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## Hundreds At Cataloochee Reunion Picnic



A partial view of the 700 who attended the annual Cataloochee reunion at Palmer's Chapel. The picnic was held with food after a formal program of group singing and an address by Monroe Smathers. This is one of the largest attended reunions in the state.—Photo by Ingram.

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## Furlough Pay Measure Author Visits Here

Congressman Dwight Rogers of Florida Is Spending Third Summer in Haywood

Dwight L. Rogers, whose address is Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., is a summer visitor to Waynesville who is enjoying his vacation after successfully concluding the campaign in Congress to get passage of the Armed Forces Leave Act, the bill that pays former servicemen for their unused furlough time.

In an exclusive interview with The Mountaineer, Congressman Rogers told how the bill, which he drew up and introduced in the House last September, was pushed into enactment. He also made several comments about Waynesville, where he is fully enjoying his stay and has many friendships.

With his wife and youngest son, Doyle, the Florida Representative is staying at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Queen, which is proof enough that he likes square dancing. They plan to remain in Waynesville through August before returning to their home in Florida, and meanwhile the Congressman is playing golf and taking part in other local activities.

During the Cataloochee reunion, Congressman Rogers met Monroe Redden, who will be with him in Washington next January representing this district. His colleague-to-be made a favorable impression on the Floridian, who commented that Mr. Redden would make a capable representative.

During the past year Congressman Rogers has been almost completely occupied pushing the Furlough bill through the national legislature. "I first introduced the bill H. R. 4051 September 13, 1945," he related. He was its only sponsor, and the bill was referred to the Military Affairs committee.

The committee did not favor the measure then, and refused to take action on it. After it had been pigeon-holed for 30 days, Congressman Rogers used the difficult device of petition to pry it out on the floor. "I worked until April getting the required 218 signatures from other Representatives on a petition to discharge committee, but when the Military Affairs committee saw that I would have enough names they reported it out favorably."

"The rules committee then put it on the floor," he said. (Continued on Page Eight)

## Wrote Vet Pay Bill



Congressman Dwight Rogers, of Florida, author of the bill to pay servicemen for their unused furlough time, is now spending his vacation in Waynesville after watching President Truman sign the measure into law. (Photo by Ingram, Skyland Studio)

## Final Rites For W. L. McCracken This Afternoon

Former Teacher In County Schools For Forty Years Dies Following Operation

Washington Lafayette McCracken, Haywood county school teacher, died at 12:06 a. m. Monday, at the Biltmore Hospital, Biltmore where he had been a patient since last Tuesday, having been rushed to the hospital for an emergency major operation. He rallied from the operation but his condition grew steadily worse after Thursday.

Last rites will be conducted this afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at the First Methodist Church with Rev. Paul Townsend, pastor officiating. Burial will be in Green Hill cemetery.

Nephews will serve as active pallbearers. The members of the Men's Adult Class of the Sunday School of the First Methodist Church of which Mr. McCracken had been a member will serve as honorary pallbearers.

Mr. McCracken, native of Haywood county, who has a wide family connection, was the son of J. M. and Elizabeth Penland McCracken. He had taught for forty years in the schools of Haywood county and had seen the school systems of this section grow from the one room school house to the present consolidated system. He was retired from active duty as a teacher two years ago.

Mr. McCracken was also engaged in farming in the county. He was a member of the First Methodist Church here and had been active in the church affairs for many years. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Hattie Kirkpatrick McCracken, one son, Harry McCracken, recently discharged from the armed forces. (Continued On Page Eight)

## Hundreds At Farmers Federation Picnic Here

Gala Affair Held At East Waynesville School Here Saturday

Hundreds attended the annual Farmers Federation picnic at the East Waynesville School Saturday, with some estimating the attendance as high as 1,800.

James G. K. McClure, president, and James McClure Clarke, field secretary, conducted the indoor festivities. At the lunch hour Max M. Roberts, educational director, directed games and contests outdoors.

