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C. Survey ws It Three es That of '44

e Junaluska Is Enjoying Better Season an Last Year; Traffic Is Heavier.

community has three times visitors as we had last this time," Miss S. A. Jones, of the Chamber of Com- reported yesterday, after a survey of the hotels, houses, and tourist cen- the community.

rank Love, superintendent Junaluska, told The Moun- that the Lake was enjoy- ter crowds than for the riod last year.

Roberts, chief of police id traffic was heavier than r, and the number of out- cars seemed to be grow- s.

of the hotels reported re- ns for the last week of d the first two in August mpletely exhaused their of facilities, while some of al places catering to tour- d they would have some er those weeks.

aking the survey, it was that many of the reserva- ere through the middle of ber.

c eating places are using local produce which is now in There are some com- because of the lack of meat e days, but as a rule, most rs take it as a war-time e and say nothing.

Bryce L. Crawford rded Bronze Star

Bryce L. Crawford, of Way- was recently awarded the Star for heroic action the enemy by Major Gen- illard G. Wyman, comman- the 71st Infantry Division, ng to information received eadquarters.

commendation for Pfc. rd, husband of Mrs. Helen ken Crawford, of Waynes- n part said: "For heroic ment against the enemy Pfc. Crawford was a mem- an assault patrol that cross- Rhine river, engaged the in combat, and sucessfully lished its mission, and then d to the organization."

Crawford entered the ser- May 19, 1944, and received ning at Camp Wheeler, Ga., rt Benning, having been sent s in February of this year. currently assigned to Com- E", 14th regiment of the fantry Division in Europe. e entering the service he ployed as a milk salesman Dairy Products Company.

les Leatherwood ds Leave Here

les Leatherwood, quarter- 2/c, son of Rev. and Mrs. Leatherwood, is spending a leave here with his par- He entered the service in a volunteer while he was nt at Furman University. ook his boot training at dge, Md., and since then around 20 months of sea he last 17 months he has continuous duty. He has in the Atlantic, Mediterran- eatre and the European He is also entitled to wear ood Conduct medal, the an theatre and two battle

State Agriculture Board Coming For An Official Inspection of Test Farm

First Time Group Has Been Here Since New Test Farm Has Been Established.

The North Carolina State Board of Agriculture will make their first official inspection of the Waynesville State Test Farm of the Mountain Experiment Station on Wednesday and Thursday of next week, according to an announcement yesterday by Dean Colvard, assistant director of the Mountain stations.

Mr. Colvard plans to meet the group headed by W. Kerr Scott, State Commissioner of Agriculture, and other state officials at the Ashe County Test Farm, the work of which is correlated with the experiments carried on at the local farm, and will return here with the party.

While here the board and officials will make a detailed inspection of the farm projects and the building program now under construction on the Haywood test farm.

The Ashe county and the Haywood county farms serve the farmers in the twenty Western North Carolina area and the tests made on each farm are applicable to improvements in all the Western counties.

Among those who will make the inspection tour in addition to Mr. Scott are: F. E. Miller, director of the State Test Farms; R. G. Dayton, director of the budget; Prof. J. H. Hilton, head of the animal husbandry department of State College; and the following board members, Claude T. Hall, Woodsdale; Lionel Weill, Goldsboro; Charles F. Cates, Mebane; J. H. Poole, West End; W. B. Austin, Jefferson; Hoyle C. Griffin, Monroe; Miss Ethel Parker, Gatesville, and D. Reeves Noland, of Waynesville.

The inspection here is part of a state-wide program to review the experiments that are being made on all of the seven state test farms which will be visited during the tour by the group.

Joe Palmer Named Assistant Agent Of Henderson

Joe Palmer, veteran of World War II, with a long period of duty in the South Pacific theatre of operations, has been named assistant county farm agent of Henderson county.

Mr. Palmer, a graduate of State College, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Palmer, and at the time he entered the service was assistant county farm agent of Madison county.

Cpl. Billy Medford Is In Germany Guarding Nazi Prisoners

Cpl. Billy B. Medford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Medford, of route 2, who is serving with the 106th Infantry Division in Germany, has been awarded the meritorious service unit plaque for outstanding service from December 16, 1944, until March 15, 1945.

His division is guarding German prisoners in American hands.

He took his training at Fort Jackson, S. C., and Camp Atterbury, Ind. Maneuvered in Tennessee. He is a graduate of Brevard College.

