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OUTBREAK OF BANG'S DISEASE SERIOUS

Three Specialists Here Working To Curb The Spread

Twofold Warning Issued, As Disease Strikes At Humans and Cattle.

Due to an outbreak of Bang's disease in the county, a check up is being made of the herds in the area by Dr. L. M. Beeton, of Asheville, who is employed by the state and federal government, it was learned this week from George A. Brown, Jr., county manager.

If the disease spreads it will develop a serious situation in Haywood county, so in view of the prevalence of the disease at this time in the county, the State Department of Agriculture has sent three extra veterinarians from the U. S. Department of Agriculture to assist in the work in the county, it was pointed out by Mr. Brown, who also explained it was the first check up since 1941.

"This is not only a serious situation from the standpoint of the loss in cattle, but also from the health of the people of our county. Drinking milk from infected cows will cause undulant fever and we must protect our families and children," said Mr. Brown in discussing the situation.

Mr. Brown further pointed out that there had been a few cases of this disease already reported in the county, and that drastic measures must be taken at once to stamp it out and prevent any additional contagion from the disease.

"With the existence of Bang's disease in the county, there is a definite need at this time for an educational program in Haywood county, so that the people who own the livestock as well as the public in general should have all necessary information for protection," said Howard Clapp, county farm agent, yesterday.

Mr. Clapp announced that in view of conditions in the county a joint meeting of the Haywood Hereford Breeders Association and the Haywood Milk Breeders Association had been called. The meeting will be held in the courthouse and is scheduled for Wednesday night, the 17th, at 8 o'clock in the courtroom.

At this meeting Dr. William Moore, state veterinarian, will discuss the problems of control and prevention of an epidemic of Bang's disease and explain its menace to the livestock industry and to the health of the public.

"Aside from the standpoint of the health of our people, which is paramount at all times, we must realize that the 30,000 head of cattle in Haywood county represent one of our major industries," explained Mr. Clapp.

The educational program which will get underway following the meeting next week will be sponsored by the county board of commissioners, the county farm agents, and the county board of health.

Hazelwood Pastor



REV. E. G. MURRAY moved to Hazelwood this week to become pastor of the Hazelwood Baptist church.

Rev. Mr. Murray To Serve Baptist At Hazelwood

Rev. Everett G. Murray and family of Biltmore, moved to Hazelwood this week, where Mr. Murray will be pastor of the Baptist church.

Rev. Mr. Murray is a native of Raleigh, graduated from Campbell's Junior College, Buie's Creek, and Hardin-Simmons University, Texas, and attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas one year.

The Murray's have two children, a son three years old, and a daughter 18 months old.

He has served the Belhaven church and was assistant pastor at Scotland Neck.

Haywood Bought \$1,338,017 In Bonds During 6th Drive

Haywood county went 187 per cent above the Sixth War Loan quota, and 115 per cent above the E bond quota, it was learned from the treasury department this week. Haywood's quota was \$714,000 in all bonds, and \$401,000 in E bonds.

The official treasury records showed this county was credited with \$1,338,017.75 for the drive.

The district's quota was \$672,710 and sold \$15,125,009.

Pvt. H. M. Smith Reported Killed In Action In Italy

Private Haywood M. Smith, 37, son of Tom Smith and the late Mrs. Smith, of Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 2, was killed in action in Italy on November 25th, according to a message from the War Department. He had been wounded twice in action prior to the fatal injuries received when he was killed.

Pvt. Smith entered the service on May 17th, 1942, and was inducted at Camp Croft. Before being sent overseas he received further training at Camp Wallace, Tex., Camp Hulen, Shreveport, La., and Camp Barkley, Tex.

He was with the 5th Army and was first on combat in North Africa and later Sicily. In Sicily he was wounded for the first time, but after being out for only a short period he rejoined his company and was with the first Americans to enter Rome. He was again wounded in action and was sent to the North Area. He recovered from his injuries and was soon back on active duty.

He was instantly killed by enemy machine gun in Italy, according to information received. He was given Protestant funeral service which was conducted near the place of his burial in Northern Italy by an army chaplain.

Pvt. Smith was employed by the Unagusta Manufacturing company at the time he entered the service.

Surviving are his father; four brothers, Will Smith, Bryson Smith and Ben Smith, all of Waynesville, and Jack Smith, of Lake Junaluska; five sisters, Mrs. Julia Winchester, of Hazelwood, Mrs. Valerie Franklin, Mrs. Jack Kelley, Mrs. Neal Mathia, and Miss Myrtle Smith, all of Waynesville.

