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Lower Haywood Phone Line Survey Promised

More Than 230 Seek Phone Line

Haywood Delegation Confers With District Manager Thursday Afternoon

After a conference with a group of Haywood county farm leaders and public officials Thursday afternoon, J. Lovell Smith, manager of the Asheville district, Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co., promised that an engineering survey would be made to determine the feasibility of erecting a rural telephone line in the Crabtree and Fines Creek sections.

County Agent Wayne Corpening headed the Haywood delegation which conferred with Mr. Smith, presenting statements signed by some 230 residents of Crabtree-Iron Duff-Fines Creek, saying that they desired telephone service and would grant right-of-way for the construction of a line.

Actual erection of the line was not promised at the time. Mr. Smith stated that he has heavy demands for new service from all parts of the Asheville district, but added in effect that the company would "do the best we can as soon as we can."

The situation, as far as erecting a line in the lower end of Haywood is concerned, he termed "very hopeful" because of the large interest apparent in that section. "We have been doing work already as far as Crabtree in the engineering stage," he said in a telephone conversation with The Mountaineer.

A phone line for that section of the county was tentatively given priority behind the line now being placed between Dellwood and Maggie. It will, when erected, be connected with the Waynesville exchange.

Those who met with Mr. Smith were State Senator William Medford, Leo Weill, Jack Messer, and Mr. Corpening.

Child Is Injured In Auto Accident Here Thursday

Eleanor Phillips, 9-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Phillips, is under treatment in the Haywood County Hospital for injuries sustained Thursday morning when accidentally struck by an automobile while crossing the highway near her home in East Waynesville.

A hospital official stated that the child received a number of external bruises. An x-ray is to be taken today to determine if there are any bone fractures.

Driver of the vehicle which hit the little girl was reported by investigating officers to be Sam Potts. No official warrant was written against Mr. Potts, who posted appearance bond pending further investigation of the accident.

Patrolman O. R. Roberts was in charge of the investigation.

Sentelle To Return To Duke Hospital

R. E. Sentelle, Waynesville attorney, who has been ill for several months, had planned to re-open his law office here March 15, but finds he has to return to Duke Hospital for further treatment.

He plans to open his office as soon as he can.

Highway Record For 1948 (To Date)
In Haywood Injured --- 5
Killed --- 1
(This information Compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol)

TVA Head Will Speak In Haywood

Gordon Clapp To Address Workshop Group And Public on Monday Night

Gordon Clapp, director of the Tennessee Valley Authority, will speak at 7 o'clock Monday night, March 1, at the Pennsylvania Avenue school in Canton in a program to which the public is invited.

Teachers enrolled in the Haywood county visual education workshop will attend the talk as their regular weekly meeting. Dr. C. D. Kuman, head of the department of education and psychology at Western Carolina Teachers College and teacher for the visual education class in Haywood, has also invited the Buncombe county workshop group to hear Mr. Clapp.

It is expected that the TVA director will speak on conservation of natural resources, with his talk accompanied by movies. A special invitation to the farmers of Haywood to attend the program is extended.

Mr. Clapp took over TVA several months back when the former director, David Lilienthal, was placed in charge of the atomic energy commission. This will be his first public appearance in Haywood.

Apple Growers Hold Meeting Tuesday Night

Plans for the formation of one or more grading and packing plants and a cooperative marketing organization were discussed at Tuesday night's meeting of the Smoky Mountain Apple Growers Association, held at the county agent's office. No formal action was taken at the time.

It was decided that orchardmen of the Lake Junaluska vicinity would work with Charles Edwards, those in Cruso with Ira Cogburn, and producers in Francis Cove with Robert Boone towards the possibility of setting up grading and packing facilities in their respective areas.

Mr. Boone, vice-president of the association, presided at the meeting. Guests were Mr. Gant of the American Fruit Growers Association, and J. P. Jeanerette, director of the Federal-State Market News Service, Asheville.