Haywood Breaks Record In Purchases Of Bonds During 7th Bond Drive

Commissioner

W. KERR SCOTT, commissioner of agriculture of North Carolina, will head the group of agriculture leaders and others here for a two-day inspection of the State Test Farm.

County Goes More Than A Million Above the Quota

All records were broken in the 7th War Loan Drive in Haywood county, when $1,872,901 was invested in bonds of various series during the period, according to the official record received from the treasury department this week by W. Roy Francis, chairman.

Haywood's total quota for the campaign was $800,000, which meant that the county exceeded the quota by well over a million dollars. About $85,000 was needed to make the "E" bond quota of $609,000, but the local workers consoled themselves with the fact that Haywood was far above the national and state average on the "E" quota.

This is the largest amount ever invested by Haywood in bonds during a campaign. The Sixth campaign was $1,413,000 against a quota of $714,000.

J. E. Massie, war finance chairman, was of the opinion that purchases of bonds in the county would continue without any let down below the monthly quotas.

This Region Sells Over 18 Millions In Bonds

Jonathan H. Woody, chairman of this region in war bond campaigns, was told yesterday by the treasury department that this region, comprising 15 counties of Western North Carolina, had invested $18,447,183 in war bonds during the 7th campaign. This is about twice the quota.

The totals for the counties are:

Buncombe	$8,035,066
Cherokee	431,672
Clay	61,851
Graham	446,469
Haywood	1,972,052
Henderson	3,066,266
Jackson	479,690
McDowell	857,531
Macon	405,905
Madison	471,822
Mitchell	403,377
Polk	450,648
Swain	270,400
Transylvania	851,597
Yancey	242,747
Total	$18,447,183

Green Beans Are Being Canned At Haywood Cannery

The Haywood Cannery at Hazelwood received the first 1945 beans Monday, with others coming in Tuesday and yesterday.

J. E. Barr, general manager, said plans were to get the cannery operating on full schedule the last of this week, perhaps starting today.

The bean crop in Haywood was described by Mr. Barr as being "fair, and spotted."

The cannery could use 500 tons of beans to can for the government, Mr. Barr pointed out, although the local crop is far short of that volume, he said.

Pfc. Holtzclaw Among Those Wounded In Action

The name of Pfc. Wesley F. Holtzclaw, cook's helper, who has been in Italy for the past several months, has been added to the list of casualties in Haywood county not heretofore reported. He has been attached to the 3rd Battalion of the 339th "Polar Bear" regiment, which discovered the priceless art treasures that had been taken by the Germans all over the world.

Pfc. Holtzclaw, of Canton, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service and also wears the Purple Heart.

The treasures were hidden in a 15th century castle in Italy. The tank mounted troops of the battalion entered the castle and found a number of large sealed crates, with German lettering on them. Inspection of the crates revealed that they contained 350 pieces of art, paintings, sculptures, carvings, antiques, all tagged and in good condition. They were works by Rembrant, Rubens, Raphael, Misabelangelo, Botticelli, Hilbein and Velasques.

Six Negro Men Report To Fort Bragg

The following negro men left here Monday morning for pre-induction physical examinations at Fort Bragg: John Henry Foster, John Henry Tucker, Jesse Junior Scruggs, John R. Cox, Samuel McClarrin, and Arthur Lane Chapman.

Haywood Casualty List

As of Today:

Killed In Action	105
Wounded	219
Prisoners	5
Missing In Action	25
Liberated	21
TOTAL	375

Leaders At Park-Highway Conference Today

NEWTON B. DRURY, director of the National Park Service, is bringing several of his staff here for the conference which will be held at noon today.

CHARLES E. RAY, JR., chairman of the roads committee of the Chamber of Commerce, will be master of ceremonies at the conference luncheon today.

A. H. GRAHAM, chairman of the State Highway Commission, and members of his staff will be here today to discuss development of the Park on this side.

Boosters Club Seeking YMCA For Hazelwood

Committee At Work On Getting Details To Report At August Meeting.

The Boosters Club Thursday night heard a preliminary committee report on the plans of securing a YMCA for Hazelwood. The committee plans to have fuller details to report at the next meeting, which is tentatively set for August ninth, and will be the annual summer ladies night.

Dewey Hyatt, president, named R. L. Prevost, Clyde Fisher and Claude Allen as a committee on arrangements, while George Bischoff, Rev. Everett Murray and Rev. C. R. Crockett were named to work out details for a meeting place for future meetings.

Speakers of the evening were Pvt. William Chambers and T/Sgt. Ralph Chambers, brothers, who recently returned from Europe, where both were prisoners of war—Ralph 16 months and William 8 months.

