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Right-Of-Way For Parkway Is Being Sought Of Indians

Route Would Be From Soco Gap To Cherokee Indian Reservation. Decision To Be Made Today

Negotiations are being made with the Cherokee Indians today by members of the state highway commission, the Federal Government and Park Service regarding the granting of the right-of-way for the Parkway from Soco Gap to the reservation, a distance of some 11 miles.

Last May the Indians flatly refused the park service the permission of the grant to bring the Parkway from Soco Gap to the reservation. They claimed that it would take too much of their farm lands, as the route passes down the valley.

Since that time park officials have agreed to cut the right-of-way from 1,000 feet to 800 feet and keep to the hillsides as much as possible, instead of through the valley.

The surveying of the route from Soco Gap to the reservation has been completed, and the contract can be let by the first of the year if an agreement can be reached with the Indians today on the matter.

The state highway department, through Secretary of Interior Ickes, notified the Indians that a price, as set by a jury, would be paid for the land. It was also suggested by Mr. Ickes in his letter to the Indians, that the Parkway could be used by them in every way except as a commercial road, and that this rule would prevail over the entire 400 miles of the Parkway.

He also suggested that a new road would be built from Blue Wing church to the reservation, and paved with crushed stone, making an ideal road for trucks, teams and school children to travel over.

Frank W. Miller, member of the state highway department, W. T. Shelton, and R. Getty Browning, locating engineer, of the highway department, spent Wednesday at the reservation going into the matter with the leaders prior to the official meeting today.

Secretary Ickes pointed out to the Indians that it would be to their advantage to let the Parkway come through their lands, as it would bring thousands of tourists through there annually, and enable them to sell their handicraft, as well as other things.

Frederick Nichols Winner In Reading Contest Here Tues.

At chapel exercises in the high school Tuesday morning, Frederick Nichols was declared winner of the readers' contest, and will go with Miss Ethel Caldwell to Mars Hill Friday to represent the Waynesville Township High School in the district meeting.

The contest for the girls was held several weeks ago and was sponsored by the Community Club here.

The contest Tuesday was under the auspices of the public speaking club of the high school.

The winning reading Tuesday was "The Soul of American Soldiers."

Others taking part and their sections were:

"The Evolution of World Peace," Joe Johnson.

"The Minute Man of The American Revolution," David Stentz.

"Hickory Stump," Howard Collins.

"The National Flag," Paul Miller.

Enka To Spend \$300,000 In 1936 For Machinery

The American Enka corporation will spend approximately \$500,000 on normal replacement in 1936, it was announced by Vice-President A. J. L. Moritz, last week.

It was also revealed that the company's tax bill for next year will approximate \$300,000, including local, state and federal taxes.

The replacements, Mr. Moritz explained, will consist largely of machinery made obsolete by usage and improved types.

The American Enka Corporation is Buncombe county's largest employer of labor, its biggest property owner, and pays more taxes than any other industrial plant in the city or county.

Four From Here Taken To Prison

The sheriff's department carried to Raleigh Sunday, four prisoners, to turn over to the state officials, after the December term of criminal court, which was presided over by Judge Wilson Warlick adjourned last Thursday.

Those taken to Raleigh were: Jack Hoxit, sentenced 30 months for stealing a car; Laura Jones, connected with the same case, for 18 months; Wilson Caldwell, second degree murder, to serve seven years, and Cordell Smith.

Tobacco Prices Average Over \$23 On Asheville Floor

According to Lawson Jordan, supervisor of the Asheville Tobacco Market, over 700,000 pounds of tobacco have been sold during the first selling days of the 1935 season, averaging \$23 per hundred.

This record is far above that of last year, both in total pounds sold and also the price.

All three warehouses have been filled to capacity during the first week, and indications were that "full house" would be kept until the end of the week.

Although definite dates have not been determined for closing for the holidays, they have been tentatively set as closing on December 20th and opening again on December 30th, giving a ten-day holiday.

