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UNCLE ABE SEZ . . .
Some speakers order come with a switch-button attached, so's we coud cut 'em off when their time's out.

Band Members Go To Music Camp



These boys and girls are among the 14 members of the Waynesville Township High School band who are attending the famed Transylvania Music Camp near Brevard. They are taking private lessons under nationally-ranking artists, playing in the camp concerts, and generally having a vacation. Left to right, in front row, are: Elizabeth Watkins, Lane Prevost, Katherine Hyatt, Joyce Carter, Betty Noland, and Aileen Williams. Back row, left to right, was taken, are Robert Massie, Carol Underwood, Mark Rogers, Stanford Massie, Kenneth Underwood, and J. D. Stanley. Robert Stracher, another band member at the camp, was absent when this picture

Crowds Jam Haywood For 3-Day Holiday

484 Cars Per Hour On Soco Gap Road

Patrolman Jeff May took 15 minutes on Sunday morning about 10, while stationed at Soco Gap, to count passing traffic. In the 15-minute period, he counted 121 vehicles—81 going west and 40 east. That was not the heaviest time of the day, it was explained by the Patrolman. The rate the cars passed meant 484 per hour, which is heavy traffic on any highway.

Scout Camp Opens Today

The boys of the Waynesville and Hazelwood troops joined their fellow Scouts from 13 other Western North Carolina counties this morning for a week's stay at Camp Daniel Boone.

The charter campers for the 1949 season were the 160 boys with their scoutmasters who arrived last Monday for the opening which had been delayed a week when the June floods had washed out the bridges over the Little East Fork to the camp.

Bob Garner of the Daniel Boone Council headquarters in Asheville is director for the camp. With him at the camp is a staff of field executives. The camp season will continue until July 30.

Different troops in the 14-county Council area will be arriving for weekly encampments through the season.

The season's first campers found many improvements that had been made since last year. Among these was the increased fleet of canoes and rowboats at the camp lake.

The Hazelwood troop, sponsored by the Hazelwood Boosters Club, is headed by Scoutmaster John T. Shull. It was chartered late last winter to become Haywood County's newest Scout unit.

Paul McElroy, Jr., is Scoutmaster for the Waynesville troop, which is sponsored by the Waynesville Rotary Club.

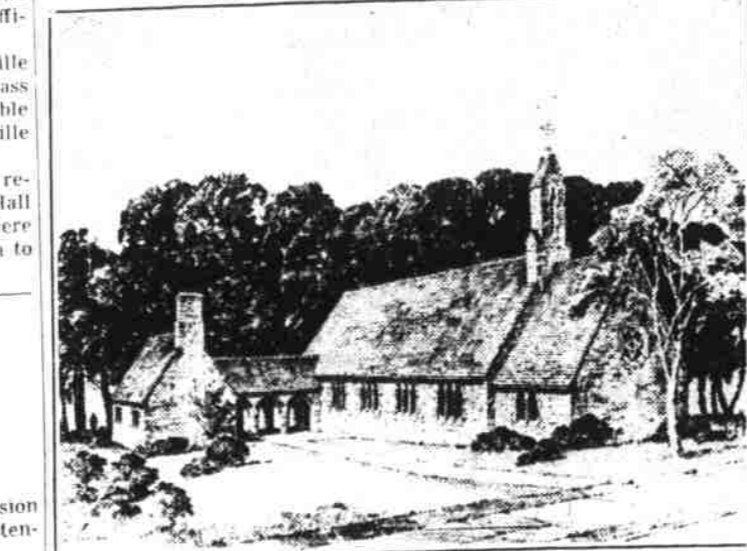
Fines Creek Church Being Completed

By MRS. FURMAN NOLAND
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On June 26, the Rev. R. P. McCracken, pastor of the Fines Fines Creek Baptist church, discussed the need for completing work on the church building.

The following Tuesday morning, carpenters were busy working on it.

Memorial Chapel Dedicated



This is an artist's drawing of the Memorial Chapel at Lake Junaluska which was dedicated yesterday morning by Bishop Costen J. Harrell, of Charlotte. He administered the Holy Communion to worshippers in the Chapel at 8:30 Sunday, the occasion marking the opening of the building which is a memorial to men and women from the denomination's Southeastern Jurisdiction who served in World War II. He was assisted by Dr. F. S. Love, superintendent of the Assembly, Admiral W. N. Thomas, of the United States Navy, and the Rev. Dr. Elmer Clark, member of the Junaluska Board of Trustees.

