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TODAY'S SMILE

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The "good citizen" is chosen each year by the faculty and students of the high school. The selection is based on qualities of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.

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### Famous 'Bear Case' Set For Hearing In Court

The curtain will go up Monday for the second act of what is perhaps the best known "Bear case" in the country.

The scene for the second act is far removed from where the first act took place on the edge of the Great Smokies. This time the scene will be the federal court room in Asheville, where Tom Alexander has been cited for trial on charges of leading a party of men and dogs into the Park and bringing out a bear which had been killing his cattle, and the cattle of his neighbors.

The tense drama, which is without title—except the warrant issued Alexander, began several years ago, when cattlemen along the edge of the Park suffered innumerable losses from marauding

Haywood county began its annual observance of Armistice Day Sunday night with a special program at the First Presbyterian Church in Canton.

Other activities tomorrow, the highlight of which will be an address by Congressman-elect George M. Shuford, to members of the American Legion post, will round out the special activities.

At the program Sunday night, members of the Edwards-Clark-Messer Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary members of the post took part along with members of the Varner-Rhinehart American Legion Post No. 61 and its Auxiliary.

The Rev. Clayton Lime, pastor of the church, and chaplain of both organizations, delivered a special message.

Tomorrow's activities in Waynesville will center around the banquet of the American Legion, and a concert by the Waynesville Township High School Band.

Mr. Shuford will speak to the assembled group at the National Guard Armory. J. T. Russell, commander of Post 47 said that all Gold Star parents will be guests of honor at the banquet.

The concert at the high school will be the first one of the year. Scheduled to begin at 8 o'clock, the band will feature music with a patriotic theme.

The program will be presented in three parts. Charles Isley and his assistant, Robert Campbell, will direct the groups.

### BANKS TO BE CLOSED

Both the First National and the First State Banks will be closed Tuesday in observance of Armistice Day. A legal holiday has been declared for the entire nation in observance of the end of World War I.

### COURT HOUSE CLOSED

C. C. Francis, chairman of the Haywood County Board of Commissioners, announced that all offices in the Court House will be closed Tuesday, November 11, in observance of Armistice Day. The sheriff's office will remain open.

### POST OFFICE CLOSED

The post office also will be closed to observe Armistice Day Tuesday. Patrons with boxes will be able to enter the post office to secure mail. There will be no route delivery.

### Town Officials Attending State Conventions

Mayor J. H. Way and Alderman Joe Limer left Sunday for a two-day meeting in Raleigh of the League of Municipalities. They expect to leave Raleigh sometime Tuesday.

On Monday and Tuesday, three other Waynesville officials plan to attend the State Waterworks Association meeting in Hendersonville. Those going include Town Manager G. C. Ferguson; Alderman Henry Gaddy, and Bradford McHaffey, superintendent of the water department.

### MEETING POSTPONED

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet Tuesday night, Nov. 18, instead of the 11th, it was announced this morning by H. P. McCarroll, president.

Last spring, after the loss of cattle valued at \$10,000, Alexander led a party of hunters and dogs in the Park on a warm bear trail from a steer killed in his pasture. When the party emerged from the Park, they had the 500-pound bear which had been bringing havoc to the herds of cattle in the area.

Alexander immediately called Park authorities and told them of the incident. The issuance of the warrant soon followed.

The cattlemen in the area had trouble with the bears during last spring, and federal and state regulations prohibit the killing of the bears except when found harming (See Bears—Page 6)

### Car Almost Demolishes Service Station



A car, said by officers, to have driven by Albert Lee Nichols, tore down two gasoline pumps, and bent a steel sign post at the Clyde Lyle Service Station near Dayton Company shortly after noon Sunday. The pump in the foreground was right at the base of the steel post on the right. The second pump is shown on the ground in the center of the picture. Nichols was thrown 47 feet from his car, to the right of the last wrecked pump. No one else was injured. (Mountaineer Photo.)

### Official Election Returns Haywood County Balloting

#### First Rain In Month Lessens Fire Hazard

(BULLETIN)

The official rainfall for the past 24 hours here was set at .18 of an inch at one o'clock today.

