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WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 1944 (One Day Nearer Victory)

\$1.75 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

Garrett Is President Chamber Commerce

Ward, Dr. Stuart
son and Howard
Are Vice Presidents.

Garrett was elected president of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night by the 1944 directors. The board had recently elected Ward, Dr. Stuart and Howard as vice presidents. The board also named A. T. R. Stuart Roberson and Clapp as the three vice presidents and H. S. Ward as secretary.

C. Of C. President



N. W. GARRETT was elected president of the Chamber of Commerce here Tuesday night by the 1944 board of directors. Mr. Garrett is owner of Garrett Furniture Store, The Garrett Funeral Home, and has a large farm on Jonathan Creek.

Mrs. W. F. Swift Elected Regent DAR Chapter

Mrs. W. F. Swift was elected regent of the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution at the April meeting of the group which was held on Friday afternoon with Mrs. James W. Killian and Mrs. Swift as associate hostesses at the home of the former. Mrs. Swift succeeds Mrs. S. H. Bushnell, who has ably served the chapter as regent for the past three years.

Stores In Compliance OPA Rules

Present check up on ceiling of merchants' aides, it is reported that only a few food stores are in compliance with the OPA regulations. A letter was read from the state regent, Mrs. Preston Wilkes, of Charlotte, telling of the program of the national congress which will be held this year in New York City, in which she urged the members to send delegates. Mrs. James E. Henderson has been elected to represent the chapter.

171 Haywood Men Given Military Examinations Last Week At Croft

One hundred and seventy-one men left here last Thursday morning at 6 o'clock for Camp Croft where they were given pre-induction examinations. Most of the men in the older age groups were not accepted for service.

Haywood Cattle Make Good Showing At Sale

Cattle averaged \$575 at the Statesville sale last week. The sale averaged \$585, all owned by Roy Haynes, bringing the top price for a cow. Two Haynes heifers won second place and one owned by J. L. Palmer. Other animals owned by C. T. Francis, Way Abel and Calvin Francis won places in the show.

Sixty-One Men Were Reclassified During Past Week

Sixty-one men were reclassified by the local draft board and three men continued in class 1-A during the past week.

Placed in class 1-A were: Albert W. Arrington, John W. Marcus, James R. Rich, Herbert Hugo Braren, Eulas Oland Carroway, Robert Oliver Shook, John R. Kates, Everett Smith, Albert Earl Muse, Thomas James Frazier, Thomas Edward Burney, DeWitt Clinton Rogers, Clyde Vance Calhoun, and Curtis Franklin Hendrix.

Placed in class 1-C were: Jesse E. Hampton, Howell J. Buchanan, William L. Allen, Walter Otis Henderson, James McClure, Jesse J. Moody, Frank L. Smith, Walter J. White, Benjamin F. Troutman, Clyde W. Morgan, William P. Plemons, Charles F. Lee, James W. Lanning, and William Mac Fish.

Placed in class 2-A were: Owen R. Roberts, Clifton E. Parton, Cephus Frazier, Hugh Love Allison, Woodrow Wilson Rich, Everett Lee Moody, Carl Ledford, Frank Pearson Robinson, Hallett Sidney Ward, James Robert Davis, Robert Theodore Yarborough, Winfred Richard Wright, Hugh Hall, Arville Aden Caldwell, and Floyd Fernfield DeWeese.

Placed in class 2-B were: Ejel H. Mashburn, Orville C. James, James Robert Plott, and James Richard Gerringier.

Placed in class 2-B (H) was Jonas C. Helms.

Placed in class 2-C was William Sutton.

Placed in class 4-F were Frank J. Trull, Amos Cagle, and Marshall Haney.

OPA Checking On Motorists Here

Motorists of Haywood are being checked by OPA investigators to see that all gasoline coupons have the license number and state on each.

Sgt. Kenneth Moore Receives Promotion

Sergeant Kenneth Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Moore, of Hazelwood, has recently been promoted to Staff Sgt. It was learned from his family this week. Sgt. Moore is now serving with the armed forces in England, where he has been for some time.

Two Haywood Men Given Promotions

Thomas W. McKee, of Lake Junaluska, was commissioned as a second lieutenant from the Alee Field, army air flying school recently.

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Robert M. Beall, of Canton, also received his commission from Frederick Field. The classes from the 11 schools of the Central Flying Training Command, was the largest yet to graduate.

