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

URVEY OF LOCAL BUILDINGS SHOW HAZARDS

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eting was opened by Way, who extended a the visitors, after which an of Asheville, League istrict director, presid- oduced the visitors and cials.

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Boy Scout Will Meet y At Canton

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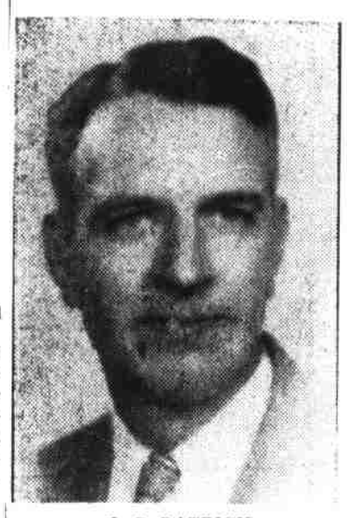
	61	24
	65	48

To Operate Modern Cafeteria



J. C. PATRICK

GEORGE PATRICK

These two brothers have purchased W.W.N.C Cafe from C. A. George and will convert the place into a modern cafeteria about March first. The latest in equipment will be installed, and the building renovated before opening. The place will be known as Patrick's Cafeteria. Mr. George will operate the business until March first.

Burley Price Picks Up With End Of Coal Strike

No Christmas Rush At Post Office As Yet

"There is no Christmas rush yet, even though we have warned and asked people to start mailing their cards and their packages early this year," said Postmaster J. Harden Howell, when asked about how things were moving at the post office.

"But I want to add, we have given the public fair warning that if they do not cooperate with us in an early movement of Christmas mail, they will have to take their chances on their mail reaching its destination by Christmas," he further pointed out.

Army Will Issue No Draft Calls Through January

Five Recent Discharges in Haywood County Listed By Draft Boards

It was announced in Washington last week, as reported by Associated Press, that the army will extend the draft holiday through January. There have been no calls since early November.

The reason for this was stated that the army is presently overstrength. However discharges between now and the end of January will lwor the strength890$ SHR will lower the strength to where it is expected that a large quota may be asked for in February, since voluntary enlistments have declined sharply.

A study is being made by the Army to determine whether to ask for the extension of selective service beyond March 31st, its present expiration date.

Persons recently discharged from the armed forces were announced Thursday by the Haywood County Draft Boards, including

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Asheville Maintains Price Average Near $45.00 This Week

Tobacco prices picked up this week on the Asheville market, with a stronger demand being shown for the lower grades and the Wednesday average reaching $45.06—only 28 cents below the opening day high mark.

Thursday morning there was a slight drop, but the poorer grades still wer bringing from $1 to $3 higher than the first week's sales, and a lower portion of the leaf was being taken by the government.

Selling at the Bernard-Walker No. 1 warehouse is expected to be finished early today, with the buying force to move next into Carter No. 2, where approximately 100,000 pounds of Burley is stored.

Most of the Haywood county growers have taken part, and in some cases, all of their tobacco to lying about gave evidence that ever, still have not picked up their marketing cards and will hit the late market.

A two-day sales holiday was taken at the start of this week in Asheville, with sales resuming Wednesday. During the interval practically all of the tobacco previously sold was moved out of the warehouses.

The end of the coal strike helped much to boost the average price. When railroad freight cars become more available the buying is expected to pick up even more.

C. O. Charles Medford Now Visiting Parents

Charles "Wosey" Medford, chief officer in the Merchant Marine, arrived home last week for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Medford. His last sea voyage was to Italy, and on his next trip—on the Samuel F. Griffin—he will sail to South America. He will leave here Saturday and sail on Tuesday

AMERICAN LEGION MEETING

The American Legion and Auxiliary will have their regular meeting tonight at 7:30, in the Legion Home. A program will be given, including a movie on The Veteran the Social Security Act.

Allen's Creek Working For Safer Water Supply

Allen's Creek community, one of the thickest settled rural areas in Haywood county, is now trying to solve one of its worst problems and is finding this a difficult thing to do.

