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WAYNESVILLE, N. C. THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 5, 1949

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1949 American Mother



Mrs. Pearle Owens Gillis of Fort Worth, Texas, is the American Mother of 1949. This 60-year-old mother of six children was chosen for the honor by the American Mothers' Committee of the Golden Rule Foundation. She and her husband, who works for the Post Office Department, have four boys and two girls, all with musical talent. One son is a Baptist foreign missionary; another, a National Broadcasting Company production director; a third is a college professor, and the fourth is a music arranger and composer.

Hazelwood To Have Fire Dept.

May Civil Court Term Opens Mon.

Judge John H. Clement of Walkertown will start hearing civil cases for the May term on Monday in Haywood Superior Court. Forty-two jurors have been impaneled for the two-week term. Jurors drawn for the first week include: Waynesville, Carl Arrington, Mrs. S. E. Conatser, Ben Medford, Charles H. Gaddis, G. C. Ferguson, Mrs. J. H. Way, Jr., Don Allen, Joe F. Davis and R. V. Leatherwood; East Fork, W. P. Postom; White Oak, Walter C. Lane; Crabtree, Dillard Haney. Fines Creek, Carl S. Green; Ivy Hill, Guy Campbell; Jonathan Creek, Will J. Howell, L. N. Leatherwood and Julie Boyd; Clyde, Horace H. Anderson and C. D. Penland; Beaverdam, Monroe H. Silver, George H. Jones, W. W. Mitchell, Harley M. Robinson and J. Frank Queen. Jury for second week includes: Fines Creek, Marion Green, Glenn Noland and Joe Mauney; Jonathan Creek, H. C. Burgess; Crabtree, Paul Sanford; Beaverdam, Homer V. Cagle and Mable Glance; Iron Duff, Dennis Crawford and Joe A. Chambers; Clyde, Jake Sutton, Clarence Hill and R. C. Ledbetter; East Fork, Tom Burnette; Ivy Hill, Arthur White and W. S. Ferguson; and Waynesville, Lawrence Leatherwood, D. P. Pressley and Tom Queen.

Secretary



Dr. Frank P. Graham, North Carolina's freshman U. S. Senator, has appointed J. Richard Queen of Waynesville, as his executive secretary. Mr. Queen had been named to the same post by Senator J. M. Broughton. Dr. Graham's predecessor, who died shortly after he was sworn in. Dr. Graham decided to retain the late Senator's entire office staff.

Woody Defeats Murray For Mayor Of Canton

New Mayor

Floyd Woody was elected mayor of Canton in the Tuesday Municipal election as he upset Mayor J. Paul Murray by a vote of 806 to 694.

The voters put two candidates on the Murray ticket on the Board of Aldermen, but Alderman P. D. Deweese, another member of the ticket, was not re-elected.

Alderman A. B. Robinson, running on the Murray ticket, was re-elected, drawing 430 votes.

A. J. Reno, also running on the ticket, was elected to his first term as an Alderman, gaining 739 votes, while the voters named Sebe Plott, an independent, to the third post on the Board. Mr. Plott polled 714 votes.

The unsuccessful candidates for alderman, in addition to Mr. Deweese were M. C. Henson, who drew 503 votes; A. J. Anderson, 430; Haywood Young Democrats President F. C. Cogburn, 329; and Elmer Miller, 179.

A total of 1,542 citizens cast ballots in the election, approximately half the number registered in the city's two precincts.

City Solicitor T. A. Clark and Police Court Judge R. R. Mease, Sr., were re-elected of their offices without opposition.

The officials of the new administration were sworn in yesterday by the retiring mayor in the city court room. More than 100 people attended the ceremonies.



Floyd W. Woody is the new mayor of Canton. He defeated incumbent Mayor J. Paul Murray, who was seeking his third straight term, in the city election last Tuesday.

To Purchase Fire Truck; To Train 15 Volunteers

The Hazelwood Board of Aldermen voted yesterday to buy a fire truck, other equipment, build a fire house, and set up a volunteer department of fifteen members.

