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FIFTH YEAR NO. 47 WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1939 \$1.50 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

In Hospital, Another Jail After Head-On Car Collision Late Yesterday

Wesley, of Canton, Suffered Injuries In Smash, Tennessee Man Held

Wesley, of Canton, is confined in the Haywood County Hospital. W. R. Sanders, of Tennessee, was held in jail, as the result of a head-on collision of their cars late yesterday afternoon. The accident occurred on Main Street near the end of Wesley Heights. Wesley received bruises on his face and a cut over the left eye, and a laceration on the chest. The physician in charge of the case at night, that it was impossible to tell the extent of his injuries.

Bryson, also of Canton, was in the car in which Sanders was alone in his car. According to the sheriff's report, Sanders is "nearly worthless," and was used by the owner of the car where the automobiles collided.

Tickets To Negro Minstrel Have Been Sold

Local People To Take In Benefit Performance Friday Night

Two hundred tickets already sold, the minimum running high, all of which are that a large audience of the 40 local talented in the Darktown Minstrel show at the high school at eight o'clock. The show is being given by the Lions Club to raise money for their work of providing glasses for underprivileged children. This past year 12 pairs, and are making now to provide 25 pair.

The show is composed entirely of negroes, and is of the typical minstrel type with music, jokes, dancing and several numbers. The program, will include a dance by "Snake" and also Lauriston Harrison Davis will give a rope exhibition, while special numbers will be given by Williams, Jim Killian, Bobby Preston, and L. T. New, who is acclaimed to many laughs, has been by Clarence Barnes. A. J. Freeman and Jim Clarence Barnes also appeared in a solo skit, as Henpecker.

Cross Roll Is Expected To Exceed 1938

Learned late last night that the annual Red Cross Roll had been raised to \$600, and the amount raised this year is expected to exceed that of last year. The list of fellowships and memberships of great scientific groups over the world, in which he is included, is far too large to mention in full in a sketch of such brevity.

Jury Returned True Bill In The Rich Murder Case

November Term Of Criminal Court Convened Monday, Judge Pless Presiding

The Haywood County grand jury returned a true bill against Perry Rich for the alleged murder of his brother, Jesse Rich, on Monday morning, the opening day of the November term of criminal court, over which Judge J. Will Pless, of Marion, is presiding. The docket of the present term contains a large number of cases, and a civil calendar has been prepared for trial during the second week.

The following verdicts had been rendered through Wednesday afternoon: Roy Colward, driving drunk, fined \$50 and costs, and driver's license revoked for one year.

L. A. Farrior, for driving drunk, fined \$75 and costs, and driver's license revoked.

Jack Ferguson, driving drunk, \$50 and costs, with driver's license revoked.

Ella Mae Paris, for violation of prohibition laws, two years suspended sentence.

George Bryson, for larceny of an automobile, 8 months to work in one of the county institutions, and driver's license revoked.

E. F. Cody, for driving drunk, 60 days on the roads, and driver's license revoked.

Garland and Fred Pressley, for operating a junk yard in Canton, were discharged on payment of costs.

Carter Clark, for assault, fined \$10 and costs.

Horace Sharp, for breaking and entering, four months on the roads.

Roy Gosnell, for larceny, 6 months on the roads.

Jack Carnes, for hunting without license, discharged on payment of costs.

D. R. Owen, for forgery, 6 months on the roads.

Orville King, for cruelty to animals, two years on the roads.

John Mathis, for bigamy, sentenced to state penitentiary from 2 to 4 years.

Monroe Ewart, for larceny, discharged on payment of costs.

Bill Sharp, for breaking, entering and larceny, sentenced from 2 to 3 years to state penitentiary.

Frank Williamson, for driving drunk, 6 months on the roads, and driver's license revoked.

The following divorces were granted: Marjorie Swayngim Ball from William B. Ball; H. C. Sanford from Nova Sanford; Hilda Margaret Anderson from W. G. Anderson; Louise Stamey from Ernest Stamey.

Bringing Back The Bruin



It would have taken four pictures to have told the story of R. L. Prevost's hunt of last week-end, and four large bears were brought back. This picture was snapped after a hunt last season, and as you can see, the boys did themselves proud. J. W. Killian is holding the left end of the pole, while George A. Brown, Jr., is kneeling on the extreme left of the picture.

