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Business Places And Homes To Be Inspected For Fire Hazards Here

The observance of annual Fire Prevention Week, which is observed throughout the United States, the town of Waynesville will start an inspection of all business houses and homes in this area today.

The inspectors will be supervising by Henry Gaddy, city building inspector. Following the inspections where needed, recommendations against fire hazards found, will be made to the owners of the property.

Fire prevention programs will be presented to the students of the schools of the township under the supervision of the teacher.

Local residents are urged by the department to make thorough cleanings in their homes and around their grounds, so that all combustible rubbish and debris may be eliminated. They state that the rubbish is gathered if the property owners will call and have it picked up and carry it away.

They are also warning the local business about the danger of burning leaves around their premises, and ask that they do so with the greatest care, seeing that the fires are completely out, before leaving.

Haywood Boy Fatally Injured In Fall From Wagon

David Thomas Mann, 16, son of Rev. and Mrs. M. K. Mann, of the Bethel section, was fatally injured around 8:30 o'clock Tuesday night, when he fell from a wagon on which he was hauling oats.

He was said to have been driving a team and was riding on top of the oats, which suddenly began to slip, causing him to fall and the horses became frightened and ran away. In an effort to hold the team, he fell between the horses.

Dan Cochran, for whom the boy was working at the time, was walking beside the wagon. He said the boy died soon after the fall.

Dr. J. Frank Pate, Haywood county coroner, said no inquest would be held. He stated that young Mann died of a fractured skull and internal injuries.

Young Mann was a popular student at the Bethel high school and was a member of the eighth grade.

Funeral arrangements under the direction of the Wells Funeral Home, of Canton, were incomplete last night, pending word from the brothers in the service.

Surviving are the parents, five brothers, four in the army, Cpl. James Mann, of Fort Benning, Ga., Pvt. Cecil Mann, of Camp Gordon, Colo., and Pfc. George Mann, of the Hawaiian Islands, and Marcelle Mann, of New Jersey; five sisters, Misses Winnie, Frances, Carrie, Anna Lee, and Blanche Mann, all of Canton, route 3.

County Goes Over Top \$95,915 In Third War Loan

Haywood county has gone \$95,915 over the assigned quota in the Third War Bond drive, it was learned from Chas. E. Ray, Jr., county chairman, last night.

The quota was set at \$892,000, and to date the sale of war bonds and stamps stands at \$987,915.

The Canton area of the county is leading with a total of \$497,815 to their credit and the Waynesville and Hazelwood areas have sold \$490,000 worth of bonds.

No announcement has yet been made of the amount of the October quota, according to Mr. Ray, county chairman.

Well Known Pigeon Resident Passes After Long Illness

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 28th, at the Anders-Rice Funeral Home in Asheville for J. M. Keeter, of the Pigeon section, who died in an Asheville hospital after a long illness. Rev. Avery Peck officiated.

Mr. Keeter came to Haywood county from Rutherford 27 years ago and located in the Pigeon section near the Bethel Baptist church. He was active in the work of the church and community betterment until the time of his illness.

He is survived by his wife and three children, Mrs. H. Edward McCredy, of Roanoke, Va.; Jack Keeter, of Bryson City; and M. F. Keeter, of Baltimore, Md.; two sisters, Mrs. J. W. McDaniel, of Forest City, and Mrs. Andy Sherrill, of Springdale; three brothers, D. J. Keeter and T. S. Keeter, of Grover, and C. F. Keeter, of Union Mills.

Mrs. J. H. Chambers To Be Buried At Bethel Today

Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Bethel Methodist church for Mrs. J. H. Chambers, 83, widow of the late Mr. Chambers, of Haywood county, who died at her home in the Pigeon section of the county at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday. Rev. Thomas Erwin will officiate. Burial will be in the Bethel cemetery.

Mrs. Chambers, a native of Buncombe county, was before her marriage, Miss Martha Morgan. She was born in 1859 and had been residing in this county since her marriage in 1880.

She is survived by nine children, three sons, C. M. Chambers and G. C. Chambers, both of Canton, route 3, and F. E. Chambers, of Cedro Woolley, Wash.; six daughters, Mrs. Thomas Terrell, Mrs. Elsie Blaylock, Mrs. Harlin Burnette, Mrs. Ned Moody and Miss Alma Chambers, all of Canton, route 3, and Mrs. W. J. Rechin, of Juneau, Alaska; twenty eight grandchildren and seventeen great grandchildren.

