

Continued Large Number Of Flu Cases Keep Schools Closed

Schools Set To Resume Classes On Wednesday

School officials were making preparations this morning to resume classwork on Wednesday morning. Unless unforeseen developments occur in the flu situation, the schools will open, Mrs. Lucy Jones Boyd said at noon.

Schools were closed on the afternoon of the 19th due to the heavy absenteeism resulting from the large number of cases of flu throughout the area. Tentative plans were to reopen schools this morning, but due to the large number of cases of flu which developed during the latter part of the week it was decided to keep the schools closed until at least Wednesday.

Some observers this morning were of the opinion that there still remains a large number of cases of flu, but most of them appear lighter than those of a week ago.

Church attendance on Sunday showed a marked decrease throughout the area due to the curtailment of crowds due to the spread of flu in the area.

School authorities pointed out it was essential to get classes underway just as soon as it is safe, because of the extension of the current term into June. School began several days later last fall than usual, and with the six days missed due to flu will mean a late date for graduation.

Parkway Turned Into Sled Run



Sledders had the time of their lives Sunday, as they converted the Blue Ridge Parkway, at Soco Gap, into an ideal sleigh run. This picture by a Mountaineer photographer shows a group coming down a long snow covered hill.

Clyde Election Bill Passes The House; In Senate

The bill introduced by Representative Joe Palmer to change the date of election for the Town of Clyde, passed the House on January 22, and is now in the Senate Committee on counties, cities and towns.

No opposition is expected to the measure, which would change the date of the town election to conform with that of other Haywood towns.

WNCAC To Hold Quarterly Meet At Bryson City

The quarterly meeting of Western North Carolina Associated Communities will be held at Bryson City Tuesday, February 3, according to an announcement made today by C. M. Douglas of Brevard, secretary.

The group, which has members in eleven counties, will discuss legislation pertaining to area-wide interests, and plans for the coming tourist season.

Business, civic, and tourist officials from the area have been invited to attend the meeting, which will begin with a luncheon.

It Was A Great Day For Sliding

Haywood County was well underway shortly after midnight Sunday for its second cover of snow for the winter.

Early risers throughout the county saw several inches on their lawns but by midmorning the snow started to melt and people in most parts of the county saw considerably less snow when they left church than when they entered.

The higher areas kept their snow during the day and by Monday noon there was some left. Snow was first to leave around the Bethel-Lake Logan area, followed at practically the same time by other valley sections. Around Fines Creek, Soco, and Max Patch, however, the snowfall came to stay a little longer. The sun was seldom, if ever, visible at Salvation Army headquarters during Sunday and slight snow flurries continued throughout the day to pile up at least six inches on level ground and much deeper in drifts. The road was passable without difficulty, probably because the snow had not been packed with traffic.

Around Soco Gap the snow was about as deep but with a clear sky the temperature was somewhat warmer. Youngsters from the valley used the Parkway as a sliding place and sleds were in use most of the day. Earlier sand had been sprinkled on the Soco Gap highway and automobiles passed without difficulty.

Only hilltops and higher elevations refused to be stripped completely by noon Monday. Elsewhere small patches dotted the landscape.

Jaycees Complete Many Activities During Last Year

The Waynesville Junior Chamber of Commerce, in reporting their achievements of the year to State President, J. B. Brame, were complimented for their accomplishments. John Carver, local president, made the report.

He cited that a number of Christmas boxes had been given needy families; active support of the Baby Beef sale by the purchase of one of the animals; sale of safety Scotchite tape; inauguration of a leadership training program; sponsor of the soap box derby; participation in the campaign for the Heart Foundation; furnishing a Hospital room; staging of weekly square dances for the community recreation fund.

Mr. Carver said that plans had been completed for holding the third quarter district meeting here on February fourth.

Mr. Brame said he was happy over the work of the local chapter of the organization, and that it was among the more active and aggressive clubs in the state.

Two County Men Serving Aboard Sub In Pacific

PACIFIC FLEET (FHTNC) — Serving aboard the submarine USS Catfish are James R. Smith, quartermaster first class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smith of 104 Church Street, Hazelwood; and Harry E. Noland, torpedoman's mate second class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Arnold of Route 1, Clyde.

The Catfish participated last week in the largest cruiser-destroyer training exercise held in the Pacific since World War II.

For two weeks, she was one of 26 ships and numerous supporting aircraft, comprising the operating task force engaged in realistic exercises and maneuvers off the California coast.

Employing newly developed techniques of air-defense, anti-submarine warfare, gunnery and convoy maneuvering, the training exercises were conducted to keep the men and ships in a high state of combat readiness required by modern warfare.