The board authorized Mayor Clyde L. Fisher to place the order for a truck, costing about \$9,000 fully equipped.

Mr. Fisher said that plans for constructing a building for the truck and department would be worked out in a few days. The size of the building depends somewhat on the size of the equipment as well as some other features, he explained. There is a possibility that a two story building will be erected, with living quarters on the second floor for a full-time fireman. This will be determined later. It was pointed out. The building will be on town property near the Presbyterian church on Main Street.

A specialist will be brought in to train a volunteer department of fifteen men, Mr. Fisher said. The training period will not start for some time. "We will give due notice of that at the right time," he explained.

Mr. Fisher said this morning that he had contacted some builders of fire equipment, and had learned he could get delivery within 90 days after the order had been placed.

At present, Hazelwood has a contract with Waynesville for fire protection. The ten-year contract expires in about a year.

Just what affect, if any, the fire department in Hazelwood will make on insurance rates was not known, Mr. Fisher said.

Awaiting Bond Election Results

Board Defers Decisions On School Building Pleas

Ratcliffe Heads School Masters

Carl Ratcliffe was elected president of the Waynesville School Masters Club at a meeting at Patrick's Restaurant Monday night.

He succeeds M. C. Nix of Bethel school.

E. J. Evans was elected vice-president; and Frank Rogers, secretary-treasurer.

The members heard State Representative Grover Davis of Haywood tell of the legislation which the 1949 General Assembly enacted that effects schools.

On the lighter side, the Waynesville Township high school quartet entertained the group with several songs.

Pharmacy Case Continued Till May 10

Preliminary hearing on breaking, entering, and larceny charges against Billy Robinson of near Clyde and J. C. Houston of Clyde has been rescheduled for Tuesday in Clyde Police Court.

Judge N. C. West last Monday continued the hearing until then on motion of Defense Attorney Charles Smathers of Canton.

The charges against the two youths arose from the break-in of the Clyde Pharmacy the night of March 12 when four cameras and 20 cartons of cigarettes were taken.

15 Taxed On Drunk Charges

Mayor J. H. Way, Jr., presiding as police court judge last Monday, ordered 15 defendants charged with drunkenness to pay court costs of \$12.60 each.

The defendants had been taken into custody over the weekend.

The cost of trying to save a couple of minutes amounted to \$20 for one motorist. He was fined \$10 and ordered to pay court costs of \$10 more on a speeding charge.

Hazelwood Firms Given State Safety Awards

Two Hazelwood firms today were presented with safety awards of the North Carolina Department of Labor.

Certificate for work in preventing industrial accidents was presented by the Department's Seventh District labor inspector, George W. King, to the England Walton Division of the A. C. Lawrence Leather Company.

The Haywood County Board of Education last Monday deferred action on school building requests pending the outcome of the June bond elections.

Large delegations representing the Maggie and Spring Hill schools appeared with smaller delegations from other county schools before the board at the meeting Monday to plead for new buildings or improvements to the old ones.

Members of the board and County Superintendent Jack Messer agreed there was "no question" about the need for improvements of some type on virtually every one of the 20 schools in the county system.

But what improvements will be made, Mr. Messer said, depends on the amount of money that will be available.

The 1949 General Assembly has approved \$250,000 for the county system. If the voters authorize the (See School Board—Page 6)

Faster Mail To Big Creek Sought

Twenty-three residents of Big Creek and the lower end of the county are seeking a star mail route from Cove Creek to Mt. Sterling.

They made application through their attorney, T. L. Green, but had the proposition turned down, although the postmaster here and at Cove Creek had formally approved the project.

Mr. Green said the application would be renewed. At present mail going to Mt. Sterling must go to Asheville, then to Newport, Tenn., and up to Mt. Sterling the third day.

"Some of my clients live six miles from the post office, but live right on highway No. 284," Mr. Green said.