Their trouble, as they have been aware for some time and has been confirmed by health insepctors, is the need of purified water and a sewage disposal system.

At the present time the majority of homes in that community (estimated at around 400) get water from private wells and have individual pit privies. A number of houses which lie on the route of Waynesville's water line, from the water shed to the reservoir, are connected to this safe water supply.

Most of the homes, however, are not close enough to this line to be served by it, although Town Manager G. C. Ferguson estimates there are "up to 100" Waynesville water customers in Allen's Creek now.

R. W. Livingston, senior sanitarian with the district health department, conducted tests of a representative number of wells and studied the soil from the standpoint of its ability to absorb waste matter several weeks back. At a mass meeting in the Allen's Creek school on November 29, well attended by home owners of the community, he warned that their present facilities "create a very serious health hazard."

The sanitarian gave a full report

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Community Christmas Tree Will Be Dec. 21

Woman's Club Sponsoring Annual Program To Be Held in Court Room

The annual Community Christmas tree which is sponsored by the Woman's club in cooperation with the town will be held on Saturday afternoon, December 21st, according to an announcement by Mrs. J. C. Brown, chairman of public welfare of the organization, who is heading the committee in charge of the arrangements.

The Christmas program will be conducted at 3:30 o'clock and will be held as is the annual custom in the court room at the court house. Details of the program will be announced later.

Serving on the committee with Mrs. Brown are Mrs. Charles E. Ray, Jr., president of the club, Mrs. James W. Killian, Mrs. Jimmie Boyd, Mrs. T. L. Bramlette, Mrs. John R. Hipps, and Mrs. E. A. Williamson.

All members of the club are asked to bring a gift to be used on the tree at the December meeting to be held at Oak Park on Thursday afternoon the 19th, according to Mrs. Brown.

Any person wishing to make a contribution of new or second hand toys to the tree is urged to call Mrs. Brown and designate where the toys will be left, or brought to her residence on Pigeon street.

Announcement has been made that the stocking will be filled and all arrangements completed for the tree at a meeting of the committee to be held at the court house on Wednesday, the 18th.

J. B. Holland Retired Farmer Claimed By Death

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at Plains Methodist Church near Canton for John B. Holland, 90, retired farmer, and cattle raiser, who died in the Haywood county Hospital Tuesday night, following a lengthy illness. Rev. W. H. Pless and Rev. George B. Culbreth officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Grandsons served as pallbearers and granddaughters were in charge of the flowers.

Mr. Holland was born in the Beaverdam section of Haywood county in 1856 and, although he had been an invalid for the last few years had a clear memory of events taking place in the area since he was a child. For the past five years he has made his home with his son Hoyt on the Asheville Road.

Survivors include five other sons, Irebell of Buena Vista, Va., Charles of Rock Hill, S. C., Sam of San Luis Obispo, Calif., and R. H. and C. H. of Canton; one brother, Pat, of Canton; two sisters, Mrs. Amanda Johnson of Canton, and Mrs. Alice Stines of Georgia; 36 grandchildren and a number of great-grandchildren.

The Wells funeral home of Canton was in charge of the arrangements.

Proposed Radio Station Would Be 250 W. Power

The application for a new radio station in Waynesville, the Federal Communications commission announced Monday, requests authority to operate on 1,400 kilocycles, 250 watts power, and on unlimited hours.

This power is strong enough to give perfect reception over a wide radius, although it will reach much farther under favorable conditions. Call letters can not be selected until after the F.F.C. grants a license, at which time they will submit a list of available letter combinations. The identification of stations in the eastern states begins with the letter "W."

TEACHERS MEET TODAY

Nathan Yelton, executive secretary of the state employees and teachers retirement system, will address the teachers of Haywood county at a meeting this afternoon in the W.T.H.S. auditorium, starting at 2:30 o'clock.

