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TODAY'S SMILE
There is no danger of developing eyestrain from looking on the bright side of things.

Transport Wrecks On Mt. Mitchell, Kills Nine



Nine soldiers were found dead in this wreckage of an Air Force transport plane which crashed on the steep eastern slope of Mount Mitchell. The mountain is the highest in eastern America. Forest rangers pushed through rain-soaked thickets and found the wreckage and the dead two days after the crash. Nobody on the plane survived. The aerial view was made shortly after the discovery. (AP Wirephoto.)

Recreation Program Groups Set

The recreation commission of the Haywood County Community Development Program today announced the special committees and an outline of the plans for fall and winter recreation.

With emphasis on participation of as many residents of each of the organized communities as possible, the commission said a silver loving cup will be awarded the community winning the most points during the course of the program.

The activities figuring in the point system include a comprehensive variety — basketball, handicrafts, variety programs, debating and spelling, checkers, and music.

The communities which enter floats in the third annual Tobacco Harvest Festival will get 100 points each on their score.

In a letter to officers and recreation committees of all the community organizations, the Commission said:

"The ultimate aim of the recreation program is to get as many people as possible participating in the community in good, clean, wholesome recreation and fellowship."

The letter was signed by the Rev. C. L. Allen, Commission chairman, Assistant County Agent Turner Carney, Community Development Program supervisor, County Agent Wayne Corpening, and Home Demonstration Agent Mary Corwell.

The special committees:

Basketball, Jack Justice of Canton, chairman; C. E. Weatherby, Waynesville High School coach; David Underwood, Wayne Stacey, Mrs. Tom Brummitt, and Ray Miller;

Handicrafts, Mrs. Will Medford, chairman; Mrs. M. O. Galloway, Mrs. Mary Hawkins, Mrs. Roy Robinson, Hugh Rogers, Jimmie Galloway, and Mrs. Cecil Murray;

Variety Program, recitations, declamations, singing, music, one-act plays, talks on objectives of the Community Development Program, Mrs. C. O. Newell, K. O. Carswell, Roy Robinson, Robert (See Recreation—Page 6)

Haywood To Get 91.2 Miles Rural Roads Improved This Winter, Says Com. Thrash

From Latvia To Haywood County



Mr. and Mrs. Ludwigs Stumbers and their ten-year-old daughter, Zen, native Latvians, are quickly adjusting themselves to their new life in the Clyde community. After spending five years in a displaced persons' camp at Esslingen, Germany, the Stumbers came to the United States and to Clyde under the sponsorship of the Clyde Baptist Church. The church cooperated with the Displaced Persons Program in finding the Stumbers their new home in Haywood. Zen is now a student at Clyde School.

Haywood county is slated to get 91.2 miles of rural roads worked on this winter, under the plan of Dale Thrash, division commissioner of the tenth district.

Mr. Thrash has announced that the commission will launch a 1,621-mile stabilization program with a major portion of its first road bond money.

Commissioner Thrash, in a preview of his road plans, said the emphasis in his 14 western counties will remain on stabilization through the next seven months of winter and early spring.

"The man riding on rock now who wants a paved road can be patient a little longer," he said. "He can afford to wait until the fellow living on the red road gets some crushed stone on his road. Our goal is to keep all school buses running this winter if possible and concentrate on placing rock on roads that have never had any rock on them."

The Tenth Division Commissioner said that the early advent of winter in the mountains also is a factor in his planning. In the near future representatives will be appointed to study roads in each township. Early in the spring these township representatives, the county commissioners, board of education members, county chairmen of the road and school bond drive and other leaders of each county will be asked by Commissioner Thrash to meet with him and choose the roads to be hard surfaced during the 1950 paving season. The season will open about April 1.

In the meantime, Commissioner Thrash announced the following mileage for stabilization in each county during the winter:

Avery, 52.6; Buncombe, 205.6; Cherokee, 138.8; Clay, 62.7; Graham, 73.7; Haywood, 91.2; Henderson, 155.0; Jackson, 176.2; Macon, 205.6; Madison, 182.2; Mitchell, 56.2; Swain, 51.5; Transylvania, 114.0; and Yancey, 53.7.