57 Nominated As Candidates For C. of C. Directors

Ballots Available At Office, Or One Printed In This Paper May Be Used

Sixteen directors for the Chamber of Commerce will be elected out of a nominated list of 57, and from the directors will come officers for 1940. Ballots are being mailed by J. Dale Stentz, secretary this week, and all voting must be done between now and noon, of Wednesday, Nov. 29th, he pointed out. Additional ballots can be secured from the Chamber of Commerce office, or the one used which is printed elsewhere in this newspaper, he said. The nominees are classed under six different groups, and a designated number to be voted on from each group. The nominating committee has prepared the following list: Industrial group, three to be — (Continued on back page) —

Local Hunters Bag Four Bear

Hunt On West Fork, Headed By R. L. Prevost, Has Successful 2-Day Hunt

Four bears were killed by R. L. Prevost's bear hunting party on Friday and Saturday in the Sherwood Forest area of the Pisgah National Forest. The largest kill, a 500-pounder, was made in the morning of the first day of the two-day hunt. This was regarded as the largest kill in any of the federal-state co-operative areas in the three seasons in which hunts have been held and possibly ever killed in Pisgah Forest.

The four bruins were killed by W. A. Bradley, Bob Boone, George Bishoff and Hub Parker.

The hunting party was composed of Mr. Prevost, president of the Unagusta Manufacturing Co., in Hazelwood, Congressman Zebulon Weaver and twenty-three others.

Ten bear dogs were used in the hunt which resulted in the killing of the four bears. The hunt was on the left prong of the west fork of Pigeon river.

Another party of 25, headed by Albert Abel, made a hunt on November 10 and 11 on Big East Fork, but did not meet with any success.

On the 24th and 25th, another group of 25, headed by A. J. Hutchins, of Canton, will hunt in the Little East Fork section.

J. C. Cannon, of Dillsboro, and a party, will hunt the middle Prong on December first and second.

A group from here went to Linville this past week-end, but bad weather prevented any hunting.

Garrett Named District Governor Of N. C. Funeral And Embalmers Assn.

N. W. Garrett has been named district governor of the eighth district of the North Carolina Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association. The appointment came from State President, Ernest Thompson, of Burlington.

Mr. Garrett announced yesterday that a district meeting, which will include all counties from Rutherford County west, will meet at the George Vanderbilt Hotel on November 28.

There are 36 members in this district, and Mr. Garrett will serve for one year.

Soco Gap Dance Team Will Make Tour Of Florida

Bookings Are Being Made In Theatres And Night Clubs In The Larger Cities

The Soco Gap Dance Team plans to tour Florida for a two months period, leaving here around the 23rd of December. Joe Welch will be in charge of the bookings for the group. The team will travel in a Smoky Mountain Tour bus and will be accompanied by W. F. Bridgers, owner of the company, who will show his movies of this section as part of the program staged by the Soco team.

Richard Queen, Ralph Moody, Joe Campbell, and Joe Welch returned this week from Kentucky where they made arrangements with the Coon Creek Girls, a mountain string band, that has furnished music for the Soco Dance Team at the past two Folk Festivals held in Washington, and that played for the team on the memorable occasion when they danced for King George and Queen Elizabeth.

The Coon Creek Girls have been on the Renfro Valley Barn dance program of WLW for sometime, and are well known for their mountain music.

Mr. Queen states that they plan to take six couples on the tour. They will have bookings in the theatres, night clubs and public square dance features in all the larger cities of Florida. They plan to stay in Miami for a two weeks period.

Robert Clark Takes Up New Duties In Asheville

Robert M. Clark, circulation manager of The Mountaineer for the past 15 months, took up new duties with a well known insurance company, in Asheville this week. Mr. and Mrs. Clark and young daughter, moved to Asheville, their former home, on Friday.

Haywood Votes 10 To 1 For Burley Control

Next Thursday Will Be Observed As Thanksgiving

According to information yesterday afternoon, the rural mail carriers will be the only local people who will observe President Roosevelt's Thanksgiving today. The annual celebration which has been traditionally held the last Thursday in November will be observed here next Thursday as usual, starting with the union church service at 8 o'clock.

The service will be held this year in the First Methodist church, with the Rev. W. Herbert Mayers, rector of Grace Episcopal church delivering the sermon. The other ministers of the town will assist in the service. There will be special music.

The business firms, the post office, and the First National Bank will observe the usual Thanksgiving holidays.

The high spot of the afternoon is the football game between Waynesville and Canton, which annually attracts large holiday crowds.

Ivy Hill and Beaverdam Townships Vote 100 Per Cent For AAA Plan

Burley tobacco growers in Haywood County voted in favor of AAA tobacco quota control for 1940 crops on Tuesday, with 509 voting favorably and 52 votes cast against the measure.

The county committee was much gratified over the result of the election, and feel that the growers will appreciate the significance of their vote in the coming year.

The approval expressed on Tuesday by the majority of the burley growers does not effect the 1939 crop, as far as the AAA is concerned, but applies solely to the 1940 crop. However some tobacco authorities seem to think that the vote on Tuesday will boost prices for this year.

Under the plan voted on this week, if approved by two-thirds majority of growers in 16 southern and mid-western states, included in the burley belt, growers will be permitted to market tobacco grown upon their AAA acreage allotments. Tobacco grown on excess acreage will be subject to a penalty tax of 10 cents a pound if marketed.

