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They Work While We Sleep



Photo by Patsy Gwyn.

MARGARET WHISNANT, graduate nurse on night duty at Haywood County Hospital. She is in the office on the second floor at the hands of the clock point to one o'clock in the morning, with the red light to flash on, signaling her to some sick bedside.

Sales To June 12th

Yards

Of Prominent Haywood Men Buy Yards, Plan to Improve Property

Haywood Mutual Stock Club opened on Thursday, June 5, with a new board of directors. It was announced yesterday that the club had recently purchased a group of prominent men, and Tuesday night officers were elected: Sammett, president, D. J. general manager, Medwood auctioneer, Jack secretary and Jonathan treasurer. These officers will constitute the board of directors.

They are advertising "Fair to both seller and buyer," that the yards are "dedicated to better livestock and better homes." Meetings will be made on every Friday before the opening of the season, at which time the amount of livestock will be sold. Meetings will be held every Thursday at 8 o'clock—rain or shine.

Board Is Trying To Locate Haywood Men

Men are being sought by the Selective Service Draft Board. One man, name withheld, has been mailed and either they have not responded, or have failed to respond, according to the board.

After the Mountaineer last week carrying about the board wanted on the board the desired man. Sutton was in the section, and had no way of reaching him. He was not trying to answer the questionnaire, had not been contacted, and was not as soon as he returned.

Board is anxious to contact: Hardy Smith (651); Robert Green (749); Edward Jones (774); Edgar Ray (790); Edward (811); Everett Ray (887); Arthur Pless (907); and Charles Gudger (1137).

Members have been mailed of the 2,069 registered in the Waynesville board.

Man Named On Hospital Board

Hardin, Jr., was named to the board of trustees of the Haywood County Hospital. He succeeded Clyde R. Hoey, resigned upon being elected in Canton. Hardin is in the oil business, and served Waynesville several years ago. Other vacancies on the hospital board are expected to be filled.

ARM IN FALL

L. H. Howell was reported to have fallen along with her left arm after having a fall from a horse. Both bones of her left arm were broken.

Some Sections Of Haywood In Dire Need Of Rain

Three Townships Get Good Rains While Light Showers Fall In Others

Haywood still needs lots of rain, as the situation is "very serious" according to the county agent's office yesterday.

Good rains have been reported in Fines Creek, White Oak, Jonathan Creek and upper Ivy Hill sections, while showers have fallen in Iron Duff, Crabtree, Clyde, Beaverdam and Waynesville.

"Over the mountain in Pigeon and Cecil township, very little rain has been had," it was explained.

The rains thus far have formed over Fines Creek and White Oak, and have spent themselves before getting very far.

Corn is not suffering much, but small grain and truck crops and pastures are heavily damaged, a general survey of the county showed.

Some farmers reported dry wells for the first time in many years.

Congressional Measure Would Hasten Gas Line

Project Is Moving Satisfactorily For Getting Natural Gas Into WNC.

"Things are moving satisfactorily," was the reply of W. H. F. Millar, legal advisor of the Tennessee Gas and Transmission Company, who propose to pipe natural gas into this section.

The query was prompted by the recent news that gasoline lines from Louisiana to Greensboro had been contracted. The gasoline lines, however, are not a part of the project which would bring natural gas here, Mr. Millar said.

A bill pending before congress, known as the Cole Bill, is expected to be amended to include gas lines crossing state lines as an emergency measure under the Interstate Commerce Commission supervision. This would bring things about much quicker, it was said.

Engineers on the project say it will take 115,000 tons of iron pipe to build the proposed gas lines.

Mrs. H. O. Champion spent the week-end with her mother in Gastonia.

REA Group In Washington Seeking Approval Of 225-Mile Extension

Ohio Cars Break All-Time Record

Representatives of the Cruso Electric Membership Corporation are in Washington today seeking approval of a 225-mile extension of the system. Appearing in behalf of the local cooperative are James C. Moore, superintendent of the local REA set-up, and J. C. Lynn, county agent.

The proposed extension would put 75 miles of lines into Beaverdam, Ratcliff Cove, White Oak and Cove Creek in this county and about 150 miles in Swain, Jackson and Transylvania counties.

Richard Geringer, of Waynesville, in charge of the plumbing division of the local cooperative, also made the trip. The group spent yesterday in Raleigh at a state-wide meeting and from there went to Washington.

