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TODAY'S SMILE

"It is hard, indeed," said the melancholy gentleman, "to lose one's relatives."

"Hard?" snorted the gentleman of wealth. "Hard? It is impossible!"

NEW SEWER LINE along Shelton Creek is being put down at the rate of about 1,000 feet per week. Workmen are shown here just after crossing North Main Street, and heading towards Pigeon Street with the 4,000-foot line. Some of the cuts are 14 feet deep. Three more weeks of favorable weather are expected to see the project completed. Allison Construction Company has the contract.

(Mountaineer Photo).

23 Haywood Parents Fined For Violating School Law

Twenty-three Haywood parents ve felt the clutches of the comlsory school attendance law, acrding to Jerry Rogers, school atndance officer.

Thus far this year, 23 parents ve been hailed into court for t keeping their children in hool. They have paid fines and sts up to $50, and some have had 30-day suspended sentence tack- on to the cash costs of the acon.

"I just want parents to know at the law says that it is compulry that every child between the es of 7 and 16 attend school. In se of illness, a doctor's certifite is required by the law to subantiate the fact," Rogers explain-

With the arrival of spring, and armer days, Rogers expects me parents will let their chilen remain out of school. He ised a stern warning that in such ses, the law will be enforced. d the parents will be held reonsible.

Four young boys have been sent Stonewall Jackson Training hool because their parents inted out that they were unable control the school attendance the boys.

"When a child refuses to go to hool, and violates their parent's shes, we turn such cases over the juvenile judge, who can nd them to a state school," he plained.

Rogers explained he was checkg pool rooms regularly as it was violation for boys under 18 to it such a place.

Haywood Baptists To Begin Revival Monday Evening

Haywood Baptists will begin a four-day series of county-wide revival meetings on Monday evening.

The county is divided into five areas, and full details, with pictures of some of the speakers will be found on page one of the third section of this edition.

30 Scouts Are Cited At Honor Court

Thirty Haywood County Boy Scouts received promotions and other awards at a Pigeon River Council Court of Honor, held Monday night at the courthouse.

Badges of rank awarded were:

Tenderfoot — Richard Barrett, David Pace, and David Coman, all of Troop 1, