

Work To Start On Rubber Plant On January 1st, Said

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Mr. Freedlander was cautious about making statements "too far ahead" due to the war economy situation. He did, however, make a prediction that within five years, the Haywood plant would represent an expenditure of from half million to a million dollars. The minimum expenditure for the present will be several hundred thousand.

Some fifteen sites in the south were considered before a decision was made to come to Haywood, Mr. Freedlander said.

"This is the first time that a rubber plant has been built at such a high altitude," he said. Heretofore, the atmosphere at such altitudes caused too much waste in the manufacture of the product. ... with modern developments and new scientific discoveries, we find we will be able to overcome these difficulties.

"Practically every item we make is one that we have patented or developed ourselves," the president said. Mr. Freedlander was extremely warm in his praise of the spirit of co-operation among the citizens of the community, and the unity with which they had worked with the officials during the past few months.

"We have never thought it possible to get such wonderful co-operation. It is men like Jonathan Woody that will make your community into a big little city," Mr. Freedlander stated.

"I am more impressed with Haywood every time I come here," he continued, as he reassured The Mountaineer that "we aim to keep this a Haywood County development, and to make our Haywood plant a model one."

"The type people who represent the community have been so co-operative and shown such a willingness to work with us that the community should be able to attract other industries," Mr. Freedlander suggested.

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Deanna and Her Fiance



Deanna Durbin, 19, singing film star, is shown with hubby-to-be Vaughn Paul, 25. Their engagement was announced by Deanna's parents in Hollywood. They'll wed next summer. They met when she made first film in 1936.

Those Competing In Contests Asked To Notify Com.

All persons entering the Christmas decoration contest staged by the Woman's Club and the First National Bank are asked to notify the committee composed of Mrs. Jack Messer, chairman, Mrs. Ben Colkitt and Mrs. N. F. Lancaster.

The club is offering two prizes of \$2.50 each, one for the most attractive outdoor Christmas tree and the other for general grounds and outside decorations about the home.

The judges will make the rounds and inspect all places being entered on Monday, the 23rd, at 7:30 o'clock.

The bank is also offering two prizes of \$2.50 each, a first and second prize to public buildings and places of business.

School Children Urged To Attend Toy Matinee

A toy matinee will be sponsored on Friday afternoon, the 20th, at the Park Theatre by the welfare department of the Woman's Club, through the courtesy of J. E. Masie, owner.

All the school children are urged to attend, and the show, a Jane Withers picture, will not start until 3:30, so that all students can be present.

Admission will be by either a new toy or an old one in good condition. The firm is a pioneer in the rubber industry, and a leader in the synthetic rubber field, and make several hundred products. They are the originators of the V-shape belts, and are leaders in the production of this type fan belt for automobiles. Another of their leading items include special equipment for the textile trade. While the company makes a high quality tire, it is said that they will not make tires here for the present.

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tion. The toys collected during the afternoon will be distributed at the community Christmas tree, which is annually sponsored by the Woman's Club.

There are several hundred items which they make, catering especially to the automotive and textile trades.

They have sales office in Greenville, S. C.

22 Needy Families Remain On List

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families will have no Christmas cheer unless it is supplied by outsiders.

Anyone wishing to take a family are asked to call the number into The Mountaineer office, and if additional information is desired get in touch with the welfare department.

The remaining numbers are: 1. 10 in family. Boy 17, girl 15, girl 13, boy 11, girl 9, girl 7, boy 4, baby. Father has only odd jobs.

2. Family of 8. Girl 13, girl 10, girl 7, girl 5, girl 3, boy 1 1/2 years. Father has been ill. Mother mentally affected, father unemployed. No income or resources, dependent on father's parents who are also on relief status.

3. Family of 7. Boy 12, girl 9, boy 8, girl 4, girl 1. Father has been unemployed, just recently certified for WPA. For past year family has been practically on starvation. Crippled child.

4. Family of 4. Father WPA worker with three dependent children. Mother in insane asylum.

5. Family of 14. Girl 19, girl 17, boy 16, (afflicted), girl 13, boy 11, boy 10, girl 7, boy 9, girl 3, twins 1 year. Father has only part-time employment. No other income in family.

6. Family of 6. Father bed-fast. No income in family. Boy 18 (not strong), boy 14, girl 13, Grandchild 10.

7. Family of 9. Father down with heart ailment. Only income in family is boy's WPA wages. At present not working. Boy 20, girl 19, girl 18, twins 14, girl 8, girl 5.

