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TODAY'S SMILE

If you don't have everything you want, be thankful for the things you don't have that you don't want.

## Half Million More Set Up For Water-Level Route Scott Assures Pigeon Road

### \$950,000 Now Ready for Job

#### For Pigeon Road



GOV. W. KERR SCOTT yesterday allocated another half million dollars for the water-level Pigeon River Highway to Tennessee. The fund now has \$950,000.

(Special To The Mountaineer)

NEWPORT, Tenn.—The County Court here unanimously adopted a resolution urging the immediate construction of a highway from Newport to the state line to connect with a North Carolina highway into Haywood county.

A committee was named to complete the acquisition of right-of-ways from Hartford to the North Carolina - Tennessee line.

Coke county citizens are encouraged over the inter-state road program, and welcomed the news that Governor Scott had appropriated \$500,000 additional funds to apply on the construction on the North Carolina side," said Jack Shepard, editor of The Plain Talk and Tribune this morning.

Tennessee's highway Commissioner Wayland in a letter to North Carolina officials sometime ago said his state would meet North Carolina at the line with a good road on Pigeon River.

Governor W. Kerr Scott set aside \$500,000 for the Pigeon River Road Wednesday, which brought the total appropriation for the 21-mile water-level road to \$950,000. Former Governor Cherry allocated \$450,000 for the same project about three years ago.

Governor Scott made 18 allocations for major road projects from the \$7,100,000 surplus highway fund. About half of the projects were in the mountain region, and about half of the funds were allocated to these projects.

Several of the regional projects received larger appropriations than did the Pigeon River Road—one in McDowell, from Old Fort to Black Mountain was \$700,000, plus another \$100,000 for the Leicester road, and \$71,664 for a Mt. Mitchell project.

Jackson, Swain, Macon and Cherokee counties also got nice allocations from the fund for major improvements.

The \$950,000 now set aside for the Pigeon River Road, would build a large section from the Tennessee line towards Fines Creek, according to Dr. Henry Jordan, chairman of the state highway commission.

Since Tennessee highway officials have gone on record, in writing, that they would meet North Carolina at the line on the Pigeon River route, it is expected that the work would begin at the border for both states. The new road would be N. C. Highway No. 284, as the records show the present No. 284 into Cataloochee was designated as a temporary road back in 1928 until the road down Pigeon River was built.

The road down Pigeon River will open up the Eastern end of the Park for both states, and traverse some of the most scenic areas in Eastern America, engineers have consistently pointed out.

In making the announcement of the allocations, Chairman Jordan said: "Work will not begin on most newly-announced projects until next year." Some, he added, "may be postponed pending right-of-way agreements." The project down Pigeon River does not involve any right-of-way problems, since the property owners along the route have donated the land to the state for the road. The property owners have signed, and sent the agreements to Raleigh.

Twelve of the 18 projects approved lie in Western North Carolina, where higher construction costs and adverse weather conditions make highway building more expensive than in other sections. Several of the projects in that area will connect major highway en-

### Big Crowds At Annual Celebration

Rain failed to dampen anybody's enthusiasm for the special events scheduled the first of the week in the Boosters Club Annual Fourth of July Celebration. Only change made necessary by rain was the postponement of Wednesday's double-header ball game until Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Announcement was made today of some of the talent which will appear on the all-night singing program at the Waynesville High School Saturday night which will climax the celebration.

The program will begin at 8 o'clock and will feature the Davis Trio of Gastonia; "Slim" Jamison Quartet of Hendersonville; Joe Gwaltney Quartet of Asheville; Melody Five of Sylva; Riley Smith Quartet of Asheville; Jamison Sisters of Sylva; Shelton Trio of Waynesville; Shelton Sisters of Waynesville; and Haywood's Friendly Five; as well as other local talent.

Today's events include a softball game between Welleo and Champion at 5 p. m.; and Saturday's Legion game at 2:30 between Haywood and Valdese.

### Tennessee Elated Over Money For Pigeon Road

#### Heavy Traffic Over The Fourth.

Traffic was exceedingly heavy on all highways in Haywood the Fourth, but reports of the Highway Patrol showed only one small accident, and one personal injury involved.

Much of the time traffic was a bumper-to-bumper schedule, patrolmen reported.

About 8 speeders were arrested on the main highways, and a like number on the new section of road just east of Canton which was opened yesterday. Cpl. Pritchard Smith said an Asheville motorist was arrested for making 60 miles an hour on the 30-mile limit. The newly paved road is termed "as dangerous, because there are no lane markings, and the shoulders are soft."

Cpl. Smith said there was little drinking on the highways during the holiday, and for the most part, everyone seemed to be trying to drive safely and sanely.

### Tea Will Mark 60th Anniversary Of Library Here

The sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the Waynesville Library will be celebrated with a tea Wednesday afternoon, July 11, in the library. Hosts for the occasion will be members of the library board.

The public is cordially invited to call between three and five o'clock.

Mrs. T. L. Gwyn is in charge of arrangements for the event and other members of the board are Col. J. H. Howell, chairman, William Medford, Glenn Palmer, Fred Doult, and Mrs. Dick Moody.

