

# THE WAYNESVILLE MOUNTAINEER

Published In The County Seat of Haywood County At The Eastern Entrance of The Great Smoky Mountains National Park

FIFTH YEAR NO. 19

WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1939

\$1.50 IN ADVANCE IN COUNTY

## Engineer Sees Sewer Work Completed Ahead Of Schedule

### Stable Rock Struck On From Smathers Street To Laundry

As of the present time \$222,727 PWA Waynesville sewer line project would be completed ahead of the scheduled time, which is the 31st.

Threkeld, resident engineer, in conversation with representative of The Mountaineer, that it will take from 60 days to finish the three division branch lines of the project.

Five per cent of the work completed, leaving a good margin of the time planned for completion of the work.

On the 12-inch pipe line from the Pilkington Tapestry Mill the 18-inch fall is scheduled next week, and the latter line from Richland Creek to Hazards is now under construction.

Waynesville Laundry. Under normal conditions it is a part of the line would have been completed in 60 days, but the heavy beds of solid rock at Avenue crossing and at several sections between West Coal and the Laundry. Considerable work is having to be done on this line.

A twenty-one-inch drop from street bridge to the upper lake Junaluska, is finished. Work on the 24-inch line from end of Lake Junaluska to River outfall, if no unexpected circumstances come up to delay it, will be completed within 30 days, with the exception of which is to be placed on the creek at the upper lake.

Work to take the sewerage from Creek and make it a sanitary was agitated for years, but have been done before had available. The work has been possible through the PWA. Total amount of the cost of \$222,727 was secured as 45 per cent from a PWA which amounted to \$100,227, division to the two communities follows: Waynesville \$70, Hazelwood receiving \$29,862. Amount was added a government of \$86,000 to Waynesville, \$40 to Hazelwood, bringing total loan to \$122,500.

One hundred and twenty-two men are given jobs on the project. Instructions from the state that men on relief given the first opportunity work, others also have been

are three other PWA projects, county pending allocations, namely: The municipal for the town of Waynesville, and improvement of the system for Waynesville, and to the school buildings of

arrington is winner of F. F. A. speaking contest

arrington won the F. F. A. contest here last Friday night, over Elmer Henderson.

Members of the Smoky chapter of the Future Teachers of America, under the leadership of C. C. Brown, vocational instructor, outstanding in the farm

an "A" honor student, and one of 16 projects this year. Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. of Saunook. He is a junior

preparing for a 27-acre farm, a senior next year. He is used as his subject: "Chain Stores"

will compete in a similar Bryson City soon, and if there, will go to Henderson-Raleigh.

NAVAL AVIATION WORK

Earl Lancaster, Jr., leaves to join the engineering department of the naval aviation department. Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. and for the past several years held a position in the Pratt & Co.

## What A Price . . .

Fourteen men facing trial in the city court on Monday afternoon—and not one red cent in the crowd with which to pay a fine. Their last bit of change had gone for liquid refreshments over the week-end.

It was a depressing sight, Fourteen able bodied men. None old enough to deserve a niche on the shelf reserved for Old Age. Some were young, others around the half century mark—all old enough to know better.

The sentences passed were from 30 to 90 days on the roads. Sent to "Craggy," where they will be forced to do honest hard labor, for which they should receive respectable pay and enjoy freedom.

Instead they will work with a guard standing over them. And those passing by will know that they are paying the price of self indulgence.

Some of them have families, some of them are fathers of little children, who are shirking their responsibilities—planting stumbling blocks in the way of those who will follow them and bear their name—instead of paving the way for them with character and financial aid.

And everyone of them is some mother's son.

## Local Doctors Are Attending Meeting On Trip To Bermuda

### Dr. Dudley W. Smith Will Appear On Program Of State Medical Meet

Dr. Gladys Osborne, Dr. Dudley W. Smith, Mrs. William Prevost, and Dr. J. Rufus McCracken left Monday for Norfolk, where they went to join the North Carolina doctors for the 86th annual state convention, which is being held aboard the steamship Queen of Bermuda.

The ship carrying approximately 600 Tar Heels embarked from Norfolk on Tuesday morning, and is scheduled to arrive in Hamilton, Bermuda, at 8 o'clock this morning.

The return trip will start Friday and the ship is expected to dock in Norfolk Sunday night. The Waynesville party plans to return home on Monday.

Dr. Smith is on the program and will present a paper on his field of work in orthopedics.

## Lawyers Of 20th Judicial District Met Here Monday

William Medford, local attorney, was the principal speaker at the dinner meeting of the members of the 20th Judicial District of the North Carolina Bar, which was held at the Hotel LeFaine on Tuesday night, with Sam M. Robinson, of Canton, president of the group, presiding.

Mr. Medford discussed "Divorces on grounds of separation in the state of North Carolina," giving in full the laws regarding the legal procedure.