8. Family of 5. Father serving sentence. Family without income. Boy 14, boy 10, boy 5.

9. Family of 7. Father has bone infection. No income in family. Girl 12, boy 10, girl 7, boy 5, boy 3.

10. Aged woman in ill health. Only income county indigent check of \$4.00 month.

11. Family of 3. Totally dependent. Father serving prison sentence. Girl 3, boy 1 year.

12. Widow, aged father critically ill. No income. Girl 8, girl 4.

13. Family of 8. Father unemployed. No income in family. Girl 12, girl 11, girl 9; boy 5, girl 3, girl 1 year.

14. Family of 8. Father serving prison sentence. No income. Girl 18, boy 14, girl 13, girl 12, boy 10, baby 6 months.

15. Family of 6. Father unemployed, no income. Girl 6 (infantile paralysis), girl 4, girl 2, baby 1 year.

16. Widowed mother with goiter and heart trouble, living with aged invalid father. Girl 7, boy 4.

17. Family of seven. Father unemployed. Boy 13, girl 11, boy 8, (blind), boy 6, girl 3.

18. Widow with two dependent children. Unemployable because of low mentality. Boy 6, boy 7 months.

19. Aged grandparents with dependent grandchildren. Boy 13, girl 10, girl 8, boy 6.

20. Family of 8. Father in bad health. Six dependent children: girl 4, boy 1, girl 10, girl 9, boy 7, boy 4.

21. Widow in failing health. Unemployable. Son 12 years old.

Fiddles for the Army



Dubbed "Smith" for telephone simplicity, Private Leo Karelitz lives the life of Reilly at Camp Dix, N. J. Because of his violinist hands and because he "smooths down" weary officers with "musical therapy," he is excused from heavy work. Private "Smith" also has an arrangement with his fellow privates to receive breakfast in bed in exchange for his music.

Assessing Tax Group Headed By W. H. Noland

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groups the best solution of the matter. The assessors will start work around the first of January, and property owners are urged by the board to give every possible co-operation.

Assessors and listers are as follows: Waynesville township, outside of Waynesville and Hazelwood, J. A. Lowe and Lawrence Walker, as listers.

Waynesville and Hazelwood, Henry Gaddy and G. C. Summerrow, assessors, and D. A. Howell as lister.

Cataloochee, Mack Caldwell and Ed White, assessors, and Boyd Hannah, as lister.

White Oak, Lloyd Teague and Dibe Duckett, assessors, and B. Z. Green, as lister.

Jonathan Creek, Lee Ferguson, Charlie Moody, assessors, and John Williams lister.

Ivy Hill, D. J. Boyd and V. A. Campbell assessors, and Mont W. Howell as lister.

Erastus Medford, assessors, and Weaver Chambers as lister.

Crabtree, Vinson Davis and Bob James, assessors, and Wallace Hill as lister.

Fines Creek, John James and Grover Ferguson, assessors, and Raymond McCracken as lister.

Clyde, Wayne Medford and John Holder, assessors, and Carey Byers as lister.

Beaversdam, John Allen and Jim Reno, assessors, and Jim Henderson as lister.

Canton and Clyde, Roy Patton and Norvel West, assessors, and C. E. Williams as lister.

Pigeon, W. A. Moore and Way Mease, assessors, and Dillard Caldwell as lister.

Cecil, Charlie Moody and Jerry Francis, assessors, and H. P. Ledbetter as lister.

East Fork, Bryan Heatherly and Joe Michal, assessors, and Ken Burnett as lister.

Vocational Courses Will Start Today At High School

Out Of School Youths Between 17 and 25 To Be Given Opportunity To Learn Trade

The state department of education has given the "go-ahead" signal for classes to start in the training of out of school youth of the Waynesville school district.

The program which has been placed with the county educational forces will be under the direct supervision of the agricultural teacher in the school in which the classes are given.

Classes will be organized for the Waynesville district this afternoon at 4 o'clock and all who are interested are asked to report at that hour at the high school building.

In the beginning only two classes will be taught here. One in electricity, which will be taught by Fred Ratcliff, will be held in the school industrial shop. The other class, in repair of automobiles, trucks and tractors, will be held in the county garage at the school and will be taught by Lawrence Jones, mechanic for the county board of education owned motor vehicles.

Any youth between the ages of 17 and 25 will be eligible. There are no educational qualifications, except that a boy be able to read and write, though the courses are open also to college trained men. Girls may also enroll if they desire such training. There will be neither charge for the courses given, nor remuneration for the work, except the training that the enrollee receives.

