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Over \$118,000 Paid County In Taxes In Three Months

Tax Supervisor McCracken Reports That Many Are Paying Back Taxes Daily

Since the 28th of October, a total of \$118,997.16 has been paid to Haywood county for taxes, according to an official statement given the board of commissioners in session here Monday by W. H. McCracken, tax supervisor and collector.

On Monday morning of this week, tax poll taxes were collected—one being for the year 1928, and the others for several years back.

The office recently sent out statements to every taxpayer in arrears and showed just the status of their account with the county. Hundreds have been in and paid up, it was announced.

For the period of December 2 to January 6, a total of \$30,842.12 was collected on 1935 taxes, and \$6,361.27 on back taxes, making a total for the period of \$37,203.39.

The greatest amount of back taxes collected was in November, when \$24,466.99 was paid in, together with \$25,200.07 for 1935 taxes. Almost \$50,000 was collected in November, and \$32,226.71 in October.

Officials are now working on the list arranging the names on whom suits will be brought for unpaid taxes.

Black Is Named Referee In Tax Suit By Court

Judge John M. Oglesby, who is presiding at the January term of civil court, here, appointed S. W. Black, of Bryson City, as referee in the matter of the county and state against J. C. Welch, former tax collector and the two bonding companies, who are defendants in a case involving an alleged shortage of over \$60,000 in tax funds.

The defendants gave notice of appeal to the supreme court immediately after the appointment of the referee. About half a day was consumed in arguing the case as to whether or not it was the time for appointing a referee.

No date has been set for the referee to hold a hearing in the case.

Minett Glad To Be Back Home After Trip To Florida

C. W. Minett, rural mail carrier, and family have just returned from a vacation in Florida, having spent some time at Clearwater, St. Petersburg, Daytona Beach and St. Augustine.

He reported that the tourist business there this season was lower than usual, and that WPA projects were stimulating more business than the tourists.

On the return trip they came through the sleek storm area of Georgia, and Mr. Minett reported that telephone and power poles were snapped for miles around.

His expression about the entire trip being, "I'm mighty glad to be back home. There's no place like this."

They were accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Zack Massey and Mrs. Wayne Travis, of Coffeyville, Kansas.

Second Fireman's Meeting Will Be Held Next Tues.

The second fireman's banquet will be held on Tuesday night, January 14, at the W. W. N. C. Cafe, at 7:30, it was announced yesterday by Oscar L. Briggs, fire chief.

These meetings will be regular monthly affairs, and not only will firemen attend, but plans are underway to have about thirty or forty business men present.

The feature of the program next week will be a series of short talks by the following: Grover C. Davis, W. D. Smith, J. R. Morgan, Dr. C. N. Sisk, Troy Wiche, W. T. Crawford, and Paul Martin.

Each speaker has been assigned a special subject and will be given about five minutes, Mr. Briggs said. He named W. Curtis Russ as toastmaster for the evening.

Different community problems will be discussed at these meetings.

Eastern Star Official Is Coming

Mrs. Joyce Finlator, of Raleigh, state worthy grand matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, will make her official visit with the local chapter at their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, January 16, at 7:30 at the Masonic Temple.

Officials of the local chapter are urging that all members attend this important meeting.

Two Cars Stolen Here On Sunday

Buster Casey, who seems to possess some sort of magic for securing cars, is charged with taking the car of Miss Marguerite Massie on Sunday night. The car was parked at the time it was taken around eight o'clock, in the driveway of the Massie home on Princeton Street.

The car was later found near Lake Junaluska in a totally wrecked condition. Casey was arrested by the Sheriff's department in their search for the parties who had taken the car of Geo. D. Sherrill on the same night, which was later found abandoned on Walnut street, unburnt.

A preliminary hearing was held on Tuesday afternoon before C. B. Atkinson and Casey was bound to Superior Court on bond of \$1,500. He failed to make bond and is now in jail awaiting the trial in the February term of court.