Haywood Farmers Organize Land Use Conservation Unit

Fifty Farmers Meeting Here Tuesday Hear Discussions Of Terracing And Pasture Improvements

A group of leading Haywood farmers and business men met at 2 o'clock Tuesday in the main court room of the court house and formed a "Land Use and Conservation Association." Frank Davis was elected chairman, W. T. Rainer vice chairman, Sam Mitchiner, secretary.

The program which has been underway for some time was discussed by W. D. Smith, county agent. He called attention to the group of some of the developments that had taken place in dairying in the county in the last year or so. He also touched on the steps taken on the "Rural Electrification." Attention was called to the vegetable program which got underway last year.

Roy Crouse, assistant farm agent, who is supervising the 4-H Club work and the demonstration farms, selected by the committee in the various communities, brought in his talk some interesting facts about the TVA furnishing phosphate to these farmers. The only expense to the farmers is freight. This phosphate is used especially on legumes, grasses, and permanent pastures. Thirty-nine farmers have been approved to date.

Sam Mitchiner, also assistant to Mr. Smith, who is in charge of the terracing, made an interesting short talk on the erosion problem. He brought out the fact the terracing machine had already done considerable terracing in the county and applications for terraces had been filed with him that are taking considerable time to complete. Much interest is being shown by the progressive farmers, Mr. Mitchiner stated in his terracing problem. He brought out in his talk that terracing is not a cure-all to the erosion problem, but with terracing and the use of good farm practices, the erosion problem can be greatly reduced in this county. It was brought out in the discussion by Mr. Mitchiner and Mr. Smith that when the terracing machine had completed the job that the problem of erosion is not solved, that the out-lets to the terraces and weak places in the terraces should be followed up by some one who has had experience in this type of work, and this work is now being finished. This is considered quite a problem for the farmer as he is inexperienced in this type of work.

Winners In Essay Contest Will Be Given Next Week

Judges will begin today going over the several scores of essays turned in to the Chamber of Commerce on the subject, "Why It is Good Business To Trade At Home."

The winners will be announced in the next issue of The Mountaineer. A five dollar prize will be given to the best essay turned in by an adult; a five dollar prize for the best essay from a high school student, and a \$2.50 prize for the best paper from an elementary school child.

Officials of the organization have been gratified at the response, and the material turned in was far above that received in similar contests.

Time did not permit accurate judging in time to announce the winners in today's paper.

Almost 25,000 Visit Park In November

Estimated travel to Great Smoky Mountains National Park for November, 1935 was 24,637. A traffic count taken at one of the six entrances to the park resulted in a count of 7,675 automobiles carrying 20,531 people. Estimating that 20 per cent additional people came into the park at the five other entrances, a total travel figure of 24,637 is estimated.

Automobiles from 46 states, the District of Columbia and 2 foreign countries were counted, with 16.7 per cent of visitors being from states other than Tennessee and North Carolina.

About \$80,000 In Taxes Collected By County Since Oct.

Drive Being Made To Collect Delinquent Taxes Before Suits Are Started

Since October 20, a total of \$79,921.17 has been collected in taxes due the county by tax collector and supervisor, W. H. McCracken, according to the report presented to the board of commissioners recently.

The delinquent taxes represented \$25,865.20 of the above amount, and \$54,055.97 was 1935 taxes.

The report covering the period from November 4 to November 30, inclusive, set out that back taxes as far as 1929 had been collected. The report showed:

1929 taxes	\$ 220.92
1930 taxes	181.46
1931 taxes	68.25
1932 taxes	1,121.21
1933 taxes	2,982.72
1934 taxes	19,898.44

Mr. McCracken and his assistants, have completed their schedule for going into every township in the county to make collections. They plan to spend a day in each township at some central point in order that those due the county taxes can conveniently see the collector.

It was also pointed out that suits will be started soon against those owing back taxes.

Committee To Make Index Investigation

The following, who made up a committee to offer recommendations for a new index system to be used in the office of the register of deeds, Edwin Haynes, Eugene Alley, Jr., Edwin Fincher, Weaver McCracken, and J. R. Morgan, are spending several days this week in Charlotte, Greensboro, and Winston-Salem. They are making a study of the various methods used in some of the larger counties, in order that the most practical and efficient system may be adopted for Haywood county.