When You Hear The Sirens Friday Night - Turn On Your Porchlight! - Fight Polio!

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Max.	Min.	Rainfall
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55	33	.74
56	32	.22
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White Oak Takes 1st Place In CDP Contest

Morning Star Is Second In 1952 Awards

Winners In CDP Contest



White Oak community, under the leadership of Chairman George Boring, was awarded first prize of \$500 Saturday for the 1952 county-wide Community Development Program contest.

The presentation was made during the morning program at the courthouse.

Second prize of \$300 went to Morning Star and Allen Creek took third place and \$200. The chairman of these communities are Fred Setzer and the Rev. C. L. Allen.

The presentations were made by Jonathan Woody, president of the First National Bank and chairman of the Board of Directors of the county CDP. Prizes were donated by various business interests in Haywood County.

In the afternoon, at the WNC Rural Community Improvement contest at Asheville, White Oak placed fourth in the 11-county competition and received \$100 while Allen Creek tied Holly Springs in Macon County for fifth to split \$50. These prizes were given by the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, Inc., contest sponsor.

This was the third year White Oak had won a prize. In 1949, first year of the county-wide event, the community was in third place; the next year, 1950, it took second.

Chairman Boring said that \$100 of the prize money will be given to the March of Dimes, \$100 to the community church, and \$300 will be retained by the community treasurer.

One of the smaller communities, White Oak has only 60 families. It took first place on the basis of a road-improvement campaign that gave the community two miles of hard surfacing and two more miles of black topped highway and cooperative work in which neighbors helped each other with farm work.

Morning Star was given second place because of its Lord's Acre project in which the community grew beans and potatoes and turned the money from the sale of these products over to the churches; cemetery work; erection of mail boxes and name plates; new road markers; road bank work; and an excellent recreation program for the young people.

Projects that won third place for Allen Creek included Christmas cheer work in which baskets of food were given needy families and toys for children; a visiting committee that paid regular visits to the ill and other shut-ins; an outstanding recreational program; and the building of 31 new homes.

The judging had been done by a committee headed by Jack Hunter of Raleigh and based on the following: home food supply, development and improvement and sound systems of farming, development and improvement of appearance, convenience, and comfort of farm and home, community organization and development, and a record of the year's accomplishments in a scrapbook.

Special prizes totaling \$350 were also presented to the communities showing the most progress during the year. Fines Creek received \$50 in the better sires contest for placing the largest number of bulls, boars, rams, and sires in ratio to the number of beef cattle.

Crabtree received \$50 for the largest percentage of dairy animals bred artificially; East Pigeon won the poultry contest and \$50 with the largest number of poultry units with 500 hens or pullets to a unit; Cruso took first place in the forestry contest by having the highest percentage of farms planting a minimum of 500 seedlings for reforestation or erosion control; and \$100 went to Thickety for the largest increase in number of points in the Green Pastures contest. These cash awards were made by David Underwood, Haywood County CDP treasurer.

Last fall, during the Tobacco Festival, the first special awards were presented to Upper Crabtree and Allen Creek in the tobacco contest. Upper Crabtree received

A two-time winner, White Oak, was picked this year for first place in the Haywood County Community Development contest and Chairman George Boring, center, seems quite pleased with the \$500 check. Chosen for second place was Morning Star and its chairman Fred Setzer, left, was presented a \$300 check. At right is the Rev. C. L. Allen, chairman of the Allen Creek organization, which took third place and \$200. (Mountaineer Photo.)

Polio Drive In This Area Moves Into Final Week

Kiwanis Collect Over \$300 For March Of Dimes

Leaders in almost every phase of the March of Dimes Drive in this county expressed optimism this morning that the goal would be reached and, barring a further outbreak of influenza, exceeded as the drive moves into its final week.

The amount of funds already collected was not made public by drive officials but leaders from all areas have been reporting their programs are meeting with enthusiastic response.

Scheduled for this week are programs by the Kiwanis Club, the Secretaries Club, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Beta Sigma Phi sorority, and several other groups.

The Kiwanis Club has made arrangements with Henry Miller, owner of the Smoky Mountain Drive-In Theater, to take over the theatre Wednesday night, with all proceeds to go to the Dimes drive. Members of the Kiwanis Club today expressed appreciation to Mr. Miller for his cooperation and said that a full-length movie plus shorts would be shown on the program. There will be no admission charge but patrons will be asked to contribute to the March of Dimes drive. The movie, "Lucky Nick Cain," with George Raft and Coleen Gray, will be shown.

