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TODAY'S SMILE
Dick, age three, did not like soap and water. "Surely you want to be a clean little boy, don't you?" asked his mother. "Yes," he tearfully agreed, "but can't you just dust me?"

Plott Hounds Are Bear Experts



Plott hounds like these tracked down the live bear which were killed last week in an experimental hunt in Michigan. Holding the leashes are John Plott (left) and his neighbor, Hayes Frizzel, of Plott Creek. Mr. Plott's nephew, Bill, directed the six-day Michigan hunt last week which was arranged to prove that bear hunting with dogs doesn't spoil the deer season.

Plott Hounds Star In Experimental Bear Hunt

Allens Creek Man Kills 200-Pound Bear Friday

Big Creek in Santeeelah is a death trap for bear.

The week before last, Crockett Schultz of Big Creek killed a 100-pound bear there.

Last Friday, not far from the same spot, Kay Wilson of Allens Creek killed a 200-pound bruin on the second day of a two-day hunt.

Wilson was hunting with Max Rogers of Waynesville and his party when he made his kill.

Girl Scout Drive To Be Started On Thursday

A drive for funds for Girl Scout work in the Hazelwood-Waynesville area will be made Thursday and Friday under the sponsorship of the Lions Club and the Girl Scout Finance Committee.

Receipts from the drive will be used in a number of ways, including the girls an opportunity to experience real Scouting.

Headed by Mrs. J. E. Smith, the operation of a Girl Scout Camp next summer. In order to meet Girl Scout requirements, the camp must have a qualified director and counselors, and these workers are not available without pay.

Other projects for the girls include additional furnishings and a heater for the Girl Scout Hut, and materials to be used in the brand program.

This is the first time an appeal has been made to the general public to help carry on the Girl Scout program and the committee is hoping to meet with great success.

West Pigeon To Meet Tuesday

West Pigeon residents will hold a Community Development Program meeting at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday at Bethel School.

Jack Sloan, community chairman, will preside.

Witches Set For Annual Flight In County Tonight

The witches and the goblins will shove the football stars out of the spotlight today as children and grownups both observe the traditional Halloween celebration throughout the county.

In Waynesville, at least 500 school children will try out their artistic talent on store windows throughout this town and neighboring Hazelwood.

Thousands of town and farm people are expected to crowd the streets tonight to see the colorful parade which will start down Main Street from the First Baptist Church at 8 p. m.

Both the window-painting competition and the parade and its attendant costume contest are being sponsored by the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce with the

two bears, tracked by Plott hounds, from Haywood county, were killed last week during a six-day national experimental hunt in Michigan, Michigan.

Bill Plott of Waynesville, who directed the hunt for the state-operated Michigan Conservation Club, reported this morning a few hours after returning from Michigan.

He described the hunt as the most successful of the four so far conducted.

However, the results of the experiment won't be known until after the deer season in Missaukee County is well underway this month.

The purpose of these experimental hunts is to prove to Michigan deer hunters that tracking bear with dogs doesn't spoil the deer season.

Last Wednesday, on the third day of the hunt, he shot a bruin that weighed 335 pounds after it was fed, estimated. In fact, Bill Plott estimated, the bear would weigh about 370 pounds.

"I took six men to carry him in," Bill said.

He said he and his companions used 24 of the famed Plott hounds on the hunt, which was held on one of the nation's finest deer grounds. He quoted official records, which estimate that each of the county's 24 square miles contain 30 deer.

Approximately 75 game inspectors and deer hunters from Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois accompanied the party of Western North Carolina men each day of the six-day period.

The deer hunters made their own personal observations on the behavior of the dogs on the hunt.

On only two of the six days did the hunters fail to bring back dead bear.

One of the seven bear the hunters saw during that period escaped and one of the two was wounded.

Plott killed his bear after only a 35-minute chase. This was the longest chase necessary to bag any of them.

The first two bears caught, one on each of the first two days of the hunt that started October 25, were shot within only 50 or 60 minutes.

(See Bear Hunt—Page 8)

County School Buses Check OK

Red Cross Meeting Tomorrow

Efforts will be made tomorrow night to strengthen the organization of the Waynesville American Red Cross chapter by the election of a 12-member board of directors.

The directors and other principal officers will be elected at the annual public meeting in the main court room of the Haywood County Court House.

The meeting will open at 7:30 p. m. with the Rev. M. R. Williamson, Chapter chairman, and W. D. Dibrill, general field representative from the ARC Southeastern area, Atlanta, Ga., headquarters, in charge.

The officers and directors will be elected for the calendar year opening January 1.

The other current principal officers are Vice-Chairman Curtis Russ, Treasurer Joe Davis, and Mrs. Jonathan Woody, home service chairman.

The presidents of civic organizations and industrial executives in this area have been invited to send two representatives each.

Invitations also have been sent to the 13 Gray Ladies of the chapter area.

Red Cross officials also specifically urged private individuals to attend the session.

Everyone attending the meeting will take part in the elections.

