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## State Hound Bench Show Here July 5 Is Being Advertised Over South

### Puppy Show To Precede Bench Show At High School Athletic Field Here

The North Carolina Fox Hunters midsummer bench show will be held during the afternoon of Monday, July 5, at the Waynesville Township high school athletic field, it is announced by J. W. Killian, president of the Haywood-Jackson Fox Hunters association, which is host to the 1948 state show.

Folks announcing the show are being sent to sportsmen throughout the South, and plans are being made to accommodate around 300 initial entries in the bench events. This will mark the first time the state show has been held in Western North Carolina.

The bench show will be held in conjunction with the county-wide Independence Day celebration sponsored by the Hazelwood Boosters club. A children's puppy show will be held beginning at 1:30 p. m. for hounds under six months old, and the regular bench show is to start at 2 o'clock.

Nine classes will be judged by H. P. Richards of Bluff City, Tenn., from which the winners will compete for best hound in the show and best opposite sex. The Parker and Robinson Challenge trophy will go to the bench champion.

The classes are: best male pup under one year, best female pup under one year, best derby male under two years, best derby female under two years, best all age male, best all age female, best pair, best pack, and natural carriage trophies to blue ribbon hounds. Bob Collins of Asheville will be ring master. Mr. Killian will be in charge of arranging transportation for weaver and guests, and Jack West of Clyde will arrange kennel reservations.

## Resigns



W. P. WHITESIDES has announced that he is resigning as principal of Bethel district schools, a position he has held the past eight years.

## Whitesides Resigns As Principal At Bethel

W. P. Whitesides, principal of Bethel district schools, the past eight years, announced this week that he will resign the position at the conclusion of the current school year.

Whitesides, a native of York county, S. C., came to Bethel from Newland, Avery county. He and his wife, Mrs. Whitesides, have a son, (Continued on page two)

## 5 Miles Of Parkway To Be Opened Saturday

### Parkway in Pisgah National Forest Will Again Be Open To Public Use

Saturday will mark the opening of the 5-mile section of the Blue Ridge Parkway in Pisgah National Forest, according to Sam Weems, superintendent.

This section of the Parkway has been closed to the public since last fall. While it is still a dead-end drive, it affords some of the best scenic views in Eastern America, especially from Green Knob, where a 300-degree panorama of hundreds of mountain ranges can be seen.

Mr. Weems called attention to the fact that the stone on the Parkway is loose and will not permit speeding. The section will be under constant patrol while open.

This section of the Parkway can be reached from Waynesville or Brevard over U. S. Highway No. 276. The place is 20 miles from Waynesville.

## Wayneville Dining Room Opens 15th

### Chrest George and D. D. Speredes Have Leased Dining Room For Season

The Wayneville dining room will open Saturday morning with Chrest George and D. D. Speredes as operators and managers of the place in East Waynesville on the Asheville highway. The two leased the dining room from Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Patterson, owners.

Both men have had many years of experience in the food business. Mr. Speredes owned a number of places in Florida, and more recently in Asheville. He is a brother-in-law of Mr. George, who owned and operated the WWC Cafe here for over 25 years, having sold his business last year.

The dining room will be open for all three meals daily, and will make a specialty of catering to parties and large groups.

## Almost \$2,000 In On Bookmobile

Contributions to the bookmobile for the Haywood County Public Library are nearing \$2,000, according to a report made yesterday by Miss Margaret Johnson, librarian.

The quota has been set at \$3,000 and to date contributions received total \$1,913.53, leaving a balance of \$1,086 yet to raise.

## Pfc. Glenn E. Sisk Is Being Returned Home

Pfc. Glenn E. Sisk, killed in action at the age of 22 in North Africa, Jan. 19, 1943, is being returned to the United States for final burial. He was first interred at the U. S. Military cemetery at Algiers.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Will M. Sisk of Route 1, Waynesville, Pfc. Sisk entered the Army during October 1941 and went overseas in June 1942. A native of Haywood county, he was employed at Watkins Chevrolet here before entering the service.

## National Forests Of N. C. Overshadow Park In Number Of Visitors

By BILL SHARPE

Overshadowed in publicity by the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the Pisgah and Nantahala National Forests in North Carolina last year pulled far ahead of the park in publicity, and drew over 1,800,000 visitors, most of them recreation bent.

The two forests, sections of which adjoin each other, comprise 803,111 gross acres, all of which is already under protection and practically all in various stages of development. In this territory lies not only some of the major scenic attractions of the southern Appalachians—but also recreational facilities—roads, trails, campgrounds, lakes, picnic grounds—which are attracting an increasing army of visitors. No matter how many come, however, they are swiftly swallowed up by the vastness of

## Featured Speaker



EDWARD A. WAYNE, vice president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Va., is principal speaker at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet here tonight. A South Carolinian, he entered banking as a runner when he was 15, advanced as bookkeeper, teller, a discount clerk, assistant cashier and assistant controller at several banks. He became a special agent for a federal court at 29. In 1940 he was executive secretary of the N. C. Bankers' Association, which position he resigned in 1943 to accept the appointment he now holds.

