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## COUNTY MANAGER BEING SOUGHT

### County Board Appoints T. J. Cathey Auditor

They Enter His Fourth Year Of Office And His 7th Year Of Service

Cathey was re-appointed auditor of Haywood County, at the same time Monday of the county commissioners.

Cathey has served in this capacity for the past three terms, making a total of six years. He succeeded J. Noland as auditor in 1933, and held the office since that time. He is a native of the Pigeon section of the county, the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Cathey, and grandson of Colonel T. J. Cathey, prominent in Haywood County before the War Between the States, having represented the county several times in the state legislature.

Cathey, by experience and ability, is well qualified for such a position. For several years he was county clerk and payroll man on the county at Hartford, Tenn., for the Union Paper and Fibre Company. He was cashier and treasurer of the old Bank of Canton, and served as depot agent for Haywood and North Carolina at Woodrow for a number of years.

### County Tax Listers Give Instructions From McCracken

Tax Collector, W. H. McCracken Gives Property Valuations To Tax Listers

Tax listers, which were appointed for each township in the county by the county board of commissioners, received their instructions from the listing of the 1939 taxes by Mr. Weaver McCracken, tax collector.

Valuations remain the same as last year, provided there have been no changes made on property, new valuation will have to be made.

### National Rally To Be Held At Court House Tonight, At 8

Phillips, Of Woman's College, University of North Carolina, Speaker

Phillips, secretary of the National Parent Teacher Council of the Public Relations Council of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, will be the principal speaker at the national rally, which will be held at 8 o'clock in the court house. The meeting is being sponsored by the Haywood County Council of the Parent Teacher Association, and the

### WHAT'S THE ANSWER

Questions and answers compiled by the committee of the Chamber of Commerce. All are authentic. Answers are on page 7.

What town or community was the first bank established west of the mountains?

What was the name of this bank?

Who was the first president of this bank?

Where was it located?

When was the Commercial bank organized?

Where was it located?

When was the First National Bank organized?

Where is the present building?

Who was the first president of the National Bank?

### To Hold Presbyterian Revival



DR. R. P. WALKER



REV. W. H. DENDY

### 'Tis Spring

Tuesday, March 21, first day of Spring.

Neither the habitual pessimist nor the critical minded could have rightfully found fault with the perfect day here that ushered in the Spring of 1939.

There were no dark clouds to darken the sky.

All was blue above and the world seemed flooded with warm sunshine that softened the bracing air.

Whether this first day has any significance or not as to the weeks ahead, when it comes with such a magic air, as on Tuesday, it is received as a harbinger of promise.

Flowering shrubs about the town, that had been trying to bud back in the rainy days of last week, seemed to burst forth in full bloom on Tuesday.

Everyone on the streets seemed in good humor, as if they had some secret joy.

The court house was deserted of the usual crowd. It was easy to understand. It was an ideal day for planting. The earth had just the right moisture for seeds.

Winter is past and gone. Life comes back to nature with its eternal urge to grow again. There is always a sweetness and mystery at this season, that is as old as life itself. There is a new song in our hearts. For Spring is here.

### Bethel District Schools Will Close Next Week

Hoyt Blackwell, President Of Mars Hill College To Make Graduating Address

The Bethel district, which includes the Bethel High School, Cruso, Cecil, and Spring Hill elementary, with 34 teachers, will close next Friday morning. Jesse C. James is supervising principal of the district.

The commencement exercises will begin on Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock, with the baccalaureate sermon delivered by Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr., pastor of the First Methodist church, of Waynesville.

The annual recitation and declamation contest will take place on Monday night, at 7:30 o'clock. Those competing and their selections are: Joyce Sheffield, will give "Hannibal's Wedding Bells;" Annie Mae Creman, "The Sparrow's Fall;" Lois Morgan, who will give "Micky's Market;"

### One Day Institute Of Public Welfare In Session Today

Workers Of 12 Western Counties To Be Given Instructions By State Supervisor

A one day institute is being conducted today in the court room of the court house, by Miss Anna Cassatt, state supervisor of social work and family rehabilitation, of the State

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### Rabies Inspectors Appointed In Every Township In County

Nothing Will Be Left Undone To Avoid The Serious Situation Of Last Year

In compliance with the act to prevent the spread of rabies in North Carolina, Dr. C. N. Sisk, district health officer, has appointed rabies inspectors for every township in Haywood county, who will begin on their duties April 1st.

