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Sub-Zero Temperatures And Heavy Snowfall Hit County

Haywood Has Snowfall From 7 to 12 Inches; Mercury Goes To Two Below

Winter struck with full force this past week, bringing sub zero temperature, and snowfall which measured from 7 to 12 inches in Haywood.

Waynesville had a snowfall of slightly over 7 inches, according to Harry M. Hall, local weather observer, while some rural sections of Haywood had a 12-inch fall.

Highway and street forces cleared the main thoroughfares and sidewalks Wednesday, and about noon the temperature went above freezing and the snow in many places melted some.

Driving was dangerous, but no accidents were reported last night. Several car owners experienced skidding and some even abandoned their cars until late yesterday.

Saturday and Sunday the mercury dropped to two degrees below zero for the winter's coldest. Yesterday was the highest minimum in five days. A detailed report of the official reading will be found on page three.

Many here were of the opinion that this week's cold was on par with that of 1930, but according to the official records, there was several degrees different. In December, 1930, the mercury dropped to 4 below; in January to 12 below and in February to 10 below.

In the winter of 1917, which is said to have been the most severe in fifty years, there are no local records. There is a lapse of records from November, 1917 until the summer of 1918. At that time, the vicinity of Asheville recorded five below.

Last night the mercury was dropping fast, and the snow was getting a hard crust as The Mountaineer went to press.

Commissioners Asked To Revoke A Beer License

The Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors committee has petitioned the Haywood county board of commissioners to revoke the retail license of one dealer in Canton.

Edgar H. Bain, of Goldsboro, state director in charge of the beer industry's "clean up or close up" campaign in North Carolina, alleged that the dealer conducted a public nuisance. Affidavits of local law enforcement officers were attached to the complaint.

The committee has filed three revocation petitions with the Haywood board of commissioners since last October 1. The board revoked the license of one dealer, and the court revoked the other license. The petition filed this week probably will be acted upon at the February meeting of the board.

Since September 1, the committee has secured 40 revocations.

Mrs. Joe Liner and small son left Tuesday for Miami, Fla., where they will spend the remainder of the winter.

County Offices Play At Game Of "Fruit Basket"

Due to a defective heating plant in the Citizens Bank building, the county offices have been indulging in the old fashioned game, still popular with children, known as "fruit basket." In the terms of the game the fire warden seem to be "it."

The office of the county farm agent, which has been located in the Citizens Bank started the game. They moved into the office in the court house originally intended for a historical room, but never used for such. The office at one time housed the county farm agents and their multitudinous government files, but until last week was the office of the county home demonstration agent.

Record Breaking Number Attend Poultry Course

Increasing Interest In Better Poultry Methods Shown At Meet Here Monday

A record breaking attendance of 165 poultrymen representing ten counties, attended the poultry short course, which was conducted here at the court house on Monday, under the sponsorship of the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service.

"Poultry should be made one of the principle sources of income in Western North Carolina. One of the greatest weaknesses of the poultry producers in this section is the system of marketing it is the fact that the middleman is getting thirty-three and a third per cent of the poultry industry returns," said C. F. Parris, State Extension poultry specialist, who spoke at length on the place of poultry in Western North Carolina.

"No profit can be made on a mixed flock of chickens," said Dr. C. H. Bostain, professor of poultry at State College, in his talk on a breeding program for Western North Carolina.

Dr. Bostain brought out the fact that chickens for egg production should be purchased with the same idea for type as in system of breeding cattle.

T. T. Brown, extension poultry specialist gave a demonstration of a well dressed chicken for the market and the preparation of eggs for sale.

In the egg show which was held in connection with the short course, there were twenty-three entries. The Smith Poultry Farm, of Murphy, won both first and second places in the exhibition of white and dark shelled eggs.

Of interest to the poultrymen were the miniature models of poultry houses exhibited by the state men attending the meeting.

Representative poultrymen from the following counties attended the course here: Cherokee, Swain, Clay, Macon, Jackson, Madison, Buncombe, Transylvania and Haywood.

Fishing Banned In Richland Creek By State Board

Board Of Conservation And Development Acts On Request of Land Owners

Acting on a petition bearing names of several hundred land owners the board of Conservation and Development has passed a resolution forbidding any fishing in Richland Creek until further notice.

The resolution was asked for by Chas. E. Ray, Jr., member of the state board, at the board meeting last week. Plans are to keep fishing out of Richland Creek for about two years.

The creek above Lake Junaluska has been stocked with rainbow and brook trout. Below the lake, bass have been planted in the creek.

County Offices Play At Game Of "Fruit Basket"

The office across the hall occupied by Mrs. Jimmy Boyd, county NYA director, has also been taken over for the office of the assistant county farm agents. Mrs. Boyd has been moved to the office of the county fire warden, on the third floor. The warden has been shoved out in the cold, presumably to warm by his own fires, for as yet his final destination has not been settled, it was learned late yesterday afternoon.

Miss Mary Margaret Smith, county home demonstration agent, has been moved into the jury room back of the court room on the second floor, with the jury and the witness quarters making a kind of combination to serve both groups.

