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FIFTY-FIFTH YEAR NO. 17 WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1939 \$1.50 IN ADVANCE IN COUNTY

Troy Wyche, 48, Civic Leader, Claimed By Death

Funeral In Masonic Affairs, Taken Ill At Chamber Of Commerce Meeting

Members of the community were gathered yesterday afternoon to learn of the death of Thomas Troy Wyche, which occurred at the Haywood Hospital at 4:15.

Wyche was suffering with influenza last Thursday, having been scheduled to serve as master at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet, he disregarded his condition and attended the meeting, carrying out the program in full. Arriving home, he was so ill he had to be assisted to his bed and was unable to be up again.

His condition was not alarming Tuesday, when heart complications set up, and he was taken to the local County Hospital.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed last night, awaiting completion with his brothers, Thomas Wyche, of New Orleans, and Walter Wyche, of Abilene, Texas. The pastor, Miss Ruth Wyche, teacher of the Vashiti School, of Thomasville, arrived last night, and another, Miss Helen Wyche, of Orlando, Fla., is expected today.

The passing of Mr. Wyche the community has lost one of its most prominent citizens, and the local Masonic Order, one of its most prominent and outstanding members.

Shortly after graduating from the local high school Mr. Wyche joined the Haywood Lodge, No. 259 A. F. and M. Since that time he has risen to the rank of Master, receiving some of its highest honors.

Among the offices he has held in the Masonic order are: Past High Master of Asheville Chapter Royal Arch No. 111, Master of Council No. 9 Royal Arch and Select Masters; Past Commander Cyrene Lodge, No. 5, Knights Templar; Past Master, Asheville Lodge, No. 1, A. & A. S. R.; Past Master of Buncombe Chapter, No. 1, O. E. S.; Past Master, Asheville Chapter, No. 1, Kadosh; Past Master, Asheville Chapter, No. 1, High Priesthood in North Carolina.

Member of the Red Cross Constant Member Thrice Illustrious (Continued on page 8)

Asbury Howell Claimed By Death; Funeral On Friday

Funeral of Prominent Farmer and Politician, Had Wide Family Connection

Funeral services will be conducted on Friday afternoon at the residence on Green Hill Avenue at 2:30 o'clock for Asbury Howell, wife of J. R. Howell, prominent farmer and political leader of Haywood County, who died at her home here at 10:30 yesterday morning.

Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr., pastor of the First Methodist church and the Rev. W. Baucum, of the Good Samaritan Mission, of Asheville, a former pastor of the First Baptist church, of Waynesville, will officiate. Burial will be in Green Hill cemetery.

The pallbearers will be John H. Noland, Dave Cabe, Jim Hayes, and Joe Tate. Following will serve as honor bearers: J. R. Boyd, W. T. M. M. Noland, J. R. Hipps, R. McCracken, Dr. Sam Stringfield, Tom Stringfield, Dr. Robert H. Ray, R. T. Boyd.

Mr. Howell, Oliver Shelton, Howell, Judge F. E. Alley, C. H. Robt. Welch, J. H. Way, Lenoir Gwyn, John F. Cabe, R. McCracken, Dr. W. L. Stringfield, and J. L. Stringfield.

Howell, whose family has lived in Haywood County for several generations (Continued on page five)

Lush H. Bramlett Returns After Winter In South

Lush H. Bramlett, of Bramlett Brothers stables, owners of some of the best mounts in this section of the state, returned during the week from a three months stay in Camden, S. C., and Thomasville, Ga.

While in the South Mr. Bramlett with Lloyd Tate, of Blowing Rock, but formerly of Waynesville, entered horses in shows in Jacksonville, Orlando and Palm Beach, each winning several prizes.

Mr. Bramlett, who has arrived for the summer, reports a good tourist season in the South, and is optimistic over the prospects for the 1939 Waynesville season.

Special Services Will Be Held In Hazelwood Church

First Service In Hazelwood Presbyterian Church Auditorium Since Completion

Services will be held in the main auditorium of the Hazelwood Presbyterian church on Sunday, April 30th, at the 11 o'clock morning church hour, for the first time since its completion. A cordial invitation to the public to attend the service is extended by the pastor.

