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

6,500 Votes Seen For Primary Saturday

City Limit Extension Election Is Called

About Half Registered Voters Are Expected

Lack of Heavy County Ticket Cited As The Cause For Light Vote Forecast

With fair weather, a vote of 6,500 was predicted for Saturday by Jerry Rogers, chairman of the Haywood Board of Elections, after a visitation to each of the 22 precincts in the county. This will represent about half the registered voters in Haywood. The polls will open at 6:30 a. m. and close at 6:30 p. m.

Mr. Rogers said interest was rising in the primary, but the absence of a heavy county ticket had caused just "luke warm" interest in many quarters.

The county ticket has only one race—that for the house of representatives, with three candidates seeking the nomination. They are Grover C. Davis, Charles W. Edwards, Jr., and R. E. Sentelle.

There are contestable races in three townships—Beaverdam, Waynesville and Fines Creek. The heaviest is in Beaverdam, where four Democrats, and two Republicans are seeking the nomination. They are—Democrats, Hubert Thompson, W. H. Scott, Billy H. Meliaffey and J. A. Anderson. The Republicans are J. H. Jones and T. S. Grogan.

The Waynesville constable race is between A. F. Arrington, and Verlin D. Smith. In Fines Creek the race is between W. C. Price and W. B. Murray.

The race for governor, and U. S. Senate takes the spotlight in the state ticket. There are six candidates for governor, and only two candidates in the race for U. S. Senate.

A change was made yesterday in the registrar of the North Ward in Waynesville, Wade H. Noland could not serve because of illness, and Noble Ferguson was named to succeed Mr. Noland.

A reprint of the ballots to be used in Saturday's primary, together with the registrar and judges of the 22 precincts in Haywood will be found on page one of the third section of this issue.

Who Is Going To Be Nominated?

Thompson Greenwood, Raleigh correspondent for The Mountaineer, and about 20 other North Carolina newspapers, is today making a prediction as to the winner in Saturday's voting.

Mr. Greenwood has made a careful study of the present campaign, and from years of experience, has learned his way around in North Carolina politics.

You'll be interested in reading Mr. Greenwood's predictions as given in his column on the editorial page of this issue.

Court House Parking Lot Gets New Surface

The courthouse parking lot has been re-surfaced and parking spaces will soon be marked off. The lot will provide parking space for about 50 cars when properly placed, it was said.

The new surface is of asphalt.

Highway Record For 1948
In Haywood
(To Date)
Injured . . . 17
Killed . . . 2
(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

Election Chairman



JERRY ROGERS, chairman of the Haywood Board of Elections, yesterday predicted a vote of 6,500 in the county on Saturday. He issued final details, together with copies of the election laws to all precinct officials, and reported "as far as the election board, registrars, and judges are concerned, we are all set for a large turnout of voters." (Photo by Ingram's Studios.)

Josephus Daniels' Will Filed With Haywood Court

The will of the late Josephus Daniels was filed with the clerk of court here this week, as a matter of legal procedure, since Mr. Daniels owned a summer home at Lake Junaluska.

Mr. Daniels willed all his property, including his shares of stock in the News and Observer, to his four sons. The property at the Lake was sold by the four sons to Mrs. Frank S. Love. The filing of the will here was handled by J. R. Morgan, attorney for both parties.

It was exactly a year ago this week that Mr. Daniels made his last trip to Haywood. He addressed a large audience at Lake Junaluska on the opening day.

Indications Tend To Show Haywood Highest County In All Eastern America

Is Haywood County the highest county in North Carolina, possibly the highest in Eastern America? Charles E. Ray, chairman of the N. C. Park, Parkway and Forests Development Commission, thinks it is and he has figures to support his claim.

Mr. Ray can point out 72 mountain peaks on the map of Haywood County which are over 5,000 feet high. That easily outstrips Haywood's nearest competitor for the "highest county" title—Swain county which only has 47 peaks over that height.

"I'm certain that Haywood is the highest," says Chairman Ray, "but it is going to take a lot of work to prove it."

The local office of N. C. Park Commission is already at work substantiating the fact of Haywood's height. A letter has been sent to the U. S. Geological Survey in Washington asking for information on the elevation of counties in the Eastern United States.

Said Mr. Ray in the letter: "I suspect that Haywood County has the highest elevation of any in this state, and I would assume it to be the highest of any in Eastern United States. However this is a conjecture which is not based on" (Continued on Page Eight)

Pfc. Sutton Rites To Be Held Saturday

The body of Pfc. Charlie W. Sutton, who was killed in action in France on July 18, 1944, arrived in Waynesville yesterday morning. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Sutton of the Ninevah section of Haywood county.

