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TODAY'S SMILE

Fond mother: "Now be a sweet boy, Junior. Say 'ah' again so the nice doctor can get his finger out of your mouth."



GRAVEL has been spread over the new four-lane highway from Canton to Lake Junaluska. This photograph was made by Mountaineer, as gravel trucks were nearing the end of the job at the intersection near the Lake. Several other coats of

gravel are to be spread before the asphalt is poured, it was explained. Highway officials have scheduled the surfacing to be completed early this fall. This picture was made from the top of the hill looking towards the Lake.

Area Had Heavy Traffic Throngs of Visitors Over The Week End

Large Number Haywood's 100 Baptists Expected Meetings This Week

Members from the 52 churches of Haywood County will gather for the 68th Annual Session of the Haywood Baptist Association. Meetings will open on Monday, August 18, at the Fines Creek Church. The Rev. H. L. Elmer, moderator, will preside. Other meetings will follow on Tuesday at the Richland Church and on Wednesday at the Antioch Baptist Church.



THE REV. HORACE L. SMITH, moderator of the 1953 Haywood Baptist Association, will preside at the 68th Annual Session to be held Tuesday and Wednesday, August 18 and 19, at the Fines Creek, Richland and Antioch Baptist Churches.

Speakers include Dr. J. J. Higgins, executive secretary of the Baptist Convention; James M. Hayes, superintendent of the Baptist Home for the Aged; L. Carpenter, editor, Recorder; Dr. C. D. Bessinger, pastor, Grace Baptist Church, West Asheville, Dr. W. C. Reed, superintendent, Baptist Hospital, Reidsville; W. C. Reed, superintendent, Baptist Orphanage; and T. Blackwell, president, College.

No Standing In Line To Vote This Time

Friday was just another day on the calendar as far as Haywood County was concerned. On that day growers whose holdings were more than 15 acres were scheduled to vote in a national referendum to determine whether quotas should be used in marketing the 1954 crop.

The local PMA office reports that only two county farmers were eligible to vote, and neither of those cast a ballot.

FIRE ON JONATHAN CREEK

The Waynesville Fire Department answered a call about two o'clock this afternoon to the Bob Boyd farm on Jonathan Creek. Firemen were not back from the blaze at the time of going to press.

Over 100 Horses Expected To Enter Show Here 22nd

At least one hundred horses are expected to be entered in the first annual horse show which is set for Saturday afternoon and night, in the newly constructed ring between here and Lake Junaluska on Highway 19A-23.

T. L. Bramlett, president of the sponsoring organization, said that bleachers to accommodate 2,000 would be erected, in addition to the large number of ring-side boxes. Entries of horses are assured from South Carolina, Georgia, and some pending from Florida. Rex Watts of Newton, will judge the saddle and walking horses, and Lloyd Tate, of Blowing Rock, will be judge of the hunters and jumpers.

Read Wilson will be master of ceremonies, and C. C. League will be ringmaster, with Miss Mary Medford, secretary. The new ring has been completed, and special mixture of sand and clay put into the riding ring. Parking facilities are being provided for some 300 cars.

State Apple Crop Estimated At Half Of Normal Years

The official forecast of North Carolina's commercial apple production is 944,000 bushels. This is less than half of the 1952 record-high crop of 2,053,000 bushels, and even slightly under the 1952-51 average of 1,067,000 bushels.

Haywood's crop has been predicted at less than half of normal, due to the freeze early in the spring.

Run-Away Gravel Truck Cuts Down Trees Off Road

Driver of a gravel truck narrowly escaped serious injuries Friday, when the truck he was driving went out of control down Highway 209 on Rush Fork mountain. The truck left the road, cut a path through brush and trees 60 yards long.

The truck was traveling at such a high rate of speed when it hit a group of 6-inch trees that the trees were cut off as if sawed. Cpl. Pritchard Smith said. The truck was completely demolished, as the body of the truck was sheered off, and the chassis went another direction.

The colored driver crawled out with minor scratches. This was his first load of gravel to the Betsy Gap highway project. The gravel is being hauled from a point near Springdale school on No. 276. Cpl. Smith said that charges of reckless driving will be preferred against the man.

Paving To Be Completed This Week

The sidewalk has been completed in the street widening project of Haywood Street for almost a block, between Miller and Depot Streets.