The first rain in a month—since October 10—fell on Waynesville beginning last night. Officials at the Mountain Test Farm said the rain amounted to .18 of an inch up to 1 o'clock today (Monday).

The steady drizzle meant a lot to the farmers who have been plagued with a shortage of rain all summer. The forests in this area, which have been extremely dry, are getting dampened a bit but not enough to lessen the fire hazard.

The forecast is for more rain.

#### ATTENDING CONVENTION

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Morgan left today to attend the State Baptist Convention, which is meeting this week in Winston-Salem.

### Barn Belonging To Welch Brothers Burns Sunday Night With \$25,000 Loss

A large barn near the Dayton Rubber Company, belonging to R. V. and Joe Welch was completely destroyed by fire Sunday night with a loss amounting to about \$25,000.

R. V. Welch said the loss included \$6,000 worth of hay, a \$1,400 hay dryer, and a cow which was the property of Lawrence Whitner. Welch was able to remove his cattle safely. The barn was about 90 feet by 100 feet in size.

The fire started about 9:30 p. m. and was still burning at noon today, Mr. Welch said. He added the

cause is unknown. Motorists as far as five miles away reported seeing the red glow.

The owners wish to express their gratitude to the Waynesville and Hazelwood Fire Departments for their aid in controlling the flames. Had it not been for their help, R. V. Welch said, the loss would have been much greater, and would have included a crib and a tractor.

The burning barn attracted many motorists and the Highway Patrol was called to direct the heavy traffic.

### Study Of Haywood Vote Discloses 32% Increase

A study of the unofficial returns in last week's election, in which Haywood voters turned out in greater numbers than ever before, discloses that there was an average 32 per cent increase in the various precincts over the previous high of 1948.

The average of 32 per cent was arrived at by taking the total increase, percentage-wise, of all the precincts and dividing by the total number of precincts, which is 28.

Actually there were more precincts with an average above the 32 per cent (Pigeon, for instance, showed a whopping 77 per cent increase in the number of votes cast). But there were some precincts considerably under the 32 per cent average—Cataochee, with no change, was a notable example, and Lake Junaluska, with a decrease (See DAR—Page 6)

### Car Demolished In Sunday Wreck

(Other picture on Page 4)

Albert Lee Nichols was reported this morning by his physician as getting along satisfactorily at the Haywood county Hospital, after suffering bruises and abrasions, when his car crashed into a service station shortly after noon Sunday.

Cpl. Pritchard Smith of the Highway Patrol, one of the investigating officers, said Nichols was traveling East on Highway 19-A and 23, and as he crossed the railroad at the Dayton Rubber Plant, left the highway and swerved into the service station of Clyde Lyle. The car missed a power pole, but knocked down a gasoline pump, bent a steel sign post, and went on and tore down the second pump. Nichols was thrown 47 feet from his car, officers said.

The second gasoline pump was knocked about 25 feet from its base. W. R. McCracken, Pure Oil Distributor, and owner of the pumps, said the damage to the pumps would run about \$750, and he did not make an estimate as to damage on the sign.

The back end of the Mercury took the full force of the impact, and according to first checks, was practically demolished.

Nichols had just returned from serving in Korea. Assisting Cpl. Smith were Sgt. Paul Goff and Guy Messer, of the Waynesville police department. The accident took place about 20 feet inside the town limits line.

Nearby residents said that four young boys were riding their bicycles in the area just minutes before the accident.

A motorist from Virginia, according to Cpl. Smith, left the highway at the time of the accident, and knocked down a row of mail boxes, in an effort to leave the highway, as the Nichols car went out of control crossing the tracks.

Cpl. Smith said Nichols would be charged with speeding and reckless driving.

### Schedule Announced For Annual Tobacco Exhibit

Following is the schedule of the two-day Haywood County Tobacco and Home Demonstration Exhibit, Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 18-19, under the sponsorship of the Waynesville Merchants Association and the county-wide CDP, at the Waynesville Armory and courthouse:

**Tuesday**—10 a. m.—Judging will start for tobacco and Home Demonstration displays and window art exhibits by high school students at the armory.

1 p. m.—Exhibits at the armory will remain open to the public until 7 p. m.