Officers Capture 120-Gallon Still

Ending the prospects of liquid Christmas spirits for its operators, a revenue officer and two Haywood county deputies captured the large white liquor still pictured above Sunday afternoon at a mountain cove in the Maggie section. Note its heighth in comparison with the deputies, Wade McDaniels and John Kerley. The still is five feet, three inches high, with 120 gallon capacity; believed to be the largest ever taken in Haywood county. (Photo by Ingram, Skyland Studio.)

Bishop Hughes Preaches To Large Numbers Here

White Oak To Hold Election Saturday For AAA Group

White Oak township will hold another election for community committeemen under the AAA program for agricultural conservation Saturday. Last week's election was not certified as having been official by the election chairman and secretary for the township, nor the county committee.

The voting will be held in the community's regular precinct. A nomination meeting will be held at 8:30 Saturday morning, and the poll will be open until 6 p. m.

All other community groups have been certified for Haywood county. Following the completion of Saturday's election, the final results will be announced in the Tuesday issue of The Mountaineer.

Canton Girl Is Burned By Firecracker

Badly burned by a firecracker which was thrown by a passing motorist as she waited for a bus in Gastonia, Miss Peggy Ann Payne, 16, is recuperating at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Payne, in West Canton.

Miss Payne was given first aid treatment by a Winston-Salem physician and placed on the Canton bus. Attending physicians Tuesday reported her condition was not regarded as serious. She suffered burns on the right ankle and leg below the knee.

Meetings Continue Through Sunday At Methodist Church

Large congregations are filling the First Methodist church each evening for the series of services which are being held by the pastor, Rev. Paul Townsend, with Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, retired after a long active service with the church, delivering the sermons

Bishop Hughes, who is generally recognized as one of the leading ministers in the Methodist church is attracting not only members of the First Methodist church, but many from the other churches in the community who have been invited to attend the series of services.

The services which were started on Tuesday evening will be continued through Sunday evening, with the exception of Saturday night, there being no service then

Bishop Hughes will also fill the pulpit of the First Methodist church at the 11 o'clock Sunday morning service, it was learned from Rev. Mr. Townsend.

The sermons delivered by Bishop Hughes have been both inspiring and timely and their messages are being appreciated by the congregations attending.

Bishop Hughes is the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Paul Townsend while he is in Waynesville

Mrs. R. C. Tuttle and son Michael have returned home after spending a few days in Decatur, La., with the former's sister, Mrs. A. J. McGlone

Liquor Still Is Captured By Officers Near Maggie

Biggest Still Remembered For This Area Is Found Sunday Afternoon

A hundred and twenty gallon still, said to be the largest ever captured in Haywood county, was taken by officers last Sunday afternoon around 4 o'clock from a secluded cove on a mountain side in the Maggie section. Making the capture were Roy Beere, Revenue officer, and Deputies Wade McDaniels and John Kerley of the sheriff's department.

The still which towers over five feet was hidden by a large clump of laurel and rhododendron and was of home-made proportions for such outfits in this section. The copper worm measures 42 feet

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Christmas Music Program Sunday Afternoon Here

A program of Christmas music will be given by the W.T.H.S. Glee club, under the direction of Charles Isley, at the First Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

This is an annual occasion sponsored by all the Waynesville churches. Not only the church congregations but the general public is invited to attend and enjoy this musical contribution by our talented young people.

Highway Record For 1946 In Haywood

(To Date)

Killed -- 15
Injured 161

(This Information Compiled From Records of State Highway Patrol)

Alley, Simpson Advance In Oration Competition

Miss Theresa Alley, representing the Waynesville Township high school and J. H. Simpson, of the Clyde high school, both representing Haywood county, won in the district contest, held at Western Carolina Teachers College, in the oratorical contest which is being conducted by the Good Health Association of the State, according to Executive Secretary Harry H. Caldwell.

Participating students spoke on the subject "North Carolina's Number One Need is Good Health," in district meets all over the state, following a county wide contest held in each of the hundred counties in the state. Miss Alley and young Simpson won recently in a county contest held here at the Waynesville Township high school.

The students in high schools over the state are competing for $2,000 in scholarship awards and four RCA-Victor console model radio-phonographs which are being offered by the Good Health association as grand prizes to the winners.

