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TODAY'S SMILE
 There was never a bird
 that flew so high that he
 didn't come to the ground
 to die!

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67th YEAR NO. 83 16 PAGES Associated Press WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, OCT. 16, 1952 \$3.00 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

Bids Called Nov. 25 For Bethel School

\$470,000 Job Is Largest In Program

Bids will be opened November 25 on the \$470,000 Bethel Elementary school building. It was announced today by Mrs. Lucy Jones, county superintendent of education.

The tentative estimate is that the project will cost \$459,700, and calls for 10 primary classrooms; 20 graded school classrooms, a cafeteria to seat 500, plus modern kitchen; library, clinic, teacher's rest rooms; offices for principal, physical education center with full playing court, plus lockers.

This is the largest project in the county-wide school betterment program, which was approved by voters a year ago. The ground was broken Wednesday for the second largest project—the Waynesville high vocational building.

The bids on the Bethel project will be opened on Tuesday, November 25, at 11 o'clock in the court house.

Tentative plans are that actual construction could get underway shortly after the first of the year.

In the formal announcement, and advertisement for bids, it was pointed out that plans and specifications are available on and after October 27th from Lindsey M. Gudger, architect, Asheville. Plans cover the general construction, plumbing, heating and electrical work.

Annual Girl Scout Drive To Start Monday

The annual Girl Scout fund raising campaign will be launched in the Hazelwood-Waynesville area Monday morning, according to an announcement by Mrs. Richard Barber, Jr., district chairman.

The drive quota is \$1,778 which represents this community's part of the Haywood county quota of \$8,556. The quota for the 7-county Pisgah Girl Scout Council, of which Haywood County is a part, is \$16,938.00. Of this amount, \$9,656.00 will be raised in Buncombe county and the remaining amount from Avery, Madison, Mitchell, Transylvania, and Yancy counties.

The Waynesville Lions Club, which sponsors the local Girl Scout work, will also sponsor the fund-raising with Henry Davis as finance chairman. The Lions will be assisted by Girl Scout troop leaders.

Miss Martha Auten, executive secretary of the Pisgah Council will attend the regular meeting of the Lions Club tonight to discuss the campaign.

The Pisgah Girl Scout Council was officially chartered by the Girl Scouts—Page 8

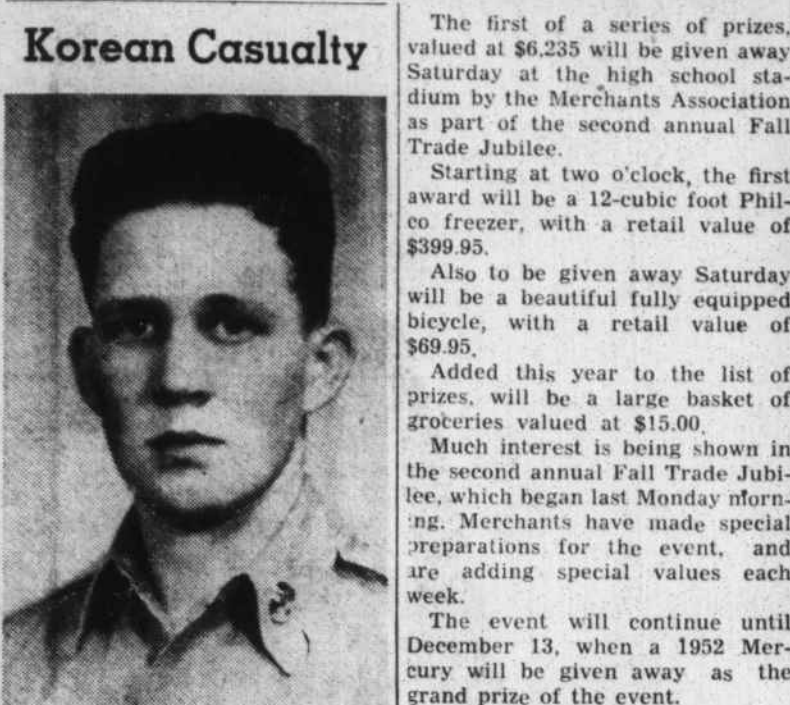
Presbyterian Churches Call South Carolinian

The Hazelwood and Bethel Presbyterian churches voted at regular services last week to extend a call to the Rev. James W. Walkup of Greenville, S. C., to become pastor of the two churches.