Mr. Messer Re-Elected County School Head

Jack Messer was re-elected Haywood County superintendent of schools and R. T. Messer, chairman of the County Board of Education Monday.

The members of the Board took the action during their meeting to effect routine biennial reorganization.

The chairman and the superintendent were named for new terms of two years each.

The terms of the other members of the board, Homer V. Cagle of Canton and W. V. Davis of Crabtree, will not expire until April 1951. The tenure of office for these men are four years each.

The members of the board also appointed members to the six school committees for the county for the next two years.

The committeemen will elect (See Jack Messer—Page 6)

The War Department last Monday notified Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams of Waynesville that the body of their son, who was killed in action in World War II, was being returned from Europe.

The message did not say when it would reach this country.

Sergeant Frank R. Williams, Jr., a graduate of Canton High School, died when his B-17 bomber was shot down over Germany on March 17, 1945.

He had enlisted in May, 1943 when he was 18 years old.

Garrett Funeral Home will make the arrangements for the final services.

Clean-Up Campaign To Start With Parade Here Monday Morning At Ten

Police Warn Dog Owners Of Towns

Owners of stray dogs in Hazelwood stand to be fined and their dogs apprehended if the animals are allowed to run loose without a license tag and certificate of vaccination against rabies, it was announced this morning by Chief Woodard of Hazelwood.

A similar warning was issued by Chief Orville Noland in Waynesville a short time ago.

There are ordinances in both towns against letting dogs run at random, and officers are warning that owners will be haled into court unless the practice is stopped.

A parade led by the high school band will mark the beginning of the annual Clean-Up drive in Waynesville and Hazelwood. The parade will start marching at ten o'clock, it was announced by G. C. Ferguson, general chairman.

City officials of both towns are helping to promote the campaign, and announced yesterday that extra trucks, and special crews will be used in order to remove all trash and garbage put out where it can be easily picked up.

Should the crews miss anything on their routine rounds the town officials of both towns urged that the town hall be called and a crew would be dispatched to get the material.

As a special feature of the campaign, school children will be given an opportunity to get a free pass to the Strand or Park Theatres here for the 11 o'clock Saturday show. Each school has been given a supply of pledges, and all a child has to do to get into the show free is to get the signatures of ten people who agree to cooperate in making the community cleaner.

The pledges are on one slip of paper, and these will be exchanged for a pass by a policeman at both theatres for the 11 o'clock show Saturday. Showing at the Strand is Allan "Rocky" Lane in "Sundown in Santa Fe," plus "Gangs of Chicago" and a color cartoon and chapter No. 5 of "Ghost of Zorro."

At the Park will be Bill Boyd as Hopalong Cassidy in "Strange Gamble" and "Hit The Road" with the Dead End Kids.

Saturday Girl Scouts will distribute literature and placards to places of business.

The Chamber of Commerce, through Miss Mary Lu Elwood, assistant secretary, is cooperating with the Clean-Up campaign.

The campaign will get underway Monday, and continue through the 16th.

Officials of both towns urged that citizens clean up their premises. The special committee will make an inspection on the 9th and again on the 16th. Places that have not been cleaned by then will be subject to legal action as prescribed by ordinances of the two (See Clean-Up—Page 6)

New Contract Signed For Laundry Workers

AFL union officials and the operators of the Waynesville Laundry yesterday signed a new work contract.

The new contract, which a union spokesman said differs little from the former agreement, was approved unanimously by members of the local in a secret ballot taken at a meeting after it was signed.

The agreement will become effective Saturday for a year and affects 36 union workers at the plant.

The major change from the old contract is that the employees will be paid for the actual time they work. Under the former agreement, payment of wages was made for a minimum 5½ day work week, regardless of the actual time the employee spent on the job.

Prior to the time the new contract was signed, the owners installed four more large fans and several smaller ones to improve the ventilation in the plant.