The church has been built during the pastorate of the Rev. O. C. Landrum and was started in 1936, with the idea that all parts of the construction should be paid for as built.

The church does credit to a much larger town, and has been possible only through the special gifts of friends and the interested members of the congregation.

The woodwork is of oak and pine. A very beautiful arch is placed over the chancel, at the back of which are three stained glass windows, each bearing the figure of the Christ in some phase of His teachings.

One window is a memorial to the late Mr. and Mrs. Montreville Platt, and the other to the late Dr. R. P. Smith, beloved Presbyterian minister of this town.

On either side of the seating area of the church are six stained glass windows, each bearing a scriptural emblem.

It was possible to complete the auditorium at this time through a special gift of \$500 from R. L. Prevost, which was matched by the Asheville Presbytery, and a gift of \$125 worth of flooring from H. A. Osborne, and other gifts.

Husband Of County Girl Was Burned To Death In Wreck

When Truck He Was Driving Turned Over, 4,000 Gallons Of Gasoline Caught Fire

Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Church of the Ascension (Episcopal) at Hickory, for Edward Singleton, 23, of Laurinburg, driver of a truck, who met his death from injuries received in an accident while en route from Wilmington to Asheville, dying within a few hours afterward. The Rev. S. B. Stroup officiated and burial was in Hickory.

Mr. Singleton is survived by his wife, the former Miss Willa Boyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Boyd, of Jonathan Creek and a nine months old daughter.

Mr. Singleton and Edgar Harold Carr, were bringing a Southern Oil Transport Company truck containing 4,000 gallons of gasoline, to Asheville, when the truck overturned at 5:50 a. m., four miles from Rutherfordton last Saturday. The truck suddenly burst into flames, and while the men jumped from the truck their burns were fatal, papers and clothing were burned so badly that not until in the afternoon, after they had been taken to a hospital was their exact identity known.

About a half acre of land was burned by the spreading gasoline, and traffic was stopped for about two hours because of the intense heat, and fear that the tank would explode.

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School Head



M. H. BOWLES has been re-elected as superintendent of the Waynesville District Schools.

Teachers Elected In The Local And County Schools

M. H. Bowles Re-Elected As Superintendent Of Waynesville District Schools

M. H. Bowles was re-elected superintendent of the Waynesville Township schools, at the meeting of the school committeemen, which was held on Friday night in the office of the county superintendent of education, C. E. Weatherby was re-elected principal of the high school.

At the same time, the committee composed of Claude N. Allen, chairman, E. K. Herman, Earl Ferguson, Medford Leatherwood, and Jerry (Continued on page 8)

To Address Class



DR. R. P. COLTRANE

Diplomas Will Be Given Graduates Friday Evening

Successful School Year Comes To A Close; 95 In Graduating Class

"The youth of today face something more than the future, they face the dawn of a new day," said the Rev. W. L. Hutchins, presiding elder of the Waynesville district of the Methodist church, who delivered the baccalaureate sermon, to the 95 graduates of the Waynesville Township High school, last Sunday night to a packed auditorium.

"There were dictators in the time of Paul, but their empires are gone, while the spirit of Paul marches triumphantly on. The youth of today will not tolerate the inequalities and (Continued on Page Five)

Mayors Way And Prevost Unopposed; Canton And Clyde Have Full Tickets

Check Flasher Leaves Town In Double Quick Time

City Police are still on the lookout for a man about 5 feet, 10 inches in height, with dark hair, whose confidence in the financial standing of two contractors was such that he lost sight of such details, as to their handwriting, and was tempted to cash forged checks at six of the leading stores of the town.

When last seen he was leaving Church Street, heading in the direction of the Depot in a considerable hurry—after he had just been informed, when trying to pay for a purchase he had made that the signature on the check he was attempting to cash was not that of the man whose name was signed to it.

