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TODAY'S SMILE

"If having a good time is all there is to life, a monkey has a man outdistanced completely, both in amusing others and being amused."

Haywood Farmers Greeted In Ohio By Industrialist

The 154 Haywood citizens were made to feel right at home during their stop at Dayton, Ohio, when they visited the home plant of Dayton Rubber Company, and were greeted by A. L. Freedlander, president of the firm, which also owns and operates the Dayton plant here. This photograph was taken as Mr. Freedlander shook hands with Robert Frances, chairman of the Haywood Community Development Council. From the left county agent Wayne Corpening looks on, while Miss Mary Cornwell, home demonstration agent can be seen between Mr. Freedlander and Mr. Frances. Others on the tour look on. The group made a tour of the Dayton plant, and afterwards were taken to lunch. This picture was made especially for The Mountaineer, and rushed here by plane.

Church To Hold 115th Anniversary

The Bethel Presbyterian Church will be 115 years old next Sunday.

And its members and other friends will give it a suitable birthday party.

The observance of this anniversary of the oldest church in Haywood County will start at 11 a. m. when the Rev. Paul P. Thrower, the pastor, will conduct the services, with the choir of the Hazelwood Presbyterian Church singing. The pastor will also offer the Holy Communion which is held on every anniversary Sunday.

After the services, there will be a basket lunch and a colorful afternoon program, featuring the singing of the famed A. F. Roberts Family Quartet of Haywood County.

There also will be community singing and greetings by visiting pastors.

Mr. Thrower said in his announcement today that members of the Baptist and Methodist churches of the community have been extended a special invitation to join in all the day's activities.

Park Commissioners Sworn In

Hugh Leatherwood, clerk of court, is shown here administering the oath of office to W. F. Osborne, center, and E. C. Guy, right, as members of the North Carolina Park Commission. This is Mr. Osborne's first term. He is from Sparta and this being Mr. Guy's second term. He is from Newland. The ceremony was held in the Park Commission office in the Masonic Temple. Charles Ray is chairman of the commission. (A Mountaineer Photo by Ingram's Studio).

19th Annual Cataloochee Reunion Set

Approximately 800 people are expected at Palmer's Chapel Sunday for the 19th annual Cataloochee Reunion.

The yearly gathering is held for all former residents and their families of this mountain community in the Smoky Mountains National Park.

The program will open at 11 a.m. with morning services, featuring the address of Dr. Elmer T. Clark of Lake Junaluska and New York City, editor of the Christian Advocate, national Methodist publication.

Following the picnic dinner there will be singing and other recreational activities during the afternoon.

In charge of the arrangements for the picnic tables and other details are Mark Hannah and L. C. Caldwell.

Farm And Field Day Set For 17

The second annual Haywood Farm and Field Day will be held at the home of R. F. Rogers at Clyde, it was announced this week by Wayne Corpening, county agent. The date has been set for Wednesday, August 17.

About 1,500 people interested in farming and rural homes are expected to attend this event.

Already several of the agricultural specialists of the state have agreed to be here for the occasion. "It looks like we might have seven or eight of our top agricultural men," Mr. Corpening said.

Last year the program was held at the Jack McCracken farm near Bethel, and hundreds attended.

154 Haywood Folk Back From 1,600-Mile Tour

By LUCILLE CATHEY
Mountaineer Correspondent

Jubilant Haywood County farm tourists, carrying on their heels the dust from agricultural centers in states where their annual tour led them, returned home Saturday night.

The car-van of three buses and eight cars that hauled the 154 local people arrived in Waynesville shortly after 9 p. m., minutes short of the scheduled hour for return.

This timing, miraculous in consideration of the fact that the large delegation had covered more than 1600 miles in six days, was characteristic of the tour in general.

Although bus motor trouble and a flat tire (the local highway patrolman who led the procession drew this one) caused minor delays, nearly all activities went off as planned.

The trip, in the opinion of those who took it, was a big success. They got what they went for, a picture of farming in the Mid-Western states noted for this industry.

Kentucky bluer grass and prettier homes. Indiana bigger hogs and taller corn. Ohio better soybeans and finer cattle. These made their impression and set the farmers and their wives to making extensive plans for improving and expanding their own homes and farms.

