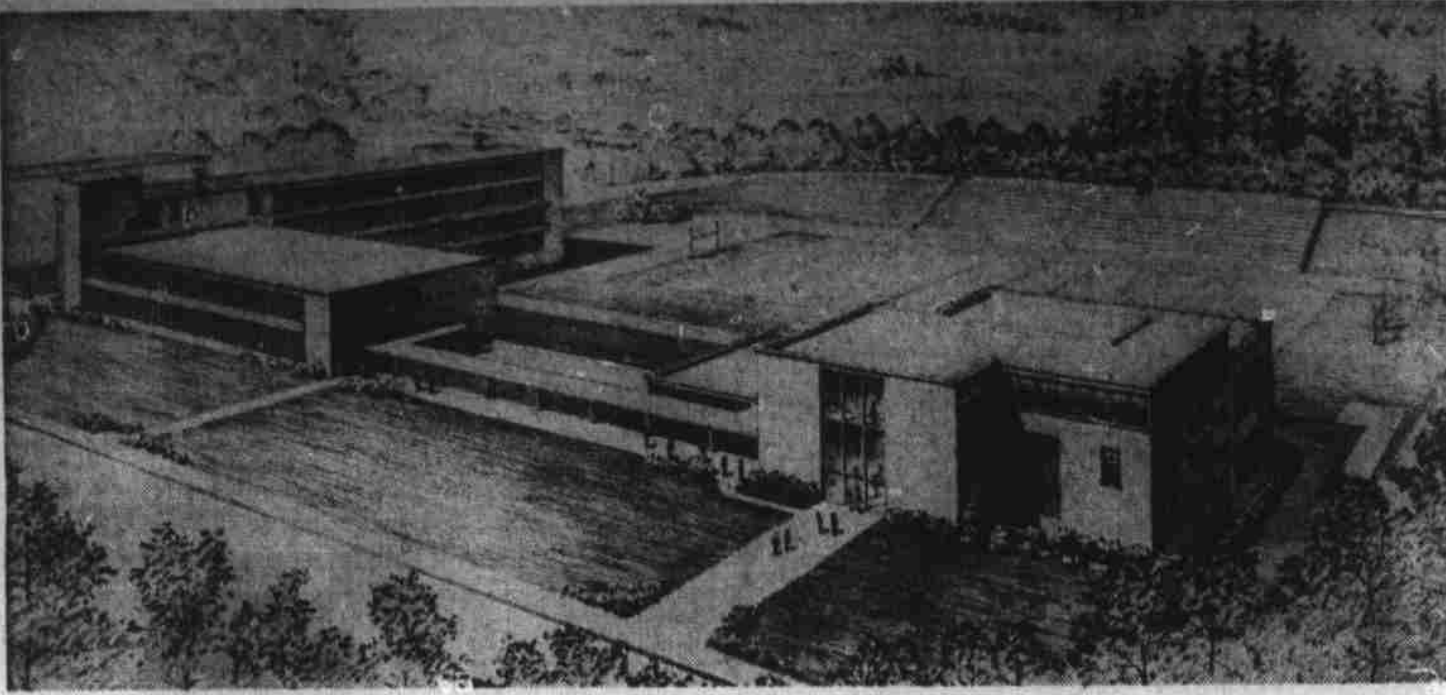


Plans Being Completed On WCTC's \$2,000,000 Building



The drafting-board stage on this new building at Western Carolina Teachers' College is nearly over. The final drafts will be sent to Raleigh this month for approval. Contracts are scheduled to be let in May. The modern building will house class rooms, science laboratories, and a library. The new building will be part of the college's expansion program which was allocated \$3,384,200 by the 1947 and 1949 General Assembly.

W.C.T.C. Program Of Expansion To Start Soon

CULLOWHEE — Plans for the new science-classroom building and the library, the first two buildings to be constructed under the permanent improvement program at Western Carolina Teachers' College, are rapidly being completed. Professor C. F. Dodson, chairman of the Building Committee, has announced that the final drafts will be sent to Raleigh for approval during the month of March and that contracts will be let in May.

The two buildings will use approximately \$2,000,000 of the \$3,384,200 appropriated by the N. C. Legislature in 1947 and 1949 for expansion of the college.

Since its birth in 1889 the college has passed through three major building programs. This present program, the fourth, will cost more than the total of all the others.

Founded by Professor R. L. Madison, the college saw a humble beginning in a two-room cabin as Cullowhee High School. In 1893, the N. C. Legislature granted the school \$1,500 to establish a "normal" department. By this time three rooms had been added to the original building and a fine arts building had been erected.

Before his resignation from the presidency in 1912, Professor Madison had seen three more buildings constructed and plans for more completed. At this time the school was known as Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School, the name having been changed in 1905.

Professor Madison was succeeded by Professor A. C. Reynolds who had formerly served as Superintendent of the Buncombe School System. During his service as president, 1912-1920, Professor Reynolds enlarged the area of patronage and extended the curriculum of the college.

In 1920 Professor Madison was recalled to the presidency in which capacity he served until 1923. Within this period the school received the largest appropriation it had ever had. The state granted the college one half million dollars, making possible the construction of the present heating plant, Moore Dormitory, and the acquisition of the college farm.

Dr. H. T. Hunter became the third president in 1923 and served until his death in the fall of 1947. During his administration the school went through two name changes, in 1925 it became Cullowhee State Normal School and in 1929 it acquired its present name, Western Carolina Teachers' College, with a four-year curriculum and the authority to grant degrees.

