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Commissioners Order Revaluation Of Property In County

Lists And Assessors Will Begin Work April First Under John Hipps

Newly appointed tax listers and assessors were given final instructions by the board of commissioners here today to begin a revaluation of all property in the county on the first of April.

The commissioners a week ago decided to have a revaluation, and named listers and assessors for the job. John Hipps was named assistant tax supervisor and will have charge of field work. Mr. Hipps will be under W. H. McCracken, tax supervisor. The last revaluation was held in Waynesville in 1927.

In 1933, however, that the board of commissioners acted as an equalization board, and made a horizontal cut of ten per cent.

The present valuation of Haywood county is set at approximately \$22,000,000.

The new valuation will be made in an effort to get every piece of land in the county on the tax books.

It is estimated that it will require about 60 days to complete the work in the town and about 30 days in the county. One lister and two assessors have been assigned to each township.

The commissioners felt that a revaluation was necessary, because there have been many improvements of some property that have at times escaped proper taxation.

The list of people named to do the work of making the revaluation are as follows:

Iron Duff township, T. C. Davis, lister, Manson Medford and W. T. Bryson, assessors.

Ivy Hill, Cordell Evans, lister, A. Howell and J. F. Shelton.

Jonathan Creek, Charlie Moody, lister, Nathan Carver and John Howell.

Waynesville, R. C. Francis, lister, C. Welch and Walter Ferguson.

Pigeon, Gay Burnette, lister, John Inland and Dillard Caldwell.

Crabtree, Lee Rogers, lister, Rufus Cracker and Bob Rogers.

East Fork, Ken Burnett, lister, Bill Burnett and Joe Michael.

Clyde, Carey Byers, lister, Jim Bedford and R. L. Penland.

White Oak, Ben Wright, lister, Bill Williams and Dibe Duckett.

Fines Creek, Roy Rogers, lister, W. Green and Charlie McCrary.

Cecil, Perry Allen, lister, Charlie Moody and Horace Moody.

Cataochee, Flora Palmer, lister, Bill Palmer and Mack Caldwell.

The listers named for Beaverdam township were unable to serve, and others have not been named to date.

Several Of Cabe's Bills Passed Upon

Among the recent bills introduced by Representative Cabe, includes:

Increasing the salary of the tax lister and tax supervisor from \$800 to \$2,000 a year.

Another bill provides for a prosecuting attorney for the police court in Canton. The salary not to be less than \$40 or more than \$75 a month. The attorney would be elected at the regular town election in May.

The bill which validated the re-issuing records of the register of deeds here, has been ratified.

The Senate killed the bill which would provide for the establishment of a liquor store in Canton and Waynesville in the event Beaverdam and Waynesville townships voted for stores and the remainder of the county against them in the election which has been called on the issue.

How To Read Your Label

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Indians Vote 6 To 5 Against Exchanging Land With Park

Action Of Council Temporarily Blocks Parkway From Soco Gap To Cherokee

The tribal council of the Cherokee Indians voted 5 to 6 Monday against the proposal of giving a 1,000-foot right-of-way for the Blue Ridge Parkway from Soco Gap to the Reservation.

Up until last week, those in close contact with the council felt that they would favor the granting of the right-of-way for the Parkway in exchange for better farming land now within the park area.

There is a possibility that the council will meet again and reconsider the matter.

In Wednesday's issue of The Asheville Citizen, in an editorial, suggested that:

"The inability of the government to put forward any proposal that will satisfy the Indians would seem to point clearly to the necessity for going ahead now with the route which would lead from near Soco Gap to Black Camp Gap and thence along a high ridge to Heintooza Bald at the head of Flat Creek; proceeding thence to New Found Gap. Those who know the terrain intimately seem to be virtually unanimous in the opinion that this would provide a magnificent entrance to the park. It would be, it is urged, a fitting climax in all respects to even the most superb of the other stretches of the Parkway.

"While the adoption of this alternate route will involve a further unwelcome delay that would seem to be something that will have to be accepted with the best grace possible. We would have been much farther along if this route had been decided upon in the beginning, as some urged should be done. We have gotten exactly nowhere after the long discussions of the Cherokee Reservation route and it is not apparent here that there is anything further which Secretary Ickes might do to eliminate opposition on the part of the Cherokees. The suggestion that the state now go forward with its original plans for building a highway from Soco Gap to Smokemont is probably no longer practicable. The money with which the state was going to do this is gone and it would almost certainly be difficult to persuade the Federal government to provide a new appropriation for this purpose, in view of the general situation as it now exists."