Record Attendance at Annual Chamber Of Commerce Meet

Subscriptions Pledged To Work Of Organization At Civic Meet Thursday

J. M. Long and J. Wilford Ray stole the show at the Community Party last Thursday night, as they kept 348 people in suspense as to what might come next as they posed as "twin auctioneers" and called for pledges to the Chamber of Commerce.

The humorous pleadings, tinged with seriousness netted \$1,500 in pledges for the organization. The attendance surpassed all expectations and was the largest crowd to attend such an event here in years. Troy Wyche acted as toastmaster, and telegrams from various persons in public life and several other chamber of commerce were read by the local directors.

President S. P. Gay, in a brief address, held back no words, neither did he mince his words in telling the throng that "the Chamber of Commerce is your baby and you are the ones to pay the bills."

President Gay went into detail as to the activities of the organization a clearing house for catering to tourists, and without calling names, but mentioning several lines of business, branded some as not supporting the organization as they should.

Toastmaster Wyche briefly told of the three-point program of the organization, working with industry, agriculture and tourists.

J. Dale Stentz, secretary of the organization, gave a brief report of the office activities, and told of the many inquiries and the volume of mail the organization answered in the course of a week.

The North Ward captains won the wheelbarrow race, but none would admit that they enjoyed the ride around the Armory. The North Ward won on second ballot. The South Ward nosed out by a typical one-vote recount gave the North Ward a favored majority.

The quartette composed of Jim Killian, Lester Potat, Edwin Potat and Evander Preston, carried the crowd back to the "good old days" with several songs of yesteryears. Miss Nan Killian accompanied.

The liveliest part of the program, with the possible exception of R. L. Prevost's ride of C. A. George in the wheelbarrow, was the tap dancing by Theresa Alley. She was accompanied by Mrs. Fred Calhoun. Theresa also gave a vocal number.

The shortest speech of the evening (Continued on page 4)

Donald Dunham Arrives From St. Augustine To Operate Dunham House

Donald Dunham, owner and manager of the Dunham House, one of Waynesville's popular summer hotels, arrived on Monday from St. Augustine, where he has spent the winter. Mr. Dunham reports that while the season in Florida was better than last year, it was unusually short. He has come early in order to get his gardens, which are a beauty spot on Main street, planted the first of May.

Waynesville Voters To Chose Three Aldermen From Seven Candidates

MORE INTEREST IN LOWER END OF COUNTY THAN HERE

Polls Will Open At Seven And Close At Seven Next Tuesday In Contests

Interest in municipal elections in the four Haywood towns, seems to be centered around Canton and Clyde, with very little talk about the Tuesday election in Waynesville and Hazelwood.

With no opposition to Mayor J. H. Way, Jr., of Waynesville, or Mayor W. H. Prevost, of Hazelwood, the candidates for aldermen in the two towns are having to do all the campaigning.

Waynesville voters will chose three aldermen from seven. Those making the race are: T. L. Bramlett, and Sam Jones, seeking re-election, and L. M. Killian, Norman Caldwell, Dr. W. H. Limer, C. B. "Bon" Atkinson and J. P. Francis.

The polls will open at seven and close at seven. Predictions made here this week were that there would be a light vote.

NO MAYOR'S RACE IN HAZELWOOD

The Hazelwood town election is expected to be a quiet event Tuesday, when the voters will name a three-member board of aldermen from four candidates.

There is no race for mayor, since W. H. Prevost is the only candidate to file. In the aldermen's race, Tom Blacklock and Tom Queen, seek re-election, while the other two candidates are Sam Knight, former alderman and Grady Smith.

There has been but little interest in the campaign, and a light vote is expected.

THREE SEEKING MAYORS OFFICE IN CLYDE

Clyde voters will have a full ticket to select their officers from next Tuesday, and for the first time in two terms, Mayor John W. Shook has opposition.

The Clyde candidates are: For Mayor, John W. Shook, seeking re-election, W. G. Smathers and W. R. Killian.

For aldermen: Linden Robinson and Claud Jones, seeking re-election, and Grover Rogers, Charlie Mooney, T. H. Rogers, and J. P. Hawkins. Herman Ensley, present member of the board is not seeking re-election.

