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UNCLE ABE SEZ . . .
The man what kaint git a-nuf to eat is to be pitied; but the one that eats himself sick is to be de-spized.

Robert C. Francis Heads County Organization On Development Program

Fishing Rules Cited For Lake

Fishermen who plan to try their luck in Lake Junaluska were warned this morning of three regulations, now in effect: No fishing is allowed on Sunday, or after eight at night, and all fishermen must have permits. These regulations were announced by Max Cochran, special officer in charge. Permits are 40 cents a day, or \$5 per season. The permits are available from Officer Cochran.

County Meetings Announced

A series of meetings for this week in connection with the Community Development Program and other matters was announced today as follows:
Monday, 7:30 p.m. — Smoky Mountain Apple Growers Association, at County Court House;
7:30 p.m. — East Pigeon Community at Will Kuykendall's.
7:30 p.m. — Cruso at Cruso School.
Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.—Dutch Cove, for organization of Community Development Program, at Morning Star School.
7:30 p.m.—West Pigeon at Pigeon School.
Thursday—W. A. Stephens, N. C. State College extension bee specialist, will spend the day in the county. He may be contacted through County Agent Wayne Corpening's office.
Friday, 7:30 p.m.—Sawnook Community Development meeting, Sawnook School.

Allens Creek To Talk Annexation Plans Tonight

The citizens of Allens Creek will hold a mass meeting at the school tonight.
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.

Clogston To Address State's Haywood Alumni

Athletic Director Roy Clogston of North Carolina State College will address members of the State College Alumni Club of Haywood County at their regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Towne House in Waynesville.
Allan Nelms of the State College Wolfpack Club also will speak.
Wayne Corpening, who is handling arrangements for the meeting, also said that movies on football and basketball also will be shown if the group wants to see them.

Apple Growers To Meet Tonight

Members of the Smoky Mountain Apple Growers Association will discuss their problems and possible solutions to them when they meet at 7:30 p.m. tonight at the Haywood County Court House.

Teamwork Is Theme Of Farm Program Meeting

Teamwork and cooperation between rural people and town people will make the Haywood County Community Development Program work.
This was the keynote spoken by every aspect of county life sounded to 150 people at the county-wide Program dinner meeting at the Towne House Friday night.
The meeting climaxed the extensive job that began last winter of organizing every community to fulfill the most ambitious undertaking ever launched in this county—to improve every phase of home, farm, and business life. On the

The organization of Haywood County's Community Development Program was completed Friday night on a keynote of optimism, determination and cooperation.
Approximately 150 people representing a complete cross section of the county elected the governing officials and executive board at a dinner meeting at the Towne House sponsored by Haywood county's civic clubs.
For their general chairman, these representatives of every phase of county life selected general, popular R. C. Francis, husky, sixfoot, Rattliff Cove program leader who is recognized as one of Haywood's agricultural leaders.
They also elected another community leader and successful farmer for their vice-chairman, K. O. Carswell, of Thickety Road, chairman of the Thickety program.
Charles Duckett, leader of the Fines Creek program, was elected secretary. For treasurer, the citizens picked Mrs. W. D. Ketter, of Jonathan Creek, president of the county Home Demonstration Council.

The job of reporting the news of Haywood's most extensive and ambitious undertaking went to a young veteran newspaperwoman and Clyde school teacher, Miss Lucille Cathey, former staff writer for the Greensboro Daily News.
To the county Executive Committee, they elected, Dr. A. P. Cline of Canton, Mrs. Paul Hyatt, also of Canton, Larry Cagle of Clyde, Jonathan Woody, Waynesville banker, Mrs. W. A. Bradley of Hazelwood, Mrs. Bill Cobb of Waynesville, Dick Barber of Saunook, prominent apple producer; Mrs. Marshall Kirkpatrick of Crabtree, Mrs. Marvin Leatherwood of Jonathan Creek, Mrs. Welch Singleton of Bethel, Fred Mann of Thickety, and William Osborne of Clyde, to make this board a living, balanced picture of Haywood county.
These officers, nominated before the meeting by a special committee, were elected by unanimous application.
The elections thus climaxed the job of organizing the county, community by community, that started early in February under the direction of County Agent Corpening and his staff.
On the nominating committee that selected these candidates for the county's approval were, Mrs. T. L. Gwyn, who served as chairman; Mrs. C. T. Francis, Paul Ferguson, Charles Limer, Fred Allison, Mrs. Otis Cole, Mrs. Welch Singleton, Mrs. Troy Leatherwood. (See Francis—Page 8)

Francis Cove Folk To Meet On May 18

By Mrs. William Hollingsworth Mountaineer Correspondent
Francis Cove residents will hold their next Community Development Program meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday, at the Francis Cove church.
At a Recreation Committee meeting at the home of the chairman, the members drew plans to have a box supper at 7:30 p. m. Friday.
They also decided to arrange to have the quartet appear at this meeting.
Those present included Mrs. Richard Boone, Paul Franklin, Jimmy Sisk, and Betty Franklin.