St. John's High School Here Will Be Discontinued

St. John's high school here will be discontinued, it was announced by Rev. A. F. Rohrbacher, superintendent. St. John's School will continue to operate its other departments, grammar school, business school, music school and kindergarten.

Private bus service will be available for pupils attending school within twenty miles radius.

Judge and Mrs. Smathers Go To Hot Springs

Judge and Mrs. Frank Smathers who are spending the summer here have gone to Hot Springs for the coming month.

40 Bankers To Gather Here 25 To Hear GI Bill Discussed

Forty bankers of Western North Carolina will be guests of the First National Bank on next Wednesday night, for a district meeting and to hear details of the G.I. Bill explained.

The bankers will have dinner at the Hotel Gordon, and adjourn to the court room for their executive session, and to hear addresses by representatives of the treasury department from Washington, and Gordon C. Hunter, of Roxboro, president of the State Bankers Association.

Also appearing on the program will be Fred Greene, secretary of the state association, and W. H. Neal, of the Wachovia Bank of Winston-Salem.

Jonathan H. Woody, president of the First National will serve as master of ceremonies.

This is one of ten similar meetings being held throughout the state by the Bankers Association.

W. H. F. Millar On Way To London

W. H. F. Millar, Waynesville attorney, sailed Monday for London, where he will spend at least two weeks on business with an associate. He sailed from New York.

Mr. Millar has reservations to fly back to the States. His original plans were to fly both ways, but changes were made in schedules at the last minute.

New Five And Ten To Open Saturday

The new Carolina 5, 10 and 25c Store will open Saturday morning, it was announced yesterday by G. L. Darden, general manager and owner.

The building has been completely renovated, and a modern front installed. New fixtures were brought in last week, and yesterday the sales force was busily engaged in getting the merchandise arranged for the opening Saturday.

Mr. Darden and associates recently purchased the building, which is 25 by 90 feet.

This is the fifth store to be opened by the firm, the other stores are at Morganton, home office, Valdese, Drexel, and Rutherfordton.

Elsewhere in this edition, the firm is announcing their opening specials.

Supreme Court Judge To Address Lions Club At Meet Tonight

Judge Atkinson, of Macon, Ga., Supreme court judge, will address the members of the Waynesville Lions Club at their meeting tonight which meets at 7:30 at the Maples on Walnut street.

An invitation has been extended to all visiting Lions to attend the meeting and hear this distinguished speaker, who is spending the summer at the Methodist Assembly at Lake Junaluska.

Pvt. Buddy Cooper, Of Canton, Is Listed Wounded

Private Buddy Cooper, U. S. Marines, was wounded on June 17, on Okinawa, according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cooper, of Canton. He was flown to a field hospital for treatment and is now reported to be convalescing at a rest center.

Pvt. Cooper has four brothers in the service: Sgt. James D. Cooper, now on furlough with his parents, en route to the Pacific, after five months in Germany where he participated in the final battles of the European conflict, serving with the 86th Black Hawk division; Corporal Wayne Cooper, now in Pacific theatre; Cpl. Herman Cooper, serving in Germany, and Lt. Woodrow Cooper, now in Brazil.

Former Railroad Man Observes 72nd Birthday

John Dotson, of Canton, celebrated his seventy-second birthday on July 15th. Born in Canton he has always lived there and expects to enjoy many more happy years at the same place. His two daughters are employed at the Champion Paper Co.

Mr. Dotson was an employe of the Southern Railway for a great many years and retired when he was sixty-five.

Notice To All Subscribers . . .

Following a practice of many years, The Mountaineer stops all subscriptions immediately upon expiration. A notice is mailed first class fifteen days before the expiration date.

The expiration date is printed after the name at the top of the paper. All subscriptions expire on the first of the month.

Conference Begins At Noon Today At Piedmont Hotel

Officials of Park Service, Highwaymen and Civic Leaders of Section To Discuss Development Plans.

Everything was in readiness last night for the luncheon-conference here today of officials of the National Park Service, State Highway officials, together with civic and business leaders of this section, to discuss in detail plans for developing the eastern area of the Great Smoky Mountains Nationalal Park.

Heading the group coming for the conference are Newton B. Drury, director of the National Park Service, and A. H. Graham, chairman of the state highway commission. Charles E. Ray, Jr., chairman of the Chamber of Commerce roads committee, will be acting chairman of the meeting, which is scheduled to begin promptly at noon at the Piedmont Hotel.

