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Smokies Meeting More Important Now -- Ray

Smoky Mountains National Park Delegates to meet in Washington on January 22. E. Ray, chairman of the National Park Development Commission, will be present.

Heads Boosters



PHOTO BY INGRAM'S STUDIO
ERNEST GREEN is the new president of the Hazelwood Boosters Club, the only civic club in Hazelwood. Mr. Green assumed his duties as president January 1.

Jury List Drawn For February

Drawing of the jury list for the February criminal term of court was the main item of business at the County Board of Commissioners' meeting last week. A contract to install plumbing in the Canton colored school, now under construction, also was signed with Floyd Miller.

Officers Of Association



JOE PALMER
President



JACK McCRACKEN
Sec'y-Treasurer



T. C. DAVIS
Vice President

The Haywood Cooperative Breeding Association, which began operation this month to provide the organization by which dairymen can artificially breed their livestock, is directed by the three men pictured here. Headquarters are maintained in the courthouse and at the State Test Farm, from which a full-time inseminator has been averaging two to three calls a day to breed milk cows with high-production-type bulls. After examining the set-up here last week, Dr. Elliott of State College and Murray Gaston, extension specialist with the Southeastern Breeding Association, stated that this was one of the best in the state. Membership, which now is 40, is growing gradually in the county, and the Association believes its program will greatly increase the quality of cattle and dairy production of Haywood county.

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Noted Editor Dies In Raleigh

Death came to Tarheel editor and statesman Josephus Daniels in Raleigh Thursday, ending a fight against a severe attack of bronchitis which had turned into pneumonia to bring an end to the 85-year-old last surviving member of Woodrow Wilson's war cabinet.



Editor Dies

He had been desperately ill under an oxygen tent for 12 days and doctors had held little hope for his recovery. It is doubtful if any American in politics ever has been more universally liked, personally, than Mr. Daniels. Some people have criticized him as "a party liner" who would go down the line with the Democratic party even if it decided suddenly to go in for nudism or vegetarianism. He stuck with the party in 1932 when it threw overboard Daniels' pet political fetish, prohibition, which he continued personally to advocate.

Long before that he had earned the respect of people who disagreed violently with him but who respected his ability to battle strongly for what he believed in. Twenty years ago H. L. Mencken the literary and political gadfly who disagreed with Daniels on practically everything, paid him the compliment of calling him the most honest editor and politician in the country.

This essential quality in him and the fact that he had no lust for power kept Daniels from ever becoming a political boss. His influence was vast in Carolina politics, but was never used for personal benefit, except the legitimate one of attracting an amazing number of readers to his paper.

A plain looking man who loved work, he had refused flatly to retire. "No man should quit work as long as he's physically capable of working," was his creed. At 85 he had been looking forward to writing the sixth volume of his exhaustive autobiography.

Daniels was secretary of the Navy for eight years in President Wilson's cabinet, and Ambassador to Mexico under President Franklin D. Roosevelt for nearly nine years. Although he never ran for public office, he held posts under every Democratic president since he was 18. President Truman named him "special advisor to the White House" to continue his record.

Daniels worked for Woodrow Wilson's nomination in 1912, then was publicity chairman for the Democratic party. After the election, Wilson asked him to become Secretary of the Navy.

To the stiff halls of the Navy Department, Daniels brought an informality which first won him ridicule, then friends. He stirred criticism when he abolished liquor for officers on naval vessels. Later he set up training schools aboard ships so enlisted men could improve their educations.

His assistant secretary was Franklin D. Roosevelt, who called Daniels "Chief" all his life. When Roosevelt became president, he made Daniels his ambassador to Mexico in 1933 to carry out the Good Neighbor policy. Daniels called himself "Roosevelt's chief reporter in Mexico." Similarly he called himself, not secretary, but managing editor of the navy; for Josephus Daniels considered himself always a newspaperman.

He was born May 18, 1862, in Washington, N. C., while Union gunboats were shelling the little seaport. His father was a shipbuilder.

At 18 he became editor of the Wilson Weekly Advance. He moved to Raleigh to succeed Ambassador Walter Hines Page as editor of the State Chronicle, which later was merged with the News and Observer. He was chief clerk of the Department of the Interior under President Cleveland, and for years was editor of the News and Observer, building it from a circulation of 2,000 to its present 98,000, second largest in the Carolinas. For years it was the only paper in the country that printed more papers than there were people in its home city.

He began writing his editorials in a cramped scrawl before newspapers had typewriters, and kept on writing them that way although only one linotype operator on the paper could read his scribbling. He never smoked. As a lifelong dry, he carried his fight against liquor into the legislature in personal appeals for a statewide dry referendum.

One of his sons, Jonathan Daniels, was a special wartime assistant to President Roosevelt, and now is executive editor of the News and Observer. He also is author of several books. Another son, Frank, (Continued on Page Six)

Daniels Was Big Booster Of Haywood

Editor And Statesman Passes Thursday In Raleigh After Fruitful Career

Josephus Daniels for many years spent part of each summer at his home at Lake Junaluska. For many years he had been featured as the speaker on Haywood County Day at the Lake which marked the opening of each season.

He loved this country and often referred to it as his "second home." When the present courthouse was formally dedicated in 1932 Mr. Daniels made the address and at that time called it the most beautiful "Temple of Justice" in North Carolina.

Mr. Daniels made his usual address at Lake Junaluska last summer, and although on a busy schedule, took time to visit several sick friends he had known over a period of years.

He was one of the county's best boosters. He kept in close touch with the affairs of the county and never missed an opportunity to give the county a boost. It was Mr. Daniels who took the matter up with President Roosevelt and got the President to make the statement that Haywood county has more volunteers in World War II, per capita, than any county in the nation.