The Waynesville Library was opened July 11, 1891.

### Balentine Opens Superette Here Saturday Morning

Emmett Balentine announced today that he would open his Superette on Saturday. The new store, handling groceries, meats, fruits and vegetables, has just been finished on Branner Avenue, next to Walker's Esso Service Station.

Mr. Balentine, long associated with the grocery trade in this community, is the owner and operator. He has had special fixtures built for the store, and it is thoroughly modern in every detail.

### Sing Convention To Meet Sunday At Cove Creek

The regular quarterly Haywood County Singing will meet at the Cove Creek Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, July 8, at 2 o'clock. A number of singing groups are expected to participate in the program. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. J. W. Michals of Durham is the guest of her mother, Mrs. R. H. Blackwell. Her son, Jimmy Michals, who is in camp near Durham, will arrive Sunday for a visit.

### Choice Steer Selected For Annual Rifle Prize

A choice fat steer has been selected by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Alexander for the prize to be given in the annual Muzzle Loading Rifle contest at Cataloochee Ranch on August 8th.

The annual shooting match attracts large crowds, and interest this year has already indicated another banner audience.

Last year 85 people entered the shooting match, with some spectators attending the event.

E. L. Horton, of Democrat, took first place honors, and the hind quarter of the steer.

Many out-of-state visitors make their plans to visit here in order to attend the shooting match.

### Value Of Farm Land In Haywood Twice '45 Price

With a trend in Haywood County toward fewer farms of larger size, the 1950 Census of Agriculture reveals that the value of the land and buildings, has more than doubled since 1945.

Farm land is now averaging \$152.73 an acre, compared with \$76.26 five years ago. The average farm is valued at \$9,201, against \$4,171 in 1945.

has risen from 55 to 60 acres, with a slight decrease in the actual number of farms. The County Agent's office ascribes this effect to two causes. One is that with improved machinery available since the war, one man can consolidate two or more farms and cultivate them as one. The second reason is the trend toward cattle raising, which necessitates larger acreage than does intensive cash crop agriculture.

Highway Record For 1951 In Haywood (To Date)

Killed . . . 2  
Injured . . . 28

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

### Saturday Last Day To Register For Town Vote

#### Cites Record



MAYOR J. H. WAY, JR., today issued the first public statement relative to his seeking re-election as mayor of Waynesville, as he cited his record in office.

### Way Points To Accomplishments Here As Mayor

"I am seeking re-election as mayor of the Town of Waynesville upon my record, and not mere promises," J. H. Way, Jr., said today, in his first formal statement relative to re-election since the campaign got underway.

"I am proud of the financial record of the Town of Waynesville. When I assumed office the bonded indebtedness was \$560,000. Today the debt has been reduced to \$349,000. In addition to this reduction of debt, we have spent \$255,000 on water, sewer lines and streets, and without borrowing one dime. That all adds up to \$445,000 that has been spent improving the town—financially and materially."

Mayor Way continued: "It is on this record and the more than \$22,000 collected in police court, plus the economy with which the town is being operated, as compared with other nearby towns and cities, that we are proud of the record which stands for itself." The tax rate was \$1.90 when I took office—now the rate has been reduced to \$1.40."

"You can say I am running on the established record of my administration," he concluded. "I guess that is all one can be judged by—their record, and not their intentions."

Citizens living within the town limits of Waynesville have until Saturday afternoon to register for the coming town election.

The registration books will close Saturday at six at both precincts—the town hall, and the Aliens Creek school.

Officials have warned that only persons duly registered will be eligible to vote on July 17th, when a mayor and three aldermen are to be elected for 4-year terms for the town.

Special attention is called to the fact that the town poll books and county poll books are separate, and being registered in one does not constitute eligibility as a qualified voter from the other.

Attention is also called to the citizens who have come into Waynesville since the last town election four years ago. It is necessary for them to register by Saturday in order to vote.

Officials suggested that all citizens would do well to check by their voting precinct, and check with the registrar and determine whether or not they are duly registered.

—The last chance to register is Saturday.

### 14 Seeking Office In Town Vote

There are fourteen candidates seeking office in the Town of Waynesville election, slated for July 17th. Three candidates are out for mayor, and eleven for a place on the board of aldermen.

The two latest candidates to file for aldermen include Leon M. Killian, former member of the board, and Hooper Green, employee of the State Highway Department.

The three candidates for mayor include J. H. Way, Jr., incumbent, Capt. Henry Lee, and Frank D. Ferguson.

The eleven candidates for member of the board of aldermen are the present board: Dr. Tom Stringfield, Felix Stovall and Henry Gaddy, together with Henry "Redworm" Miller, J. R. "Chat" Thomas, Jr., O. S. Rhyms, Mack Pace, Joe Linder, Hooper Green, Leon M. Killian and Hardy Medford.

The last date for filing was last Monday.

#### Candidate (?)



MRS. DOYLE D. ALLEY is being mentioned as a candidate for Congress from the 12th District, to succeed Monroe M. Redden, who is not seeking re-election.

