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UNCLE ABE SEZ . . .

No use for the Church to waste time on them 2 members what won't speak, one to the other—just turn 'em over to that ol' feller with horns on his head.

## Hospital Receives Blood Donation



—Photo by Ingram's Studios

Seven pints of blood donated in the American Red Cross Blood Program were delivered to the Haywood County Hospital last Friday afternoon by the Regional Blood Center at Asheville. The Asheville Center's administrative director, W. H. Kidd, right, presents a pint from the shipment to Dr. Tom Stringfield of the Hospital as Superintendent of Nurses Ellen Freeman looks on. The seven pints were part of the first donations made in Haywood County the day before by 56 volunteers at Canton. Canton Program Chairman Carl Anderson and B. A. Morris, blood custodian of the Asheville center, accompanied Mr. Kidd to Waynesville.

## First Blood Donations In Waynesville To Be Taken Next Tuesday

### Registration For Bond Election Was Light On Saturday

Registration for the bond election on June 4th was light last Saturday, according to Jerry Rogers, chairman of the Board of Elections.

"Only nine people registered in the two Waynesville wards," Mr. Rogers said. Registration books will be open again this Saturday and next for all persons who were not registered for the general election last November.

Yesterday the Haywood board received 22,000 ballots for the election.

## W. K. Moore Is University Alumni Four Counties

W. K. Moore, of Carolina, was elected vice-president; William Medford, Waynesville attorney, secretary-treasurer; and Charles Poindecker, Canton High School athletic director and former North Carolina tackle, director at large. Head Football Coach Carl Snavelly and Foundation President Fred Huffman of Morganton both declared in talks spiced with dry humor that all these scholarships don't go to football players.

The Tar Heel mentar pointed out that 17 of the boys who hold these scholarships at present are not athletes, many of the 100-odd holders are Phi Beta Kappa (national scholarship fraternity) members or (See Judge Moore—Page 3)

## TVA Leader Says Farm Program Will Be Reached By Proper Cooperation

"Just organizing is by no means getting the job done," W. M. Landess, agricultural educational director of TVA, told residents of Beaverdam and Hominy communities Tuesday night. "Organization is the first step towards setting up ways of attaining goals, and getting things done, when everyone is delegated to a job, and follows through to completion," the TVA specialist said,

as he discussed the value of the Community Development Program. Mr. Landess kept stressing the importance of every person taking an active part in a community program. He showed pictures of communities at work, and even the children were doing their part. He told of one boy whose job it was to take care of the lawn of his home. By proper application and (See TVA Expects—Page 3)

## 8 Divorces Granted In Civil Court

Judge John Clement granted eight divorces this week through Thursday noon, during the first week of the two-week May civil term of Haywood Superior Court.

Those granted were in the cases of Johnson vs. Johnson, Cordell vs. Cordell, Chambers vs. Chambers, Hendrix vs. Hendrix, Griffin vs. Griffin, Howell vs. Howell, King vs. King, and Bryson vs. Bryson.

In other cases the jury was called and a mistrial was ordered in the divorce suits of Clark vs. Clark and Freeman vs. Freeman.

A non-suit was taken in the Christopher vs. Christopher case; non-suit as to the plaintiff in the Williams vs. Gregory case; non-suit as to the plaintiff in the Blythe vs. Insurance Company case; the plaintiff took a non-suit in the Massie vs. Ketter case.

In the case of C. A. George vs. Mrs. Ernie C. Reeves, a verdict was given in favor of the plaintiff in that he is entitled to the possession of property and Reeves is to pay George \$100 per month for a period of eleven months for back rent. The defendant took an appeal to the Supreme Court.

In the case of Sara Fulbright vs. Hugh Leatherwood, the plaintiff recovered nothing from the defendant.

The court granted the Texas Company possession of the oil bulk plant in its suit against Carol Bell.

Elizabeth Norman Barber, a minor, was awarded \$1,635 in a consent judgment in her suit against Floyd Miller, trading as Miller Plumbing and Heating Company.

The suit in the case of Massie vs. Massie was dismissed.

As the Mountaineer went to press, the jury was deliberating the testimony in the suit of W. E. Patton against the Bowers Construction Company.