This is Casey's fifth offense in stealing cars, his last experience being with the car of Mr. Whittle, of Savannah, which he took from the driveway of Oak Park last summer. No clues have been found as to the parties taking the Sherrill car.

At the time the cars were being stolen, someone took about 20 pounds of meat from the back porch of C. W. Bailey. No clues were found. Several persons reported during the week that their coal bins had been robbed of coal.

P. L. Turbyfill, 79, Passed Away Here Tuesday Afternoon

Had Lived Here Most Of His Life. Was Member Of Town Board At One Time

Pinkney L. Turbyfill, 79, retired business man of this section, died suddenly at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at his home on Tate street.

Mr. Turbyfill was born in Catawba county on March 19, 1856, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elkanah Turbyfill of that county. He moved to Waynesville soon after the War Between the States and has spent most of his life in Haywood county.

He was in the lively stable business here for many years and was prominent in the Methodist church, of which he was a member. At one time he was a member of the Waynesville Board of Aldermen and served in the U. S. Revenue service.

The funeral will be held at 3 o'clock on Friday afternoon from the residence. Final arrangements will be made upon the arrival of his son, Mr. Charles Turbyfill, from New York.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Julia Tate Turbyfill, and the following children: Mrs. G. N. Henson, of Gastonia; Mrs. J. W. Tate, of Asheville; Mrs. J. C. Turner, of Elmer, N. J.; Mrs. O. R. Martin, Waynesville; Charles O. Turbyfill, of New York City; and Pinkney L. Turbyfill, of Waynesville, and several grandchildren.

Rotarians Are "Most Optimistic"

Last week the Rotarians had an open meeting, at which time different members were asked questions regarding their outlook for 1936. Some of the questions were about the activities of the club, while others dealt with local, state and national movements.

The discussions were entered into freely, and the general conclusion was a "most optimistic outlook for the coming year."

Some expressing the belief that this would be the best business year since 1929.

Dr. C. N. Sisk has charge of the program this next Friday.

James Fulbright, 79, Given Burial Here Last Week

Funeral service were held Saturday for James Fulbright, 79, who passed away Thursday at the hospital. The services were held at the home of Hardy Fulbright, a son, and were conducted by Rev. Frank Leatherwood, pastor of a Canton Baptist church, and assisted by the Rev. Alfred Arrington.

Mr. Fulbright was well known in this state and South Carolina, and was liked by all who knew him.

He is survived by three sons: Hardy T. Fulbright, of Waynesville; John H. Fulbright, Union, S. C.; and W. Jones Fulbright, Columbia, S. C., and two sisters, Mrs. John Palmer and Mrs. Bud Bradley.

Interment was made at the family plot. The floral offerings were both beautiful and numerous.

STOCKHOLDERS TO MEET

The stockholders of the First National Bank will meet at the bank on Tuesday, January 14, at ten o'clock. It was announced this week by bank officials.

All stockholders are requested to attend.

Inter-City Speaker



J. G. K. McCLURE, JR.

Boosters Club To Entertain Rotary Club At Banquet

James G. K. McClure, Jr., president of the Farmers' Federation, of Asheville, will be the principal speaker Thursday night at seven o'clock at the Hazelwood Presbyterian Hut, at which time the Boosters Club of Hazelwood will be host to the Waynesville Rotary Club.

This is the second inter-city meeting within the past three months, and leaders of both groups plan to make these meetings at least semi-annual.

Mr. McClure is well known in Haywood, and has spoken to several groups here.

3,602 Textbooks Distributed In Haywood County

School Children Rent 1,127 and 2,175 Have Been Sold, Delay In Arriving Cause Of Low Percentage

By Ernest Messer.

The records of the State Textbook Purchase and Rental Commission show that, while the textbooks arrived too late for the opening of school, a large number of school children in Haywood county availed themselves of the opportunity to acquire cheap books.

