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## Tax Rate To Remain Next Year; Reduced Commercial Power Rate

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## New Draft Law Sends Enlistments To Guard

Heavy Enlistments Expected This Week Before Truman Signs Measure

The local unit of the National Guard had a few recruits yesterday, as word from Washington announced that recruiting offices throughout the country were set for a rush business from men eager to take advantage of the "escape hatch" in the new draft machinery.

The United Press report from Washington yesterday said:

The 19-through-25 draft bill passed by congress exempts those who join the guard or other active reserve outfits before President Truman signs the measure into law. The president has 10 days in which to act.

Though normally closed on Sunday, National Guard headquarters in Washington, St. Louis, Boston and elsewhere opened their doors yesterday in response to hundreds of inquiries. Many would-be draftees signed up for stay-at-home duty. Others indicated they would enroll today.

Recruiting officers looked for record turnouts within the next few days when the draft exemption feature becomes known. In San Francisco and other cities, recruiting staffs were enlarged to handle the anticipated rush.

Meanwhile, army officials estimated that between 200,000 and 230,000 men would be inducted during the first year of the draft. The exact number, they said, will depend to a great extent on the number of volunteers.

By volunteering for one year's service, 18-year-olds could avoid being drafted later on.

As finally approved by congress on Saturday, the selective service bill would make men in the 19-through-25 age group eligible for 21 months' service. The first draftees could be called up three (Continued on Page Eight)

## Lodge 259 Meets To Give Degrees

Masonic Lodge 259, A. F. & M., held a communication last Friday to confer Fellowcraft Degrees on several members.

The following candidates were given degrees: Claude G. Woodward, Henry C. Hale, and Lovie B. Nichols.

Another communication was held last night to confer the Third Degree on a class of candidates.

## Eleven Local Scouts Attend Camp Opening

Eleven Boy Scouts from Waynesville left yesterday morning for the opening week of camping at Camp Daniel Boone on the Pigeon River. The eleven Scouts were Kenneth Lyles, Johnny Patterson, Ken Parborn, Charles Bridges, Stanley Williamson, Charles Alley, Bruce Lantz, Fred Burnett, Wilbur Davis, Phil Sutton, and Roy Phillips.

## 'PREXY IKE' GOES ON NEW JOB



MINUS ANY FORMAL CEREMONY or fanfare, Gen. Dwight Eisenhower is shown on his way to Columbia University, New York, to take over his new job as the 13th president of that institution. Walking with him are reporters who met him as he left his residence. Academic ceremonies will be held after opening of the university next fall. (Intercontinental)

## Republicans Start Job Of Selecting Nominees

PHILADELPHIA, June 21. (AP)—Banners waving, Republicans streamed into their convention hall today cockily confident they are picking the next president but still as uncertain as ever over who that man is.

All the preliminary sparring before the first gavel's fall left the race for the coveted nomination apparently still wide open.

Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and Senator Robert A. Taft acknowledgedly were out in front, but lacking the votes at this time to assure the nomination. Each said he felt certain of winning.

So did Harold E. Stassen. Stassen said he would be a "strong third" on the first ballot and the winner on the ninth.

Senator Arthur A. Vandenberg's friends were not calling their shots in that manner. But they claimed Vandenberg is in a good position to step out toward the end and run off with the big prize. Backers of half a dozen others talked similarly.

The actual balloting will not begin before Wednesday or maybe Thursday. Meantime, the GOP's biggest oratorical guns will be labor for the Democrats and the party will adopt its platform.

Today's first session was just a sort of warm-up for that—prayer, song and welcoming talks, plus whamming of the Democrats by GOP National Chairman Reece.

## Hard Work Has Become A Habit For Andy McClure

Working is a habit which Andy McClure of Canton has never been able to shake off—recently he celebrated his 76th birthday by putting in a full day's work at his job with the Champion Paper and Fibre Company.

Mr. McClure has earned the title of the oldest active employee at Champion. He has missed few days because of ill health in the 41 years he has been in Champion's service.

According to "The Log," official organ for Champion, Mr. McClure was born in Jackson county in 1872 and moved to Canton in 1907. He was working as a pipe fitter when the plant was built. Later he took over the job as foreman of the boiler and furnace repairs, a job he held until 1940. They began easing Andy off then, offering him a job which would require less exertion, but soon he was back at work as a salvage and repairman in the power department.

Mr. McClure has two daughters, Mrs. Charles Smith of Canton and Mrs. Hugh Monteith of Sylva. His wife, Miss Annie Brackett of Waynesville, died in 1944. He has been living as a bachelor at 66 North Main street ever since, spending his time gardening and "keeping up the place," he says.

