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Rate To Resurface Highway From Canton-Balsam

Out-Of-County Tour Will Leave Monday For Kentucky

Center On Live-Tobacco and During Tour.

County's 5th out-of-county tour will begin at 7 o'clock Monday morning, with interesting tours announced by County Commission.

Interest in livestock visits to beef and horse farms in Lexington, Ky., will be made to watch with Burley tobacco and red clover and the famed Kentucky Festival.

Attractions to be seen on the four-day tour will include the Smoky Mountains National Park, Fort Campbell Falls in Tennessee, and the return trip will be through Newmarket, Va., and the Shenandoah Valley.

Highway patrolmen will accompany the group as it travels through the mountains and agricultural areas. The various places to be visited include Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

County Test Demos will be held at various points on the tour. A will carry those persons not riding an automobile. Costs can be held to a minimum.

Have been sent to several business concerns with indication of more than 100 persons on the tour. Mr. Corpening plan to go to let him know as possible.

Overnight stops will be made at various points on the tour.

Address: Dr. McCallum, Lake Junaluska, Tenn. Softball, Sutton's 1 on vs. Pet Dairy. Address: Lake Junaluska, Tenn. "Is Our World?" Monday, India; Miss China; Miss Alphonse Field. Angelo, St. John's, theatre in the Sky.

Lake Junaluska, Ad. Purcell, Baptist Sunday School, Charlotte, theatre in the Sky.

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Hazelwood Postmaster



THURMAN SMITH, the new Postmaster at Hazelwood, assumed his duties last week. Postmaster Smith is a veteran of World War II, having served in the Navy. This is a MOUNTAINEER photograph by Ingram's studio.

Old Firearms To Bang At Targets On Fie Top Mtn.

An old-fashioned shooting match will begin at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday and last through the day, as sharpshooters of all ages crack down on targets with muzzle-loading rifles or muskets at Cataloochee Ranch on the wild slopes of Fie Top mountain.

Newsreel cameramen, photographers and feature story writers from Life Magazine, the Associated Press and United Press, will carry reports of the event to a nationwide audience.

More than 100 persons are expected to enter the matches, with many an ancient but still usable firearm having been brought out of storage and readied for the competition.

Tom Alexander, owner of the ranch and sponsor of the shooting match, will award quarters of a prize steer to winners. In the four age groups. The contestants will (Continued on Page Three)

Interest Mounts In Lake Concerts; Duke Nite Monday

Following the successful concert Saturday evening given at Lake Junaluska by the Cathedral Singers of Atlanta under the direction of Alec Buckingham Simson, interest is mounting in the second in a series of three to be given by the talented artists. The next program, on August 1, will consist of "Opera Gems".

Duke Night, another traditional event at Junaluska, will be held Monday evening when Dr. Herbert James, president of the university, will be the platform speaker.

Ferguson Still Improving; Was Robbed Of \$975

Andy Ferguson continues to improve at the Haywood County hospital, where he has been since being hit over the head and robbed of \$975 as he was on duty as night watchman at the Waynesville Laundry several weeks ago.

Mr. Ferguson suffered a fractured skull. Officers are following clues gathered in the case, but reported yesterday that no arrests have been made.

Rotarians Help Crippled Girl

Rotarians heard a letter read from the father of a crippled girl, now receiving treatment with funds provided by the Club. The letter was in appreciation of what was being done for the girl by the club and doctors.

"If nothing more is done by this club this year, this one project will mean our time. "It is things like this that makes Rotary so worthwhile," Rev. M. R. Williamson, club president said.

Opera Will Be Given Monday At H. S. Stage

'Pirates of Penzance' To Be Given By Transylvania Music Camp

One of the most popular and colorful Gilbert and Sullivan operas, "The Pirates of Penzance," produced by the Transylvania Music Camp, will be brought to the stage of Waynesville Township High School Monday evening, July 28, under the sponsorship of the high school music department.

