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TODAY'S SMILE
Alimony is the high cost of leaving.

'Linger Longer' Theme Suggested For Tourist Promotional Idea Here

Drive Chairman



Robert H. Winchester was recently elected chairman of the Waynesville Tuberculosis Committee. The 12-member committee expects to begin its annual funds drive sometime in November.

Winchester New Chairman Of City TB Committee

Robert H. Winchester was named chairman of the 12-member Waynesville Tuberculosis Committee at a meeting in the Court House Wednesday night. He succeeds G. C. Thompson.

At the same time three persons were appointed to fill vacancies on the rotating committee. New members are Winchester, Mrs. Roy R. Campbell and Mrs. Sebe Bryson. They take the place of three members whose terms expired this year—Mrs. Wanda Clarke, Mrs. Raymond Lane, and Mrs. C. F. Kirkpatrick.

In addition to Winchester, other officers are: G. C. Thompson, vice-chairman; Mrs. Roy R. Campbell, seal sales chairman; Archer Fancher, re-elected treasurer; and Mrs. Orville W. Shelton, re-elected secretary.

W. D. Braswell, field secretary of the North Carolina Tuberculosis Association, with headquarters in Raleigh, spoke briefly to the group. Other members of the committee are Mrs. Archer Fancher, Mrs. Alma McCracken, Miss Amelia McFadyen, Mrs. C. C. Gatz, and Mrs. C. O. Newell. The Haywood County Health Officer is also a member.

Max Rogers Now Sole Owner Of Rogers Electric

The Rogers Electric Company, which was recently offered for sale, has been purchased by a former partner of the firm, Max Rogers.

Originally Mr. Rogers owned the company with Hugh and Wayne Rogers. But the original partnership has been dissolved and effective now, Max Rogers is sole owner.

Bethel-Waynesville Highway Completed



This week the hard surfacing of the new mile and a half stretch on Highway 276 was completed and the entire highway is now open to traffic. The new section takes out many of the dangerous curves of the old road and offers motorists a beautiful scenic ride through Pigeon Gap. (Mountaineer Photo.)

Bethel School Bids Will Be Asked Soon, Audience At Pigeon Valley Improvement Meeting Told Tuesday

Plans Being Completed For 2nd Trade Jubilee

Merchants of this community today were completing plans for the big second annual Fall Trade Jubilee. The event will begin next week, with full details in Monday's issue of The Mountaineer.

The several committees working on the program have about finished their work, and will announce all the details Monday.

According to J. W. Ray, general chairman, more than \$6,000 in prizes will be awarded this year. Business firms of Waynesville, Hazelwood, and Lake Junaluska are taking part in the event.

Watch for the initial details in Monday's issue of The Mountaineer.

Library Workshop Opens Here Monday For 3 Days

Lake Junaluska WMS Had Japanese Program

The last meeting of the Lake Junaluska Baptist Church WMS was held at the home of Mrs. Guy Fulbright.

Mrs. Fulbright had charge of a program entitled "Japanese Puzzled People". Speakers on the program were Mrs. Fulbright, Mrs. Vernon Winchester, Mrs. Robert Fulbright, Mrs. Austin Burnett, and Mrs. W. S. Young.

The Weather



Thursday—Partly cloudy, rather warm and windy. Mostly fair and continued warm Friday.

(Official Waynesville temperature as compiled by the State Test Farm):

Date	Max.	Min.
Sept. 29	78	51
" 30	80	49
Oct. 1	79	43

Heintooga Road To Open Saturday

Scenic Road Into Heart Of Park To Attract Many

An eight-mile stretch of road, running from Mile High Overlook to Heintooga Ridge and making available one of the best views in the entire Great Smoky Mountains National Park, will be opened to the public Saturday morning.

Formal dedication of the project will not be held until next spring, probably at some date between May 15 and June 15.

Completion of this road marks the culmination of 18 years' effort on the part of the Chambers of Commerce of many Western North Carolina towns, and various civic organizations and individuals, along with the valuable assistance rendered by the North Carolina State Highway Commission.

It marks the first major construction on the North Carolina side of the Park since President Roosevelt formally dedicated the Park on September 2, 1940.

