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## The Workers Strike Monday Morning; Calls But Emergencies

### Increase In Telephone Issue Between Telephone Company

Telephone company switchboards are staffed by management and employees, but the force on duty to handle only emergency calls are those in connection with serious accident or fire situations requiring the police or a doctor, or of municipal or other authorities.

### UNION BUSY

Office of Western Telephone Co. is busy with incoming messages, but business has been "all day," the operator said.

Telephone workers are "going out" when they fail to work. Companies are expected to check in at the Canton office to keep the system working.

Telephone workers' strike is making a difference in the local telephone service. The strike is being active in seeking agreement between the union and the company.

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## Easter Is Observed By Crowds At Churches

### Perfect Weather Allows Pleasant Holiday For People Here

With not a cloud in the sky, perfect spring weather came with the Easter Dawn on Sunday morning in this area, in tune with seasonal plans, and the day was observed with all the local traditional features.

There were two sunrise services held. One was at the foot of the cross at Lake Junaluska, with the large crowd overlooking the lake, and the other at the Hazelwood Baptist church.

Record crowds were present for both programs of spiritual emphasis, which marked the beginning of the Easter observance in this community.

Not in years have the churches been so packed with Easter worshippers. Every church was filled to overflowing for the morning services, and large attendances were noted at the evening services as well.

The pastors brought inspirational interpretations of the Easter message as applied to life today, pointing out that the meaning of the risen Christ remains down the centuries the greatest promise to mankind.

Gratitude of what this nation enjoys, on this, the second anniversary since the close of the war, despite the turmoil in the world at large, was included in the Easter messages brought by the pastors, who stressed the spiritual significance of the day.

There was nothing to mar the Easter parade in all its glory of color and the hopes and plans of the most optimistic in the perfect weather conditions.

Those who had new Easter clothes and flowers to wear were not disappointed for the weather was balmy enough for even the most summery outfit and the congregations were dotted in every church by corsages of all varieties and colors of flowers. They were worn by tiny tots to grandmothers, all sharing in the growing custom of wearing flowers at Easter.

There were family gatherings in the community and on many lawns could be seen all during the day children hunting eggs, while happy parents looked on.

In the afternoon the highways were crowded with motorists taking advantage of the spring sunshine and warm weather to take an outing.

All lines of business reported "good business" over the week-end.

## FIGURE IN 'WEDDING PARTY' DEATH



**FOLLOWING A GAY WEDDING PARTY in a Detroit, Mich., tavern, owned jointly by Mrs. Margaret Rowan Chmiel, 42 (left), and her husband, Frank, Mrs. Chmiel's bludgeoned body was found in the street. Arthur Depoorter, 21 (right), who was described as one of the celebrants, is being questioned by police after a blood stained auto tool was allegedly found in his car. Mrs. Chmiel had three children. (International)**

## Mrs. Ammons Dies Of Car Accident Injuries Saturday

### Funeral Held Monday Afternoon For Allen's Creek Mother of 13

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Allen's Creek Baptist church for Mrs. Bertha Medford Ammons, 47, who was killed about 5:15 p. m. Saturday when struck by an automobile while walking on the Allen's Creek road near her home.

She was the widow of Lon Ammons, who died in April 1946, and the mother of 13: five sons and eight daughters.

James Paul Gibbs, 23, also of that community is scheduled to appear before Magistrate W. H. Noland at 2 p. m. Saturday to face the charge of manslaughter in connection with Mrs. Ammons' death. He was released from jail Monday under \$2,000 bond.

According to Patrolman O. R. Roberts, Mrs. Ammons was said to have been walking south on the left side of the highway accompanied by her 9-year-old daughter, Patricia Sue at the time of the accident. Gibbs, an employee of Royle and Pilkerton, was driving a 1937 Lincoln Zephyr coupe in the same direction, hit Mrs. Ammons and carried her approximately 61 feet before stopping the car. She

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## Asheville Liquor Vote Bill Passes

### Election For ABC Stores May Be Called By Late June or July

Asheville citizens will vote on the establishment of Alcoholic Beverage Control stores if the city council wishes to call an election or if 15 per cent of the qualified voters petition for an election.

This right was given by the General Assembly within less than 30 hours before being requested by Representatives Henry C. Fisher and George A. Shuford, and supported in the upper house by Senator Frank Parker. One Buncombe county representative, Roy A. Taylor of Black Mountain, opposed the bill, but it was made into law by 3:30 Saturday afternoon.

As passed, the law requires 20 days' notice of opening the registration books—although no new registration is specified. An actual vote cannot be held until late June or early July because of the provision which prohibits an ABC referendum within 30 days of the municipal election.

The act provides for a division of the net profits between the city and county, with Asheville getting three-fourths and the county one-fourth.