The contract was signed by Fred (See Laundry—Page 6)

Officers Inducted By Jaycees

The new officers of the Waynesville Junior Chamber of Commerce were inducted formally Monday night at a dinner meeting at the Waynesville Dining Room.

Outgoing President Harry Robinson, presided over the meeting, which also featured discussion of plans for the next dinner meeting as a ladies' night event in June and for attending the weekend State Jaycees convention in Asheville.

R. L. Burgin, Jr., took office as president of the Junior Chamber, succeeding Mr. Robinson.

Robert Korte was inducted as the new vice-president; Tony Jones as treasurer; Bill Dover, secretary; Charles Woodard, State director; Bill Porter and Bill Norris, directors for two years; and George West and Herb Singletary, directors for one year.

2 Incubators Given Hospital By Lions

The Lions Club tonight will present formally two modern incubators to the Haywood County Hospital.

Members of the Hospital Board will receive the gift at the Lions Club's regular meeting at the Towne House.

Cattle, Tobacco Will Be Discussed At Session Here Saturday

A Haywood County Farm Bureau meeting will be held at 10:30 a. m. Saturday for a discussion of beef cattle, dairying, and tobacco problems.

Marshall Kirkpatrick, a Crabtree community dairyman, will report in regard to the dairy cattle situation, and George Stamey of Pigeon will discuss beef cattle conditions.

Both men represented the Haywood Farm Bureau at last week's district meeting in Statesville sponsored by the N. C. Farm Bureau Federation.

Current burley tobacco warehouse charges and commissions also will come up for discussion. The questions about what action tobacco farmers want to take on these matters will be answered then.

Presiding over the meeting will be Charles B. McCrary, president of the Haywood Farm Bureau.

Officials of the county organization urged all farmers, whether or not they are members, to attend this meeting.

Home Agent Sees Need For Farm Edition

Assistant County Home Demonstration Agent Elise DeLozier describes the forthcoming Mountaineer Farm Edition as "something that the people in the county have needed and wanted."

The Farm Edition, Miss DeLozier added, will bring a clear understanding of the county-wide Community Development Program to the people of the county.

"It is a great help, in understanding something if we can see it in print," she declared.

The Mountaineer's special edition, Miss DeLozier added, will stimulate the formation of new ideas through its accounts of what the individual communities are doing in the program.

"Our communities," she added, "will only be as fine as, in our courage, we will make them fine, and by our courage the communities can be changed into the kind of communities we want them to be."

This issue is being anticipated with enthusiasm particularly by the women of the county, Miss DeLozier pointed out.

"Women, especially, have much enthusiasm for programs that have as their aim better homes, better farms, better communities, and a better county," she said.

Bank Program Today In County

Cross Blood in Haywood the first donors champion YMCA

10 Pay Costs In Drunk Cases At Canton Court

Canton Police Court Judge R. R. Mease ordered 10 defendants charged with public drunkenness to pay court costs of \$11 each last Monday.

One motorist paid \$10 in costs on a speeding charge.

The judge continued until next Monday hearings on several drunk driving cases before adjourning court.

Power To Be Off Two Hours On May 15

H. H. Burleson of the Carolina Power and Light Company, announces that the power will be off in Waynesville, Hazelwood, Lake Junaluska, Balsam and the R.E.A. lines on Sunday, May 15th, from 2 to 4 p. m.

Crabtree Methodists To Build Modern Church

The congregation of the Crabtree Methodist church have just bought a 2 acre site on top of the hill near the school on highway No. 209 for a modern new structure. The new church will seat about 300, and will include Sunday School rooms.

The building committee has announced that the building will cost between \$16,000 and \$18,000. Pledges totaling \$7,200 have already been made. The church has

already paid for the property for the new church.

Tentative plans are to get the blue prints by June first, and every effort will be made to move into the new building sometime during the fall. A decision has not been made as to whether the structure will be rock or brick. The architect is due in about a week and definite plans will be completed at that time.

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Highway Record For 1949 (To Date)

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

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