A total of 3,602 books were distributed in the county by the state authorities. Of this number 1,427 were rented and 2,175 sold directly to the pupils. The 1,427 books that were rented represent approximately thirty-nine per cent of the total number of books distributed in the county by the state authorities. This thirty-nine per cent represents a rather high percentage, when one considers that the books arrived late and that the present system of distribution of books is new in this part of the state, which alone would cause many people to be wary of it.

These records further show that a larger percentage of high school students bought books, while a larger percentage of the elementary students rented books. Of the 2,175 books sold, 1,184 were sold to elementary pupils and 991 to high school pupils; of the 1,427 books that were rented, 1,081 were rented to elementary pupils and 346 to high school pupils.

There has been much objection to, and criticism of, the rental system of the large amount of book-keeping that is necessary, and the undue amount of responsibility that is placed upon the officials and teachers for the safe return of the books. But objection or not objections, the appeal of cheap textbooks is great enough to insure the permanence of the system.

Estimated That Over 13,000 Entered Park In Dec.

Estimated travel to Great Smoky Mountains National Park for December, 1935, was 13,561. A traffic count taken at one of the six entrances to the park resulted in a count of 4,594 automobiles carrying 11,301 people. Estimating that 20 per cent additional people came into the park at the five other entrances, a total travel figure of 13,561 is estimated.

Automobiles from 44 states, the District of Columbia and Canada were counted, with 13.7 per cent of visitors being from states other than Tennessee and North Carolina.

Miss Emily Palmer has returned to Western Carolina Teachers College after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn C. Palmer, of Crabtree.

Col. Wm. Stoughton, Keeper Of Max Patch Passed Away Jan. 4

For Many Years He Had Lived In This Section. Was A Lumberman From New England

Col. William H. Stoughton, 79, passed away on January 4th at Newport, Tenn., following an illness of only four days. As was his custom, he had closed his lodge at Max Patch in the fall and was spending the winter in Newport. He had gone to his place on the mountain to see about his arble, and was snow bound and compelled to spend the night at the Patch, where he contracted a severe cold, which soon developed into pneumonia.

Col. Stoughton was a native of Royalton, Vermont, and was a well known lumberman of New England, when thirty years ago he became superintendent of the late Col. Boice and the Boice Hardwood Company, which owned millions of feet of lumber and thousands of acres in this section. In his early years he was identified with the business and social activities of the larger cities, but after he came to this section and was kept so close to the mountains in his work he developed a great attraction for the country.

He had lived for the past seventeen years at Max Patch, where his lodge had become a favorite place not only for tourists but for local people. During his years here many distinguished guests have been entertained and enjoyed his country hospitality.

He will be greatly missed by his neighbors, who live in the vicinity of the Patch. He kept it first and last, and was ready at all times, not only with his kindly advice, but with financial aid to those who needed help.

Funeral services were held in Newport and again in South Royalton, Vermont, where interment was made. He is survived by two brothers and a nephew, William Stoughton Carrier, the latter of West Lebanon, N. H.

Mrs. Mary Long, 76, Buried Monday At Bethel Me. Church

Mrs. Mary Long, seventy-six-year-old resident of Bethel, died at her home in Bethel at 12:00 o'clock Sunday, after an illness of four weeks. She had been suffering for a long time from heart trouble, and recently suffered a stroke of paralysis.

Mrs. Long is survived by four children: two sons, Marvin and Theodore, and two daughters, Mrs. Deatur Justice and Mrs. Weaver Hyatt, all of the Bethel community. Her husband, Baxter Long, to whom she was married more than fifty years ago, died in 1896.

Mrs. Long and her family have long been prominent members of the community. She spent the whole of her seventy-six years here, and until recently took an active part in the affairs of the Bethel section. She also was an active member of the Methodist church.

The funeral services were held at two-thirty o'clock Monday at the Methodist church. Rev. Highfill and Rev. Tom Erwin were in charge.

