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\$3.00 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

49,500 People

Live within 20 miles of
Waynesville—their ideal
shopping center.

WEATHER
partly cloudy and
with scattered
showers
71 31
62 44
58 44
61 64

Wood Farmers And Hunters Hear Talks On Soils And Souls"

Officials
At Joint
Meeting Held
Monday

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mountain people,
hunters and their
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the man and his
resources
said Dr.
Community develop-
ment, headquarters
at Madisonville,
opening remarks at
meeting held here
at church yesterday.
The chairman of
the county demonstra-
tion committee
attending
of the county.
The AAA county com-
mittee members

gave an illustrated
how proper prep-
and scientific
the life of those
rural areas.
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Council of Southern
explained the
meeting, stating that
being held in the
with Carolina moun-
tains. The
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county farm
and the speakers at
Rev. Cecil L. Heck-
Chapel Meth-
Junaluska, gave
Rev. C. L. Allen,
assembly singing,
served as song
of the program.

group were the
First National Bank
Hotel Gordon, with
arranged by the Pet
companies.
all those attend-
were taken on a
included visits to
C. T. Francis and
both places being
farms.

**Regional
to Organize
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E. Ray, Jr., will
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in Bryson City to
minutes of West-
in promoting
regional and road
area. The meet-
to begin at 7 p. m.
at the Chamber of Comm-
meetings the
Page Three

**Transportation
\$500 Fine**

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for driving while
and one
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and eight of those
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The remainder of
scheduled for early

**ists Here Decide
to Build New Church**

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to raise a fund with
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that more than

Director



MAURICE GEOFFREY, director of the Waynesville Summer Players, composed of a large group of actors and actresses, who will appear in summer stock here, Mr. Geoffrey will be managing director of the group and his wife will design special costumes for the players productions. Mr. Geoffrey is director of the Tampa Players, of Tampa, Fla., a group that has staged numerous productions at the Tampa Little Theater. The Players will present five plays here during the season, which opens on July 16, at the high school auditorium.

2,000 Visit Lake Group Meetings

Our hope in this hour of world's predicament lies in the spiritual forces which can change human nature.

Thus explained the Rev. Mark Depp, of Winston-Salem, in the Sunday evening sermon at the Lake Junaluska Assembly, while discussing the theme, "A Matter of Priority." Dr. Depp will be heard each morning through Friday when the Western North Carolina Conferences on Adult and Children's Workers meet at the auditorium.

More than 1,000 young Methodist leaders from this part of the state will have attended the two assemblies recently concluded and the two now under way under the direction of the Rev. Carl H. King of Salisbury. In the election of officers at one assembly last week, Brona Nifong of Waynesville, was chosen secretary for this district.

The Southeastern Board of Evangelism in last week's meeting selected September 8th to be observed as Life Service Sunday and October 6th as Membership Sunday. Each church will be asked to install a Christian service flag which will identify by stars persons who have entered Christian life callings in the past and new recruits.

More than 2,000 persons presently are filling the grounds, and although the superintendent, Dr. F. S. Love, has received many appreciations for the grounds improvement and fine program, it is becoming apparent that additional housing accommodations shall be needed for this popular religious Chataqua.

Main Street Repairs To End Thurs.

Traffic Is Being Permitted On Thoroughfare As Quickly As Possible

People began "board walking" across Main Street in Waynesville yesterday morning when contractors began their re-surfacing of the pavement by pouring a sticky base layer of black binding material upon the old road-way.

Entrances into the thoroughfare were roped off and traffic and parking held to a minimum by the police. The fire wagons were brought from the station and headed down side streets so as not to be kept from any call to duty.

The contractors expect to have the inch and one-half of asphalt laid from the Hotel Gordon to the First Baptist church completely laid before Thursday morning. In the meantime, Main Street will be roped off a block at a time as they lay the plant-mixed asphalt, being brought in by truck from a portable plant in Canton.

Chief Orville Noland states that traffic will be permitted upon the streets as quickly as possible. He explains that this work was to have begun two months ago, but that the contract was blocked by the Asheville highway commissioner who believed the prices unreasonable.

