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TODAY'S SMILE
If taxes continue the upward climb, a person is going to have to work like a dog to be able to live like one.

Work Started On Section Of Blue Ridge Parkway



On March 1 Clement Bros. Construction Company of Lenoir started work on a four-mile section of the Parkway between Wagon Road Gap and Beech Gap. When open to the public, possibly a year from this spring, motorists will be able to drive the 12 miles between the two Gaps. The stretch now under construction will join at the Beech Gap end about 1 1/2 miles east of the tunnel at Devil's Courthouse. The crew is now making its first fill and a right-of-way about a mile long has been cut through the wood. The contract calls for the section to be completed in 500 working days at \$400,000.

\$25,000 Street Bond Election In Hazelwood Set For April 28th

Contract For Paving New Lake-Canton Highway Due Soon; To Be Open In Fall

37 Haywood Men Quota For April

The Haywood County Selective Service Board has announced that the April call for draftees will take 37 men. In March, 23 men were inducted from the county to make a total of 68 for the year. All men are sent to Knoxville, Tenn.

Rotarians Hear Of Tourist Industry

Rotarians heard a dual program Friday on promotion of tourists and industrial promotion in this area. They heard Heinz Rollman, a recording, plea for every business and professional man to write all their suppliers and urge them to investigate Waynesville as a site for their next branch plant. The club endorsed the plan, and were handed suggested letters to use in the program of seeking new industries. Dr. Kelly Bennett, of Bryson City and chairman of the N. C. Park Commission, was presented by Charles Ray, to introduce Bart Leiper, guest speaker. Mr. Leiper, executive vice president of Western North Carolina Highlanders, reported on the recent travel show in Chicago, with more than 250,000 people attending.

Champion Inaugurates Increase In Retirement Benefits For Employees

A twenty-five per cent increase in the benefits from their Retirement Income Plan, at no additional cost to their employees, has been announced by The Champion Paper and Fibre Company through a joint statement issued by Reuben B. Robertson, Jr., president, and H. A. Helder, vice president and manager of the Carolina Division. Their statement also revealed that the eligibility requirements were being liberalized to permit a greater percentage of Champion employees to participate in the plan. (See Champion—Page 6)

Central PTA Asks Board For Separate Auditorium, Cafeteria In New School

Members of the Central Elementary school Parent-Teacher Association adopted a resolution of four parts at a recent meeting, setting forth changes they would like to see made in the plans for the new school building, and other matters pertaining to the school system. Harry Kent, president of the association, said copies of the resolution had been sent to all officials, and a full copy of the resolutions are being carried in this issue of this newspaper. The first part of the resolution asks that the new building be constructed with a separate auditorium and separate cafeteria. The specifications, according to the resolution call for alternate plans. The approval of the plans calling for the auditorium and cafeteria to be separate units is favored by the association. The second resolution is directed at the new board of education, soon

Self-Liquidating Plan Proposed; To Pave 7 Miles

Officials of the Town of Hazelwood are today officially calling a \$25,000 bond election for street improvements. The date of the election has been set for Tuesday, April 28th, according to Mayor Lawrence Davis. The proposal of the town officials is to add the \$25,000 bond money to the \$13,000 now on hand from the State through the Powell Bill money, and pave every street in Hazelwood. There are about 7.2 miles to be paved, Mayor Davis said. The estimated cost of the project will be \$35,000, he pointed out. There will be some curbing done where necessary. Mayor Davis explained that the plan of the officials is to pay off the bond with money to be received from the state in the future. "In this way, we will not have to raise any of the \$25,000 by taxes," Mayor Davis explained. "The bond issue would be self-liquidating." Several weeks ago Mayor Davis, together with Felix E. Alley, Jr., town attorney and C. N. Allen, former alderman, went to Raleigh for a conference with Mr. Easterling of the Local Government Commission, and explained the plan. Mr. Easterling said it was "a sound project," and gave approval for procedure for calling the election. The last bond issue for the town was in 1945 when \$50,000 was voted for a street paving program. There are about 800 qualified voters in the town, and the assessed valuation is about \$1,300,000.