N. C. West, present police judge, is seeking re-election and is opposed by Larry Cagle. Clyde has a registration of about 300, and with this full ticket, a poll of 225 is expected.

Murray And Board Out For Re-Election In Canton

The center of town politics in Haywood seem to have settled in Canton this year, with an extra heavy ticket prepared for Tuesday's voters.

The present mayor, J. Paul Murray and board, Guy Hipps, Frank M. Byers and Charles Westmoreland, are all seeking re-election.

The mayor is being opposed by W. F. Sorrells and Albert Curtis.

The present board is running against Carroll McCracken, Charles Willis and Frank A. Hall.

Carl Blaycock, police court judge, filling the unexpired term of Chester A. Cogburn, is seeking re-election, and is opposed by Ralph R. Mease and Charles C. Smathers.

For prosecutor of police court, T. A. Clark is asking for re-election, and is opposed by E. Parris.

AT SANITARIUM

Mrs. W. Curtis Russ is a patient at the Waynesville Sanitarium. Five weeks ago she suffered a relapse after an attack of flu and has been confined to her bed since.

Experience is a dead loss if you cannot sell it for more than it cost you.

Plans Being Made For Curb Markets By Home Club Folk

Seasonal Clothing Demonstration Held For County Women

With a suit case full of new ideas in the way of clothing for the young and old, the fat and the lean, Miss Julia McIver, assistant extension clothing specialist, of State College, gave a seasonal clothing demonstration to the clothing leaders and other interested members of the Haywood County Home Demonstration Clubs.

Bulletins showing the major trends and changes in current styles were distributed by Miss Mary Margaret Smith, county home demonstration agent.

In a very practical way Miss McIver presented many new ideas, that in the finished article appeared quite complicated, but with her explanations of the build up, appeared a simple matter to make.

Fifty-four members of the various clubs throughout the county attended the demonstration held in the court room.

Granting that we need more industries in Haywood County what method would you suggest be used to interest manufacturers in locating in this section?

R. V. Erk—owner of Erkraft—"Industries locate in any area for some definite reason or group of reasons. Availability of labor, transportation, power, water, raw material, and a market for the finished product are all important. Other items that influence location is a suitable factory site. A complete and accurate survey of the community by some capable agency and the result of this survey outlined in a booklet, would aid any prospective industrialist to quickly decide if the community possesses the advantages that industry needs."

R. L. Prevost—President of the Unagusta Manufacturing Company—"First sell ourselves on the need of industries and if we want to work up a sale to ourselves—check up on the graduates of our county schools,

Haywood Would Be Third County West Of Asheville To Maintain Markets

Plans are underway for the establishment of curb markets by the home demonstration clubs of the county to be opened around the first of July. The project has met the hearty approval of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce and the merchants of the town.

A suitable location is now under consideration. The rules and regulations governing the markets will be worked out at an early date by the producers in a general meeting of all the home demonstration clubs of the county.

High standards will be maintained by the markets. Each seller will be required to have a health certificate, and the kitchens where the baking will be done for the markets, will be inspected for cleanliness and general sanitary conditions.

All products used in the home including handicrafts, vegetables, all kinds of foods and flowers will be offered for sale at the markets. The (Continued on Page Five)

Voice of The People

who are ready for employment. Second, when we find the number, waiting for work, how are we going to supply the need?

"I feel that the greatest impetus to industrial growth, should be made locally, where I feel that we are both competent and financially able to start any industry, and in this manner a duofold result will follow. This community should see that it benefits from the capital already invested in its youth and employment be supplied. In other words build our community from within.

"We have an invested capital in every graduate in our county schools, and it is up to us whether or not we let other communities reap the benefit of the investment, or establish industries and employ the youth ourselves, thus capitalizing on our initial investment. Using the recent statement of our president: "Get out of hock to the North 'by building up our own economic stability.'"

Dr. S. P. Gay—President of the (Continued on Page Five)

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