

THE WAYNESVILLE MOUNTAINEER

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

SIXTH YEAR

NO. 19 Sixteen Pages Today

WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY, MAY 9, 1940

\$1.50 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

Plans Started For Genuine Haywood Fair

ALONG
POLITICAL
FRONTS

Waynesville Has 14% Increase And Hazelwood 28%

Tentative Figures Give
Waynesville 2,744 And
Hazelwood 1,512

Waynesville has a population of 2,744 and Hazelwood 1,512, according to preliminary figures, which are subject to correction, as released late yesterday from the census bureau in Asheville.

Waynesville's tentative 1940 figure is an increase of 330 over the 1930 census, or a gain of 14 per cent.

Hazelwood made greater gains than Waynesville, when the increase reached 28 per cent, or a gain of 344 people. The 1930 census for Hazelwood was 1,168.

Census officials and enumerators are anxious that every person be counted in the 1940 census, and arrangements have been made that all persons who have not been contacted, to call or write the Chamber of Commerce, and the officials there will see that an enumerator makes a call. The Chamber of Commerce telephone is 433.

It was pointed out by business men that it is to the advantage of the community that every person be counted, as much of the governmental agencies are now allocated according to population.

There were some here yesterday, who were of the opinion that Waynesville's count would be increased probably several hundred when final tabulations were completed.

May Term Civil Court May Run Into Next Week

Owing to a rather light docket the May term of civil court which convened here on Monday morning with Judge F. E. Alley presiding, was scheduled to be cleared by the middle of this week. Since the cases have taken longer than anticipated for trial, the prospect last night was for a several days extension.

The case of W. B. Noland against the Smith Transfer Company which grew out of an automobile accident on the Asheville highway and that of Joseph A. Chambers against the Smith Transfer Company in the same accident, has taken the greater part of the week. Mr. Noland recovered a judgment of \$200, while Mr. Chambers recovered \$800.

The case of Fitzgerald versus Fitzgerald was compromised with the plaintiff and the defendant paying the costs of their own witnesses.

In the case of Dewey Liston against Herman Howell, the plaintiff recovered judgment amounting to \$70.

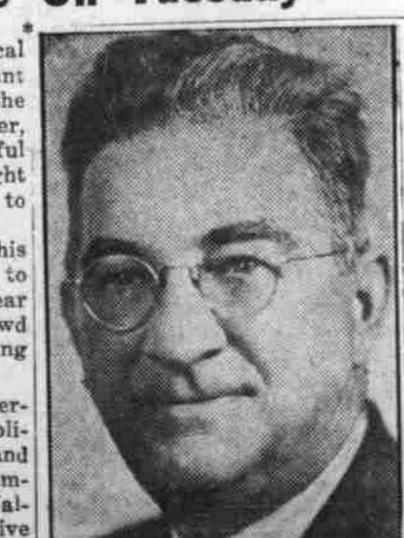
Other cases disposed of since Monday include five divorces.

The case of League and others against Killian was begun yesterday afternoon, and a verdict is expected this morning.

YATES ATTENDS DEMOCRATIC MEETING

and Mrs. Oral Yates and daughter, spent the greater part of last week in Washington, Mrs. Yates, as vice chairman of the Haywood Democratic executive committee, attended the three-institute of government sponsored by the women's division of the national Democratic organization.

(Continued on page 8)



TOM COOPER

Tom Cooper and his sound truck were heard here on Tuesday evening at "that high-power bunch of lawyer-lobbyist-politicians who are opposing me and have those elaborate campaign headquarters in the Sir Walter Hotel and those expensive sign organizations," Cooper said.

(Continued on page 8)

Census Figures Show Sharp Gains

Portrait Is Presented



The late William Thomas Crawford, prominent lawyer, who served for several terms as congressman from the 11th district.

—Photo by Patsy Gwyn.

Over \$12 000 In Back Taxes Paid

W. H. McCracken, county tax collector, collected a total of \$12,097.74 in back taxes in the month of April. Last year the records show that \$9,864.50 was paid in at the office on due over taxes. In 1938 the collections for the same period amounted to \$751.28.

Tompkins Will Be Keynoter, County Convention Here

The Haywood County Democratic convention will be held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the court house, with Dan Tompkins, of Sylva, making the key note speech according to C. E. Brown, of Canton, county chairman.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect the delegates to the state convention which will meet in Raleigh on Friday, May the 17th, and for the transaction of any other business that may come before the party at the time.

All delegates elected last Saturday at the precinct meetings will be expected to attend the convention on Saturday.

From present indications the meeting on Saturday gives promise of being one of the largest conventions held by the Democratic party in Haywood County.

A large number of friends and family connections were present for the presentation of the portrait.

Family Presents Portrait Of Late W. T. Crawford

Judge Alley Pays Glowing
Tribute To Late Congress-
man In Acceptance

In behalf of the citizens of Haywood County Judge F. E. Alley accepted a portrait of the late

William Thomas Crawford which was presented in appropriate ceremony on Tuesday afternoon in the court room here.

Walter T. Crawford, local attorney, and son of the distinguished lawyer, presented the portrait to the people of the county from the widow and family, stating that the gift had been requested by citizens in the community.

