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Happy Ending For War Vet and Bride



Kept from the altar for years by war regulations, Charles Calvert, 26, Bridgeport, Conn., wounded in the Battle of the Bulge, finally slips a wedding ring on the finger of Jean Parkin, 19, Nottingham, England. The happy ending to the romance came as the result of efforts of Mrs. Paulette Foley, wife of a Canadian business man, and a New York newspaper. They arranged to bring Miss Parkin, whom Calvert had not seen since the early war days in England, to Montreal, Canada. There, a few hours after Miss Parkin's arrival they are shown being married by the Very Rev. Kenneth Evans, Dean of Montreal. Mrs. Foley (right) was matron of honor. Best man was Earl Barnes, head of camp shows. Copyright by N. Y. Mirror. (International)

Francis Is 1947 Leader In Haywood AAA Group

Committees In Each Community Are Announced After Annual Election

R. C. Francis was elected chairman of the 1947 AAA committee by delegates from the various community groups, with A. W. Ferguson elected vice-chairman, and J. B. Higgs as regular member. Complete results of the recent election in the communities are given below, with the first named person in each group the chairman, followed by the vice-chairman and regular member:

A-1 Beaverdam: W. P. Harris, John L. Reno, and W. Sam Robinson; A-2 Beaverdam: M. M. Duckett, D. M. Clark and Noel Fisher; A-3 Beaverdam: Thomas Mann, John Allen, Jr., and T. A. Rhodamer; B. Cecil; J. E. Burnett, Ned Moody and G. H. Massie. C-1 Clyde: F. E. Haynes, M. A. Leatherwood, and W. J. Campbell; C-2 Clyde: J. R. Medford, J. C. Trantham, and C. W. Ensey; D-1 Crabtree: Willard Best, Fred Noland, and J. C. Hane; D-2 Crabtree: J. M. McElroy, R. G. Sanford, and Ray Best. E. East Fork: I. H. Cogburn, L. W. Clark, and T. C. Heatherly; F-1 Fines Creek: M. M. Kirkpatrick, R. A. Justice, and Homer Trantham; F-2 Fines Creek: Paul Ferguson, Hugh L. Rogers and Grover Rathbone; G Iron Duff: Joe Medford, J. R. Caldwell, and J. M. Morrow; H-1 Ivy Hill: C. F. Owen, Hugh Moody and D. J. Boyd; H-2 Ivy Hill: Wilburn Campbell, Carl Setzer and Frank Mehaqffey.

Haywood Schools Prepare Christmas Programs On Eve Of Annual Holidays

Theresa Alley Winner In 3rd Health Contest

Miss Alley Entitled To Compete In 4th Contest To Be Held In Greensboro Jan. 10

Miss Theresa Alley, who has won in the county, and district oratorical contests sponsored by the Good Health Association of the state, came out winner in the regional contest which was held in Asheville on Friday afternoon. Miss Alley is now entitled to enter the fourth contest which will be held for the entire western part of North Carolina in Greensboro on January 10, 1947. At the same time this contest is being held there will be a similar one conducted in Durham for students from high schools in the Eastern part of the state.

In Greensboro and Durham there will be four girls and four boys from each section of the state competing. The next contest will be held in Durham, the date to be announced later, when two girls and two boys from the West will compete with the same grouping from the East. The final winners will receive the \$2,000 offered in scholarships and the four RCA-Victor console model radio-phonographs.

Salvation Army Kettle Invites Help

The Kettle of the Salvation Army is again on Main street giving the citizens of this area an opportunity to contribute to the Christmas cheer fund, which is spread by the Mountain Division of the Army, under the direction of Major Cecil Brown.

Hundreds of persons are remembered each year in the remote sections of this and Madison counties by the Salvation Army. This year they plan to have the annual Christmas trees in their various churches including Miller's Gap, Maple Springs, Shelton Laurel, Bonnie Hill, Big Bend, Cold Springs, Spring Creek and Little Creek. The trees will be held starting December 22nd, and continue through the 29th.

Firecracker Shooters At Bethel Are Fined

Three young men, Troy Lanning, Dick Chambers, and Roy Cogburn, were each fined \$10 and costs by Magistrate Wade Noland on the charge of shooting firecrackers. The firecrackers were exploded in the Bethel school gymnasium during a basketball game early this month, and the case was tried at the court house last Thursday.