Frank Tittle Of Hazelwood Is Buried Sunday

Frank Tittle, 19, died at 1:30 Friday morning at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tittle, on Church street in Hazelwood, after an illness of only four days. Death was due to an attack of pneumonia. Frank was an employee of the A. C. Lawrence Leather Company, in the Cut Sole department. He was a young man of excellent qualities. Friendliness was a striking trait of his character. The many beautiful flowers and the large number attending the last rites were tokens of what Frank meant to the community.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at the Hazelwood Baptist church at 2:30. Rev. J. M. Woodard, pastor, was in charge of the services, assisted by Rev. O. C. Landrum. Special music was rendered by the Parker quartet of Canton. Interment was in Green Hill cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. R. S. Roberson, L. M. Richeson, Harry McCracken, C. N. Allen, Dr. N. F. Lanaster, E. L. Armour, Lawrence Davis, E. C. Wagenfeld, Leo Martel, John Blalock, Tom Blalock, Sam Knight, and Sam Lane.

Active pallbearers were Louie Clark, Louie Byrd, Ernest Truett, Harry Whisenand, Winfred Wright, Robert Wagenfeld, Ralph Summerville, and Jack Snyder.

Surviving are the parents, three brothers and one sister: Bruce, of Detroit, Gerald, of Jacksonville, Fla., Fred, of Hazelwood, and Dorothy, of Hazelwood, with a number of other relatives and a host of friends.

Haywood Farmers Express Regret Over 'AAA Death'

County Agent W. D. Smith Believes A Substitute For AAA Will Be Worked Out

Supreme Court Hold That AAA Is Unconstitutional. Act Brought Much To Haywood

By W. D. SMITH

"Perhaps you are alarmed at the decision of the United States Supreme Court declared the entire AAA program unconstitutional. This is a serious blow to organized agriculture, but it is not the first time that we have had to take hard licks, however this is the most severe lick agriculture has ever received from the Supreme Court."

Do not become discouraged because this is not the spirit of American agriculture. We have been fighting for 150 years. We have won many battles and we have lost some. This is only the first round and we must fight a way out. The ideals of the AAA are not dead as a result of the supreme court decision, methods may die from time to time, but ideas do not.

"In dollars and cents it is not hard to calculate what the AAA program has meant to farmers of Haywood county, and in turn, this benefit to the farmer has been helpful to the business and industrial life of Haywood county."

"In benefit payments in the past two years, to date, Haywood county farmers have received \$44,000. An increase in prices for burley which amount nearly 100,000 dollars."

"If we cannot pay our boys a good deal, or in other words, adjust agriculture in the same way big business makes adjustments, then we will have to go back to the old days of 50c a bushel."

"The farmers of Haywood county voted overwhelmingly last year to continue the program. This vote means clearly that the farmers believe in receiving for their commodity cost plus, or put in another way, the farmers of Haywood county and America believe that we should receive for the commodity we sell a living wage. These farmers have said by their vote and action that organization and co-operation have brought results of benefit to the farmers and in turn have reflected benefit to all business. Therefore, the farmers believe it right and just to continue these efforts. The supreme court decision is so far reaching in its implication that it is necessary for agriculture to consider wealth before taking the next step. This is being done by all leaders and until we determine fully what is best to do, do not do any thing radical."

"We will be very glad to hear from the farmers as to what step they think should be taken in the coming program. Should the door be thrown wide open and allow unlimited production or should we produce only what the market demands. We have a full faith that what in the end will come out. As soon as we know fully some of the details you will be hearing from us."

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Cawood B. Howell, Native Of Haywood Buried On Monday

Funeral services were conducted on Monday morning at 11 o'clock at the Shady Grove Methodist church for Cawood B. Howell, of Miami, Fla., who died Friday night in the Walter Reed Hospital of Washington, D. C., with the Rev. G. F. Houck, officiating.