## Assembly Passes Beer Control Bill Closing Day

### Confederate Veteran And Wife Buried Here Sunday

#### Late Captain Howell Laid to Rest Beside Wife in Impressive Ceremony

Last rites were conducted here on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Methodist Church for Capt. Alden A. Howell, 106, native of Haywood county, and last surviving veteran of the War Between the States in this county, who died in a hospital in Los Angeles, Calif., Thursday, March 21.

Rev. Paul Townsend, pastor, officiated, with Jonathan Woody, who was at one time associated with Captain Howell as an employee in the Bank of Waynesville, giving a sketch of the life of this last surviving commissioned officer of the Confederate army. Mr. Woody pointed out the fact that he had been a builder and had aided much in the development of this section.

Joe Emerson Rose was in charge of the music.

Following the service at the church the final graveside rites at Green Hill cemetery were conducted by the local Masonic lodge, honoring their former member who is said to have been the oldest Mason living in the United States at the time of his death.

The members of the local Haywood chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy attended the service in a body.

The ashes of his wife, the former Miss Fannie Dillard, of Shreveport, La., who died several years ago in California, were also interred with those of her husband.

Captain Howell, native of the county and son of D. Collins and Mourning Garrett Howell had expressed a desire to be brought back here for burial. He had been making his home with his daughter, Mrs. Jack John of Los Angeles. (Continued on Page Eight)

### To Visit Here



**MARTIN H. KENNELLY, mayor-elect of Chicago who now is taking a vacation in Asheville, is planning to visit here Wednesday for lunch at The Lodge and an afternoon of golf at the Waynesville Country Club. A number of news papermen will accompany Mr. Kennelly, the Democratic nominee who defeated Russell W. Root, Republican, in the recent election at the nation's second largest city. This victory was hailed as significant of U. S. political opinion.**

The affair here is being sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.

### Justices Of Peace Are Back On Job Monday Morning

Official notice of the appointment of justices of the peace in Haywood arrived at the clerk of court's office Monday morning, and the two magistrates who serve in the courthouse were sworn in shortly before 10 o'clock—ending a six-day period during which they had no power to conduct trials and preliminary hearings.

Their authority to carry out official duties expired March 31. Although their appointment was passed on by the General Assembly yesterday for records to pass through the hands of the secretary of state and county clerks of court to give them legal warrants of authority.

A number of cases set for trial during those six days were postponed, and the magistrates were busy rearranging their calendar for Monday morning.

### Shamrock Motor Court Is Opened

Shamrock motor court has been opened for the season, according to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Patrick, owners and operators.

The project consists of 10 units and was completed about a year ago. During the past few weeks, the owners have put heat in the rooms.

## Need For Development Of Park Discussed By Charles Ray For Rotary

### Local Girl Named Court Reporter In Nurnberg

Miss Henrietta Love, daughter of Mrs. Hedwig A. Love and the late Hugh A. Love of Waynesville, has been named as a court reporter for the Nurnberg trials, which are expected to continue sometime in Germany.

Miss Love has had wide experience in this type of work and is currently serving as court reporter for Wake county.

Charles E. Ray told Rotarians here Friday of the history of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and the Blue ridge Parkway, and the potentialities of both projects to this section.

After giving in brief the origin of plans for development of the park, Mr. Ray discussed the legislation just enacted by the North Carolina Assembly, creating a state commission to promote the development of the park, parkway and national forests in North Carolina.

The legislation was sponsored by Senator William Medford. Mr. Ray explained the value of such a commission, pointing out that it would enable the federal and state agencies to work along one well-planned program, and bring about a quicker development of all projects concerned.

## County To Make Rules On Beverage

### Law Including Haywood Passes Senate During Saturday Session

Referendum votes of the people will decide the major beer, wine and liquor legislation enacted by the 1947 general assembly.

Legal liquor may be sold within 100 miles of every citizen of the Tar Heel state if Mecklenburg county, Asheville and Hickory vote for ABC stores under their enabling legislation.

The city option ABC laws received a pattern set several years ago when Windsor, Southern Pines and Pinehurst, all in dry counties, were allowed to operate ABC stores. However, the Southern Pines-Pinehurst set-up may be changed, as Moore county was authorized to hold an election which may dry up the two resorts.

Every county has been authorized to hold a referendum on beer and/or wine sales.

Wine was placed under control of the state alcoholic beverage control board. And, in Halifax county, the county ABC board will conduct an "experiment" in regulating all three alcoholic beverages.

Despite pressure from drys and skillful parliamentary practices, the only alcoholic bans which became law affected areas in and around churches and schools. Although wine, alone, was banned in several additional counties, the principal totally dry areas under the new acts are Bethania township in Forsyth county, Middle Creek (Fuquay Springs) township in Wake, and Aulander.

The fight between wets and drys began on the first day bills were introduced in the house.

Rep. O. M. Mull of Cleveland presented a "title" house bill to call a beer-wine referendum in his county. That, and other bills, lay in committee until near the end of the session, and the statewide local-option beer-wine referendum (Continued On Page Eight)

## Rep. Redden Here On Last Friday

Representative Monroe R. Redden was in Waynesville Friday for a short time, meeting friends and discussing some of the pending legislation in Congress.