\$14,000 Loss Is Reported In Auto Parts Store Fire

The fire that started from an oil stove explosion on the morning of February 16 in Auto Parts and Gear Co. store, 24 Birch St., Canton, caused a loss of approximately \$14,000, it was reported yesterday by Charles Worley, manager. He expects to reopen the store for business next week.

Neil McKinnish, assistant manager of the store, was there at the time the blaze started and called the Canton Fire Department. After a fight of nearly 20 minutes the fire was extinguished, ruining practically all of the stock and several hundred dollars damage to the building. All was covered by insurance.

New Schedule Is Announced For AAA Office Here

A new schedule of hours will go into effect for the AAA office here beginning March 1, announced Miss Mary Sue Crocker, chief clerk. To follow a 40-hour week, hours will be from 8:30 a. m. until 5 p. m., Mondays through Fridays; eliminating the Saturday morning opening which has been in effect.

Tomorrow will be the last Saturday that the office is open, and is the last day on which 1947 performance reports may be signed. Nearly a third of the approximately 2,000 Haywood farmers who followed agricultural conservation practices last year have not yet signed these reports.

The county office also is taking orders for lime, phosphate and grass seeds for 1948 ACP practices. March 15 is the deadline for making such orders.

To Resign



DR. CARL V. REYNOLDS has announced that he will resign as public health officer for the State of North Carolina. The position has been offered Dr. Thomas Parran, who will soon be replaced as Surgeon-General for the U. S. Public Health Service.

Bid Deadline For Clyde Post Office Extended 1 Week

The deadline for accepting bids on new quarters for the Clyde post office has been extended one week from that originally announced, February 23, according to information from the office of A. E. Helmick of Greensboro, postal inspector in charge of leases for North and South Carolina.

It was stated that five parties are interested in providing the enlarged postal facilities, but no definite action will be taken before March 1. Plans call for a building with 1,000 square feet of floor space, as compared to the present building's 560 square feet, to be ready for occupancy by September 1, 1948.

Boy Scout Drive Underway Here In Haywood County

The annual Boy Scout membership drive is underway in Haywood, with the Waynesville Lions Club soliciting in this area and the Exchange Club handling the drive in Canton.

The Lions here last night discussed completion of the campaign and the Exchange Club reported satisfactory results from their solicitation.

Waynesville Man Addresses Rotary Club At Sylva

Rev. M. R. Williamson, president of the Rotary club here, addressed the Sylva Rotary club Tuesday night in observance of the 43rd anniversary of the organization.

Mr. Williamson traced the development of Rotary, and the good that has been done by the 305,000-member worldwide organization. He cited examples of the work of the Waynesville club in sending food to Europe, helping crippled children and sponsoring numerous civic projects of the community.

Morning Devotions Change On WHCC

The week-day morning devotions heard on WHCC have been changed to 15 minutes later than usual, starting Monday.

The popular 15-minute program will start each morning at 9:30 from now on. The program is handled by the Haywood Ministerial Association, with pastors of all churches taking part from week to week.

Waynesville 4-H Club Reorganized Last Week

Because of the large number of members, the Waynesville Township high school 4-H club was reorganized February 20 into junior and senior clubs.

Kickoff Red Cross Dinner Is Set Monday

Volunteer Workers Will Officially Launch Drive On March 1

The 1948 fund campaign for the Red Cross will be officially launched Monday night, March 1, when a kickoff dinner for volunteer workers will be held at the Towne House at 7:30.

Leo Weill, chapter fund chairman, will preside and all committee chairmen and volunteer workers are especially invited to attend. The program will include the showing of a Red Cross film and completion of plans for the campaign.

Mr. Weill has emphasized the importance this year of reaching the goal of \$3,225, which has been set for the Haywood County chapter, since expenditures of the Red Cross are greater than ever before. The three services which will receive priority are disaster, the new blood donor service and services to veterans.

69.4 percent of funds collected is retained by the local chapter to carry on various Red Cross services in the community. The Haywood Chapter maintains an office in the Court House with Mrs. Ethel Fisher as full-time executive secretary.

