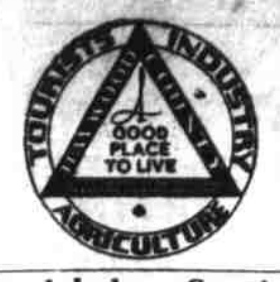


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## 1 BETHEL PUPILS HURT IN BUS WRECK

### Baptists Set Out To Raise \$100,000

#### Waynesville Baptists Have Started Huge Expansion Program

Waynesville Baptists have started a huge expansion program. Plans call for a new, modern plant of such size as to accommodate the entire congregation as soon as conditions permit. The First Baptist church here officially launched a \$100,000 building campaign program. Plans call for enlarging the entire plant as soon as conditions permit. The church has been preparing for the new plant for some time. Plans call for enlarging the entire plant as soon as conditions permit. The church has been preparing for the new plant for some time. Plans call for enlarging the entire plant as soon as conditions permit. The church has been preparing for the new plant for some time.

#### Loaded Bus Turned Over During Heavy Rain Storm Tuesday

Three pupils remain in serious condition at Haywood County Hospital. Twenty-one students of the Bethel school, all residents of the Love Joy section of the county, who were returning home from school on Tuesday afternoon, were injured when the bus in which they were riding skidded and went over a 15-foot embankment and landed on its top. Three of the children were seriously injured and their condition yesterday afternoon. They are: Thurman Goodson, six, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rube Goodson, who suffered a possible skull fracture and a scalp injury; Louise Pinkerton, six, a complete fracture of the lacerated chin and a knee injury; and Gerald Owen, eleven, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Owen, with a broken arm. They are all patients in the Haywood County Hospital. Other pupils brought here for treatment include: Troy Hargrove, seven, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hargrove, lacerations about the head, condition reported unchanged; Cloe Pinkerton, eight, brother of Louise Pinkerton, lacerations about the head, better; Frank Sorrells, Jr., 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sorrells, possible fracture of the neck; Morris McNeil, six, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brown McNeil, broken right forearm, better; Lela Stuart, 11, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stuart, injuries about the head and a possible fractured skull, reported better; and Lorine Ledford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kell Ledford, who was discharged yesterday from the hospital and allowed to return to her home. The other students injured were taken to the Medical Center in Canton and with the exception of three were treated and sent home Tuesday night; Maxine Hargrove, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hargrove, head and arm injuries.

#### Wounded In Italy



Pfc. Robert W. Sutton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Sutton, of Waynesville, who was reported wounded on February 22 in Italy, according to information by his parents. He entered the service on March 19, 1943, and was inducted in the European theatre for the past three months. At the time he entered the service he was employed by the TVA at Fontana.

#### New OPA Rulings To Go On Merchandise

Plans Completed For Pre-Easter Services In City. Merchants Of Area To Meet Next Thursday Night and Hear Specialist On Matter. Haywood merchants will receive today from the local War Price and Rationing Board new regulations regarding the "freeze" put on mark-up of men's wearing apparel, shoes, dry goods, and house furnishings. The regulations set out that no higher mark-up can be put on these items than was in force on March 19th. Instructions for preparing the new charts are included in the list of information being sent out. All merchants handling this type merchandise will be required to list the items, cost, the percentage of mark-up and attach the invoice. All this information must be in the Charlotte office of OPA by the 20th of April. W. A. Bradley, chairman of the price appeal, announced yesterday that a special meeting would be held at the rationing office next Thursday night at eight o'clock for all merchants of this area, at which time a specialist in the details of preparing these records. Merchants are asked to study the informational matter that should reach them today, and prepare a list of questions to be asked at the meeting next Thursday night.

