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UNCLE ABE SEZ...
Do sump'n an' be crilly-sized; do nothin' an' be forgot—
I reckon that's wusser.

Huge Crowds Attend Services On Easter

Is It Straight?



Little 3-year-old Margaret Ann Worthington heard a lot about Easter hats during the past few weeks, so last week she got an idea of her own—she wasn't going to be outdone. She got her doll's hat, and sitting before a mirror started primping. Her father snapped this picture just as she turned around. She was among the hundreds attending church Sunday but in a different outfit than what she selected herself. Margaret Ann is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Worthington, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Worthington, and Mr. and Mrs. George Craig.

Damage By Frost Yet Unknown

Opinion was divided today about the damage the week end's sub-freezing temperatures and frost may have caused Haywood County's fruit crops. Orchardists generally held the opinion that it was too early to tell. Some predicted the damage would take two thirds of the apple, grape, and other crops, while others recalled that blossoms had turned brown under the frost in other years but the fruit emerged undamaged. The mercury tumbled to a paralyzing 19 degrees early yesterday and climbed no higher than 63 during the day, the Test Farm Weather Station reported. That minimum was 12° lower than Saturday's lowest reading. The day before Easter, however, was colder generally, as cloudy skies kept the temperature from going above 45 degrees all day. Last Thursday, the temperature dropped to 45 but reached a comfortable 73 later, the next day, the mercury went no lower than 55 and recorded a maximum 70 during the day.

400 Attend Fiddlers Convention

The Lumber Jacks String Band and Fiddler Bob Rich took top honors in the fourth annual Fiddler Convention at the Maggie School Friday night. The 400-odd spectators from seven western counties who crowded the auditorium to hear the 100 musicians compete paid a net \$100 toward the school's new spinet piano. Mrs. Lee Evans, Maggie Parent-Teachers Association president, reported today that another \$106 came in from the food that the music-lovers bought. This went into prizes for the competing musicians. The Lumber Jacks took first place in the band competition, while Mr. Rich was judged best among individual performers, giving Maggie citizens a clean sweep of the top prizes. Canton's Haywood Ramblers finished a close second to the Lumber Jacks, and the Sylva String Band placed third in the unit division. Cal Messer finished second and Uncle Billy Evans placed third in the individual competition. The Maggie School Elementary and Primary Grade Rhythm Bands of 28 pieces each, formed only this year, had no intention of competing in the contest. But the school musicians, directed by Mrs. Estelle Allison and Mrs. Corwin, played so well that the judges awarded them honorable mention anyhow. Also given honorable mention were: the Cataloochee Band, Morris Quartet, Moore Sisters, Soco Laska Trio, Setzer Singers, Bill Moore, the Whidden Band, the Accordion Players, Gospel Boogie and the Hoot-Nanny String Quartet. Mrs. Edith P. Alley and Mrs. Jess Crouser, both of Waynesville; and Mrs. Harry McCracken of Hazelwood and Dave Boyd of Jonathan Creek judged the performances. Presiding as master of ceremonies was Maggie School Principal R. R. Ferguson.

Named Officer

Dr. Hugh S. Danfel of Waynesville, was elected secretary-treasurer of the mountain district, N. C. Society of Optometrists at the monthly district meeting in Asheville last week.

Gets New Trial; Transfer To Swain

Will try to win a new trial for the murder of a woman in Swain County. The case was transferred from Haywood County to Swain County for trial.

Boosters Club To Sponsor July 4th Program Again

The Hazelwood Boosters Club have voted \$100 for improving and renovating a room at the Hazelwood County Hospital. The action was taken Thursday night when 40 members of the club met for their regular monthly meeting. M. H. Bowles, is president. Rev. M. L. Lewis and Rev. Paul Throver stressed the importance of the community joining in the Church Loyalty Program, which is now in progress in Hazelwood. The special committee in charge of the Fourth of July program will make a detailed report at the next meeting of plans for the program this year.

Guy Messer Joins Police Force Here

Guy Messer, former member of the police force, is back at his old job again. Policeman Messer went to the Canton force eight months ago. He returned here Saturday. There are now four men, and Chief Noland on duty, since Jerry Rogers is off on leave of absence due to illness.

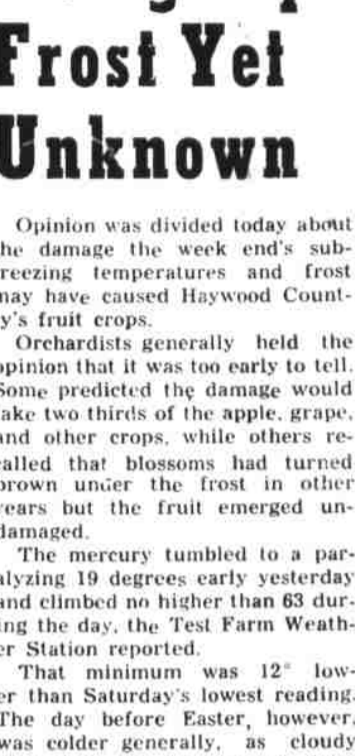
BOARD MEETS TUESDAY

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet at 7:30 Tuesday night at the office. James L. Kilpatrick is president.