Rev. M. R. Williamson, chapter chairman, has requested that all ministers in the community call attention to the drive and commend. (Continued on Page Two)

Hound Bench Show Plans Undecided

Because of illness, the president and secretary of the State Fox Hunters Association were unable to attend the meeting called by the Haywood-Jackson association here Tuesday night.

Approximately 60 members of the two-county group were present and were enthusiastic about the chances of getting the state bench show for fox hounds in Waynesville this year. President Jim Killian appointed a committee to contact the state officers at an early date to work out plans for holding the show here.

On the committee are Jack West, Clyde, Albert Burnette, Canton, and Tom Davis, Hazelwood. Mr. Killian and Mr. West are members of the state directors of the association. The state president is the Rev. Glenn A. Miller of Gold Hill and the secretary is L. T. Wilkerson of Concord, who were forced to cancel plans to be at the meeting because of illness.

Mr. Killian states that he will call another meeting of the Haywood-Jackson hunters shortly and hopes to have the state officers present at the time.

Bookmobile Drive

Quota \$3,000.00
Collected to date 489.88
Balance to go \$2,510.12

Civic Leaders Study Crime Prevention



THIS GROUP of civic leaders of Haywood met at Canton recently to hear J. Meyer Cole, F. B. I. agent, discuss crime prevention. The event was sponsored by the Canton Exchange Club, and the dinner meeting was held at the Imperial Hotel in Canton. Reading from left to right: Chief W. N. Stroup, Mayor J. Paul Murray, J. W. Stone, president of the Exchange Club; Mr. Cole, Jack Abbott, commander of the VFW, Mrs. Willis Kirkpatrick, Canton P. T. A.; C. T. Nichols, president Canton Lions Club, Rev. M. R. Williamson, president Waynesville Rotary Club; Charles Hawkins, Canton Moose Lodge, and Claude Rogers, president of Waynesville Lions Club.

This photo was made by Ingram's Studio.

Public Support Is Being Sought For Cherokee Historical Drama

Chambers of Commerce to Discuss Raising Haywood Quota For Drama

The people of Western North Carolina are to be enlisted in the movement to make possible the first presentation this summer of "The Cherokees," a drama with music that will review the story of the Cherokee Indian and pioneer life in the Great Smoky Mountain region.

At the meeting of Western North Carolina Associated Communities Tuesday at Andrews, the 70 members who attended were presented a summary of progress made on the long-planned historical drama, and agreed to concert their efforts in raising 25 per cent of the required \$65,000 expense money.

Preliminary plans for the event have reached the stage where the raising of \$20,000 in Western North Carolina—to prove sectional interest and support—will allow work on the project to get underway and bring about the first performance in early July. Harry Davis, first assistant in the Carolina Playmakers and in the direction of "The Lost Colony," has agreed to hold himself available as director of the production if financial backing is assured. An amphitheater site on the reservation at Cherokee will be provided by the Cherokee. (Continued on Page Two)

Canton To Vote April 6 On Large Bond Issue

\$150,000 Program to Be Decided; New Registration Called By Town

A six-point program calling for the issuance of \$150,000 bonds will be voted on April 6 by qualified voters in Canton, according to an announcement by town officials this week.

Proposed expenditures on which the taxpayers will vote are: Recreation center, to include a swimming pool, public playground, tennis courts and other facilities—\$75,000. Extensions and enlargements of the water supply system—\$14,250. Enlargement and extensions of the sanitary sewer system—\$6,000. Street improvements—\$22,000. Acquisition of motor trucks by town—\$17,750. To erect a tool storage building. (Continued on Page Right)

Redden Will Be Speaker Saturday To Postmasters

Postmasters of 12th District Will Hold Dinner Meeting At Clyde

Representative Monroe M. Redden will be principal speaker Saturday evening at 7 o'clock at the dinner meeting of postmasters of the twelfth district, to be held in the Clyde school. Mr. Redden has announced that he preferred to speak before the postmasters of this district rather than attend the Jackson day dinner in Raleigh the same day.