The cast, choruses and orchestra of more than 60 persons have presented the opera in Hendersonville and Brevard this summer, and gave three performances in Asheville last year, all of which delighted large audiences. Charles Isley, music director at WTHS, announces that this will be one of the musical highlights of the year.

James Christian Pfoh director of Transylvania Music Camp and head of the music department at Davidson College, will conduct the orchestra. Mr. Pfoh is organist and choir director at the Myers Park Presbyterian church in Charlotte, where he conducted The Southern Hour over station WBT last winter, and is conductor of the Brevard Festival Symphony Orchestra.

Mr. Danford, of McConnelsville, Ohio, is a fellowship student at Ohio Wesleyan where he is doing graduate work in opera production. He has been with the Bayview Players, Michigan, the Priscilla Beach Players, Plymouth, Mass., and was director of the Ada Civic (Continued on Page Three)

Carolina Alumnae Of Haywood Will Meet Friday Night

There will be a meeting of Haywood County alumnae of the University of North Carolina at Mrs. Jones' Tea Room on Friday evening, July 25, at 7:30 o'clock.

The guest speaker for the occasion will be Chancellor Robert B. House. Coach Carl Snavely and Alumnae Secretary Saunders are also expected.

Reservations for the dinner must be made with Ralph Prevost by Thursday noon, July 24.

Mrs. D. M. Ray and daughters, Miss Ann Ray and Mrs. Sue Ray Stokes, and granddaughters, Theresa Ann and Sue Ray Stokes, all of Charlotte, were guests last week of Mrs. Ray's father, Mr. T. L. Bramlett and Mrs. Bramlett.

Chamber of Commerce Board Meets Tonight

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet tonight at eight o'clock at the office, for their regular monthly meeting, according to C. J. Reece, president.

A number of matters of importance will be brought before the board, he said.

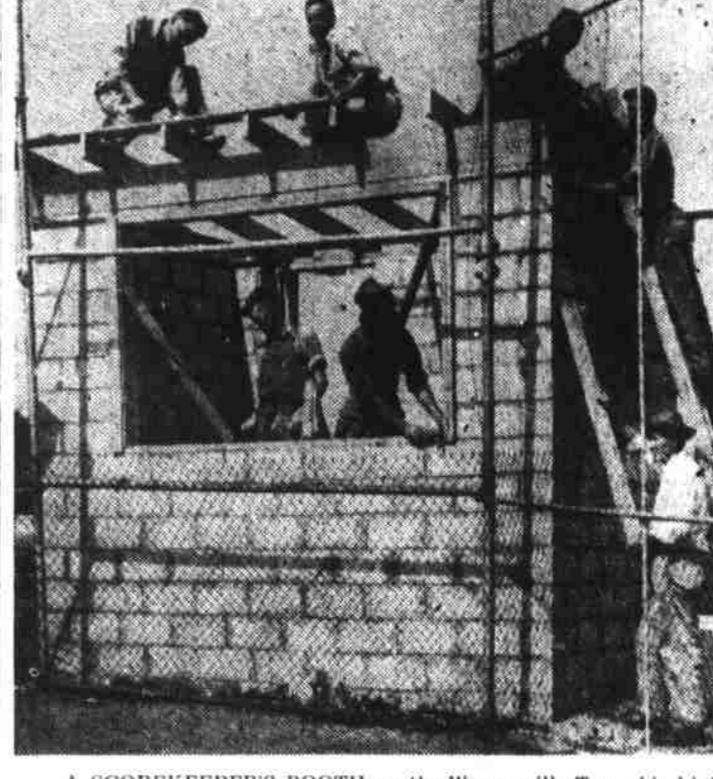
Carnival Worker Bound To Criminal Court Trial

Gene Padgett, a middle-aged carnival worker of Montgomery, Ala., whose wife and two children live in Indiana, was bound over to trial in the November term of Haywood county criminal court to face the charges of "crime against nature" in a hearing Friday afternoon held in the courthouse jail here by Magistrates Wade Noiland and W. C. Medford.

