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Encouraging Reports Given To C. Of C. Directors

Annual Meeting And Election Of Directors Will Be Held Friday, Feb. 26th

The directors of the Chamber of Commerce have set Friday evening, February 26th, as the date for the annual election of directors for the coming year. The meeting will be held at the court house.

At their meeting Tuesday night, the directors heard a report from the secretary, J. Dale Stentz, as to the activities of the organization for the past year. The report was encouraging from every point, the directors agreed, and the number of things that have been accomplished were termed as "astounding" by the directors.

Mr. Stentz will give this same report at the annual meeting.

The report of the treasurer of the organization also showed that over \$2,100 have been collected for 1936. There are several pledges with balances due, the report showed. W. H. Massie is treasurer.

Besides the reports, Charles E. Ray, Jr., president, called for a report from the industrial committee, of which L. M. Richeson is chairman. The board entered into a discussion of the report, and it was the opinion of the board that the committee's report was the most encouraging that had been made in a number of years. Active work along several lines has been started, but no definite statement regarding any one of these was made public.

Improvements Made To Interior Of Store At C. E. Ray's Sons

Extensive improvements have been in progress at C. E. Ray's Sons for the past several weeks. The ceiling of the store has been re-painted, and a number of dress compartments in the ready-to-wear department.

In the ready-to-wear department, three dressing rooms have been built. This will afford an individual room for the customers, it was pointed out. Several dress cases, with sliding doors, have been built. These will give more space for the display of ready-to-wear.

Several changes have been made in the shoe department. Two display cases have been added to the equipment, and a separate department established for the large stock of work shoes.

Plans are being made to make other exterior changes, it was learned.

Hill Sharp Hurt When Truck Hits Freight Engine

Hill Sharp was painfully injured last Thursday afternoon, when the lightweight truck he was riding in crashed into the side of a freight engine at the Boyd Avenue crossing.

Sharp sustained a fractured skull, but was reported as doing nicely at the Haywood County Hospital yesterday.

Carl Reece was said to have been the driver of the truck, and W. Crawford McCracken was a passenger. Neither of them were injured. The truck hit the engine about mid-way, it was said, and then crashed into a telephone pole. Other than a broken wheel the truck was not damaged.

The accident happened during one of the hardest downpours of last week.

BUYERS FROM MASSIE'S ON TRIP TO ST. LOUIS

Mr. Hugh Massie and Mrs. Roy Campbell left on Sunday for St. Louis, where they will purchase spring merchandise for Massie's Department store. In Knoxville they joined a group of buyers and motored to St. Louis. Mr. Massie had intended making the trip last week, but was delayed on account of flood conditions.

To All Readers—

Are you keeping up with what is going on in Washington and Raleigh by reading the two special columns under "What Is Going On In Our Capitals?" We believe you will find in them some facts that are of vital concern to you and your family.

Noted Lecturer



DR. C. E. BARKER

Noted Lecturer To Appear Here Tuesday, February 9th

Rotary Club Of This City Sponsoring Three Addresses By C. E. Barker

Four million adults, three million high school students, and a half million college students have been inspired by Dr. Charles E. Barker, lecturer and teacher, who comes to Waynesville next Tuesday, February 9th, under the auspices of the Waynesville Rotary Club.

Dr. Barker will speak at eleven o'clock before the high school students, and at 12:45 he will speak to the Rotary Club, and at 7:30 that evening will address the public at the court house.

His most popular lecture, "How To Make The Most Out of Life," has always inspired the high school students. It has been found that three (Continued on back Page)

Cabe's Bill Will Make Changes On Education Board

(Special to The Mountaineer.)

Representative John Cabe has in his pocket a bill which will introduce within the next few days, making material changes in the Board of Education of Haywood county. He will appoint John Best as a member of the board for a term of six years, R. T. Messer for four years and Homer V. Carle for two years. The term of office of all the members thus appointed will begin on April 1, of this year.

Mr. Cabe's bill to reduce the salaries of the mayor and the members of the board of aldermen of Waynesville has not yet been introduced, but the Haywood representative states that this too will be dropped into the hopper of the House within a short time.

Mr. Cabe's bill regarding the change on the board of education, reads as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Education of Haywood County be composed of three members, to-wit: R. T. Messer, John Best and Homer V. Carle, who shall begin their terms of office from and after the first day of April, 1937.

Section 2. That John Best be and he is hereby appointed a member of (Continued on back Page)

Monument Company To Open In Town

The latest business to open in Waynesville is the Haywood Monument Company, with H. B. Angel, general manager.

Mr. Angel was here last week, and rented office space in the First National Bank building, and the lot just back of the bank for display of his monuments.

