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\$1.50 In Advance in Haywood and Jackson Counties

Voters To Decide On Hospital Expansion

Officials Urge Modern Road To Dellwood

Commissioners To Call Election On \$50,000 In Bonds

County And C. Heads For Action

The Road To Dellwood Is Urged As "Sub-standard, Inadequate and Unsafe."

Calling for an immediate start on the preparation of plans for the full modernization of the road from Waynesville to Dellwood has been requested of the highway commission in separate resolutions adopted by the county and Chamber of Commerce officials.

Resolutions pointed out that the road was built by the county years ago, and is "sub-standard and no longer adequate or safe to carry the increasing traffic."

The situation is to be greatly aggravated by the additional traffic which will come through Soco with the completion of the road to Cherokee," one civic official said in discussing the petition.

Setting out that the section of the highway, known as No. 284, calls for an immediate upkeep, the officials pointed out that the highway will be of great importance in respect to seven classes of traffic listed as follows:

Commercial traffic from Asheville, Murphy, Knoxville, and Chattanooga.

Commercial traffic from Greenville, Waynesville.

Traffic to and from the Ridge Parkway via Asheville and Waynesville.

Traffic to the Nantahala National Forest via Asheville and Waynesville.

Traffic to and from the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Further explained in the petition, that the highway will become part of U. S. No. 421, via Waynesville.

Road from here to Dellwood is concrete surface, but one is breaking down. The pavement is bad, it was pointed out, and the curves are dangerous.

Besides all of these things, the road is narrow, the petitioners stated, as they again urged immediate action.

Wello Shoe Co. Sufficient Applications

Applications of the Wello Shoe Company are announcing in the columns this week, they are not taking any more applications for jobs at the present time.

Announcement continues: Management thanks all those who have applied for work and for interest they have shown. As further applications can be received, this will be announced in the Mountaineer."

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Judge Felix Alley Writes Book



JUDGE FELIX E. ALLEY, right of Waynesville, is shown above with S. Holmes Plexico, head of the Rowan Printing Company in Salisbury completing plans for the publication of a book written by the jurist that will be off the press in July. Much interesting and valuable material will be included as the result of Judge Alley's long research.

Unknown North Carolina History To Be Revealed By Judge Alley

Lightning Strikes With Terror Of Big German Bomb

Lightning struck with terrifying threats but no serious results on the grounds of Grace Episcopal church and the rectory shortly after noon on Tuesday.

According to the rector, the Rev. Raymond E. MacBlain, his first thought was of a German bomb.

Four fuses were blown out in the rectory and in the process gave the effect of balls of fire exploding in every direction.

Two of the tall pine trees between the garage and the church were stripped of their bark in sections the entire length of one tree and on others to the point where the wires running into the rectory are attached.

The car of the rector happened to be parked near the trees and the top was thick with bark from the trees.

Milk Prices Hit New High Mark

Higher prices were being paid for milk this week, than at any time since the establishment of a creamery in Waynesville, according to R. B. Davenport, manager of the Pet Dairy Products Company.

In making this statement, Mr. Davenport said: "We are anxious to get more milk. We can use every drop that we can get, and at these new high prices."

"Farmers who can increase milk production on their farm are urged to take advantage of these extra good milk prices," Mr. Davenport said, as he issued an invitation to contact him at the plant.

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Volunteers May Make Up First Call In Draft

The thirteen men who will be sent in the first call in the Selective Draft from this area on the 18th may all be volunteers and not draftees, according to the officials of the local draft board.

While more than the required thirteen have volunteered eight to date have been able to pass the physical tests, it was learned late yesterday.

Volunteers are still applying at the office here and others are expected during the week so it is hoped that the fine record of the vicinity may still be unbroken.

The men who will come from this area will be sent to Fort McPherson and from there to other camps.

The men who will go from the Canton area are as follows, the first eight being volunteers: Richard Robert Harvings, Lewis Edward Schields, Donald George Black, William Lee Mull, Marion Lusk, Marvin Odell Cloer, Joe Sam Parks, Robert P. Pitts, Charles Thomas Hemphill, Barney Morrow Woody, Joseph Turner Cathey, Cecil Thomas Darnell, and James Woodrow Parker.