The Wells Funeral Home will be in charge of the arrangements.

Men In Service From Crabtree To Be Honored At Mt. Zion Church

A special service will be held at the Mt. Zion Methodist Church on October 10 at 2:30 p. m. honoring the men in the armed forces from the Crabtree Township of the county.

A feature of the service will be the unfurling of the banner which will bear stars for every man in the service. Candles will be lighted for those who have made the supreme sacrifice. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Local Draft Board Reclassified 195 Men During The Past Week

One hundred and ninety-five men were reclassified during the past week by the draft board under the selective service system from the Waynesville area of the county.

Placed in class 1-A were the following: Finis B. Stroud, Dillard Haney, Robert E. Lindsey, Edwin B. Poteat, Ronda D. Henderson, Franklin T. Rogers, Gilmer Cagle, Ed Nichols, Sam W. Killian, Raymond H. Ketter, Fred N. Haney, Jacob D. Moore, Ralph C. Sisk, Charles T. Painter, Elbert B. Ray, John D. Mehaffey, William Conner, Edward W. Moody, King Evans, Howell W. Freeman, Thadus B. Messer, Joseph M. Haynes, Jacob Lenoir, Taylor Rose, Lester D. Riddle, William R. Wright, George E. Shuler, Jesse E. Hampton, William L. Allen, Posey A. Blackwell, Leonard J. Green, Robert V. Hoyle, Babe Walker, Julius H. Stephens, William D. Parris, Virgle Summey,



Reservists Report For Active Duty In Armed Forces

A number of the volunteers and reservists of the September call under the selective service reported for active duty during the past week.

Leaving here on Friday for Fort Jackson were: Glenn H. Wyatt, J. B. Siler, Charles W. Sutton and Stewart F. Flemmons, who went to Fort Jackson.

Mrs. Linwood Grahl Elected Treasurer Of District PTA

Mrs. Linwood Grahl was elected treasurer of the District Parent Teacher Association at the annual meeting held last Friday in Asheville.

Mrs. Grahl has been active for several years in the local and county PTA. She is a past president of the Central Elementary group and a former vice president of the county council.

Red Cross Nurse Visits Local Haywood Chapter Nursing Chairman

Miss Elizabeth King, R. N., Red Cross nurse consultant for the State of North Carolina was here during the week in consultation with Mrs. W. H. F. Miller, of the Red Cross, regarding the organization of Volunteers Nurses Aid in the community. Plans are to form a group in the near future.

Pet Offices Are Enlarged Here

Workmen are completing a renovation job at the Pet Dairy Products Company plant here, which will result in the enlargement of the bookkeeping office.

A number of repairs were made to the front of the building, and while this was being done the office was enlarged.

Two Merchants Back From Shoe Convention

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ray, Jr., and C. J. Reece have returned from Atlanta where they attended the Southeastern Shoe Convention on Monday and Tuesday.

Spring shoes were shown during the convention.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Davis had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Brown of Asheville.

Retired Methodist Minister Dies After Long Illness

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Methodist church of Canton, for the Rev. E. G. Warren, 76, retired Haywood county Methodist minister, who died Sunday afternoon at 2:30 in an Asheville hospital, following an illness of two years.

Rev. J. B. Tabor, pastor, officiated. He was assisted by the Rev. W. H. Pless, the Rev. C. C. Williams, and the Rev. C. A. Ramsey, the latter pastor of the Canton Wesleyan Methodist church. Burial was in the Bon-A-Venture cemetery between Canton and Clyde.

Serving as pallbearers were: Grady Swafford, Bruce Sellers, Speedy Wise, Weldon Gidney, Braney Anderson, and Howard Shook.

Mr. Warren, a native of the Beaverdam section of Buncombe county, served as a minister in Haywood county for 40 years.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. E. K. Everhart, and Mrs. D. A. Goodwin, both of Canton, and Mrs. Mort Jameson, of Sylva; four sons, T. H. Warren and A. T. Warren, both of Youngstown, Ohio, C. W. and M. M. Warren, both of Canton; 25 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

John J. Stovall Buried Yesterday At Clarksville

John J. Stovall, 83, prominent citizen of Cleveland, Ga., died at his home at 10:30 Tuesday morning. Mr. Stovall was the father of Dewey and Felix Stovall, of Waynesville and Phillip Stovall, of Sylva.