Mr. Howell was a native of Haywood county and was the son of the late Ellis J. Howell and Mrs. Lula Moore Howell. He had been residing in Miami, Fla. for the past ten years, and returned to this county last summer for his health. He had been a patient in the Walter Reed Hospital for the past two months. He was a veteran of the World War.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Gertrude McVey Howell, his mother, Mrs. Lula Moore Howell, and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. W. T. Rainer, G. V. Howell, and B. S. Howell, of Waynesville, R. A. Howell, of New York City; Mrs. R. M. Rothgeb, of Raleigh, and Mrs. J. H. McLinn, of Miami.

Employee Of Plant At Hazelwood Dies In Asheville

Hugh A. Franklin, 24, of Candler, employee of the Unagusta Manufacturing Co., died at 4:00 o'clock Monday afternoon in an Asheville hospital after an illness of two days.

Mr. Franklin is survived by his widow, Mrs. Bonnie Franklin, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin, of Franklin, and several brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held at the Holly Springs cemetery in Macon county at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Supreme Court Hold That AAA Is Unconstitutional. Act Brought Much To Haywood

On Monday afternoon the United States supreme court knocked the second main supporting pillar of the New Deal down when they declared in a 6 to 3 vote that the AAA was unconstitutional.

Immediately after the decision, farm leaders and the President, together with Secretary Wallace began plans for something that will fill in the gap which the AAA has filled for the past two years. Word coming from Washington is that the many different angles of the problem will be carefully worked out before any definite decision is made.

Farmers here received the news as a severe blow to their farm program, but expressed themselves freely as believing that something almost as good would be worked out for them. County Agent W. D. Smith said that it was expected that some parts of the AAA would be hit by the high court, but that the complete wiping out was a severe blow to all concerned.

In a statement issued yesterday, which is published in today's paper, Mr. Smith urged the farmers not to "get upset or go into a panic, as something would be done, he believed."

Farmers in the county agent's office were still springing for their new tobacco contract as if nothing had happened. No changes were made in the staff at the office, as the present budget plans are completed until after March, it was learned.

From Washington the news came that something like \$283,000,000 was still owed by the AAA. In addition, officials said, they had already paid out \$200,000,000 more than the treasury has received in processing taxes.

President Roosevelt stated he had no statement to make regarding whether or not new farm-aid legislation was possible under the court's majority AAA opinion, and that no decision had been reached on the continuance of the AAA machinery.

EXPRESSIONS ON AAA

W. H. McCracken—"The farmers will be in a bad shape unless something is provided to take the place of the AAA. The benefits certainly enabled many farmers to pay their taxes. I don't know of anyone who was against the AAA plan."

J. L. Walker—"I wish it had stayed in force. It was the only means we had of getting better prices."

T. L. Green—"In all probability the death of the AAA will mean a demoralizing of farm prices."

J. C. Welch—"This, and other supreme court rulings, in my opinion, will result in the constitution being changed—and I ought to be changed."

W. A. Moore—"I think about it like the little boy did when he fell down—and that's not hardly proper to print."

H. B. Mauney—"What the supreme court has done now has broken the poor farmer's back-bone."

Mad Dog At Bethel Bites Two People

Two people of Bethel community were bitten by a mad dog early Wednesday morning. The two victims, French Pressley and Weaver Sheffield, are taking the anti-hydrophobia treatment.

The dog, a large German police dog, came into the community several days ago. He attacked several automobiles, a number of hogs, and in all probability, several dogs. The dog was killed immediately after the attack on the two people. Several residents of the community are keeping their dogs tied, for fear that they were bitten by the mad dog.

Miss Carmen Platt spent the weekend in Asheville as the guest of Miss Johnnie Russell.

Mrs. N. M. Medford and a party of friends were among those motoring to Asheville on Monday.

Mrs. Floyd Bullock and daughters, Misses Sara Ann and Melrose Bullock, of Falmouth, Va., are here visiting relatives. They spent the holidays in Waxabachie and Dallas, Texas. En route here they visited Mrs. Bullock's brother in Elizabethton, Tenn.

The Weather

Date	Max.	Min.
1	37	5
2	38	25
3	52	34
4	43	25
5	40	23
6	44	29
7	53	32
8	51	31