself.

Rev. Paul Hardin, Jr., pastor of the church, extended a welcome to the large crowd assembled, and expressed appreciation of the two numbers rendered by the choir of the Methodist church of Canton, composed of 25 picked voices. Prayer was offered by Rev. R. P. Walker, of the Presbyterian church and the benediction was given by Rev. H. W. Bacon, of the Baptist church.

Miss Mary Barber To Speak Sunday

On Sunday night, July 28th at 8 o'clock an address on "The Holy Land" will be given in Grace Episcopal church by Miss Mary Barber, who recently made an extended visit to Palestine and Ober-Ammergau to witness the Passion Play. Miss Barber will speak of what will be of special interest to all Free-Masons, of King Solomon's Temple, or the Morgue of Omar. The lecture will further be interesting by the exhibit of many curios, which will be explained by the talented young lady speaker.

A special musical program will be given, and an offering for the insurance of the church and rectory will be taken.

The general public is most cordially invited to hear Miss Barber speak on "The Sacred Spots in the Holy Land."

Work On Highway To Brevard To Get Underway At A Early Date In Transylvania County

RALEIGH—Contractors were awarded Wednesday afternoon by the State Highway Commission here for immediate construction of 3.7 miles of Highway No. 284—Waynesville to Brevard, in the section known as the Looking Glass Creek section in Transylvania county, which is four miles from the top of the mountain. The section being rated as one of the most scenic in the western area of the state.

The contracts for Highway 284 were awarded to W. H. Anderson, of Asheville, for \$131,236.00. The structures going to the Rickenbacker Construction Company, of Union, S. C., for \$50,391.50, making a total of \$181,627.50.

The letting came soon after a delegation from Haywood and Transylvania counties appeared in a special hearing before Chairman of the Commission, Capin M. Waynick.

During the course of the hearing the fact was brought out that another \$100,000 had been designated for construction of part of the road on the Haywood county side of the mountain. This contract is expected to be awarded during August. Just whether the \$100,000 will be spent on the stretch of road from Woodrow to Springsdale or on the mountain was not stated.

The highway has been put on the Federal Road system, which is an assurance that it will be built. Mr. Waynick told the delegation Tuesday that the commission had already committed themselves as "going ahead and building the entire road." The point the delegation was most interested in was "when." To this question, Mr. Waynick gave assurance that as soon as funds were available, one of the points made by the delegation was the fact that Highway No. 284 goes through the Pisgah National Forest and also connects the Park with the Forest. It was for this reason that it was put on the Federal Highway system.

The commission is busy this week making allotments of the funds for the coming year, but it will be some time before any definite amount can be "ear marked" for the work on this road. He did say, however, that some of this year's funds would go on No. 284.

It was the opinion of the officials that a total of approximately \$500,000 would be needed to complete the road from Waynesville to Brevard. Others were of the opinion that it could be built for much less.

Engineers have almost completed the field work on the entire road and the office work will be completed in time for the August meeting of the commission, the delegation was told. The new proposed route will be six miles shorter than the present route, making the distance about 34 miles.

Mr. Waynick promised the delegation that he and other members of the commission would be in the Waynesville section within the next few weeks, and make a personal survey of the road. The entire membership of the commission later informed Frank W. Miller, that their plans were virtually complete for the trip.

While the actual construction of the road in Transylvania county will get underway soon, it is the general belief that it will be sometime before the road all the way is completed.

After conferring with Mr. Waynick on the matter, the delegation went into detail on the matter with R. Getty Browning, locating engineer of the highway commission. Mr. Browning made the unsolicited statement that in his opinion Highway No. 284 would be one of the most important "highway feeders" to the scenic Parkway.

"There are scenes to be had from the proposed new route of the highway that cannot be found anywhere else—some measuring up to the many views of the Parkway itself," he stated.

"The people of North Carolina are not fully aware of the value of the Parkway to this state. I know that when it is completed that the people will flock into North Carolina via this route by the thousands—it would be impossible to even fence them out. In Virginia there is a stretch of 27 miles of the road now ready, and the cars literally pack the entire length of it at all times," he concluded.

Although members of the delegation were not present in the afternoon meeting of the commission, it

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