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## Registration Board May Call New Poll Registration

### Enrollment Slightly Above Last Report Shows

Schools in Canton will open doors on Monday. Enrollment is slightly above last report.

Between 2,700 and 2,800 school children in the Canton area will begin classroom work on Monday morning, it was announced by A. J. Hutchins, superintendent, yesterday.

The book room opened yesterday, and will remain open today and Saturday, for all students to get their necessary books. Mr. Hutchins stressed the importance of getting the books before Monday, as the room will be used as a classroom after Saturday.

There is a possibility that there will be a delay in opening the new colored school, due to the unfinished plumbing work. Efforts are being made to get the plumbing fixtures installed by Monday, Mr. Hutchins said.

There are 5 white elementary, and 1 white high school in the Canton district, and 1 colored high, and 1 colored elementary school. This is the only colored high in the county, and students from here will go down by bus daily.

The Canton district will have 81 teachers this year, with all positions filled, Mr. Hutchins said.

Colorful Program Lines Up For Folk Festival

A colorful program of music and entertainment is planned for the first Haywood Folk Festival to be held at the Canton high school athletic field on Sept. 20-22.

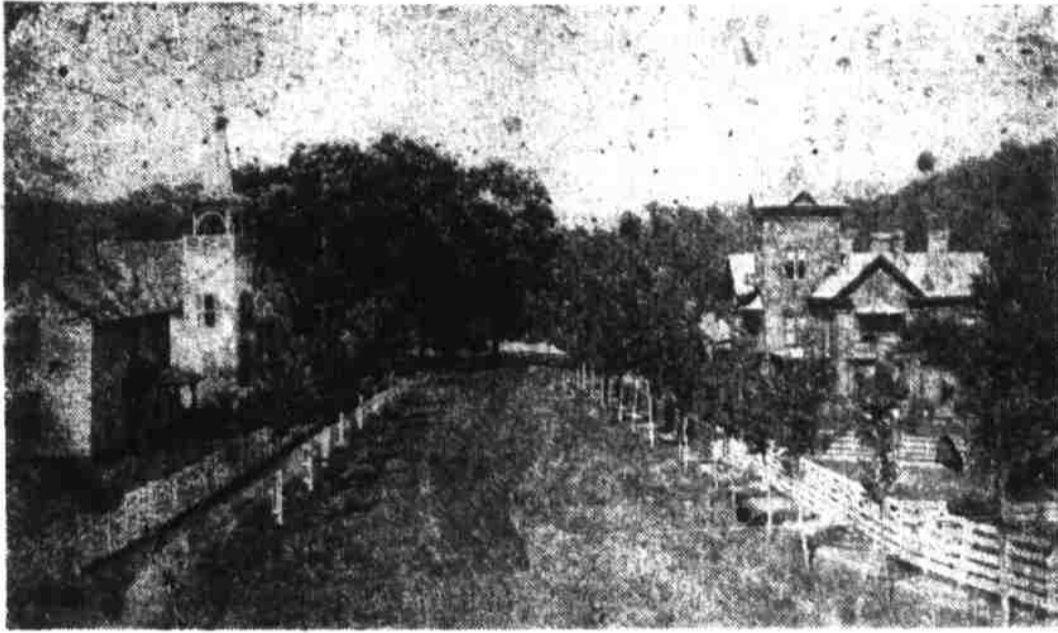
Square dance teams, string bands and several outstanding individual entertainers are lined up for the event.

The Edwards-Clark-Messer post of the VFW in Canton is sponsoring the affair.

Local Civil Engineer To Spend Few Weeks On Surveying Large Dam

W. H. Carrington, local civil engineer, leaves Sunday to do some special work on the large Clark Hill Dam in Georgia. He expects to return to his office here in about two weeks.

Back In The Old Days, Main Street Was Fenced In



If you happened to have been traveling down Main Street here about sixty years ago, this is what you would have seen—do you recognize the spot? This picture was made from where the Hotel LeFame now stands, looking towards the Presbyterian church on the left. It was torn down about 1900. The house just this side is the old Lush Tate house, now the Towne House, and the building on the right was the Capt. Alden Howell home, later he converted it into a boarding house and then the Hotel Gordon, with additions added. Note the fence across the lower part of what is now Main Street. This photograph from the collection of Mrs. Ida V. Brown, of route one.