To carry out this ambitious stabilization program, the Division has placed requisitions for 685,000 tons of crushed stone to be stock-piled at convenient locations.

In some cases the Tenth Division plans to build 12-foot roads where traffic does not justify a wider-type road. "We do not intend to force this type road on anybody, but we think the narrow roads will be (See Rural Roads—Page 6)

Printing Department Of The Mountaineer Enlarged; Addition Made To Building

Workmen began this morning moving machinery of the commercial printing department of The Mountaineer into the new addition, which has just been completed. The present building has been enlarged to give 2,400 more square feet of floor space.

All the space on the first floor will be devoted to an enlarged printing department, while the basement will be used for the storage of newsprint.

A modern stock room for keeping papers has been constructed, and the building was designed especially for the commercial printing department. The construction is of heavy steel throughout, and each machine is supported by special steel columns from the basement. The department will operate six presses, in addition to a complete bindery.

The plant is of all daylight design, having used large windows throughout, in addition to ceiling reflected fluorescent lights.

The addition of the new unit gives more space to the composing room of the newspaper.

The printing plant is now one of the largest in Western North Carolina, and is thoroughly equipped with modern printing machinery.

The plant now turns out work from the size of postage stamps to thick books. Many of the jobs are known in the trade as complicated, as they require three and four colors of ink for each page of printing, but with the equipment now in operation, this is just "another job" for the experienced men in the department.

Leave Cancelled Before Takeoff Saves Life

Sgt. George A. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ray of Waynesville fell pretty low when his furlough was cancelled at the last minute.

He was all ready to fly home from his Washington, D. C., Air Force Base last Wednesday when his leave fell through an hour before the takeoff.

But today he feels nothing but gratitude for the officer who cancelled that furlough.

The C-47 transport he would have taken on the flight crashed on Mt. Mitchell last Wednesday. All nine passengers were killed.

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The Taylors' Mabel Goodman won the bench show championship for the second straight year, and Mabel also took first place in the all-age female class.

The Taylors' Merry Dell placed second in the latter competition, and Mabel teamed up with Merry to capture first place as the best pair in the show.

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Fire Safety Week Opens Here Today

The Waynesville Junior Chamber of Commerce, with the Fire Department and other agencies cooperating, is going to remind the folks of the danger of fire in a very emphatic way.

The Jaycees' program for the local observance of National Fire Prevention Week will feature a parade of more than 100 marchers Saturday morning bearing spectacular exhibits showing the consequences of fires.

Overlooking no angle of fire hazards and fire fighting, Chairman Bob Korte's Jaycee fire safety committee is including in the parade an example of what often happens to the curious who send their cars speeding after fire trucks answering an alarm.

Taking part in the parade, which will start at 11 a.m. on Main Street at the First Baptist Church will be the Waynesville Township High School band, fire fighting equipment handled by Chief Clem Fitz (See Fire Week—Page 6)

Lions Wind Up Preparations For Minstrel

Waynesville's Lions are set to give their finest performance tomorrow night.

The occasion will be the annual Minstrel, which will be unveiled on the stage of the Waynesville Township High School auditorium at 8 p.m. tomorrow.

General Chairman Jerry Rogers, reviewing the final week's work, reported the cast was in good physical shape and all escaped injury in the last rehearsal.

One or two end men sprained a couple of jokes, but are considered definite starters.

All the Lions, meanwhile, contemplated holding last-minute light workouts this afternoon in preparation for tomorrow afternoon's big parade, but then dismissed the idea as somewhat impractical.

The big parade, featuring all 65 members of the Waynesville Lions Club in black face and costume and the Waynesville Township High School band, will start marching through Waynesville at 3 p.m.

