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TODAY'S SMILE

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Solicitor Plans To Call Sutton Murder Case For Trial Tuesday Morning



Solicitor Thad D. Bryson, Jr., said at noon today he planned to call the case of H. Ellis Sutton, charged with the death of Elmer Ball, as soon as court convenes Tuesday morning.

Ball died shortly after being shot at the Sutton home in the Mt. Sterling section in January.

This morning began the second week of criminal term of Superior Court, with Judge H. Hoyle Sink, presiding. Most of the morning was spent on divorce cases, and traffic cases, including three defendants who were arrested Sunday for speeding. Judge Sink ordered each to pay the costs, and ordered prayer for judgment continued.

After granting a number of divorces, Judge Sink pointed out that in his 27 years on the bench, he had heard 6,200 divorce cases, and said most of all them, resulted from the couple being too young when they married; too old, or in too big a haste.

As court recessed today at one o'clock Judge Sink was hearing the evidence in the case in which Norman Hannah is charged with firing a rifle at Logan Frady. The assault took place in the court house lawn last August. No one was hurt from the flying bullets.

Solicitor Bryson said at noon, "We have the docket in excellent shape, and have tried a large majority of the cases that faced us a week ago this morning."

On the regular jury this morning was Mrs. Fornella Rhinehart, of East Fork. She is the only woman on the second week jury list.

Mrs. J. E. Massie Dies In Florida Of Heart Attack

Mrs. James E. Massie, wife of a prominent Waynesville business man, died of a heart attack in Avon Park, Sunday at 7:30 p.m. She had suffered a slight attack on Wednesday and had entered an Avon Park hospital where she was thought to be improving. Mr. Massie was with her in Florida.

Mrs. Massie was the former Miss Maude Cathey, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Webb Cathey of Haywood County. She attended Haywood schools and was graduated from Guilford College. She was a member of the First Methodist Church.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending arrival of the body from Florida.

Mrs. Massie is survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Howard Choate of Humbolt, Tenn., and Mrs. Pat Malloy of Sylva; and two sons, Joe and Otis Massie of Waynesville.



THE HAYWOOD COUNTY LIBRARY'S TENTH BIRTHDAY CAKE was cut at an open house held by the Waynesville Woman's Club Friday afternoon. The occasion was the tenth anniversary of county-wide library service. Shown are, left to right, Mrs. Ken Fry, representing Radio Station

WHCC, donor of the cake; Miss Margaret Johnston, librarian; Col. J. H. Howell, member of the library board; and Mrs. Joe Limer of the Woman's Club, who served as general chairman for the open house. (See Story on Page 5) (Mountaineer Photo).

Democrats Oppose Change In State Senate Terms

Committee Unanimously Votes To Keep Alternating Plan Every Other Term.

The 28-member executive committee of the Haywood Democratic party, turned thumbs down Saturday on the proposal to give Haywood and Henderson counties two consecutive terms in naming the State Senator. At present the plan is alternating every other term between the two counties.

About two years ago the Haywood committee had the same proposal before them, and while there was not a quorum present, those attending approved the proposal.

Saturday night, the vote was unanimous to keep the agreement as at present, according to Charles B. McCrary, chairman.

The action of the committee means that it is Haywood's time this May to nominate a state senator for the next General Assembly, which will convene in January 1955.

The committee will meet again the 15th to formally name three persons for the county board of elections. The nominees have to be named and submitted to the State Executive Committee, who in turn, makes the recommendations to the State Board of Elections.

Glenn Brown, present chairman, told The Mountaineer this morning that he was definitely not interested in being reappointed. "I have had the job, and feel it is time someone else had it now," Mr. Brown has told members of the executive committee he would not consider the post again. Frank M. Medford is the other Democratic member of the board, and Charlie Hawkins is the Republican member.

FBI Find Local Man Died In New York 15 Months Ago

After a search by his parents and friends of more than a year, an FBI report just received here shows that Charles G. "Wosey" Medford, about 40, died in New York, November 5, 1952.