Band Students



—Photo by Patsy Gwyn. Mary Stentz, trombone player, and Jack Richeson, with his cornet, will play in the All State School Band at the meeting in Salisbury on Friday and Saturday.

Local Students Will Play In All State Band Friday

Mary Stentz, Trombonist and Jack Richeson, Cornet, Selected For Honor

Mary Stentz, trombone player, and Jack Richeson, cornet player, seniors in the Waynesville Township High school and members of the band, have been selected to represent the local musical group to play in the western division of the All State High School Band.

This recognition is quite an honor for the local players, they will take part on programs with players who have been taking band instructions for the past five years, while the Waynesville band was organized early last fall.

Miss Stentz and young Richeson will leave in the morning for Salisbury, where they join the other members of the all state band. They will spend the day in rehearsals and give a concert that night.

On Saturday morning a clinic for band masters will be held in Salisbury, for band directors. The same students will serve as clinic students for the band directors, who will study common band problems and methods of solution.

The members of the all state band will present a picture of multi-colored effect as each student will wear the uniform of his own band.

Miss Stentz and Jack Richeson will be accompanied to Salisbury by L. T. New, Jr., band director of the local schools.

24 And 22 Cents Average Received For Burley Crops

Other successful Haywood burley growers reporting this week on their crops, including Mrs. Lloyd Teague, who had an average of 24 cents for 354 pounds. Mrs. Teague reported her crop brought \$510.

L. Z. Mesner, of Clyde, route one, averaged 22 cents for 1,238 pounds of burley. Mr. Mesner also grew a demonstration crop on half acre and grew 864 pounds. He said he averaged about the same price for the treated as the untreated.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ensley are spending a month at various points of interest in Florida.

IN LOOKING OVER THE COUNTY— General Haywood GETS A FEW THINGS OF COUNTY-WIDE INTEREST OFF HIS MIND WITH LETTERS

To the Business and Professional Men of Haywood County:—

With 1940 already acclaimed by some as a promising year for tourist travel in Western North Carolina and with the dedication of the Smoky Mountains Park on this year's calendar, it seems that this would be a most opportune time

Waynesville Fish Hatchery Soon To Be Best In South

Formal Report For 1939 Shows That Hatchery At Balsam Had Successful Year

One million eight hundred thousand and trout eggs have been hatched, or are now in process of being hatched at the Morrison Fish Hatchery, here, it was reported in the annual report of J. D. Chalk, commissioner of inland fisheries to the board of Conservation and Development last week.

State plans for a WPA project with which to complete the second story of the building and remaining outside pools have been approved, and it was said that when these improvements have been made, that the Waynesville hatchery will be the largest and best hatchery in the south—either state, federal or private.

The formal report of Mr. Chalk in regard to the Waynesville hatchery, included this statement: "The 1939 operations at this hatchery were generally satisfactory and successful. Funds have been provided with which to sponsor a new WPA project necessary to complete work there, and final approval and should come through in time to begin work as soon as the weather permits."

Agricultural Workers Form Organization

Group Will Study Means Of Coordinating County Agricultural Units

J. C. Lynn, county farm agent, was elected president of a newly organized group of agricultural workers in the county at a meeting held during the week. Membership in the group will include representatives from the county farm agent's office, the farm security administration office, and teachers of vocational agriculture in the county.

Others who will serve with Mr. Lynn are: Wilfred Jackson, vice president, and J. C. Brown, secretary-treasurer and chairman of publicity.

The general purpose of the organization is to insure better understanding of the efforts of the various agricultural departments as well as to unify and co-ordinate the work in serving the county.

The group had been invited to discuss the feasibility of such an organization by the county agent, and meeting the approval of the interested, an organization was perfected at the initial meeting.

The present plan is to hold meetings the first Monday in each month, with the February meeting to be held at the Gordon Hotel. The next month will be Ladies Night, and each member will bring his girl friend or his wife.

Present at the organization meeting were: J. C. Lynn, W. A. Corpening, J. L. Reitzel, Wilfred Jackson, D. Frank Baird, I. A. McLain, B. G. O'Brien, B. F. Nesbitt, and J. C. Brown.

Mrs. Alley Attended Conference In Raleigh

Mrs. D. D. Alley has returned to town after attending the Southern Regional Conference on guidance and personnel, which was held in Raleigh on Friday and Saturday. Mrs. Alley attended the meeting as president of the State Congress of Parents and Teachers and also represented the state employment service.

Cruso Electric Completing Extension Plans In County

Local Sales Are Good For Annual President's Ball

James Queen, Local Chairman, And Committee Members, At Work On Sales

James Queen, local chairman of sale of tickets for the President's Ball, which will be held in the Canton Armory on Tuesday evening the 30th, states that the sale in Waynesville of tickets has made encouraging headway.

Serving with chairman Queen for this area are: Mrs. James Henderson, Mrs. Felix Stovall, Tom Campbell, Chas. D. Ketner, A. W. Collins, and James Harden Howell, Jr. Bill Prevost is in charge of the sale of tickets in Hazelwood.