## Wayne Will Speak Tonight At Chamber Of Commerce Annual Banquet At Armory

## Jr. C. of C. To Organize Here Monday

### Approves Constitution At Meeting This Week; To Apply For Charter

A constitution and by-laws was approved Tuesday night by a committee of 10, and prospective members will meet Monday to elect officers and make formal application for a charter to form the Waynesville Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Harry "Blue" Robinson, former J. C. at Shelby and WJCC announcer here, states that the meeting Monday will start at 7:30 p. m. in the Chamber of Commerce office.

Bob Putnam, state director for the Asheville junior chamber, brought organization data here Tuesday which was revised to meet the local situation at the committee meeting that evening, held at the courthouse.

The Waynesville junior chamber plans to meet semi-monthly, on the first and third Monday of each month. (Continued on Page Two)

## Review of 1947 Accomplishments, New Community Goals To Be Set

"This is a good place to live—let's make it better."

With the above quotation as its theme, the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held tonight, starting at 7:30 o'clock, in the Waynesville armory. Upwards of 400 persons are expected to attend the event, which will be highlighted by an address by Edward A. Wayne, vice-president of the Federal Reserve bank of Richmond.

As a descendant of "Mad" Anthony Wayne of Revolutionary fame, for whom the town of Waynesville was named by its founder, Col. Robert Love, the principal speaker is historically linked with the community which reviews its progress and sets new goals at the annual occasion. Mr. Wayne is a native of Eau Claire, S. C., and began his banking career as a bookkeeper.

Chamber president Wayne Corpening will preside as master of ceremonies. The invocation will be given by the Rev. Edgar Gould, rector of Grace Episcopal church. A musical program will be presented under the direction of Charles Isley.

Charles E. Ray, chairman of the N. C. Park commission, will give the invocation. (Continued on Page Two)

## Visitors From Mexico Enjoy Trip in Smokies

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Valle of Neuvo Leon, Mexico, were visitors in Waynesville on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Valle and two daughters, Alice and Ramona, were en route to Alton Bay, Maine, where they expect to spend the summer. This was their first trip through the Smoky Mountain Park section and they were enthusiastic over its beauty.

## T/5 Claude Underwood Remains En Route Here

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus G. Underwood of Rt. 1, Waynesville, received word this week that the remains of their son, Tech, 5 Claude W. Underwood, is en route to the United States for final burial.

Tech, 5 Underwood was killed July 11, 1944 at Saipan. The body will be forwarded here from the Atlanta, Ga. general distribution depot. (Continued on Page Three)

## Editors From 38 States Entertained Here Last Night

## Construction On Seed Cleaning Plant Started

Construction is underway on a building for a seed cleaning plant, the only one of its kind in this part of the Carolinas, according to O. H. Tedford, Jr., manager of the Haywood Distributing company, and owner of the Waynesville Feed and Seed company.

The plant will be in operation by June 1, he said, and will clean seeds from over the nation for the two Carolinas as well as do custom cleaning for farmers. The firm will also be in the market for all kinds of grains and seeds.

Mr. Tedford pointed out that farmers should gather their crimson clover seed this season as the supply is limited, and the prices will be high. He said that the reason so few seeds were produced in this area was because there had been no facilities for cleaning, which meant that 97 per cent of the seeds used were imported into the area.

The plant will process all grass and grain seeds, removing all weed seeds, onion and cockles.

Mr. Tedford said the plant would be just behind the present store in Hazelwood, which he plans to maintain even after opening the main store in Waynesville at an early date. He announced that Claude Francis would be manager of the No. 2 store in Hazelwood, and that David Underwood is co-owner of the seed processing plant.

## Music Club To Start Musical Broadcasts

The first of a series of special bi-weekly musical programs sponsored by the Waynesville Music Club will be broadcast over WHCC starting Saturday morning at 10:15. Miss Stephanie Moore will direct three elementary glee clubs. Similar programs will be heard each week at the same time.

On Monday afternoon at 5:30, Charles Isley will direct the high school glee club in a 15-minute program.

Mrs. Cornelia Nixon is in charge of arranging these programs, and is being assisted by Mrs. Ray Ballard, Mrs. Harry Lee Linder, Jr., Mrs. John Taylor, together with Miss Moore and Mr. Isley.

The Music Club is sponsoring projects to get funds to buy records for the Haywood County Library which will lend the music in just the same manner as books are loaned.

Mrs. H. B. Phillips and daughter, Emmie, are returning today to Cottageville, S. C. after a week's visit with Mrs. Phillips' grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Boyd, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Leatherwood, of Rt. 2, Waynesville.

## Cherokee Museum Opens To Public On Saturday

The museum of the Cherokee Indian will have its formal opening Saturday, situated at the junction of U. S. highway No. 19 and state highway No. 107 in Cherokee village.