Several Waynesville people expressed themselves as being keenly disappointed over the action taken by the Indians. The people here thus far have not altogether favored the idea of dropping of the Soco Gap-Cherokee road. While it might be impossible to get a 1,000-foot right-of-way to the Reservation from Soco Gap it is felt that an extension of Highway No. 293 could be made on through to Cherokee. From reports reaching here, a road such as is now completed to Soco Gap would be welcomed by the Indians.

County Teachers To Meet Saturday

W. Powell Hale, Of Carson-Newman College, Will Stage Entertainment

Jack Messer, county superintendent of education, announces that the county-wide teachers meeting, which was to have been held on March 6th, and was postponed, will be held on Saturday the 20th, in the auditorium of the Township High School building.

Beginning at 10 o'clock W. Powell Hale, teacher of public speaking of Carson-Newman College, will give an hour of entertainment. The public is cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Bucket Of Paint Explodes On Stove

A bucket of paint exploded at the Pure Oil Service station next to The Mountaineer last week. The paint had become hard in the bucket, and was placed on the stove to soften.

No damage was done other than the ceiling and walls of the station were blackened. The attendants of the station extinguished the small blaze with their own equipment.

Mrs. W. W. Goforth and small daughter, of Asheville, were the guests of Mrs. L. H. Bramlett at her home on Boyd Avenue, on Friday.

Heavy Snow Of '36 Was Year Ago

It was exactly a year ago yesterday that Haywood County was blanketed out of the heaviest snow since 1896.

The depth of the snow in Waynesville measured 16 inches, while it was 22 on Crabtree and similar depths elsewhere in the county.

The highway to Asheville was blocked below Canton and people from Crabtree were isolated for two days. The snow storm was accompanied by a gale, and snow in Clyde was piled five feet deep in places.

Benefit Seal Sale Will Begin Monday; Will Help Cripples

The Seal Sale for the benefit of crippled children will get underway Monday, March 22, and continue for one week, according to Dave H. Harris, of Canton, who is chairman and county director. Jack Messer is district chairman.

A committee has been named to serve in selling the seals which will go to the benefit of 75 crippled children in Haywood county. The committee will meet Friday night at the court house here at 7:15 to formulate plans for the drive.

Mr. Harris pointed out that 90 per cent of the funds raised in the county would be kept here for local work among crippled children. A statewide campaign is being staged, and the seals sell for one cent each.

The committee named yesterday by Mr. Harris is as follows:

Roy H. Patton, Canton, Dr. V. H. Duckett, Canton, Mr. L. J. Blackwell, Canton, Mr. J. Harmon Moore, Canton, C. M. Beall, Canton.

For Waynesville, Hugh Massie, William Medford, Mrs. Parker Gay, M. H. Bowles, LeRoy Davis, Dr. R. P. Walker, Dr. Dudley W. Smith, Dr. Sam Stringfield, Dr. C. N. Sisk.

Mrs. N. C. James, Fines Creek, Miss Nell Campbell, Maggie Miss Edna Boyd, Rock Hill, Prof. C. F. Owen, Delwood, Mr. Tyson Cathey, Bethel, Miss Linda Haynes, Clyde, Thomas Erwin, Cecil, Horace Francis, Cruso, Carroll Morrow, Crabtree, Hermon Duckett, Rock Spring, Miss Christine Hoglen, Iron Duff, C. E. Brown, Clyde.

American Fruit Stand To Close For Church Services

Felix C. Stovall, manager of The American Fruit Stand, is announcing in today's paper, that effective Easter Sunday, March 27th, that his place of business will be closed each Sunday from eleven o'clock until one o'clock.

"These hours will enable all my sales force to attend church services, and have an hour off every Sunday," he said.

"I will close for the two hours in respect to the church services of the city," he concluded.

What's Going On In Our Capitals

IN WASHINGTON (By Senator Robert R. Reynolds.)

The President's program with reference to the Supreme Court of the United States continues to overshadow all other national issues. His appeal to the country in the form of one of his radio "fireside chats" is being widely discussed. Hearings on his proposal are drawing large crowds to the rooms of the Senate committee on judiciary. Proponents and opponents of the measure are drawing their lines for battle. In other words, another important chapter in American history is being written, whatever that chapter may finally record.

In this connection it is interesting to read the oath of members of the Supreme Court. It follows:

"I do solemnly swear that I will administer justice without respect to persons, and do equal right to the poor and the rich; and that I will faithfully discharge the duties incumbent on me as judge, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the Constitution and laws of the United States."