135 Firemen To Attend Meeting Here Wednesday

Firemen of all Western North Carolina will gather here Wednesday night for a spaghetti supper and business session. It will be a regular meeting of the Western North Carolina Firemen's Association, with the Waynesville and Hazelwood Departments as hosts. Plans are being made for 135 at the dinner at the Elk's Lodge, in the Masonic Temple. After the supper, the business session and program dealing with modern fire fighting methods will be discussed. All departments from Tryon to Murphy are expected to have representatives at the meeting.

Brannon Building To Be Completed In Next 45 Days

M. O. Brannon, owner of Brannon Furniture Company, said today that he plans to have the new two-story addition to his firm on Depot Street complete in 45 days. The new structure will be brick veneer front, featuring large plate glass windows. Plans are to use the present building for antiques and used furniture. A loading platform will be erected in the rear of the store. The fruit stand and grocery store operated by Mr. Brannon on Brannon Avenue is also being enlarged in the expansion program. Today marks the beginning of the first anniversary of Brannon Furniture Company.

Highway Record For 1953 In Haywood (To Date) Injured . . . 16 Killed . . . 0 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

Town Awards Contract On New Pipelines For \$53,646

The Town of Waynesville awarded the Asheville Paving Company the contract for laying 9,000 feet of 12-inch pipeline, and about 900 feet of 8-inch line, here Thursday. The bid was for \$53,646.98. The new pipelines are part of the expansion program of the water system of the Town, as voted upon last November. Six contractors entered bids on the project. The engineers of Harwood, Beebe Company, who are in charge of the program, opened the bids with the board of aldermen. Other bids included Reed & Abee Company, Asheville, \$5,794; Howard Construction Co., Greensboro, \$56,301; C. Y. Thompson of Greenwood, S. C., \$62,324; Roy M. Homewood, Chapel Hill, \$64,045; and O. O. Walker, Kings Mountain, \$73,968. The additional lines will provide almost twice the amount of water from the intake on the watershed to the reservoirs.

Magazines Sought For Sick Service Men In Hospitals

There is a sick service man who wants these magazines you have finished reading. The hours pass rather slowly for some of the men who are in Moore General and Oteen Hospitals, and the Waynesville unit of Gray Ladies are collecting magazines to carry those men. The Gray Ladies is a unit of the Red Cross, and the first of April they plan to visit the hospitals and distribute the magazines. The members of the Gray Ladies are putting up a considerable bit of money to buy some things for men, but ask that magazines be contributed. The men, they said, like all types of magazines, mystery, western, news, and even funny books have an appeal to some of the fellows who want something light to read in a few minutes. Mrs. Felix Stovall, general chair. (See Magazines Sought—Page 6)

OES To Install New Officers Thursday

Waynesville Chapter 165 of the Order of the Eastern Star will hold a public installation of new officers Thursday night at 8 o'clock in the Lodge Room at the First National Bank. Mrs. Nell Porter, of Swannanoa, Past Grand Matron, will install the Grand officers.

Red Cross Drive Lagging; Moves Into Final Week

Annual Red Cross drive in Waynesville area is lagging and today expressed concern over the lack of response the drive is getting. The figure is not accurate because many reports have not been made. Officials of the drive pointed out, however, that the drive is definitely behind. This is the last full week of the drive and officials expressed hope that many contributors would come forth. The Waynesville Chapter chairman, Mrs. David Hyatt, declared today that the need for Red Cross funds could not be stressed too much this year, since a major portion will be devoted to financing the vital blood program. She was referring to all phases of the blood program—for civilian use, the armed forces, and for building an adequate supply of the new gamma globulin which, it has been discovered, is a big help in preventing paralysis in persons who have been exposed to polio. The funds will also continue to provide aid to disaster victims, home service work, and assistance to service men. The meeting the \$5,000 goal, according

Town Bill Given Legislature By Rep. Joe Palmer

Representative Joe Palmer has introduced a lengthy bill in the legislature, setting for the metes and bounds of the city limits for Waynesville. During the past several years several areas have been incorporated in the town, and it was pointed out that some of the lines were indefinite. The bill is to establish the definite lines. The bill was introduced at the request of the board of aldermen. The bill was sent to the committee on cities and towns and no opposition is expected in its passage.