L. K. Barber New Superintendent Of A. C. Lawrence

Former Research and Development Engineer Now Heads Tannery At Hazelwood

L. K. Barber has been named superintendent of the A. C. Lawrence Leather Company, Hazelwood, succeeding F. C. Compton, who becomes assistant superintendent, a position he formerly held with the plant, which is the oldest manufacturing company in Haywood county.

Mr. Compton succeeded the late L. M. Richeson as superintendent soon after the latter's death in February, 1943 and has held the post until the recent change, which was made at the request of Mr. Compton, at this time for personal reasons.

Mr. Barber, the new superintendent, formerly held the position of research and development engineer and was attached to the Technical Department of the A. C. Lawrence Leather Company with headquarters in Peabody, Mass.

The newly named superintendent joined the company in 1937, following his graduation from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Mass. as an analytical chemist. A year later he was transferred to development work and in this capacity he has been assigned at one time or another to practically every tannery owned by the company.

Mr. Barber was first assigned to the Hazelwood plant in the Spring of 1943 and has been located at the local plant the greater part of the time since that date.

Holiday Celebration So Successful Plans Begin for Next Year's Affair

Wholesome Fun Enjoyed Throughout Day By Well-Behaved, Record Crowd Claimed By Death



COL. WILLIAM IRA LEE, 73, former resident engineer of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park, who died at the McQuire Veterans Hospital, Richmond, Va., Friday afternoon, Col. Lee had spent much time here on official business and as a guest in the home of his wife's family.

Col. W. I. Lee Buried In Emporia, Va.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Episcopal church in Emporia, Va., for Colonel William Ira Lee, 73, native of Virginia, U.S.A., retired senior highway engineer of the public roads administration, who died at the McQuire Veterans hospital in Richmond, Va., on Friday. Burial followed in Round Hill cemetery.

Col. Lee, a veteran of World War I, having made a brilliant record while serving in France, joined the public roads administration in 1928 and was placed in charge of the design and construction of the Mount Vernon Memorial highway in Northern Virginia.

Upon completion of that project in 1932 he was named resident engineer of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park with headquarters in Waynesville.

Waynesville Man Within 15 Miles Bomb Test

Jerry Robert (Bobby) Leatherwood, P. H. M. Mate, third class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherrill Leatherwood, of East Waynesville, who is serving in the U. S. Navy was at Bikini Atoll when the atomic bomb test was made.

The Waynesville man was within 15 miles of where the test took place, it was learned this week.

Young Leatherwood has been serving in the Navy for the past 16 months and at the time he entered the service was a student at the Waynesville Township high school.

Hundreds Attend July Term Court

Scheduled As Criminal Term, But Number Of Civil Cases To Be Tried

The July term of Superior court, which is a mixed court, but scheduled as a criminal term, which attracts the largest number of persons from over the county of any session during the year convened here on Monday with Judge F. E. Alley, presiding.

Judge Frank Armstrong, of Troy, was to have held the court at this term but made an exchange with Judge Alley.

At the time The Mountaineer went to press four divorcees had been granted in addition to the following judgments handed down:

In the case of the State versus Howard Moore, with the defendant charged with adultery and felony, the sentence was suspended on payment of costs of the court.

Andy Patton, who pleaded guilty of abandonment was ordered to pay the costs of the court and given a five years suspended sentence of 12 months provided the defendant paid \$50 each month for the support of his four children; and payment of the court costs.

In the case of Ernest Early, charged with gambling, the defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$5 and required to pay the costs of the court.

Monroe Ewart, who was tried in 1943 and ordered to pay his wife \$100 and had paid her only a total of \$80 since that date was sentenced to a year in the state prison.

The case of the state versus Dewey Ross and J. W. Reece, involving a fight in the boiler room of one of the industrial plants last fall was in the hands of the jury at the time the paper went to press.

It was thought that court would continue for several days, due to the heavy docket.

End of Subsidy Brings Increase In Price of Flour

Prices will advance approximately 20 per cent on flour due to the lifting of the government subsidy which went into effect this past week, Waynesville wholesalers announced. Coffee also is affected, and the price per pound will advance roughly four cents to consumers.

The new increase for flour will advance the price from \$1.60 to \$2.00 a bag, it is estimated. Previously the federal government had subsidized flour at \$1.03 per 100 pounds, or \$2.26 a barrel. Now that the subsidy no longer is being paid, the retail user shall pay for it directly rather than through taxation.