Florida Man Takes Lease On Property

Mr. L. H. Stewart, of near Jacksonville, Fla., recently made a deal with Mrs. Maria Head and husband, of the Francis Cove, whereby Mr. Stewart will take over by lease all the lands of Mrs. Head in Francis Cove, except the house and a few acres adjoining, and also 650 acres in Cecil township. The Cecil tract is that formerly owned by the late Dr. Wm. G. Francis.

Mr. Stewart, it is said, has had long and extensive experience in the trucking business in Florida, also in stock-raising, and that is his purpose in leasing the Head land, here. He intends to do truck-farming at the Francis Cove place and use the Cecil tract for stock-raising.

Mr. Stewart will stock up gradually with native cattle as he can obtain them. At present he is occupying the Limer Frady house in Francis Cove.

Averages 32 Cents For Tobacco Crop

J. S. Fulbright and E. D. Bradshaw, two Haywood tobacco growers, have sold their crop of 548 pounds, and are all smiles. They sold their entire crop, which was grown on half an acre, and averaged 32 cents a pound.

For the crop, they received clear, \$176.80.

The top price of 36 cents was paid for 200 pounds, 34 cents for 170 pounds, 32 cents for 128 pounds and 7 cents for 50 pounds.

The tobacco was grown in Iron Duff township, and was sold at Asheville.

3 Men Who Held Up Local Station Caught In Tenn.

Tennessee officials arrested three Madison county men this week, and were identified by Irvin Leatherwood, local filling station operator, as being the ones who held him up early Sunday night at his station at the Waynesville city limits on the Asheville road and robbed him of \$41.

The men are charged with stealing an automobile in Greeneville, Tenn., and also holding up three stations in that state before coming into Waynesville.

KING HAS OPERATION

In London last week, King Leopold of the Belgians underwent a plastic operation for the removal of scars from his face. The scars resulted from injuries suffered by the King last August in a automobile accident near Lucerne, Switzerland, in which Queen Astrid was killed.

The cost of electricity to the homes of the nation is less than one-half its cigarette bill and less than its cosmetic bill.

Filtering Plant, To Cost \$500,000, Being Built By Champion

First Unit, Costing \$100,000 To Be Ready For Operation By January 15th

CANTON. Work is well under way here on the first unit of a new filter plant for the Champion Fibre company to cost approximately \$500,000.

More than \$100,000 is being spent on the first unit, which is expected to be in operation by the middle of next month.

The new filter plant is located on a mountain almost a mile from the fibre company plant at Canton. The cost of the present filter plant does not include equipment nor a building to house it, and fibre company officials were unable to estimate at this time just what the total cost of the first unit will be.

The old filter plant of the company is located in the mill proper and has a capacity of approximately 28,000,000 gallons of water per day. The unit under construction now is expected to provide for an additional 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 gallons daily. When all units of the new plant are completed—in discussing the time Fibre company officials say "ultimately"—additional capacity of 40,000,000 gallons of water per day will be provided for.

The new plant is a reinforced concrete and has been under construction for about two months. Officials of the company said it should be in operation by the middle of January if the weather permits. It is not possible to "pour" the concrete when the temperature hovers around the freezing point, they explained.

Read and Abee, of Asheville, are contractors for the work and, when operating at full speed, have around 75 men on the job. The reinforcing steel is being furnished by the Dave Steel company, of Asheville.

Asked why the new filter plant is being constructed, officials of the Fibre company said it is necessary for a higher quality of paper to be manufactured. The better grades of paper need more washing than the others, it was explained.

"The trade is getting fussier every year about the quality of paper" manufactured, one official explained, "if we don't make it somebody will."

Drive Being Made For Christmas Fund

Attention is being called to the shopping public of the boxes placed about town to receive funds for defraying the expenses of the Community Christmas Tree, which has been sponsored by the Woman's Club and so generously assisted each year by Oscar L. Briggs, of the city fire department and others, for the underprivileged children of the town.

Boxes will be found in convenient places in the following shops and stores: Early Fair Beauty Shop, A.P. Smith's Drug Store, Sutton's Barber Shop, Burgin Brothers, Massie's Department Store, Ruff's, Waynesville Cafe, Food Store, Waynesville Pharmacy, City Hall, and three in the C. E. Ray's Sons Department Store.

