

# What Happened In Haywood County During 1948

## January

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## February

Poilo drive goes over top in Haywood county. Waynesville Board of Aldermen authorize the expenditure of \$24,000 for paving seven streets and enlargement of water line. Miss Edna McKay of Waynesville became the first woman to serve on a jury in the county. Phone rate hiked 25 cents per month in Waynesville. Two new schools are needed in county, grand jury reports. Bethel and Spring Hill need new buildings. Plans made to enlarge Clyde post office. REA gets \$75,000 for expansion in Haywood. Schools close as another heavy snow arrives. Leo Well named as chairman for the American Red Cross fund drive. Board of Education ready with \$1,500,000 school program. Groceries show price decline in local stores. Airport for county is proposed in federal plan. School holiday extended as 7-inch snow weakens county roads. Chamber of Commerce adopts largest post-war program. Fines Creek Workers seeking rural phone service. Stanley Henry was elected new secretary of Chamber of Commerce. Fox hunters bring state bench show to Waynesville. Gruet C. Davis becomes candidate for representative post. Public support is being sought for Cherokee historical drama. Lower Haywood phone line survey is underway.

## March

Drive gets underway to get 500 members in the county Farm Bureau. Baxter C. Jones, solicitor of this district, died of heart attack. Carl William Brock, Jr., is Haywood's "Leap Year Baby." Parkway work at Soco Gap slated to get underway in summer. Town awards \$20,000 paving contract to Asheville Paving company. Thad Bryson is appointed solicitor of 20th district. Sam Queen's Soco Gap square dancers and Carpenter string band leave for tour of Florida. Grading to start soon on Canton-Asheville road. Bryan Medford was named to manage J. M. Broughton's senatorial campaign in Haywood. O. P. Crews of Indiana takes over Haywood Mutual Canning Association. R. E. Sentelle is candidate for representative from Haywood county. Auto inspection lane will open here soon.

## April

Conferees held to settle strike at Waynesville Laundry. Herbert Singletary began work as assistant farm agent for the county. Mrs. Dock Brock of Hazelwood was indicted for murder in the fatal shooting of Mrs. Dora O'Neil. Sammy Haynes was county soil conservation speaking circuit. Telephone company to spend \$70,000 here in telephone installations and expansion of rural lines. Improvement program of \$150,000 is carried in Canton bond election. Lake Junaluska Methodist Assembly prepares for one of highest seasons in recent years. Committees instructed to elect teachers with Class A Certificates only. High school band chorus present annual spring concert. Fred Campbell named commander of local American Legion Post. Dr. Stretcher erects \$15,000 office building on Church street. Haywood workers draw highest wages of any in state. Haywood receives 1453 acres of burley allotment. \$252,000 security bond quota assigned for county. Eagle Stores modernize their local store, Miss Elizabeth Leatherwood is manager. Waynesville Laundry resumes operation after a month's strike. 2,000 ramp eaters gather at Black Camp Gap. IR Haywood county candidates meet filing deadline. Membership drive open for Chamber of Commerce \$12,000 budget is set. Waynesville high school boys chorus wins top rating in state contest. Welco Shoe Corporation is featured in Wall Street Journal. Recreation committee sets 603 of program between \$200,000 and \$250,000 for Waynesville and Hazelwood.

## May

One-third of names placed on petitions request a special bond election to provide funds for expansion of hospital. Blue Ridge Parkway will open again. James Kirkpatrick named president of county dairy group. The Rev. Edgar Gould is new rector of Grace Episcopal church here. Hazelwood houses are numbered. Work to start soon on \$75,000 building for Davis-Liner Motor Sales. Lee Davis named business manager of hospital. Everett Enterprises have taken over management of the Strand Theatre. W. P. Whitesides resigns as principal at Bethel High School. Junior Chamber of Commerce to organize. W. G. Byers succeeds C. E. Brown as chairman of the Haywood county Democratic executive committee. Survey crews open survey on line for road from Waynesville to Newport. Jerry Rogers is named chairman of the county board of elections. Harry "Blue" Robinson named president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Dave Cabe, alderman and mayor pro-tem, died after a long illness. Census reveals that county has 7 non-white farmers. Town officials plan to cut the commercial power rate about 20 per cent. Hugh Leatherwood, C. E. Brown and W. G. Byers, honored at state meeting of Democrats. 89 high school seniors receive diplomas at graduation exercises. Rev. M. R. Williamson delivered the baccalaureate sermon. The will of Josephus Daniels is filed with the Haywood clerk of court.

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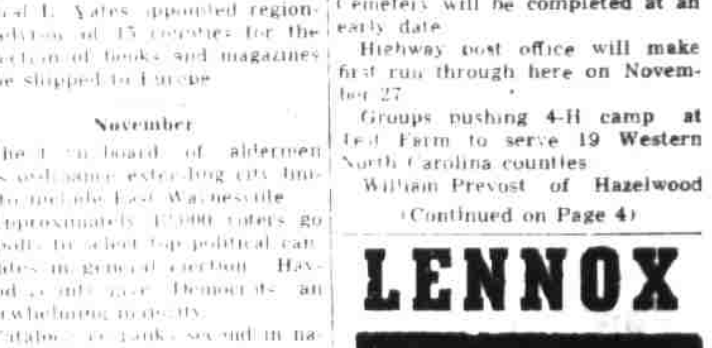
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