Lions To Install New Officers



DICK BRADLEY

The new officers of the Waynesville Lions Club will be installed Thursday night in ceremonies at a steak supper at L. N. Davis' camp off the Balsam Road. The meeting will begin at 7 p. m.

It was understood that Dick Bradley, first vice-president-elect, will automatically assume the duties of president after installation, succeeding Paul Davis.

The situation was created by the death of Lloyd Kirkpatrick, the president-elect, victim of an auto accident June 19.

Jimmy Reed, who was elected second vice-president, and Johnny Cuddeback, third vice-president, will move up one position, leaving the third vice-presidency vacant.

The new directors will fill the post of third vice-president within a few days after the ceremonies. Other new officers to be installed Thursday night are Ernest Engel, secretary; Herbert Angell, treasurer; Lester Burgin, Jr., Lion tamer; Joe Tate, Jr., Tailor; Lawrence Leatherwood and J. C. Patrick, directors for one year; and Ben Phillips and C. E. Weatherly, directors for two years.

The final meeting of the club year Thursday night was given to routine matters of closing out of the most successful years in the history of the club and making plans for the beginning of the new year the next day.

Johnny Cuddeback, the outgoing secretary, was presented a plaque from District 31-A Governor Whitener for his excellent service during the year.

The steak fry provided by the food committee will highlight the Thursday meeting.

Improvements Continue In Fines Creek

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The Fines Creek Community Development Program continues to stimulate new improvements in this section.

Among the latest being effected is the new cannery that is being built at the Fines Creek School. This will become the fourth cannery operated for the convenience of Haywood's farm homemakers by the county school officials. The others are operating at Waynesville, Bethel and Crabtree.

Another addition to the community is the new tenant house that has just been completed on Millard Ferguson's farm.

Hugh Morris recently moved into his new home in upper Fines Creek, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Safford have bought a new car.

Haywood Fire Inspection To Start Wednesday

Public buildings in Waynesville, Canton, Clyde, Lake Junaluska, and other communities will be inspected Wednesday and Thursday for fire hazards.

The inspections will be carried on by 20 members of the North Carolina Fire Prevention Association working in two-man teams.

This service will be conducted in conjunction with the quarterly meeting in Waynesville of the Stock Fire Insurance Field Club of North Carolina, an organization

Heavy Traffic Sets New High Record

As thousands of cars bearing July 4th holiday travellers flowed over Haywood county's highways, State Highway Patrol Corporal E. W. Jones said the traffic was the heaviest he had ever seen.

He reported there had not been a single accident in the county up to 10 a. m. today.

Traffic was flowing through Clyde at a rapid pace Sunday afternoon, according to Cpl. Jones.

In a 26-minute period, from 3:49 to 4:15 Sunday he counted 320 vehicles. This is by far the heaviest count ever made on Highway No. 19 and 23, he said.

"Everyone seemed to be driving with care, and we experienced no trouble with violators on the highways," he commented this morning.

About the only road that wasn't jammed with traffic Sunday was the White Oak road to Max Patch mountain.

The highway from Cherokee to Gatlinburg was so crowded both ways that cars proceeded virtually bumper to bumper and could go no faster than 20 miles an hour over most stretches.

A visitor from Pennsylvania said the same conditions had been true shortly after daylight when traffic usually is scarce.

Shops in Cherokee and other parts of the Indian reservation were thronged with tourists all day.

With tourist courts, hotels, and rooming houses from Waynesville to the Tennessee side of the Park filled to capacity by early Sunday afternoon, many travellers were forced to spend the night in their cars parked by the roadsides.

Traffic Heavy In Waynesville

Chief Orville Noland said traffic over the week-end was the heaviest he recalls ever seeing here.

"Outside of two speeders, and one drunk driver, the rest seemed to be driving with care," he said. The violators were arrested.

Soco Club To Discuss CD Program

The Haywood County Community Development Program and the development of the Soco Road valley will be discussed Thursday night at a supper meeting of the Soco Gap Road Boosters Club at Maggie School.

The dinner will start at 7:30 p. m.

The principal speakers will be County Agent Wayne Corpening, Jonathan Woody, president of the First National Bank of Waynesville; and County Schools Superintendent Jack Messer.