#### Rhine Bridge Hero



HERE IS the daring young fellow who prevented the Germans from blowing up the Ludendorf Bridge at Remagen and thus made possible the spectacular Rhine crossing. He is Lt. John Battenfield Mitchell, Pittsburgh, Pa., who provided a ten minute margin between life and death when he disconnected the enemy wires. (International)

#### Semi-Finals In All-Star Tournament To Be Played At Armory

Much Interest Being Shown In All-Star Tournament At The Armory Here. The semi-finals of the All-Star tournament will be played tonight, and the finals tomorrow night, with interest running high, and a large number of fans attending at the Armory. The Sylva All-Stars, one of the favored teams in the tournament, knocked the Waynesville Independents out of the running Monday night by winning, 33 to 21. In the opening game of the tournament the Waynesville All-Stars eliminated the Bethel All-Stars, 32 to 25. The Canton All-Stars defeated (Continued on page 6)

#### Lions Club To Conduct Eye Clinic Next Week

An eye clinic will be conducted in the auditorium of the Hazelwood school on Monday and Tuesday of next week, according to an announcement by Francis Massey, chairman of the sponsoring committee from the Lions Club. The clinic has been arranged through the district health department by the Lions Club, and the hours will be from 8:30 to 5 on the two-day period on the 26th and 27th. The clinic is being conducted for the benefit of the children in the Waynesville area of the county. All parents of children with defective eyes, who feel that they are unable to pay for either examinations or glasses for their children are asked to bring them to the clinic, where these services will be given free of any charge. This is one of the major phases of work conducted by the Lions Club and a large number of children with defective eyes have been beneficiaries of this service.

#### District Boy Scouts Hold Largest Court of Honor In Months

Monday evening, March 19, the Scouts of this district held their largest Court of Honor for some months under the direction of the advancement chairman, W. B. Whitesides, of Bethel. Scout Billy Ray of Troop 1, Canton, served as court clerk. Scout's Wayne Presley, Gene Yarborough, and Earl Caldwell were the color bearers. (Continued on page 6)

#### Linotype On To Plant Of Mountaineer

New Linotype machine re-erected by The Mountaineer. The one destroyed by fire in New York on the 15th is two weeks ahead of the printing department. The Mountaineer is on every means was taken to complete the machine in time. A Linotype engineer will arrive here. The new machine is not as large as the one destroyed by fire, but is the most available. With two Linotype operators in the plant, work will again be near normal.

#### Former Banker Buys Every War Bond Offered

James R. Boyd, former president of the First National Bank and well known financial leader in the county, has set a fine patriotic example—Haywood folks this month—at least for the citizens who can afford to follow his gesture. During the month of March Mr. Boyd has bought a war bond of every denomination offered by the treasury department, a \$25, a \$50, a \$100, a \$500 and a \$1,000—Totaling \$1,675.

#### Pfc. J. C. Chambers Listed Wounded On Iwo Jima

Pfc. Jarvis Cordell Chambers, U. S. Marines, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Chambers, of Portland, Ore., formerly of Clyde, has been wounded in action on Iwo Jima on February 27, according to information received by his family. Pfc. Chambers entered the service in February, 1943, and was inducted at Fort Jackson. He took his boot training at Parris Island and from there was sent to Newport, R. I., later to New River, and Camp Pendleton, Calif., before being sent to Pacific theatre.

#### Ladye Fayre Is Sold To Miss Cabe And Mrs. Burns

Announcement was made this week of the sale of the Ladye Fayre Beauty Shoppe by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moseman to Miss Josephine Cabe and Mrs. Kathleen Boyd Burns. The new owners are now in charge of the business. Miss Cabe managed the shop for the former owners for many years, and is an experienced operator. Mrs. Burns is also well known here as a beautician. Mr. and Mrs. Moseman bought the shop in 1939, and will now devote all their time to their business next to The Park Theatre.

#### Four Room House On Medford Farm Burns To Ground

A four room tenant house on the farm of John Burnett Medford, Delwood Road, was completely destroyed by fire around 11:30 on Wednesday morning. The house was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bradley and their two children. The father was working on his farm nearby and the mother was out in the garden when the latter discovered the blaze. She rushed to the house and got her two small children out, ages one and three years, and then gave the alarm. It was thought the fire started from a defective flue. The Waynesville fire truck arrived, but there was no water connection so the street water truck was sent for but the fire was not extinguished in time to save the building. In the meantime the home of Mr. Medford, 59 feet away, was in danger, and the water truck was used to save it. The Bradley family lost practically all their household furnishings, save only a bed, a couple of mattresses, and a stove. He has three brothers in the service, Lloyd Caldwell, serving with the armored division and another brother, Dock Caldwell, in Europe with an anti-aircraft artillery battalion and a third brother, Tommie, in the Navy.

