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## Important New Dealers Are Resigning



James M. Landis

Edward McGrady

James A. Farley

Resignation of Edward McGrady, assistant secretary of labor, to take a position in private industry, was seen as the first of a series of resignations by key New Dealers. The second resignation from the administration was that of James M. Landis, chairman of the securities and exchange commission, who became dean of Harvard Law School on September 20. The third resignation is expected soon, as James A. Farley, postmaster general, is expected to accept a lucrative automotive position.

## Garrett Lawsuit Ends In Nonsuit. 16 Given Divorces

### Belle Bright Case Scheduled To Come Up This Week. Judge Ervin Is Here

Practically the first two days of civil court were devoted to the case of George Garrett suing McKinley Edwards, a Bryson City lawyer, for \$1,900. The suit was an outgrowth of a legal procedure in 1926, at which time Mr. Edwards represented Mr. Garrett.

In his complaint, Mr. Garrett said the Bryson City lawyer neglected to do his duty towards his client, which cost the Haywood man some money. Judge S. J. Ervin, Jr., presiding judge here, ordered a nonsuit of the case, and taxed Mr. Garrett with the cost. Mr. Garrett appeared as his own lawyer in the case.

The \$15,000 suit of Belle Bright against Western Carolina Teachers College, at Cullowhee, is set for today. It is also believed that Miss Bright's case against Western Union Telegraph Co. will be tried this week. Miss Bright is suing W. T. C. T. on the grounds that she was not given a diploma after being told she would graduate. The suit against Western Union is the outgrowth of being struck by a bicycle, alleged to have been ridden by an employee of the telegraph company.

Monday morning, Edwin Haynes, former register of deeds of Haywood, was given the oath and admitted to the bar, and granted the right to practice law. Up until Wednesday noon, eight divorces had been granted by this term of court.

Vergie Clark vs Weaver D. Clark. Sallie Kuykendall vs Columbus Kuykendall. James McAbee vs Addie McAbee. Ethel Henderson vs Ector Henderson.

Clyde Staton vs Katherine Staton. Thelmer West vs Ruth West. Madora Flores vs Rand Flores. A. B. Hindman vs Lorena Hindman.

## Mayor's Court Collected \$618 In Aug.

A check-up showed yesterday that \$618 had been collected by Mayor J. H. Way, Jr., in mayor's court during the month of August. Of this amount, \$85 went to the county school fund, and the town treasury received \$533.

During the last fiscal year, the mayor's court collected for the town treasury \$4,268. This was net to the town.

Mayor Way pointed out that the majority of the cases heard in his court are drunken charges.

Miss Sallie McCracken, of the Baptist Orphanage, of Thomasville, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Claude Haynes.

## Haywood Has Good Grade Of Burley

Haywood county will rank third in Western North Carolina in the production of burley tobacco, according to Chas. B. McCrary, of Fines Creek.

Not only will the production in Haywood be increased, but the quality is satisfactory, he reported.

Basing his prediction on fluctuating prices, Mr. McCrary looks for burley to bring at least thirty cents a pound this year.

The crop is curing out nicely, he said, and those who have given proper attention to their tobacco have no complaint to make as to quality.

## Large Neon Sign Erected At Park

The large neon sign at the Park Theatre has been completed, and is one of the largest signs of its kind in Western North Carolina.

The sign was built and erected by Martin Electric Company, and something like 30 days was required to mold and fit the 457 feet of glass tubing that outlined the name of the theater in four colors, besides a "new pink" created by placing certain colors close together.

Seventy different units were required to make the sign, and six transformers furnish the current necessary to operate the sign. The transformers create 2,220-volt amperes.

Roy Ford did the painting on the sign.

The sign was designed, built and erected under the personal supervision of Fred Martin.

Mrs. W. L. McCracken had as her guests during the week, Mrs. Charles Hagan, Mrs. Pat Brinson, Miss Cassie Pfeiffer, and Mr. Carl Hagan, all of Fylvania, Ga.

## Furniture Manufacturers Seeking To Make 'Inviting Furniture', Prevost

R. L. Prevost, President of Unagusta, Sees N. C. As Leading Furniture Center

"To be a successful furniture manufacturer today, one has to make 'friendly' furniture," R. L. Prevost, president of Unagusta Manufacturing Company, told Rotarians last week.

"Furniture that 'invites' and adds an air of friendliness to a room or home, is the sole goal of manufacturers. Early patterns accomplished this, and for that reason, skilled artisans are today, trying as best they can, to copy the earlier patterns."

"That is one reason that our two plants at Hazelwood are making Colonial and eighteenth century patterns."

