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Palmer Plans To Make Four Changes In Haywood Laws

Will Abolish Absentee In Primary, Change Rabies Law, Kill Liquor Law

NO SPITE MEASURES

Plans To Change Act Of 1937, And Put Commissioners On Monthly Basis

Four changes in present laws concern the extent of local legislation now planned by Representative Palmer, as revealed in an interview with a reporter of The Mountaineer while in Raleigh the past week-end.

Coming first on Representative Palmer's list is a change in the absentee ballot law. He is waiting on a state-wide measure, which has been promised, is presented. There is possibility that the state-wide measure will be sufficient, but if it is not, Mr. Palmer plans to introduce a bill to push through legislation that will abolish absentee balloting in primary, and a modified use in general elections.

The present law regarding rabies will be changed to meet the situation in Haywood, and to make it more effective in curbing the widespread and dreaded disease.

The law enacted in 1937 legislature which changed the salaries of the commissioners from a monthly basis to a yearly basis will be changed, he said. Present the commissioners are paid \$5 for each day they meet, and a provision made for electing a chairman. Representative Palmer plans to change this, and have members of the board paid straight salaries of \$500 a year, and the chairman \$600, as was the case before the 1937 law.

A bill passed in the 1937 legislature, by Representative John Cabe, which "provided" that an ABC liquor store can be established in Waynesville.

Beaverdam Townships, provided either casts a majority vote for the repeal regardless of the vote of the county will be repealed, Mr. Palmer said.

"Like every member of the legislature, I have received numerous suggestions and requests to introduce bills, but for the most part they would only benefit a small group, and in some instances would be just "spite legislation" and I am down here representing Haywood County at large, as far as I know these four things will be the only ones of a purely local nature."

Senator Chester A. Coghurn, when interviewed, was found working on several measures of state-wide nature, that will probably be introduced within the next ten days. He is busily engaged on about 18 committees.

When asked about coming home, Representative Palmer said he planned to remain in Raleigh until the legislature adjourns—unless it meets too long.

MISS FRANCES RAY RETURNS FROM TRIP

Miss Frances Ray returned on Sunday morning from a ten days trip to New York City, where she went on a buying trip for the ladies ready-to-wear department of C. E. Ray's Sons department store.

Voice of The People

Is there a definite need for a recreational center and a community building in Waynesville?

C. D. Ketter, manager Farmers Exchange—"I think definitely, yes. The proposed plan would offer facilities for entertainment of the tourist, as well as meet the needs of the local people. I think the success of the undertaking will depend upon the continued backing both financial and personal of those behind the movement, for after the initial expense there will be the upkeep."

Charles E. Roy, Jr., of C. E. Ray's Department Store—"The need for a community center is definitely and imperative. Until one shall be provided our community will be handicapped; our growth retarded. The need arises in part with respect to our tourists, but is equally great with respect to our young people and our civic organizations."

"It is a man sized proposition, however. Peanut financing will not do the job. Only through a willingness to work cooperatively on the part of the town officials and the whole citizenship can the project be realized. Just now we should exert every effort

to see what can be done. Only by trying can we progress."

Kenneth Palmer, member of Senior Class, High School—"Yes, there should be a place for the boys and girls of high school age to spend their leisure time in some useful and healthful activity."

C. E. Weatherby, Principal High School—"Yes I do. It is impossible to advance in civilization today without the thought of where one shall spend his leisure hours. Our progressive communities today realize this and have set up community centers with recreational facilities to take care of this demand. This community center would attempt to let as many men or women as possible work off their steam without scalding the man next door."

Won Scholarship



JOHN ABEL
Winner in N. C. in National 4-H Club animal livestock project contest based on past work, awarded \$85 scholarship at State College.

Beef Champion



WAY ABEL
Declared Haywood County beef champion for 1938. Made profit of \$147.37 on baby beef, shown at Fat Show, Asheville and State, Fair Raleigh.

Outstanding



CARROL HOLLAND
Named the outstanding 4-H Club boy in county for 1938; pig champion for 1938; president county council; carried projects, pigs, forestry, corn and potatoes.

Corn Champion



KENT KETTER
Who raised 121.2 bushels of corn on one acre, at total cost of \$38.60, valued at \$78.78, cleared a profit of \$40.18.

4-H Clubs Report Many Accomplishments For Year

True Boosters

"With every piece of mail we post to our family and friends we send some literature of this section," said Rudolf E. Heinze, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who with Mrs. Heinze, has recently come to Waynesville to live, after spending four months in Western North Carolina prospecting for a permanent location.

Mr. and Mrs. Heinze have leased the W. G. Byers home on Haywood Street until they either build or buy a home of their own.

Awards Given At Annual Achievement Day Meeting Here Last Saturday

The Crabtree 4-H Club won the banner for the best 4-H Club in Haywood County at the annual Achievement Day, which was held in the Welch Memorial Building of the Baptist Church on Saturday. The award was made on the basis of outstanding club activities during the year 1938. The

To Play For Roosevelt Ball



Abe Lyman, and his band of 16, will thrill hundreds of dancers and spectators here Saturday night at the annual Roosevelt Birthday Ball, which will be held in the new Waynesville Armory, with all sections of Haywood participating.

Abe Lyman, Noted Orchestra Leader Coming For Ball

Record-Breaking Crowd Expected To Hear Nationally-Known Musical Leader

AT ARMORY SATURDAY

County-Wide Ball Is Creating Lots Of Interest With Elaborate Program

Abe Lyman and his nationally known dance and radio orchestra will play for the President's Ball which will be held in the New National Guard Armory here on Saturday. Dancing will begin promptly at 9:30 o'clock. Lyman's band consists of 16 musicians, with Miss Rosa Bland, as feature soloist, and is the most widely known orchestra to ever play for a dance in Haywood County.