Judge Alley paid a sincere and glowing tribute to the late Mr. Crawford, who served for a number of terms as congressman from the 11th district. He spoke of their personal relations as law partners, of his deep admiration for the high ideals of Mr. Crawford, of his personal integrity and character. He discussed his career as an able attorney, as statesman and politician, and as private citizen.

All delegates elected last Saturday at the precinct meetings will be expected to attend the convention on Saturday.

William Medford, president of the Haywood County Bar association, presided and introduced Walter T. Crawford, the son.

J. D. Faulkner, consultant engineer of typhus control and L. C. Whitehead, of the United States Biological Survey will assist in the program.

Many Contracts Signed For 1940 Cannery Acreage

About 150 Acres In Beans,
40 In Spinach And 25 In
Tomatoes Is Goal

Almost 150 acres for beans has been acquired for the cannery at Hazelwood, according to F. L. Leopard, field representative yesterday.

More spinach has been planted this year than ever before, with more than forty acres looking very promising, Mr. Leopard said.

Plans are to get 25 acres of tomatoes for the cannery, with the seed being planted in the fields instead of using plants, as has been the custom. "Direct planting in the field has a number of advantages, chiefly in overcoming dry weather when transplanting and in less trouble with plant diseases," Mr. Leopard continued.

"We are taking contracts for a few more acres of beans, and some tomatoes, but they are going fast. We are pleased with the large number of contracts this year. Prominent farmers in every section of the county are included," the field manager concluded.

Rat Baiting Campaign Will Start Tuesday

Citizens Are Urged To
Cooperate In Movement
To Eradicate Rats

Baiting crews will begin distributing bait early Tuesday morning of next week in the rat campaign which will be conducted in Waynesville on the 14th and in Hazelwood on Wednesday the 15th.

Red Squill mixed with fish or ground meat will be the bait used. This poison is harmless to live stock, pets and man. No bait will be placed in houses unless permission is granted by the owner.

The co-operation of the public is urged so that there will be no delay in covering the entire town.

Anyone living outside of the city limits desirous of baiting their premises can secure bait at the Town Hall for 35 cents a pound or 3 pounds for \$1.00. Three-fourths to one pound is needed for the average city lot. Whereas three pounds are needed to properly bait farm houses and outhouses.

This program, which is following the annual clean up campaign staged by the town officials of Waynesville, is being sponsored by the merchants association of the Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the district health department, the state health department, and the United States Biological Survey.

Bill Harrison, of Canton, troop 4, will receive the Eagle award from A. M. Fairbrother, of Canton, commissioner of the Haywood district.

Milton Brown, of Clyde, troop 9, will be presented the rank of Star Scout.

The award of Life Scout will be presented to Louis Scruggs, of Hazelwood troop 5.

Frank Clontz, of Canton, troop 4, will receive the Golden Eagle Palm award. Brainard Burriss and Billy Burnett, both of Canton, troop 1, will receive silver Eagle Palms.

The Haywood district committee

Enlarges Business



R. V. ERK, owner of Erkraft Industries, has just purchased the business of the Carolina Hill Billies.

Erk Takes Over Orders, Designs Of Hill-Billies

R. V. Erk, owner of Erkraft Industries, this week purchased the orders, designs and patterns of the Carolina Hill Billies, whose plant was destroyed by fire several weeks ago. Harry Lee Liner, Sr., and two sons, Harry Lee, Jr., and Jere David, owned the Hill Billies.

Mr. Erk has already employed many of the men who were working at the Hill Billies' plant, including the foreman, assistant foreman, and heads of the different departments.

Under the present set-up, some 75 men will be given work in the Erkraft plant. Some additional machinery is to be installed at a later date.

A modern dry kiln, with an 8,000 foot capacity has just been completed.

No public statement was made as to the amount involved.

Boy Scouts Will Hold Court Of Honor Tuesday

Awards for advancement will be made at the meeting of the Haywood County district court of honor of the Boy Scouts next Tuesday evening at the court house here.

Bill Harrison, of Canton, troop 4, will receive the Eagle award from A. M. Fairbrother, of Canton, commissioner of the Haywood district.

Milton Brown, of Clyde, troop 9, will be presented the rank of Star Scout.

The award of Life Scout will be presented to Louis Scruggs, of Hazelwood troop 5.

Frank Clontz, of Canton, troop 4, will receive the Golden Eagle Palm award. Brainard Burriss and Billy Burnett, both of Canton, troop 1, will receive silver Eagle Palms.

The Haywood district committee

(Continued on page 8)

W. P. Horton Will Tell Haywood Voters His Gubernatorial Plans



W. P. HORTON

Lieutenant Governor W. P. Horton, of Pittsboro, Democratic candidate for Governor of North Carolina, will deliver an address at a public meeting to be held in the court house here at 8 o'clock on Friday night the 10th. Prior to the meeting at 7:30 Mr. Horton will give a 15 minute broadcast over WWNC from his hotel here. He will be introduced at the 8 o'clock speaking by Senator Chester Cogburn of Canton.

Mr. Horton, who is making an extensive and intensive campaign throughout the state, has been practicing law in Pittsboro for 26 years. He was reared on a farm in Chatham county and is particularly interested in farm problems.

(Continued on page 8)

Member -- Saturday Is The Last Day To Register For The Primary To Be Held On May 25