Mrs. Mattie Toy, 72, Buried Last Sunday

Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon at two o'clock at the Maple Grove church for Mrs. Mattie Toy, 72, who passed away on Saturday afternoon following an illness of six weeks. Rev. T. L. Roten, assisted by Rev. H. D. Jessup, conducted the services.

Interment was in Green Hill cemetery. Prior to her first marriage to the late Joseph L. Birchfield on April 2, 1884, Mrs. Toy was Miss Mattie R. Henry, daughter of John A. and Mary E. Henry. On Sept. 5, 1917 she was married to Mr. Van Toy.

Palbearers were: Homer Henry Frank Henry, Fred Henry, Frank Nichols, Zack Massey, and R. M. Fie.

Mrs. Toy is survived by her husband and one sister, Mrs. Malissa Teague, of West Asheville, and several nieces and nephews.

McCracken Is To Remodel His Store

M. T. McCracken, proprietor of McCracken Clothing store, announces a 15-day remodeling sale to begin Friday, Dec. 13th.

Modernizing and repainting of the store building will begin in January after the present stock of merchandise has been reduced to a minimum.

The entire stock of quality merchandise will be offered the public at drastic reductions. Mr. McCracken has secured the services of Sullivan Sales Corp., of Charlotte, to direct the sale and adjust prices. A full page advertisement will be found on the back page of this issue of The Mountaineer.

Pneumatic tires are now built six feet in diameter from tread to tread with a tire diameter of eighteen inches and a weight of five hundred pounds.

Three Attempts Made To Steal Cars On Sunday

Three attempts were made here Sunday night to steal three automobiles, but all three were futile.

A car belonging to J. R. Road, Jr., who lives on the Blawsell farm, was pulled out of the garage across the street from the apartment, and when the attempt to break the locked door of the car failed, the would-be thieves, proceeded to smash the lights and do other damage to the car.

During the service at the Baptist church Sunday night, some one tampered with the ignition of the car of the pastor of the church, Rev. H. W. Baucum. It was thought that an attempt was made to cross the wires to start the car while he was in the pulpit.

A car belonging to John L. Davis was taken from his garage and driven off, only to be brought back several hours later with a smashed fender.

No clues have been found as to any of the three attempted make-aways.

Unagusta Plant Is Being Painted

England-Walton Company Is Finishing Their Painting Program, And Minor Changes In Office Building

The swish of the paint brush is a familiar sound in Hazelwood at this time as the Unagusta Manufacturing plant is having the exterior of their entire plant painted. The former red color is being changed to aluminum, giving a bright, and more cleaner appearance.

The cost of the job will be about \$600, it was learned from officials of the company.

Just across the way, England-Walton Company, are putting the finishing touches on their office building. The entire plant was painted this summer, with more than 700 gallons of paint being used.

Several changes have also been made in the offices of the company, with several private offices being installed.

Stolen Car Returned With Smashed Fender To J. Davis

John L. Davis believes that one good deed deserves another, and is ready to do his part by the person who "borrowed" his car from the garage Sunday night for several hours and then returned it with a smashed fender.

The "borrower" of the car left a button, perhaps in payment of the gas used while using the car.

Other than the smashed fender, the car seemed none the worse for the loan. Mr. Davis parked it in his garage about five o'clock Sunday afternoon, and between that time and 9:30 it was borrowed and returned.

As a matter of courtesy, he is offering a dollar to the person who will admit they brought it back, although he will not be the only one to benefit by the offer.

Huff Was Rotary Speaker Friday

W. T. Huff, member of the Rotary Club, was the speaker on last Friday. He gave an interesting outline of the duties of a Rotarian to his club, community, and country.

Mr. Huff went into details with his address, using the four points of Rotary as his basis.

The Rotarians are sponsoring the only Scout troop in the community, and brief reports were given by Scoutmaster LeRoy Davis and his assistant, L. N. Davis.

Football Display On At Drug Store

For the seventh consecutive year, the Waynesville Pharmacy has given a window over to the display of the record of the local football team, using pictures of individual players, and also of Coach C. E. Weatherby.