Mr. Daniels stated over and over again that it was a "crime" that Haywood apples were not served on every table of the nation. He was particularly fond of fried apples and country ham and on every visit to this area his hosts tried to make it a point to see that he was served his favorite dish.

Haywood, along with the rest of the nation, is going to miss its favorite "adopted son."

VFW MEETING
The Veterans of Foreign Wars chapter will meet Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Episcopal Parish House, it is announced by Roy Campbell, commander.

Join the MARCH OF DIMES

FIGHT INFANTILE PARALYSIS

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THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR INFANTILE PARALYSIS

Board Sets Date For Bookmobile Meeting

Committee Of Club And Industry Representatives To Organize January 28

Plans for the drive to secure a bookmobile for the Haywood County Public Library were discussed at a meeting Wednesday of the library board, held in the office of Miss Margaret Johnston, librarian.

William Medford had previously been selected to head the drive to raise \$3,000 to purchase a truck and have it converted into a bookmobile, secure other equipment, and get the service underway.

Each club and industry in the county is requested to have a representative on the drive committee. There have been 26 names submitted already, and other groups are asked to choose their committee members as soon as possible and notify either Mr. Medford or the librarian.

The library board tentatively decided to hold a meeting of all committee members on January 28, at which time the organization for the drive will be perfected and a film on bookmobile service is to be shown.

The new bookmobile just purchased for the Fontana Regional library, serving Macon, Jackson and Swain counties, will be on exhibit in front of the Haywood library here all day Saturday, January 24.

Two films on county library service will shortly be available for any club, school or church group that would like to use them. Persons interested in scheduling one of the films are invited to contact Miss Johnston.

Attending the board meeting this week were Col. J. Hardin Howell, Mrs. T. Lenoir Gwyn, J. T. Bailey, Glenn Palmer and George A. Brown, Jr.

348 In Haywood Receive Social Security Payments

A total of 348 men, women and children in Haywood county are now receiving monthly payments under the Social Security Act, it was reported this week by D. W. Lambert, manager of the Asheville office.

At the end of 1947 more persons were receiving monthly old-age and survivors insurance benefits than at any time previous in the history of this federal insurance system. Estimates supplied the national office were that 1,975,000 persons throughout the nation were receiving monthly benefits at an average monthly rate of \$38.100.

In the 17 counties of Western North Carolina served by the Asheville office, Mr. Lambert estimated that monthly payments at the end of 1947 amounted to \$55,665, an increase of about 10 per cent over the previous year. A breakdown of types of beneficiaries shows 1,183 retired workers, 386 wives of retired workers, 1,616 children of deceased or retired workers, 396 young widows of deceased workers, 159 aged widows, over 65, and 41 parents who were dependent on deceased insured workers. Of the 348 persons in Haywood receiving benefits, 263 of them are women and children.

Two Haywood Ministers Head Overseas Relief Drive, Starts Jan. 25th

Appointment of Rev. R. L. Young, Waynesville, and Rev. L. E. Mabry, Canton, as chairmen of the Haywood county overseas relief drive was announced recently by the North Carolina Council of Churches, which is sponsoring the statewide, "Fill a Ship with Friendship" campaign, January 25-31.

Mr. Young and Mr. Mabry are among 100 county chairmen who will organize community collections throughout the state to gather clothing, bedding, shoes and household goods for shipment through Church World Service, official Protestant relief agency.

To be packed for shipment, the materials will go to New Windsor, Md., where the Church World Service Center for this area is located. Oldest and largest of nine CWS Centers scattered throughout the United States, the New Windsor Center has a capacity for processing nearly a million pounds of relief goods a month.

During the year just ended, 3,712,764 pounds of goods were processed at this Center. Of that amount, North Carolinians, who have been in the front ranks of American giving since the war ended, contributed 661,641 pounds. Other donations were from Virginia, West Virginia, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania, as well as from scattered states outside the area.

Commerce Committees Named For The Year

Groups Asked To Decide New Projects And Report By February 1



BEN COLKITT was given the Silver Beaver award this week for his leadership in the Boy Scout work of Daniel Boone County.

Colkitt Receives Silver Beaver Scouting Award

Ben E. Colkitt of Waynesville and Hugh Monteith of Sylva were presented the Award of the Silver Beaver on Monday night at the annual scouters' convention of the Daniel Boone Boy Scout council, held Monday at the First Baptist church in Asheville.

The award is conferred annually to two scout leaders who have rendered outstanding service in the council area.

Mr. Colkitt has assisted with Boy Scout activities for 11 years, serving for one and one-half years as chairman of the Pigeon River district. He presently is chairman of camping and a member of the council executive board, and has greatly encouraged attendance at the Daniel Boone camp on Little East Fork of Pigeon River.

Mr. Colkitt remarks that he has seen a great deal of growth in Boy Scout interest in recent years, particularly since the Pigeon River district became a part of the council in 1935. "I am very much interested in the scout movement," he states, "because it does so much good for the community at large."

Singing Convention Here Sunday Afternoon

A singing convention will be held at the Haywood County courthouse on next Sunday afternoon, January 18, beginning at 1:30 o'clock.

The event is being held for the benefit of the polio campaign and is being sponsored by Rev. C. L. Allen and W. T. Queen.

A large number of singers, including several groups from out of the county, will take part on the program.

The public is invited to attend the singing and help this worthy cause. A free will offering will be taken.

TOWN BOARD MEETS

The Waynesville town board met Wednesday afternoon, with Mayor pro-tem David Cane and Alderman Henry Gaddy present, to take care of routine matters. Mr. Cane stated that another meeting of the group will be held later this month when it is possible for the full board to attend.

Highway Record For 1948 (To Date)

In Haywood Injured --- 1 Killed ---- 1 (This information Compiled From Records of State Highway Patrol)

Weather

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