Nothing went unnoticed on everything from graveyards and mosquitoes to men using umbrellas to shade themselves while they plowed with tractors.

W. P. Harris (Uncle Bud), 72-year-old farmer of the Thickety Community who considers himself a charter member of the county farm tours, had gone on each of the six previous out-of-county farm tours. It is likely he spoke for the others when he adjudges this the best ever sponsored by County Agent Wayne Corpening and his staff of assistants.

The weather was a major contributor to the success of the tour. While the folks back home were having "gulley-washing" rains, the travelers had it fair, sunny, and in most instances, cool. Many of the folks, who had hesitated to go because they dreaded the heat, were surprised to find perfect

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Parker To Head State News Bureau

Charles Parker, secretary to Governor Kerr Scott, is the new head of the State News Bureau. He succeeds Bill Sharpe, whose resignation became effective August 1.

The governor announced his appointment of the former Raleigh News and Observer city editor last Friday.

A few hours later, it was announced that John Marshall, former Raleigh Times sports editor and public relations director of the Farmers Cooperative Exchange in Raleigh, and the N. C. Cotton Cooperative Association, had accepted the governor's offer to become secretary, succeeding Parker.

Earlier, Marshall had announced that he was withdrawing his application for Sharpe's post as state press agent.

Sharpe became public relations chief for the Carolina Power and Light Company, whose headquarters are in Raleigh.

The governor's announcement of Sharpe's successor ended weeks of speculation and controversy over the post.

Parker het dthe job for a year

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Cattle Tour Planned For Haywood Farmers

Haywood County farmers will spend Thursday examining their neighbors' beef cattle herd.

The beef cattle tour, sponsored by the Haywood County Hereford Association, will start at 9 a. m. from the Haywood County Court House in Waynesville.

The schedule of the tour, announced today by County Agent Wayne Corpening, is as follows:

The J. L. Reeves farm in Beaverdam Township for the first beef cattle stop, then to Roy Haynes' in Clyde Township and C. T. Frazer & Son's in Ratcliffe Cove, to Graceland Farms (owned by M. O. Galloway), where lunch will be served the entire group by Mr. and Mrs. Galloway. After lunch there will be a judging contest and a guessing contest on the weight of a steer.

In the afternoon the group will visit the Glenn Boyd farm on Jonathan Creek to see some Shorthorn cattle, and to Medford Leatherwood's to see some steers, then to Jule Boyd's to see his Aberdeen-Angus cattle and to Joe Reinertsen's to see some Herefords, to Bob Welch's for a look at his grade cow herd and to George Slamey's grade cow herd. The tour will end here.

Former Haywood Resident Dies

Mrs. Mollie E. Queen, well-known former Haywood County resident, died at approximately 4 a. m. today at her home at Kent's Store, Va. Before moving to Virginia, she had lived in Iron Duff and Waynesville for many years.

Among her five children surviving is Mrs. Walter Chambers of Waynesville, Route 2.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at Kent's Store.

HORSE FALLS ON MAN

Henry Martin, well-known colored man, was painfully injured Sunday, when a horse he was riding reared up, and fell on the rider.

Martin was rushed to the Haywood County Hospital, where he is suffering from back injuries.

1,700 Attend Salvation Army Singing Convention; All Records Are Broken

BY ESTHER TAE GIBSON
Member Mountaineer Staff

More than 1,700 people from all sections of Western North Carolina, and adjoining states, attended the 12th annual Salvation Army singing convention at Maple Springs Sunday. This was the largest crowd in the 12 years of the convention and twice that of 1948, according to Major Cecil Brown, who is in charge of the Salvation Army work in this area.

At one time during the program, the 1,700 voices echoed against the mountain sides, as the group joined in familiar hymns led by several quartettes.

During the dinner hour, hundreds of picnic baskets were opened, and the Salvation Army served the singers. Cold drinks and ice cream stands about the grounds were the center of activity during the dinner hour.

The weatherman provided perfect weather, and every available parking space for a mile or so was filled to capacity.

The program got underway about ten o'clock with Major Brown in charge, and Ray Parker, of Canton in charge of the singing.