This section of the street has been graded and paving will begin any day now. The improvement will widen the street by 20 feet at its widest point.

A surge of visitors swept into the area this weekend to give the community the greatest boost in transient population that it has had at any time this summer. A survey this morning showed that every motor court was filled Saturday night, with many "No Vacancy" signs remaining through Sunday night.

State Highway Patrol Cpl. Pritchard Smith stated that although traffic as a whole was not as heavy as that of the July 4 weekend, there were more visitors traveling than at that time.

Waynesville traffic, according to Police Chief O. L. Noland, was "every bit as heavy" the previous peak of July 4.

The Waynesville-Hazelwood-Lake Junaluska Chamber of Commerce reported only the normal number of inquiries as to accommodations, but said that it had been reported that one party of visitors searched four hours Sunday afternoon before finding overnight lodging. They felt that the number of visitors had been steadily rising for the past two weeks.

The Chamber also pointed to a rise during the past week in sales of tickets to "Unto These Hills" at Cherokee.

Merchants commented that they "had hardly time to catch their breath" during Saturday's business. Grocersmen reported unusually heavy sales.

(Weather report for Saturday: Waynesville high 90 - low 55; Charlotte high 97 - low 67; Chattanooga high 95 - low 68; Memphis high 100 - low 72; etc.)

Milk Truck Goes Down 75-Ft. Bank West Of Soco Gap

A ten-wheel transport milk truck left Highway 19, just west of Soco Gap Sunday afternoon about 5:30, and went down a 75-foot embankment.

Patrolman Ray Heffner, of Bryson City, investigated, and said that Joe Thomas, of Bryson City, was the driver of the truck, and sustained only slight injuries. The truck, loaded with empty milk cans, was damaged about \$750, according to the investigating officer.

The driver lost control of the truck, and due to the slippery condition of the highway, left the roadway at a sharp curve near the new picnic area just west of Soco Gap.

Board Names Group To Push Agriculture Building Project

Hog-Calling And Crack Shooting Mark Tours

Another high score in target shooting and the innovation of a hog-calling contest to replace the usual fox horn blowing marked the two Community Development Program farm and home visits Saturday.

Three more visits are slated for this week, as Upper Crabtree goes to West Pigeon on Tuesday, East Pigeon to Thickety on Friday, and South Clyde to Francis Cove on Saturday.

A target score of 45 was registered by Bobbie King to win the girls' class for Beaverdam as they visited Saunook. Other winners were Roy Stephens, Mrs. Roy Stephens and Charlie Clark.

Horse shoe pitching honors were even as Mrs. Stephens and Mrs. Francis McCracken defeated Mrs. Fred Best and Mrs. Ed Bell for Saunook and Mr. Bell and Mr. Best outpitched Bud Dillard and Jimmy Rowland.

Beaverdam boys took the softball game 5-1, with Beaverdam girls forfeiting.

Others taking part were Nellie Moore, who won the guessing game, Charles Beck, C. V. Sorrells, G. Sutton, Edith McCracken, Mae Robinson, Mrs. Carl Best, Joe Bob Harris, Dale Robinson, Mary Sue Sparks, Imogene Hooper and Freda Jane Worley.

The hog-calling contest at White Oak, where Allens Creek visited, was won by a "dark horse" who claims White Oak as his adopted community. The Rev. Malcolm Williamson of the Waynesville Presbyterian Church outshouted the Rev. C. L. Allen, Bonnie Hendrix, Mike Ferguson, Sallie Sutton and Sam Ledford.

Target shooting winners were Delmas Caldwell, Ila Farmer and Harold Rogers. Their competition was Wayne Caldwell, Walter Lowe, Hugh Messer, Louise Chambers, Edna Williams, Kathleen Derrick, Billy Shuler, Tommy Davis and (Hog-Calling—Page 6)

Two Injured As Cars Collide In Thickety Area

Two children, here on vacation from Detroit, were treated at the Hospital for injuries sustained Friday in the Thickety section, when their car was struck by another car.

Cpl. Pritchard Smith said that a car driven by Clarence Mills, Route 2, Clyde, turned left in the path of a car driven by Woodrow Medford, of Detroit, and formerly of Canton. Mills was following close behind another car at the time, the report showed.

The two Medford children, a son and a daughter, sustained injuries. The daughter had bruises and her tongue cut, while the son had a deep cut over the left eye.