Medford, a well known Haywood man, had served in the Merchant Marines for many years, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sam Medford.

Medford was home in the fall of 1952, following injuries aboard a ship, USS Cubore. He had almost recovered from his injuries, and was scheduled to return to New York and settle a suit which was pending as the result of the injuries he had received. It was understood he was to receive a sizable sum as compensation.

After some months following his visit home, nothing was heard of him. He said at one time he might enter a veteran's hospital for further medical treatment following the accident aboard ship.

913 Arrests Made By Town Police In 1953

Rating Of 99 Go To Bus Stations

Two Haywood county bus stations rated 99 according to a report for the State Utilities on cleanliness for January.

Both the station here and in Canton rated 99 out of a possible 100 points, the report showed.

\$500,000 In Bonds Taken To Raleigh

Charles C. Francis has returned from Raleigh and Durham where he went on a two-fold mission.

He carried with him, \$500,000 in signed school bonds, which are the last of the \$2,000,000 in school bonds issued by the county.

After delivering the bonds, he attended a 5-man committee of the N. C. Commissioners Association, which is charged with dealing with legislative problems.

Mr. Francis said the "air was full of state politics" and much interest was being shown in the approaching primary.

Mrs. Hooper Alexander, Jr., is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. K. Miller in Monticello, Fla.

A total of 913 arrests were made by Waynesville police during 1953, according to a report compiled by Police Chief Orville Noland.

The chief's report disclosed this breakdown of arrests:

Public drunkenness and disorderly conduct, 613; driving drunk, 52; reckless driving, 42; speeding, 59; no operator's license, 24; driving after license revoked, 3; other traffic violations, 32; gambling, 5; violating the prohibition law, 18; assault, 7; affray, 12; carrying concealed weapons, 8; issuing worthless check, 4; breaking, entering, and larceny, 8, and larceny, 6.

In cases tried before Mayor J. H. Way, a total of \$17,666.23 was imposed in fines and costs. The fines amounted to \$7,224 and the costs \$10,442.23.

No Clues Found As To Whereabouts Of C. O. Arnold

Officers here have spread word throughout a wide area for officers to be on the lookout for Carl O. Arnold, 49, who has not been accounted for since he left his home last Monday for his work.

Officers said Mr. Arnold was driving a 1950 4-door light blue Hudson when he left his home for his bookkeeping job at Welco. He lived on Maple Street, and told his wife he would stop and pay a couple of utility bills during his lunch hour.

He formerly worked with Postal Accounts in Atlanta, and also in Asheville. Officers have interviewed former co-workers at both places in order to get a lead.

His son has been granted an emergency leave from service to come home and lend assistance in the search, and to be with his mother. Officers said the family cannot attribute any cause to why he should disappear.

Little Theatre Group To Organize Wednesday

Organization of a Little Theatre group in Waynesville will be undertaken at a special meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the courtroom.

Community theatre organizations are already active in a number of Western Carolina communities — some smaller than Waynesville — and it is felt that there is a definite need for such a dramatics group in this county.

An invitation has been extended to all persons interested in acting or in backstage work to attend the

Area March Of Dimes Drive Totals \$12,421

Hodges Says County Ideal Democracy

Haywood Democrats launched their initial rally here Saturday night, when about 200 heard Brandon Hodges, former state treasurer, speak for 27 minutes in a serious, and deliberate vein as to the state of affairs of the state and nation.

The speaker was presented by former State Senator William Medford, who said: "There is great confusion in the Republican ranks and now is the time for Democrats to lay their plans for the future and to see that Haywood remains Democratic."

Mr. Hodges paid tribute to Haywood as the economic balance here in Haywood, which "surpasses that of the state."

He said that this county had developed its natural resources and enjoy a high economy, and made it a region of opportunity.

Mr. Hodges expressed the hope that the spirit of Democracy as shown here in Haywood would spread throughout the district, and serve as an inspiration for others to carry on, and eventually achieve in many ways what has been accomplished economically here in Haywood.