Plans have been completed, with the sales of tickets daily increasing, and every indication points to the largest observance of the President's birthday ever held in Haywood County. Tickets at \$1.50 per couple are being sold by a number of persons throughout the county, and may also be secured the night of the ball at the entrance to the armory.

The ball Saturday night will bring to a close the drive that has been carried forward in the county for the past two weeks to raise funds for the treatment and control of Infantile Paralysis. This year 50 per cent of the money raised will be kept in Haywood County, the remainder sent

Last Rites Held For J. L. Morgan

Well Known Haywood County Citizen Was Buried In Clyde Cemetery Tuesday

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Clyde Baptist Church for Jasper L. Morgan, 84, a prominent citizen, of Clyde, who died in the Haywood County Hospital Sunday night. The Rev. W. M. Gerald, pastor of the church, officiated. Burial was in the Clyde cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers were, Thomas H. Haynes, Edwin Fincher, Norvell West, Homer West, and Clifford Brown, all of Clyde, and Sam Robinson, of Canton.

Mr. Morgan was for many years a leader in the public affairs of Haywood County. He served as a member of the county board of education for a period of twelve years. In 1919 he was chairman of the board of supervisors for Haywood County in the revaluation of real estate for taxation.

In 1917 he was appointed a member of the selective service board for Haywood County by Governor Bickett. He was made secretary of the board and served until the war closed in 1918.

Mr. Morgan was the first merchant in the town of Clyde. He

Massie Plans To Open In New Store Within 60 Days

Entering Business



W. H. MASSIE

Special Hand-Made Cane Going To F.D.R.

Sometime this week, President Roosevelt will receive "substantial support" from Waynesville on his program which would join the United States and South America more closely together.

In the mails to the president, is a hand-made cane, from R. V. Erk, owner of Erkraft Industries. The staff of the cane is made of massaranduba, one of the hardest woods known, and found only in the heart of South America. It is impossible to break the wood, the handle of the cane is of birdseye maple, grown in North Carolina.

The cane is highly polished, and would retail for more than \$7.

Mrs. Willis Passes Away Here Tuesday

Funeral Held At Methodist Church Wednesday Afternoon; Burial Green Hill

Mrs. Nancy Enaline Willis, of Atlanta and Waynesville, died here at 1:15 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, after an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the First Methodist Church, with the pastor, Rev. J. G. Huggins, Jr., officiating. Burial was in the family plot in Greenhill cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers were, M. T. McCracken, J. R. Morgan, O. H. Shelton, Dr. John H. Smathers, J. H. Way, Jr., and J. Harden Howell.

Mrs. Willis was much beloved in Waynesville by a large circle of friends and relatives. She was born in Turnpike, on March the 26th, 1869 and was the daughter of the late John Charles and Lucile Elizabeth Smathers. She was the widow of

COVERING THE N. C. Legislature

By Dan Tompkins

One of the big problems confronting the present General Assembly is the fact that the tax rate for county participation in Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind and Aid to Dependent Children is not uniform in the State. In some counties the rate is less than 5 cents on the hundred dollars valuation of property; while in others it runs up to 20 cents. Inversely, the monthly allowances in the counties that have the lower tax rate are lower than in the counties with the low tax rate. Also, any increase in either the number of persons receiving the old age benefits or the increase in the monthly checks would raise the tax rate in the counties.

In other words, the State, while it collects no ad valorem tax for State purposes, is forcing the counties to levy a tax for what is really a State purpose, and that rate is manifestly unfair and unequal.

Many Western representatives have joined in supporting a bill, introduced in the House on Monday night by Dan Tompkins, of Jackson, which seeks to relieve this situation, and to provide that the rate in no county

Construction Started On New Building Next To Park Theatre For Hugh Massie

Within sixty days, W. Hugh Massie plans to open a modern mercantile establishment in the new building which is being erected by his brother James E. Massie next to the Park Theatre.

Ground was broken last Friday for the new brick construction. It is being erected on the site of the residence of the late Dr. M. H. Rogers, on Main Street.

"I feel that Waynesville has long needed the type of store I plan to operate and the kind of merchandise I will offer for sale," said Mr. Massie to a reporter of the Mountaineer this week.

"I have great faith in the future of Waynesville, and its development in the next few years. At one time I contemplated the possibility of opening a business elsewhere, but after making a study of the local conditions in other communities, I decided to remain here," further explained Mr. Massie.

The new building will have a frontage of forty-three and a half feet and a depth of one hundred and twenty-five feet. It will have two entrances with four large show windows, extending back into the building 20 feet. It is to be a one story structure, with a full sized basement.

The fronts will be in modernistic design, with large glass windows finished at the top with two panels of ornamental glass. The store will be furnished with new fixtures and modern lighting and heating systems will be installed. The ground back of the new building will be graded to extend to Montgomery Street and put in condition to be used as a parking space.

Property upon which the building is constructed has a frontage of 87 feet and faces Main, Miller, and Montgomery Streets, and is generally conceded to be one of the most desirable

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HOLD UNION MEETING HEMPHILL 5th SUNDAY

The 5th Sunday Union of the Haywood Baptist Assoc. will be held with the Hemphill Church next Sunday.

A special program has been arranged and the officers of the association are urging the church members to attend. Several matters of importance are scheduled to come up for discussion.

At noon a picnic lunch will be served at the church.

Modern Barber Shop Under Construction In Hazelwood

A modern brick barber shop is under construction on Main Street in Hazelwood. The building will be 25 by 43 feet, and is being built by C. N. Allen and L. M. Killian.

Plans call for the building to be completed within the next thirty days, one of the owners said.

The General Assembly is marking time awaiting the real consideration