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49,500 People
Live within 20 miles of
Waynesville—their ideal
shopping center

Workers In Red Cross Drive Named By Weill

Kickoff Dinner To Be Held Next Monday Night in Launching Campaign

The Haywood Chapter of the American Red Cross will launch its 1948 fund campaign next Monday night, March 1, at a kickoff dinner for workers at 7 o'clock. The place of the dinner will be announced Friday.

A quota of \$3,225 has been set for the local chapter, according to Leo Weill, chapter fund chairman, who is in charge of the work of chapter volunteer solicitors.

The Red Cross makes only one appeal a year to carry on its various programs for service. The three services which are expected to claim top priority nationally in next year's expenditures are disaster, the new blood donor service and services to veterans.

Disaster relief was given first rating because of a record breaking year of major catastrophes in 1947, which has seriously depleted the disaster budget reserves to the extent of more than \$9,000,000 over a 10-month period.

Soliciting committees have been named to work in this area and one employee has been designated in most business places to solicit his fellow workers.

The advanced gift committee is composed of J. E. Massie, chairman, William Ray, Dave Hyatt, David Underwood, Paul Davis, Harold Massie, Wayne Rogers, Tom Lee.

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Miss Meta Adams Succumbs Sunday Following Illness

Miss Meta Adams, of Raleigh, and former resident of Waynesville, died Sunday morning in a Raleigh hospital following a brief illness.

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at the home of a sister, Mrs. George Ward, in Asheville with the Rev. Isaac Northrup, rector of All Souls Episcopal church, officiating. Interment was in Green Hill Cemetery, Waynesville.

Palbearers were Ben J. Sloan, Sam Bushnell, Alvin Ward, Hallett Ward, Wallace Ward, and Tom Lee, Jr.

Miss Adams, who was assistant

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Two From Haywood On Honor Roll At Mars Hill

The names of two students from Haywood county appear on the honor roll at Mars Hill college for the first semester according to report released from the registrar's office. These are Sara Margaret James of Route 1, Waynesville, and Mary Ruth Hall, Canton.

To be a member of the honor roll, a student must earn a minimum of 40 or more quality credits. A total of 84 students out of 985 enrolled made the honor roll.

Thus making the honor roll are also entitled to a place on the dean's list.

Young People Take a Look At Haywood County's Jail

Quite a few young people have been "going to jail" during the past week in Haywood county.

Their stay was short, however, since they were accepting an invitation to the Canton Exchange Club and county officers to see how prisoners are cared for as one of the educational phases of National Crime Prevention Week.

Several groups of high school students and Boy Scouts found their visit to the county jail, in the upper two floors of the courthouse, interesting, and perhaps a little exciting, Sheriff R. V. Welch, Deputy Wade McDaniels and the jailer, Bill Plemmons accompanied the visitors and explained the system by which they operate the Haywood county jail, one of the most modern in the nation.

The young people, their teachers or adult leaders, saw the five different blocks of cells, a few of which were occupied by prisoners; also the kitchen, living quarters of

Candidate



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Grover C. Davis Is Candidate For Representative

Well Known Waynesville Attorney Announces For General Assembly

Grover C. Davis, well-known Haywood attorney, yesterday announced that he was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for representative from Haywood county to the 1949 session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Davis, who started practicing law here 35 years ago this month, is a native of the county, and is a graduate of Wake Forest college.

He served as solicitor of the district from 1922 to 1930, and has also served as county attorney, and on the county board of elections.

No statement was made regarding a platform, other than he said: "There is time for that. After living here as long as I have, and been practicing law for 35 years, one's past record speaks for itself."

Mr. Davis, grandfather, F. M. Davis, served in the House four terms back in the 1870's, and his father, J. S. Davis, served two terms in the house and two in the senate between 1891 and 1905.

Mr. Davis has always been active in the Democratic party and was the keynote speaker on several occasions at county-wide and district meetings of the party.

He is a member of the State Bar of North Carolina, and has been active in the work of the National Crime Prevention Week.

Mr. Davis gave a brief outline of the work of Rotary here last Friday.

Power To Be Off In Some Areas 29th

Power will be off in Hazelwood, Dellwood and Lake Junaluska areas Sunday from 1:30 to 5:30, it was announced yesterday.

Several new transformers have to be installed at the Hazelwood sub station. The power will not be interrupted in Waynesville or on BEA lines, the announcement said.

Williamson To Talk To Sylva Rotarians

Rev. M. R. Williamson, president of the Rotary club here will address the Sylva club tonight in observance of the 43rd anniversary of Rotary.