The Secretaries Club will march on polio Friday night with the annual "Porchlight Parade" in Waynesville, Hazelwood, Allens Creek, Lake Junaluska, and Barbersville. Residents of those communities are asked to turn on their porchlights as a signal that they wish to

Former Canton School Teacher Now In Japan

WITH U. S. FORCES IN JAPAN — Pvt. Charles A. Fisher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Fisher, Dutch Cove, Canton, recently graduated from the Far East Command Chemical School at Camp Gifu, Japan.

The two-week course included instruction in the defense against chemical, bacteriological and radiological warfare.

Private Fisher, who arrived in Japan in December, was previously stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Before entering the Army last March he attended Duke University and was employed as a social science teacher at Canton High School.

W.T.H.S. Singers To Enter Mars Hill Music Clinic

A group of selected singers from Waynesville High School, under the direction of Charles L. Isley, Jr., will participate in the fifth annual music clinic at Mars Hill College, January 30-31.

Twenty-three schools have enrolled for the clinic, each of which will be represented by a quartet or octet of specially chosen singers.

The music faculty of Mars Hill College is in charge of arrangements. The guest director for the clinic will be Dr. Dale Gilliland, of the music faculty, Ohio State University, and regional governor, National Association of Teachers of Singing, Inc. Dr. Gilliland has had extensive experience and specializes in directing choral clinics.

The two-day clinic will consist of rehearsals and conferences, culminating in a concert in the college auditorium Saturday evening. The college will entertain all guests at an informal dinner in the college dining room Friday evening.

The program, as announced in

Uncle Of Local Woman Receives High Honors

Dr. Nathan Court, professor emeritus of mathematics at Oklahoma University and an uncle to Mrs. Bernard Adinoff of Waynesville, has received nomination to honorary membership in the International Mark Twain Society. Mrs. Adinoff recently learned.

Dr. Court terminated 35 years of teaching at Oklahoma U. in 1951. He was accorded the membership in public recognition for his contribution to literature.

Dr. Court is the author of "College Geometry," standard college textbook in many of the schools and universities in this country.

Other members of the Mark Twain Society include such well-known personages as President Eisenhower, Winston Churchill, T. S. Eliot, Albert Einstein, Carl Sandburg, and Jean Sibelius.

School In Fruits And Vegetables Set Wednesday

A Fruits and Vegetable School for the benefit of all archedmen in Haywood County and any other interested in fruit production will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the courthouse.

In making this announcement, County Agent Wayne Franklin said that the following topics will be discussed by several experts: "The 1953 Apple Marketing Program," "Orchard Management and Fancy Fruit," "Apple Thinning by Means of Sprays," "Nickels for Know-How and the Fruit Grower," and "Pest Control."

Specialists who will be in charge are Dr. G. S. Abshier, fruit and vegetable marketing specialist; G. C. Klingbeil, extension specialist in horticulture; Dr. G. W. Schneider; and Prof. M. E. Gardner of N. C. State College.

Burning Permits Will Be Required After February 1

Starting Feb. 1 it will be necessary to have a permit to start fires in any of the areas under the protection of the State Forest Service or within 500 feet of such areas. Fire Warden Eldridge Caldwell has announced.

This regulation will be in effect until June 1, the warden said, due to the dry condition of the forests. Permits can be obtained free of charge from 43 places in the county, which will be published at a later date. Permission to start fires in such places is necessary. Warden Caldwell explained, in order that authorities will know the locations and not be called to fight unnecessary blazes.

Tobacco School Here Tuesday

The latest information in tobacco production will be discussed Tuesday at the tobacco school at the courthouse starting at 9:30 a.m., County Agent Wayne Franklin has announced.

Phases to be outlined will include production of better plants, proper fertilization and culture methods, topping, suckering, harvesting, curing, marketing, and disease and insect control.

Two specialists from N. C. State College in Raleigh will conduct the class. They are R. R. Bennett and Harold Nau.

Auditions For Lake Music Staff Set For March

Auditions for positions on the music staff of the Lake Junaluska Assembly, summer program headquarters of the Methodist Church in nine southeastern states, are to be held March 7 in Nashville, Tenn.

Applications are available for musicians who wish to compete for the positions. It was announced by Prof. Cyrus Daniel, director of music at Vanderbilt University, who heads the church assembly's music department.

He said that an organist and four vocal soloists—soprano, alto, tenor and bass—are to be engaged for the summer season.

The Junaluska choral group usually is composed of church musicians or college students who are majoring in music. Applications may be obtained from Prof. Daniel at Box 75, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

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