Chamber Of Commerce Directors To Meet

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet Tuesday night at 7:30, it was announced yesterday by James L. Kilpatrick, president.
This is the regular monthly meeting of the board.

Teamwork Is Theme Of Farm Program Meeting

economic level, the success of this program would effect a perfect balance in agriculture and industry.
Each speaker indicated the part each phase has to play in the program as a whole, each underlined, by direct statement or otherwise, what it will take to make this extensive and intensive enterprise work.
In some of the messages were pleas for support of the proposed state-wide road building and school bond issues. The predominant statements, however, hit directly at (See Teamwork—Page 8)

First Killed



Pvt. Joseph B. Underwood is believed to be the first soldier from the Waynesville area to die in action in World War II. His body will arrive here Thursday for final rites. The 19-year-old infantryman was killed September 13, 1945, while fighting Nazi troops in Germany.

Body of War Vet To Be Returned Here Thursday

The body of Pvt. Joseph B. Underwood, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Underwood of Waynesville, Route 1, will arrive in Asheville Thursday, and will be taken to Crawford Funeral Home, Waynesville, where it will remain until the hour of funeral services.

Pvt. Underwood who was the first known casualty in Germany from this area, was serving with the infantry when he was killed on September 13, 1945. He entered the service in June, 1943 and received training at Fort McClellan and Fort George Meade before going overseas.
The funeral will be held at Rattliff Cove Baptist Church, Friday, at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. Balo Rogers and the Rev. Elmer Green officiating. Interment will be Crawford Memorial Park where full military services will be conducted by the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. The Rev. R. L. Young, chaplain of the Legion, will officiate at the graveside.
Pallbearers will be Dewey Ford, Charles Balentine, Jack Rabb, Herbert Tate, and Clyde Buchheit. Members of the Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars will be in charge of the flowers.
Surviving in addition to the parents are one brother, Howell Underwood of Waynesville; two sisters, Mrs. John Webb of Waynesville, and Miss Lucille Underwood of the home; and the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Laura Underwood of Waynesville, Route 1.

Draft Board Seeks Current Addresses

Chairman W. A. Bradley of Haywood County Local Selective Service Board No. 45, today announced the board was interested in learning the present addresses of the following:
Robert Leroy Hord, Hoy Frank Reece, Dennis Ray Franklin, Ray Graham West, Clinton William Pruett, William Arthur Franklin, Lawrence Fullbright, Joe Putnam, Roy Herbert Anthony, Robert DeLos McCall, Seldon Eugene Shelton, Clyde John Buckner, William Frank Ford, Jack Johnson Rhinehart, Wilburn Virgil Massie, William Anderson Trull, Paul Douglas Haney, and Roy Allen Waters.
He explained it is necessary to know these addresses so that the board can send draft questionnaires in accordance with the law.

School-Road Meet Set Wednesday At Bethel School

The first of a series of meetings to be held throughout Haywood in connection with the Better School and Road Program will be held at the Bethel school, Wednesday night at eight o'clock.
Larry Justice, of Bethel, is in charge of making arrangements, together with H. A. Osborne, county chairman, and other members of the committee.
Four speakers will explain the different angles of the program. They will include Jack Messer, Jonathan Woody, A. J. Hutchins and D. Reeves Noland.

Davis Points Out That County Will Benefit From School-Road Bonds

"There are a lot of rumors floating around about the two bond issues to be voted on June fourth that should be cleared up," Representative Grover C. Davis said this morning.
"It is easy to see how this matter could be confused, due to the lengthy discussions which took place in the recent session of the Legislature," he continued.
At the request of The Mountaineer, Mr. Davis this morning gave the following facts about the two bond issues as they will affect Haywood county.
"The largest of the two bond issues is the road bonds. The proposal is to issue \$200,000,000 in bonds for construction of secondary, and farm-to-market roads in the state.
"The bill designates the amount each county will get. Haywood county's share is \$1,892,000. That much must be spent on secondary roads in this county, as prescribed by law. No one, or any group can change that figure.
"In order to help finance the new road program, an additional tax of one cent a gallon will be put on gasoline. This new tax would (See Davis—Page 8)

