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**TODAY'S SMILE**  
A little girl went visiting for the night. Before bed-time her solicitous hostess asked "Honey, are you home-sick?"  
"No, ma'am," she whimpered, "I'm here sick."

## REA Members Given Lower Electric Rates

### Clyde Gets New Post Office

#### Building Is Now Under Construction

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Plans for a new post office building at Clyde are at last materializing with announcement by Postmaster Grover C. Haynes that a contract has been signed for construction of a building to be leased to the government.

The contract went to Bruce Brown, attorney for the town of Clyde, who promises that the building will be ready for occupancy by "cold weather." An estimate on the cost of the proposed structure is not as yet available, Mr. Brown said.

Clyde's new post office, providing larger and more modern quarters, will be located on Highway No. 19-23, in the middle of the block adjacent to the town's main street. The present office is in the center of the town, a short distance south of the highway.

Foundation for the building has already been poured and the laying of brick will be started in the immediate future, Mr. Brown stated.

Present plans call for the building, 42 by 29 feet, to be constructed of red brick veneer and cinder blocks. It will have 1080 square feet of floor space, somewhat larger than the present post office quarters, according to Mr. Haynes. Of modern architecture, the building is designed to give more working room and better lighting for the postal workers. Windows set in steel castings will provide light, in addition to the lobby door which will be of the glass wind-breaker type. Only light in the working room of the old post office.

#### Last Rites Are Held Saturday For Dr. Smathers

Dr. John W. Smathers, 80, a former resident of Waynesville, died Thursday afternoon in an Atlanta hospital after a long illness.

A native of Buncombe County, Dr. Smathers was the son of the late J. C. and Lucille Johnson Smathers of Turnpike.

He had practiced in Asheville for several years before moving to Atlanta. He was a graduate of the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia and studied at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Graveside rites were conducted at Green Hill Cemetery here on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Russell L. Young, pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiated.

Palbearers were Jasper Smathers, William Smathers, Dr. John H. Smathers, Ray Morgan, John H. Smathers, Jr., and John Boyd.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Mabel Lockwood Smathers; one daughter, Mrs. F. H. Rayfield of Atlanta; two brothers, Will Smathers and George Henry Smathers of Asheville; and three sisters, Mrs. Earl Moffitt and Miss Ella Smathers of Atlanta and Mrs. S. C. Satterthwaite of Waynesville and Atlanta.

#### Tourist Association To Meet Tonight at Eight

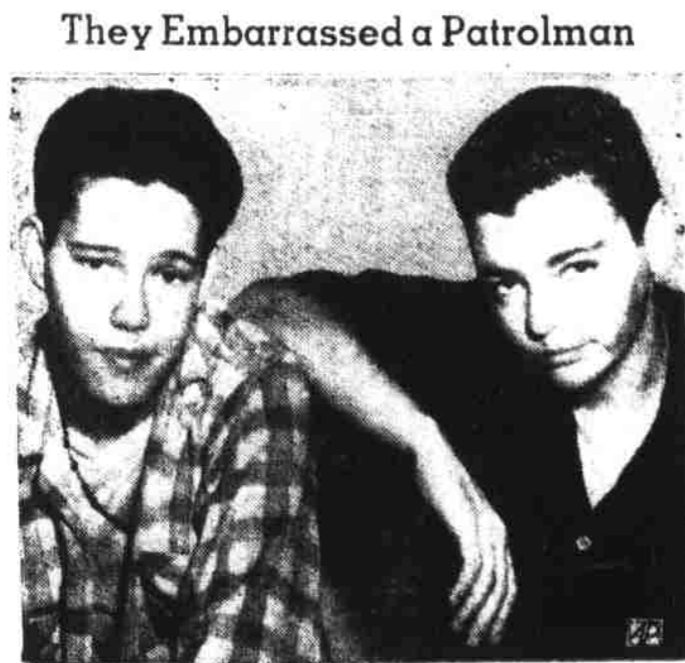
The Haywood Tourist Association will meet Monday night at the court house at eight o'clock, it was announced this morning by Mrs. Frank Knutti, secretary.