7:30 p. m.—Courthouse—Mus-

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The town hall precinct voted 807 for and 37 against, and at Allens Creek the count was 189 for and 19 against.

Voting was rather steady throughout the day, and much interest was shown in the election.

A committee composed of civic leaders, known as the Waynesville Improvement Committee, with Dr. Boyd Owen as chairman, and G. C. Thompson, treasurer, headed the campaign to put across the election. All civic groups in town went on record as favoring the passage of the election.

Officials plan to push the sale of the bonds, and have engineers present specifications of the expanded system to bids at the earliest possible moment. Tentative plans are to get all the legal angles cleared and if possible have construction underway by January first.

"We are going to push the work just as fast as we can," G. C. Ferguson, town manager said. "With the acute situation of a shortage of water last summer, as well as at present, we cannot afford to waste a minute."

Officials said the present water situation remained about the same; still a scarcity; with some hopes of the rains today getting heavier and helping replenish the gradually depleting supply.

### Park Commission In Session Here This Morning

Members of the North Carolina Park Commission were in session here this morning, holding their quarterly meeting.

The commission expected to adjourn shortly after three o'clock, after going over routine matters, and discussing various reports. Plans for future programs were on the program for this afternoon, with Dr. Kelly Bennet, of Bryson City, chairman, in charge.

The commission have several projects before state and federal agencies which they are working on, but no details were announced pending definite action.

### Mrs. Pizzuto Gets \$200 Wardrobe

Mrs. Michael Pizzuto received the \$200 wardrobe in the series of gifts given by the Merchants Association in connection with the Second Annual Trade Jubilee. Others receiving gifts on last Saturday were Mrs. Roy Morgan \$15 in groceries, and Otis Luger a radio-phonograph.

Another set of valuable prizes will be given on Saturday at two o'clock. These are part of the \$6,235 being given away here.

### Patrolman B. Sawyer Moved To Brevard

Patrolman Bill Sawyer, a native of Waynesville, is now stationed in Brevard, replacing L. T. Chambers, who resigned.

Patrolman Sawyer went to Transylvania from Kings Mountain, where he was stationed for three years.

Mr. Chambers has accepted a position at the Ecusta Paper corporation.

### Assistant Agent



Homer Sink, who was associated with the Mountain Experiment Station for a year and a half in dairy research work, has been named assistant county agent in Haywood. He has been assigned the section of the county formerly covered by Wayne Franklin, who was promoted to county agent following the resignation of Wayne Corpening. His territory will include Canton, Beavertown, Hominy, Morning Star, Center Pigeon, West Pigeon, Pigeon, Cruso, and Cecil.

Mr. Sink majored in animal husbandry at N.C. State College, where he graduated in 1951 and then came to the Test Farm. He was a member of Alpha Zeta, honorary agriculture fraternity, at State College.

He is a member of the Waynesville Lions Club.

### Haywood Gets Three More Miles Paving

The State Highway Commission completed three miles of new paving in Haywood County during the month of October. Commissioner L. Dale Thrash reported today.

The grading, draining and bituminous surfacing was completed for 1.5 miles on US 276 from a point 1.5 miles east of Waynesville to a point 1.2 miles west of Woodrow.

The following roads, with their lengths, were graded and paved with traffic-bound macadam:

Dock Boyd, 0.2 mile; West Cove, 0.8 mile; Thompson Cove extension, 0.2 mile; and Medford, 0.3 mile. These projects were financed by the secondary road bond program.

The Tenth Highway Division brought a total of 50.15 miles of road work to completion during October, Commissioner Thrash added.

### March Of Dimes Meeting Held, Plans Discussed

A district meeting was held at noon today at Spaldon's Restaurant for the purpose of making plans for the coming fund-raising campaign of the National March of Dimes program.

Various workers in Haywood and other counties attended the meeting.

The meeting was one of 16 being held throughout the state to acquaint local workers with the importance of the March of Dimes program this year. It was brought out at the meeting that the past year was the most severe polio year in the history of the country.

Highway Record For 1952

In Haywood (To Date)

Injured . . . 43 Killed . . . 5

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

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