

Champion Starts 5 Million Dollar Expansion Program

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Trains And Buses Are Still Taxed To Capacity

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was hard to determine the exact cause, according to the agent, who pointed out that due to the fact that the town was so crowded with visitors, who were staying here that for lack of places to stop the traveling might be some lighter. It was also pointed out that due to the armed forces, except when they used chartered buses to take men to induction centers, usually routing the men in uniform by train, the bus travel was not expected to fall off, as there were so many people moving about the country.

As thousands are dismissed from war plants and are seeking employment elsewhere, many of them going back to their own homes, the local bus station manager does not anticipate any decided drop in travel.

The end of the war seems to have brought a great deal of unrest and people who have been constant on the job are taking hard earned vacations, in part is attributed to the heavy travel which continues to hold up.

WASHINGTON—So far as the United States government is concerned U. S. citizens now may travel to any country or territory in North, Central or South America, or adjacent passports. Secretary of State Byrnes made this possible by amending the passport control regulations.

Labor Day To Be Celebrated In Canton This Year

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tennis and other contests at the Champion Y. At 3:00 o'clock a baseball game will be in progress at the Canton high school field. At 5:00 o'clock a net show will be staged at the Champion Park, sponsored by the Cub Scouts and open to all pets. At 6:30 the Old Timers' softball game will be played at the Champion Park.

On Sunday at 9:45 a Union Adult Sunday School class will be held at the Champion Y. At 6:30 p. m. the Canton high school band will give a concert and a community sing will be staged at Champion Park. The day will close with a union religious service at Champion Park or the Colonial theater.

The peak of the festivities will be reached on Monday when the day's activities start at 10 a. m. with a Victory parade, which is open to all kinds of entries. The parade is scheduled to form at Spears Inn, Park Street. At 11 a. m. Athletic and stunt contests will take place at Champion Park, which will include a boys horse-show tournament. At this time the entries in the window decorations contest will be judged.

At 1 o'clock the men's horseshoe tournament will be held at Champion Park. Around 3 o'clock the Canton high school band will give a concert.

At 4 o'clock the platform contests, including song calling, cow calling, bad driving, quartet and class singing and other features will take place at the Champion Park. At 8 o'clock the square dance and string band contests will be the closing feature of the Labor Day celebrations, and will be held at the Champion Park.

In all the contests there will be cash prizes for the winners in the events.

DDT HELPS CATTLE

The cows at the Coastal Plains Test Farm at Willard "are having an easy time of it with flies this summer," according to Director Fred E. Miller of the Test Farms Division of the State Department of Agriculture.

Miller said that DDT, the recently developed miracle insecticide, which was sprayed in the big dairy barn at Willard three months ago, still is killing flies.

The test farms director explained or dipped with DDT graze quietly, unbothered by flies while untreated cattle bunch and spend almost all their time switching flies

The Bitter End



THE CAMERA catches "the face of defeat" as Lt. Gen. Kawabe, leader of the Japanese surrender delegation to Manila, as he boards an American transport plane on the Island of Ie for the last leg of his historic flight. (International)

Lt. Paul Gossett Reported Missing In Pacific Theatre

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The Bullhead, commanded by Lt. Comdr. E. R. Holt, Jr., of Charlotte. The 1,525-ton vessel, which carried a wartime complement of about 90 officers and men, left Fremantle, Australia, July 31 for operations in the Java sea.

The Bullhead was reported overdue from war patrol by the navy department and is presumed lost.

"Efforts to contact the Bullhead by radio began August 13 and have been successful," the navy department stated. "It is assumed that the Bullhead has been lost due to enemy action."

The announcement of the loss of the Bullhead raised to 52 the number of submarines lost in the World War, 42 of which were reported overdue and presumed lost. There were four known sunk, two destroyed to prevent capture, and three stricken from the navy list due to loss or damage. The total naval vessels of all types lost from all causes now stands at 436.

Speeding Driver Turns Main St. Into Race Track

Local citizens on Main Street were startled last Friday evening around 7 o'clock when a Chevrolet sedan, was driven through the town at a break-neck speed, followed by Hub Ruff, of the city police department, who chased the car from East Waynesville to the intersection of the street going into Hazelwood just beyond the entrance into Grinnall Park.

Policeman Ruff noticed the car in East Waynesville going more than sixty miles and tried to stop the driver who only speeded up during the chase up the full length of the street.

The car was going at such a high speed that the driver was unable to make the curve at the turn in the road near the Grinnall Park entrance and suddenly the vehicle turned over two or three times, leaving the highway, before the officer, who was 75 feet beyond could reach the scene.

The driver was knocked out of the car on the last turn and knowing he was being chased, picked himself up and entered the woods near the highway where his car had turned over.

While the car was found to be around 300 feet from where it had left the pavement it had fallen back on the highway on the last turn and was a traffic menace, so the officer got help and cleared the debris from the highway before giving chase to the driver. The car was completely demolished.