Occupying an old building especially remodeled for its purposes, the museum contains extensive exhibits of archeological, historical and cultural nature concerning the Cherokee. Its director is H. E. Wheeler, a native of Birmingham, Ala., for many years a Methodist minister, and a longtime student of scientific subjects.

The museum is a member of the Association of American Museums. Many of the exhibits displayed are from the archeological collections made by Burnham S. Colburn of Asheville over a period of 20 years, and acquired by Samuel (Continued on page two)

## Members of National Editorial Association Given Barbecue Supper After Smoky Visit

About 250 editors and publishers from 38 states met here last night for a barbecue supper at the Armory. The newspaper folk are members of the National Editorial Association, and today will complete a week's tour of North Carolina, after holding their annual convention last week in Pinebluff.

The barbecue was given by The Chamber of Commerce, The Mountaineer and The Champion Paper and Fibre Company. The meal was prepared and served by Rufus Siler.

The newspaper people, traveling in seven large buses, paused here briefly yesterday morning enroute to Newfound Gap and Clingman's Dome, where they had a box luncheon, and were guests of the Chamber of Commerce of this area. During their brief stop here, they picked up several Waynesville men who acted as guides for the trip into the Smokies. Those going from here on the trip included:

Those accompanying the group from here included: Charles E. Ray, Rev. M. R. Williamson, Richard Queen, Paul Davis, Dave Felmet, David Underwood, W. A. Bradley and S. E. Connatser.

Jerry Rogers, of the city police force, also accompanied the group, acting as escort with the highway patrol.

The group arrived here about 10:30 and were met by a group of civic leaders and the 64-piece high school band under the direction of Charles Isley. The band played during the 30-minute interval here. Soft drinks were served and a booklet of Western North Carolina given each person. After boarding the buses, each of the visitors were given a Haywood apple.

On their return trip yesterday afternoon from the Smokies, the group made a brief stop at Cherokee, and then proceeded on here for the barbecue supper.

Upon arriving at the Armory, the directors of the Chamber of Commerce, and their wives, greeted the guests. While the barbecue (Continued on page two)

## Connatser Building A New Service Station

Work has been started on a modern service station at the intersection of N. C. Highway 19 and 19-A at Lake Junaluska, by S. E. Connatser.

Plans call for completion by June 15, and a lease has been made with Shell Oil company to operate the place.

Mr. Connatser said yesterday that he plans to add a tea room to the building later, and that the building is so designed for such an enlargement. Large plate glass windows will be featured throughout the building, even in the wash rack and grease rooms. Porter Frady has the contract.

## 1947 Records Show 3,765 Patients Were Admitted By Hospital

## L. Davis Succeeds M. Davis, Hospital

Lee Davis becomes business manager of the Haywood Hospital here Saturday, succeeding M. E. "Tony" Davis who recently resigned, after serving as business manager of the institution eight years.

Lee Davis was formerly connected with the Champion Paper and Fibre Company. He is a native of Haywood, and has an interest in the City Barber Shop here. M. E. Davis had no statement to make as to his plans for the future.

## More Material Sought On Ramp Convention

Among the latest requests for material, including pictures of the recent Haywood Ramp Convention, comes from The Star Weekly, of Toronto, Canada. The Sunday editor said in part in a letter to Bill Sharpe, of the State News Bureau: "I wonder if it would be possible for you to send me a set of nine pictures of the Ramp Convention for possible use in the Rotogravure section of The Star Weekly."

The pictures were sent out the next day.

## Mrs. Mark Felmet Services Will Be Held Here Today

Operated Favorite Boarding House In Waynesville For 58 Years

Mrs. Lula McElroy Felmet, 91, widow of the late Mark C. Felmet, who operated for more than half a century one of the favorite boarding houses in Waynesville, died after a lingering illness at 5:15 p. m. Wednesday at her home in the Bethel section.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a. m. today from Garrett funeral home, with Rev. R. L. Young, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiating. Interment will follow in Green Hill cemetery.

Pallbearers have been selected from former borders at the Felmet House. They are: Boone Medford, Dewey Stall, Theo McCracken. (Continued on page two)

## BACK FROM EUROPE

Leo Weill returned to his home here Tuesday after a business trip to several European countries.

## Brook Resort Is On Soco Gap Road

One of the newest additions to tourist facilities in this area is the Twin Brook Resort, eight miles from Waynesville on the road to Soco Gap.

The Twin Brook Resort is owned and operated by the families of Carl and Fred Henry, natives of Jackson county who moved here last summer after living in Michigan a number of years, and supervised construction of the cottages. They were opened this spring, six of the cottages already complete and two others to be ready by June.

Further construction, including a hotel, will be started next autumn. The resort is located several miles from Waynesville. (Continued on Page Two)

Highway Record For 1948 In Haywood (To Date)  
Injured ---- 13  
Killed ----- 1  
(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)