The Mills car was damaged about \$200 and the Medford car about \$300, the patrolman's report showed.



SWEEPSTAKE WINNER of the Clyde Flower Show was Mrs. E. Cagle, shown here holding the cup she won, and surrounded by just a few of the many entries she made in the show. On the extreme right, center row, is a gold band lily, an unusual entry. Mrs. Cagle has about a half acre of dahlias, and many glads. She admits, however, that potted plants are her favorites. (See other pictures and story, Page 1, Sec. 2) (Mountaineer Photo).

Bethel Methodist Breaks Ground For New Parsonage

Burley Crop In State About 2% Under That Of '52

Burley production in North Carolina is currently estimated at 19,775,000 pounds, or nearly 2 per cent below the crop of last year.

Flue cured tobacco is 9.3 per cent less than last year, with the present crop set at 1,270,282,000 pounds.

Haywood's burley crop usually averages about 3,000,000 pounds.

West Pigeon Group To Meet On Thursday

The West Pigeon CDP will meet Thursday nights at eight o'clock in the school cafeteria, with the program featuring "Families Need Hobbies."

Scheduled to appear on the program include A. J. Hutchins, Mrs. Bert Cagle, and Mrs. Cora Welch. R. C. Sheffield is chairman of the CDP.

The congregation of the Bethel Methodist church on Sunday afternoon broke ground for a modern parsonage, in the wooded side across the highway from the church, and later in the evening, following a supper, and during the quarterly conference, voted to proceed at once in awarding the contract for the construction of the building.

Estimates are that the structure will cost between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

The committee named to proceed with plans, and award a contract, was named at the quarterly conference, and is composed of: Charles Osborne, Hugh K. Terrell, Bert Cagle, Fred Hyatt, and J. Leitch Worley.

Rev. L. B. George is pastor of the church, which has about 200 members.

Friday and Saturday a group of interested parties worked on the wooded site clearing it of underbrush, and surplus trees in preparation for the formal dedication on Sunday afternoon.

The supper was served to about 50, with the members of the departments taught by Mrs. Johnny Teague and Mrs. Welch Singleton serving the drinks. The members of the WSCS were hostesses, and Mrs. C. O. Newell, of Crabtree, was Bethel Methodist—Page 6)

Commissioners Named Committee Of Five Today To Handle Work

The board of commissioners this morning named a steering committee of five, to start at once making plans, and getting blueprints for the development of the 20-acre tract for the Agricultural and Home Arts building and exhibition grounds.

The commissioners named, R. N. Barber, Jr., Ed Sims, Jack Chapman, Roy Haynes and B. F. Nesbitt.

Some of these were on a committee which made a study of the program, as provided by the 1953 General Assembly, and recommended the purchase of the 20-acre tract from M. O. Galloway, on Highway 19A-23 several weeks ago.

Last week the Champion Paper and Fibre Company donated \$5,000 towards the cost of the building, and Carolina Power and Light Company have written that they will send a check for \$500 for the project.

This morning it was learned from Wayne Franklin, county agent, that similar projects might be visited in Statesville, Winston-Salem, Tazewell, Va., and Valdosta, Ga. Also experts of State College are to be consulted and recommendations and suggestions gotten from them. Included in the group to be consulted will be livestock specialists, as this will be one of the features of the new project.

Officials this morning said that they expected the steering committee to start at once in getting the plans made and the preparing to get the project under way. No estimate has been made as to the cost of the building or the landscaping of the property and building of the show rings. All the estimates must await the final planning, it was said.

Changes Made In Personnel Of Pisgah Forest

Several changes in Pisgah National Forest personnel will take place this month, it was disclosed. They are:

Seaborn J. Johnson, assistant forest supervisor, is leaving to take over a forest genetics project in Mississippi. Succeeding him will be Leslie Shontz of Cleveland, Tenn.

Lewis H. Mielke will come to the area from South Carolina National Forest as forest engineer.

Maynard W. Underbackke has submitted his resignation as district ranger on the Catawba District. He will operate a sawmill and cattle farm in Minnesota. Succeeding him in the Catawba post will be Walter J. Graves, now district ranger on the Cheoah District Robbinville.