### J. E. LANCASTER JOINS FEED-IMPLEMENT FIRM IN HENDERSONVILLE

J. Earl Lancaster, for the past 18 months, connected with Preston Wood Products Company, as manager, has disposed of his interest and is now associated with his brother in the feed and farm implement business in Hendersonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster moved to Hendersonville on Monday of this week, and will occupy a home in Druid Hills.

### Explosion Victims Are Recovering Satisfactorily

Pherson Cagle, Charlie Moore, and Dave Haverston, who are confined in the Haywood County Hospital suffering from injuries received last week in a boiler explosion, were reported by hospital attaches last night, to be making satisfactory recoveries.

All three men were seriously hurt when the boiler of the sawmill owned by R. Lawrence Russell and his son-in-law, Woodrow Rowland, and located on the Plott boundary between Wykle's Fork and Black Camp Gap, exploded Wednesday morning the 3rd, at 7:30 o'clock.

One victim, Francis Kilpatrick was fatally injured.



MAY 14  
Mother's Day

## EDITORIAL

Mother's Day has come again. It is the one anniversary of the year which we cannot approach dispassionately. We find ourselves submerged in the emotion of tender memories. We start with babyhood and go hand and hand down the years, remembering how she guided us when we were too young to know the way.

Childhood, adolescence, and then the years when we must make the grade alone, but we had her to look back to and find the support of her reassurance to give us courage to carry on. If we had her all the way to maturity and beyond, we have been indeed fortunate, but if she has gone on ahead, we have had our memories tucked away, in which to find comfort, for in spirit she has followed us from afar.

Friends have come and gone. Our fortunes in life have often affected their friendships, but not so with mother, she has been steadfast, and the more we have needed her the more she has loved us. If we have been the "black sheep" in the family she has clung to us with even greater affection.

She has been the spirit of the home. She has been the mediator of peace in the family circle, which brings in a sad thought for the Mother's day of 1939. The mothers of the world today, regardless, of the flowers we heap at their feet, or the messages that circle the globe to find them, wherever they may be, they will be saddened over the unrest.

No doubt the greatest gift in the power of her children today, would be to have them pledge eternal peace, when man would not lift up sword against his brother, and compromise and reason would forever settle the disputes of mankind.

## Waynesville Has Enough Coal For Thirty Days

Coal dealers in Waynesville are unanimous in the opinion that there is no cause for alarm over a coal shortage here, as mines continued closed by strikes.

Five Waynesville dealers contacted yesterday by The Mountaineer, expressed themselves that the present supply would last for 30 days or more.

## Voice of The People

What do you think of the 60-mile speed limit on the highways of North Carolina, which went into effect on May the first?

M. D. Watkins—Manager Watkins Chevrolet Company—"I think under present road conditions that 60 miles is a 'little' bit fast. I think that 55 is 'plenty' fast with present narrow highways, hazardous curves, and congested traffic."

White Mease—Principal East Waynesville school—"I think that our speed limit should be within the discretion of the driver, and that speed over 55 miles an hour should be prohibitive, and that 60 is too fast for the average driver and the average automobile."

J. C. Galusha—Owner and manager of the Western Auto Associate Store—"Sixty miles is alright if the condition of the car is kept in order and equipped mechanically, provided, of course, the driver uses discretion

as to the condition of the highway at the time of travel."

C. M. Harrell—Operator Pure Oil Station, Main street—"I think sixty miles is alright on a flat straight road, but not on mountain curves."

Norman Caldwell—Former traffic officer of Waynesville, and operator of several taxis—"I think 60 miles is entirely too much for the average driver. The trouble at present is that there are too many incompetent drivers given licenses, and 60 miles is beyond them with safety. In this section 60 miles is equal to 70 and 80 in a flat country."

D. J. Howell—operator Standard Station on Main street—"I consider that 45 miles an hour is enough and at that speed a person has plenty of time to get where they are going. I think that a 60 mile speed limit is simply the 'limit,' and is dangerous for even the best driver."

## 18 Staggettes . . .

The past week-end was a busy one for the city police force and the county jail attendants, for the largest number of arrests over one week-end since the first of January, 1939—enjoyed the panorama of the surrounding peaks as viewed from the top floor of the Haywood County court house.

The eighteen intoxicated citizens escorted by the police, for confinement in lawful custody of local authorities, included 15 whites and 3 colored, all men.

The members of the force disclosing the foregoing facts did not state why the followers of Bacchus were so prevalent at this season. Since the week-end was touched with the crispness of winter it cannot be laid to Spring exuberance.

## Road From Entrance At Lake Junaluska Is Being Improved

### Parking Space In Front Of The Auditorium Is Being Enlarged

Work was started the first of the month on the stretch of roadway leading from the entrance at Lake Junaluska, to a point beyond the bottling house in front of the Cherokee Inn, on the grounds of the Southern Methodist Assembly.

The same road bed will be kept, but grading in several of the irregular places has greatly improved the road. This week gravel is being laid for the base, which will be followed by a coat of tar.

It is estimated that the work will be completed by the first of June, in ample time for the summer activities of the center.

Other improvements on the property are also underway, which include enlarging the parking space opposite the auditorium.