At present the two churches are being supplied by the Rev. William Gammon.

The Rev. Walkup has not notified officials of the two churches whether he will accept the call.

First Festival Prizes Will Be Awarded On Saturday



Korean Casualty

The first of a series of prizes, valued at \$6,235 will be given away Saturday at the high school stadium by the Merchants Association as part of the second annual Fall Trade Jubilee.

Starting at two o'clock, the first award will be a 12-cubic foot Philco freezer, with a retail value of \$399.95.

Also to be given away Saturday will be a beautiful fully equipped bicycle, with a retail value of \$69.95.

Added this year to the list of prizes, will be a large basket of groceries valued at \$15.00.

Much interest is being shown in the second annual Fall Trade Jubilee, which began last Monday morning. Merchants have made special preparations for the event, and are adding special values each week.

The event will continue until December 13, when a 1952 Mercury will be given away as the grand prize of the event.

Republicans To Hear Sewell Saturday Night

Herbert F. Sewell, who heads the North Carolina Republicans ticket for Governor, will speak at the Haywood County Court House Saturday night at 7 o'clock.

This is Sewell's first speaking engagement in this county. A prominent Carthage attorney, Sewell carried his campaign to several sections of Western North Carolina several weeks ago but did not have time for an appearance in Haywood.

An unusually large crowd is expected to turn out to hear him speak.

Lenoir Company Submits Low Parkway Bid

Clement Brothers Company, Inc., of Lenoir, submitted the low bid for construction of the 3.9 mile section of the Blue Ridge Parkway immediately southwest of the Wagon Road Gap strip.

The firm's bid was for \$408,920.

The bids were announced yesterday by the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads following the opening of bids on the project, for which \$500,000 had been set aside in a congressional appropriation.

The work will include grading, crushed stone surfacing and construction of culverts on the section, which will link the present graded five-mile Wagon Road Gap stretch and the graded section between Bridgers Camp Gap and Beech Gap.

That part of the Parkway is considered one of the most beautiful of the entire system. Visitors may view a vast panorama of the Transylvania part of the Pisgah National Forest now, and when the new road is completed, may travel into one of the most beautiful areas of the forest.

Second Prize Goes To Haywood Exhibit

Haywood County, with its excellent exhibit showing how the county is meeting "The Challenge" in agriculture, won second place Tuesday on the opening day of the State Fair.

The award carried with it a cash prize of \$650.

Haywood was one of five counties entered in this special event, held this year for the first time at the Fair. Each of the competing counties entered exhibits illustrating how they are meeting the challenge through their agriculture programs.

Cleveland County took first place and received \$850. In third place was Rockingham County, \$550; fourth, Pender County, \$350; and fifth, Pitt, \$350.

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Waynesville temperature by the State Test

Max.	Min.
76	39
79	36
75	40

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Haywood County entry in the "Meet the Challenge" exhibit at the State Fair took second place Tuesday.

Ground Broken For Modern Building At Waynesville High School



J. W. Killian, chairman of the board of education, turned the first shovel of dirt, to formally break ground for the modern vocational building at Waynesville high here Wednesday afternoon. Officials and civic leaders looked on as the ground was broken. Kneeling, left, M. H. Bowles, district superintendent; right, C. E. Weatherby, high school principal. Standing, left to right: W. Roy Francis, county attorney; Guy Massie, member school board; James Noland, member of the board; Jarvis H. Allison, commissioner; Charles C. Francis, chairman board of commissioners; Mr. Killian; Jonathan Woody, president, First National Bank; Harry Robinson, Jaycees; Dave Felmet, chairman of advisory committee, and representing Rotary; Mrs. Lucy Jones, county superintendent of education; Mayor J. H. Way, Waynesville; Jimmy Childress, Kiwanis; L. C. Davis, mayor of Hazelwood; John B. Smith, Boosters Club; Lee Davis, Lions Club, and W. Curtis Russ, editor The Mountaineer. (Mountaineer Photo).

Ground Broken Wednesday For Modern Vocational Building At Waynesville High

More than 1500 persons saw the formal breaking of ground for the new vocational building at the high school here Wednesday afternoon. State, county and town officials, together with students, patrons, and school board members, watched as the first shovel of dirt was turned by J. W. Killian, chairman of the school board.

