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TODAY'S SMILE  
Convicted Murderer: "But Judge, I'm in poor health. I can't do a 99 year sentence."  
Judge: "Well, just do what you can of it."

## Haywood Group Discuss Plans For Coming Polio Campaign



Thursday night a group of Haywood leaders met to organize for the 1952 Polio campaign. The cameraman caught this picture at the Towne House, where the dinner meeting was held. Seated left to right: Miss Tillie Rotha, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Smith, Lee Thrash, Jr., John Giezantner, W. Scott Hawey, Tom Rudisill, Mrs. Rudisill, W. Beckham Huger, co-county chairman, Hugh Rogers, co-county chairman, Dr. C. L. Newland, Ed L. Happ, Jimmy Deaton, Carlton Peyton, Edwin Haynes, Johnnie Johnson, David Hyatt, co-fund chairman, Max Rogers, and Paul Murray. (Mountaineer Photo.)

## 'Your Money's Worth' Is Pledged On Schools

### Ministerial Association Favors School Expansion

Meeting at Clyde in regular monthly session, the Haywood County Ministerial Association went on record as endorsing the school expansion program provided for by the bond election set for Dec. 15.

Rev. Mr. Lyons of Canton, in speaking for the group said: "We sincerely hope that all registered voters will go to the polls and vote for the expansion. It is essential that the bonds be voted if the present crowded conditions in our schools are to be relieved."

### Ferguson Promises

#### Funds To Be Used As Resolutions Provide

"After a thorough study of the mechanics of awarding contracts for new schools, and the renovation of old ones, I am convinced Haywood citizens will get their money's worth from the bond issue," said Fred Ferguson, chairman of the Beaverman committee sponsoring the bond issue, during an interview this morning.

Mr. Ferguson, a former Waynesville man, and now assistant manager of the Employees' Store, of Canton, began by stating he was happy to see that J. R. Morgan, Waynesville attorney, had explained the legal side of the school bond issue in the Thursday issue of The Mountaineer.

"I heartily agree with Mr. Morgan that the resolutions specifying the sum each school in the county shall receive is a part of the bond issue, and the money will be spent according to the program as outlined."

Mr. Ferguson said interested citizens in discussing the bond program, had asked the question about awarding the contracts. "I was glad to have that question put to me, as I began to study the matter thoroughly, and get all the facts."

"Perhaps the best answer I can give, by way of comparison, is the Haywood County Hospital. After the county voted the bonds, the governing boards employed an architect to draw blueprints. These were made to satisfy both the local boards, and the State board. After all necessary changes were made, and all parties concerned, including specialists in such work, were satisfied, the county then advertised for bids."

"I recall reading the advertisements, and all persons and firms interested in bidding on any phase of the construction of the hospital made their bids and had them at the court house at the time set."

"On the day, and hour, set, the bids were opened in front of about 50 people, most of them contractors. Each bid was read aloud as opened, and every person present heard and saw the procedure."

"When the officials had determined the low bidder, by comparing the figures as read aloud, the formal awarding of the contracts took place, when the contractor presented necessary bond, and guarantee of completion of work."

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## 19 Communities Seeking \$1,000 In CDP Prizes

### Ballots Returned For Election Of Merchant Officers

Ballots for election of 10 directors of the Waynesville Merchants Association now are being returned to the Chamber of Commerce office, Mrs. Robert M. Boyd, C. of C. executive secretary, said today. Ballots are due by Friday.

The 20 men nominated for the 10 directorships include: William Ray, Euel Taylor, Frank Moore, J. C. Jennings, Ralph Sumnerrow, Joe Howell, Pitt McCarrroll, John N. Johnson, Walter Francis, O. C. James, Homer Justice, Harry Whisenant, Horace Green, David Underwood, H. S. Ward, Hye Shepworth, Jack Linder, Ed Mottinger, Hugh Massie, and Joe Linder.

The 10 merchants elected as directors of the merchants' association will meet December 10 to select their own officers.

### Red Cross Again Asks Contributions Of Used Clothing

Another call for used clothing—especially for children—was made today for the Waynesville Red Cross.

Mrs. Ethel McDarris, executive secretary of the Red Cross, warned that needy persons in the county will suffer this winter unless warm clothing is provided.

She said that the greatest need is for shoes and clothing for school children from the ages of 6 through 15.

Mrs. McDarris urged persons having discarded clothing to call the Red Cross office—telephone 18—and have it picked up, or bring it to the court house.

### Lions Club To Again Aid Underprivileged Children

The Waynesville Lions Club has been the custom for the past number of years, to take a number of underprivileged children and furnish them with comfortable clothing, will again take this as one of their major projects of the year, according to Jerry Rogers, chairman of the health and welfare committee of the club.

In years past the number of children clothed has increased from year to year and the situation this year looks like another increase.

Last year the club spent close to \$2,000 on this project, and is asking the public for their support again this year to raise the necessary funds to complete the project.

It was announced that the dime board would go into operation on Saturday, December 8, for one day and then again on Saturday, December 15, and continue in operation daily except Sunday through Christmas eve.