Under Dr. Hunter's direction the school underwent its largest building program in 1938. With the aid of the WPA and the PWA the state constructed Breese Gymnasium, McKee Training School, the Student Union Building, Graham Infirmary, Hoey Auditorium, and Madison Dormitory.

After Dr. Hunter's death Dean W. E. Bird served as Acting President until the beginning of this school year when he was succeeded by Paul A. Reid of Raleigh. President Reid will be inaugurated as the fourth president on May 6.

The new science-classroom building will be completely modern in construction and equipment. The three floors of the wing fronting alternate highway N. C. 107 will be devoted to the science department. It will contain eleven laboratories, a projection room, classrooms, and offices completely furnished with new equipment. The roof of this wing will have an observatory for courses in astronomy and meteorology.

The adjoining unit to the science wing devotes its four floors to the laboratories, classrooms, and offices of the business, English, education, fine arts, history and home economics departments. A special feature of the education department will be the expansion of the campus radio station, WWO, to modern FM broadcasting station. In addition to serving the campus needs the station will

2 Haywood Scouts To Get Their Eagle Awards Monday

Two Haywood County boys next Monday night will receive the Boy Scouts of America's highest honors. Robert E. Ledford of Canton and Charlton Davis of Waynesville will be inducted as Eagle Scouts at the March term of the Pigeon District Court of Honor.

Haywood County Scout Advancement Chairman Donald Randolph of Canton will convene the court at 7:30 P. M. at the Allen's Creek Baptist Church.

Robert Ledford is a top Scout in his home town Troop 16, while Charlton is a luminary of Waynesville Troop 2.

During the impressive ceremonies also, Scouts from throughout the county, which comprises the Pigeon District, will receive awards for their achievements.

broadcast educational programs to fill the needs of the nearby high schools. It will have modern studios, control rooms, and equipment.

The department will have new equipment for the psychology courses, including a one-way vision screen for the observation of child behavior. The present testing, reading, guidance, and audio-visual clinics will be enlarged.

Included in the building will be a home economics department which will be equipped with all leading types of household furnishings in order to familiarize the students with their operations.

The Industrial Arts department will have a large shop area and a Little Theater, seating 150, will be included in the back wing of the building. This wing will also house the dressing rooms, showers, sleeping quarters, and offices of the athletic department.

A modern herbarium and a museum of biological specimens will be located in the science wing. These will be devoted to a collection of the plant and animal specimens of the Western North Carolina area.

A history museum will also be started. It will feature Western North Carolina history concentrating on the frontier and Cherokee Indian relics.

The library is the culmination of a study made by Librarian Lillian Buchanan of the leading libraries in the nation. It will contain individual study cubicles for student use and a roof garden for recreational reading purposes. Included in the furnishings will be victrolas equipped with ear phones for undisturbed study.

An all purpose room will connect the library with the classroom building. This gallery will be used for small concerts, lectures, forums, art exhibits, and banquets with a seating capacity of 300. It will be equipped with a 35mm. projector and screen for educational and recreational purposes. This room is being designed to suit the needs of the adjoining area as well as the campus.

In addition to Professor Dodson the Building Committee members are Dr. W. A. Ashbrook, Dr. W. Newton Turner, Mr. R. C. Sutton, Dr. H. P. Smith, and Professor R. L. Leftwich.

This Week's Pre-School Clinics Set

The Haywood County Health Department today announced next week's schedule of clinics for children who plan to enter school next fall.

Tuesday, 9 a. m. — Patton School, pre-school clinic; 1 p. m. — Patton School, typhoid clinic; Wednesday, 9 a. m. — Pennsylvania Avenue School, pre-school clinic; 1 p. m. — same place, typhoid clinic.

Family Life Leaders To Have Training School

A training school for Family Life Leaders of the home demonstration clubs of the county will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m. in Court Room in Waynesville.

Mrs. Corrine Grimsley, Family Life Specialist, will conduct the school.

AS MINERS WENT BACK TO WORK IN THE PITS



ANSWERING THE BACK-TO-WORK whistle, workers in the Consolidated Coal Company's Montour Mine No. 10, in Liberty, Pa., board the "train" that takes them back to the pits. Under the new United Mine Workers wage-boosting contract, soft coal mines of the nation were reported humming again. (International)

County Democrat Convention Set For May 6

The next two months will be convention time for Haywood County's Democrats. Last week the State Democratic Executive Committee set: Precinct conventions for April 29; county conventions for May 6; and the annual state convention for

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May 11. The state gathering will be held in Raleigh. The information was given by Oral Yates, a member of the Executive Committee. He and Mrs. Jack West, Haywood's other representative on the committee, attended the meeting in Raleigh when the plans were announced for the local and state conventions.

About 1,300,000,000 pounds of butter are produced in the United States annually.

Lee Active In Shreveport Red Cross Campaign

A native Haywood County man, who is now district manager for the Southern Telephone and Telegraph Co. with headquarters at Shreveport, La., where he's served since transfer from the firm's Raleigh office on November 1, Mr. Lee is a co-chairman of the Caddo Red Cross drive's division.

Last year, he served as one of the general section Red Cross drive in Caddo Parish. He served as president of the Shreveport Exchange Club, secretary of the Sales Club of Shreveport in 1947, an active worker for the community chest.

He and his wife and make their home at 146 E. 4th St., Shreveport. Mr. Lee was educated at School, Bell Buckle, Tenn., and the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., and the University of North Carolina.

He joined Southern Bell immediately after finishing studies at the University.

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