Waynesville High Singers Leave Today For State Festival At WCUNC

Waynesville High School Band Director Charles Isley and 18 singers left today for Greensboro where the students will take part in the State Music Festival. Before he left, Mr. Isley said the other members of the school's 50-piece band would leave Thursday. Most of the singers are members of the band, which will compete Friday for state-wide honors against Central High School of Charlotte and High Point High.

Lead Jonathan Creek Program



Four of the principal officers in the Jonathan Creek Community Development Program are, left to right, Chairman Fred Allison, Mrs. Marvin Leatherwood, secretary; Mrs. John Williams, vice-chairman; and Bill Boyd, treasurer. Mrs. Roger Ferguson, reporter, was absent when this photo was taken.

Davis Says Time For Adjournment Of Assembly Near

Representative Grover C. Davis of Haywood said here Saturday, action on the general appropriations bill will determine whether the General Assembly adjourns the 1949 session this week or not. "If the House concurs (in the Senate-cut bill), we'll be home by Saturday night," he said. But if it doesn't, he indicated, the session will continue indefinitely. If the house doesn't approve the senate's treatment Friday which includes cutting more than \$21,482,000 from the House-approved version, then it will mean further committee debate before the bill gets final action.

Mail Route To Hazelwood Gets U. S. Approval

Hazelwood will be added to the U. S. Mail star route from Asheville to Waynesville. U. S. Rep. Monroe Redden of Hendersonville was told by U. S. Post Office Department officials that his request for the extension has been approved. The request was submitted on the suggestion of T. B. Sharpe, an official of the Welco Shoe Company of Hazelwood.

CAR TURNS OVER

Police and Patrolman Jeff May were investigating a car which turned over near Grimsall Park drive shortly before noon Monday. Witnesses said the car ran on the bank and turned over. Damage was estimated at \$100. No one was injured, officers reported.

Mrs. Peeler Hurt In Street Fall

A strong gust of wind blew slight, elderly Mrs. Caroline Peeler of Clyde, route 2, to the sidewalk in front of the Court House Friday morning. After being X-rayed at Haywood County Hospital, Mrs. Peeler was sent to Aston Park Hospital in Asheville for special treatment of a fractured hip.

\$200 Cow Killed While In Search For Her Calf

On Friday afternoon, Lester Burgin, Sr., got a young \$200 milk cow in trade for one of his beef stock. That night, the cow was dead and an auto was badly damaged. State Highway Patrolman Jeff May reported that the cow was struck and killed at 10 p. m. on the Dellwood Road by a 1940 Ford coupe driven by 20-year-old Lloyd Pluney of Traveler's Rest, S. C. Pluney and his three companions escaped injury but the car sustained \$75 to \$100 damages, according to the officer's estimate. The patrolman quoted the driver as saying he did not see the cow until he dimmed his lights for another auto approaching from the west. Then, he added, it was too late to stop. The cow's own motherly anxiety contributed to her death. The son of the owner said she broke out of the pasture to look for her calf.

Special Haywood Farm Edition In The Making

Within a short time, The Mountaineer will publish a complete Farm Edition for Haywood county. Work is well underway on the edition, and several hundred pictures will be used, illustrating every phase of farm life in the county. Articles covering every community will also be a part of this supplement. Special articles by specialists, as well as leaders in various communities will be a vital part of the edition. Only a limited number of copies of the edition will be published over the already large circulation of The Mountaineer.

Annual Ramp Convention Creating Much Interest

This is not an election year, but at least a thousand people are expected at Black Camp Gap next Sunday for the 18th annual Ramp Convention. If the weather is good. Meanwhile, North Carolina Secretary of State Thad Eure indicated he would be able to keep his engagement as principal speaker at the convention. And if the General Assembly adjourns this week, other state officials, including Haywood Representative Grover C. Davis, are expected. Register of Deeds Bryan Medford, reports that Troy West, Weaverville auctioneer, would set up his public address system for the principal speaker and for others who may want to speak. Mr. Medford, C. E. Williams of Canton, Floyd Woody of Canton, and Bill Palmer continued working this week on the arrangements for the fragrant session. Also serving on the committee is Ned Moody, Haywood County mink raiser. With the political campaigning over until next year, the speech-making is not expected to be as heavy as it was at the 1948 session, veteran observers said. But one spokesman said that the convention may draw as many as last year's record 2,000 and possibly more. After all, they point out, the main purpose of a ramp convention is to eat ramps. However, the (See Ramps—Page 3)

Rev. W. Shook Died Sunday At Home Near Clyde

The Rev. Woodfin Shook, 75, retired Methodist minister, died Sunday at 3:30 p. m. at his home near Clyde, following a long illness. Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday at 1 p. m. at the Louisa Chapel near Clyde with the Rev. W. T. Medlin, and Rev. D. D. Gross, and Rev. C. C. Williams officiating. Interment will be in Pleasant Hill cemetery. Nephews will serve as pallbearers and nieces will be flower bearers. The Rev. Mr. Shook was a native and life-long resident of Haywood county. Surviving are three brothers, W. E. Shook and C. F. Shook of Clyde, and B. F. Shook of Knoxville. Arrangements are under the direction of Garrett Funeral Home.