Mrs. James Robert Platt, Jr., Club secretary who made the announcement today, said anyone who wants to attend the supper meeting should contact her.

The Club's objective is to promote and develop the valley from Soco Gap to Lake Junaluska as a tourist center.

Club President Tom Campbell will be in charge of the session.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ray and small daughter have moved into their new home on the Contry Club Drive.

Killed In Wreck



CLIFFORD HOWELL UNDERWOOD died of injuries received late Saturday when his motorcycle hurtled off the road near Greeneville, Tenn. He died in Greeneville's Takoma Hospital. The cycle failed to make a curve and left the highway eight miles south of Greeneville. This picture was made while in the Navy during the last war.

Underwood Rites Are Set For Tuesday

Funeral services for Howell Underwood, 27, of Waynesville, who was killed in a motorcycle accident near Greeneville, Tenn., Saturday afternoon, will be held Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. in Ratcliffe Cove Baptist Church.

The Rev. Balo Rogers will officiate and burial will be in Crawford Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be R. V. Ford, Clyde Burchfield, Mark Palmer, Harvey Nations, Dewey Ford and Charlie Balentine.

Military rites will be conducted at the graveside by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion Posts and the 120th Tank Unit, National Guard. The Rev. R. L. Young, Legion chaplain, will officiate. VFW and Legion auxiliaries will be in charge of flowers. The body was taken to the home of a sister, Mrs. John Webb, Ratcliffe Cove, this afternoon.

Underwood was traveling with a group of friends who were planning to attend motorcycle races in Greeneville. The accident happened on a detour. Underwood died in a (See Underwood—Page 8)

No Plane Crashed

The Sheriff's office said Saturday there was "nothing to" reports that a plane had gone down at Woodfin Mountain the previous night.

A deputy said a thorough check failed to reveal any evidence of a crash.

Two men at a motor company in Waynesville said they had seen a light trainer-type plane go down at the mountain but had not seen it rise again.

An officer said the plane could have ascended beyond their sight.

Highway Record For 1949 (To Date)

In Haywood Killed . . . 3 Injured . . . 21

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

Williamson Tells Union Service Audience Nation 'Is Not Entirely Free'

"America is not free—too many things enslave us," Rev. M. R. Williamson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church told an audience at a union service at the high school stadium here Sunday night. The event was sponsored by the Boosters Club, as part of the annual Fourth of July observance.

Rev. Mr. Williamson read the first part of the Declaration of Independence, and this pointed out that the late President Roosevelt said during World War II that "America is fighting to preserve the four freedoms—freedom of press, freedom of religion, freedom from want and freedom from fear."

"America today does not have freedom from want or fear," Rev. Mr. Williamson said.

"We do not have freedom from tragedy—and the number of tragedies is appalling. Our highways are human slaughter houses. Only recently North Carolina voted \$200,000,000 for more highways. (See Williamson—Page 8)

The two had been to a camp near Weaverville to visit their son Bobby, and were en route home when a truck swerved on the wrong side of a curve and crashed into the car. Dr. Lancaster was driving Mrs. Lancaster's Buick.

No one in the truck was reported injured.

21 Arrested Over Week-End Here

The week-end proved to be a busy period for the police department, as 21 arrests were made, according to Orville Noland, chief of police.

One was arrested on charges of driving while drunk; 2 for speeding, 1 for failure to have a drivers license, 1 for assault, 1 for operating a disorderly house, and the others for public drunkenness.

Police court was held Monday morning at ten in order to relieve the congested calendar.

CONGRESSMAN REDDEN HERE

Rep. Monroe Redden of Hendersonville, was in Waynesville today for lunch at the Waynesville Country Club.

Dr. Hamilton Says Disappointment Can Be Turned Into Successes

Concluding a series of platform addresses here, the Rev. Dr. Wallace Hamilton, speaking to a Junaluska audience, declared that the most worthwhile lives are those who having learned the secret of turning their disappointments and defeats into better things than they had ever dreamed of.

Life is full of frustrations, he said, but they may become fruitful frustrations. Dr. Hamilton is continuing his series, speaking at the Convocation Hour of the Western North Caro-

lina Youth Assembly in session here with more than 300 in attendance. "For some people," declared Dr. Hamilton, the major problem of life is to take a broken plan and make something out of it. "Few people have the chance to live on the basis of their first choice and have to settle for something less than what they wanted. "If we are not prepared to cope with anything but success, we are not conditioned for the most nor-

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