Mr. Prevost is one of the oldest men in the south, from point of service,

## Mrs. Walter Brice, Native Of County, Died In Atlanta

Last rites will be conducted this morning in Decatur, Ga., for Mrs. Lucile Platt Brice, wife of Walter M. Brice, of that place, who died in an Atlanta hospital on Tuesday at 7:15 p. m. following a short illness.

Mrs. Brice was a native of Haywood county. She was the daughter of Mrs. Mattie Moody Platt, and the late Robert H. Platt.

Surviving are: her mother, Mrs. Mattie M. Platt, of Dillwood, her husband, three sons, Walter M. Brice, Jr., and Robert Brice, of Spartanburg, South Carolina, and Platt Brice, of Decatur, one sister, Miss Munnie Platt, of Kennedy, Alabama, and the following brothers: D. O. Platt, James H. Platt, G. C. Platt, Homer H. Platt, and Herbert Platt, all of Waynesville, and Roy Platt, of Raleigh.

Mrs. Herbert Platt and Mr. D. O. Platt left yesterday for Decatur, and will attend the funeral services for Mrs. Brice today.

## Crabtree School Will Open Oct. 4th

The Crabtree school will open for the 1937-38 term on Monday, October fourth, according to Jack Messer, superintendent of education.

The building will be completed more than a week before that time, but school officials feel that it will require some time to get the building in readiness for classroom work.

The new building was erected by Jerry Liner, and is modern throughout.

Mrs. Andrew Moore, who was visiting Mrs. Maria Mitchell, left on Saturday for Welford, S. C., where she will spend a few days with relatives. She plans to return to Waynesville before going North for the winter.

## 2 G-Men Investigating Case Of Alleged Theft Of Armory Material

### Birds Found To Destroy Grapes

Henry Gaddy brought in a yellowish-green, spotted bird this week, which he termed as the real menace to grapes, and not bees and yellow jackets.

Along with Mr. Gaddy, was D. P. Jaynes, of Rente two, who several years ago, started a one-man campaign that this peculiar bird was ruining the grape crop and not bees and other insects.

After careful investigation, it was found that this bird would puncture a hole in whole bunches of grapes, and then the bees and yellow jackets would swarm them.

Grape experts say that it is impossible for a bee or yellow jacket to puncture a grape, but that these insects do their damage after the grape has been punctured by some other force.

No one seemed to know the name of the bird, but the type seems to be quite familiar during the late summer and fall.

Mr. Jaynes said he had noticed the bird here for seven years.

In the meantime, there are at least two men who are ignoring bees and yellow jackets around their grapes and are out for the birds.

## Haywood Scouts To Stage Rally Sat.

### There Are Now Seven Troops In County, With 140 Members. Meeting In Canton

Boy Scouts from seven troops in Haywood County, will gather in Canton, Saturday, at 2:30 on the baseball field for the district Scout Rally, according to Ben E. Galkitt, district chairman.

The complete program has been arranged for the day, and the public is invited to attend and see the boys compete in the various contests that will be staged.

Ribbons will be offered in all the eight competitive events and the two demonstrations.

Troop 2, of Waynesville, will give a demonstration on artificial respiration, while troop one from Canton, will demonstrate the use of the triangular bandage.

The seven troops in the county will have two members in each of the following events: tub tilting, chariot race, blanket stretcher race, life line contest, knot relay, string burning, tent pitching and dressing relay.

In April of this year, there were two troops in Haywood County, with a membership of 64 boys. This week it was announced that there are seven troops in the county with a combined membership of 140.

The seven troops which have already been organized are Canton Troop 1, sponsored by the Methodist Episcopal church, South, the Waynesville Troop 2, sponsored by the Waynesville Rotary club, Waynesville Troop 3, sponsored by the Waynesville American Legion post, Canton Troop 4, sponsored by the Baraca class of the First Baptist church, Hazelwood Troop 5, sponsored by the Hazelwood Booster club, Canton Troop 6, sponsored by the Presbyterian Men's club, and Canton Troop 7, sponsored by the Y's Men's club.

William Medford, is chairman of the district court of honor.

## Cades Cove Area Now Part Of Park

Title to the Morton Butler timber tract, and holdings in the Cades Cove section of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, is now vested in the United States, and all park regulations will be rigidly enforced, according to J. Ross Eakin, superintendent.

The few remaining deer within the area are found in this section of the park, but hunting will not be allowed, and all found hunting will be vigorously prosecuted, it was stated.

Park fishing regulations also apply to this area, and streams will be restocked with trout beginning this month.

## One Government Man Been On Job For Three Weeks

### Find Car Of Cement, 5-M Feet Framing, Roofing And Plumbing Equipment Missing

A second Federal G-Man arrived here Tuesday morning to assist in the investigation of an alleged shortage of materials designated for use in the \$38,000 Waynesville armory now under construction.