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at the Cool Springs Methodist church, near Clarksville, Ga. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Mr. Stovall retired eight years ago from active business. He is survived in addition to those mentioned by his wife; two other sons, Raymond Stovall, formerly of Hazelwood, now of Atlanta, and Farrell Stovall, of Clayton, Ga.; three daughters, Mrs. Ben Allison, of Cleveland, Ga., Mrs. Hub Head, of Clarendon, Ga., and Mrs. Jimmy Haynes, of Gainesville, Ga.

Dealers Say Shortage Of Coal Is Temporary

East Waynesville Students Buy \$225 Bonds and Stamps

During a two-day period of the last week in September, \$225 worth of war stamps and bonds were bought by the students of the East Waynesville school, it was learned from Frank L. Rogers, principal.

There are 225 children enrolled making an average purchase of \$1.00 per child for the two-day period.

In the contest between the first three grades, the third grade came out winner. In the contest between the three grammar grades, fourth, fifth and sixth, the fifth grade won. The prize in each case was one hour extra play period on Friday.

Nearly 600 Head Cattle Sold At Feeder Calf Sale

Approximately 575 calves were put up for sale and bought at the feeder calf sale held last Saturday at the Clyde Stockyards, the event being sponsored by the owners of the yards. The calves brought an average of 13 cents per pound.

The sale attracted a large number of out of the county cattlemen, a number from Eastern Carolina as well as out of the state. The cattle were carefully graded into choice, good, medium and common, both heifers and steers group according to their condition.

While the majority of the cattle offered were from this county, stockmen from the adjoining counties also entered animals for the sale.

Those in charge pointed out that an effort would be made each year to grade all cattle entered and the stock raisers were urged to fit their animals for the sale, so that the lower grades could be eliminated, thereby keeping up the price.

Hundreds of persons attended the sale which opened at two o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Organization Meet To Be Held At Methodist Church

On Wednesday evening, October 13, the First Methodist Church will hold its annual reorganization meeting. The meeting will open with dinner served in the dining room of the church at 6:30. The program proper will get under way about 7:30 and those who cannot come for the fellowship dinner are invited to come for the business session.

Matters of vital concern to every member of the church will come before this meeting. The work of the year that has just closed will be reviewed. The officials for the coming year will be elected, and the financial program for the church year just now beginning will be outlined, discussed and adopted. Every member of the church is invited to attend this meeting and is entitled to a voice in its proceedings.

October Schedule For County 4-H Clubs Announced

The schedule of the Haywood county 4-H clubs for the month of October is as follows:

On Monday the Bethel club met at 9 o'clock; the Canton club at 10:30; Beaverdam club at 11:45 and the Clyde club at 1:00 o'clock.

On Tuesday of this week, the Crabtree club met at 8:30; Fines Creek club at 10:45.

Yesterday the Cecil club met at 9:00 o'clock; the Cruso club at 10:30. The Waynesville club will meet this morning at 9 o'clock.

Green Tree Tea Room Closes

Green Tree Tea Room closed for an indefinite period last night. "When we reopen, we will open in our new place in East Waynesville," Mrs. Rosalia A. Rung announced.

Mrs. Rung said that for a needed and deserved rest, she and Mr. Rung might take a trip and visit relatives before opening their place in East Waynesville.

A check-up with the coal dealers of this area revealed the fact that the present shortage of coal was being keenly felt and that they were selling only those who are in immediate need of fuel. They all seemed optimistic, however, over the situation after the middle of November.

As each dealer pointed out, it was no secret that the government had taken over the coal and was having it sent to the Great Lakes sections before the cold weather sets in.

The dealers all agreed that it was impossible to get coal at present or to fill orders, as 75 per cent of the coal was going to the middle west.

They also agreed that the shortage was only temporary. One dealer stated that they had not received a carload of coal in over a month, and that as far as they were concerned in relation to their customers it was serious.

"People need not get panicky," said one well known dealer, "for there will be plenty of coal after the middle of November. I would advise the public to be careful and economize with coal, for we will have to tide over until the time when the supply comes back."

One dealer stated that he had more orders for coal during the month of October than he could possibly fill.

Another dealer stated that he was trying to portion his coal out to those who were really up against it for fuel, and that no one customer was getting more than his share of the amount he had on hand.