## Haywood To Get Historical Marker

Haywood county is to get one of the sixteen new historical markers, it has been announced by Dr. Christopher Crittenden, director of the State Department of Archives and History.

The one for Haywood will be erected at Morning Star, and will read: "Morning Star church. Organized by German Lutherans about 1825; Methodist since 1866."

## Congressional Group And Secretary Krug To Visit This Section

### Services Are Held Wednesday For G. C. Cooper

Grover C. Cooper, 62, of Canton, principal of the Lake Junaluska School, died Monday night in the Haywood County hospital after a short illness.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at Long's Chapel Methodist Church with the Rev. Paul H. Duckwall, pastor, and the Rev. C. W. Kirby officiating. Interment was in Bon-A-Venture Cemetery. (See G. C. Cooper—Page 3)

## 90-Year-Old Historian Finds 'Facts' After Searching Hard 7 Years

For many years, Prof. W. C. Allen, an educator and historian, has been convinced of an important date in the history of this State. He has devoted much of his time in trying to convince others that May 20, 1775 is the correct date of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

Seven years ago, when he was 83, he started out to find conclusive proof that he was right. He wanted enough proof to convince the world that he was right.

He traveled over the state, in fact into each of the 100 counties during the past three years in search for facts and authentic data on his quest.

Now, almost 90 years of age, he found just what he wanted, and almost in his own backyard.

In carefully checking source books in the Soudley Library in Asheville, he found two books that (See W. C. Allen—Page 3)

## Upper Crabtree Program Officers



The citizens of Upper Crabtree elected the group shown here as leaders for their Community Development program. Left to right, A. W. Ferguson, treasurer; Mrs. Hugh Smith, secretary; Hershel Rogers, reporter; Mrs. Cassius Rogers, vice chairman; and Jack Rogers, chairman. This is a Mountaineer photograph by Ingram's Studio.

## County Officers To Be Named Friday Night For Community Program

### Reliable Jewelers Move To New Modern Building

Reliable Jewelers have moved into their modern store, just two doors from their former place of business, where they have been for the past ten years.

A modern front has been added to the building, and large specialty built show windows installed.

Dave Feldman, owner, said that a number of interior changes would be made soon. He also announced this morning that in keeping with a plan started many years ago, his firm would again give ten graduation gifts to high school graduates of the county. The plan has become popular throughout the years, and much interest is always shown. Details are announced elsewhere in this edition.

A dinner meeting featuring the elections of governing officers tomorrow night will virtually complete the organization of Haywood County's Community Development Program.

The session, sponsored by the Haywood County civic clubs, will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Towne House in Waynesville.

Through today, at least 24 communities had organized for the county-wide program, and a 25th will be formed next week. Residents of Dutch Cove will hold their initial meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday night to organize their community program.

At tomorrow night's meeting, community leaders will elect a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, and 12 persons to a board of directors for the administration of the program as a whole.

Attending the meeting will be leaders in the individual community clubs, and representatives of civic organizations, and businesses and industries throughout the county.

In all, more than 100 are expected.

The principal speakers will discuss virtually every phase of industry, agriculture and home life in the county. County Schools Superintendent (See Officers—Page 3)

## Allens Creek To Talk Annexation Next Mon. Night

The citizens of Allens Creek will hold a mass meeting at the school on Monday night, May 16th.

The announcement was made yesterday by R. L. Hendricks, chairman of the special committee recently named to get facts regarding the proposed annexation of the area with either one of the two towns.

The meeting originally scheduled for last Monday night was curtailed, due to a revival then in progress at the church.

Mr. Hendricks said that the special committee of five had met with the Waynesville board of aldermen, and that the Hazelwood board would be invited in for a conference.

"The committee wants to get all the facts, and then present them to the people of the area," he said. The Waynesville board of aldermen recently passed a proposed ordinance to annex the Allens Creek area into Waynesville.

## Iron Duff Soon To Erect Community House; Other Recreational Facilities

By MRS. ROY MEDFORD Mountaineer Correspondent

Plans for a community house are under consideration by the recreational committee of the Iron Duff community, it was announced at the meeting of the community Monday night.

The announcement included the fact that the site for the community house would be donated, and construction started soon.

## Steal \$10 Cash, Tools

## Thieves Break Into Clyde Store, Attempt To Crack Bank Vault

### It Has Happened Again; Iron Duff Signs Torn Down

It has happened again.