There are several matters of business which must have the attention of the entire group, Mrs. Knutti said, in urging that a representative of every place catering to tourists be present.

#### Number Arrested Over Week-end by Police

The police here had a busy week-end, according to Chief Orville Noland. Six were arrested on charges of being drunk, 2 for driving drunk, 1 for reckless driving and 1 for speeding.

All were scheduled for trial Monday afternoon in Mayor's Court.



They Embarrassed a Patrolman

"You're going to be embarrassed," said "Johnny" and "Scotty" to a patrolman when he ordered them to undress and be searched at Charlotte, after their arrest on a charge of automobile theft. They weren't kidding, and the patrolman hurriedly called for a matron. "Johnny" (left) turned out to be Shirley Mae Wills of Lancaster, Pa. "Scotty" was revealed as Anne Strzbede of Providence, R. I. Both girls are 19 years old. (AP Wirephoto.)

#### Plans Set For County Field Day

Assistant North Carolina Agriculture Commissioner A. Hugh Harris and other top state farm officials will appear at the second annual Haywood County Farm and Home Field Day on Wednesday.

The event is scheduled to open at 10 a. m. at R. F. Rogers' farm in the Crabtree community.

This was announced in the program adopted at a meeting last week of county extension officials and chairmen of the individual communities taking part in the Community Development Program.

Appearing on the program also will be Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the N. C. State College Extension Service; Dr. J. H. Hilton, dean of the State College Agriculture School and director of the state's agriculture experiment stations; C. F. Parrish, State College Extension Specialist; Western District Farm Agent R. E. Schoffner; Sam H. Dobson, State College Agronomy specialist; Miss Pauline Gordon, State College specialist in home management and house furnishings; Dr. Roy S. Dearstyne, head of the State College poultry department. (See Field Day—Page 4)

#### Waynesville Boy Killed In S. C. Logging Mishap

Funeral services were held at Maggie yesterday afternoon for 18-year-old Thomas Medford Cutshaw of Welch St., Waynesville, victim of a logging accident near Cleveland, S. C.

The youth was fatally injured Thursday when he was hit by a log as he was unloading a truck. He was helping his brother, Troy Cutshaw, contractor for the Georgia Lumber Company headquartered in Cleveland, when the accident happened.

The two men had just brought the logs in from a timber tract to the saw mill at Cleveland.

The final rites were held at the Maggie Baptist Church by the Rev. Jarvis Underwood and the Rev. George McHaffey.

He was buried in Evans Cemetery.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cutshaw of Waynesville, formerly of Maggie, four other brothers in addition to Troy: Carl of Waynesville, Kenneth and Robert of Clyde, and Truman of Lake Junaluska; and two sisters, Mrs. Wayne Caldwell of Waynesville and Miss Willie Cutshaw of the home.

The Crawford Funeral Home of Waynesville handled the funeral arrangements.

#### Moseman To Re-open His Business About Sept. 1

Roy Moseman announced this morning that he plans to re-open his business in the building next to the Dixie Store on Main Street about September first.

Moseman recently returned from Morrisstown, N. J., where he went to get a seeing eye dog. After ten days of training, Moseman had the misfortune to pull a ligament in his leg, and was unable to walk for several weeks.

He is able to be out again, and plans to return to Morrisstown as soon as they have an opening and re-train for another dog, to replace Sallie, who died several months ago.

#### Haywood Baptists To Hold Annual Session At Canton On August 23-24

Ministers and laymen throughout Haywood County will meet in Canton's High Street Baptist Church the morning of August 23 for the opening of the two-day annual convention of the Haywood Baptist Association.

Presiding will be the Rev. M. L. Lewis, pastor of the Hazelwood church, who is the Association moderator. The Rev. C. L. Bissett, Bethel pastor, will preach the annual sermon at the opening session. The meeting that evening will be held at the Beulah Baptist Church, and the following day the convention will be at the North Canton Baptist Church.

#### 600 Attend Cataloochee Reunion

Approximately 600 former residents of Cataloochee from 11 states observed the community's 10th annual reunion yesterday at Palmer's Chapel.

They heard Dr. Elmer T. Clark of Lake Junaluska and New York, editor of the Methodist national publication, "World Outlook," appeal for the maintenance of America's pioneer spirit.