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Collection Of 1947 Town Taxes Is Going Well

Semi-Annual Report Shows That Half of Current Taxes Are Already Paid

Waynesville tax collections through Dec. 31, 1947, were \$18,009.27, amounting to 48 per cent of the current levy of \$37,505.75, according to the semi-annual report prepared by Town Manager G. C. Ferguson for the N. C. Local Government Commission.

Collections since the first of the year have been fairly large. Mr. Ferguson states, and at the present time a bigger per cent of the levy has been collected.

The tax levy is based on an assessed property valuation of \$2,663,058. Waynesville's property tax rate is \$1.40 per \$100 valuation.

Uncollected taxes for the three previous fiscal years amount to \$10,015.32, of which \$582.53 is on the books for 1944-45, \$1,024.97 for 1945-46, and \$1,750.55 for 1946-47.

Mr. Ferguson estimates that the town's population, which was 2,940 in the 1940 census, is presently 3,500 or larger.

Lions Begin Boy Scout Fund Drive

Quota For Waynesville Area \$1,400; Leatherwood Is In Charge of Drive

The Waynesville Lions club began a campaign this week to raise this area's annual quota of funds in support of the Boy Scouts of America.

Adopted as a project at last Thursday night's meeting, the boys and girls committee of which Lawrence Leatherwood is chairman, was placed in charge of the campaign. Plans were laid over the week-end and working teams were assigned to canvas the 15 districts in which the area is divided. The quota this year is \$1,400.

Last week's program was centered around a movie which vividly portrayed the care and educational training of the blind in North Carolina, with comments by a vocational rehabilitation worker from Raleigh.

The community betterment committee, Emmett Balentine, chairman, will present the program this week.

Bookmobile Drive

Quota \$3,000.00
Raised to date 403.33

Balance to go \$2,596.67

Draws For The Mountaineer

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F.B.I. Speaker



J. MEYER COLE, special F.B.I. Agent of Charlotte, is shown here as he addressed a group of civic leaders in Canton last Wednesday night in observance of Crime Prevention week. The event was sponsored by the Exchange Club of Canton. (Photo by Ingram's Studio.)

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Road Work To Be Let Thursday

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Counties Share Fund Of Forest Timber Sale

Fund Increases To \$53,005 Last Year In Pisgah and Nantahala Forests

Funds have been distributed to the counties of North Carolina in which the Pisgah, Croatan and Nantahala National Forests are located, it is announced by Carl G. Krueger, forest supervisor.

This year the fund amounts to \$53,005.98, showing a material increase from the total payment of \$46,596 last year. The share received by Haywood county was \$3,361.33.

The fund represents 25 per cent of the total receipts of the forests, derived almost entirely from the sale of timber and some small amounts from special land uses. In addition to the monies being sent to the counties in lieu of taxes, ten per cent of the overall receipts, or about \$21,000, will be allotted to the two National Forests for use on roads and trails.

The State of North Carolina also received funds for fire protection and planting, amounting to about \$80,000, and \$10,000 were allotted to the Extension Service for use in farm forestry work.

"While the receipts are large, and represent a growing timber business," states Mr. Krueger, "they do not indicate that timber is being cut faster than it is grown. On the contrary, the timber capital of both National Forests is still being built up. Maximum timber production may not be reached for forty or fifty years."

Total receipts and payments to counties will fluctuate with changes in prices for timber," he adds, "but the total cut on the National Forests should continue to increase. Aside from actual cash returns this will result in stabilized employment, which is one of the objectives of forest land management."

The forests were used heavily (Continued on Page Eight)

Clyde Scout Troop To Be Formed

Boy Scout troop 9 at Clyde is to be reorganized. An organizational meeting will be held Friday night, February 27 at 7:30 at the Methodist church in Clyde. The troop will be sponsored by the Clyde Methodist church.

All men interested in helping with the reorganization are invited to attend this meeting. L. E. Mabry of Canton, district chairman of organization, and Bob Garner, field scout executive will assist.

Bookmobile Benefit At Crabtree Thursday Nite

The Parent-Teachers Association of Crabtree-Iron Duff is sponsoring a basketball game between the high school boys and members of the school faculty, to start at 7:30 o'clock Thursday night, announces O. L. Yates, P.T.A. president. After the game a box supper and cake walk will be held.

All proceeds will go to the quota towards the bookmobile fund for Crabtree, Iron Duff and Hyier Mountain. As many folks as possible are urged to attend the events.

Four Of Waynesville's Charter Members Honored On Rotary's 43rd Birthday

Waynesville Rotarians observed the 43rd anniversary of the founding of the organization here Friday by honoring the charter members of the club who are still members.