#### Hudson Is Being Pushed To Plant Groups

Being pushed for the installation of an industrial base in this area, with the County Council the sponsor. The director, yesterday that at least two teams in the league, and are seriously considering the power in this area will be off Sunday afternoon from 1:30 to 6:30, according to J. E. Tate, district manager for the Carolina Power and Light Company. There are some necessary repairs to be made on the lines between Waynesville and Canton, and Sunday is the only time that the repairs can be made without interrupting work in war plants in this section. The REA lines will be included in Sunday's cut-off.

#### Rationing Office Will Be Open Again Friday

The rationing offices of the state were ordered close two days by the district office in order to get out some important records. All offices were ordered closed for the 21st and 22nd. The local office will remain closed all day today, and open as usual on Friday.

#### Gets Purple Heart

Pvt. Harold G. Hall, son of Mrs. Essie Hall, of Hazelwood, and Jim Hall, of Jackson county, who was seriously wounded in action in France on December 21, 1944, has been awarded the Purple Heart, according to information received by his mother. Pvt. Hall who entered the service in January, 1944, received his basic training at Camp Blanding, Fla., and has been serving overseas since September, 1944. He is now at a hospital in England, where he is making satisfactory progress according to a message received by his mother this week.

#### Weatherman Gets Ahead of Calendar Now It Is Spring

Mother Nature has disregarded the arrival of spring in this section and while the season officially started after 7 o'clock Tuesday night, she had decked out her children in a verdant green shade not usually seen until three or four weeks later. The sudden drop in temperature from 79 degrees Tuesday to 56 Wednesday, may mean that the tender green will be faded soon to a dull and withered color. The vernal equinox, the instant when the sun's center crosses the equator, occurred after 7:30 Tuesday evening, and marked the beginning of spring. Vegetation is reported in many cases from three to four weeks ahead of the season. Many old timers have stated that it is the earliest spring they have known in Haywood county. Late yesterday afternoon no damage had been noted, but grave danger was lurking in the downward trend of the thermometer which had lowered 23 degrees in 24 hours. Cherry trees, plums, peaches and pears have burst into bloom during the week. Maples are budding and (Continued on page 6)

#### Betsy L. Quinlan Featured In Red Cross Book

Miss Betsy Lane Quinlan, daughter of Mrs. Charles E. Quinlan, an American recreation worker of Waynesville, is featured in George Kerson's book, "At His Side", published this week. With the first small Red Cross (Continued on page 6)

#### DAR State Winner



MISS JANE WYCHE, member of the senior class of Waynesville Township high school, who has been announced as the winner of the \$100 war bond offered by the North Carolina Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution in the 1945 good citizenship contest. She was sponsored by the local Dorcas Bell Love chapter. (Story on page six)

#### Haywood Man Tells of Horrors Along Rhine

"I thought it was tough when we invaded France on D-Day, but it was nothing to what we have had to stand in the fight in Germany," said Pvt. John N. Sutton, son of Mrs. Edwin Sutton, of Waynesville, who just returned from the European theatre, where he was attached to the First Army. "It is pitiful what our men are having to take as they fight in Germany. A fellow who gets back alive from there will be a lucky guy," he continued. "I was in a hospital in Liege, Belgium, when it was bombed. Thirteen were killed outright. I happened to be a walking patient at the time so I was able to get out and when I heard the bombs I ran in the opposite direction," he said. "I hope that I am not sent back overseas, for I feel like I have seen all I can take. I was a medical aid man and we were placed right behind the infantry in combat. The minute they moved forward we covered the ground picking up the wounded, for we had to work fast. You see the Germans always fought back and would regain the area for a time so the wounded would not have had a chance," he explained. "We could not take care of the dead, for the time would be too short, and we knew we must look after the wounded who might have (Continued on page 6)