Visitors may now travel from Soco Gap on the Blue Ridge Parkway to Mile High Overlook, thence to Black Camp Gap (2 1/2 miles which had not previously been open to travel), and six miles to Heintooga Ridge Overlook. The road from Soco Gap to Wolf Laurel, which is about midway between the Gap and Mile High, is part of the Blue Ridge Parkway proper. The remaining distance to Black Camp Gap is a spur of the Parkway. All told, Heintooga is about 12 miles from Soco Gap.

The new road is being opened just in time for the annual fall "color show". Heintooga affords one of the best views of the mountain ridge dividing North Carolina and Tennessee in the entire Park. One person who has visited the area said that as much of the Park can be seen from Heintooga as from Newfound Gap.

Visitors are reminded that there is a trail, about 400 feet long, which leads from the parking area out to the ridge. The view at the end of this trail gives a magnificent sweep of the Smokies ranging from Clingman's Dome to Mount Sterling.

Altitude at Heintooga is 5,327 feet.

Smokies Set All-Time Attendance Record Last Year

All-time attendance records for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park were exceeded by an outstanding total, according to information just received by Western North Carolina Highlanders, Inc., from the Park headquarters office. The total visitation ran 2,295,428 persons for the travel year which began October 1, 1951 and closed September 30, 1952.

This was some 300,000 more than attended the Park during the previous travel year, which was slightly below the 2,000,000 mark. For more than ten years the Great Smokies have led all National Parks in attendance records.

Hereafter attendance records for the Smokies will be kept on a calendar year basis, rather than on the travel year, Park officials stated.

They reported that Autumn color (See Smokies—Page 8)

Registrars To Help Get People Registered For Big Vote In November

The Haywood County "Get-Out-The-Vote" Campaign continued to gather momentum as a group of committee chairmen met at the home of Mrs. Fred Campbell in Waynesville Monday night to discuss ways and means of securing the registration of all eligible voters in the county.

Mrs. Campbell is general chairman of six district committees whose objective in this campaign will be to make a house-to-house canvass of the county to register all citizens of voting age for the general election in November.

Working with Mrs. Campbell as sub-chairmen are Mrs. Robert Atkinson of Canton, Mrs. Doyle Alley of Waynesville, Elmer Hendrix of Hazelwood, Larry Cagle of Clyde, Mrs. R. C. Lane of Lake Junaluska, and Turner Cathey representing Bethel and the rural areas. These sub-chairmen are now in

the process of selecting their own committees to carry out the registration project in their respective districts.

It was agreed at the meeting Monday night that an appeal would be made to the 28 precinct registrars of the county for their cooperation in the registration drive.

Leaders of the "Get-Out-The-Vote" campaign will meet with the registrars Saturday morning at the courthouse in Waynesville, and will offer the registrars all possible assistance toward obtaining a complete registration of Haywood voters.

The movement is being coordinated by the Canton-Bethel-Clyde Chamber of Commerce, the Waynesville Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the Haywood County Community Development Program.



Missing Cruso Man's Body Found Late Wednesday

A searching party that included as many as 500 men at one time found the body of Theodore Knight, 49-year old farmer of Cruso, in the heavily wooded Pisgah Forest about 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Knight, who had left his home Sunday evening about 7 o'clock, died due to natural causes, according to Dr. J. Frank Pate, Haywood County coroner.

Man's Body Found Late Wednesday

The body was found by Earl Cook and Grover Pressley, both of the Henson Cove section, at the mouth of Hungry Creek near Steer Gap. That area is approximately three miles from Knight's home.

Knight left his home Sunday night with two dogs, a rifle, and flashlights, apparently to go on a hunting trip. Neighbors started searching for him early Monday afternoon and authorities were called in Tuesday morning.

The search at first was concentrated in the Pigeon River section of the Sherwood Game preserve. One of Knight's dogs was found at Frying Pan Gap and the other had been reported as seen at a neighbor's in search of food. When Knight was found it was ascertained that one of the dogs had stayed with him for some time.

The entire Bethel school football team, under the direction of assistant coach James Mayfield, volunteered to assist in the search. Grace Lumber Company in Waynesville shut down for the day Wednesday to allow the workers there to help.

One official called attention to the fact that the women of the Pigeon section deserved much commendation for having cooked food and taken it into the forest for the searching group.

Several of the searchers stayed on the mountains all night Tuesday in hopes of hearing the dogs and trying, in that way, to locate (See Missing Man—Page 8)

Highway Record For 1952 In Haywood (To Date)

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

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Pigeon Leaders Discuss Community Plans

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