Bond has not been requested or set and Padgett is still in jail. The 5-year-old girl against whom the alleged crime was committed last Wednesday, about 5 p. m., in the vicinity of the Howell Mill road, testified at the hearing. Other prosecution witnesses included the little girl's mother and a neighbor, who testified having been in the vicinity of the crime on that afternoon.

The defendant took the stand and declared that he was innocent of the charge. His statements showed that he had been in the Howell Mill road area on Wednesday afternoon where he claimed to have been looking for a girl with whom he had a date.

Veterans Build Score Booth



A SCOREKEEPER'S BOOTH on the Waynesville Township high school baseball field is shown under construction, with seven of the 20 veterans studying carpentry at the new trade school at work on the concrete block building. Standing inside are Kenneth Cutshaw and Joe Moore; on the roof are Charles Franklin, James Palmer, and Louis Curtis; Robert Dixon is standing on the ladder and Frank Putnam is on the ground. Veteran students of masonry laid the blocks.

Trade School For Vets Gets Off To Good Start

Porter McClure, teacher of 40 veterans here in carpentry and masonry classes, believes that practical work is the best method of instruction.

The classes for Haywood county veterans, begun the first of July under the administration of the county board of education and sponsored by the Veterans Administration, already have made several improvements at school grounds while getting their first taste—in most cases—of practical experience in their chosen trade.

Five days each week the carpentry students attend classes each morning and the masonry trainees during afternoons. They meet at the Future Farmers of America house on the Waynesville Township high school grounds and take an hour's classwork, principally in mathematics dealing with estimates of material for particular jobs.

After this they put their pencils and paper away and take up hammer and saw or trowel, as they dig into the regular work of their (Continued on Page Three)

Carnival Leaves Ahead Of Time Due To Protests

The Gate City Shows, a carnival which set up for business last Monday at a vacant lot near the intersection of the Allens Creek road and Balsam highway, closed down Thursday night when faced with protests from a number of citizens, and departed on Friday morning. It was scheduled to play through Saturday night.

Although advertised to appear near Canton this week, the carnival left the borders of the county.

14 Attend Class In First Aid Here

Fourteen persons are attending night classes twice-weekly on first aid, sponsored by the Haywood Red Cross chapter, reports Mrs. Ethel Hayes Fisher, executive secretary.

The course will continue until August 6, when certificates will be awarded those who complete the training. Ralph Crawford is instructor for the class which meets on Wednesday and Friday evenings in the town courtroom.

Bible School To Start At Dellwood Wednesday

Vacation Bible School will begin at Dellwood Methodist church Wednesday, July 23, at 10 a.m., it was announced yesterday by the pastor, Rev. J. E. B. Houser. Mrs. Ned Carver will teach the intermediates and Miss Dorothy Jaynes the juniors. Teachers for the beginners and primary children will be secured. All children of the community are invited to attend the school.

Highway Engineer Consulted By Groups

Delegations From All Sections of County Confer with Knight

James T. Knight, district engineer, in charge of maintenance, was here Monday consulting with groups from all sections of the county about improving roads. Mr. Knight made it clear that he had nothing to do with new highways, or numbering highways, when a delegation of the Chamber of Commerce made formal protest about numbering the Junaluska cut-off 19 instead of 19-A.

The delegation, headed by Senator William Medford, also pointed out that the two roads from Waynesville to the cut-off needed immediate attention. Mr. Knight agreed, saying he considered both as "most important projects." "I am in sympathy with any highway improvement program, but that is out of my hands. My work is maintenance, and not new highways."

Improvements or extensions to roads in every township in Haywood county with the exception of Cataloochee were requested by groups of citizens during this first of regular monthly meetings with the district engineer. Mr. Knight carried copies of the petitions and requests with him to serve as a guide in planning road improvements for this area.

Four Waynesville Lions To Attend S. F. Convention

Jack Felmet, M. E. "Tony" Davis, O. R. Roberts, and Richard Geringer will leave about 7 p.m. today to attend the 31st convention of Lions International at San Francisco as delegates from the Waynesville Lions Club.