Soon after the crowd left the site of the new building, Jerry Liner, contractor, gave the signal for heavy equipment to begin excavating. "I am going to push this building as fast as practical, in order to have it ready for the opening of the 1953-54 term next September," Mr. Liner told The Mountaineer.

He said about 30 men would be employed at present in getting the foundations poured, and the elementary work completed.

The ground-breaking program was brief, yet impressive.

Accompanied by the band, the group sang the "Star Spangled Banner" which was followed by a prayer of thanks by Rev. M. R. Williamson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. (See School—Page 8)

Heavy Registration Is Reported For First Week

A tabulation of the new registration in Haywood indicates that a heavy vote may be expected in the November 4 elections.

New registrations for the week ending October 11 shows that a total of 451 people have registered. Officials say this is very encouraging since that week was the first that the books have been open for new registrants and, with two weeks still to go before the books are closed October 25, many more are expected to sign the register.

Beaverdam No. 4 precinct reported the heaviest new registration during the first week. A total of 67 registered during the week, bringing the total registration in that precinct to 1,572. Beaverdam No. 6 reported 57 new registrants, and Beaverdam No. 3 reported 53.

Total new registration for precincts (reported) during the first week of the new registration period:

Beaverdam No. 6	57
Beaverdam No. 4	67
Beaverdam No. 3	53
West Waynesville	19
Center Waynesville	37
Hazelwood	14
Beaverdam No. 5	18
Beaverdam No. 1	36
Pigeon	36
Beaverdam No. 2	32
Center Pigeon	2
East Fork	10
Lake Junaluska	18
East Waynesville	10
Clyde	39
Crabtree	3

Civic Group Asks For Modernized Post Cards

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce inaugurated a campaign to get scenic views, and local scenes brought up to date on the post cards offered for sale in the area.

"Some cards date back to 1940, or even later," one director reported, as he produced a card of a Main Street scene.

Dealers, and suppliers are to be contacted and urged to only stock such scenes that are modern in every detail.

The directors also went on record as recommending that the town widen the Dellwood road, from the intersection of Love Lane to Howell Mill Road. It was announced that this project could be undertaken with Powell money received from the state.

H. P. McCarrall, president, named Dave Felmet to contact the Merchants Association in regards to the annual Tobacco Harvest Festival.

EDITORIAL

A Serious Situation

One of the most serious problems this town has faced in over a quarter of a century will come up for an answer on Saturday, November 8th. On that day, the citizens will determine, by their votes whether the water system shall be expanded, at a cost of \$300,000.

We only have to recall a few weeks back when the citizenship awaited with keen anxiety whether the spigots would run dry, as the reserve water supply in the reservoir dropped lower and lower.

At times, there was only enough water to last six hours; and should there have been a fire, or a break in the lines, this whole community would have been without water. And there are fewer sadder words than "No Water."

Unfortunately, some people are taking the matter lightly, and fail to see the seriousness of the situation. It is a serious matter, and do not for one moment let anyone try to lead you to believe otherwise.

Citizens Meet Tonight To Map Plans For Pushing Expansion Of Water System

A group of Waynesville business and professional men have called a meeting for 8:15 tonight at the court house, for the purpose of mapping plans for the water bond election on November 8th.

Dr. Boyd Owen was named temporary chairman, and the permanent officers will be named tonight.

J. R. Morgan will present the status of the water situation, and present the plans as covered in the engineer's reports, and approved by the State Board of Health for expanding facilities here.

G. C. Ferguson, when asked by the business men at the initial meeting, as to the current water situation, said that "there is a definite shortage at present, but not serious as back in the summer. On some days in the summer we had only enough water for 6 hours, and had we had a fire during that 6 hours, we would have been up against it, because the supply would have been exhausted."

The bond election has been set at \$300,000, with all costs to be paid back from the sale of water, and no additional tax placed on property for the bonds.

Last summer the community experienced a serious shortage of water, due to the fact that there is not enough pipeline from the intake to the reservoir, and that the 40-year-old filtering plant cannot process the water fast enough.

Civic leaders, and all persons interested in the project, are being urged to attend the meeting tonight and get first-hand facts of the seriousness of the existing water situation here. Almost all of the members of the Lions Club are expected to attend.

Highway Record For 1952 In Haywood (To Date)

Injured . . . 40 Killed . . . 5

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