Heads Health Work



DR. C. N. SISK

Health Officers Re-elected By County Board

Dr. C. N. Sisk, district health officer, was re-elected at a meeting Monday night of the Haywood County Health Department.

Dr. Sam Stringfield, county physician, who has also served for a number of years, was also re-elected for a two-year term.

Members of the Haywood County Board of Health include: George A. Brown, Jr., chairman, county board of commissioners, J. H. Way, mayor, county seat, and M. H. Bowles, county superintendent of education, ex officio members, and the following appointed by the former: Dr. M. L. Reeves, and Dr. A. C. Cline, Canton, and Dr. W. L. Kirkpatrick, Waynesville.

January Civil Court Convened 8th, Adjourned 10th

Light Calendar Marked Court With Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., Presiding.

The January term of Superior court, civil term, which convened here on Monday, adjourned yesterday afternoon after three days of trial of one of the lightest dockets ever recorded in the county. Judge J. Will Pless, of Marion, presided over the three-day session.

Practically the entire first day was taken up with divorce cases, with seven granted and one dismissed as of voluntary non suit, with the plaintiff ordered to pay the costs of the court.

In the case of Louise Taylor versus Edwin Taylor involving the custody of their child, the latter was given to the plaintiff.

In the case of Eddy Woody versus R. T. Reynolds, the defendants, their agents and employees were restrained permanently from placing any obstruction in the road leading to the Eddy Woody place and also to pay the costs of the court with the exception of \$5.00 advanced by the plaintiff in instituting the action.

The case of G. R. Ferguson and G. R. Ferguson, assigns, versus Dollie Ferguson, involving a will and an involuntary nonsuit was taken by the plaintiffs, who were also charged with the costs of the court.

In the case of H. A. Osborne versus Tom Johnson and Mrs. Tom Johnson, the plaintiff took voluntary non suit.

The custody of James Leon Medford, minor, whose father is serving in the army, was awarded to his maternal grandparents four-fifths of the year and one-fifth of the year to his paternal grandparents.

In the case of E. J. Rush, versus Gretchen Rush, in which the plaintiff was alleged to have fraudulently obtained a divorce, the defendant was given 30 days in which to answer or plead the case as she desired.

Palmer To Serve On 19 Important Committees

Representative Glenn C. Palmer was named as a member of 19 important committees of the House of Representatives Tuesday morning, and will be one of the busiest legislators in the General Assembly.



CPL. DAVID C. GILLETT, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gillett, of Lake Junaluska, who was wounded in action in Germany, receives recognition for his gallantry in combat.

Cpl. D. C. Gillett Is Awarded The Purple Heart

Corporal David C. Gillett, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gillett, of Lake Junaluska, who was wounded in action in Germany in November, has been awarded the Purple Heart, according to information received by his family.

Cpl. Gillett entered the service on November 30, 1942 and was inducted at Camp Croft. From Croft he was transferred to Camp Howze, Tex., and later to Camp Claiborne, La., prior to being sent overseas the first part of October, 1944.

He served first in England, then France and later in Germany. He is a First Aide man and is attached to the Medical Corps.

Prior to entering the service Cpl. Gillett was employed at the American Enka Corporation.

He has a brother, Sgt. Robt. Gillett, who is in the army and is now stationed at Camp Pannin, Tex.

Wounded Local Soldier Awarded Silver Star

Staff Sgt. Arlis E. Suttles, is recovering at the United States Army General Hospital in England from shrapnel wounds received in fighting near Vire, France. He has recently been awarded the Silver Star for daring destruction of a Nazi tank. He also holds the Purple Heart and a regimental citation.

Sgt. Suttles is making satisfactory progress and will probably be sent to the States for further treatment according to information received from the ward surgeon, Captain Arthur P. Keller, of Ellwood City, Pa.

Near Tessy-sur-Vire, Sgt. Suttles encountered a Nazi Mark V tank which was in a position to destroy the five tanks in his platoon. He moved his tank forward to a point blank range, destroying the enemy tank.

"His action," stated the citation, "saved his platoon from possible severe losses."

The Silver Star was awarded him by Col. Charles B. Kendall, commanding officer of the hospital.

His wife, the former Miss Hazel Balding, and his son, Arlis L. Suttles, whom he has never seen, live in Clyde. His father, John Suttles, resides in Joe. Sgt. Suttles was engaged in farming before he entered the army in 1937.

Sgt. R. D. Lowe Reported Wounded In Germany Dec. 20

Sergeant Robert D. Lowe, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Lowe, of Crabtree, has been slightly wounded in action in Germany on December 20, according to a message from the War Department to his parents.