The miniature field in the foreground, and the records and pictures, together with some football equipment, make the display complete.

The display idea was started the first year that Coach Weatherby came to Waynesville and has been continued since.

Hub Burnett, of the Pharmacy, designed and made the display.

OLD AGE PENSION GROUP TO MEET

The Haywood county group of the Townsend Pension movement, and all others that are interested, will meet at the court house here at two o'clock on Saturday afternoon. It was announced by R. Q. McCracken, president of the local group.

Plans Being Made To Get Power In Rural Communities

200 Farmers Hear Discussion, And Name Committee To Work Out Details Of Plan

About 200 farmers met at the court house here Tuesday morning to formally discuss "Rural Electrification," with County Agent W. D. Smith, presiding, and the discussion being led by D. E. Jones, of the Extension Service of State College.

All phases of rural electrification were discussed, particularly as to the financing and the building of lines in the various communities of the county, and also the rates and minimum rates.

A committee was appointed by the delegation to report and work out with Mr. Smith and his assistants a feasible program for the various communities.

The committee is as follows: Ruffell Cove, J. R. McLeod; Dutch Cove, G. H. Smith; Samok, G. C. Ball; Cane, J. A. Coburn; Stamey Cove, Henry Osborne; Jonathan Creek, Tom Rainer; Iron Duff, W. C. Welch; Francis Cove, Robert Brown; Beaverdam, H. G. Roper; Jones Cove, Ed Green; Abner's Cove, Ray Allen; Thickett, Roy Haynes; Maney Cove, Ramon Swain; Old Henson Road, Mrs. A. L. Ammon; Pigeon Valley, Mrs. Welch; Singleton, J. Maliska; W. H. McCracken; Fines Creek, D. Reeves; Noland; White Oak, Ben Wright; Crabtree, J. M. McCary.

This committee consists of W. T. Rainer, Henry Osborne, Ben Wright, Frank Davis, and W. D. Smith.

Just as this meeting was preparing to adjourn the representative of the Carolina Power and Light Company, Mr. Woodcock, joined the meeting and expressed the Carolina Power and Light Company's proposition pertaining to the construction of lines and minimum rates.

The committee was in a very satisfactory state of mind and adjourned till a later date to meet again after some details had been worked out in the various communities and with the proper authority of the power company.

Dr. J. F. Pate is named president of medical group.

Dr. J. Frank Pate, of Canton, was elected president of the Haywood County Medical Society at the annual December meeting, which was held at the hospital here.

Dr. Pate, past vice president, succeeds Dr. Thomas Stratfield of his city. Dr. R. S. Robinson, of Hazelwood, was named vice president.

Dr. V. H. Buckett, of Canton, was re-elected secretary-treasurer, with Dr. J. E. Abel, of Waynesville, being named as delegate to the State Medical Society and Dr. J. R. McCracken, also of Hazelwood, as alternate.

The annual banquet will be held here on Thursday, January 2.

During the banquet an interesting paper on "Foot Alloway" was presented.

Allen's Book On County Off Press

"The Annals of Haywood County," a 450-page book, published by W. C. Allen, is now being delivered, having just come from the press last week.

The book represents many years of work on the part of the author, and contains the history of Haywood county to date, together with histories of some of the leading families of the county.

The book contains about 30 illustrations, and a picture of the sponsor of each of the families. Some 58 families have their histories fully given in the book.

This is the fourth book which the author has published, and indications of present sales are that the book will be most popular in the county as well as throughout the state.

Mrs. Levona Green, 80, Buried Thursday

Funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon at the Fines Creek Methodist church for Mrs. Levona Green, 80, with the pastor of the church, Rev. A. L. Rayle, officiating.

Mrs. Green, whose death occurred at the Haywood County Hospital, had been ill for the past month and her passing at this time was not unexpected. She was the daughter of Lorenza and Ellie Russell, of Fines Creek.

Surviving are five children: J. B. Green, Nathan Green, Robert Green, and Mrs. Agnes Green, all of Fines Creek, and Mrs. Minnie McCrary, of Kannapolis.