Whatever may be the viewpoint of any individual with regard to the present Supreme Court issue, considerable stress must be laid on the last sentence of the above oath reading "agreeably to the Constitution and laws of the United States." From this it would seem that the laws of the United States—and the laws are the acts passed by the Congress and signed by the President—have equal standing with the Constitution. The President contends that they have not.

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Clinics Started For Children Who Will Begin School In Fall

Schedule For Clinics Announced For 19 Schools In Haywood County

Dr. C. N. Sisk, head of the district health department, of which Haywood county is a part, has announced that the annual series of pre-school clinics for children who will enter school next fall will start Thursday, the 18th, and continue through April the 8th.

Nineteen schools in the county will be visited by health officials during the clinics, and any physical defects found among the children will be reported to the parents, and an attempt will be made to correct them during the summer months. Parents are urged to co-operate in this matter and either bring or send their children to these clinics.

The county schedule for the clinics is as follows: March 18th, Spring Hill school, 9:30 a. m.; Cruso school, 10:30 a. m.; March 19th, Fines Creek school, 9:00 a. m.; March 23rd, Maggie school, 9:00 a. m.; Delwood school, 10:30 a. m.; Rock Hill school, 1:30 p. m.; March 24th, Saanook school, 9:00 a. m.; Allen's Creek school, 10:30 a. m.; Junaluska school, 1:30 p. m.; March 25th, Cecil school, 9:00 a. m.; Hazelwood school, 1:30 p. m.; March 26th, Clyde school, 9:00 a. m.; North Canton school, 1:30 p. m.; April 6th, Morning Star school, 9:00 a. m.; Pennsylvania Avenue school, 1:30 p. m.; April 7th, Beaverdam school, 9:00 a. m.; Patton school, 1:30 p. m.; April 8th, East Waynesville school, 9:00 Central Elementary school, 1:30 p. m.

22 Women Given Hygiene Course

Certificates in first aid, home nursing and personal hygiene, were awarded to 22 women of the WPA sewing room of Canton on Wednesday, with appropriate exercises.

The invocation was given by the Rev. Taylor, rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal church, who also addressed the group on "Co-operation in Religion."

Mrs. Jean Dillon spoke of the facilities offered by the county health department and also the State Board of Health. Mrs. W. A. Hyatt, county supervisor of the sewing rooms, expressed in behalf of the women, their appreciation of the free instructions given.

The class had been taught by Miss Harte Oliver, county public health nurse.

Phone Lines Are Burned By Farmer

A farmer near Candler piled trash under the lines of the Southern Bell Telephone Company lines Saturday, and as a result, all lines from here to Asheville were burned in two.

Linemen had the lines repaired by nine o'clock Saturday night, but during the meantime, all toll calls to Asheville, were routed via Atlanta.

Bitter Campaign Expected On Proposed Liquor Store Measure In This County; Both Factions Increasing Their Activities

Campaign Against Liquor Stores Will Be Staged in County

Ministerial Association Completes Organization For An Active Campaign

The Haywood County Ministerial Association completed their plans on Monday, at their regular monthly meeting at Clyde to stage an active campaign against the establishment of liquor stores in Haywood county.

President, W. A. Rollins, presided at the meeting, and much enthusiasm was created by the address of Cale K. Burgess, united dry leader.

J. C. James, principal of the Hazelwood school, was named chairman of the campaign, and G. C. Suttles, of the Canton YMCA was named vice chairman.

Mrs. J. Dale Stentz is in charge of the women's work, and Mrs. Clyde Hoey, Jr., of Canton, is treasurer, and L. C. Davis, of Hazelwood, secretary.

Plans were made to start the campaign at once and continue until after the election on the question.

Negro Can't Keep Out Of Hardware

Louis Carnish, negro, just can't resist breaking into the Waynesville Hardware Company. A little over two years ago Carnish broke in and stole several guns and was sent to the roads for two years. Two weeks ago he finished his time, and today he is in jail, charged with breaking into the same store, and stealing guns, knives and razors last week-end.

Carnish, together with "Jabo" Osborne, were bound over to Superior Court by Mayor J. H. Way last week.

City policemen Phillips and Patton arrested the negroes after two guns had been pawned for a dollar each, and several knives sold.

Several knives have been recovered, and also a razor.

Entrance was gained by breaking a glass in the back door. Carnish tried to absolve "Jabo" of any connection with the crime, but failed.