The speaker predicted that the people of the nation will elect a Democratic congress in November. "We need leadership that can maintain balance," he stressed, as he cited "the Republican party had two schools of thought, and to date had not shown the capacity to meet the challenge of the nation, and the multiple of problems."

Mr. Hodges said also that "the Democratic party have always realized the people must have a fair opportunity to provide for themselves and their families."

The meeting was presided over by Charles B. McCrary, county chairman and Mrs. Paul Gough is county secretary.

Patrolmen Catch 7 Speeders In Safety Campaign

Highway Patrolmen staged a "saturation operation" in Haywood over the weekend, and the result was seven speeders were hailed into court.

Cpl. Pritchard Smith said that three patrolmen together with the four stationed in Haywood, patrolled Highway 19 from the Buncombe line to Soco, and 276 and 110 from Wagon Road Gap to Waynesville and Canton.

A speed watch was set up at Maggie.

Three of the defendants entered a plea of guilty and were in court this morning.

Hazelwood To Get \$100 Prize Award Thursday Night

The monthly meeting of the Boosters Club will be held Thursday night at the Presbyterian church. One feature of the program will be the awarding of the \$100 prize by Carolina Power and Light Company to the community as a prize for their entry in the 1953 "Finer Carolina" contest.

A. P. Ledbetter, general chairman of the Finer Carolina Contest, will accept the award for the community.

Drive Tops '53 Figure By Thousand

Waynesville's 1954 March of Dimes has already exceeded last year's total by more than a thousand dollars and more contributions are still to be received, Dave Felmet, co-chairman of the Waynesville post drive, announced today.

Donations to the campaign presently total \$12,421. Last year contributions reached \$11,333, Mr. Felmet said.

Heavy donations also have been reported in the Canton area, which includes Clyde and Bethel and other rural communities in the eastern part of the county.

Last year Haywood County ranked second in the entire state in per capita giving to the March of Dimes.

Mr. Felmet listed this breakdown of contributions:

Special gifts, \$119.25; labor and industries, \$3,941.35; Community Development Program, \$406.29; schools, \$3,135.50; Secretaries' "Porch Light Parade," \$456.51; Dime Board, \$1,461.10; coin collectors, \$391.22; Singing Convention, \$310.57; theatres, \$124.50; basketball tournament at WTHS, \$294.41; businessmen, \$1,148.73; professional men, \$96; churches, clubs and other organizations, \$521.55; miscellaneous, \$24.03.

Two School Project Plans Approved

Preliminary sketches of plans for a gymnasium and cafeteria at Crabtree-Iron Duff School and a cafeteria at Fines Creek School were approved Friday night by a special advisory board at the courthouse.

From these rough sketches, architects will make drawings for submission to the State Department of Education. When the state makes its recommendations and the county advisory board gives its final approval, bids will be asked for the two projects, according to County School Superintendent Lawrence Leatherwood.

The building to be done at Crabtree-Iron Duff and Fines Creek will be the last of the major projects planned under Haywood County's \$2,000,000 school bond program, approved in 1950, Mr. Leatherwood explained.

Other major school construction, now in progress, includes a gymnasium and elementary classroom buildings at Bethel, new high school and gym at Waynesville, new gym at Clyde, and new junior high building at Canton.

Already completed have been new Central Elementary School in (See Two Schools—Page 8)



ANNOUNCES — W. Kerr Scott, former governor of this state, formally announced Saturday he was a candidate of U. S. Senate. His announcement had been expected for some weeks.

May Primary Candidacy Deadline Set

Candidates for legislative, county, and township offices in the May 29 primary may now file notices of candidacy with the chairman of the county Board of Elections until 6 p.m., Saturday, April 17, Glenn W. Brown, board chairman, announced today.

Candidates' papers must be in possession of the Board of Elections by 6 p.m. on April 17 and not merely in the mails, Mr. Brown pointed out.

He explained that office-seekers, at the time of filing, must deposit one per cent of the salary they would earn from their offices for which they are a candidate.

If they are running for fee-system posts, however, and the fees obtained average \$500 or less each year, those candidates need pay only a \$5 filing charge, Mr. Brown explained.