Awarded Air Medal



SGT. GRADY V. HOWELL, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Howell, of Waynesville, R. F. D. No. 2, who was recently awarded Air Medal for service in Air Forces.

Sgt. G. V. Howell Awarded Air Medal In England

Technical Sergeant Grady V. Howell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Howell, of Waynesville, R. F. D. No. 2, who is serving somewhere in England, has been awarded the Air Medal by General James P. Hodges, commanding general of a Liberator bomber division.

The citation reads as follows: "For exceptionally meritorious achievement, while participating in five separate bomber combat missions over enemy occupied continental Europe."

Sgt. Howell is an assistant engineer and gunner on a Liberator combat crew at a base in England. The 23-year-old airman, who has just been promoted to the grade of technical sergeant, entered the service on August 29, 1942, and received his overseas combat training at army air bases, Wendover, Utah, and Sioux City, Iowa.

Prior to entering the service, Sgt. Howell was an inventory clerk for the Owens-Illinois Glass Company in Bridgeton, N. J. He was educated in the local high school and North Carolina State College.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Buchanan have returned from their wedding trip and are at home at the Hahn Apartments.

R. H. Blackwell, Jr., Air Crash Victim, Buried Tomorrow

Last rites will be conducted at the First Methodist church at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon for Rufus Hunter Blackwell, Jr., who was killed when his bomber crashed during a take-off at Oak Harbor, Wash., on last Wednesday, April 12.

The Rev. J. Clay Madison, pastor of the church, will officiate. The local post of the American Legion will also participate in the service. Burial will be in Green Hill cemetery.

The body is scheduled to arrive in Asheville this morning. The Massie Funeral Home is in charge of bringing the body to Waynesville and other arrangements. The body will be accompanied by a naval escort from the West Coast, according to information received by the family from the War Department.

Serving as active pallbearers will be Col. J. Harden Howell, Capt. W. F. Swift, Fred E. Martin, Grady Boyd, William Shoobred and members of the naval escort.

Mr. Blackwell, who volunteered in the U. S. Naval Reserve the day after the attack on Pearl Harbor, was serving as aviation chief machinist's mate at his post on Whidbey Island.

Mr. Blackwell, son of Rufus H. Blackwell, and the late Susan Byrd Blackwell, was a veteran of World War I, having volunteered immediately after war was declared. He served many months on combat duty overseas and with the army of occupation. He was educated in the Waynesville schools and at Brevard College. At the time he entered the service in World War II he held a position with the Ecusta Manufacturing Company of Brevard.

3 Democrats In Race For Nomination As County Legislator

Apple Blossoms To Be At Best This Week-End

With continued warm weather this week, the apple blossoms in the large orchards here should be in full bloom by Sunday, it was predicted here yesterday.

Woman's Auxiliary of Presbytery Hold Annual Meet Here

The 39th annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Asheville Presbytery was held here at the Waynesville Presbyterian church on Tuesday, with approximately 135 persons in attendance.

The executive board met at 9:30, followed by the general session at 10:30. The Rev. R. M. Williamson, pastor of the local church, gave the invocation and Mrs. W. H. Miller, president of the hostess auxiliary, gave greetings to which Mrs. Ralph Freeman responded.

Highlights of the meeting were the talks by Mrs. Donald McIver of Bristol, Va., president of the Appalachia Synodical; Mrs. Ben Knox, of Atlanta, Ga., Dr. Henry B. Denny, pastor of the Weaver Presbyterian church, Mrs. F. S. Pressley, of Knoxville, Tenn., and Dr. Donald Richardson, Richmond, Va., moderator of the general assembly.

Officers were elected for one-year terms as follows: vice-president, Mrs. George B. Hammond, Canton; secretary, Mrs. J. T. Finin, Hendersonville; treasurer, Mrs. Ed White, Asheville. Elected for three-year terms were: Mrs. W. H. McMurry, Swannanoa; secretary of religious education, Mrs. R. E. McClure, Asheville; secretary of Assembly home missions, Mrs. J. C. Williams, Black Mountain; Mrs. O. F. Sommer, Bryson City, secretary of literature; counselor for

More Than 300 Men And Women Attended The Republican Rally

One of the largest Republican gatherings staged in Haywood in a number of years was held at the Clyde high school on Saturday evening, with Frank C. Patton, of Morganton, Republican candidate for governor, as the main speaker. More than 300 members of the party, both men and women, were present for the banquet and meeting over which Glenn A. Boyd, county chairman, presided.