The large sign to Iron Duff at the entrance on Highway No. 209 was taken down Sunday night.

The community has had trouble with their signs since they were erected about two weeks ago.

J. R. Caldwell, chairman of the group, said two persons were known who broke the signs down the first time.

It was not learned whether there are any clues on the latest bit of vandalism or not.

## Heirloom Given To Church

When the Temple of Jerusalem was being built, the Bible relates, the women took their jewelry and gave it to the priests as offerings of love for the House of God.

This story from the Old Testament lived again this week in Waynesville.

A woman came to the Rev. L. G. Elliott, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Offering him her diamond ring, she said quietly: "Take this and sell it, and use the money for your new church building."

The ring, a family heirloom, contains four large stones and two smaller ones.

Expressing sympathy and appreciation for this personal sacrifice, Mr. Elliott said he would do as the benefactor asked.

## Parkway In Pisgah Blocked By Heavy Slide; Opens 28th

Tentative plans are to open the 5-mile section of the Blue Ridge Parkway in Pisgah on May 28th, it was learned from Charles Ray, chairman of the N. C. Park Commission.

Mr. Ray announced that through Sam P. Weems he learned of a severe slide on the Wagon Road Gap section of the Parkway.

Engineers investigating the slide found it will be necessary to blast heavy boulders out of the Parkway. This calls for moving in heavy equipment to do the work, the superintendent pointed out.

The section is not paved, yet is opened to the public for the spring flowering season, and the colorful foliage season each fall. Hundreds of motorists avail themselves of the opportunity of driving on the crest of the Pisgah range along the Parkway.

## Vanar Haynes Announces For Mayor Of Clyde

### Power To Be Off On Sunday

H. H. Burselson 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, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Early today, thieves broke into a store in Clyde to steal tools to try robbing the nearby Haywood County Bank.

The loot: \$10 in cash and \$2.50 worth of tools, all from the store. State Highway Patrol Corporal E. W. Jones reported the robbers quit their attempt to break into the vault after they broke the concrete and removed several bricks and discovered the steel top.

After breaking into the store, he added, they walked up to the second story occupied by the VFW offices above the bank itself, bored holes in the floor of the hall till they could see where the vault was located.

Altogether they bored 28 holes before they pulled up planks and dropped to the top of the vault itself to make their unsuccessful attempt at safe cracking.

He said they also broke a hole in one wall of the bank so they could see outside the building, and another hole in the wall adjoining the post office for a getaway.

The officer said nothing was reported missing from the post office itself.

Edward Fincher, owner of the Edward Fincher and Company merchandise store and president of the bank, said the thieves entered the store by prying open a back window about 3 a.m.

He reported a cold chisel, hand axe, and two pair of plier pliers were stolen along with the \$10 cash.

FBI Agent Smith of the Asheville Office, Clyde Police Chief Shay Henson, and U. S. Postal Inspector Kenneth Brown also were investigating the case today.

No arrests were reported up to noon.

Mr. Fincher said it would have taken the would-be cracksmen about eight hours to get into the vault even if they had had an acetylene torch.

He said robbers several years ago also failed at a similar attempt. He added that they did succeed in cutting into the vault with a torch but failed to crack the safe.

## American Legion Leases Second Floor Of Building

The Haywood American Legion Post No. 47 last Tuesday signed a long-term lease for use of the second floor of the Citizens Bank Building.

Post Adjutant Ernest Edwards, who made the announcement, said today, plans are to redecorate the rooms and make other changes to suit their purposes.

The Legion will hold its first meeting in its new headquarters June 10.

Meanwhile, the Legion members will hold their May meeting at 7:30 p.m. on the second floor of the town hall to install officers and discuss business matters.

Previously, the Post's sessions have been held in the old Masonic building.

Vanar Haynes, World War II Air Force veteran and business school student, this week announced he would run for mayor of Clyde in the June 4 town election. Yesterday, Mayor Jarvis Campbell said he would not seek election to retain his office. He was named last year to fill the unexpired portion of the term of J. W. (See Haynes—Page 3)

Highway Record For 1949 (To Date)
In Haywood Killed . . . . 1
Injured . . . . 15
(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol).



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