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Rotarians Vote On 3 Projects

Friday was voting day for Rotarians here. First they voted to give \$25 to the Cancer drive. Then they voted to spend \$40 to send a high school senior to Boy's State, in Chapel Hill. And the climax of voting was naming seven directors for the coming year. The board of directors will name the officers, who will assume office July first. The seven-member board named Friday was R. N. Barber, Jr., M. H. Bowles, Dave Felmet, Johnny Johnson, James L. Kilpatrick, Jack Messer and Jonathan Woody. Hallett Ward, who has served as president since last July, will be a member of the board, and will serve as vice-president next year.

16 Grade A Dairies Under Construction In Haywood County

Shortly after the Haywood County Community Development Program got underway, the Program's Dairy Commission set a goal of 50 new Grade A dairies to be established during the following year. With less than three months gone since organization work started on the program, more than 16 new Grade A barns are now under construction, County Agent Wayne Corpening reports. "I think the goal will be reached," Mr. Corpening declared. Commission Chairman Frank Davis added that he expects the goal for new barns will be passed. F. R. Farnham, North Carolina State College extension dairy specialist, who was here for a series of meetings, said that if the mark is reached, it will constitute the greatest number of Grade A barns he can recall having been built in a single year in a single county. Of the 16 new structures going up, seven of them are in the Iron Duff community, one of the first to organize for the county-wide program, the county agent said. These are being built by Hobart Greene, Andy Ferguson, Joe Haynes, Tom Chambers, Grover Hogan, Jarvis Caldwell, and Tom Bryson. Other new barns are being built through the rest of the county. Mr. Corpening said, as other communities push their dairy projects. Part of the county dairy campaign is the conversion of Grade C producers to Grade A production, the county agent explained. The job of promotion is a selling job on the part of members of the (See Dairies—Page 3)

Another Rogers - Another Big Trout

The honor of catching the first trout of the season goes to Wayne Rogers of Waynesville. It was a lulu - 22 inches long. Up at the crack of dawn Friday, the day the season opened, Wayne landed the brown beauty in Jonathan Creek, under the watchful eye of Brother Max, who set a new state record and possibly an Eastern mark when he caught a 33 1/2-inch rainbow trout in Glenville Lake last month. Calling the day their own legal holiday, the Rogers brothers and their companions, Ed Hill, James Messer and Fred Emory made a successful debut for the season, each catching the one-day limit of 10 fish. They reported that their first catches of the season were of "good size" mixed brown, speckled and rainbow varieties.

Mrs. Haney Catches A 19-Inch Trout

All the big ones were not caught by men, on opening day. Mrs. J. C. Haney landed a 19-inch rainbow trout out of Jonathans Creek with a minnow. The trout weighed 2 pounds 14 ounces.

Corpening Named President County Agriculture Group

Wayne Corpening, Haywood County Farm Agent, was elected president of the county Agricultural Workers Council at a meeting at the Court House Friday afternoon. M. C. Nix of Bethel was named vice-chairman, and Albert Ferguson of Crabtree, Triple-A secretary, was elected secretary-treasurer. The Council, composed of all salaried federal and state agricultural workers, meets the third Friday of each month. At the Friday night meeting, recommendations for the 1950 agricultural program were discussed.

Boy Scout Honor Court To Be Held Tonight At Clyde

The Pigeon River Boy Scout District Court of Honor for April will be held at 7:30 p. m. at the Clyde Methodist Church today. Advance Chairman Donald Randolph of Canton reported.

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Injured . . . 12
(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol).

5-Year-Old Child First Highway Death In 1949

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Money Raised For School Musicians To Make Their Trip

The Appalachian State Teachers College band concert Thursday night netted the Waynesville High School band and singers just about \$35 toward financing their trip to Greensboro this week for the State Music Festival and band contest. Band Director Charles Isley explained that the boys' generosity kept the figure from being much larger. The Appalachian students were (See Money—Page 3)

Canton School Board Re-Elects A. J. Hutchins

A. J. Hutchins, who has served as Canton city school superintendent for the last 25 years, has been re-elected for another two-year term. School Board Chairman George M. Trostell, made this announcement last week-end.

Local Presbyterians To Attend Meeting

The pastors and ruling elders of the Asheville Presbytery will hold their stated Spring meeting tomorrow at the Swannanoa Presbyterian church, the Rev. Malcolm Williamson of Waynesville, Presbytery clerk, announced today. Mr. Williamson, Waynesville Presbyterian church pastor, and C. R. Eckhoff, the ruling elder of the Waynesville church, will attend the meeting which will open at 10 a. m. The Rev. Hoyt Evans, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church, who is retiring moderator, will preach the opening sermon. The delegates will hear the statistical reports of all the churches of the Presbytery for the last year.

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