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Mail Schedules Are Better Service For This Section

Tentative mail schedules give Waynesville three incoming and three outgoing mails daily, it was announced by J. H. Howell, postmaster.

All mail, and parcel post is coming in by trucks since the discontinuance of the passenger trains last Thursday.

At present, the first mail from the East arrives between 7:30 and 8 each morning. Another between 11 and 12, and the last in the afternoon at 4:30.

The mails going west of here close thirty minutes before the above times.

The mails going east from here leave at 11:30 a. m., 3 and 5:30 p. m.

"This schedule will give us faster service than formerly," Mr. Howell said. "A letter mailed in Asheville at night will reach here by eight the next morning," he explained. "The outgoing mails make splendid connections," he continued.

While here Saturday, Rep. Monroe M. Redden said he had been at work in trying to get two highway post offices for this area from Asheville to Murphy. "It might take some time to get the project through, but I am right behind it and will work on this matter until a satisfactory solution is reached. A star route is now sufficient, and does not offer enough security for the 200,000 people to be served. I think 2 highway post offices is the minimum for this route," he continued.

Rep. Redden has been in touch with the post office department about the matter ever since the Southern announced the passenger trains would be discontinued.

Waynesville Guardsmen Entrain For Camp



HERE ARE THE OFFICERS of the Waynesville anti-tank unit of the National Guard as they boarded their two Pullman cars last week en route to Fort Bragg for a 15-day encampment. Shown here, left to right: (front row) Sgt. James R. Adams, Sgt. James E. Harris, 1st Lieut. Samuel Carswell, Capt. James M. Davis, 1st Lieut. Robert Winchester, Sgt. Edgar Norma, Sgt. Paul M. Mull. Standing on steps at left, bottom, Sgt. George M. Milner, 2nd Lieut. Frank Byrd and Top Sgt. James E. Robinson. This is a Mountaineer photo by Ingram's Studio.

Commissioners Studying Hospital Petitions With View of Calling Election

Petitions Presented To Board Of Commissioners Here Monday Morning

Appointed By Commissioners

The Board of County Commissioners had a busy day Monday, as they sat in session for the regular third Monday meeting.

The board was formally given a petition signed by hundreds of Haywood voters, asking that the board call a bond election for the purpose of expanding the Haywood County hospital, and take advantage of the 71 per cent offered to be paid from a state-federal fund.

The board accepted the petition, and told Joe S. Davis, chairman of the group of civic leaders, that they would study the petition, and after consulting with their attorney on the matter, determine the procedure for calling the proposed election.

While the board of commissioners did not go on record as a body, it is known that they have privately stated they favored taking advantage of the state-federal fund for the work.

The board filled three county positions, which was overlooked on the first Monday. They re-named Wayne Corpening as the county agent, re-named Miss Mary Margaret Smith as home demonstration agent, and re-named R. E. Caldwell as county fire warden. There had been intimation that no changes would be made several weeks ago, and the fact was published in this newspaper.

The board heard several groups as they presented petitions on highway matters. J. T. Knight, in charge of maintenance in this district meets with the board every third Monday and goes over highway matters with any group at that time. It was said yesterday that highway matters can only be looked after on the third Monday, as the first Mondays are filled with other business matters, and then too, Mr. Knight is here every third Monday to go into the matters in detail.

The State Extension Service names the assistants in the county agent's office as well as the Home Demonstration office, and these are subject to the approval of the Board of Commissioners.



MISS MARY MARGARET SMITH was re-appointed home demonstration agent here yesterday by the board of commissioners. Miss Smith had filled the office since September 1935.



WAYNE CORPENING, who has served as county agent since June 1936, except several years he was in the army, was reappointed to the place by the board of county commissioners here yesterday.

Baptist Revival Begins In Forty County Churches

Meetings were held last night in Haywood county's forty Baptist churches as the seven-day Baptist revival got underway here.

A religious survey is being held in relation with the revival, L. L. Morgan, state Sunday School secretary, and his corps of 26 workers arrived in Waynesville Saturday to help in the event.

A countywide meeting was held Saturday afternoon in the First Baptist church. Each of the counties Baptist churches had delegates present. Workers were assigned and books, census cards, and other material was distributed.

Miss Daphne Boone, associational missionary, is directing the local work. She is assisted by Mrs. Jake Schuhofer, associational superintendent of training, and James Chapman, superintendent.