## Mrs. Scott Brown Dies At Home Of Niece Wednesday

Mrs. Ellen Edwards Brown, 80, widow of the late Scott Brown, died yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the home of her niece, Mrs. Henry Barnes, on Killian street, with whom she has been residing since the death of her husband eleven years ago.

Mrs. Brown was born on Feb. the 14th, 1858, and was the daughter of Philip and Elizabeth Tritt Edwards, and is widely connected in Haywood County.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the First Methodist church, of which she had been a member for the past 70 years, in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. W. L. Hutchins, presiding elder of the Waynesville district, assisted by the Rev. Frank Leatherwood, will preside. Burial will be in Green Hill cemetery.

Serving as active pallbearers will be nephews of Mrs. Brown, as follows: L. M. Killian, James W. Killian, J. Hardin Howell, Henry Gaddy, Charles Painter, and Robert Gibson.

Honorary pallbearers will be: J. R. Boyd, Lee Bramlett, E. P. Martin, John Plott, France Mehaffey, Jim F. Davis, Joe Leatherwood, Dr. Tom Stringfield, Asbury Howell, Dr. B. F. Smathers, John West, and Jack Sease.

## \$175 Contributed To Boy Scout Fund

Approximately \$175 was raised this week during the annual adult membership drive for Boy Scouts, it was learned from W. A. Bradley, local chairman.

Haywood County was given a quota of \$750. Of this amount, Canton and Clyde agreed to attempt to raise half and Waynesville, Hazelwood and Lake Junaluska the remainder.

Mr. Bradley said yesterday that many prospective contributors were not seen during the first day of the drive, but would be contacted in the next few days.

### Three Places Observe Confederate Memorial Day

The First National Bank, the welfare office and re-employment office were closed yesterday in observance of Confederate Memorial Day.

No other observances were made.

## Civil Court Here Delayed By Federal Court In Asheville

### Enforced Absence Of Lawyers And Witnesses Has Delayed Progress Of Docket

The progress of the May term of civil court, which convened here on Monday morning, with Judge F. E. Alley, presiding, has been delayed by the fact that some of the lawyers and witnesses in the cases have had to attend Federal court, now in session in Asheville.

The case of Oliver Smith against Zeb V. Ferguson, in which the plaintiff asked for damages amounting to \$25,000, and the case of J. V. Smith, also against Zeb V. Ferguson, with the plaintiff asking \$3,300 were consolidated for trial.

Both cases growing out of a truck wreck were non-suited by Judge Alley, following the evidence of the plaintiffs, before the case reached the jury.

The first case to come up for trial was that of the Appleton Manufacturing Company against L. H. Bramlett. The plaintiffs had sold the defendant a corn husker, and the dispute arose over payment of the machinery. The case was non-suited, and the plaintiffs failed to make any recovery.

Other cases passed upon since court convened included the granting of five divorces as follows: J. L. Cagle from Artie Cagle, Mabel Walker from Spencer Walker, Jack Paxton from Willie Paxton, James Snyder from Mable Snyder, Rachel Weston from Sidney Weston.

The first case scheduled for today is that of G. R. Ferguson against Hubert Ferguson, regarding the non-payment of a note.

Coming up for trial this week will be the Ernest Rogers case against the Coca-Cola company, in which the plaintiff claims he drank some foreign substance in a drink manufactured by the company and is asking for \$20,000.

## Home Of Miss Boggs On Pigeon Highway Destroyed By Fire

### Blaze Started Around 9:30 Sunday Night From Oil Water Heater In Bathroom

A blaze, which started from a curtain blowing in an open window near an oil heater, in a bath room on Sunday night around 9:30 o'clock gained such headway, that it completely destroyed the two story home of Miss Marian Boggs, located two miles from Waynesville, just off the Pigeon Highway.

Miss Boggs, who had returned a fortnight ago from a hospital, where she was treated for injuries received in an automobile accident about two months ago, and her nurse, were alone in the house at the time, and discovered the fire.

Help was called, and the Waynesville city fire department responded, and did all in their power, but by the time they arrived at the place, the fire had spread over the entire house, and their efforts were centered on saving the surrounding buildings.

Practically nothing was saved in the way of furniture or personal property from the house. The loss of the residence has been estimated around \$7,500 and was partly covered by insurance.

The home once belonged to an uncle, Geo. E. Boggs, of Miss Boggs, who conducted a large commercial orchard in this county, and did much to stimulate interest in the early development of the apple industry in this section.

Following the death of the uncle, the father of Miss Boggs came into possession of the property, and since the death of her father, fifteen years ago, the present owner has been in charge of the place, spending the greater part of each year there.

## 150 Here Fail To Make Tax Listings

Late Wednesday afternoon seven townships in the county had completed their tax listings, and Tax Collector Weaver H. McCracken seemed optimistic that they would all be in by the last of the week.

With the exception of approximately 150 property owners in Waynesville township, the listings are complete.

Five townships had not sent in final reports late yesterday afternoon, according to Mr. McCracken.