Osborne Heads Haywood Group Seeking Better N. C. Schools And Roads

H. Arthur Osborne was named chairman of the Haywood unit of the Better Schools and Roads, Inc., at a meeting here Saturday morning, as a complete organization was set up to promote the approval of the two proposed bond issues to be voted June fourth.
A representative group from all sections of the county attended the meeting, and made plans for "getting the true facts" to every voter in the county.
Among those speaking in behalf of the program included Rep. Grover C. Davis, D. Reeves Noland, Jonathan Woody, Jack Messer, A. J. Hutchins, Mrs. W. A. Hyatt, Bryan Medford, Tom Alexander, T. L. Gwyn and J. G. K. McClure, district chairman.
The county organization is headed by Mr. Osborne, and his co-workers are: Mrs. Troy Leatherwood, chairman of the women's division, and Mrs. Paul Hyatt, Mrs. Henry Francis, Mrs. Willis Kirkpatrick, Miss Gladys Henson, Mrs. Will Hyatt, Mrs. T. L. Gwyn, Mrs. Henry Garner.
Also, Leonard Westmoreland, Charles B. McCrary, D. Reeves Noland, Tom Alexander, Bryan Medford, Larry Justice, Mack Caldwell, and Van Wells.
The speakers committee is headed by Jonathan Woody, Jack Messer, D. Reeves Noland and A. J. Hutchins.
Attending the meeting was J. Dale Thrash, district highway commissioner.
D. Reeves Noland told the group that, "If we expect industry to expand in Haywood, we must have more and better roads out where the workers live."
"This program is the most important thing that has come to Western North Carolina—our roads are ready for surfacing, since the program of putting on crushed stone, last year," Mr. Noland said that Commissioner Thrash will give this district a square deal, and paid high tribute to the new commissioner.
Jonathan Woody termed the program as the people's program and not that of an individual. "This is not a political issue—it is an issue of progress for the rural people and the school system of our state. I am for the program, and am willing to take any criticism anyone has to offer me for taking a stand for progress."
Mr. Woody continued by saying, "If the farmers don't turn out in large numbers and vote for this program it simply means they will stay in the mud."
A. J. Hutchins, of Canton, pointed out that "either North Carolina will approve these two bond issues on June fourth, or both matters can be forgotten for 25 years, as no other leader will bring these (See Osborne—Page 8)



H. ARTHUR OSBORNE

Waynesville To Be Host Friday To Park Group

Waynesville will be host on Friday night to the 25 members of the House Public Lands Committee, together with their official party. The 25 Congressmen are coming down on Thursday from Washington, and on Friday will leave Asheville early to make a tour of the Park, returning here for dinner at the Country Club that night.
Details of the trip are being arranged in Washington by Rep. Monroe M. Redden, a member of the committee.
Plans for the hearing on Saturday in Asheville, together with the tour of the Park, are being headed by the N. C. Park Commission, of which Charles Ray is chairman, in co-operation with the Western Carolina Associated Communities, and the Chambers of Commerce in the area.
Mr. Ray said this morning that about 100 people will make up the official party, including the Congressmen. A group of Tennessee officials are to take part in the tour as well as attend the hearing at ten o'clock Saturday morning.
Mr. Ray is slated to make the initial presentation of the group (See Park—Page 8)

West Canton Pastor Resigns

The Rev. C. H. Green has resigned as pastor of the West Canton Baptist Church.
He accepted the position eight years ago.
The announcement of his resignation said Mr. Green would engage in evangelism.
Since he became pastor, the West Canton church's membership nearly doubled, with more than 600 persons now enrolled.

Stone Heads Canton C of C

W. J. Stone is the new president of the Canton Chamber of Commerce.
He was elected at the annual banquet the night of May 6 to succeed Frank Newman.

Blood Program Starts Tomorrow In Waynesville

The Waynesville area's Blood Program starts tomorrow at 10 a. m., when up to 75 volunteers will appear at the basement of the Waynesville Presbyterian church to offer their blood.
Doctors, nurses, technicians and volunteer workers will set up cots and other equipment to handle the donors.
The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will pay its first visit to Waynesville tomorrow also, and will be on hand to take the donations of one pint of blood each from the donors to the Asheville Regional Blood Center.
Donor Recruitment Chairman Wayne Corpening has designated persons in each of the surrounding communities to have their volunteers at the church tomorrow at specified times.

\$60,000 Suit Is Being Heard In Civil Court Here

Cannery Here Is Wanting 300 Tons Of Blackberries

The cannery wants 300 tons of blackberries—that is 600,000 pounds.
Not only is O. P. Crews, owner, looking for the 300 tons of blackberries, but he wants 1,200 tons of green beans, yes 240,000 pounds.
Indications are that there will be a good crop of blackberries, as well as a good price. With a little effort, many a fat pocket-book can result from "a little picking".