The investigation has been underway for the past three weeks, and it was learned from an authoritative source yesterday by The Mountaineer that something like ten days will be required to complete the investigation providing no unforeseen new developments arise.

From the same source it was learned that the alleged shortage consists of about a car of cement, four to five thousand feet of framing material, a quantity of copper roofing and some plumbing fixtures. Practically all of cement, some of the lumber and the roofing has been accounted for, it was revealed.

Besides the two present investigators, there have been a number of technical engineers here in connection with the case. The engineers are members of the staff of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The formal reports of the engineers have already been made, it was said.

Street corner rumors had it that the engineers were also G-Men, and at one time eight were on the job.

This, of course, was a rumor, as only two investigators have been on the case, it was learned by The Mountaineer.

The investigators have interviewed a number of people in an effort to get information, and clues. Most of the people interviewed were connected with the construction of the armory, and included workmen, foremen, timekeepers, truck drivers and some officials.

It is understood that the federal men have several local people under suspicion, but no formal charges have been brought to date.

Rumors have been flying thick and fast in the community since it became generally known that G-Men were here making an investigation.

W. Roy Francis, assistant United States District Attorney, when contacted yesterday, stated that if any indictments were presented to the Federal Court as an outgrowth of the investigation, that the party or parties charged with removing the material belonging to the government would be vigorously prosecuted.

The same indictments, if any are made, Mr. Francis said, could also be presented in superior court, as the county and town have a financial interest in the armory, which is being completed at this time, and is a WPA project.

Since Federal investigators are working on the case alone, it is the

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U. S. Department of Agriculture WEATHER BUREAU Waynesville Cooperative Station H. M. HALL, Observer

Sept.	Max.	Min.	Prec.
16	73	42	0.05
17	78	48	
18	66	44	
19	68	42	
20	76	47	
21	75	49	
22	79	52	
Mean maximum			75
Mean minimum			46
Mean for week			60
Highest for week			79
Lowest for week			42
Precipitation for week			0.05

Same Period Last Year, 1936			
Mean maximum			83
Mean minimum			55
Mean for week			78
Highest for week			89
Lowest for week			51
Precipitation for week			0.41
Total precipitation to Sept. 22, 1936			43.71
Total precipitation to Sept. 22, 1937			39.89
Deficiency for 1937			3.82

## Along the POLITICAL FRONTS



W. D. Smith, who claim to be able to read the signs, report that those who supported Mr. Smith when he was elected from office last July, have given up the fight, and will be seeking to change at the polls in the primary.

Some source of information feel that this group have already decided to work and no time is being wasted in laying a foundation that will enable them to do battle next June at re-election.

The average citizen the ousted Mr. Smith appears to be over and out, but it is not. It remains a smoldering fire, and preliminary work is being done quietly to fan the flames that will blaze forth to bring the political pot to a boiling point in no time.

The powers-that-be in Swain county, in talking of an election in liquor stores until Haywood is elected. Thus, another county is added to the list of "Waiting on God."

In western counties do not seem to vote wet, as there is not a liquor store west of Durham. Counties west of the tobacco city voted on the liquor store measure and all five voted dry.

Some of those who advocated a wide referendum in the 1937 assembly, are now thankful it did not pass, since so many counties are going dry, and others apparently indifferent.

The Charlotte Observer says it is also significant, that Mr. Bailey got more applause in the Young Democrats at their Winston-Salem convention, than did Senator Reynolds.

The Charlotte paper went on to say that Mr. Bailey is a

Young Democrats of North Carolina, as of the nation at large, supposed to be swimming with the current, and the current is decidedly forward, no questions asked.

There are these militant voters in the commonwealth showing upon the alleged reactionary Bailey apathy which they are denying the result-or-nothing Reynolds.

"Our Bob" beginning to slip out of the hands of his own play-boyish friends.

In the soberer and more conservative sense of the younger generation patriots in North Carolina beginning to assert itself in behalf of a senator who dares swim against the tide of politics that to get him home?

A total of \$1,090,776.23 was raised for the 1937 National Birthday Ball for President Roosevelt, it has just been announced. Thirty per cent being for the Warm Spring Foundation and 70 per cent being kept for the state.

General Hugh Johnson, of NRA, now comes forth with a statement that this country is not for dictatorship. He made a

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## BEGINNING NEXT WEEK

## EXCLUSIVE

## The Mountaineer

A Special Column, written and edited by the five vocational teachers of Haywood County.

This will contain facts and news that you and your family will enjoy and benefit from.