For several years the club has

Nineteen Haywood County communities will compete for a total of \$1,000 in prizes in the third annual judging of the Community Development Program in the county. Judging started at 9 a. m. today when farm management and home demonstration specialists from North Carolina State College visited Francis Cove.

First place winner in CDP competition will win \$500; the second-place winner will get \$300 while the third-place community will receive \$200. Winners last year were Beaverman, first; White Oak, second, and Francis Cove, third. Winners in 1949 were Ratchliffe Cove, Iron Duff, and White Oak.

Judges of the CDP contest are Dr. C. B. Ratchford, State College farm-management specialist, one of the speakers in the recent tobacco festival, and Mrs. Kay Riggle, home management and house furnishings specialist.

Factors in the comparison of communities include: Home food supply; Year-around garden; increase in number of vegetable gardens; adequate poultry products for home use; production and conservation of year-around meat supply; increased production of small fruits, and dairy production and conservation of dairy products.

Development and improvement of sound systems of farming; Growing Ladino clover pastures for livestock and poultry needs; production of good quality hay, especially alfalfa, for livestock needs; construction of additional silos; planting all of the community tobacco allotment, a good beef bull

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## Santa Gets Plenty Of Aid As Hazelwood Lights Up

In case you haven't noticed, the Christmas season is here again. Hazelwood gave the yuletide spirit an early boost by turning on its 1,000 Christmas lights Friday night. Lights are strung along Main St. and at Five Points.

Waynesville still is erecting its red, yellow and blue lights, and expects to turn them on Friday or Saturday, according to G. G. Ferguson, town manager. Lights are on Main St., Church St. and Depot St.

"The 'Christmas Is Coming' feeling also is reflected in shop windows of dime stores which are displaying Christmas ornaments, toys and Christmas cards, and at other stores which are showing various Christmas gifts. There are also signs like "Order Your Holiday Poultry Now," "Pre-Christmas Sale," and Christmas seal sale posters.

You may have noticed, too, that a familiar figure in a red and white suit is still here. Santa likes Waynesville so well, he's reluctant to go back to the North Pole.

Commissioners In Session Today; Draw Jury List

The Board of Commissioners were in session today for their regular first Monday meeting. The greater part of the morning was spent dealing with routine matters and the drawing of a jury for the January term of civil court.

The board was scheduled to spend the greater part of the afternoon finishing up several matters on their agenda, including the drawing of a jury for the February term of criminal court.

Highway Record For 1951 In Haywood (To Date) Injured . . . 50 Killed . . . 5 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

## More Gifts Presented Saturday

The usual large crowd was on hand Saturday afternoon in the football stadium to help the Merchants Association celebrate the Trade Jubilee. Some Cannon sheets were given to Mrs. Harry Burleson of Hazelwood, and a side of beef was awarded to Mrs. Michael Pizuto of the Balsam Manor Apartments.

Receiving an electric percolator was Mrs. Joe Stamey of Waynesville, and obtaining the biggest gift of all, a Philco Refrigerator, was Mrs. S. S. Helmet of Waynesville.

Only one more stadium meeting will be held, on Saturday, before the grand climax is reached on Dec. 15th. At that time a new Buick will be given away.

## Work Resumed On Hospital As Steel Beam Is Received

With the arrival of a 30-inch steel beam, work on the expansion of the Hospital has been resumed. The work was held up due to the delay in receiving the large beam.

Also here and ready for installation are the huge boilers for the building. Materials are now on hand for work to be pushed in extending the walls to the second floor, it was learned.

## Fog Is Blamed For Bus Wreck

Roe Rogers, driver of a Branson work bus, escaped injury about 5:45 a. m. today when his vehicle left Highway 19-23 and plunged over a bank near the intersection of the Waynesville and Soco Gap roads.

Mr. Rogers was en route to Waynesville from Clyde to pick up workers for the Champion Paper and Fibre Co. at Canton. He was carrying no passengers at the time of the accident.

The driver blamed the mishap on the heavy fog this morning. The bus, which overturned on its side, was damaged only slightly.

## 3,300 Telephones Added In Haywood In Six Years

A net gain of 3,300 telephone subscribers has been made in Haywood County within the last six years together with the addition of \$550,000 in telephone equipment for the same period. Lovell Smith, Southern Bell Telephone District Manager, announced today.

The expenditure of \$550,000 in the six years since the war represents a greater investment than that made in all the previous years that Bell Telephone has been in this area, Mr. Smith pointed out.

Switchboard equipment costing \$60,000 has been purchased for the Waynesville area, while \$80,000 has been spent for dial telephone units material for the Canton area, the district manager disclosed.

An additional \$225,000 has been spent for telephone lines and other outside equipment in the Waynesville area, and \$150,000 in the Canton district.

Since 1945 some 6,500 telephones have been installed in the county—1,100 in rural areas. The list of telephone users in Waynesville and vicinity has grown 220 per cent in the last six years from 869 to 2,773. Canton's list of subscribers is up 166 per cent from 1,102 to 2,929.