The churches participating in the event are:

Antioch, Barberville, Beaverdam, Belmont, Beulah (not in Assn.), Burnette Siding, Calvary, Canton, First, W. Canton, N. Canton, Clyde, Crabtree, Dellwood, Dutch Cove, Fairview, East Fork, Fine's Creek, Hazelwood, High Street, James Chapel, Lake Junaluska, Laurel Grove, Liberty, Maple Grove, Oak Grove, Olive, Panther Creek, Peachtree, Pigeon, Pleasant Balsam, Ratcliffe Cove, Richland, Riverside, Rocky Branch, Rocky Face, Rock Spring, Sunny Point, Woodland and Waynesville, First.

No Polio Reported In Haywood

The Health Department reported Monday afternoon that no cases of polio had been reported in Haywood county.

In this connection, Dr. Mary B. Michal, district health officer, issued a statement, pointing out suggestions for use in this area. Dr. Michal's statement is as follows:

"Due to our unusual situation this summer in two respects, first as an area adjacent to a poliomyelitis epidemic area in the center of the state, and the potential epidemic area of Asheville, and second as a tourist area receiving a large population of transient and long-term tourists, we feel it important to stress several points:

"1. The greatest care must be exercised in all foodhandling hygienic measures as possible, stressing particularly:

"(a) Most careful handwashing by all employees, particularly after going to toilet.

"(b) Care to in every way keep food, and the dishes and utensils used in serving it, absolutely clean.

"2. Very careful fly control with:

"(a) Screening.

"(b) Proper use of five per cent DDT.

"(c) Garbage is not being cared for as it should be. All garbage is to be carried out as neatly as possible."

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Record Crowds Hear 2 Principles In Capital Case Testify In Court

Defendant and Plaintiff Tell Special Jury About The Case

Backwoods first capital criminal case in about 12 years got underway exactly at noon Monday, after ten hours was spent in selecting 12 jurors for the case of Lewis Wright, charged with rape. Judge H. Hoyle Sunk is the presiding judge and this was the first case in the second week of July term of court.

With four lawyers appearing for the plaintiff and five for the defendant, court observers believed the case would hardly get to the jury before Wednesday, unless something unforeseen arises.

Every seat in the court room was filled, and standing room was at a premium. Judge Sunk warned the huge crowd on several occasions that "This is no vaudeville, and you must remain quiet."

Mrs. Gertrude Sharp Pressley took the stand right at noon. She is a frail, 23-year-old woman, weighing about 110 pounds.

She told the court that while waiting for a Canton city bus about 7:45 on the night of Saturday, March 6, that Lewis Wright drove up and offered to take her home. She said it was raining hard, and she accepted the offer of the ride.

Instead of going straight to my house he turned and went through Highland Park and on out a dirt road. He drove to the side of the dirt road, and without warning, shoved me down on the front seat, ripped my underclothes and raped me. Afterwards, he said I had better not tell, and he then drove me (Continued on Page Eight)

10 Take Civil Service Exams

Ten applicants took a civil service examination here Saturday for places in the Waynesville post office. Postmaster J. H. Howell said he had an opening for a substitute clerk, and for two substitute city carriers.

Herman Francis is secretary of service board and had charge of the examinations.

Florida Man Buys The Gordon Home

The Gordon home and farm just off the Balsam road was sold at auction by Penny Brothers Monday morning. The 300-acre farm, with the home, brought about \$45,000. The home was bought by Charles T. Walker, of Orlando, Fla. The farm was bought by several individual parties.

Rep. Redden Says 'Farmers Are Bulwark of Democracy'

"The farmer today is the greatest freer from foreign 'isms' and bulwark for democracy than anybody." The Congressman said that farming is "not only one of the more honorable things a man can do—it is becoming profitable."

Describing himself as an "apple-tree shade farmer," Rep. Redden told of his early days on the farm. He gave a humorous account of the farming he could do "lying under the shade of that old apple tree in the middle of the field."

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Large Attendance Present For School Of Missions This Week At Junaluska

The first in a series of seminars tonight (Tuesday, July 20) by Bishop Fred P. Conson of the Philadelphia area will officially open the annual session of the School of Missions and Christian Service held at Lake Junaluska. Bishop Conson will speak at 8 o'clock tonight and again at 11:30 on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings.

Registration for the School began this morning in Landboth Hall when Methodist women from the Southeast gathered for a week of intensive study of the missionary program both at home and abroad. Hotels and lodges are filled to capacity with students enrolled in the School. The theme of the week is "My Faith Shall Not Vanish."