Mrs. Emily Walkingsick, postmistress at Cherokee, is president of the district organization and will preside at the meeting. Postmaster J. Hardin Howell of Waynesville reports that Wade Hill of Canton, state president, and Pearly Linville of Oak Ridge, state secretary, are expected to attend.

In announcing that he would not attend the Jackson Day dinner in Raleigh Saturday night, Mr. Redden was quoted in Washington last week as saying, "I feel I can get more votes by speaking to the postal officials of my district than by listening to someone speak in Raleigh. I believe I should tend to the home front first."

George H. Ward Injured When Struck By Auto

George H. Ward, of Asheville, was severely injured when struck by a car Wednesday night. Mr. Ward had stopped at a drug store en route to his home and was returning to his taxi at the time the accident occurred. He was taken to Mission Hospital where he is receiving treatment for leg injuries and cuts and bruises about the face.

Mr. Ward, who is a prominent attorney, is a former resident of Waynesville.

Farm Bureau Meeting Here Saturday Afternoon

Members of the Haywood County Farm Bureau and their wives are urged to attend a meeting at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the courthouse here, it is announced by Charles B. McCrary, president. Plans are to complete the formation of the auxiliary to the county group.

Political Nuts

That Charlie Johnson is president of the North Carolina Farmers Association was by one of his strongest supporters at a meeting of the Haywood county farmers here. After Jim a few kind words in candidate for governor, wanted to see a fox hunter. Raleigh mansion for years made up a for his campaign fund. plans to get the ante before forwarding it

REPUBLICANS TUESDAY

Boyd, chairman of the county Republican Executive, has called a meeting to be held in each county on Tuesday, which chairman has been the time and place of meetings in his respective

use of these meetings to elect a precinct chairman, committee, and delegates to the meeting which will be at Canton high school March 6, at 2 p. m.

county meeting, delegates to the congressional court-house in Sylva

Stanley, Sr., of Park-horse, has filed as governor, making the office in Raleigh and He is the former mayor, and served in the for two years. He years on the Kinston

who have filed include for the nomination and as secretary of State. Willyam, of Wilmington for Congress from district, and Forrest H. High Point wants to as well as commissioner of

DEMOCRATS TO MEET SATURDAY

political news of the North Carolina will be Saturday night when some gather in Raleigh Haywood-Jackson Day dinners of the program message by Governor from Connelly of Texas. R. Hoy will in- Connelly.

campaigning will be as the event will draws from every nook of North Carolina. It held day for all candi- co-workers. (Continued on Page Two)

Will Be Sunday

will be off in Hazelwood, and Dellwood areas from 1:30 to 5:30 while farmers are being in- the substitution in Hazel- announced by Caro- and Light company this

ruption will not affect REA lines. when WHCC will be off the period, due to the power supplying the is served from the and-Dellwood line.

Weather

United Press
Feb. 27—Partly cloudy with an occasional light

Waynesville temperature by the staff of the State

Max.	44
Min.	30
58	26
81	39

Disney Started Drawing Mickey Mouse By Accident

By MEL HEIMER

Sprawling over the dry, hot floor of the San Fernando Valley in southern California, a gigantic, busy monument to comic art, are the Walt Disney Studios. It is hard to imagine that this three-million dollar piece of property has come about merely because a mouse walked across a drawing board years and years ago, but it is so.

That history-making episode took place early in the Roaring Twenties, when the amiable Disney, just back from driving an ambulance for the American Red Cross overseas in World War No. 1, had rigged up a garage-studio to fiddle around in after finishing his day's work as a cartoonist for a slide company, in Kansas City.

There is a fascination about garages for mice, and Walt's was no exception. Little strangers hotfooted around the floor and scurried (Continued on Page Two)



WALT DISNEY, another famous artist who draws for The Mountaineer, gets a great delight in drawing the capers of Mickey Mouse and all his friends.