The body will be taken to the home this morning and funeral services will be conducted by Rev. R. L. Young, chaplain of the American Legion Post, No. 47, at the home, Saturday at 2 p. m. Members of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars will be in charge of the graveside service at the Memorial (Continued on Page Eight)

Graves Of Servicemen Will Be Decorated With Flags Sunday Afternoon

Flags will be placed on the graves of some 35 or 40 Haywood county servicemen in Memorial Day services at Green Hill Cemetery Sunday at 3 o'clock.

Adjutant Ernest Edwards of the local American Legion post will place the flags on the graves.

The Waynesville high school band will supply appropriate music for the occasion. Fred Camp-

WHCC To Give Saturday Night Election Results

Plans have been completed for giving the complete county and state election returns over WHCC Saturday night.

There will be no returns posted at the court house as in the past, due to the fact that all information about the election both in Haywood and the state will be given in detail over WHCC, starting as soon as the first precinct makes a report.

Election officials will cooperate in getting returns to the court house, and there the news staff of The Mountaineer will compile the returns, and broadcast them over WHCC in a matter of a few seconds.

In the meantime, United Press has arranged to have a representative in every county gathering the returns, and these will be flashed to a central point, and then on to WHCC for broadcasting.

WHCC will also broadcast Haywood returns by precincts, and then county totals and state totals. Plans are to remain on the air until some definite results are known.

In order to give the news as quickly as possible, no telephone calls will be accepted by WHCC after 7 o'clock Saturday night. All information the news staff will have will be broadcast at least every 15 minutes.

Power Will Be Off Sunday 2 To 5:30

The power will be off Sunday afternoon from 2 to 5:30 on all lines west of Canton, as served by Carolina Power and Light Company, it was announced by company officials.

Repair crews will complete the work of transferring high tension lines to new poles along Highway Nos. 19 and 23, between Canton and Clyde.

Lake Junaluska Opens Season Sunday, June 6

Original Opening Date Changed To June 6; Bishop Garber To Open Season

The opening of the Lake Junaluska Methodist assembly for the summer has been postponed from Sunday until June 6 because of the illness of the featured speaker, it has been announced by Dr. Frank S. Love, director of the assembly.

The formal opening of the assembly will be held at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, June 6. Dr. Love said the service will be led by Dr. C. M. Clark, superintendent of the Waynesville district, assisted by selected ministers from this community.

Bishop Paul Garber of Geneva, Switzerland, will be the featured speaker at the service. Dr. Garber has administered the Methodist churches in seven nations of Europe. He has traveled extensively and studied the missions on that continent.

A picnic will be held in the afternoon following the service. Dr. Elmer T. Clark, editor of the World Outlook, missionary magazine of the Methodists, will speak to a joint meeting of the young people at 8 o'clock Sunday night.

The opening of the assembly grounds will take place in the Lake Junaluska auditorium.

Mrs. Garrett To Be Buried Today

Mrs. Alice Moody Garrett died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Glenn McClure, Route 1, Waynesville, Wednesday morning about 9:30 o'clock.

Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Methodist church in Waynesville with the pastor, Rev. R. L. Young, officiating. Interment will be in Green Hill cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be the following grandsons: Fred and George Glance, Spellman and Billy McClure, James and Robert Garrett, Frederick Nichols and Noble Garrett, Jr.

Mrs. Garrett, a native of Haywood county, was born on June 20, 1867, the daughter of Bravo J. and (Continued on page eight)

MISS HYATT HONORED

Miss Jean Hyatt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hyatt, has been elected vice president of the Sigma Phi Kappa honor society at Peace College, in Raleigh, for the 1948-49 terms.

RAILROAD CROSSING PAVED

Paving crews have re-surfaced Depot street where the three tracks of the Southern Railway cross the street at the depot. A number of broken places in the pavement on other streets throughout the town have been repaired during the past few days.

Only East Waynesville Voters Will Participate

Special Election Has Been Set For Saturday, July Third

A special election has been called for July 3rd on the question of extending the corporate limits of Waynesville to include a territory from East Street, the hospital section and a large portion of what is known as East Waynesville.

The special election was ordered by the Haywood Board of Elections, acting upon a request from the town board of aldermen. A special petition, bearing the names of fifteen per cent of the qualified voters in the East Waynesville territory, was recently presented to the board of aldermen requesting the election.

Some months ago the board of aldermen published a notice of their desire to extend the corporate limits and held a hearing which was attended by representatives of the voters in the East Waynesville area. After the hearing, the board deferred action on the matter, when the petition was presented, which necessitated the calling of the election.

There are between 60 and 100 qualified voters in the area, and they will be the only ones to vote in the election. The voters in Waynesville will not participate.

The East Waynesville school has been designated as the polling place, and the board of elections named Horace Duckett as registrar, and the two judges for the election are Guy Messer and Irwin Leatherwood.