8-Year-Old Child Hurt Sunday In Highway Accident

Mary Hall, 8, was painfully, but not seriously hurt, in an unavoidable automobile accident, shortly after noon Sunday.
Patrolman Jeff May investigated the accident, and said that Mary jumped from a truck at the intersection of the Jones Cove road and Highway 19-23. She ran back of the truck, and into the back of a car driven by Lloyd Irvin Bowers, of Portsmouth, Va. The license tag on the back of the car cut her forehead, and she suffered other bruises and cuts.
Patrolman May said Bowers ditched his car, stopped a passerby, and hurried the child to the hospital for treatment.
The child was returning home from church when the accident occurred. She was with her grandfather, L. M. Hall. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hall of Jones Cove.

Two Horses Wounded

Two colts were wounded last week by shotgun blasts.
T. N. Leatherwood, Cove Creek farmer, reported today he found his one-year-old horses lying in his pasture last Friday, suffering from wounds in their legs.
He declared he is offering a \$50 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of whoever was responsible, and that he was reporting the case to the sheriff.
One of the colts, he said, is not expected to live.
Mr. Leatherwood said the shooting occurred some time between May 9 and May 12.

Military Order Of World Wars To Meet Here

The Waynesville Chapter, Military Order of World Wars, will hold a dinner meeting at Patrick's Restaurant at 7 p.m. Wednesday.
Capt. William G. Westbrook, Jr., of the Asheville chapter, Reserve Officers Association, will be the principal speaker. The Waynesville chapter commander, Col. James Hardin Howell, Sr., will preside.
All former officers of the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Forces are invited.

Highway Record For 1949 (To Date) In Haywood Killed . . . 1 Injured . . . 16

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

John E. Sentelle, Plaintiff, Brings Case Against Five Haywood Men

Trial of a \$60,000 law suit was slated to begin at two o'clock this afternoon as the May term of civil court convened after the noon recess. Judge John Clement is presiding.
John E. Sentelle is bringing suit against five men and asking for damages totaling \$60,000.
Over two hours was taken this morning selecting a jury to hear the case. A number of the regular jurors were excused, and the court officials picked 12 of the special venire of 50 men who had been called into court for possible jury duty.
Guy Weaver, attorney for Mr. Sentelle, took more than an hour to examine, and get 12 men in the box. Then Grover C. Davis, one of the attorneys for the five defendants, took some 45 minutes, with the remainder of the two hours and fifteen minutes devoted to cross-examining jurors, and reading the complaint.
Mr. Sentelle set forth in his complaint that he was arrested and lodged in jail on November 2, 1946, when he attempted to make an address at a Democratic Rally being held in the court room. He names in the suit: C. E. Brown, chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee; R. V. Welch, sheriff; Orville Noland, chief of police of Waynesville; Guy Messer, a member of the police force, and R. E. Sentelle the plaintiff's brother.

The plaintiff is asking for \$50,000 compensatory damages, and \$10,000 punitive damages.

The defendants, in answering the charges, said in open court through attorney W. Roy Francis, "The charges are untrue, and are hereby denied." They further stated that the plaintiff was arrested for disturbing a public meeting.
Mr. Sentelle, about 80 years of age, is deaf, and Judge Clement ordered that the oath be typed so the witness could read it before taking the stand. It was understood that Mr. Weaver, and Miss Pearl Leslie Johnson, other attorney for Mr. Sentelle, had typed questions to ask their client when he went on the stand.
Other attorneys for the defendants include Morgan and Ward.
The court room was about half filled this morning as the case got underway.
A Haywood Superior Civil Court jury last Thursday returned a judgment of \$1,220 in favor of W. E. Patton, Waynesville structural steel contractor, who had filed suit against the Bowers Construction Company of Raleigh.
The suit arose in connection with a contract to build a bridge at Williamston.
The next day, the jury ordered a \$1,440 judgment for Kelly Scruggs, Canton Negro, for the expenses he and his wife incurred in taking care of the child of Odell Gibson and his wife, another Canton Negro couple, for nine years.
The testimony was that the Gibsons put their child under the Scruggs' care when she was 11 months old.
About six months ago, the child was ordered returned to her parents after a habeas corpus hearing in another western North Carolina superior court. Scruggs then filed suit for recovery of expenses.
The Scruggs-Gibson hearing closed the first week of the two-week civil term with Judge John Clement presiding.
A non-suit was ordered in the case of Carver vs Leatherwood, the hearing on the suit of Shackleton (See Court—Page 8)