Mrs. Lancaster's Mother Dies Here Friday

Mrs. Ann Winston Houchins, 81, widow of the late M. L. Houchins, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. N. F. Lancaster, early Friday morning following a brief illness. Mrs. Houchins was a native of Virginia, the daughter of the late Patrick Henry and Mary Lou Binford Winston. Her husband, a retired contractor of Richmond, Va., died in October, 1947. Mrs. Houchins spent most of her life in Richmond where she was a member of Laurel Street Methodist Church. She had been making her home here with Mrs. Lancaster for the past two years. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon in the chapel of the Woody Funeral Home in Richmond with the pastor of the Laurel Street Methodist Church officiating. Interment was in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Surviving in addition to Mrs. Lancaster are one son, Harry W. Houchins of Richmond; one brother, Binford Winston of Richmond; one sister, Mrs. W. L. Dawson of Detroit; and three grandchildren.

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Mrs. Louise Wells of Greenville, S. C., mother of Mrs. E. P. Judy of Waynesville, was fatally injured in an automobile accident last Wednesday between Greenville and Columbia. Funeral services and interment were in Greenville Friday afternoon. Mrs. Wells is survived by one son, Bill McInvalle; and two daughters, Mrs. Judy and Miss Sandra Thatcher. Mr. and Mrs. Judy attended the services.

Bids For New Central Elementary Due Tuesday

Bids on the Central Elementary school are due to be opened Tuesday morning at eleven, in the court house here. The estimated cost of the project is set at \$260,000. The plans call for 8 primary classrooms, 8 graded classrooms, an auditorium and stage to seat 650, and a cafeteria and kitchen to accommodate 325. The site of the new building is on the former C. E. Ray Estate property facing on Haywood street and Daisy Avenue. This property was purchased some months ago for the new school plant. It is about a block from the present building at the corner of Haywood and Academy streets and Boyd Avenue. The plans are for a modern one-story building, with ultra-modern lines. Lindsey M. Gudger is architect in charge of construction.

Carolina Glee Club To Give Concert In Canton

The University of North Carolina Glee Club will give a concert at the Canton High School Auditorium Wednesday, April 8, at 8 p.m. The Glee Club, directed by Joel Carter, has between forty and forty-five members. The Canton Lions Club is sponsoring the concert and a special invitation is extended to Carolina alumni to attend. (See Champion—Page 6)

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Delights Of The News

The Dictionary Webster does not give the definition of a diplomat, as known Waynesville man, recently learned a new detail because he forgot his wife's name.

It happens that after he tried to amend for the occasion his mind, he told her age to his friends in a moment of his better judgment. The next day he was telling a story of the incident, and remarked one thing from the diplomat is a man who forgets his wife's birthday, but not his age.

When going for some ramps happens in even the best of places and places of business. A house gets into some out-of-the-way corner, and suddenly the house has lived a normal life, and there in the secluded spot stops breathing. The time his whereabouts are traced via the vile odor. Such was the case in a street firm this week. A strong odor came suddenly. Personnel staged a thorough search but to no avail. The where-it-remains a mystery, but the lingers.

Some members of the firm are going for some nice fresh ramps. They feel perhaps the ramps might reduce the odor and make the air some better. The matter remains in the discharge.

When going Like a good Time 3-year-old Cathey Isley birthday on March 1. Ten years her sister, Betsy had her birthday. And after each birthday, Cathey seemed to enjoy sessions more and more.

One week went by, and there was a birthday party in Catholic life. And this was rather interesting. Then she calmly announced to a group of friends: "I decided to have another next week."

Instead of another gay party has been the victim (penox).

As To Hear District Governor Talk Thursday

Waynesville Lions Club will have a feature program in the form of a talk by Heinz W. Rollman, which he proposed the plan for securing new in-formation for our area. The members upon the plan with favor. A colored movie was shown in process of putting out the chain of magazines. Many in the process were pictured as well received by the group.

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