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At Grange Youth Camp



Dr. Paul D. Sanders, right, of Richmond, Va., editor of The Southern Planter, addressed the N. C. Grange Youth at Camp Schaub Thursday morning on the lead the South is taking in agriculture. With him is Harry B. Caldwell of Greensboro, Master of the N. C. State Grange. (Mountaineer Photo).

South Taking Lead In Agriculture, Editor Tells Grange Youth

WNC Tourist Group Met Here Tues.

Directors of the Western North Carolina Tourist Association were told Tuesday that tourist business in this region has become "big business," and that the region is now in competition with South America, Mexico, and Europe for the vacation trade.

At the regular monthly meeting, which was held in Waynesville, the group was told by Charles Parker, state advertising director, that the tourist business was, for the most part, good, and is steadily increasing. He did, however, point out the need for getting more people into this area for the existing facilities, and for a cooperative effort by tourist operators to pave the way for bigger business in the years to come.

Salvation Army To Hold Annual Singing Aug. 3

The Salvation Army's 16th Annual Singing Convention will be held Sunday, August 3, at the Mountain Mission Headquarters on Max Patch Road, according to Major Cecil Brown, founder and director of the widely-known event.

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"If Horace Greely were alive today, he would say instead of 'Go West, young man, go West,' he would advise: 'Go South, young man, go South to a land of unlimited opportunity!'"

This was the belief expressed Thursday morning by Dr. Paul D. Sanders of Richmond, Va., editor of The Southern Planter, who addressed the N. C. Grange Youth Camp at Camp Schaub.

Dr. Sanders said that in the long run, there is no section of the country with the agricultural possibilities of North Carolina and adjoining states.

"Our rapid industrialization and shift to an animal agriculture are revolutionizing the economic life and living standards of the region," he pointed out, and he said that research at the land grant colleges and in the U. S. Department of Agriculture is rewriting the textbooks of southern agriculture.

The southern region, Dr. Sanders continued, can become a great livestock country and southerners need no longer depend on the Middle West for meat and dairy products.

"We have shifted during the past century," he added, "from an agricultural to an urban nation. In 1830, 90 per cent of the American people lived on farms. By 1900, only 42 per cent were farmers, and today less than 16 per cent of the people of the U. S. live on the land."

Such a shift has been made possible, the speaker explained, by advances in mechanical equipment and research.

Camp Schaub, where Dr. Sanders addressed the young people, is devoted to most of the summer.

It is also expected that a number of newspaper reporters will be on hand.

Grading Contract To Be Let Early In Fall For Beech Gap Area Section

A half million dollars was set up yesterday by the National Park Service for the grading of a 3-mile link on the Blue Ridge Parkway between Bridgers Camp Gap and Devil's Court House, on the Haywood-Transylvania line in Pisgah Forest.

The announcement came out of Washington, and said plans were to advertise for bids before fall. The grading of the 3-mile link will give a completely graded 11-mile section of the Blue Ridge Parkway from Wagon Road Gap to Beech Gap, which is now connected by a state road via Lake Logan.

The completed section would make possible a scenic loop, starting at Bethel, going via Lake Logan, through Sherwood Forest to Beech Gap, and then following the Parkway east for 11 miles to Wagon Road Gap, which is on U. S. Highway No. 276.

Information received here this morning pointed out that construction of the 3-mile link will probably get started this fall.

The grading of the link from Beech Gap to Devil's Court House, also a 3-mile link, was done before the war, as was the 5-mile section from Wagon Road Gap to Bridgers Camp Gap. This latter section is now open to travel, but is not paved.

The elevation at Wagon Road Gap is 4525 feet, and Bridgers Camp Gap is a little lower, being 4450, and then a climb to 5816 at Devil's Court House and then down to 5339 at Beech Gap.

The program to get the section of the Parkway from Beech Gap to Wagon Road Gap graded began in 1939, when the Waynesville and Brevard Chamber of Commerce, under the leadership of Charles E. Ray, interested the late Josephus Daniels in the project.

A dinner was given here for Mr. Daniels, and the project discussed with civic leaders of the two towns.

Later Mr. Daniels went to Harold Ikes, then secretary of the Interior, and the late President Roosevelt. The two were "sold" on the merits of the highway "riding the crest of Pisgah" and then it was that the two sections were put under contract. The third section was slated for contract, when the war started and halted all such work.