A great slice of Haywood county's history has passed before Mr. McClure's eyes. He says that he blew the first steam whistle in the county when, as a boy, he pulled the cord on the whistle at the Saw-

nook saw mill. He remembers riding on the first train to go from Asheville to Murphy. The engine burned wood; he used to cut wood and pile it along the track for the train at 60 cents a cord.

Says "The Log" of Mr. McClure's work: "Though he has done lots of hard work in hot, dirty, dangerous places he has never had a time-lost accident. He has a way of keeping steadily at his job that many much younger men could well copy. All in all he has been, and still is, a mighty good workman."

## 150-Acre Farm Sells For \$22,000

The 150 acre farm of Steve Ferguson on Fines Creek, was sold at auction by Penny Brothers yesterday morning for \$22,104.40. It was announced here yesterday afternoon.

The farm had a modern home and was in a high state of cultivation. It was divided into several tracts.

## Canton Engineer Named As Waterworks Officer

Canton's newly appointed city engineer, A. B. Uzzle, Jr., has been elected vice president of the North Carolina Waterworks Operators Association at a meeting of the group at Chapel Hill.

## Big July 4th Event Slated

A varied program—including band concerts, State Hound Bench show, musket shooting match, carnival rides, a religious service, and an outstanding address—will feature one of the biggest Fourth of July celebrations Haywood county has seen in years.

The program will get underway on June 29 at the high school grounds, according to R. L. Prevost, general chairman of the Boosters Club.

Dr. Paul W. Hoon, of Philadelphia will be the featured speaker at 10 on Monday morning. He was previously announced that Dr. I. G. Greer would be the speaker, but he had to cancel his engagement here.

The churches of the community will join in the union services on Sunday evening. The ministerial association will announce the speaker soon.

Musket shooting will be held at Cataloochee ranch June 30. A band concert will be given by the high school band Thursday night. A series of softball games will be held Friday night. Saturday afternoon will have a Hazelwood baseball game, with a softball game that night.

The hound show is expected to draw 500 people from several states. Some 300 hounds will be entered in the show.

## Scouts Move Into Camp Daniel Boone

Camp Daniel Boone, the Boy Scout camp located about twelve miles south of Waynesville on the Pigeon River, opened yesterday with Scouts from all over this area trooping into the bivouac.

Courts and meetings have ended their work in this section so that Scouts may take honors they have earned to camp. The Pigeon River district council of honor will meet tonight at Crabtree at 8 o'clock. An Eagle award will be made to Charles Duckett of Canton Troop 4, and Paul W. McElroy of Waynesville will receive a Life badge. Nine Star scout awards will be made.

Opening day ceremonies at Camp Boone include the dedication of a new camp flag by Troop 12 of Asheville. Two new canoes are being donated by the Asheville Kiwanis club and the Canton Y Men's club is also featured in the ceremonies.

Sixty-five Scouts will be at the camp the first week.

## Hazelwood Baptists Hold School, Revival

The Hazelwood Baptist church will hold its second week of daily vacation Bible school this week. The Rev. M. L. Lewis, pastor, and Mrs. Sam Knight, principal, are in charge of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Hovis of Lincoln are leading the music for the school.

The school had 130 children enrolled. Last week an average of 113 children attended daily.

The church is also conducting a regular revival service which will be continued through this week. The Rev. Z. W. Rotan of Gastonia is leading the services.

## Keen Interest Is Being Shown In Second Primary; 5,000 Votes Are Predicted

### Body Of Pfc. Glenn Sisk Arrives Today For Final Service



The body of Pfc. Glenn E. Sisk, who was killed in North Africa on January 19, 1943, is expected to arrive in Waynesville Wednesday afternoon. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Garrett Funeral Home were incomplete yesterday.

Pfc. Sisk was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Will M. Sisk of Route 1, Waynesville, and was a native of Haywood County. He was born on May 25, 1920. He attended the Waynesville Schools and, prior to entering the service, was employed by Watkins Chevrolet Company.

He received his basic training at Fort Bragg and Fort Knox, Ky., and sailed for the European Theater in June, 1942. The body was first interred in the American cemetery near Algiers. At the time of his death Pfc. Sisk was serving with the 91st Field Artillery Battalion.

Surviving in addition to the parents are two brothers, William and James Sisk, and one sister, Mrs. Willard Francis, Jr., all of Waynesville.

## Travel Talks To Be Given For Reading Club

The first of a series of travel talks will be given at the Haywood County Library tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock for members of the Travel Reading Club.