Those making the trip besides the Haywood men included Howard Clapp, of Bryson City, G. H. Lackey, of Sylva, and J. A. Glazner, of Transylvania.

Mr. Caldwell also reported a large number of cars from Indiana. In his opinion, the number of foreign cars broke all records during the week-end.



Legion Head



W. H. F. MILLAR, was recently elected commander of the local post of the American Legion. Mr. Millar and other officers will assume office in July.

No Action Taken On Prohibiting Wine-Bever Sales

Commissioners Asked To Prohibit Sale Of Ale, Beer And Wine On Sundays

The county commissioners have deferred action on the request of a group on Monday, that a ruling be made prohibiting the sale of wine, ale or beer between the hours of midnight Saturday and the same hour Sunday night.

Another group opposed the proposal requested the commissioners yesterday to refrain from taking any action.

The board said the matter was under advisement until a later date.

Rains Reduce Fire Hazards In Haywood Forests

Rains over the county during the past week have reduced the hazard of forest fires, according to Daniel Blake, district ranger, who was here yesterday making an inspection of damages done by recent fires.

"Between 35 and 40 forest fires have been recorded in Haywood since January he said. "Of these, 99 per cent were started by human carelessness. About a week ago, one was started by lightning."

"With the recent rains, the situation is pretty well cleared up," he said.

Because of the continued drought throughout the state, Governor Broughton issued a proclamation this week, setting it apart as forest fire prevention week.

Tax Collections Show An Increase

Tax collections in Haywood are considerable above last year, according to a report given the commissioners this week by J. E. Ferguson, tax collector and tax supervisor.

The report shows that from May 6 to June 2, a total of \$10,969.64 was collected. Some of this was for taxes as far back as 1927.

This is a net gain of \$4,036.63 over the same period last year, the report showed.

Motorists Are Abiding By New Traffic Laws

Traffic Jams Avoided As New Laws Go Into Effect, Plenty Of Parking Places.

Motorists are co-operating in every way, since the new traffic laws went into effect Sunday, according to Norman Caldwell, traffic officer.

"We have issued several warnings, but in general the motorists have been most co-operative."

An extension of time was given the bus company, in regards to parking on Main street, until the alley in the rear of the stores could be completed. Work has been held up on the alley for several days due to the power shovel, but work is to be resumed this week, possibly today, it was said.

Officers also explained that light weight trucks could park on Main street the same as an automobile as long as they parked in designated places and observed the 30-minute parking limit.

Parking places have been plentiful since the law went into force, and parking lots have been used extensively, instead of crowding Main street.

"Since Saturday night we have not had a traffic jam," Mr. Caldwell reported.

Livestock Show Officials Will Meet On Saturday

Will Complete Plans For Second Annual Livestock and Home Arts Show Here

A special meeting of the directors and officers of the Haywood County Livestock and Home Arts Show will be held Saturday afternoon at two o'clock at the court house. The purpose of the meeting is to complete plans for the second annual show which will be held the middle of September.

The officers have named the committees for every department of the show, and announced them yesterday. Officers and directors are:

C. T. Francis, president; Jarvis L. Palmer, W. A. Bradley and Mrs. Paul Hyatt, vice presidents; W. A. Medford, Jr., secretary, and J. R. Boyd, treasurer.

Jonathan Woody is general superintendent, and the publicity committee is composed of W. A. Medford, Jr., W. Curtis Russ, Harley Wright, and W. C. Allen. J. R. Boyd heads the finance committee, with Geo. A. Brown, Jr., Bill Prevost, and Joe E. Rose.

W. C. Kinsland is in charge of Swine.

Russell Rogers will be in charge (Continued on page 12)

Woody Named Director Welco Shoe Corporation

Jonathan Woody has been named a director of the Welco Shoe Corporation, which will manufacture shoes in the Dayton Rubber Manufacturing plant at Hazelwood this summer.

The firm has a sales office at 100 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Mrs. Gwyn Breaks Left Arm In Fall

Mrs. T. L. Gwyn was suffering considerable pain last night, from a broken arm, which she sustained early Tuesday morning when she fell at her home. Both bones of her left arm were broken.

Mrs. Gwyn is associate editor of The Mountaineer.

Haywood's Quota For USO Set At \$500

Promoted



LIEUTENANT THELMA COLTON, of the Salvation Army Mountain Mission Corps, has received word from the Charlotte headquarters that she has been promoted to the rank of captain. Captain Colton will have charge of the spiritual work in the seven mountain centers that she will be working with her officer, Adj. Cecil Brown.