They elected Mack Caldwell as president of their organization to succeed Mrs. L. B. Leatherwood of Jonathan Creek. Last year's head, who presided over the day-long program.

Mark Hannah and L. C. Caldwell were in charge of the arrangements, which included a picnic lunch for the present and former residents.

Only seven families now live in the community.

Those who attended the gathering yesterday were among those who had moved after the area became part of the National Park.

#### Field Day Programs Set For This Week

Four inter-community field day programs and a county-wide event are scheduled for this week under Haywood's Community Development Program.

Today, White Oak residents were guests of the people of Jonathan Creek.

Tomorrow, the West Pigeon folks will go to Center Pigeon for a farm and home tour and Field Day events there.

On Wednesday, the second annual Haywood County Farm and Home Field Day will be held at R. F. Rogers' farm in Crabtree.

Lower Crabtree and Fines Creek residents will get together the next day at Fines Creek for a community Field Day program.

On Friday, the Morning Star residents will be the guests of the Hominy people at Hominy.

#### Services For Miss Moody Are Held Sunday

Funeral services were held at the Elizabeth Chapel Methodist Church in the Ratcliffe Cove section, Sunday afternoon, for Miss Laura Canas Moody, 83, who died Friday at the home of her brother, Fred Moody.

The Rev. and Mrs. O. C. Newell officiated and interment was in the church cemetery.

Palbearers were nephews as follows: Lee Davis, William Francis, Gudge Palmer, Clifton Moody, and Everett Cogdill. Nieces were flower bearers.

Miss Moody, who was born in the Jonathan Creek section of Haywood County, was the daughter of the late Robert and Harriett Henry Moody. She had been making her home with a niece, Mrs. Mark Galloway.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. M. C. Francis of Hendersonville and Mrs. J. D. Owen of Norfolk; one brother, Fred H. Moody; and a number of nieces and nephews. Garrett Funeral Home was in charge.

#### Samuel Hilliard Dies Sunday At Age Of 89

The Rev. Samuel Hilliard, 89, retired Methodist minister, died Sunday afternoon at his home in Asheville.

Son of the late Dr. W. L. Hilliard and Mrs. Margaret Love Hilliard of Asheville, he was born January 19, 1860, and was ordained a Methodist minister about 1881. He served a number of churches in this section and was retired about 25 years ago.

Funeral services were held in Hendersonville this afternoon with the Rev. L. B. Hayes officiating. Among the survivors are the widow, the former Miss Mamie Lee Justus, and a number of relatives in Waynesville.

#### Flying Service Announces Opening

Officials of the Haywood Flying Service are announcing today, the opening of the flying field on the Fatview road, with a complete flying service.

Work on a 2,500-foot runway was recently completed, and an 8-plane hangar.

The formal opening is slated for Sunday, August 28. M. D. Watkins is president of the firm, and only last week bought another plane for the service.

#### Waynesville Tank Gets Final Check



Staff Sgt. James E. Robinson (standing) and First Sgt. Paul M. Mull, a veteran of the Battle of the Bulge, gave a tank a final check before it leaves for National Guard camp at Fort Jackson. The tank, armed with a 76 mm gun, was one of four of the Waynesville Heavy Tank Company that was sent by train last week in preparation for the two weeks' summer training. The officers and enlisted men of the company, commanded by Capt. James M. Davis, left by bus and Army vehicle yesterday.

#### 74 Members Of National Guard From Here In Camp

Waynesville's National Guardsmen, 67 officers and enlisted men of the Heavy Tank Company, 120th Infantry, left by bus, truck and jeep yesterday for two weeks' field training at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Capt. James M. Davis, the company commander, led the motor convoy from the Waynesville Armory.

The Guardsmen during the annual summer encampment will join other troops from North Carolina's 30th (Old Hickory) Division, and the South Carolina National Guard in putting into practice the military lessons they've been learning all year in their home armories.

Last Monday, the Waynesville company's four M4A1 tanks and a tank recovery vehicle were freighted in Fort Jackson in preparation for the encampment.