He has worked in this territory for several years as a monument salesman, and says he has erected monuments in all parts of the county.

The manager of the new concern came to Waynesville from Franklin.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Kinsland

Funeral services will be conducted this morning from the home in Woodrow, for Mrs. Gertrude Sisk Kinsland, 32, wife of James H. Kinsland, who died at 1:25 o'clock on Tuesday at the Haywood County Hospital. Mrs. Kinsland had been in ill health for some time.

The Rev. Thomas Erwin, pastor of the Riverside Baptist church, will officiate. Burial will be in the Bethel cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, J. H. Kinsland, one son, James, Jr., two sisters, Mrs. Marjory Morgan, and Miss Pauline Sisk, two brothers, J. G. and Harold Sisk.

Epidemic Of Fishing Fever Rages, As Winter's Balmy Days Still Continue

According to G. C. Platt, game and forestry warden of Haywood County, the spring weather of January has given a decided impetus to the sale of fishing licenses. Since the 15th of January Mr. Platt has sold around 100 licenses.

Fishing, however, at this season of the year is confined to Lake Junaluska, which is open the year round with the exception of forty days beginning the 15th of April and closing June 10th, which is the spawning season of the shiners, crabs and red horse with which the lake is stocked.

On April 15th the trout season opens, with the privilege of fishing until July 31st, thus making it possible to fish any day in the year in Haywood county.

The year 1936 marked the highest record of licenses ever sold by

a game warden in the county. Mr. Platt collected \$1,904 on hunting licenses, \$1,500 on fishing licenses, and \$100 on fur dealers, making a total of \$3,504, which goes into the fund of the state conservation and development department.

This is by far the largest total amount ever collected in one year in the county, making a ten per cent increase in both the hunting and fishing licenses of the highest previous record.

During the months of January and February Mr. Platt is directing conservation work in the county schools, which includes the distribution of literature. Last month the program included several lectures given in the high schools of the county by John H. Pugh, assistant warden of the Great Smoky Forest.

Road From Sunburst To Rosman Being Built By CCC Men

Will Be Beautiful Scenic Drive When Completed; And Short-Cut To S. C.

The CCC camp at Sunburst, is now engaged in building a 22-foot road from Sunburst up the mountain to connect with the road that has been built from Rosman, in Transylvania county. The road when completed, will make a short cut to South Carolina, it was pointed out by Lieut. Magid, who is in charge of the camp.

With Lieut. Magid was Thomas Ramsey, who is in charge of the work. These two men discussed the work at the regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club last Friday. They pointed out that at present they had 104 men in camp. During the past week five of the men who had trained had been given good jobs.

Approximately \$3,000 is received by parents in Haywood county each month from their boys who are in CCC camps. Each boy sends \$25 home.

The Sunburst camp has one of the highest ratings of any camp in the south. The boys are also taught several trades, including masonry, form carpentry, and cement work.

30-ton bridges are being built along the road over the mountain, and in several places high rock retaining walls have been constructed. This road, when completed, will be one of the most beautiful scenic drives in Western North Carolina, it was said.

Robert Hardin, of Waynesville, is superintendent of work at the Sunburst camp.

Mr. Jack Messer and Miss Marie Platt left on Saturday for New York City, where the former has gone to purchase spring models for the Fashion Shop. They were accompanied as far as Greensboro by Mr. Jack Messer, who spent the week-end in Raleigh.

Cherokee Auto Company Property Bought By C.V. Bell

Mr. Bell Plans To Make Extensive Improvements Soon After July First

A deed was filed yesterday by C. V. Bell, for the property, building and fixtures of the Cherokee Auto Company, on Depot street.

Mr. Bell said that he made the purchase from the Home Building and Loan Association. The sale includes everything but the stock. Paul Walker, who operates the garage, has a lease on the place until July first, Mr. Bell stated.

Soon after the first of July, Mr. Bell said he would completely remodel the place, and make a modern one-stop station there. Several thousand dollars will be spent in remodeling the building, he said, and a complete line of Texaco products, will be used. Mr. Bell is commission agent for The Texas Company, here.

Commissioners To Meet Again Today

The board of county commissioners are meeting again today, for their third meeting this week. They met all day Monday and Tuesday.

Chairman J. A. Lowe said that several special matters of importance would be discussed by the board this morning. The two meetings the first of the week were necessitated by an increase in the number of people applying for relief, and also several delegations of citizens who brought matters before the board.

Matters of general routine were disposed of, and among them was completing plans for bringing suits for back taxes, as stressed in an advertisement appearing elsewhere in this paper.