The price of milk here is 20 cents a quart, the increase is to take care of the subsidy formerly paid by the government, milk officials announced.

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Dr. Sisk came here 13 years ago and established the District Health Department, then composed of Haywood, Jackson, Swain, Cherokee counties and the Cherokee Indian Reservation. Later Transylvania and Macon counties were added.

The personnel of the department has more than doubled since 1934.

Dr. Sisk was elected by the district board of health in Morganton on July 3rd and immediately tendered his resignation here.

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The department in Morganton was established after the one here, and has about the same personnel and territory to cover as far as population is concerned.

Dr. Sisk is a native of Burke county, but came to Haywood from the city of Henderson.

His successor will be named by the District Board of Health, which is composed of George A. Brown, Jr., chairman, Dr. A. P. Cline, Canton, Walter Ashe and Dan C. Moore, Sylva, W. L. Latham and Dr. H. L. Bacon, of Swain, W. A. Baldwin and James Perry of Macon and Verne Clement, of Bevard.

Atlanta Boy Scout Executive Inspects Camp D. Boone

Boy Scouts from 15 troops in this area are enrolled in Camp Daniel Boone as it began its third week of activities Monday.

E. H. Almond, Jr., from the regional office of the Boy Scouts in Atlanta, was to spend Monday and Tuesday inspecting the camp in company with B. E. Colkitt of Waynesville, council camping chairman, and Scout Executive A. W. Allen.

Swimming, boating, canoeing, scoutercraft and other activities are enjoyed by the scouts at the camp on Little East Fork of Pigeon river. Among the troops now present are members of Lake Junaluska troop 8.

Members of the camp staff are W. C. Wall, Charles Lomax, Hugh Allen Cazell, Bill White, James Plemons, Henry Harris, Jr., Harry William, James Sanders, and Jack Harris, Ted Jackson, Tom Sanders, Bill Smith and Bennie Reece are serving as senior patrol leaders.

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Five More Registered Guernsey Calves For Haywood



Shown here are the five registered Guernsey calves recently bought from the Quail Roost Farm at Durham, and placed on Haywood farms. The calves were selected by Wayne Corpening, and bought at a special price through the cooperation of W. W. Fitzpatrick, manager of the farm, who spoke here recently at a dairyman's banquet. These five make seven in all that have been placed under the Junior Dairy Foundation plan. Shown left to right, Charles E. Ray, with hand on calf that C. E. Ray's Sons gave Albert McCracken, (holding calf), son of A. J. McCracken. Standing between Ray and McCracken, in background, John W. Boyd, who gave a calf to Gene Wells, son of Van Wells, Bethel, E. M. Stallings, assistant county agent holding calf bought by G. C. Palmer, Crabtree, Ed Feinstmacher, of Pet Dairy, holding calf the company will place on a dairy farm, and James Kirkpatrick holding calf bought for dairy he and his brother, Marshall, operate on Crabtree. Photo by Ingram, Skyland Studio.

Haywood Infant Care Ranks High in State

Five principal handicaps face North Carolina physicians in reducing the number of infant deaths, according to a report by Dr. Frank R. Lock of Winston-Salem recently published in the University "News-Letter."

Considerable progress throughout the nation has been kept pace with by North Carolina, and during the 10 years following 1933 the death rate per 1,000 live births dropped from 6.7 to 3.42 in this state. However, compared to other states the first year following birth is safe for all but 39 infants on a national average, while in the Tar Heel state 45.4 deaths per 1,000 live births are recorded.

The 1944 figures are slightly lower than those for 1945, given above. North Carolina averaged 44.7 deaths of children under one year for every 1,000 live births. This ranged within the state from Greene County, with an average of 15.7 to Dare county, with 128.9. Haywood county was under the state average and ranked 18th among the counties with an average of 31 deaths—this figure also being lower than the national average.

Among the factors which Dr. Lock lists as handicaps to safer obstetrics in North Carolina are: (1) inadequate number of nurses for field work in rural areas, (2) ignorance of the laity concerning the importance of prenatal care, (3) inaccessibility of qualified consultants for complicated cases, (4) inadequate hospital facilities, and (5) lack of readily available postgraduate instruction.