In the meantime the driver gained headway and made his escape so far from the scene that later the officers were unable to locate him. It is said that he is now in Baltimore.

Golden Era Of Building Homes Is Predicted

Waynesville is attracting not only tourists from everywhere, but permanent residents, who are welcome as a part of the great cavalcade that depicts the development and progress of Haywood county and its recognition as a good place to live by those from other sections.

The records of the office of the Register of Deeds of Haywood county which started back in 1896—137 years ago, for generations were monotonous with old familiar names recorded year in and year out.

During the past few years the picture has changed. New names—strange to this section that arouse interest, have been added in larger numbers than ever before in the history of the county, as others have discovered the many advantages offered here.

The owners of these new names have injected new life into our community. They have brought new ideas. They have made a valuable contribution to the widening path of progress that marks this section.

How their owners found this section and why they chose to come here to live offers a wide range of interesting stories. For it has been the desire of the Chamber of Commerce for years to bring this to pass. With climate and natural resources of this area to share with others, those who have lived here always have hoped these opportunities would attract new home seekers.

"How would you like to have a list of some of the names which we have recently added to our index in this office?" asked Mrs. W. L. McCracken, deputy registrar, who is able assistant of Bryan Medford, registrar of deeds, to a member of The Mountaineer staff this week.

The list from Mrs. McCracken included among the many on record: Driver, Leutwein, Pappas, Pendergrass, Strawn, Schull, Sader, Sam, Steinman, Litus, Ashby, Charvoe, Clauson, Dillany, Darden, Echoff, Floyd, Groover, Baughman, Henshaw, Klopp, McNeill, Rask, Remerston, Sease, Schmidt, Vanderberg, Woodworth, and Woungkin.

T/5 Rufus Ratcliffe Sees Tough Service With 7th Armored Div.

Technician Fifth Grade Rufus E. Ratcliffe, of Waynesville, R. F. D. No. 1, who has served with the 7th Armored Division, the American "Ghost" division, is now awaiting redeployment in Germany.

His division "haunted" the enemy from Normandy to the shores of the Baltic. Offensively, it battered its way over mountains and through forests as well as over plains against defenders who had the advantage of well-prepared positions. The finest of the German army and the worst of nature never dimmed its spirit nor stunted its power. In a combat life which ran from August 10, 1944, to V-E Day, May 9, 1945, the Seventh, among other things took 113,041 prisoners, destroyed 621 armed vehicles and captured 89 more, destroyed 583 field pieces larger than .50 mm and captured 361.

After the Seventh landed in France it joined the Third Army, and General Patton rolled the big Seventh across the fields of France after the St. Lo break through.

Pre-War Prices Are Promised

The OPA says: You'll pay for the new consumer durable goods—like washing machines—the price you would have paid before the war, or very little higher.

This was the rule laid down recently by the agency to keep prices from getting out of hand. It was one of the most important statements to come from the government in the whole rush to change over to peace.

OPA Boss Chester Bowles said that at pre-war prices for the new durable goods, manufacturers and everyone else down to the retail store "can look forward to excellent profit based on a high sales volume."

In its first post war pricing of consumer durable goods, OPA ordered 1942 ceilings on household washing machines, ironers, and aluminum kitchen ware. Bowles said: "So that each family will be able to buy a new washing machine or ironer to fit its needs, its purse and its preference, we are requiring manufacturers to turn out the same proportion of low price units as they made during the prewar years."

Bowles believes the washing machines and aluminum kitchen ware should reach the stores in quantity this fall. Production of moners will be slower.

Haywood Farmers Buy Purebred Herefords

Two purebred Hereford heifers were added to herds in Haywood county during the past week when Glenn Terrell and sons purchased two animals from the George Anderson Hereford farm near Morris-

Lt. Sam Stringfield At Fort McPherson

Lt. Sam Stringfield, U. S. Air Forces, who received much recognition for his services in the Pacific theatre, is now stationed at Fort McPherson, Ga.

Following his return to the States in the early Spring, Lt. Stringfield spent sometime at home and after his leave here was sent to Miami Beach where he was stationed for several weeks. He was later transferred to Louisville, Ky., and from there to his present post.

Governor Asks Draft Officials To Stay On Job

The Selective Service system was established for the "duration" and the "duration is still with us," Governor Cherry said last week in a statement in urging all trained Selective Service officials to remain at their posts until properly discharged, regardless of their personal opinion regarding continuance of the draft.

"We all have the inherent American privilege to have our personal opinion and through proper channels we have the right to question the necessity for a continuance of the Selective Service under present conditions. However, it would seem proper and fitting that the trained Selective Service officials should continue in their respective positions until honorably discharged."

That procedure, the governor said, is required of members of the armed forces.