What's Going On In Our Capitals

IN WASHINGTON

(By Senator Robert R. Reynolds.) Often some highly constructive piece of legislation is thrown into the Congressional hopper and lost in the grind because it lacks dramatic appeal. In other words, its great significance is not quickly grasped. Such a measure has been offered by my colleague, Senator King, of Utah. It asked the President to call for Federal and state conferences on the subject of taxation with the objective of bringing order out of chaos in the taxing field.

There is no single issue of greater importance to our people today than the need for settling once and for all the proper sources of tax revenue for the Federal Government, the states and their political subdivisions. The present method of double taxation, whereby the Federal Government and the states, and often counties and cities, tap the same tax reservoirs is having a disastrous effect. The situation is steadily growing worse.

One example is gasoline. The Federal Government collects a gas tax, every state levies such a tax, and in many sections county and cities have superimposed gas taxes. The result is that in many areas the combined taxes exceed the price of the commodity. Another example is cigarette taxes. In one state the users of cigarettes pay a Federal tax of six cents and state tax of five cents, or a total of eleven cents on each package. At this rate, the use of one package of cigarettes each day means an annual tax bill of \$40.15. Here are two flagrant instances of double taxation, others could be cited.

The existing duplicate taxation, made possible through hidden taxes—levies included in the purchase price (Continued on Page Two)

IN RALEIGH

(By Dan Tompkins.) While the two big committees, Appropriations and Finance are working almost day and night on their jobs of allotting the money with which to finance the state's institutions and departments, and in raising the revenue for meeting the appropriations, the Assembly itself has not been idle, and is making what will probably be a recent years record in completing the task and adjourning.

The redistricting bill, which would have followed out the constitutional mandate and redistributed the membership of the House according to the population of the counties, went down to its third defeat since the last census was taken, and by a larger majority than in previous sessions. Representative Cabe, of Haywood, Ledbetter, of Jackson, and Cooper, of Cherokee, were members from the far west who voted with the east to put to death the bill which would have taken representatives from three eastern counties and added to the House delegations from Buncombe, Guilford and Mecklenburg. Representative Patton, of Macon, was not present when the roll was called, Jones of Swain, Kinsey, of Transylvania, and Burgin, of Henderson, of the Democrats, and Jenkins, of Graham, of the Republicans, voted for the bill. All other Republicans in the House joined with the east in defeating the bill. In 1933 the bill would have passed, and the constitution would have been made effective, had it not been for the fact that the solid Republican delegation joined with the east, in doing the bill to death.

The tobacco compact bill passed the House and went over to the Senate where it is now under discussion; but it is still problematical whether it is in doing the bill to death. (Continued on Page Six)

New High Mark Is Reached In Deposits

A new record was reached by the First National Bank on the first of February, when the total resources of the institution were almost a million dollars—in fact, just short of that figure by \$8,500, according to a statement made yesterday by J. H. Way, Jr., cashier.

Present deposits are approximately \$200,000 more than this same date last year.

Monday morning of this week, the resources were \$837,455.94, on the same date last year they were \$640,489.20, which is an increase of \$196,966.74.

Judge Alley Being Endorsed For Place On Supreme Court

Bar Associations In 55 Counties Have Already Requested Governor To Appoint Alley

Judge Felix E. Alley was endorsed by the directors of the Chamber of Commerce, for an appointment as a member of the Supreme Court. This action was taken Monday night at their meeting.

Judge Alley has been endorsed by the bar associations of about 55 counties of the state, and hundreds of individuals have written Governor Clyde Hoey asking that he place Judge Alley on the Supreme Court bench.

The Haywood Bar Association was among the first to endorse Judge Alley after it became known last November that the voters of the state had overwhelmingly voted to supplement the five justices with two additional ones. This was a constitutional amendment, and has been passed on by the legislature.

Friends of Judge Alley who have been keeping in close touch with the situation, feel that the Waynesville jurist will be one of newly appointed Supreme Court judges.

B. E. Colkitt Now Heads Boy Scout Work Of District

At the meeting of the Canton-Waynesville district of the Daniel Boone Boy Council, of the Boy Scouts, which was organized in Waynesville, last Friday night, B. E. Colkitt was elected chairman, and H. E. Whitehead, of Canton, was elected vice-chairman.

The meeting was held at the Chamber of Commerce and was attended by representatives of Canton, Waynesville, and Hazelwood. Scout Executive A. W. Allen, of Asheville, explained the plan of operation of a district.

The Canton-Waynesville district will supervise and promote Scouting in Haywood county. There are already one troop at Waynesville and one at Canton and the district committee expects to organize from five to ten new troops this year. Arrangements have been made to start training course on February 19 for all those interested in organizing Scout troops. The first two sessions will be held in Waynesville and the last two in Canton.