Minstrel officials, however, were (See Lions Wind Up—Page 6)

Honorary Tar Heels To Open Meeting Wednesday

The Honorary Tar Heels, North Carolina's adopted sons, will open what promises to be their most colorful get-together next Thursday at Cataloochee Ranch with a shove-off dinner.

Ranch Owner Tom Alexander said today that former Governor Gregg Cherry will be at the ranch for the opening of the seven-day program of hunting, fishing, hog-rifle shooting, and other events.

To date, 12 Honorary Tar Heels from outside the state have made definite reservations at the ranch, and four others have filed tentative reservations.

A host of writers and photographers from national magazines and feature services will be at the ranch particularly to see the approximately 100 marksmen compete for the steer and other prizes in the hog-rifle shooting match Friday.

They'll also see some of Haywood County's expert hunters go to work with their hounds on the following day in a bear hunt.

Mr. Alexander said an invitation also was sent to Governor Kerr Scott but that no reply had as yet been received.

In addition to Mr. Alexander's grand prize of a steer, Waynesville merchants and businessmen also are donating prizes for the top marksmen in each of the three age groups competing in the hog-rifle event.

At the shove-off dinner, the Honorary Tar Heels also will be presented with gifts from North Carolina's leading manufacturers and merchants.

On October 16, the visitors will go to Fontana for a day's fishing. Dr. Kelly Bennett of Bryson City. (See Tar Heels—Page 6)

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Auto Theft Reported This Weekend Here

One car was stolen last weekend but an attempted auto theft earlier failed, the Waynesville Police Chief Orville Noland, reported today.

Officers are searching for a 1938 Ford belonging to Tommy Green of Branner Avenue.

Mr. Green said he had last seen it parked in front of his home at 11 p.m. last night. He discovered his loss at 7 a.m. today.

Police found another stolen auto, however, a few minutes after the theft was reported.

Miss Carmel Plott of Waynesville discovered her car gone after she came out of a movie last night.

Officers found it parked on East Street not far from the spot on the same street where Miss Plott had parked it.

Police reported that the thief or thieves had rolled it down the hill and were apparently in the act of connecting the wires necessary to make it start when they were forced to flee for an unknown reason.

School Bus Crash Kills 7 Children, 12 Hurt



Here is an interior view of a wrecked school bus after it crashed into an ice truck near Middlesex, Thursday and killed seven children. Twelve others were injured. Dale Frances Brantley, 11, looks through the debris. She was not on the bus at the time of the crash. (AP Wirephoto.)

Sheriff Still Improving; Condition Good

Sheriff R. V. Welch's condition remained good today as he continued to improve slowly, the Haywood County Hospital reported at noon.

The officer suffered a stroke September 21.

Furtado In NYC To Confer On New Business Here

Charles Furtado of Furtado Enterprises, Inc., Waynesville, is attending a conference in New York City this week in regard to the proposed establishment of a textile engineering consultant, selling agent, and commission merchant's field office here.

He left Sunday to confer with William Gluckin, president of William Gluckin Company, Inc., of New York, on the matter.

Communities Urged To Enter Tobacco Festival

Each of Haywood County's organized communities has been urged to enter a beauty contest and a float in the third annual Tobacco Harvest Festival, which will be held November 22-26.

The request was made in a letter sent last weekend to officers and recreation committees of the Community Development organizations and signed by General Committee Chairman Wayne Corpening, Float Committee Chairman R. C. Francis of Ratcliffe Cove, and Beauty Queen Chairman Jonathan Woody.

The details of the float competition and beauty contest were announced at the same time.

Fifty dollars will go to the owners of the winning float, \$30 to the runner-up, and \$20 will be awarded for third place.

Under the rules governing the beauty contest, the entries must be at least 15 years old and must be residents of the communities they represent.

The opportunity for a college education will be the grand prize for the winner of the beauty contest.

This opportunity will come in the award of a trust fund for such a purpose. The winner also will be presented with a silver loving cup.

All other contestants also will receive gifts.

If the winner does not go to college, the fund will be held over to (See Tobacco Festival—Page 6)

Highway Record For 1949 (To Date)
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(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

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