### Belk-Hudson Adding Even More Space In Expansion

As workmen started excavating for the enlarged Belk-Hudson building here this week, engineers made some last-minute changes in the plans, and will add an additional 800 square feet to the original plans, which were to treble the store, J. C. Jennings, manager, said yesterday.

"After checking on some features of the present building, it was decided to extend the present building back 26 1/2 feet further, in addition to adding 15 feet in width, and making the entire basement a sales floor," Mr. Jennings said. "This extension to the back will give us 800 more square feet of sales space than was first planned when we decided to treble the present building," he continued.

Excavating has started on the outside, while other crews will dig out the basement under the present building.

### Rathbone Is On Honor Cruiser

Lewis J. Rathbone, boatswain's mate, second class, USN, of Waynesville, is serving aboard the light cruiser USS Providence, which has just been awarded the Battle Efficiency Pennant and "E" for her general excellence throughout the fiscal year July 1, 1947 to July 1, 1948. His ship was the only light cruiser so honored in the entire U. S. Navy.

This qualifies him to wear the Battle Efficiency "E" badge on his uniform, an old peacetime practice in the Navy revived with this recent award.

### Baptists Number 5,123 In Haywood Now, Says Survey

There are 5,123 Baptists attending 36 churches in Haywood county, a survey taken at the recent Sunday School revival and released today by Miss Daphne Boone of the Baptist associational shops.

The survey was organized by workers from the State Baptist headquarters in Raleigh and by county Baptist leaders.

Sunday school enrollment in Haywood churches, the survey states, has risen to 5,796, but during the past quarter the average attendance in Sunday Schools has been around 3,000.

During the two week Sunday School revival, attendance in the classes was 2,823 the first Sunday and 2,795 on the second.

Possibilities for Baptist church members in the county was estimated at 13,388 by the workers.

A compact Sunday School group of workers has 419 members, with

### Haywood Baptist Pledges Assures Quota For The New Wake Forest College

Leaders of Haywood Baptist churches underwrote a sum Tuesday night, which assured state leaders of raising \$1,000,000 for the new Wake Forest at Winston-Salem. The goal was about \$25,000 short of the goal on Tuesday, when Horace Eason, director of the campaign, presented the plan before the Haywood leaders at a supper meeting in the Wake Memorial building Tuesday evening.

### Farm Bureau To Lay Plans for Campaign

Plans for a membership drive will be laid Saturday morning at 11 o'clock when the Haywood county Farm Bureau and the Woman's Auxiliary hold a joint meeting in the county courthouse.

### Miss Johnston Wants Ideas For Bookmobile Stops

Miss Margaret Johnston, county librarian, has asked for suggestions from the rural communities for suitable places to be used as stops for the bookmobile.

### Want Ad Sold More Windows...

Several weeks ago Hugh Masie sold a number of windows and screens the same day he used a small want ad in The Mountaineer.

### Large Truck Goes Off Alley Bank

A large crowd gathered Tuesday afternoon to watch workmen pull a transport tractor-trailer unit out of alley embankment. The right back wheels of the trailer slipped off the embankment, and it appeared for a time that the loaded unit might topple over.

### Haywood Ministers Will Meet Monday

The Haywood County Ministerial Association will meet at Long's Chapel at Junaluska on Monday at 12:30 p. m.

### Arrests Of Drunks Starts Off Heavy

With 32 arrested on charges of being drunk in August, Waynesville police reported yesterday that September looked to be another heavy month, with 26 already on the police docket on drunken charges.

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### 150 Saw McCrackens Get 'Master Farm' Award At Ceremony On Thursday

Surrounded by the flourishing fields and green pastures that were proof of their successful farming, Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. McCracken and their children stood in their front yard Thursday morning and received a plaque proclaiming them a "Master Farm Family"—one of the nine best farm families in the state.

Approximately 150 proud neighbors and friends were on hand to observe the award ceremonies. Sitting under the trees in the McCracken yard they heard the "master family" given due praise for their achievements by farm leaders from the county and state.

### Wind And Rains Damage Crops

Heavy winds and rain in the Clyde area over the week-end blew down a great deal of corn and cane, doing considerable damage, farmers reported.