Members of the district committee are: B. E. Colkitt, H. E. Whitehead, L. M. Richeson, M. C. Green, A. M. Fairbrother, L. M. Knott, J. Boyd Smathers, Dr. S. P. Gay, Ralph Prevost, M. W. Watkins, M. H. Bowles, William Medford, Dr. A. P. Cline, and James Henderson.

Mr. Colkitt has appointed the following committee chairmen: Leadership and training, M. D. Watkins; advancement, William Medford; organization, M. H. Bowles; finance, Dr. A. P. Cline and Ralph Prevost; health and safety, Dr. J. R. Westmoreland; camping, J. Boyd Smathers.

Noted Business Authority To Address Merchants

Arrangements have been made to have Mr. Buisch, of the merchant's division of the National Cash Register Company, to address the business men of this community on the subject: "Business, Methods and Efficiency," on Monday morning at eleven o'clock, at the Chamber of Commerce offices.

Mr. Buisch is a much sought after speaker on business affairs. He is en route to Atlanta to fill a speaking engagement before the merchants of Atlanta.

Last year when Mr. Buisch spoke before the Asheville merchants he was termed by them as being the best business authority that they ever heard. It was only by reason of Mr. Buisch passing through Waynesville en route to Atlanta, that he could stop at Waynesville. It is seldom that he stops in towns with less than 20,000 population.

Everyone interested is invited to attend. There will no admission charges.

Sherman Brown To Face Trial Today, Murder Charged

True Bills Returned In The Four Cases Growing Out Of Automobile Accidents

Solicitor John M. Queen told The Mountaineer yesterday afternoon after court had adjourned, that he would call the case of Sherman Brown, colored, who is charged with killing his first cousin, Hilliard Brown, early in 1934. Brown was arraigned in court Wednesday morning and entered a plea of not guilty, before Judge Donald E. Phillips.

Solicitor Queen had not made public last night whether he would charge Brown with first degree murder or a lesser charge. W. Roy Francis is attorney for Brown.

True bills were returned in each of the four cases growing out of automobile accidents. They were: Melvin Reeves, Miss Annie Roe Ferguson, James Garrett and Ned Carver. These cases stand ready for trial, but no date has been set by Solicitor Queen for calling them.

Gudger Bryson, foreman of the grand jury, told The Mountaineer that the grand jury had completed their work Wednesday night, with the exception of inspecting four of five public buildings, and the clerk's office.

In his charge to the grand jury, Judge Phillips pointed out the duties of the group by giving the foundation and principles and present purposes of the grand jury.

He stressed what he termed "two growing evils," they were reckless and drunken driving, and the increase of larceny among the white men and boys. A glance over the docket of this term of court showed that both of the evils stressed by Judge Phillips, represented a majority of the cases on the Haywood docket.

The grand jury named to serve for the year, were: Gudger Bryson, foreman, Floyd McClure, J. D. Duckett, Fred Thompson, Wade Scroggs, B. E. Smathers, Guy Fulbright, Herman Burgess, Gaston Rhymer, W. L. Kuykendall, J. C. Burnett, H. H. Anderson. (Continued on back Page)

County Tax Collections Reach A New High Level

Tax collections for Haywood county soared to new heights, last month, when a total of \$38,063.10 was added to the county's treasury, according to the regular monthly report made Monday by tax collector W. H. McCracken to the board of commissioners.

Mr. McCracken's report showed that \$541.42 of the amount collected was for penalties. The largest amount collected was for 1936 taxes. This item amounted to \$34,711.58. The 1935 payments were set at \$11,229.50.

Collections were made back as far as 1927.

The complete report is as follows:

Year	Net Taxes	Penalties	Total Collected
1927	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	
1928	8.65	2.65	10.70
1929	135.62	51.53	185.16
1930	233.40	67.54	300.94
1931	392.54	122.46	514.82
1932	321.30	84.67	406.05
1933	361.82	77.60	439.42
1934	832.32	37.17	209.49
1935	1,925.15	97.82	1,122.95
1936	34,711.58		34,711.58
Total	37,521.68	541.42	38,063.10

Two Local Policemen Now In Flood Area

The following message has been received by Chief James L. Stringfield, of the police department from Ben Bryson and Max Cochran, local policemen, who left here during the week to offer their services in the flood area:

"Arrived in Louisville safely. Have good quarters with the Charlotte and Raleigh police department. Tell the folks we are all Okeh."

Mr. Farmer—

Beginning in today's issue of The Mountaineer—on page three—there is a full page devoted to your interest. Special attention is called to the county agent's column.

If you have matters you think will be of interest to other farmers, won't you send them to us—just sign your name to them.

Narrow Outside Margin