Efforts to get the program started again began soon after the war, and last spring, the N.C. Park Commission made a concerted drive to get three million from Congress for Parkway construction. This half million project is the outgrowth of that campaign staged last spring.

Senator Clyde R. Hoey, and Willis Smith, together with Rep. (See Parkway—Page 6)

Bus Blast At Newfound Gap Injures 13

An exploding gasoline tank on a chartered bus turned a twilight prayer service for 34 Memphis Baptists, returning from Ridgecrest Assembly, into a flaming tragedy at Newfound Gap early Wednesday night, burning at least 13 while others who escaped the flames prayed.

At least two of the passengers were in critical condition in a Knoxville hospital. Others were taken to the Cherokee Hospital for treatment.

The party, which was traveling in two busses, had stopped at Newfound Gap for prayers. As they were getting off the busses for the service, the bus driver opened the baggage compartment, and as he opened it, the blast occurred, sending flames roaring through the bus. The other bus was badly burned also.

National Park Warden Carl Davis, who was at the gap at the time of the explosion, said he called to those whose clothing was a fire to roll over on the ground in an attempt to snuff the flames.

The explosion, according to Davis, was apparently caused from an overheated exhaust pipe which set off the gasoline. Had the party not stopped for prayers "it is doubtful if any of them would have escaped alive when the bus resumed its journey."

Sgt. T. A. Sandlin of Bryson City, among the many State Highway Patrol members sent to the scene, said the fire may have started from overheated brakes. He said a person in Cherokee, who saw the bus pass, said the brakes were a fire.

John Preston, park superintendent, said the Patrol greatly aided (See Bus—Page 6)

80 Musicians Will Pay Lake Brief Visit Monday

The 80-piece Transylvania Music Camp Symphony Orchestra will make two appearances in this section Monday, July 28th.

Their first appearance will be strictly non-musical, as they stop for refreshments and a tour of Lake Junaluska enroute to Mountaintide Theatre, Cherokee, where they will give a concert at 8:15. The concert in the same theatre as the drama "Unto These Hills" is expected to attract a record attendance of lovers of fine music.

The orchestra members, and their director, James Christian Pfobl, will arrive at the Lake at 2:30 and remain for one hour before going on to Cherokee. They will be guests of the Assembly for light refreshments and a ride on the boat, The Cherokee II.

The performance on Monday evening is being sponsored jointly by the Cherokee Historical Association and the Brevard Music Foundation.

Hog Rifle Shooting Match Winners



Winners in the 14th annual hog rifle shooting match at Tom Alexander's Cataloochee Ranch on Fire Top were, left to right, Billy Farmer, George Browning, Herman Arrington, and Willis Bumgarner. Each was entitled to a quarter of a steer for his efforts in the match, which attracted close to 100 contestants. Browning had the best "whole" contest score. Not shown in the picture was Mrs. Jim Coman, of Asheville, winner of the ladies' match. (Mountaineer Photo).

Democratic Convention On TV At Court House

Want to go to the Democratic National Convention?

The Waynesville Jaycees are furnishing the next best thing to an all-expense paid trip to Chicago, every afternoon and night, at the Court House, and it's absolutely free.

Each day the Jaycees are inviting any and all residents and visitors to drop in at the courtroom and watch the proceedings on a giant television receiver.

So far the crowds haven't been as large as was expected, but with the nominations and balloting scheduled for today and tomorrow, large numbers are expected to see who will get the nomination.

The receiver is being furnished by E. J. Stanmyre of the Waynesville Radio Service.

Come on by. The seats are comfortable, reception is pretty good in daytime, excellent at night, and highly interesting all the time.

George Browning Tops In Cataloochee Rifle Shoot

The countryside around Cataloochee Ranch rang with the sound of muzzle-loaded hog rifles Wednesday as some 88 contestants in the 14th annual shooting match eyed first a fat steer and then a small target 60 yards away, then gingerly touched the trigger of the guns that belonged to their grandfathers.

It was, according to Tom Alexander, one of the most successful shoots ever had.

George Browning, of Hazelwood, won first place in the "whole" contest after shooting off a tie with Floyd Rich, of Maggie. The tie was the first one in the history of the shoot.