If the fees from his office customarily exceed \$500 a year, he must pay one per cent of his estimated income, the election official added.

Mr. Brown said that he has the necessary "notice of candidacy" blanks for those intending to enter the May primary.

Bee School Set Saturday

A meeting to discuss the proper management of bees and making profit from their honey will be held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the Farmers Federation warehouse in Waynesville, County Agent Wayne L. Franklin announced today.

W. A. Stephen, extension beekeeper from N. C. State College, will be in charge of the session.

Over 700 Pints Of Blood Used In Haywood Last Year

Quota for the Red Cross Bloodmobile is 125 pints when it visits Hazelwood Wednesday, February 10, under the sponsorship of Welco Shoe Corp.

"This is an extremely low quota," said Lee Davis, Superintendent of Haywood County Hospital. "In view of the fact that the hospital uses an average of 2 pints of blood a day from the Red Cross Blood Bank. This is well over 700 pints a year, according to our director of nurses, Mrs. W. F. Freeman."

Rudolph Carswell, co-chairman

of the blood program, comments on Wednesday's quota as follows: "125 pints may seem low, and in fact is so, but the public has not fulfilled its responsibility in this direction recently. The last time the Bloodmobile came to Waynesville, only half the quota was filled. Perhaps if people realized how much their friends and neighbors right here in Haywood use the blood, they would be more generous in making this gift which is painless and costs nothing."

John Edwards, co-chairman of (See 700 Pints—Page 5)

Junaluska Gets Leading Cleric As New Program Director

The Rev. George E. Clary, Sr., Savannah, Ga., will be program director at Lake Junaluska next summer. Mr. Clary has also just been elected to an administrative post as executive secretary of the Methodist church's southeastern jurisdictional council, it was announced by Bishop Arthur J. Moore of Atlanta, chairman.

This prominent churchman has been Savannah district superintendent since 1949. A native of Jessup, Ga., Clary was pastor of Savannah (See Junaluska—Page 8)

Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood

(TO DATE)

Killed . . . 0

Injured . . . 2

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

Wildlife Protectors Discuss Coming Vacation Season

Trouble fishing regulations, need of permits for keeping wildlife in captivity, and other aspects of wildlife protection in Western North Carolina were discussed today at a district meeting of wildlife protectors and fish hatchery employees at the courthouse.

The wildlife protectors pointed out that the trout season opens April 5 in public waters, and added that the dates for fishing in the management areas will be announced later.

All permits for keeping wildlife in captivity—including bear, deer, raccoon, fox, squirrel, birds, etc.—expired December 31, 1953, and must be renewed, the state officials explained. Permits can be obtained by applying to county wildlife protectors, who make inspections and forward their recommendations to the state.

In charge of the meeting of District 9 wildlife protectors were W. C. Bumgarner, chief of the Wildlife Protection Division at Raleigh, and Howard Wooten, district supervisor.

Other present were:

Earl Williams, Haywood County wildlife protector; Maurice Bryant, hatcheries superintendent; Charlie Webb and Edwin Jackson, wildlife patrolmen; Hayden Ratledge and Lee Tebo, fish biologists, and wildlife protectors Raymond Ramsey of Madison County, A. O. Ray, Jr., of Buncombe County, Clyde L. Jackson of Henderson County, Arthur Pack of Polk County, Paul Leatherwood of Transylvania County, W. B. Cope of Jackson County, Wade Crane of Swain County, Glenn Wright of Macon County, Jimmy Martin of Clay County, A. R. Dalrymple of Cherokee County, and Charlie Garland of Graham County.

A new wildlife patrolman — Charlie Webb of Reidsville — was introduced to the group. His work will be concentrated in the eastern section of District 9.



SUNNY

Monday, mostly sunny and rather cool.	42	23	.02
Tuesday, mostly fair and somewhat warmer.	42	30	—
Wednesday, mostly sunny and warm.	46	28	—
Thursday, mostly sunny and warm.	41	25	—