The official notice points out that (Continued on Page 8)

Moore Funeral To Be Conducted This Morning

The body of Pfc. Howard J. Moore, native of Madison county and son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Moore, also of Madison county, who was killed in action in France on July 12, 1944, arrived in Waynesville yesterday morning.

Funeral services will be held this morning at the Lusk Chapel Baptist church in Madison county with Rev. Forest Ferguson officiating. Burial will be in Woody cemetery.

Private Moore entered the service October 7, 1941, and was sent overseas in January 1944.

Surviving in addition to the parents are one son, James H. Moore, Jr.; five brothers, Arthur, William, Denver, Junior and R. J., all of Luck; three sisters, Mrs. Annie Henev, of Enka; Miss Jettie Moore and Miss Verna Moore, both of Madison county; and the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Jane Moore, of Madison county.

Garrett Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Sunday Speaker

Baccalaureate Sermon Will Be Given Sunday Night At Auditorium

Final exercises for Waynesville high school have been planned—baccalaureate services will be held Sunday evening at 8 o'clock and the commencement exercises at the same time Monday evening in the school auditorium.

The Rev. Malcolm Williamson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Waynesville, will address the seniors with the sermon, "The Charm of the Impossible" at the Sunday night services. The Rev. Paul Duckwall, pastor of the Long Chapel at Lake Junaluska, will deliver the invocation and the scripture reading.

The baccalaureate service will open with the processional, "God of Our Fathers." The congregational hymn, "America, the Beautiful," will be sung. Fred Calhoun of Waynesville high will sing a tenor solo, "The Lord's Prayer." The mixed chorus from the high school will sing the anthem, "Send Out Thy Light." The services will (Continued on Page Eight)

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These figures were compiled by S. F. Campbell, director of the Research and Statistics for the state. Mr. Campbell was working in cooperation with the State Employment Security Commission.

The average employment for the last quarter of '47 in regard to the state total was 649,307, or 11 percent above the same period of 1946. This was the highest total of employment in North Carolina's history—even higher than 1942, the peak year, by 9.8 percent. It was 23 percent over the 1945 total.

The average weekly wage in North Carolina for the quarter was \$42.03—as compared with \$37.81 for the third quarter of the year. This was due to the bonuses received by some employees at the (Continued on Page Eight)

Canton Woman Is Fatally Injured When Hit By Car

Second Highway Fatality in Haywood This Year; Accident on Canton Hill

Haywood's second fatal highway accident of 1948 occurred Monday night, when Mrs. Tillie King Sharpe, 28, was struck by a car on the East Canton Hill, according to Patrolman Bill Sawyer.

Mrs. Sharpe was brought to the Haywood County Hospital and died late Tuesday afternoon.

Officers investigating the accident said that James L. Clerre, of Akron, Ohio, now employed in Canton, was the driver of the car. It was said that he was passing another car, and that Mrs. Sharpe was in the middle of the highway, and the driver did not see her.

Mr. Clerre posted \$1,500 bond, and will be given a hearing before Judge Ralph R. Mease on Monday. The funeral services for Mrs. (Continued on Page Eight)

Memorial Day To Be Observed Here

The bank and post office in both Waynesville and Hazelwood will be closed Monday to commemorate Memorial Day.

No local stores or business offices have announced that they will close for the event.

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Clyde Graduates To Get Diplomas Tonight



CLYDE HIGH SCHOOL'S graduating class is shown here in the traditional cap and gowns which they will wear in commencement exercises tonight. From left to right are (first row) Peggy Mann, Carroll Stephenson, Margaret Davis, Ruby Thompson, Sue Spencer, Gladys McClure, Mildred Rhinehart, Doris McCracken, Ruby Seay, Nancy Medford, Louise Reed, Elmer Sizemore, Sarah Jane Swayngym (back row) Principal Homer Henry, Billy Jenkins, Blount Osborne, Elmer Limbo, Linden Burch, J. W. Graham, Newell Jackson, Charles Holder, Bill Abbott and Miss Martha Sandlin. Mascots in front are Phillip Williams and Carolyn Hendine. A Mountaineer Photo by Ingram's Studios.

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89 High School Seniors Will Receive Diplomas At Monday Night Program

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To Honor Dead Of World War II

and whose bodies cannot be returned home for burial.

Members of the Edwards-Clark-Messer post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars are in charge of the dedication services.

The granite memorial is approximately 13 feet long and 6 feet high. It is said to be the biggest stone of its kind in this section. The Canton chapter of the V. F. W. is sponsoring the project.

The 17 veterans whose names will appear on the stone are Hoyt Edwards, George Barnes, James F. Coleman, Lewis, Gibson, Paul A. Gossett, Garland A. Hall, David A. Himes, Ray James Hughey, Joel B. James, Carl Keyton, Herbert J. Mease, Frank Russell, Phillips Russell, Mack Stamey, Jr., Carroll J. Tranham, Robert Welch and L.

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