Harry W. Love, head of the tobacco division, told the farmers that tobacco this year is not too good, but that grading schools will be held this fall to assist farmers in preparing their crops so that they may get the best prices possible.

Wayne Corpening, county agent, urged an increase in the alfalfa of Haywood county. Other brief talks were made by Ernest Walker, field supervisor; Jule Noland, Waynesville warehouse manager; Claude B. Hosaflock, Haywood county freezer locker manager; and Claude Stamey, Canton manager. The invocation was given by the Rev. C. O. Newell, pastor of Clyde Methodist church.

The Rev. Dumont Clarke, director of the religious department, told of progress in his work with the Lord's Acre movement. Charles Tillinghast, head of a new bulb department, declared money can be made on bulbs in Haywood county, and Frank Rogers, principal of the school, welcomed the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Palmer, of Cataloochee, won the prize for being the longest-married couple present. 50 years. Mr. and Mrs. Grayson Wilson, Waynesville, had the biggest family present. R. F. Davis, a member of the Haywood Federation committee, won the bald-headed contest.

The Francis Cove choir, led by Wiley Franklin, with Betty Franklin as accompanist, sang in the afternoon. The Haywood county quartet, composed of Frank Reed, Corbett Reed, Raymond Blanton, and Dorothy Williams, with Cleo Owenby as accompanist, sang.

The Blue Ridge Hillbillies sang. The group is composed of "Snowball," Carl and J. P. Sauceman, Bennie Simms, Willie Carver, and Slim Wall, Sam Queen, leader of the Soco Gap dance team, danced. A trio composed of Maxine Clarke, Dorothy McIntire, and Betty Bronshire, of Canton, sang.

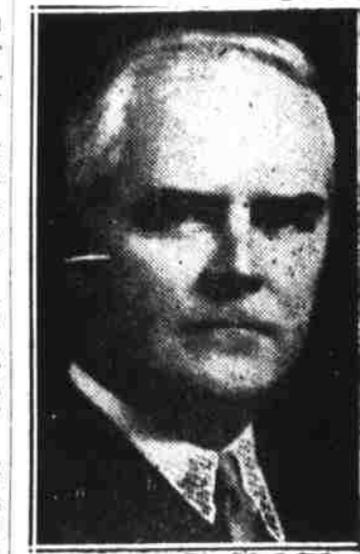
Johnny Rhymer, Gaither Robinson, and Slim Moody and his Mountain Playboys, including Elmer Lowe, sang. Mrs. Johnny Rhymer sang as soloist. The Drake Sisters of Hendersonville sang, with Bunny Drake as soloist. More music was by the Burke county Ramblers, including James Duckworth, Irwin Duckworth, John Segal, Garland Segal, and John Gallion.

Alex Houston, Hendersonville, did his ventriloquist act, and Yates Bailey, Canton did animal imitations.

Mrs. A. J. Derbyshire, of Long Island, the former Miss Ruth Ainsley, of Waynesville and Mrs. Lyle Ormsbee, of Chicago, the former Miss Mary Ella Ainsley, also of Waynesville are the guests of their aunt, Mrs. DeLacy this week.

## Harold Stassen Is Heard At Lake; Big Crowd Hear Hays

### Heads Champion



REUBEN R. ROBERTSON has just been elected president of The Champion Paper and Fibre company, succeeding Logan G. Thomson, who died suddenly.

## Robertson President Of Champion

Succeeds Logan G. Thomson As President of Champion Paper and Fibre Co.

Reuben B. Robertson, executive vice president of the Champion Paper and Fibre company of Canton, has been elected to the presidency of the company succeeding Logan G. Thomson, who died recently in California. It has been announced.

Dwight J. Thomson succeeds his father on the board of directors of the company, and Reuben B. Robertson, Jr., who has been serving as a vice president of the company at Hamilton, succeeds his father as executive vice president, according to the announcement.