This is the second time Sgt. Lowe has been wounded, the first time being in Belgium during October, for which he was awarded the Purple Heart.

Sgt. Lowe entered the service in 1942 and was inducted at Camp Croft. From the latter he was sent to Camp Young, Calif., and then to Camp Maxie, Texas, prior to being sent overseas, where he has served for the past year.

He was first in England and was with the invasion forces in France on D-Day. At the time he entered the service Sgt. Lowe was employed by the Dayton Rubber plant here.

Freezer Lockers Are Going Fast

Through yesterday, 93 applications had been received for frozen food lockers by the Farmers Federation here, according to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Houston who are handling this work.

The lockers will be constructed in the new building just acquired by the Federation at the Depot.

Before priority can be secured for the construction of the lockers, a large percent of the advanced lockers must be rented in advance.

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The object of the meeting was to work out the plans for presentation of the 1945 production goals. It was brought out in the meeting the necessity for continued peak production of food, even after the war is ended, otherwise there might be a shortage.

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Others taking part on the program were H. B. James, who is with the Agricultural Economics unit in Raleigh, Mrs. Frances McGreggor Wall, state assistant 4-H Club leader, and Miss Elizabeth Williams, assistant in home management and house furniture, of the state extension service.

Farm agents and home demonstration agents from the following counties with number attending from each were: Clay, 3; Cherokee, 4; Swain, 4; Graham, 4; Macon, 4; Jackson, 4; Haywood, 4; Transylvania, 3; Henderson, 3; Buncombe, 8; and Madison, 4, making a total of 43.

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Besides being chairman of the committee on House expenditures, Mr. Palmer is co-chairman of the Agricultural committee.

He is serving on some of the most important committees for the fourth time, including education, agriculture, higher education, and roads.

The committees of which he is a member, besides the two which he is chairman and co-chairman, includes: congressional districts, banking, conservation and development, counties, cities and towns, education, elections and election laws, federal relations, higher education, manufacturing and labor, public welfare, roads, sanitary districts, unemployment compensation, printing, veterans legislation, public buildings and grounds, and game and inland fisheries.

The General Assembly is now ready to get down to work, with committees named in both the senate and the house.

Mr. Palmer told The Mountaineer this week that the "local bills" for Haywood would be "very few."

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Funeral Services Held Saturday For Mrs. MacFadyen

Widow of Waynesville Physician Dies At Home of Daughter In Canton.

Last rites were held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the Waynesville Presbyterian church for Mrs. Mary Rinaldi MacFadyen, 85, widow of Dr. H. L. MacFadyen, practicing physician of Waynesville for many years, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John T. Bailey, in Canton on Thursday. The body remained in Canton, until 10:30 o'clock when it was brought here for the service and burial.

Officiating ministers were: Rev. Malcolm R. Williamson, pastor of the church, who was assisted by Rev. S. R. Crockett, of Hazelwood, former pastor of Mrs. MacFadyen.

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Five Men Placed In Class 1-A By Board This Week

Fifty-seven men were reclassified during the past week by the draft board in this area, with five of the number placed in class 1-A as follows: Virgie Summey, Willard R. Setzer, Willard Hicks, James W. Ledford and Lonnie B. Hargrove.

Placed in class 2-A(F) was Donald E. Hall.

Continued in class 2-A were: Charlie B. Medford and Raymond H. Wyatt.

Continued in class 2-A(F) were: William A. Withers and Welton Reynolds.

Placed in class 4- was Willie Hoglen.

Placed in class 2-B(F) was Richard A. Sheehan.

Continued in class 2-B(F) was B. H. Hannah.

Continued in class 2-B were: Ernest M. Breece, Sam W. Killian, Roy A. Oxner, Roy N. Stephens, Walker Gillett, Perry W. Hughes, Clyde H. West, Clyde L. Fisher, Kyle Campbell, Clarence S. Beck, Noble N. Arrington, Abraham L. Enley, Jr., George C. Hooper.

Dr. S. P. Gay Returns Home From Hospital

Dr. S. P. Gay, who has been a patient in an Asheville hospital for the past two weeks, has returned to his home in Grimboll Park.

Pvt. John Hill Wounded A Second Time On Dec. 23rd

Pvt. John Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hill, of Waynesville, R. F. D. No. 2, has been reported slightly wounded in France on December 23, according to information received from the War Department by his parents.

This is the second time Pvt. Hill has been wounded, the first time in Italy on November 4, 1943. He was also cited for bravery on the Anzio beachhead attack.