They will start vaccinating all dogs in the county the first of next month. They have designated a certain date and place where the clinic will be held in each township. This information will be posted in the township far enough in advance of the time for everyone in the neighborhood to know when to expect the inspector and have their dogs ready.

The inspectors will visit each section three times in an effort to make a complete coverage of all the territory in their area, once in April, in May and in June.

After vaccination the owners will have to pay 50 cents per dog for the one necessary treatment. He will be given a certificate by the inspector, for which he will be given credit for the amount on his dog tax.

Every effort will be put forth to avoid the alarming situation of last year, and more than a hundred per cent.

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### Seal Sale For Crippled Children To Start April 3rd

Seventy Crippled Children Given Assistance In This County From Sale Last Year

The annual seal sale for crippled children sponsored by the National Society to support its affiliated state crippled societies and their local or county units, will start in Haywood County on April 3rd, and continue through the 8th. Jack Messer is district chairman and Miss Clara McCall is county chairman.

Fifty per cent of the money derived from the sale of the bright colorful

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### South Ward Group Issues Challenge to North Ward Four

Plans Started For Community Party At Armory Here, On April 20th

A committee composed of four civic leaders in the South Ward came forth yesterday with chips on each shoulder, and issued a challenge to a similar committee in the North Ward, that there be more people attending the community party from their ward on April 20th than from the North Ward.

The letter, signed by J. M. Long, J. R. Boyd, J. W. Ray and R. L. Prevost, was sent to Dr. J. R. McCracken, R. H. Blackwell, J. E. Massie and Chrest George.

The party is taking the place of the annual Chamber of Commerce dinner, according to Troy Wyche, general chairman.

The Community Party will feature

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### W. L. Hardin Heads Secretaries Of The U. S. Congressmen

W. L. Hardin, secretary to Congressman Zebulon Weaver, was elected leader for the organization of the congressional secretaries at their weekly meeting last Thursday in Washington.

Mr. Hardin is considered the dean of secretaries in Washington, this being his twenty-first year as secretary to Congressman Weaver.

Mr. Hardin at all times affable in manner, has been prominent in political circles of Western North Carolina for a number of years. He is generally conceded to be one of the most popular secretaries on "Capitol Hill."

### Crabtree School Will Close Friday Of Next Week

Grover C. Davis To Make Graduating Address To Class Of 17

The commencement exercises of the Crabtree High School of which S. E. Combs is principal, began on Sunday night, with the baccalaureate sermon delivered by Dr. R. P. Walker, pastor of the Waynesville Presbyterian church.

The final event will take place on Friday night, at which time Grover C. Davis, Waynesville attorney, will give the graduating address.

The closing program of the elementary school will take place on Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. On Thursday morning at 10 o'clock in the school auditorium, the recitation and declamation contest for the high school students will be held.

On Thursday evening at 7:30 the seventh grade will have their graduation exercises.

On Friday evening at 7:30 the closing number of the commencement week with the exercises of the graduating class, the awarding of the diplomas, and the address of Grover C. Davis, will be given.

Members of the graduating class include twelve girls and five boys, as follows: Ella Mae Whitehouse, Eva Jane Rogers, Leska Sue McElroy, Lucy Gay Noland, Summie Nell McCracken, Veniece Annette Giles, Hilda Way Davis, Mary Edith Davis, Herma Lillian Clarke, Virginia Louise Crawford, Ila Edyth Bryson, Eva Lilly Best, Larry Livingston Williams, Jack Hoga, Bobby R. Ferguson, Hendrick Candler Caldwell, and Thad Harrison Caldwell.

### Adjutant Caldwell Addresses Local Post Of Legion

Legion And Auxiliary Join In Celebration Of Twentieth Anniversary

"The American Legion is the most important thing that came out of the World War. Twenty years ago it was founded in Paris. Probably the activities of the American Legion explain why our government did not go 'haywire' when so many governments fell," said Jim Caldwell, of Asheville, State Adjutant of the American Legion, on Tuesday night when he addressed the local post of the American Legion and Auxiliary in joint session, at the Legion home, in observance of the 30th anniversary of the organization.