Chairman Graham and R. Getty Browning of the highway commission, will extend official welcome to the Park group and wil loutline to them the State's views with respect to proposed developments.

The Park group is made up of twelve, while the highway officials will number six, and about thirty leaders of this area will complete the members of the conference.

The conference and luncheon is being sponsored jointly by the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce, the Asheville Chamber of Commerce and the Carolina Motor Club.

The Park officials are scheduled to arrive from Fontana Dam shortly before noon, while members of the highway group, and the out-of-Haywod delegations plan to arrive about eleven o'clock.

A highway patrolman and a group of local citizens headed by H. B. Atkins will meet the Park group at Soco Gap this morning, and escort them to the Piedmont for the meeting.

Among the matters to be discussed at the conference will be the proposal to construct a water-level state highway from Cove Creek post office down Pigeon river via Waterville and the Carolina Power and Light Company lake and dam to the Tennessee line where it would be met by a Tennessee connection. The distance is about 18 miles, and would open up some of the most interesting scenic areas of Western North Carolina.

It would permit the Park Service to open up to the public the Cattaloochee and Big Creek sections of the Park to the left of the Pigeon river, and the Pisgah National Forest which comes down to the river on the right side. In this area it would be the equivalent to the Foothills Parkway proposed to skirt the Park on the Tennessee side and would have a connection

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Music Program To Be Given At Methodist Church

A program of sacred music will be presented at the First Methodist church on Sunday evening, July 22, at 8:00 o'clock, according to an announcement by the pastor, Rev. J. Clay Madison. Featured on the program will be Charles Medlun, chellist, from High Point, and a student at the Juliard School of Music, New York.

Several numbers will also be given by Sol Cohen, violinist, from Urbane, Ill., now head of the Department of Music at High Valley Camp. Mr. Cohen was director of the Peoria Symphony Orchestra for several years and arranger of the Blue Network before coming to his present post.

In addition to the instrumental numbers there will also be several vocal selections by summer students in the Music Department at High Valley.

Buying Cigarettes On Sly Makes Local Man So Sick He Gives Up Smoking, And Starts Buying Books

"The idea made me so sick, I gave up smoking overnight," was the comment and confession of a hard-smoking Waynesville man this week, as he told how he was forced to slip back of counters, and in other ways, get his smokes.

"I felt guilty. I felt like I was buying something that was wrong, when I had them slipped to me," he remarked.

"The last package I bought just turned me against all smoking. I was the sickest I have ever been. I was so sick, that I gave them to a friend within ten feet of the store where I bought the package."

On several different occasions, the man tried to stop smoking. He was smoking three packages a day, and when the shortage came he decided to stop, but could not make the grade, until the incident of buying, as he said, "the sneaking way" made him sick.

He proudly admits he feels better physically, and his conscience is in "much better condition," he said.

The money that formerly went into cigarettes is now being put into books for a family library. He has a good start, and is proud of his accomplishments in quitting smoking and the results of his savings.

His wife is enjoying his decision, as she points out, it is easier to dust books once a week, than it was to clean up the cigarette ashes every morning, noon and night.

Divorces Granted In July Term Court; Many Other Cases Tried

July term of Superior Court convened Monday, July 9th, Judge J. A. Rousseau, of Roxboro, presiding, was expected Friday afternoon to adjourn late today. Both civil and criminal cases have been tried during the four days of last week and it was in session and since the 9th of this week when it convened after a two-day recess.

In the opening day nineteen divorces have been granted and one non-suited. At the time The Mountaineer went to press witnesses in the case of T. E. Shook, et al versus D. M. Pless, Herman Rogers, and D. D. Reed, trustees, were testifying. Fifty persons had been summoned to testify in the case which involved property known as Pine Grove Methodist church left in 1879 by the Rhodamar family to be used as a school building and for worship of all

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Federal Inspector "Sold" On This Community By Chamber of Commerce

"I have been treated so nice by the Chamber of Commerce, and given so much detailed information about this county, that I have definitely made up my mind to acquire a summer home here, and spend a large part of each year here," said Mrs. Sue Allen, of Charleston, this week.

Mrs. Allen is a federal inspector at the navy yard at Charleston, but plans to come back here after the war to live.

"I have spent five years abroad, and traveled extensively, but am yet to find a spot that compares with your community," she said as she recounted the many attractions that "sold" her on the idea of making this her home.

What credit is given for selling Mrs. Allen on this community must go to Miss S. A. Jones, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, for it was Miss Jones whom Miss Allen contacted for the information.