Flu Shots Are Taken By Students Of Haywood

Vaccination Program Expected To Immunize Half of 6,000 Pupils In County

A large portion, expected to be half of the approximately 6,000 school children in the Haywood county district, will be vaccinated for influenza during the current program being carried out by the school and health departments. Vaccinations will be given this (Tuesday) morning at Maggie, and at Delwood, Rock Hill and Lake Junaluska schools later in the day by Mrs. Howard Bryson, public health nurse.

Wednesday the flu shots will be given at Cecil, Spring Hill, and Cruso; and on Thursday at the Bethel school. This will complete all schools in the district. There were 4,000 doses of influenza vaccine obtained for Haywood county. About half of this has been given already, and after the immunization of students at the schools is completed, there will be a supply left over to vaccinate those persons who wish to get this protection on Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings at the health office in the court house.

Boosters Name Committee For Hospital Improvement

R. L. Prevost, Claude Allen and John Blalock were appointed last week as the Boosters Club committee to work with the Lions, Rotary, and American Legion committees in promoting the badly-needed expansion of the Haywood County hospital.

A meeting of the groups from all four civic organizations was called for Monday night in the L. N. Davis office building. At that meeting plans were to review the status of our hospital facilities, to clarify the program for improvements, and decide on the best method of getting them.

Officers Bag Another Big Liquor Still Plus A Small One In Drive Last Week

Haywood county is going to have a dry Christmas if the officers keep up their record of the past seven days. Two more stills have been taken since the mammoth outfit on Sunday, the 9th, according to officers. The first one was a 35 gallon copper outfit captured on Wednesday, the 11th on Chambers Mountain near Clyde. Roy Reece, revenue officer, with Patrolman E. W. Jones and John Dills, of the Canton city police found the still, which had evidently been recently set up for business, but had not been operated.

The second still was taken on Sunday afternoon, in the Evans Cove, Maggie section by Roy Reece, and Deputies Wake McDaniel, and John Kerley of the county sheriff's department. The second still was only 20 gallons under capacity as compared to the first captured a week ago, which could turn out 120 gallons. However the last one has it over the first in quality, as it is made entirely of copper, and has a condenser. The officers thought that the still had been in operation from six to eight months. They heard of its operation around 10 o'clock Sunday morning and by 1 o'clock had found its location and taken it over. There was no fire, but near the still were found 200 gallons of corn mash and sugar, all ready to make a run within a day or so, the officers stated.

Film Discovery



SPOTTED by movie talent scouts when she came from London with her mother for a holiday visit to New York and Toronto, Katherine Beaumont, 8, is shown arriving in Hollywood for a try-out. Katherine has been on the stage in England for three years. (International)

Stores Here Will Begin New Hours Wednesday

Merchants To Remain Open Longer Period For Pre-Christmas Holiday Season

Beginning Wednesday the merchants of Waynesville and Hazelwood will keep their stores open for longer than usual hours for the convenience of pre-Christmas shoppers. Instead of closing at noon, the stores will remain open until 5:30 p. m. tomorrow, according to plans announced by the Merchants Association.

During the remainder of this week, and on Monday, Dec. 23, the stores will be open an extra half hour following the schedule of 8:30 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. On Christmas Eve, Tuesday, the hours will be from 8:30 a. m. to 7:00 p. m. All stores will close December 25-26 for a two-day Christmas holiday, and resume the regular hours of business the following Friday. On New Year's Day they will close at noon.

Music Club To Hold Open Meet Friday

Program To Be Given At First Methodist Church, and Public Is Invited To Attend

The December meeting of the Waynesville Music club will be an open meeting and will be held at the First Methodist church on Friday evening, the 20th, starting at 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. John Taylor, president, will preside and Miss Stephanie Moore, director of the Juvenile Music Club and Charles Isley, director of the Junior Music club, both clubs under the supervision of the adult group. A program of special Christmas music will be given by members of the two younger groups. The public is cordially invited to attend the presentation of the program which has been arranged by the directors of the two groups.

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According to the weekly market news report issued by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, the season through Dec. 13 maintained an average price of \$40.80 per hundred, with 140,651,776 pounds sold throughout the Burley growing states. Kentucky and Tennessee were averaging slightly higher than the other states.

Two Clyde Men Injured When Hit By Automobile On West Canton Highway

Men Taken to Hospital With Leg Injuries, In "Satisfactory" Condition Now

The two Clyde men who were struck by an automobile on the Waynesville-Canton highway early Friday night, just outside of Canton, were reported yesterday by their attending physician, as "their condition is satisfactory." Both men are in the Haywood County hospital.

Junior Clyde Clark, 21, and James Clark Mathis, 26, were struck by a car, said by investigating patrolmen to have been driven by Walter B. Phillips, 29, an insurance man of Marion.