Lloyd Sawyer, of Morristown, Tenn., will also leave with the group from the Canton area.

Moody Succeeds Gwyn As Foreman Of Grand Jury

C. W. Moody, of Cecil township, was appointed new foreman of the Haywood county grand jury here at the convening of Superior Court on Monday morning.

Mr. Moody succeeds T. L. Gwyn, who recently resigned as foreman when he accepted a state position with the state highway commission.

The grand jury appointed at the February term of court now consists of the following: Mr. Moody, foreman; J. Howard Myers, Oscar T. Arrington, Jack Smathers Nelson Curtis, Walter Ferguson, Rufus A. Buff, P. V. Phillips, D. R. Jaynes, Horace Bryson, Jess Fulbright, Chas. C. Palmer, Howard Sellers, J. Mack Caldwell, L. B. Leatherwood, John T. Vance and Lon J. Rogers.

Mrs. Chas. E. Ray Who Is Ill At Home Is Reported Improved

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Chas. E. Ray, who is ill at her home, was reported last night to be improving and resting more comfortably. Mrs. Ray returned during the week from the Memorial Hospital in Charlotte, where she had gone for treatment.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Prevost announce the birth of a daughter, Nancy Harris Prevost, on July the 1st, at the Biltmore Hospital.

Heads Lions



W. L. HARDIN, Jr., assumed the office of president of the Waynesville Lions Club last week. Mr. Hardin has served as secretary for several years.—Photo by Sherrill's

Rotary President



AARON PREVOST took over the presidency of the local Rotary Club here July 1. The meeting Friday at the Hotel Gordon will be the first meeting of the new year

16-Yr-Old Boy Pleads Guilty of Manslaughter

State Farm Tour Schedule Outlined By County Agents

Party Will Leave Here Next Tuesday, 15th, On Tour That Will Include Trip To Coast.

Next Tuesday morning, July 15th, the farmers and a group of business men will start from Waynesville at 7:00 a. m., for a tour of the farming sections and points of interest that have been mapped out by the county farm agents.

Keen interest has been shown in the tour by farmers from all sections of the county.

The itinerary includes the following stops: Leave Waynesville at 7:00 a. m., arrive at J. L. Cleveland farm at 8:30 a. m.; leave J. L. Cleveland farm at 9:30 a. m., arrive at Charlotte at 12:30 p. m.; lunch, 12:30 to 1:30 p. m.; see Governor Morrison's farm at Charlotte at 1:30 p. m.; leave Governor Morrison's farm at 3:00 p. m.; arrive at Monroe, Hoyle Griffin farm at 4 p. m.; leave Monroe at 4:30 p. m.; and arrive at Lumberton at 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday, 16th, up early and start meeting at Freezer Locker.

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The Mountaineer will have a staff correspondent to accompany the tour over the state, writing in detail all of the events which will be of interest to the "folks back home". Look for these articles in The Mountaineer.

Many Cases Disposed Of During First Three Days Of Court Under Judge Bobbitt

Ural Carver, 16, who plead guilty of manslaughter, was placed on three years probation, and charged with payment of the costs of the action and payment of the funeral expenses of Jerry Smith, deceased, at the July term of Superior Court which convened here Monday with Judge W. H. Bobbitt presiding.

Young Carver, of the Maggie section, was charged with the slaying of Jerry Smith, 22, last March. The alleged homicide occurred at the home of Carver's father.

It was brought out in the trial that the two young men were examining a revolver in a room in the house when the pistol was discharged, the bullet entering Smith's chest, which caused almost instant death.

Smith was a member of Company H and was home on a furlough from Fort Jackson at the time of the shooting.

Other cases disposed of during the three days this week include: Sam Noland, charged with driving drunk, was given 90 days in jail and on the roads.

Carl Gibson, charged with driving drunk, was discharged on payment of \$15 and allowed until November to pay the remainder of costs.

Rankin Ferguson, charged with driving without license, was given 60 days in jail.

Ernest Harrell, charged with driving drunk, was fined \$50 and the costs.

Cliff Moore, charged with driving drunk, was fined \$50 and the costs.