The group will travel by automobile, and expect to be gone 17 days, going through Little Rock, Dallas and seeing the Grand Canyon on the journey westward. They will return by a northern route.

The convention begins Monday, July 28, lasting through the following Thursday.

Rotarians Hear St. Louis Pastor At Weekly Meeting

Rotarians heard Dr. Albee Goldbolt of St. Louis, discuss this fast changing world at the weekly meeting Friday. The speaker discussed first, "economy of abundance".

"When the world learns to produce enough of the things everyone needs, and to distribute it properly, then we will find a happier world," he said. "Distances have been reduced and nations brought so close together that we are dependent upon each other, and isolation is a thing of the past."

"We have in this world, a new freedom. Today we have more freedom to make personal decisions than ever before. The people of the country are at liberty to do more things than at any time in history."

The club had 12 visitors from 5 states, M. R. Williamson, president, presided.

Mother Of M. H. Bowles Passes

Mrs. M. F. Bowles, mother of M. H. Bowles, of Waynesville, died at her home in Gay, Ga., early Monday morning.

Mr. Bowles had been notified of his mother's serious illness on Saturday night, and was with her at the time of her death.

Mrs. M. H. Bowles and daughter, Florence Ann, and Mrs. L. M. Richeson left Monday morning to join Mr. Bowles and attend the funeral services which will be held in Gay this afternoon.

Project In Group To Be Bid On 29th

Will Widen Highway From Hazelwood To Balsam 4 More Feet

Among the 25 highway projects the State Highway Commission will receive bids on July 29th, includes 18.39 miles of resurfacing from Canton to Balsam, according to J. C. Walker, division engineer.

Mr. Walker told The Mountaineer yesterday that the highway from Canton to Balsam would be finished just as Waynesville's Main Street—an asphalt surface.

About six miles of the project, from Hazelwood to Balsam, will be widened four feet, making the new road 22 feet instead of 18 as at present. No widening is planned between here and Canton.

"We have been getting lots of complaints about the highway between Waynesville and Canton being slick when wet, so we are going to resurface the entire section by using another type coating," Mr. Walker told this newspaper.

The successful bidder is required to move equipment to the job within 20 days after being awarded the contract. Should the Highway Commission award the contract to one of the bidders on the project, on the 29th, it would mean the contractor would be on the job sometime in August.

Mr. Walker said he did not have any information about when any work would be done on Highway No. 284 from here towards Dellwood.

"The re-surfacing of the Highway between Waynesville and the Junaluska cut-off will take care of that section, he said.

Canton Tax Rate Remains \$1.70; Budget Adopted

No change was made in the tax rate for the Town of Canton, which will remain \$1.70 on the \$100 valuation according to a decision made last week by the mayor and board of aldermen when they adopted their annual budget.

A budget of \$182,465.30 was set up by the board, calling for \$130,309.80 in operating expenses, \$47,413.87 towards payments on debts, \$2,868.75 for the paving of Prospect street, and \$1,872.88 in the contingency fund. Estimated receipts were \$138,150, with funds on hand making the total available equal to the total estimated expenses.

On motion of Alderman DeWeese, seconded by Alderman Robinson, the board voted to authorize Mayor J. Paul Murray to sign application for a proposed two-way radio system for the Canton police department.

Baptists To Hold Annual Picnic On Wednesday At 5

The First Baptist Sunday School will hold their annual picnic on the M. O. Galloway farm on Plot's Creek Wednesday afternoon at 6:30.

Mr. Galloway is providing the barbecued beef, for the occasion, and a large attendance is expected. The picnickers will meet at the church at five o'clock, and transportation will be provided to the picnic grounds.

After assembling, an open-air prayer meeting will be held, with Rev. L. G. Elliott, pastor of the church, conducting the services.

Highway Record For 1947 In Haywood

(To Date)

Killed - 4
Injured - 27

(This Information Compiled From Records of State Highway Patrol)