Clark suffered a crushed left leg, numerous cuts and bruises. Mathis has a broken thigh, and also cuts and bruises about the head.

Cpl. E. W. Jones, and O. R. Roberts of the State Highway Patrol, investigated the accident, and bound Phillips over under a bond of \$1,000 for hearing before Magistrate W. H. Noland here on January 2nd.

Patrolman Roberts said "evidence showed that the two Clyde men were crossing the highway from Henson's place to a place operated by Troy Gaddis on the opposite side of the highway. The men crossed from behind a car going east, into the path of Phillips car which was traveling west when the men were struck."

Patrolman Roberts also pointed out "further evidence showed that the two men had been patronizing beer joints in the vicinity all afternoon, and drinking heavily of beer."

The investigating officers pointed out that brake marks from the Phillips' car showed he skidded 54 feet, and then went 22 feet further before the car stopped. Witnesses at the scene said the men were picked up six to 12 feet in front of the car. Mr. Phillips brought both men to the hospital.

The 1946 gray Studebaker sedan had a crushed front left fender, as well as a crushed hood, and a place on top where one of the victims had apparently hit the top of the car. Patrolmen also found blood splattered on the trunk of the car. Both windshields were shattered. Mr. Phillips was not hurt.

Mr. Phillips told patrolmen he was traveling 35 miles an hour when the accident happened.

F. T. Plemmons Active Mason Dies In Canton

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Calvary Baptist church, Canton, for Floyd T. Plemmons, 43, who died at his home in Canton on Friday following a brief illness. The Rev. Doyle Miller officiated and burial was in the Bon-A-Venture cemetery.

Members of the Pigeon Masonic Lodge No. 386 served as active pallbearers, and honorary pallbearers were members of Masonic Lodges from the 41st district.

Mr. Plemmons was a native of Madison county and had been employed by the Champion Paper and Fibre company for the past twenty years. He had been active in Masonic circles for many years and was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Pigeon River Lodge. He was a past master and served for many years as instructor. He was also active in the work of the Westgate club.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Addie Plemmons; two daughters, Mrs. Edith Clark and Mrs. Lois Ball, of Winston-Salem; two sons, Jack, of the U. S. Navy and Jim, at home in Canton; four step-daughters, Mrs. Wayne Clark, Mrs. James Blaylock, and Miss Anna Catherine Stone, of Canton, and Mrs. Charles Moore of Georgetown, S. C.; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Plemmons, of Leicester; three sisters, Mrs. Albert Reno and Mrs. M. K. Higgs, of Canton, and Mrs. L. L. Jones of Weaverville.

Crawford Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. GADY NAMED APPRAISER T. Henry Gaddy has been appointed by the mortgage loan department as the local appraiser for Haywood County. Mr. Gaddy is a real estate man here, and building inspector.

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Mrs. Elmer Hannah, mother of the little boy, had two other small children with her up town that afternoon. According to the report of Chief Orville Noland and Police Officer Paul Gough, who investigated the accident, the family had started to cross the street. Walter darted across after a vehicle had come down the street and the sedan was going up (south). The driver applied brakes immediately but was too close to keep from hitting the child.

The boy was taken to the hospital and given first aid. According to the doctor who examined him he had sustained only bruises, and was taken home shortly afterwards.

Driver of the sedan was Kenneth E. Turner, 20, of Hazelwood. There have been no charges filed against him.

Teachers Hear State Official

The state employees and teachers retirement plan was explained at a meeting Friday afternoon in the W.T.H.S. auditorium, well attended by teachers of the Haywood county district.

Nathan Yellon, executive secretary of the retirement system, explained benefits depend on the years of each employee's and his, or her, average salary while working for the state. Those persons who have been retired, as a rule, have drawn 45 per cent of their average salary.

A teacher may retire at the age of 60, he explained. She has the right to continue teaching until 65 if she wishes, and at the request of her employer may teach until the age of 70, when retirement is compulsory.

In case of serious disability, added Mr. Yellon, a teacher, if she has completed 10 years work for the state, may draw retirement compensation thereafter. In such an instance the benefit would be 75 per cent of her normal retirement fund at the age of 60.

Lawrence Leatherwood presided at the meeting.

Central P. T. A. Meets Tonight

A discussion of additional safety measures and a program on the operation of the lunch room, will be featured at the Central Parent Teachers Association tonight at 7:30.

Jack Messer, county superintendent of education will lead a discussion on improvements which the school board have underway for the building. Mrs. Rufus Siler will discuss the lunchroom work in Haywood schools.

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