Many bushels of apples which were not yet ripe were blown off the trees. They were bruised and now good only for hog feed, one farmer said.

### Last Service Will Be Held Sunday In Dellwood Church

Sunday's services in the present Dellwood church will be the last in the old building, it was announced yesterday by Rev. J. E. B. Houser, pastor. The building was recently bought by J. M. Palmer, and the church in turn bought the old school building, and will soon have a dedication service there.

Rev. Mr. Houser announced that Rev. Frank Leatherwood would preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, with Sunday school meeting as usual at 10 o'clock. A special invitation is extended to all former members, as well as the present membership, to attend this service.

### Funeral Men To Convene Today

Funeral directors from several points in the Western part of the state were due to meet at the Crawford home this morning for the annual Twelfth District of Funeral Directors and Burial Association meeting.

Mayor J. H. Way was scheduled to welcome the visitors. Lunch was to be served at 12:30, followed by a tour of interesting points in the area.

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### Local Woman Is Reporter At Nuremberg War Trials

"Yes, there is a lot of depression and misery over there. The people look hungry and they're not very happy. It certainly makes you glad to be back here again."

Miss Henrietta Love sat on her front porch on Love Lane last week and talked about the 16 months she spent in Germany with the government as a stenographer for the Nuremberg War Crimes court tribunal.

Miss Love looked around her at the shady Waynesville streets and Summer lawns, and decided that she'll take America anytime.

"It was interesting and all that," said she, "but I have no particular inclination to go back anytime soon."

The Waynesville woman has been working with the Civil Service for quite a while. The Nuremberg trials were just another assignment

to her, but a difficult assignment, she will admit.

### Heavy Vote Predicted For County In November

With Four Candidates On Presidential Ticket, Much Interest To Be Shown

The Haywood Board of Elections will meet Monday and make a decision on whether a new registration will be called for the November general election, or a revision be made of the present poll books, it was learned Thursday from Jerry Rogers, chairman of the board.

"There has been some discussion asking for a new registration, and the board will decide Monday just what is to be done," Mr. Rogers said.

The board is composed of Mr. Rogers, chairman, Claude Williams and J. A. Singleton, with Mrs. Edith P. Alley, as secretary.

The board will also begin making plans for what looks to be one of the heaviest votes in a presidential election in the history of the county. In 1944 Haywood polled 10,893 votes for the two presidential candidates. Roosevelt got 7,776 and Dewey 2,917.

Now that the supreme court has ruled that the Dixiecrats can have their candidates on the presidential ticket—making four in all—the vote is expected to be extremely heavy, probably hitting 15,000 or better.

J. R. Morgan, member of the state board of elections, and here yesterday that there is every indication that the fact that the Dixiecrats will have a candidate on the presidential ballot in North Carolina will bring out many people who would probably otherwise stayed at home and will now vote for Thurmond, but it just means keener competition for all four candidates, and that always increases the vote.

Mr. Morgan was not surprised at the action of the Supreme Court in ruling against the previous action of the board of elections.

The state board will proceed at once to print more than a million and a half state presidential ballots, which will require more than a carload of paper. The ballots will be distributed at least 30 days prior to November 2, in order that absentee ballots can be given to those eligible.

In discussing absentee ballots, Mr. Rogers said that college students and other persons qualified to vote may register now with him if they will be absent during the regular registration period, which will be on October 9 to 16. Persons who have not registered previously but who will be 21 years of age on or before the November 2 general election and are otherwise qualified may register with the chairman if they will be out of the county during the registration period.

### Hazelwood Police Have Light Week

The Hazelwood police force had a comparatively light week, according to a report from Chief of Police John Woodward.

Among arrests made this week in Hazelwood were two drunks, one drunken driver, two speeders, and one man for failing to report an accident.

### Highway Record For 1948

(To Date)

In Haywood

Killed . . . . 4

Injured . . . 34

(This information compiled from Records of

Partly cloudy  
scattered thunder

Market

Wheat 52c to 55c	20-28c
15c	10c
32-36c	
1.75 to 2.00	
2.25 to 2.50	
17.00 to 19.00	
22.00 to 23.50	
22.00 to 24.50	
25.00 to 28.50	
27.00 to 28.00	
23.10 to 25.10	

SHOWERS

Min. Rainfall  
60 .05  
60 .05  
57