In early 1945 telephone offices in Waynesville and Canton had 300 (See Telephones—Page 6)

## Crabtree Raises Money In A Hurry

When it comes to raising money, Crabtree-Iron Duff School is no slouch.

At the school's first PTA meeting in September members voted to buy 25 band uniforms for Crabtree musicians. It was found that the uniforms would cost \$55 each—a total of \$1,375 for the entire band.

Ordinarily raising that amount would take some time, but Crabtree-Iron Duff PTA members and school students got busy and raised the money in just six weeks, according to O. L. Yates, PTA president and general assembly representative.

First a box supper in October netted \$725 for the cause and then a turkey supper last Thursday brought another \$370. The Planter's tobacco warehouse of Asheville donated another \$110, and pledges made up the remainder.

The Crabtree-Iron Duff bandsmen made their first appearance in their new blue and gold uniforms at the turkey supper, and will now appear regularly at the school's basketball games and other events. Band directors are Joe Morrow and Mrs. Phillip Chase.

## County Polio Drive Starts January 15

The annual March of Dimes campaign to raise money in Haywood County for the National Polio Foundation will be held from January 15-31. It was decided Thursday night at a dinner meeting of the county polio group at the Towne House.

Further plans for the county polio fund drive will be made at a meeting December 14 at Charlie's in Canton.

The sum of \$15,000 again will be sought in Haywood County to finance the fight against polio. The county has exceeded its quota for the past several years, officials disclosed.

The meeting Thursday night was attended by Thomas Rudisill of Charlotte, Western North Carolina polio foundation director; Mrs. Phillips Russell of Chapel Hill, state March of Dimes campaign director; Dave Hyatt, Waynesville area campaign director; Paul Murray, Canton area campaign director; and Hugh Rogers and Beckham Huger, county polio foundation co-chairmen, and a number of fund drive workers. Mr. Huger presided at the meeting.

Mrs. Russell, in a financial report to the group, disclosed that the national campaign will seek funds to take care of \$5,000,000 in unpaid hospital bills for polio patients, and also to provide money for care of polio victims in 1952.

## Davis In New Orleans To See '52 Mercury Line

Henry Davis, of Waynesville Motor Company, left Sunday for New Orleans, where he will view the 1952 Mercury line of cars which will be shown dealers on Tuesday.

Mr. Davis was accompanied by his son Wilburn. They plan to return Friday.

## Something To Be Thankful For



These guys went hunting after the ball game on Thanksgiving Day and brought back the venison. Left to right, kneeling are Fonslow Muse, Dallas Wood, and Carl McCracken. Standing is H. A. Jefferies. Wood's buck weighed out at 180, and McCracken's, on the right, weighed 140. They were shot on the Big East Fork. (Photo by Joe Davis)

## Europe More Optimistic Than U.S. Over Crisis

"Most of the people in Europe are much more optimistic about the Russian situation than we are," Leo Weill, industrialist, and world traveler told Rotarians here Friday.

"And they believe that war is far from inevitable, and that an agreement will be finally reached between the United Nations and the Kremlin."

"Let us hope that we can make a start with peace in Korea by Christmas," Mr. Weill continued.

The speaker pointed out that to better understand European industry financed by ECA money, one must talk to the people, because all is not told in the press.

over the worst post-war hump. It is a fact that 90 percent of the European business people are making money, but it is the wrong kind of money. They are not able to buy in the United States the things they need with the money they receive from the sale of their products to Europe, India and elsewhere in Asia, since all these countries have restrictions on foreign exchange.

"Temporarily, this dollar gap has been bridged by the Marshall Plan, but once this comes to an end they have to stand on their own feet, and be able to sell enough goods in the dollar area to pay for the goods which they must buy there. This is one of many reasons why the United States and France tried so hard to convince the European countries that all these questions can be solved only by making a United Europe."

"This is no different from what Eisenhower is trying to do in creating a European army from all the

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## Sidelights Of The News

### Spirit Lingers

...sponse was too much for Jones, former star end for the University of Carolina. Wednesday night he called to get the score. "We tried until the paper came, but didn't," he said.

### Story of All Stories

...of Police O. L. Sutton was those who braved the snow in Greenville, Tenn., for the football game. Seated right in front of Sutton was a Tennessee fan, remarked on the size of the teamers who were then warm for the game.

### Some Canine

...as Boggie is concerned, a just as much right to get as a human being does. ... a female pointer owned by William T. Hannah, owner of Town and Country shop on St. has trouble because she's so good at entertaining her when she's left alone at the home on Haywood St., she usually comes up to the door when she's left alone.

### The Beginning

...young wife had repeatedly in her mother, about the with emphasis upon its good. "Why, I never have to get in the middle of the night to care of her," the mother re-

### Body Seen Wayne?

...man came in the county agent's office the other day and asked: "Is Mr. Corpening the isn't," a blonde secretary



## SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

Weather  
WARMER  
Monday, Dec. 3 - Sunny and Partly cloudy, and warm  
Waynesville temperature recorded by the staff of the West Farm:

Max.	Min.	Rainfall
58	18	...
63	17	...
61	18	...
62	21	...