Pvt. Hill entered the service as a volunteer, leaving here with Company "H" national guard unit in September, 1940. Before going overseas he was stationed at Fort Jackson, Fort Ord, Calif., and at Camp Pickett, Va.

He took part in the invasion of Africa, Sicily, Italy and Southern France. Pvt. Hill is a graduate of the Waynesville township high school and at the time he entered the service was employed at the Waynesville Laundry.

Chas. Curtis, Jr. Wins Bronze Star, Oak Leaf Cluster

Staff Sgt. Charles Curtis, Jr., U. S. Infantry, has recently received two citations, one in which he was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious conduct in action on August 29, 1944, in France and shortly after the bronze oak leaf cluster for achievement and service in battle in France.

The first citation read in part as follows: "Sgt. Curtis was serving as a machine gun section leader with an infantry unit engaged in a bitter fire fight with a stubbornly resisting foe. The enemy was effectively using machine guns and mortar fires from well placed positions and the Allies' attack had been brought to a standstill.

"With complete disregard for his personal safety, Sgt. Curtis moved his machine guns to an exposed position in order to point out by his fires the location of the various enemy positions, so that artillery observers could adjust heavy fire to neutralize the hostile guns.

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Caldwell Brothers Meet For First Time In 3 Years In Germany

Pvt. Lloyd B. Caldwell, who has been overseas since 1942 and S/Sgt. Frank Caldwell, his brother, who has been overseas for the past ten months, met recently in Germany. It was the first time they have seen each other in three years.

They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Caldwell, of Waynesville, R.F.D. No. 2, who have two other sons in the service. They are: Pfc. Dock Caldwell, who has been overseas for the past twenty months and Tommie Caldwell, seaman second class, who entered the service in August, 1944 and is now stationed at Camp Endicott, R. I.

Haywood Citizens Show Appreciation Of County Library

Over 30,000 Books Loaned From County System Since April 1, 1944, Revealed In Report.

At the regular meeting of the Haywood county library board on Monday, Miss Margaret Johnston, county librarian, stated in her report that over 30,000 books have been loaned from the two libraries in the county and the 17 book stations since April 1, 1944.

Her report further revealed that 1,400 books have been added by purchase and that 2,332 books have been loaned the Haywood county library from the North Carolina Library Commission to aid in starting the county-wide library service.

Miss Johnston pointed out that the book collection while increased during the year was not sufficient to meet the growing demands of the reading public. Over 2,500 books have been sent to the 17 rural stations. As evidence of the rural reader interest, she stated that she had received 417 definite requests for books from the stations alone, and that to date 281 had been filled.

The board appointed Miss Adah Young who served as librarian for Waynesville before the county system was inaugurated and who has been doing part time work with the county library, as a full time county library assistant to Miss Johnston.

The county librarian, Miss Johnston, was granted a two weeks' vacation by the board beginning on January 12.

Plans were also made to ask all civic groups in the county to write to the representative from this area in the General Assembly and urge them to support the N. C. Library Commission in their request for appropriations for the coming biennium for rural library service.

Col. J. H. Howell, chairman of the county board, presided at the meeting. Other members of the board include: Mrs. H. A. Hedder, Canton, Mrs. Troy Leatherwood, Jonathan Creek, Mrs. T. L. Gwyn, Waynesville, Glenn C. Palmer, Crabtree, and George A. Brown, Jr.

Routine Audit Office Clerk Of Court Made

A routine audit of the office of Hugh Leatherwood, clerk of the Superior court, has recently been completed by W. Bowen Henderson, of Asheville, it was learned this week from George A. Brown, Jr., chairman of the county board of commissioners.

The audit extended through the period beginning December 1, 1942, to November 30, 1944, according to Mr. Brown.

The audit shows that the cash on hand as of December 1, 1942, was \$16,477.35 with receipts for the period totaling \$91,290.64. Disbursements during the stated time reached \$78,910.25, leaving a balance on hand as of November 30, 1944, of \$28,857.74.

During the November term of Superior court, criminal term, a total of \$4,539.35 was collected by the clerk of the court in fines, it was learned from Hugh Leatherwood, clerk. This was the largest amount collected since Mr. Leatherwood has been in office during one term of court.

The audit of the office of the tax collector and other offices of the court house are in the process of being audited by Mr. Henderson and the results will be announced in the near future, according to Mr. Brown.

RETURN FROM MARKET

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Reece and son spent several days in Atlanta this week buying Spring merchandise for their ready-to-wear department, at the Southeastern Style Show where all leading lines were shown.