22 Apples In A Cluster Found On Almost Barren Tree

Experienced orchardmen are puzzled and unable to explain the why and wherefore of the unusual cluster of 22 apples that grew on a Rome Beauty tree on the farm of W. T. Kirkpatrick, Dellwood Road.

The large tree had less than a bushel of apples all together this year, yet from a small limb about the size of one's little finger, grew 22 perfect full-sized apples. The 22 apples weigh slightly more than 8 pounds. The apples are fully matured, resembled in every detail, the fruit on the remainder of the tree.

The cluster is on display in the window of The Mountaineer, and is attracting lots of attention. So far no one has given an answer of "why" mother nature should pull such a trick.

H. R. Hall Named Manager Of Belk-Hudson Company

H. R. Hall, of Moultrie, Ga., has been named manager of Belk-Hudson Company here, succeeding J. C. Jennings who recently was called into service.

Mr. Hall has been with the Belk-Hudson firm for some time, and arrived here last week to take over this store. The week following Mr. Jennings' leaving, Miss Mackey, of Orangeburg, was here until Mr. Hall could arrive.

Mr. Hall's family will remain in Moultrie for the present, probably moving up in November.

Two Haywood Girls Receive Caps At Duke Hospital

Miss Mary Lee Alley, of Waynesville, daughter of F. E. Alley, Jr., and Mrs. Margaret Hall Alley, and granddaughter of Judge and Mrs. Felix E. Alley, was one of the forty-five students to receive caps at the annual capping exercises at Duke University Hospital last Friday. Miss Clara Carver, of Canton, was another Haywood county girl to receive this recognition.

Capping indicates that the students have successfully passed the probationary period of their first year in the school of nursing. Following the ceremony, a reception was held. Prior to entering the school of nursing, Miss Alley was first a student at Montreat Junior College after which she spent one year at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina.

Frank Reed Brown, Brother Of Dr. Funke, Claimed By Death

Frank Reed Brown, of Greensboro, brother of Dr. I. B. Funke, passed away at his home in the Piedmont section on Saturday, October 2, and was buried on Sunday afternoon. Dr. Funke was unable to attend the funeral services. This

Nine 18-Year-Olds Register With Board In Sept.

Nine boys registered under the selective service system in the month of September, it was learned from the board this week.

The boys who will be subject to call now in the armed forces are as follows: Tommie Clyde Caldwell, route 2, Waynesville; Glenn Sherman, route 1, Waynesville; Dale Hill, Hazelwood; Samuel Stringfield Prady, route 1, Waynesville.

Willard Howell, route 1, Waynesville; Norman Willard Cagle, route 2, Waynesville; Troy Lee Hannah, Cove Creek; George Douglas Plemmons, Waynesville; and Trammell, Waynesville.

Baptists To Hold Mission Week

Beginning the 17th, Mission week will be observed by the First Baptist here, with L. Bunn Olive, missionary from China and for some time a prisoner of the Japanese, as the principal speaker.

On the programs for the six evenings, will be movies of the foreign lands.

Classes for primaries, juniors, intermediates, young people and adults. Those who lead the different classes include: Miss Lysbeth McMillan, Miss Erna Patterson, Miss Margaret Burgin, Miss Madge Lewis, Mrs. H. G. Hammett, Rev. G. G. Hammett, Miss Margaret Trammell and Rev. Mr. Bunn.

Last Quarter Post Office Receipts Largest On Record

"The receipts for the quarter ending with September were the largest ever recorded in the Waynesville post office," said Col. J. G. Howell, postmaster, who attributes the increase in a large measure to the use of airmail stamps and letters to men in the armed forces.

The receipts for the July, August and September quarter total \$13,001.01, while the same period last year reached \$9,961.93. Col. Howell stated, however, that the total receipts for the same period in 1941 were over \$500 greater than in 1942.

Sutton Purchases Woodward's Part In Cafe Business

Bob Sutton has purchased the interest of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Woodward in Charlie's Cafe here.

No changes will be made in the management, it was announced, as D. E. Swann will continue as manager, and part owner of the business. Mr. Swann has been actively connected with the business since it opened over two years ago. Mrs. Woodward will continue in the capacity of bookkeeper, while Mr. Woodward will devote all his time to his business in East Waynesville.

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