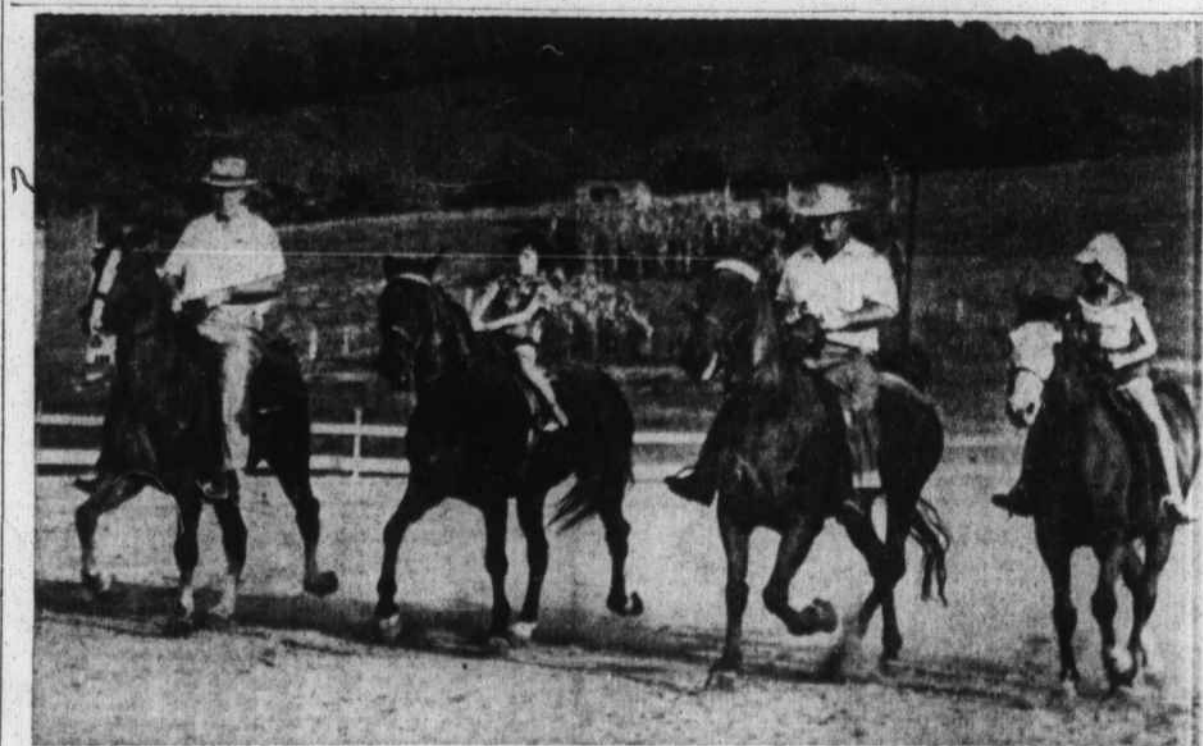
Graves, in turn, will be replaced by Edwin M. Manchester who will leave the Grandfather District. William L. Nothstein, formerly timber management assistant in Nantahala National Forest, will take the ranger post on the Grandfather District.

The changes were announced by D. J. Morris, Pisgah supervisor.

Fincher's Chapel Methodist Burns Note At Dedication

The bank note on Fincher's Chapel Methodist Church was burned with solemn rejoicing Sunday in a special service of dedication. The new building, completed three years ago on Hyder Mountain, is now owned in full by the church.

About 125 members and visitors heard the Rev. Bishop Charles S. Seaman, retired, of Dallas, Texas, and Lake Junaluska, preach the sermon. He used as his theme the statement read when members are received into the church: "The Church is of God and will be preserved to the end of time for the promotion of His worship and the administration of His Word and Ordinances, and the maintenance of Christian fellowship for the edification of believers and the conversion of the world." He commended (Fincher's Chapel—Page 6)



FATHERS AND DAUGHTERS enjoy working out their horses on the newly constructed ring for the Horse Show on Saturday. Shown here in a typical workout are left to right: C. C. League, riding "Swamp Man" Jane Sims riding "Lazy Bones," Ed Sims riding Sewanee Lou; and Sara Jane League, riding Major Prince. (See other pictures, Page 5) (Mountaineer Photo).

Highway Record For 1953 In Haywood (To Date)

Killed 4
Injured 34

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

RAIN

— Showers and cooler. Partly cloudy with after-showers.

Max.	Min.	Rainfall
87	51	—
88	55	—
90	53	—
86	55	.15