William M. Moore, charged with

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Nine Haywood Men Are Appointed To Serve With FSA

Nine Haywood county citizens have been named on committees to advise and assist in the operation of the rehabilitation and tenant purchase programs of the United States Department of Agriculture.

J. Yates Bailey, Haywood county supervisor for the Farm Security Administration, announced the appointments made by Vance E. Swift, FSA state director at Raleigh, as follows:

Thurman C. Davis, Route 2, Waynesville, Charles R. Limer, Route 2, Waynesville and C. S. Rollins, Route 2, Canton, will serve as members of the committee on tenant purchase program.

Frank Davis, Waynesville, C. S. Rollins, Route 2, Canton, and H. A. Osborne, Canton, will serve on the committee for farm debt adjustment and tenure improvement

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Crowded Conditions Of Local Institution Brings Requests From Citizens.

A definite decision has been reached by the board of county commissioners to call an election on a \$50,000 bond issue for building an addition to the Haywood County Hospital. The commissioners will go on record calling the election when they meet for their regular third Monday meeting, on July 21.

No indication has been given as to the probable date the county-wide election will be held.

The proposed expansion would add 45 more beds to the institution's capacity, which was originally built as a 55-bed hospital.

A petition bearing the signatures of some 1,600 voters was presented to the board of commissioners in April asking that the election of the bond issue be called. The decision of the board to call the election was taken in view of the fact that the legality of practically all the names has been established by the county attorney, and that the law sets forth that in such cases it is mandatory on the part of the county commissioners to call such an election.

The board has had the petition under consideration since April, awaiting investigation of certain legal requirements.

George A. Brown, Jr., chairman of the board, stated that while the commissioners had the right by law to call for such an election, that in view of the critical situation of the county in general, they preferred to act entirely according to the wishes of the majority of the citizens of the county.

The movement has been agitated

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Traffic Records Broken During Past Week-End

From 21 to 46 cars a minute passed Norman Caldwell, traffic officer on Main street here during his nine hours on duty, on three days last week-end.

Actual count showed 21 a minute as the lowest number, with the highest mark of 46 vehicles a minute passing.

"It was the heaviest traffic in my 26 years on Main street," he said yesterday, as he recounted the ease with which the thousands of cars moved down past his corner at the bank.

Two fenders were bent during the week-end, and even then the damage was slight, he reported. A car from Charlotte had a slight wreck near Lake Junaluska, with no injuries. There were the only mishaps reported in the county during the week-end of the Fourth, Mr. Caldwell said.

Because of lack of accommodations, at least 6 cars on the streets were turned into sleeping quarters for the occupants, he said.

Two visitors reported they counted cars from 22 states in 22 minutes.

Community Center Will Hold Open House Tuesday

The official opening of the summer season will take place on Tuesday evening when the community center sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce holds open house. The hours have been set from 8 to 10 o'clock.

Receiving with Mrs. R. O. Covington, hostess of the center, will be J. Dale Stentz, secretary, and representatives of various women's and men's organizations in the town.

At nine and again at ten o'clock there will be drawings for a number of prizes.

Each evening after Tuesday the center will be open to both tourists and local residents.

On Friday evenings throughout the season an informal musical program and entertainment features will be given honoring the tourists. Hotel managers as well as those of all guest houses are asked to co-operate with the community center in reporting talent and also in extending invitations to the tourists to attend the affairs.

50th Anniversary Of Library Will Be Observed Friday Afternoon



This is the beautiful rock library building on Main Street, which will be the scene of the observance of the 50th anniversary of the Library on Friday. The building was acquired in 1912.

The Waynesville Public Library will observe the fiftieth anniversary of its establishment tomorrow afternoon between 4 and 6 o'clock.

The board of directors and the active board of operation will hold open house to which all the citizens of the community are invited.

The anniversary marks a cultural milestone in the life of the community. The local library enjoys the distinction of being one of the oldest of its kind in the state, and stands today as a monument to the culture and civic minded citizens of a half century ago, who founded it.

The library represents one of the finest results of co-operation ever shown in the community. Literally through nickels and dimes it was built and has functioned as an institution of which any town should have pride.

The movement for a library was agitated back in the 1880's. Many

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