During the meeting also, the chapter work for the next year will be planned.

Hotel Waynesville Is Being Wrecked

Workmen are fast wrecking the old Hotel Waynesville building on Main Street, and plans are to have the lot cleared by December first, according to H. H. Holt who purchased the building at auction last summer.

The material is being sold on the site, and the cleared lot is to be turned over to five local men who purchased the property at the sale.

No announcement has been made as to what use will be made of the lot.

Store Hours To Be Discussed At Meeting Tuesday

The establishment of opening and closing hours will be discussed Tuesday at three, by the Merchants Association, at the Chamber of Commerce office.

W. M. "Bill" Cobb is president, and Mrs. Frank Knuttli secretary of the organization.

Heavy Dew Hits Waynesville

Haywood County roads got a thorough wetting yesterday. So did the county roads and the field crops.

The weather station at the Mountain Test Farm reported that 3.19 inches of "California sunshine" hit the Waynesville area alone.

'Whatsits' Invade Field; Eat Everything But Crop

Every year, American farmers spend millions for weed killers.

Last week, Andy Ferguson got swarms of them free from Mother Nature.

When he went out to cut his two acres of alfalfa in Riverside, he saw with a feeling of surprise that the crop had never looked better nor greener.

With further surprise, he noticed that the entire field had been picked clean of every weed, except for a few small scattered clumps of orchard grass and dock.

Ousted



President Truman last Thursday said he was ousting Admiral Louis E. Denfeld from his job of chief of naval operations.

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Many Expected At Road Meeting Here On Tuesday

County PMA Meeting To Be Held Thursday

County and community committee elections and the pending tobacco referendum will come up for action at a meeting of the Haywood County Production and Marketing Administration groups Thursday morning.

The meeting is scheduled to open at 10 a. m. in the PMA office in the Haywood County Court House.

County Committee Chairman A. W. Ferguson of Crabtree said in his announcement today that the tobacco referendum scheduled for later this month will be discussed.

In the referendum, tobacco growers will vote on whether or not they want acreage control continued, whether they want it for only one year, or whether they want it for the next three years.

A definite date has not been set for the vote as yet.

The audience also will elect members to the county PMA committee and to the community committees.

Attending the session will be Jeff Enloe, district PMA field representative from Asheville.

Mr. Ferguson also pointed out the new U. S. Department of Agriculture regulation made some changes in the procedure for naming members of the committees.

Under the new regulation, a member of the county committee may not be elected as a delegate to the county convention in his own county.

Furthermore, the selected delegate to the county convention must not be personally interested in any of the positions which are to be filled.

Mr. Ferguson added, however, that there has been no change made in the system under which farmers participating in the PMA programs select their community committees.

The Production and Marketing Administration committees were known until recently by the name of "agricultural conservation committees."

Yates To Testify At USDA Burley Hearing Tuesday

Oral Yates of Iron Duff will testify against the proposed cut in burley tobacco acreage when he appears at a U. S. Department of Agriculture hearing in Washington tomorrow morning.

Mr. Yates will represent the Haywood County Farm Bureau at the hearing. He left for the capital today.

The hearing will be on a House bill that would reduce the burley acreage about 20 per cent next year.

Representatives from each of the Western North Carolina burley counties have been delegated to testify by their respective Farm Bureau organizations.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Howell, Jr., and Miss Mary Lu Elwood were among those attending the Carolina-Tennessee game in Chapel Hill last week-end.

State, County Officials To Confer On Hospital

State and county officials on Wednesday will take another step toward the actual construction of the proposed new wing to the Haywood County Hospital.

Dr. John A. Ferrell, executive secretary of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission, will confer at 9:30 a. m. that day with the Haywood County Commissioners, the Hospital's board of trustees, and Architect Lindsay Gudgeon over tentative plans for the expansion.

The county's voters approved a \$225,000 bond issue on October 1 to help finance the new construction.

George A. Brown, chairman of the County Board of Commissioners, said recently the date of the

Highway officials will be here Tuesday morning at ten o'clock to discuss with Haywood citizens various road improvements, and to discuss the plan for carrying out the rural road program as provided in the bond program of last June.

Dale Thrash, commissioner from this district, will be present, and will have with him engineers and maps.

"We are going to talk about roads, and mud roads, in particular," he said. He expressed the hope that there would be a large crowd from all sections of the county to attend the meeting.

Commissioner Thrash pointed out that he was interested in seeing that every citizen now on a mud road got out of the mud. He said that there were stockpiles of crushed stone which would be used for such roads.

After the 5:30 p. m. session on Sunday, it is expected that many more people will attend the meeting, since a number of roads are now in mud.

Plans for paving under the bond road program will be discussed, but Commissioner Thrash pointed out that no paving will be done until next April, according to specifications of engineers not to do paving in fall and early spring.

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The program is as follows:

Part I Band
Pans Angelous, Cesar Franck; George Gershwin Selection, Arr. David Bennett; Symphony in B Minor (The Unfinished Symphony), Franz Schubert; Cowboy Rhapsody, Morton Gould; March Colonel Bogey, Alford.