Dr. Kells Bennett, mayor of Bryson City, spoke on "Responsibility of Service" at the eleven o'clock session. Dr. Bennett used the well-known Rotary logan, "He Profits Most Who Serves Best." The speaker pointed out that we are all immigrants to America, but with a responsibility. He compared the lives of men to that of Christ, and showed how men should live. He concluded by pointing out, "The best men and women today are those who have learned most to ascertain the best in life."

Major Brown announced that "Grandma Roland," an aged lady, who had never missed any of the Army's meets in the past 12 years was unable to be present. Her son, Woodrow Roland, made a short talk. He spoke in behalf of his mother and Major Brown and expressed his appreciation, which one can readily see is a voice of the people who don't come in contact with Major Brown and her associate.

Mr. Roland asked for an offering for the Army work. The offering was $172.25.

Rev. Plemmons, a native of that section, was called upon for a talk by Major Brown. He came directly from the kitchen clad in a lovely pink apron, where he was assisting in preparation of dinner. He gave the poem "Jonah and the Whale."

The group was dismissed for dinner. The many folk who had gath-

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Landing Field Will Soon Open

Workmen are pushing to completion the landing field of the Haywood Flying Service, and plans this morning indicated the formal opening would be staged this weekend or early next. The 2,500-foot landing strip has been graded, seeded and rolled.

The 8-plane hangar is nearing completion, and the officials of the company were slated to meet tonight and place an order for one or two planes for use in charter service and instruction at the field.

Frank Knutti is in charge of the field, which is on Plott Creek about a mile above Hazelwood.

Much interest has been shown in the field since the initial announcement several weeks ago.

Tanks Leave For Fort Jackson For Guard Training

Four 35-ton tanks of Waynesville's Armoral Guard Heavy Tank Company left by train today for Fort Jackson, S. C., in preparation for the annual two-week summer camp and field training of the North Carolina National Guard.

The approximately 70 officers and men of the company, commanded by Capt. James M. Davis of Waynesville, will leave next Sunday morning for the big infantry training post by inter-city bus and their company trucks and jeeps.

They will fuel their two-week intensive field training with other Tar Heel guardsmen on August 16.

The M41 model tank and a tank recovery vehicle were checked and loaded on freight cars Saturday at the Waynesville Armory.

The tanks, heaviest assigned to an infantry unit, are armed with a 76-mm gun, and two 30-calibre and one 50-calibre machine guns.

The guardsmen will return from camp August 28.

The Heavy Tank Company is an element of the 120th Regiment, 30th (Old Hickory) Infantry Division.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hyatt of Newport News, Virginia arrived Saturday for a visit to the former's mother, Mrs. W. A. Hyatt.

200 Attend Soco Club Meeting

The Soco Gap Road Boosters Club last Thursday night set up two new committees assigned to work on two specific projects as the machinery continued developing to promote the valley into a tourist center.

Approximately 200 people jammed the Maggie School auditorium following the dinner to take part in the discussion.

Debate on the matter of designating a name for the valley failed to develop, however, as the subject was shunted aside by the pressure of other business.

Club spokesmen said the matter had been postponed until a future meeting.

Wilson Fisher was named chairman of a committee to investigate the possibility of doing more to advertise the valley through the establishment of road signs. Appointed to serve with him were R. George Jones and Mrs. Hall.

Also appointed was a committee to consult with the district highway commissioner over the possibility of setting up road side tables and rest stops.

Carl Setzer, the chairman, and Mrs. Wallace Ward and Chester LeFontaine were named to this group.

The principal speaker after the dinner which attracted 90 guests was F. L. Roeck, industrial executive of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Winter Haven, Fla., who is a summer visitor at the Mount Valley Inn.

Mr. Roeck declared that the valley has wonderful possibilities, if they are developed and carried out successfully.

Indicating that local land prices are too high, he advised residents with property to sell to bring their requests down to a lower level to encourage more people to settle in the valley.

In the discussion following his address, one farmer answered that his land was bringing him $1,200 a year from his corn crop alone, and that under the circumstances a price that would look excessive to a prospective buyer would be reasonable.

Before adjournment, the next dinner meeting was set for 7:30 p.m. September 1 at the Moody Farm.