The boy and girl winners from the state's 100 counties were grouped at 15 strategic places for second round eliminations in the white division. A winning boy and girl at each place now becomes eligible to compete in the third round which is being held today at the following places: county school office, Asheville; Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro, East Carolina Teacher's College, Greenville;

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Bad Wiring, Lack Of Fire Escapes Is Condemned

Building and Electrical Inspectors Complete Two Weeks Survey Of Waynesville

Many dangerous conditions were found throughout the community by building inspector T. Henry Gaddy, and electrical inspector Newman McElroy, as they completed a thorough check on buildings this week.

"We checked all places of business, hotels that are open, boarding houses, apartment houses and schools," Mr. Gaddy said. "In almost every instance we found something that needed correcting. For the most part defective wiring led the list."

"Eight out of ten people cooperated with us, and seemed to appreciate the inspection, and having us point out defects in their buildings. The others didn't seem to want to know the true facts about their property."

All property owners, and custodians of property have been given ten days in which to have the descrepencies corrected, and if not done, or work started, a warrant will be issued, Mr. Gaddy said to The Mountaineer yesterday.

The two inspectors conferred with the school board regarding the conditions of the Central Elementary School. Mr. Gaddy recommends two additional fire escapes—one at each end of the three-story building. Also certain defective wiring to be replaced.

Jack Messer, superintendent of schools, told The Mountaineer yesterday that steps would be taken immediately to install the suggested fire escapes, and correct the wiring. The wiring in question was only recently installed.

The inspector's formal orders to the board, concluded with this statement: "The use of the building for school purposes is hereby condemned until these hazards are remedied."

At the high school the inspectors found defective wiring in the dining room and kitchen of the high school. The Junior High building was termed in A-1 condition. The colored school was also approved, with the comment: "The colored people keep their building spic and span, and are commended for the pride they show in their school."

Mr. Gaddy said he had under consideration condemning the work shop at the high school. This building was formerly used as a gym before the new one was built.

"The Theatre is in good condi-

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Demonstration Farmers Select Local Committees

Community committees for the Demonstration Farmers organization in Haywood county were announced this week by Wayne Corpening, county agent. They are as follows, with the first person in each group the chairman:

Ivy Hill—D. J. Boyd, C. A. Campbell, Mrs. W. D. Ketner; Cecil—W. F. Hipps, Carl Woody, and Mrs. W. F. Hipps; Crabtree—J. F. Rogers, M. B. Reeves, and Mrs. M. B. Rogers; Iron Duff—Joe Medford, J. R. Caldwell, and J. Manson Medford.

White Oak—Jess Jenkins, W. L. Messer, and Mrs. N. L. Conard; Fines Creek—Sam Ferguson, Cauley Rogers, and Mrs. Mark Ferguson; Clyde—T. H. Rogers, Roy S. Haynes, and Mrs. A. J. McCracken; Waynesville—Thad Chafin, C. T. Francis, and Mrs. F. L. Leonard.

Center Pigeon — Thomas W. Mann, C. D. Church, and Mrs. Welch Singleton; Beaverdam—Fred Mann, Roy A. Robinson, and Mrs. Frank B. Davis; Jonathan Creek—Jule Boyd, W. T. Rainer and Mrs. Rainer; Brown and Bowen Creek—K. O. Carswell, W. Sam Robinson, and Mrs. Lloyd Parham.

East Pigeon—C. S. Rollins, J. M. Cathey, and Mrs. T. V. Deaver; West Pigeon—J. F. Justice, Weaver Hyatt, and Mrs. J. H. Beverage; Riverside — C. T. Noland, M. H. Ferguson, and Mrs. W. L. Bradshaw; East Fork—Ira H. Cogburn, K. L. Burnett, and Mrs. Ira Cogburn.

Members of the county committee are J. L. Westmoreland, chairman; T. W. Cathey, vice chairman; George Stamey, secretary; and Hugh L. Ratcliffe, treasurer.