Mrs. Raymond Lane and Miss Louise Ballard will be speakers for the occasion and the program will be designed especially for the older members of the reading club from fourth grade up.

The regular weekly story hour for the younger group will be held Friday morning at 10 o'clock with Mrs. Lane in charge.

## Outstanding Speakers Are Being Heard At Junaluska

Dr. Roy Short, editor of The Upper Room, will speak tonight and tomorrow night at 8 p. m. in the auditorium at Lake Junaluska.

Dr. Short is one of the prominent men in Southern Methodism. He held appointments in the Louisville Conference for over 20 years and since 1944 he has held his present position as editor of this bi-monthly periodical of devotions, He is the author of "Your Church and You."

This week of preaching ministry will be concluded when Dr. W. A. Stanbury, superintendent of the Gastonia district speaks Thursday and Friday nights. Dr. Stanbury received degrees from Duke and the University of North Carolina and for nearly 40 years has held appointments in the North Carolina Conferences. He is the author of "Victories of the Cross."

Dr. Short is the third of four speakers to address congregations at the Lake this week. Dr. C. Ray Jordan, a professor in the Emory University Candler School of Theology opened the week's activities with two sermons on Sunday. Rev. Clay Madison, pastor of the First

Methodist church in Hickory, N. C., spoke last night on his recent trip to China where he attended the Centennial Celebration of the Methodist Missions.

Dr. Jordan's subject on Sunday morning was "Power of Christian Imagination." In developing this theme Dr. Jordan said that the hope of our social order rests with those people who have the imagination to see and feel what others see and feel, and to put themselves in other people's skins and then to act accordingly.

"The church as it is, is hopeless in the world as it is. The church is terribly dull and hopeless because its members have no imaginations. In 1948 the most fateful year in our history, we are thinking about committees, elections and politics and not about the world and what must be done if it is to survive.

"It is an apparently hopeless world. But if we had the eyes of God and the vision of God to see what God wants us to see and the vision of Christ, we might have a world fit to live in."

## Heavy Vote Seen In Beaverdam On Next Saturday's Election

Interest is growing in the second primary to be held here Saturday, in a two-man run-off for the Democratic nomination for governor.

Friends and supporters of both candidates here in Haywood have planned a hard-fought last minute campaign, and indications made yesterday were that Haywood would poll 5,000 votes under favorable weather conditions next Saturday.

Political observers predicted that Beaverdam would poll a heavier vote Saturday than in the primary on May 29th. Interest is really growing in that area, one close observer reported.

## Johnson Forces Stage County-Wide Pep Meet

On last Friday night about 150 supporters of Charles M. Johnson met at the court house for a pep meeting. Plans for getting out the Johnson vote, and the campaign in general was discussed. Among the speakers were Judge Felix E. Alley, Charles M. McCrary, Mrs. A. E. Hyatt, and J. W. Killian. The meeting was presided over by Jonathan Woody, county manager for Mr. Johnson. There were representatives from every precinct of the county present. Co-managers with Mr. Woody include Bryan D. Medford, W. G. Byers and Fred Ferguson.

## Scott Sets Up An Organization Here

For the first time since Kurt Scott announced for governor, an organization has been set up in Haywood in his behalf. The announcement showed that J. N. Tate and Tom Hainer were co-managers.

The farmers committee interested in the nomination of the former state commissioner of agriculture includes: Albert B. McCracken, T. B. Medford, Roy Haynes, J. L. Westmoreland, George Stamey, Glenn Tate, T. Lemor Gwyn and Robert McCracken.

The co-managers announced that other members of the farmers committee would be announced later.

Haywood polled a total of 5,480 votes on May 29th, but there was not quite the interest in the governor's race then as now. There will only be one ticket to be voted in Haywood on next Saturday, and it is expected that the result will be known shortly after the polls close at 6:30.

Jerry Rogers, chairman of the board of elections, was taking out ballots and books to the election officers in the 22 precincts in the county.

## Rev. John Harper Named Assistant At St. Johns

The Rev. John J. Harper arrived this week to assume his duties as assistant pastor of St. John's Church. He succeeds the Rev. J. Paul Byron who was transferred to St. Catherine's Church, Wake Forest, N. C.

Father Harper was born February 17, 1922, in Syracuse, N. Y., where he attended St. Anthony's grade and high school. He held a bachelor of arts degree from Mount St. Mary's college, Emmitsburg, Md., was ordained May 15, 1947 at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Raleigh.

Since his ordination he has served as assistant pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Whiteville, N. C.

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