Fines Creek Commencement Program To Begin Friday

Fred L. Safford, principal has announced the following features of the commencement exercises of the Fines Creek high school will begin on Friday night, the 19th, when the senior class will present their annual play, "The Ghost Bird," in the school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

On Sunday the 21st, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the Rev. O. C. Lundrum, pastor of the Presbyterian church, of Hazelwood, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon.

On Wednesday evening the 24th, at 7:30 o'clock the annual recitation and declamation contest will be held.

At 11 o'clock on Thursday morning the 26th, the class day exercises will be held, and that night the final feature of the commencement exercises will be take place. At this time C. N. Walker, trust officer of the Wachovia Bank, of Asheville, will make an address, and the members of the graduating class will receive their diplomas.

60 Gallons White Ga. Liquor Caught

A 1936 Ford and 60 gallons of white Georgia liquor were confiscated by Policemen Phillips and Downs last week near Balsam, after a chase from the center of Waynesville.

The driver of the car escaped as he jumped from his car and fled in the woods. The car bore a North Carolina license tag.

THREE-INCH SNOW FELL IN COUNTY ON MONDAY

Haywood county was blanketed in a three-inch snow Monday, which was followed on Tuesday by the thermometer dropping to 12 degrees.

By Wednesday afternoon, all traces of the snow had disappeared, except in protected shady places.

BALLENTINE ILL

Emmett Ballentine, manager of The Food Store, is confined at his home on account of illness.

Both Factions Secure Hundreds Of Signers To Petitions On The Measure

Leaders of the faction which favor the establishment of liquor stores in Haywood county, were of the opinion yesterday that the longer the election can be postponed, the better their chances will be of getting the measure passed.

There has been a split in the ranks of the faction favoring liquor stores, and at the same time, the opposing faction has been hard at work increasing their strength.

The differences of opinion were based on a bill introduced in the legislature by Representative Cabe, which would allow the establishment of one or more liquor stores in Waynesville and Canton, in the event either Waynesville or Beaverdam townships should give a majority vote for liquor stores, even though the majority of voters in the county voted against ABC stores in the election to be called.

Mr. Cabe's bill passed the house under suspension of rules, but was killed in the senate. The bill was bitterly opposed by Senator McKee.

Just when the board of elections will meet to set a date for the election which the commissioners requested several weeks ago, is not known.

The eyes of the state are on Haywood and the election, and both factions are renewing their strength for one of the bitterest elections ever held in the county.

The faction opposing liquor stores in a county-wide rally held here Sunday night, at which time Cale K. Burgess, united dry leader of the state spoke, plans were made and completed for the circulation of thirty petitions in every section of the county getting signatures of citizens to oppose the Cabe bill. The petitions were sent to Senator McKee, and Mr. Burgess carried about 200 names back with him.

The faction urging Mrs. McKee to favor the bill were also busy over the week-end with petitions, both by mail and wire. One petition contained about 100 names and another from Canton had forty and another about ten. Scores of individuals expressed themselves by wire to Mrs. McKee.

The rural districts were much disturbed over the bill. Sentiment in outlying districts was bitter against its passage. A group met in Clyde Saturday night and expressed themselves as opposing the measure.

Five Hurt Sunday In Auto Wreck

Five persons were injured late Sunday afternoon when two cars crashed in a head-on collision at Saanook.

One car was from Sylva, and the other from Georgia. The names of the occupants were not learned. Two women and three men were in the cars.

One man suffered a broken nose, another had a severe cut on his nose and several ribs broken. All were treated at the Haywood County Hospital for their injuries, none of which are serious.

City policemen investigated the accident. One officer said an eye witness reported the car from Georgia was "taking the road."

County Collects \$18,232 In Taxes

County tax collections for the month of February totaled \$18,232.45, according to a report made by W. H. McCracken, tax supervisor to the commissioners.

Of this amount, \$13,587.35 was for 1936 taxes. The remainder was for back taxes and penalties.

The penalties for the month amounted to \$506.54.

Police Arrest 8 Over Week-End

City policemen were kept busy over the week-end making arrests. Eight white people were arrested and charged with drunkenness or fighting. No colored people were arrested.

Among the eight was a woman from Canton. She paid her fine Monday and was order to stay out of Waynesville. A man from Asheville was given the same sentence, by Mayor J. H. Way.

Clyde Girl On College Varsity Basketball Team

Among the students who made the basketball varsity at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina were Miss Ruth Rogers, of Clyde.