Bishop Conson is one of the outstanding churchmen and the sons of the Methodist Church. The recipient of many degrees, he held pastorates for a number of years.

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Garbage On Street Must Be Held In Metal Container

G. C. Ferguson, town manager, reminded folks today that all persons placing garbage cans on the streets must use closed metal containers for food, decayed waste, or other material that would attract flies. All other material must be in substantial containers to avoid its scattering along the streets. This is a city ordinance by direction of the board of aldermen.

Committees Plan August Field Day

Committees are working overtime to get all plans formulated for the Farm and Home Field Day to be held at the Jack McCracken farm near the Bethel school on July 28th. All committees appointed by the General Committee are getting their demonstrations lined up.

Demonstrations on renovating old permanent pastures and seeding with Ladino clover and orchard grass, and Ladino clover and Fescue, will be held; also demonstrations in the use of 2-4-D weed killer on Canadian thistles, poison ivy, etc., and the proper nozzles to use in applying this material. There will be demonstrations on seeding alfalfa, building fences, staining barns, building permanent and temporary silos, etc.

On the home side there will be demonstrations on sanding and waxing floors, proper arrangement of the kitchen, painting rooms, and landscape architecture.

Cpl. Stillwell OK In Germany, Tells Mother On Phone

Mrs. W. C. Stillwell of Hazelwood had a most enjoyable talk with her son, Cpl. "Bob" Stillwell on Friday evening. The exciting thing about this conversation was that Cpl. Stillwell was in Frankfurt, Germany, and his mother was in Hazelwood, Mrs. Stillwell said that every word between the two was perfectly distinct.

Cpl. Stillwell has been in the service for seven years, and has been located in Germany for the past three years. Immediately following the end of war with Germany, Cpl. Stillwell came home for a three months rest period. Previous to this, he had been located in Italy and Africa.

One of the first things "Cpl. Bob" told his mother was to send him The Mountaineer.

Robert Sutton Is Under \$5,000 Bond

Robert L. Sutton, former barber shop operator here, is under a \$5,000 bond, charged with violation of the Mann Act, and is slated to appear in Federal court in Bryson City in the November term.

A hearing was given Sutton before U. S. Commissioner W. H. Noland here last week, after Sutton had voluntarily called officers that he was ready for a hearing. Sutton is represented by W. R. Francis and John M. Queen.

The charge states that Sutton is charged with causing a 13-year-old girl to be transported from Waynesville to Knoxville in April of 1947 for immoral purposes.

Redden Does Not Want OPA Back

"I do not want OPA back, but feel that something must be done to halt rising prices," Rep. Monroe M. Redden said here Saturday in discussing legislation facing Congress when it convenes on July 26th. "Unless there is a halt, there is grave danger of driving commodities into the black market."

"A halt must be put on prices, because prices that are too high, or prices that are too low, can throw any country into our greatest depression."

Rep. Redden is against the pending Federal Housing plan, because he says if the government starts numerous building projects it will take all the skilled labor, and building materials, and leave the small man who wants to build or repair "out in the cold."

Rep. Redden said the Republicans term the special session of Congress as a political move, and fear the Democrats will make a gain during the time.

He would not venture a guess as to how long he expects the term to continue.

Police Blotter Is Family Affair Over Week-End

To the city police and health office, the week-end looked like Family Night.

People weren't coming to bed by themselves. They were leaving their families in with them.

Among the 32 persons booked over the weekend were the following:

A father and daughter, charged with being drunk.

A husband, wife and son, charged with being drunk and disorderly.

A mother and daughter, charged with leaving in front of the health department's general clinic.

The police failed to see the advantage of holding family reunions at the jail house.

Highway
Record For
1948
(To Date)
In Haywood
Injured . . . 23
Killed . . . 3
(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

Traffic Heavy; Car Turns Over

Traffic was unusually heavy on Highway 19 and 19-A over the week-end, according to Patrolman O. R. Roberts. No accidents were reported in the area.

Patrolman W. D. Sawyer reported that a 1935 Plymouth, driven by Ray Walter Cabe, 15, turned over down a 10-foot embankment near Bethel Sunday. Cabe was charged with driving without a license. He was not injured.

Bethel Cannery Opens Thursday

The Bethel Cannery will open Thursday, according to M. C. Nix, director of the plant.

New equipment has been installed at the cannery to speed the canning of certain fruits.

Assisting Mr. Nix in the operation will be Betty Bradley, home economics teacher, and Mrs. Joe Beverage.

No food will be processed, stated Director Nix, after 2 p. m.

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