The governor's views were presented in a letter to all draft board personnel in North Carolina.

town, Tenn. Mr. Terrell and sons were accompanied to Tennessee by M. B. Reeves.

French Woman Acted As Spy In Two Wars

PARIS.—Marthe Richard, France's number one woman spy during World War I, is today one of nine women members of the Paris Municipal Council. Fifty-six years old, she has golden hair, big blue eyes and a regular profile. She revealed that she kept right on spying in the last war, so cleverly that she hid American and British aviators in her apartment under the direct protection of the Germans.

In the first World War Marthe Richard served for two years in Spain as a spy. She was later decorated by the French government and books and films were written about her.

"In 1942 the Germans arrested me and then freed me, hoping I would work for them," she said. "I told them that first I didn't like them; second, I did not want to betray either England or America. My husband, the late Thomas Crompton, was an Englishman, and I received an American pension because he was financial director in France for the Rockefeller Foundation."

"I half agreed to do propaganda work for them abroad, and managed to stall them until liberation. Just when they arranged a price or chose a country for me, I would change my mind and want more. Meanwhile I was hiding American and British fliers in my apartment at St. Cloud. The Germans frequently came to see me there."

OKINAWA—The first American flag was raised over conquered Japan at 12:10 p. m., Tuesday (11:10 p. m., Monday, eastern war time), by a Fifth Air Force radio unit. The unit, known as the "Flying Circus," was sent along with the first airborne contingent to set up a radio tower for contact with the mass of troops arriving Thursday.

Board Office Closed On Saturday

The office of the draft board in the Waynesville building will be closed beginning the first of September in accordance with the national system. The office will be from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. one hour for the first time yesterday. The board is headed by J. M. McKay, clerk of the board.

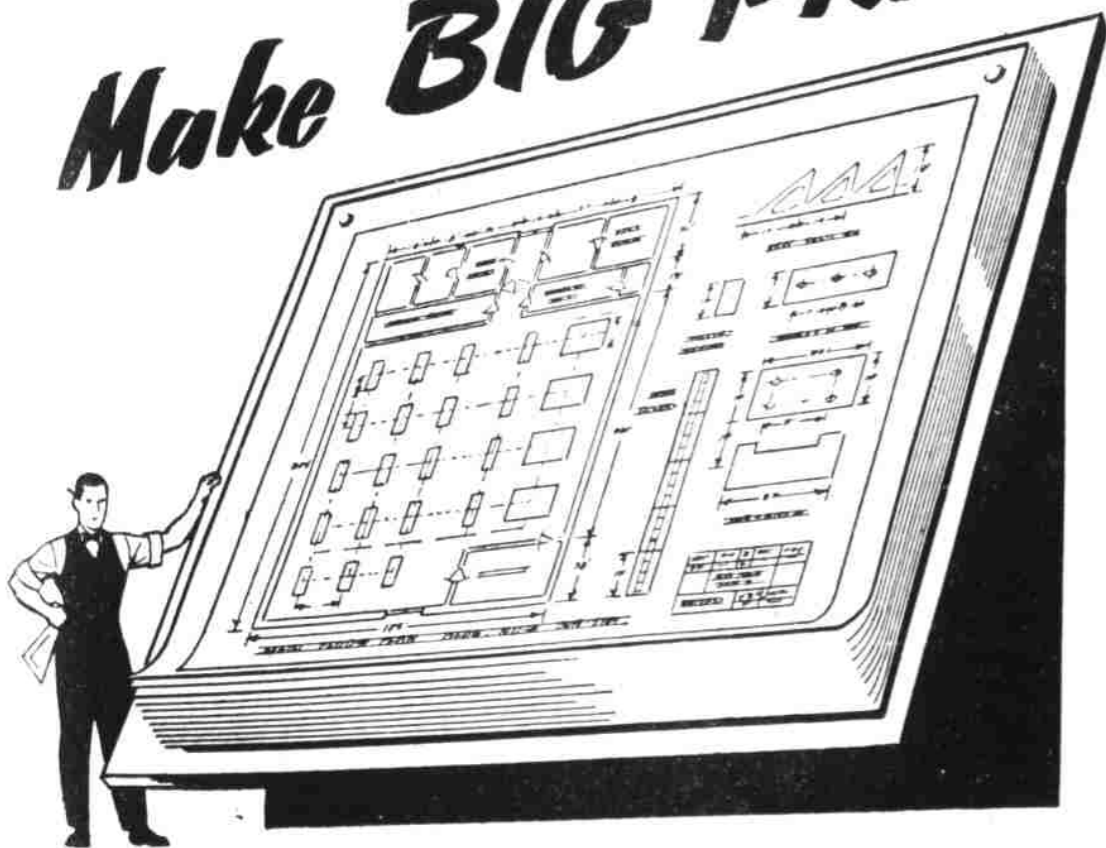
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