Representative Redden was accompanied by Ben Prince, of Hendersonville, former chairman of the state highway commission.

## Lions Install Two New Members, Try Out Show

Two new members were installed in the Waynesville Lions Club at its meeting Thursday night, held in the newly-opened Patrick's Cafeteria. The new members are Joe Liner and John Nesbitt, raising the club ranks to 57.

Following the meeting the club went through their first full rehearsal of the Cotton Blossom Minstrels at the high school auditorium, where director Joe Casabella announced that practice sessions will be held each night next week prior to the opening of the show, Friday at 8 p.m.

## Hereford Breeders Will Meet Thursday Night

An important meeting of the Haywood County Hereford Breeders' association will be held Thursday night, at 7:30 o'clock, in the county agent's office, announces C. T. Francis, secretary.

All members are asked to make a special effort to attend, since there are some business matters to act upon at this time.

## Schoolmasters Club To Hold Ladies Night

The Haywood County Schoolmasters club will observe ladies night at their meeting Thursday, April 17 at the Hazelwood school cafeteria. It was announced yesterday. More than 30 persons are expected to attend.

On the program committee are Jack Messer, John Nesbitt and Lloyd Bryson.

## Haywood Farmers Buying Heavily Of Pasture Seeds

This should be one of the best years for good pasture on the farms of Haywood County, if the records of seed purchases are any indication.

It is estimated by the Agricultural Conservation Association secretary, H. M. Dulin, that approximately \$40,000 in grass and clover seed have been purchased this year by Haywood farmers taking part in the AAA program. By March 27, the AAA had obligated \$21,550.60 as its share toward the buying of seed, and many orders have been placed since that time.

The great rise of ladino clover's popularity also is reflected in his March 27 compiled report. Last year there were less than 25 Haywood farmers who planted ladino. By late March of this year there had been 242 orders for ladino clover seed, totaling 2,846 pounds. Since it takes two pounds to seed one acre of pasture, this means that approximately 1,400 acres will be sowed in ladino—more than five acres on the average per farmer for those participating.

## Hearing Is Set For Moore In Car Accident Death

A hearing has been scheduled for Emanuel M. Moore, 53, on the charge of manslaughter in connection with the auto accident March 31 which resulted in the death of George G. Snyder, 38, to be held before Magistrate W. C. Medford in the courthouse at 3 p. m. Saturday.

Moore was driving the car, a converted Ford coupe, which overturned on the highway near Balsam Gap to injure both himself and the other occupant, Snyder. Both were taken to the hospital, where Snyder died as a result of his injuries Thursday morning.

Moore left the hospital on the same day he was taken there, and is under medical care at his home in the Allen's Creek section.

## Dr. Mary Michal Attended Polio Conference

Dr. Mary Michal, district health officer returned Friday night from Goldsboro, where she attended the state conference on Polio, which was held under the auspices of the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation.

Attending the meeting were Health officers over the state, public health nurses, members of local polio committees and consulting physicians.

The purpose of the meeting was to make plans for emergency care of possible polio epidemics, so that victims may have immediate necessary attention.

The meeting was held at the Wayne county court house, with the health department in charge of the local arrangements.

## Army Week Is Sponsored In Haywood By R.O.A.

Army Week is now being observed throughout the nation, emphasizing the theme that "a strong America is a peaceful America."

No ceremonies have been announced to celebrate Army Week in Haywood county, but the occasion is being sponsored by the county chapter, Reserve Officers' association and other veterans groups.

Other than a well-trained, efficient army of volunteers to carry out this country's duties with the United Nations in building permanent world peace, there are other important organizations to which civilians can lend valuable support. Mr. Corpening added.

At the chapter meeting Friday night, Capt. James M. Davis, spoke of the National Guard company assigned to Waynesville stating that five men were needed to fill out its minimum complement.

The community, he stated, does not realize what a National Guard company will mean here and should offer more support in encouraging enlistments. Once the company is federally recognized, he stated, it would bring an income (Continued on Page Eight)

## Almost Another Perfect Record

Haywood almost had a perfect record for traffic accidents during the month of March. In fact the record was perfect for 29 days, and one person was injured on the 29th. The month also continued to give a perfect score in no one being killed on Haywood highways since January 1.

The weatherman contributed his part to making the almost perfect score, in that the snows and sleet on many of the March days made traveling hazardous, yet at the same time make drivers very cautious.

But alas, this record no longer exists, since one death took place on April 3, and another on April 5.

This newspaper was impressed with the remarks of Patrolman O. R. Roberts, that when a driver feels he is master of his car and cannot have a wreck, is the very time something is bound to happen. It all boils down to this—a car at any speed can be dangerous, so act accordingly when under the wheel.

Weather Report

Max.	Min.	Rainfall
71	52	
67	45	
70	41	
68	43	