"The Legion is not a military group. The members know that war is torment; they do not wish their sons to get into such a war, however, if there

### Local Musicians Win In District Contest Saturday

Doris Grahl, Jane Wyche, Junior Choral Club, Receive Coveted Superior Ratings

Doris Grahl, soprano; young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Grahl, and Jane Wyche, pianist, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Wyche, both possessing unusual talent, and

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### Palmer Ready To Introduce Bill In Legislature

Geo. A. Brown, Jr., Will Be Named As Haywood's First Manager In Measure

PALMER ACTING ON MANY PETITIONS FROM HAYWOOD

Other Nearby Counties Have Found Similar Officers Have Been Most Satisfactory

Representative Glenn Palmer plans to introduce a bill in the legislature between now and Monday, which would give Haywood County a full-time manager, he told The Mountaineer last night over long distance.

The bill will name George A. Brown, Jr., present chairman of the board of commissioners, as Haywood's first manager.

"That is my plans now. I might decide to change them at the last minute, but hardly think so," he said.

Mr. Palmer has received numerous petitions from Haywood citizens asking that the full-time manager plan be inaugurated in this county. Almost all of the Democratic executive committee signed a petition, as well as leading industrial leaders and business men from every party of the county.

"There are several details which I have not completed, and there is a little polishing up on the draft, that I must do before it goes into the hopper," Mr. Palmer continued.

He said that ample provision would be made in the law for having competent men in the place at all times.

In speaking of Mr. Brown for the place, Mr. Palmer pointed out that the record was held by Mr. Brown in the 1938 election, and his popularity in the county, and the confidence the people had in his ability as a commissioner and business man.

"I have spent a great deal of time studying the proposal since coming down to Raleigh, and have found that our neighbor to the west—Jackson has a full-time chairman or manager, the same in Buncombe and Henderson. All those counties that have tried the plan tell me they would not have it any other way, and when we consider that we have more population than Jackson or Henderson, and have more details to look after, it stands to reason that such an office in Haywood would be most beneficial."

Henderson and Jackson counties pay their full-time managers \$2,400 per year. Mr. Palmer plans to place a salary of \$1,500 in his bill.

The close interlocking of county, state and federal affairs in numerous agencies, almost compel a county as large as Haywood to have someone on duty all the time to look after the hundreds of details, one person here said in discussing the proposed legislation.

The county manager would act as purchasing agent for the court house, the hospital, jail, and county home, it was said.

Other than the "manager" bill, Mr. Palmer said that only one other piece of legislation was all that he knew of that he would introduce. The second matter pertains to a local measure regarding a town law at Clyde.

It was Mr. Palmer's opinion that the legislature would adjourn by April first, and perhaps a few days before. The principal bills have been passed, and after Monday, no more bills will be introduced.

### MARS HILL STUDENTS COMING FOR HOLIDAYS

March 23 will mark the opening of a five-day spring holiday period at Mars Hill college. The following students from Haywood county will return home for the holidays: Bruce Brown, Jack Green, Earl Leatherwood, Jack Ferguson, Milas Green, William James, Juanita Rush, James Walker, of Clyde; Ruth Dotson, Emelyn Haynes, Victor Nobeck, Robert Plott, Stacy Wilburn, Waynesville; Iey Burgess, Leonard Lovelace, Canton.

### Will Resume Work On Saunook Church May 1

Present plans call for work to be resumed on the new church building at Saunook on May first, it was learned from residents of the community this week.

### Voice of The People

Do you think that since the restrictions have been removed there will be more or less tobacco planted in Haywood County this year than last?

W. P. Harris—Beaverdam Township—"From what I have observed, most of the Haywood growers will plant the usual crop. Personally I would like to grow about an acre more, in order that my three sons could have a crop."

James Smith—Beaverdam Township—"I don't think there will be much more grown this year than last. I figure that most people will feel that the price will be down and that it won't pay to increase their crop."

Paul Ferguson—Fines Creek—"I

think there will be more grown this year than last. I think the growers of last year will increase their crops."

Weaver H. McCracken—Clyde—"I think that there will be more grown in the county, but I feel that it was a mistake not to have kept the crop under government control. I am afraid that prices will not be as good this year as last."

Chas. C. Francis—Ratcliff Cove—"I don't think there will be much increase this year, as it takes barns and sheds and most people would have to go to some additional expense to increase the crop, and with the uncertainty of the price, there won't be many who will be tempted to grow a larger crop."