A native of Ohio, Mr. Robertson was born in Cincinnati, June 11, 1879, the son of Charles D. and Cynthia B. Robertson. He was educated in the public schools of Cincinnati, graduating from Walnut Hills high school there in 1896. Four years later he was graduated from Yale university with an A. B. degree, and began the study of law at the Cincinnati Law school. In 1903 he was admitted to the Ohio bar and practiced law with his father in the firm of Robertson and Burckhalter until 1907.

He joined the Champion Fibre company in 1907 and was assigned to the Soubert operation here in Haywood county. He held various other jobs with the company until 1942, when he was made general manager of the Canton plant. He became president of the company and held that position until 1935, when it merged with Champion Paper and Fibre company and he was appointed executive vice president. (Continued on page 8)

## Clifford E. Brown Is Named As Secretary For Congressman M. Redden

Clifford E. Brown, of Clyde, has been named as one of three secretaries of Monroe Redden, Democratic nominee for congress, The Mountaineer learned yesterday from Mr. Redden.

"I will have three secretaries," Mr. Redden said. "Two will be in the Washington office, and the third will remain in the district. Mr. Brown will be in the Washington office," Mr. Redden continued. The other two secretaries have not been named.

Mr. Redden and Mr. Brown were in Washington last week looking over the housing situation.

Mr. Brown was campaign manager in Haywood for Mr. Redden in the May primary, and is chairman of the Haywood Democratic Executive Committee.

## Congressman Hays Cites Need to Observe Christianity In Government

Harold E. Stassen, former governor of Minnesota and a possible Republican nominee to the presidency, began an address at 3:00 o'clock Monday afternoon on the Lake Junaluska Assembly platform, as The Mountaineer was going to press.

Mr. Stassen has scheduled a short number of talks in this area in his capacity as President of the International Council of Religious Education, an interdenominational organization. His talk will be in keeping with the regular program of the religious assembly, and Mr. Stassen so far has avoided comments on political or other controversial subjects.

Another speaker of national importance was heard Sunday, when Congressman Brooks Hays of Arkansas, addressed a large audience in the Junaluska auditorium.

He cited the need for observing Christian principles in settling governmental problems. Religion has a place in these issues, he stated, that can not be overlooked if the traditional belief in freedom and man's capacity for self government shall be upheld. He also discussed the need for all people to subordinate any selfish aims for the good of the greater number.

"We must assume responsibility in world affairs for decisions that deal with people. It is ours to find the answer and accept the responsibility. We cannot retreat from our ideals and our Christian convictions."

The congressman was introduced by Dr. F. S. Love, superintendent. On the platform with him were Bishops Paul Martin of Little Rock, Ark.; Paul B. Kern of Nashville, and Coston J. Harrell of Birmingham; and Congressman Dwight Rogers of Florida.

Saturday night the Junaluska musical program under Walter Herbert was concluded by the concert of Alice Hegwood Tomlinson, contralto. Beginning with the familiar Largo of Handel and ending with a group of Negro Spirituals, Miss Tomlinson's program traversed the realm of song from the classics to modern. Herman Allison at the piano showed himself to be a capable accompanist as well as brilliant pianist.

## Market Reports

**Eggs and Poultry**  
Eggs remained steady at the Farmers Exchange with prices running 45c a dozen. In Asheville the market also is steady, with supplies light. A large brings 43-45, a medium 39c-40c; B large, 39c-40c; grade C 32c; current receipts averaging 36c per dozen. As reported from the Asheville live poultry market, market dull with supplies heavy with prices running as follows: hens, heavy 22-24, light 20c; broilers and fryers 30c.

**Apples**  
The Farmers Exchange quotes \$2.25 to \$2.75 for all kinds of cooking apples and there is still a strong demand for them. At Hendersonville receipts were moderate, but golden delicious \$2.50-\$2.75; Red delicious, \$3.60 the ceiling; Wolf-rivers and Hoovers, \$2.75-\$3.00. The Atlanta market is dull with bushel baskets, N. C. and Va. Delicious, \$4-\$4.50; Ga. and N. C. various varieties, \$2.50-\$3.00.