Part II Chorus
Onward Christian Soldiers, Arr. Simeone; The Last Chord, Arr. Stuart Churchill; Battle Hymn of the Republic, Arr. Ringwald; Oh, Susanna, Arr. Cain; The Erie Canal, Arr. Tom Scott; Male Chorus, Dry Bones, Arr. Gearhart; Country Style, Arr. Harry Simeone.

Part III Band
Folk Song Suite, Vaughan Williams; March Group — National Emblem, Bagley; Anchors Aweigh, Arr. Briegel; The U. S. Field Artillery, Arr. Lake; Semper Fidelis, Sousa; Stars and Stripes Forever, Sousa.

MRS. EVANS AT ST. JOSEPH'S
Mrs. Harry Evans, Sr. is a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital in Asheville where she underwent an operation last Saturday morning.

Check Is Made By Highway Patrol

The State Highway Patrol last week gave Haywood County's 51 school buses a clean bill of health.

Patrol Corporal John L. Carpenter also reported after the examinations were completed Friday that the routes the buses travel also were in generally safe condition.

He said school bus drivers reported only two instances of brush obscuring curves. One was at a place on Highway 209 in Crabtree and the other in the Fines Creek section. Both roads have only light traffic in those places.

The corporal reported that the patrolmen assigned to Haywood found the buses safe both mechanically and with respect to loading of passengers.

This was the first of a series of monthly inspections which all school buses in North Carolina will undergo by State Highway Patrolmen.

Corporal Carpenter said the inspections were instituted at the order of Patrol headquarters in Raleigh.

In his statement on the findings of this first investigation, he complimented the county school authorities on the school bus conditions.

County Schools Superintendent Jack Messer said the buses are checked constantly by county mechanics, but that the State Highway Patrol inspections are very thorough. (See School Buses—Page 8)

Francis Cove Chord Busters Unhurt In Mishap

A 1949 sedan carrying the members of the Francis Cove quartet home from the Waynesville Lions Club Minstrel show at Fines Creek School Thursday night plunged down a steep embankment and rolled over twice.

A few minutes later, Dr. Boyd Owen and Undertaker Hal Crawford, who had taken part in the show, arrived on the scene on their way home from the school.

But the singers needed neither one.

All four miraculously escaped injury.

One of the boys, Paul Franklin, was thrown from the rear and the heavy sedan rolled over him.

But he had been tossed into a shallow ditch in the path of the oncoming car. The worst he had to show for his narrow escape was a painful shoulder bruise.

X-rays at the Haywood County Hospital the next morning showed Franklin had no internal injuries, and he was not admitted.

Jack Kelly said he, Franklin, Wayne Edwards, and Earl Hoglan were returning home in Edwards' car when the vehicle skidded on wet pavement on the Old Mill curve and plunged down the ten-foot embankment. He said the car was traveling slowly at the time.

The singers, who perform under the name of the Francis Cove Chord Busters, has appeared in the show and in the three previous performances the Minstrel had given here and in rural communities.

Last summer they won the grand prize in the Haywood County Community Development Program's Stunt Night event at Canton, and are in constant demand to appear in other similar shows throughout the county.

The damage to the car, a four-door Ford, was estimated at \$700.

Highway Record For 1949 (To Date)
In Haywood Killed . . . 6 Injured . . . 38
(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

lights the... And... heard of all... in a wash... as though... last week... thought that... brought... the... had wound... that for... out the cat... the pet in the... and had con... closed. But... sounds from... she thought... good idea and... her inclination... the basement... with a flood of... the whirl of the... full speed... stably on top of... valiantly enjoy... performance, sat... Miss Feline... managed to turn... one of the... Stretcher hasn't... gain... after a single... again. But... for attention... The man who... extra point for... Christ School... Terry Swanger... The point... came from the... summed out with... and a new... number was 79... That Carver's... reporter, admini... of strategy... into a fullback... over the credit... the extra point... big 59 cross the... it seems, is still... inger was the 59... n Report... Wrecks... were reported by... over the week... injuries sus... soon about three... by No. 19-A and... the Rock Service... to Col. John... the highway pa... driven by Julian... The vehicle... \$300... Patrolman Wil... W. H. Bur... ville on charges... Burrell's car... 700 yards west... Buncombe line... damaged. Burrell... on his head. He... Ford and was... Sawyer reported... road Gap... Section... today... strict Ranger Cliff... ional Park Service... the five-mile sec... at Wagon Road... day for the winter... ment, he reported... 3,000 cars... passengers visited... between June 1... from practically... the Union and... from... Canal Zone... the Wagon Road... Parkway during... he said... well Way Is... Following... Saturday... well Way was re... condition at... daughter Mrs... noon today. Mrs... stroke on Satur... condition has been... since then.

CLOUDY

Max.	Min.	Rainfall
60	36	
59	46	.59
74	49	
64	54	2.41