Dr. Green Will Speak Here At Union Service

President Of Coker College And An Authority On World Affairs, Is Coming

Dr. Sylvester Green, president of Coker College, will be the speaker at a union service here Sunday night at the First Baptist church, at eight o'clock.

Dr. Green, a former outstanding pastor, and authority on world affairs, is being brought here by the Waynesville Rotary Club.

"Dr. Green has a gift of interpreting events and trends of international affairs, and how it affects America," J. C. Brown, president of the sponsoring club said. "He is a forceful speaker," he continued.

The public is invited to attend, and hear a man who has held important pastorates in many southern states, and served as secretary of the State Baptist convention.

C. Of C. Campaign Will Continue

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce are scheduled to complete their annual drive this week for funds for the \$4,200 budget.

Reports yesterday were incomplete, but indications were that the goal would be reached.

No dates have been made for the annual victory dinner.

Stovall Will Not Build Now, He Says

Dewey Stovall, owner of the Main street property opposite Smith's Drug Store, said this week that he had no immediate plans for building on the site, although excavations are underway.

The owner of the property explained that the town needed dirt to fill in the alley which they are building, and the lot would have to be excavated for any building, so it was to the advantage of both that the dirt be moved from his lot at this time.

Charles Ray Heads Group To Stage Campaign For Funds To Help Service Men

Representatives from civic, social and service organizations in Haywood, will unite under the recently organized Haywood unit of the United Service Organization, to make plans for raising the \$500 quota assigned this county, it was announced yesterday by Charles Ray, county chairman.

The U. S. O. is a war service organization endorsed by the President, the army and navy, which will bring together six national agencies in a program of service to persons engaged in national defense activities. It will benefit directly the several hundred Haywood men who are now in the army and navy.

The organizations plans to establish recreational centers for soldiers, sailors, marines and defense workers in sections where needed. U. S. O. centers will be located at every camp in North Carolina.

The chairman explained that during the first World War, all six of the national agencies tried in part to operate in every camp, naval station and manufacturing center. There was a lot of duplication of endeavors, and in many instances, it caused a hardship on the officials in charge of the centers. The government, realizing that six of the national worthwhile agencies could not adequately fill the needs of every camp or manufacturing center at one time, requested that they combine their efforts, and let the government assign to each certain areas and sections to care for, and in so doing, the government would provide the necessary housing facilities. This, of course, would be impossible to provide all six at any one of the centers, it was pointed out.

"In view of this program," Mr. Ray said, "it will mean donations from the people back home in order that the work can be carried on with the young men and women in service or congested manufacturing (Continued on page 7)

Haywood Leads Counties In State In AAA Lime

Haywood county leads all other counties in North Carolina in the amount of lime used under the 1941 program of the AAA, according to the county farm agents.

Since November the 1st, 1940, when the current program was inaugurated, up to the present date the Haywood farmers have applied 140,000 tons of lime to their land. This has been done at a total cost of \$25,000 which includes the cost and hauling of the lime.

"What this amount of lime will mean to the Haywood county farms cannot be estimated in values to the land owners," said J. C. Lynn in discussing the record made by the farmers in their co-operation with the AAA program.

Parris Is Head Of New Grocery In Hazelwood

F. H. Parris, well known groceryman, of Hazelwood, is announcing this week that a formal opening of a modern grocery store with an up-to-date meat market will be held next week. Mr. Parris is manager. The name of the firm will be announced at that time, he said.

The store is in the rock building on the highway just opposite the tapestry mill.

Mr. Parris has had over 16 years of experience in the retail grocery business in Hazelwood. For over a year he was associated with a wholesale firm. Details of the store and dates of the formal opening will appear in this newspaper next week.

Work Moving Fast On The Parkway

The pioneer road on the Blue Ridge Parkway between Soco and Big Witch Gaps, has been completed for about two miles, according to Lowdermilk Brothers, general contractors.

Several additional pieces of heavy machinery have been put on the seven-mile project, and work is moving satisfactorily, with more than 100 men employed.

To Direct Campaign To Raise Haywood's \$500 Quota For U. S. O.



MRS. W. T. HANNAH, county-wide secretary-treasurer.

Left—CHARLES RAY, county chairman.

REV. M. R. WILLIAMSON, chairman of Waynesville area.

LEE McELRATH, chairman of Canton area.

ROBERT H. HANES, state chairman