Dr. J. R. Westmoreland, of Canton, is serving as general chairman of the ball, and is quite optimistic over the prospect of exceeding the high record of last year, when the Haywood County ball netted receipts which placed it eighth on the state list of balls.

Will Osborne and his 15-piece New York orchestra, rated as one of the ten best in the country, has been secured for the dance by Harry Winner and Capehart Nichols, co-chairmen of music.

As a special feature during the intermission Sam Queen and his famous Soco Gap Dance team will give several exhibitions.

Due to so many complaints in previous years the committee in charge this year, decided to discontinue the grand march and the presentation of sponsors, which have taken up so much time formerly, so that the entire evening may be devoted to dancing.

Parkway Fund Cut Is Opposed

Congressmen Asked To Seek Same Appropriation As Last Year—\$3,000,000

The North Carolina board of Conservation and Development mailed resolutions this week to the state's congressional delegation opposing a proposed reduction of federal funds for construction of the Blue Ridge Parkway.

In recent years the project has been allotted three million dollars annually. The proposed appropriation this year would be less than two million dollars.

The board adopted resolutions, were offered by Chas. E. Ray, Jr., member of the board. The resolutions said the proposed reduction would delay completion of the 500-mile road. The resolution was sent to Congressman Zebulon Weaver for presentation to Congress.

Jonathan Woody, president of the First National Bank, spent the week-end in Atlanta, with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Marsh had as their guests on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hensley and Jack Hensley, of Morganton. Mrs. Hensley is the former Miss Dollee Marsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marsh.

923 Births, Against 259 Deaths Haywood Record

The annual meeting of the Haywood County Board of Health was held in the office of the health department in the court house on Monday night, January 22, and was attended by George A. Brown, Jr., chairman, Jack Messer, secretary, of Waynesville, and Drs. J. L. Reeves and A. P. Cline, of Canton.

A report of the work accomplished by the health department during the past year was made by Dr. C. N. Sisk, the health officer, and the plans for the department for the coming year were discussed.

The following communicable diseases were reported during the year: chickenpox, 14, diphtheria, 42, measles, 195, pellagra, 1, scarlet fever, 21, typhoid fever, 4, tubercu-

Group Will Go To Washington On Feb. 12th For Approval Of Application

Final plans are being completed for the presentation to the Rural Electrification Administration in Washington of the maps and necessary papers for the extension of the Cruso Mutual Electric lines into other sections of the county, it was learned this week from the office of the county farm agent.

J. C. Lynn, county agent, Harry Dewar, engineer, and T. Lenoir Gwyn are planning to take all maps and specifications to Washington on February the 12th, for a final approval.

The appropriation in Washington for the project will depend entirely on the number of subscribers and unless sufficient numbers are signed up in the near future certain proposed lines cannot be built at this time.

All persons in the proposed area of the new extensions, are urged, if they intend to do so, to sign up either with the county agent or a committee member in their own community at once.

Some sections have five subscribers to a given area in which the government calls for four, while others have fallen down on their quota.

Methodist Held Annual Institute Here On Monday

Despite Weather 150 Leaders In The District From Canton To Murphy Attend

One hundred and fifty leaders from the 122 churches in the Waynesville district of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist church met here on Monday at the First Methodist church for their annual missionary institute, with the Rev. W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent, presiding.

"The meeting was marked by a spirit of optimism throughout by the leaders from Canton to Murphy, and I feel that there is a renewed spiritual life among our people," said the Rev. Hutchins in speaking of the meeting.

Dr. J. M. Hawley, of Pittsburgh, a member of the board of missions of the Methodist church, delivered a powerful address, in which he gave a clear cut picture of the maladjustments of the present day, and offered as an only remedy the church and Christianity.

Rev. W. R. Kelly, pastor of the Canton Methodist church, and district missionary-secretary, explained the purpose of the institute.

Rev. J. G. Huggins, Jr., spoke on "The Benevolent Dollar."

Rev. W. L. Hutchins spoke on "The Where of the Methodist Advance," citing the many opportunities for service that awaited the fulfillment of the program of the Greater Methodist organization.

The Rev. C. D. Brown, of Long's Chapel charge, reviewed the mission study book for the year, "Methodist in Action." M. H. Bowles spoke on "The Laymen and Missions."

Mrs. E. L. McKee, discussed the larger sphere of the women in the — (Continued on page 7) —

Josef, 6, syphilis, 102, and gonorrhoea, 6. The 42 cases of diphtheria occurred in the following townships: Waynesville, 18, Beaverdam, 12, Pigeon, 5, Clyde, 3, East Fork, 2, Crabtree, 1; Cecil, 1.

Complying with the state laws governing vaccination against diphtheria in certain age groups 1,343 children were vaccinated at the following schools: Hazelwood 159, Clyde 112, Bethel 86, North Canton 86, Cecil 81, Saunook 76, Maggie 74, Beaverdam 71, Patton 71, Cruso 69, Pennsylvania Avenue 53, Fines Creek 51, Morning Star 49, Spring Hill 45, Rock Hill 41, Allen's Creek 43, Crabtree 37, East Waynesville 28, Junaluska 27, Pigeon Street (Col.) 24, Waynesville (Continued on back page)