### Mrs. Alley Mentioned As Candidate For Congress

Political observers in Raleigh have listed Mrs. Doyle D. Alley of Waynesville, as among those who will probably be candidates for the congressional seat now held by Monroe M. Redden, of Hendersonville.

In today's political column from Raleigh, and published on the editorial page, The Mountaineer writer lists Mrs. Alley as a possible candidate.

Mrs. Alley, when told of the Raleigh column report this morning, commented that she had no statement to make regarding the possibility of being a candidate.

It is known that she has had a conference with some state political leaders within the past ten days.

Mrs. Alley is familiar with politics, as she has held various offices in the Young Democratic organization of the state, and has been extremely active through the years in the promotion of the Democratic party.

At present she is secretary of the N. C. Park Commission, and also secretary of the W.N.C. Tourist Association.

The Rev. Paul Hardin of Birmingham, Alabama is spending the Fourth of July holiday with Mrs. Hardin and their sons at their summer home at Lake Junaluska.

### Coach Snavely To Address UNC Group In Canton

Coach Carl Snavely will be the principal speaker at the annual meeting of the Haywood County Alumni Association of The University of North Carolina, at the Champton YMCA in Canton on Thursday, July 12th at 7:00 o'clock.

The event will be for Alumni and students of the university and their families. The ladies of the First Methodist Church will serve the banquet and it is requested that all expecting to attend make reservations with one of the officers, no later than Monday, July 9th.

Officers of the county association are Fred Ferguson, president; James Gwyn, Waynesville, vice president; and T. Roger Walker, Hazelwood, secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. M. J. Crowder and her daughter, Miss Joan Crowder of High Point have arrived at Lake Junaluska for a month's stay and are occupying the Russell cottage. Mrs. Crowder is the mother of Richard Crowder, recreational director at the Lake.

### Haywood Group Visiting In Denton County, Texas



The 34 members of the Haywood 4-H Clubs had their picture made on the court house steps Tuesday morning, just before leaving for a 700-mile trip to Denton County, Texas. They are due to arrive about mid-afternoon today. (Staff Photo).

Delights of The News

Form

July 4, 1951 — Parade 10 a. m. — 10:40 a. m. — weather,

few drops of rain. — more and larger drops. — steady drizzle. — heavy downpour. — parade swings down Main in drizzling rain. — sun comes out. — streets dry.

Now Henceforth

Richard Smith, of the patrol took his vacation and while returning in private car, had an opportunity to observe traffic, and without the aid of a patrol car.

one well known motorist pulled a squeeze on Cpl. Smith. In fact, Cpl. Smith had to leave the road to get hit by the hurry-

Smith kept his eye on the line, and as the long line of pulled into Canton, the patrol followed the route of the motorist who violated the rules of safety and in some stopped, Cpl. Smith

It was that the motorist sized the driver of the car and had been so consistently following for so long.

motorist began to admit his tactics, and convinced Cpl. he was from now henceforth, and sane driver. And this, patrolman, is ready to be

Awaiting

of the few bearing mulberry in this area is loaded with purple fruit or berry, is up Daniel Boone, up East

tree is right in front of the hall, and scout executives boys have one more time when they get to camp.

year with camp opening 8th, there is same uncertainty whether the tree will still fruit when the boys get o

### Term Court Named

July term of Superior Court convene July 9 with Judge

Ruddell presiding. In the list of jurors for the week will be drawn the names

who will serve on the July for one year. This is a

of the new Grand Jury law was passed by the 1951 Gen-

Assembly. The February term of Court, Grand Jurors were name

of whom were to serve only six months. Those who continue to serve for another

months include Wayne B. Med-

of Rt. 2, Clyde, Doyce E. of

of Rt. 2, Canton, Zack L. Mas-

of Rt. 2, Waynesville, Charlie

of East Fork, D. N. Arring-

of Rt. 3, Canton, Howard D.

of Rt. 2, Waynesville, Arthur

of Rt. 3, Canton, Howard D.

of Rt. 2, Clyde, Hay-

of Rt. 1, Clyde and De-

of Rt. 1, Canton.

of the panel for the week

are W. K. Boone of Rt. 2,

of Waynesville; Mrs. Stella Mae

of Canton; Joseph T. Mason

of Canton; G. W. Noland, Rt. 1,

of Waynesville; W. R. Jenkins, Fibre-

of Canton; Garrett, Hazelwood;

of Hazelwood; Fines Creek;

of Hazelwood; T. C. Ferguson,

of Hazelwood; George Hill, Crabtree;

of Hazelwood; F. R. of

of Hazelwood; Alvin Pressley,

of Canton; S. E. Bryson,

of Hazelwood; W. R. Bramlett,

of Canton; Massie, Rt. 2, Waynes-

of Hazelwood; Saunders,

of Hazelwood; Massie, Waynesville;

of Hazelwood; W. of

of Rt. 2, Canton; Garfield

of Hazelwood. (Page 8)

The weather FAIR

July 5—Thursday fair weather with scattered showers and rain.

Waynesville temperature recorded by the staff of the (Farm):

Max.	Min.	Rainfall
73	60	.45
77	59	—
82	65	.45

THURSDAY IS THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR THE TOWN ELECTION — REGISTER NOW