The candidate for governor was introduced by E. P. Stillwell, attorney of Sylva, and Jackson county Republican leader, who in turn had been presented by I. H. Powell, of Canton.

Dinner was served in the cafeteria of the high school, after which the assembly moved into the auditorium, where the meeting was opened with the singing of America, followed by the invocation by Prof. C. F. Owens.

Lewis P. Hamlin, of Brevard, candidate for Congress from this district, also addressed the group. He was introduced by Charlie Hawkins, of Canton, Republican candidate for the House of Representatives of the North Carolina Assembly.

I. H. Powell, of Canton, extended a welcome to those present at the opening of the rally.

Rev. Hammett Delivers Baccalaureate Sermon At Tryon High School

Rev. H. G. Hammett, pastor of the First Baptist church, delivered the baccalaureate sermon at the Mills Springs high school, at Tryon on last Sunday. The principal of the school, W. H. MacDonald, a former star athlete who played on teams at Gardner-Webb college, which were coached by Rev. Hammett. Mr. MacDonald has served as a Polk county representative in the North Carolina General Assembly.

Extra Canning Sugar Is Available To Those Who Apply On May 1-2

Those failing to make application on either May 1 or 2, will have only 5 pounds.

All persons needing more than five pounds of canning sugar per person, will have the first two days in May to make application to get up to 25 pounds per person, it was announced here by the war price and rationing board.

The regulation as received here this week, sets out that no extra sugar for canning can be granted unless applications are made either May first or second, and on the special form prepared by OPA.

Two Republicans In East Fork In Contest For Nomination As Constable

Three candidates filed for the nomination as the Democratic candidate for Representative in the Legislature, for the only county contest in the May 27th primary.

The only township contest is in constable's race in East Fork.

The three Democrats seeking the nomination as representative are R. E. Sentelle, S. L. Sanderson, and Glenn C. Palmer. Mr. Palmer is seeking re-election, having been representative from Haywood for the past three terms.

In the Republican township race in East Fork, H. W. Heatherly and L. M. Crawford are the candidates.

The county board of elections this week mailed out absentee ballots to all men and women in service who have requested ballots.

In session here last Saturday, the board named the registrars and judges for the coming primary.

The first two named are Democratic members and the third is the Republican member.

Beaverdam No. 1, W. W. Pless, Ray Byers and Clyde Smith. Beaverdam No. 2, Will F. Clark, Jake Smathers and Gladstone Haney.

Beaverdam No. 3, C. E. Williams, J. T. Chappell and Roy Matheson. Beaverdam No. 4, Bill Franklin, George Henry Smathers and John Teague.

Beaverdam No. 5, Mrs. Fred Winfield, Grover Russell and George A. Wilson. Beaverdam No. 6, S. C. Wood, Girtwood Smathers and L. J. Ward.

Pigeon, Walker Brown, John Day Cathey and Walter Singleton.

East Fork, Rex Pless, K. L. Burnett and Wilburn Clark. Cecil, Perry Allen, Ben West and Ben Inmann.

North Waynesville, David Turner, Henry Gaddy and Shuford Howell. South Waynesville, J. P. Dieus, Robert P. McCracken and Grady Farmer.

Hazelwood, W. A. Whitner, Gene Wyatt and John Blalock.

Baptist Women Of County Will Meet On 27th

The annual W. M. U. meeting of the Haywood Baptist Association will be held Friday, April 27th, at the Clyde Baptist church, starting promptly at ten o'clock.

Among those appearing on the program, will include Miss Ola Lea, of Greensboro, a returned missionary from China, and Miss Mary Currin, of Raleigh, state executive secretary of the Baptist W. M. U.

Due to the outstanding program, all presidents of the Haywood W. M. U. units, members of the church organizations, and counselors of young people, are urged to attend.

The meeting will be an all-day event, with each person carrying lunch, while coffee and milk will be provided by the Clyde church.

Stolen Car Is Found With Dry Gasoline Tank

A 1941 Chevrolet sedan was stolen from the garage of L. M. Killian about 11 o'clock Tuesday night. The car was found about an hour later in Grimsball Park, with the radio going full blast.