In the photo, Staff Sgt. James E. Robinson (standing), who has served 27 years with the regiment, and First Sgt. Paul M. Mull (on cockpit) are giving one of the company tanks a final check-up before it is put on a flat car for the trip to South Carolina.

Mull, veteran of nine years with the 30th Division, holds the Bronze Star for his heroic action in the Battle of the Bulge.

Robinson wasn't allowed to go overseas during the last war because his two grown sons were in action with the Navy.

The members of the Company who left for Fort Jackson were: James M. Davis, Captain; Samuel A. Crowell, 1st Lieutenant; Rufus E. Sootherly, 1st Lieutenant; Robert H. Woodrider, 1st Lieutenant; Frank C. Byrd, 2nd Lieutenant; Frederick W. Chandler, Master Sergeant. (See National Guard—Page 4)

#### Jackson County Man Killed By Train Yesterday

A 33-year-old World War II veteran was killed last night when a Southern Railway locomotive ran over him near the crossing at Addie east of Sylva.

Sheriff Gordon Middleton of Jackson identified the victim as Lewis Parris of the Addie community.

The officer reported that Parris' body was found lying across the ties, his head and right leg crushed. Coroner Howard Dills of Dillsboro said after an inquest Parris' death was accidental.

Survivors include the father, John B. Parris of Addie, five brothers, and two sisters.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Moody Funeral Home.

#### Methodists Form Plans To Push Work On New Lake Junaluska Building

Plans looking to the completion of a Children's Building at Lake Junaluska by the 1950 season of the Junaluska Assembly were formulated Wednesday afternoon at a mass meeting held in Shackford Hall, the educational headquarters of the Methodist Board of Education here.

The proposed plans provide for a two-story building of stone and clapboard construction to stand on a lot fronting ninety feet on Lake-

#### Average Of 15 Per Cent Reduction In Effect

The 3,450 members of the Haywood Electric Membership Corporation will note a substantial reduction in rates on their September bills, it was announced here this morning by R. C. Sheffield, general manager, and Carter Osborne, president of the cooperative.

The reduction represents an average of about 15 per cent, it was announced, with the larger reductions being made in the lower brackets. The reductions are based on a sliding scale.

The new rates as applied to last month's billing showed a savings to the members of \$1,200, which is an average of \$14,000 per year that the members will save, Mr. Sheffield said.

The action of inaugurating the new rate structure was given formal approval by the board of directors, and in turn the officials of REA have given their approval.

The announcement came just as officials were putting on the finishing touches for the 10th annual meeting, which will be held here on Saturday, August 27th at the Armory.

Mr. Sheffield said that the minimum of \$1.50 per month would still prevail, but that instead of getting 19 kilowatt hours for \$1.50 the new rate provides 25 kilowatt hours for the same price.

The cost of 50 kilowatt hours has been reduced from \$3.25 to \$2.50, he pointed out.

The larger users will get a reduction, but not as large a percentage as the smaller users, the new rate schedule showed.

This is the first rate reduction made by the organization since it began operation in 1939.

The board of directors also amended the by-laws at a recent meeting and instituted the capital credit plan. This new plan means that each member will be credited at the end of the year, their pro rata share of money the cooperative has in excess of actual cost of services for the year. The plan is now in force.

The board, at its discretion, can set the time when this credit will be paid in either cash or applied on bills.

"It might be a year or so before the board will see fit to grant these credits," Mr. Sheffield said. "A lot of things must be taken into consideration, but eventually the members will benefit materially from the plan."

In making plans for the annual meeting, Mr. Osborne urged every member to make plans to attend, and pointed out that some \$500 in door prizes would be given away.

#### WTHS Students To Register Next Week

Waynesville Township High School students will register next week for the new school year opening at 8:30 a. m. August 29.

Principal C. E. Weatherby made the announcement today.

He said the registration schedule, from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. daily, would be as follows:

Monday—rising seniors (12th grade); Tuesday—11th grade; Wednesday—10th grade; Thursday—ninth grade; and Friday—eighth grade.

Seventh grade students will report the first day of the new school year.

**Highway Record For 1949**  
(To Date)  
**In Haywood Killed . . . 4**  
**Injured . . . 26**  
(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)