A birthday cake with 43 lighted candles was presented to Dr. J. R. McCracken, Dr. N. M. Medford, J. Harden Howell and Dr. Tom Stringfield. These four charter members are all still in the club. The Waynesville club was organized in 1925.

In discussing the early days of Rotary here, the four members told of different incidents, and tribute was paid to the 10 charter members who have died.

Rev. Thomas Mangum was the first president and Ernest L. Withers was the first secretary. The club met in a tea room then located where the Firestone store now stands. The club has been active ever since it was organized, and has often taken the lead in commu-

Fox Hunters May Bring State Bench Show Here

New Secretary

All members of the Haywood-Jackson Fox Hunters Association are urged to attend a meeting tonight Tuesday at the courthouse here when the president and secretary of the State Fox Hunters Association will discuss the proposal to hold the State Fox Hunt Bench Show in Waynesville this spring.

John Killian, president of the two-county group, urges as many members as possible to attend. If the State Bench Show is awarded to Waynesville, it will take the cooperation of all members to put it over well. Last year the state show was held in conjunction with the field trials, near Raleigh.

The Haywood-Jackson association has sponsored bench shows here the past two summers.

The meeting is to start at 7 o'clock tonight. Mr. Killian has heard from Rev. Mr. Miller, state president, that he and the state secretary, Mr. Wilkinson, will be present.

Apple Growers To Talk Cooperative Proposal Tonight

Plans for a cooperative marketing organization will be acted on at a meeting tonight at Haywood county apple producers to begin at 7:30 p. m. in the county agent's office here.

A representative group of the apple growers recently organized the Smoky Mountain Apple Growers Association to promote better methods of production and advertise their products. The proposed cooperative primarily intended to serve the smaller growers will provide central facilities for wholesale selling and possibly carry special supplies for the care of orchards.

Word has been received from the American Fruit Growers Association, Roanoke, Va., a fruit buying and selling organization, that Mr. Gantt will represent it at the meeting tonight.

Funeral For Mrs. W. C. Allen Will Be Held At 2:30 Today

Wife of Professor Allen Passed Away Sunday Morning While Asleep

Mrs. Cottie Wilkinson Allen, 61, wife of Professor W. C. Allen, well known retired educator, historian and newspaper man, died early Sunday morning in her sleep at her home on Church Street. She had been ill for some time.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2:30 at the First Baptist church, with Rev. L. G. Elliott, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Green Hill cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be Laethlan Hyatt, Richard Barber, Walter Crawford, Emmett Balentine, Ben Phillips and Robert Platt.

Honorary pallbearers are R. N. Barber, H. W. Burnette, W. G. Byers, W. C. Russ, Grover C. Davis, J. E. Barr, C. M. Dren, W. W. Davis, W. R. Francis, N. W. Garrett, T. L. Green, T. L. Green, J. R. Higgs, J. H. Howell, R. L. Lee, J. E. Massie, Dr. J. R. McCracken, J. R. Morgan, D. Byers, Noland, J. C. Patrick, John M. Queen, J. W. Ray, Hugh J. Sloan, Sr., Dr. J. H. Smathers, Dr. Thomas Stringfield, H. C. Wilborn, Deacons and members of the Finance Committee of The First Baptist Church of Waynesville.

A native of Pateco, in Bedford county, she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Wilkinson. She and Prof. Allen were married December 20, 1887, while both were teaching in the public schools. She later taught in Halifax county, and after coming to Waynesville in 1899, taught in the Waynesville schools.

She was active in the affairs of the First Baptist church, and held many offices in the women's work. (Continued on Page Eight)

Farm Bureau Will Meet Here Saturday Afternoon

A meeting of the Haywood county farm bureau has been called for 2 p. m. Saturday at the courthouse by President Charles McCrary, which all members are urged to attend. Wives of bureau members are requested to be present and complete the formation of an auxiliary.

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In Haywood Injured --- 4 Killed --- 1

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LEE STANLEY, who draws "The Old Home Town" for The Mountaineer. The comic panel is one of the best in the field because it is always so true to life. (Story on Page 5)

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The Waynesville Red Cross will attend the district meeting in Charlotte on Friday. O. C. Cramer, national chairman, will make the principal presentation with the new fund drive.

Weather

United Press	Feb 24—Cloudy, with light rain beginning rain or sleet. Waynesville temperature by the staff of the Farm:	
Max.	Min.	Rainfall
68	41	
66	45	.08
54	33	
43	31	.26