Fred Campbell, president of the Club, was in charge of the meeting.

Mrs. L. B. Genebach of Battle Creek, Michigan, arrived Saturday to join her son and daughter-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. Genebach, Jr., for a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martin.

School Bus Drivers To Go To School Aug. 15-16

Haywood County's 48 school bus drivers will go to school next week to get ready for school two weeks later.

County Schools Superintendent Jack Messer says the drivers will take instruction next Monday and Tuesday at the Waynesville Township High School garage.

A representative of the North Carolina Motor Vehicles Division's highway safety department will give them lessons in proper handling, and maintenance of their vehicles and on regulations concerning the transportation of school children.

During the period also new applicants for school bus driving jobs will be given tests. Those who pass will receive certificates of qualification.

David Noland Elected To Ayrshire Association

The unanimous election of David Noland, Waynesville, to membership in the Ayrshire Breeders' Association has been announced by National Secretary C. T. Conklin of Brandon, Vt.

The ancestors of the herd of dairy cows owned by Mr. Noland trace back to the heather-covered hills of County Ayr, Scotland, from which the breed derives its name.

Visiting Farmers Impressed With Haywood Agriculture, Test Farm

Twenty-five farmers from Iredell and Union Counties and agricultural experts spent about five hours last Friday inspecting the Mountain Experiment Station and the farm of A. J. McCracken in Crabtree.

Their visit here was a stop on their way home from their annual out-of-state farm tour which took them through Tennessee last week. They arrived here at about 10:30 o'clock in the morning, and continued their homeward trip at 3 p. m. after touring Mr. McCracken's.

Experiment Station Director Howard Clapp and Assistant County Agent Turner Cathey showed the visitors the features of the test farm and the nearby Haywood 4-H Club camp.

After dinner at the Waynevilla Motor Court, the visitors inspected Mr. McCracken's example of fine farming that brought him the North Carolina Master Farmer degree last year.

Among them was Prof. A. Sommer, of Heidelberg University, Germany, who is in the United States studying American methods. He was sent to this country about five weeks ago on recommendation of the American Military Government

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Two Bids At Land Sale Unconfirmed

Lot on the Soco Gap road sold for about $4,000 at auction on Saturday. The property was owned by John Finger.

A bid of $25,000 was made on the L. H. Bramlett farm on the Dellwood road, but the sale was not confirmed. A bid of $8,750 was made for the Balentine property on the Howell Mill Road, and this was not confirmed.

Soco Gap Square Dancers Win In Asheville Festival

Sam Queen's Soco Gap Square Dance team holds another honor.

The Haywood dancers won their latest title last weekend in the 22nd annual Mountain Dance and Folk Festival.

It was the 12th championship that a Soco Gap team under Mr. Queen has won in the 22 years the Festival has been held.

He also won recognition of being one of the two best callers in the event. The other was Johnny Crook of the crack combination from the Bent Creek Ranch near Asheville.

Ten years ago, Sam Queen's Soco Gap dancers performed before King George and Queen Elizabeth of England when the royal couple were staying at the White House.

The Haywood representatives won out over a tough field which included the Champion YMCA of

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SAM QUEEN led his Soco Gap square dancers to their 12th championship in last week-end's Mountain Dance and Folk Festival.

Bishop Urges Junaluska Audience To Hold Faith

Annual observance of Lake Junaluska Sunday found Bishop Arthur J. Moore, of Atlanta, preaching from the Junaluska pulpit. His sermon was characterized by his usual evangelistic style as he rallied his hearers "to live like men and women who really believe in God."

"All of us," said the speaker, "are called upon to live in an age of change and insecurity. Even the church lives in a day when it is opposed in some sections.

"Either we drift with the paralyzing circumstances which surround us or we get a more firm and tenacious hold on the everlasting certainties.

"By faith we must look beyond present day events and discover a spiritual kingdom which is to be established beyond the horizons of these tortured years.

"What is happening today in some nations carries with it a threat of ultimate moral disaster.

"Beyond our struggle for the preservation of democracy is the

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Highway Record For 1949

(To Date)

In Haywood

Killed 4

Injured 26

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