**Vegetables**  
The demand is still strong for snap beans and squash at the Farmers Exchange, best quality beans getting \$1.50 and No. 1 squash \$2.00. Cucumbers \$2.00 bushel. At Hendersonville, receipts moderate; bushel black valentine tender greens, and poles, \$2.50 to ceiling; limas, \$4-\$4.50; pepper receipts moderate, bush, bull nose type, \$2.50.

Atlanta: Snap beans market is stronger and truck receipts moderate. Bushel Ga. green round type, \$2.50-\$3; Poles \$3.50-\$3.75, Cabage, market dull, Ga., N. C. and Va., 50 lb. sacks, domestic round type, \$1.50; poor quality, \$1-\$1.25. Onions, market steady, Texas and Oklahoma, 50 lb. sacks, yellow type \$1.75-\$2; white type, \$2.25-\$2.50. (Continued on Page Eight)

## Decision On OPA Control On Milk, Meat Due Tonight

Sometime tonight, the decontrol board is scheduled to release their decisions on whether price controls will be restored on meats, dairy products, grains, cotton seed and soy beans.

OPA is all set to say what the ceilings will be on these items if controls are re-established. Should the decontrol board decide that controls must be restored on meats, dairy products and the other items on the list, they must also decide on whether subsidies shall be paid again, and at what rate.

## Three From Haywood Join Regular Army

Two Clyde and one Canton youth recently enlisted in the Regular Army, all being assigned to the Air Force, according to an announcement from the Army Recruiting station in Asheville.

Berlin V. Breedlove, son of Mrs. Ethel Breedlove of Clyde, and Roy J. Henderson, son of Roy Henderson, of Route 1, Clyde, enlisted on August 2 and July 27, respectively. John C. Gibson, son of Mrs. Elyna Gibson, 31 Winfield St., Canton, enlisted on July 29. Neither had previous service.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTORS TO MEET TONIGHT

The directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight at eight, at the offices of Millar and Medford. Matters of importance will be discussed. L. E. Sims, president said, Miss S. A. Jones, is secretary.

## Baptists Holding 61st Annual Association Meeting Today, Wednesday

Beginning at 10:00 o'clock this morning the 61st annual Haywood Baptist association meeting will be held in the Barbersville church. The first of a series of five programs will feature reports on work in church missions.

The afternoon meeting today also will be held at the Barbersville Baptist church, and tonight the program will be given in the Clyde Baptist church. Wednesday morning and afternoon sessions will be in the Dutch Cove Baptist church. George Ingle will lead the worship that opens the first meeting, and after preliminary business the mission reports will be given by I. A. Rhinehart, Bolden Hartgrove, Mrs. W. T. Crawford and Rev. A. E. Peake. The annual sermon will be delivered by Rev. R. A. Kelly. (Program On Page Three)



M. A. HUGGINS, state secretary of the Baptist association.

## Hound Show Saturday Draws Large Number Of Participants Here

Drawing numerous entries from North Carolina and neighboring states, the first Fox Hound Bench Show ever held in Haywood was termed a distinct success.

The show which began at 2 p. m. Saturday afternoon on the Township high school athletic field, was staged in a large, roped-off ring with judging of hounds in 10 different classifications. Under a beaming sun, the owners would bring their dogs into the ring, parade them around the edge of the circle while the judge, Ross Alexander, of Statesville, gave them a preliminary looking over.

The 10 best of those entering each class were then placed by their owners on the platforms in a line across the center of the ring. Then came the final judging as

Mr. Alexander examined them for different points, switching the dogs back and forth on the platforms as he changed their rating. After the final decision, President J. W. Killian of the Haywood County Fox Hunters association, sponsor of the show, announced to the audience the winners.

Charles M. Johnson, state association president, who was scheduled to be present, telegraphed Mr. Killian Saturday morning that he was unable to attend.

Trophies for the winners and rosettes will be mailed to their owners. The trophies will be engraved prior to the mailing. All winners will be announced in the next issue of The Mountaineer, and a picture of the Best dog in the show and the Best dog in Haywood county will be published.

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