Billy Farmer, of Hazelwood, won first place in the under-19 age group. It was his first shoot. Herman Arrington, who had won once before, took down first place honors in the 40-59 age group, Willis Bumgarner, of Hazelwood, was first in the 60 and over age group and Mrs. Jim Coman, of Asheville, won the ladies match for the third year in a row.

The most exciting part of the day's festivities came when the judges announced that Browning and Rich had tied for first place in the 20-39 age group. Both had placed their hand-made bullets three and one half inches from dead center of the target, or an average of one and a fraction inches for each shot. The "shoot-off" scores weren't near as good.

Browning won with a total score of just over six inches. This is his third year of competition, and the third time he has been among the winners. He was second place winner his first year, first place last year, and, of course, first again this year.

He was using his grandfather's (See Shooting Match—Page 6)

Bulletin Praises Tourist Pages

The July 19 bulletin of the N.C. News Bureau devoted a paragraph to the tours that The Mountaineer has been carrying on its tourist pages.

Said the bulletin: "Those motor tour routes published by the Waynesville Mountaineer are helping both tourists and homefolks. They are well done, with exact mileage, and are the sort of tourist business booster you may expect to see more and more in the alert Variety Vacationland publications."

Willis Bumgarner, winner of the 60 and over group, has been in the shoot since it started. He has won once before.

Herman Arrington has also won once before.

After the match was all over, the next biggest thing of the day was scheduled — dividing of the steer. But this year there was no division. It was decided among the four winners that the steer should be auctioned off to the highest bidder. There was a spirited bidding session between Wiley Moore and Tom Alexander. W. P. Boyd, of Maggie, served as auctioneer, and did a splendid job. Alexander finally entered the high bid, \$175, with the proceeds to go equally

(See Shooting Match—Page 6)

Farm Tour Will Start Saturday; 135 To Take Trip To Northern U. S.

Special air conditioned buses will take about 135 people from Haywood County on a nine-day tour of New England, Canada, and other northern points.

The tour will start Saturday under the sponsorship of the Demonstration Farmers and various CDP's in the county. This will be the tenth out-of-state trip by Haywood farmers.

The motorcade, which will be lead by a patrol car, will form here at 6:30 a. m. Saturday.

The touring party will see Washington and New York, with a night glimpse of the nation's largest city; overnight stop in Boston, then north through the historical New England states, and into Canada for a three-day visit where the group will see Notre Dame Cathedral, the Canadian capitol at Ottawa.

Returning south, the tour will include a stop at Niagara Falls and Pittsburgh, where the party will see the play, "Annie Get Your Gun." Other points of interest that the touring party will see in Pittsburgh will be a silver smithery and a floricultural garden. Some of the

country's most noted farm lands, beef cattle, and poultry will be seen on the trip.

The tour will end, Sunday, Aug. 3, when the buses return to Waynesville.

A detailed story of the tour will be carried in The Mountaineer.

Highway Record For 1952 In Haywood (To Date) Injured . . . 32 Killed . . . 4 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)



Officers and directors of the Western North Carolina Tourist Association met in Waynesville Tuesday to discuss tentative plans for putting the organization on more of a business basis. Shown, left to right, front row, Mrs. J. B. Tweed, of Hot Springs; Mrs. Doyle D. Alley, secretary-treasurer of WNCTA; and Miles Sater, of Asheville. Back row, same order, Ed McNish, Franklin, Charles Parker, Director of State Advertising Division, Raleigh; and O. A. Fetch, president of WNCTA and resident manager of Fontana Village. (Mountaineer Photo).

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The Raleigh News tells the story of who declared: "I had scientists would find until they did had't oughter, they've gone and recovered something to cure a cold."

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Adult Fellowship At Maple Grove

Adult Fellowship Haywood County will meet at the Maple Church for its monthly meeting Monday

director of recreation, Junaluska Methodist will be guest speaker. Waynesville Methodist group will be in program. Church, Maple Grove, all members of the county, as well as attend the meeting.

Curry Hit Tuesday, Snow Blocks Road

nowfall blew in with temperatures Tuesday now blocked traffic in kept travel at a slow Balm Gap.

do you wonder who is the headline and article which appeared in 17th issue of The It is being published that it has not always

you feel any cooler?

on page 1 of the on how to keep cool



HOT

Cloudy, hot and humid conditions for afternoon

Cloudy and cool

Waynesville weather as the State Test Farm.)

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