The vote in Haywood County according to townships was as follows:

Township	Yes	No	Challenge
Waynesville	91	63	3
White Oak	31	29	2
Fines Creek	123	96	7
Crabtree	64	19	16
Ivy Hill	19	19	0
Jonathan	69	61	8
Iron Outf	53	62	1
Beaverdam	27	26	0
Clyde	46	42	4
Pigeon, Cecil	60	50	10
East Fork	568	509	52

Twenty-four of the votes challenged were allowed to be cast, as the voters had business in Waynesville, a number attending court, and the challenge was more or less routine.

The plan met with favor in 17 of the 18 counties in Western North Carolina, while other states participating in the voting carried overwhelming, piling up about 87,000 votes for and 16,000 against.

Graham turned thumbs down on the plan, by a vote 36 for and 49 against.

Avery and Mitchell counties failed to carry a two-thirds majority, while Mitchell voted 72 for and 54 against.

The results of Tuesday's voting had political bearing, as it is the second farmer referendum victory so far this fall. The administration's crop control program, now looms as a potential issue in next year's presidential campaign.

A year ago, burley growers voted against the plan.

Rabbits, Birds Plentiful, As Season Opens 30th

"There are more birds than at any time in years," County Game Warden Cody Plott said yesterday, in discussing the opening of the season on the 30th.

"Grouse and rabbits are also plentiful, and according to the number of hunters at Lake Junaluska, it is a good season for ducks," Mr. Plott continued. The season for rabbits and grouse also opens next Thursday.

Between 200 and 300 ducks appear at the Lake every morning, it was said, and from 20 to 25 hunters are on hand to try their luck. One man got eight ducks Saturday, three Monday and eight again Tuesday.

Mr. Plott said he understood there was considerable duck hunting at Waterville, but that he had not made a check-up down there. The duck season will close December 29th. Any gun under 8-gauge is permitted to hunt ducks, but no rifles.

The open season for grouse will close January 15, while the season for rabbits and quail will remain open until February 15th.

Mr. Plott had no official information on the annual deer hunts in Pisgah National Forest, but was expecting some this week-end.

Tax Listers Were Appointed Monday By Commissioners

Tax listers were appointed at the meeting Monday of the board of county commissioners and will begin their work on the first of January, instead of April as has heretofore been the custom in Haywood County. Listers for the various townships include the following: Beaverdam, John Allen; Cataloochee, Miss Flora Palmer; Cecil, Perry Allen; Clyde, Carey Byers; Crabtree, R. L. James; East Fork, K. L. Burnett. Pines Creek, Cauley Rogers; Iron Duff, Oral Yates; Jonathan Creek, Dick Moody; Pigeon, E. B. Rickman; Waynesville, J. S. Black; White Oak, John William; Ivy Hill, D. J. Boyd.

Dr. E. W. Gudger, International Authority On Fishes, Was 36 Years Old Before Seeing Ocean

By Hilda Way Gwyn.

Truth is stranger than fiction. A trite beginning, but how else could you describe the life of a man who has become an international authority on the creatures of the briny deep, who never saw an ocean until he was thirty-six years old. Such are the facts in the life of Dr. Eugene W. Gudger, ichthyologist, native of Waynesville, and resident of New York City, who retired last year from his post of associate curator of fishes in the American Museum of Natural History, and is now honored with the title of Honorary Associate in Ichthyology. The leisure of his retirement is merely a continuation of his life work.

"A prophet is not without honor save in his own country," might be applied to Dr. Gudger, famous Tar Heel. While he has gained international recognition, he has lived out of the state so many years, and his work being of such a high technical nature, it is doubtful if he is as well known to the people of North Carolina, as his achievements deserve. The background of a life, rich and full of accomplishments, which reveals step by step the path to fame and renowned recognition come in for their share of appreciation.

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ly, but among them are: member of the American Society of Zoologists; the Society of Naturalists; Society of Ichthyologists; life member of the American Museum of Natural History; president for one year and secretary for ten years of the North Carolina Academy of Science; a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science; and honorary corresponding member of the Salmon and Trout Association of Great Britain.

Dr. Gudger's name is found in the Natural Encyclopedia of American Biography; in Who's Who in — (Continued on page 5) —

IN LOOKING OVER THE COUNTY—

General Haywood

GETS A FEW THINGS OF COUNTY-WIDE INTEREST OFF HIS MIND WITH LETTERS

Haywood County Commissioners, Gentlemen:— In my day, I have been a close observer of county affairs, and I appreciate the numerous and some of the perplexing problems with which you have to deal, but there is one, that seems to me that needs immediate attention. This is the situation at the county home, where there are almost as many children as adult inmates. The condition has been appalling for all these years. It is not getting better, although as has been often said, through no fault of present or past superintendents, or your board, but largely because the public was not — (Continued on page 2) —