The program is in no way connected with any other government agency, and there are "no strings" attached. The purpose of the training is to fit these youths into industry by giving them additional skills or new skills in a trade of their choice. Courses are financed by the federal government and supervised by the vocational forces of the various states and counties.

Those enrolled may determine the content of the courses and have the authority to select the hours of the day at which time they will take the courses of course.

An individual may enroll for one or more courses. As the demands warrant; other courses will be organized, including woodworking, building, and repairing structures, concrete work, iron and metal work. At present there is only a demand for the two courses previously mentioned.

Registration in a course has no bearing on whether or not a person will be called into service. However, if the person does not find himself prepared to enter a trade rather than be placed in the labor battalion.

Since industry in home centers is demanding more skilled workmen, after a period of applied training the boys enrolled in the courses should find no difficulty in being absorbed by local industry.

Hundreds Hear Christmas Concert By Choral Groups

Practically every seat was taken at the annual Christmas choral concert which was held as a union service in the First Methodist church on Sunday night, and the program was received with high praise.

The numbers were given by the two choral groups of the high school, the Girls High School Glee Club, and the Boys' Glee Club. The latter group was organized only two weeks ago and their first major appearance was well received.

The girls chorus of 30 voices also gave a splendid program and the two soloists, Doris Grahl and Merrill Green, made outstanding contributions to the program.

The following numbers were given: "O Come All Ye Faithful," Portuguese hymn was used both as a processional and recessional; invocation by the Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr., pastor of the church; Scripture reading by Rev. H. G. Hammett, pastor of the Baptist church; benediction by Rev. H. G. Hammett.

"Praise and Adore," by Bortniansky; "O God of Might," by Bortniansky; "Prayer Perfect," by Speaks, by the girls' chorus; Solo, "Cantique de Noel," sung by Doris Grahl.

"The Holy Hour," by Nevin; "Children's Prayer," by Humperdinck; "Great Is Thy Love," by Bohn, sung by the girls' chorus; "Silent Night," Gruber; "O Little Town of Bethlehem," by Redner; "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," by Willis, sung by the boys' glee club.

Offertory solo, "There's a Song in the Air," Speaks, sung by Merrill Green; "Birthday of a King," by Neidlinger; "Legend," by Tschaikovsky; "Gracious Savior," by Gluck, sung by the girls' chorus.

Men Will Hold Church Supper In Hazelwood

The annual Christmas supper meeting of the men of the Hazelwood Presbyterian church will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the church on Thursday evening, December 19, at 6:30 o'clock.

L. C. Davis is program leader and will arrange for an out-of-town speaker for the occasion. All men and friends of the church are cordially invited to attend.

Prizes For Christmas Decorations In Town Of Hazelwood Offered

A special effort is being put forth to encourage the decorating of the homes here during the holiday season.

Mayor W. H. Prevost has announced that prizes will be given by the town of Hazelwood for the three best decorated front of homes. There will be a first prize of five dollars, second three dollars and third two dollars.

Impartial judges will be selected by the town officials to inspect premises on Monday evening, December 23 between 7 and 9:30 o'clock.

DEATHS

ERNEST ROBINSON

Ernest Robinson, 47, of Hazelwood, died in the Haywood County Hospital late Sunday after a several weeks illness.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Effie Putman Robinson; four sons, Earl Robinson, Cecil Robinson, Howell Robinson, and Donald Robinson; four daughters, Mrs. Max Coebran, Mrs. Howard Passmore, Betty Jo and Ernestine Robinson; one granddaughter, Maxine Cochran; two brothers, Hector Robinson and Verlin Robinson; and three sisters, Mrs. Jim Holder, Mrs. Lee Winchester and Mrs. Dan Winchester, all of Hazelwood.

Funeral services will be held at the home on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Burial will follow in the Buchanan cemetery on Allen's Creek. The Rev. J. M. Woodard, pastor of the Hazelwood Baptist church, will officiate.

Nephews of the deceased will be pallbearers.

The Garrett Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

PARK THEATRE

WAYNESVILLE, N. C.

Tuesday, Dec. 17 'HOWARDS OF VIRGINIA' Cary Grant, M. Scott, R. Carlson

Wednesday, Dec. 18 'FRIENDLY NEIGHBORS' Weaver Brothers and Elviry

Thursday, Dec. 19 'MELODY RANCH' A Gene Autry Special

Friday, Dec. 20 'YOUTH WILL BE SERVED'

with Jane Withers, J. Darewell

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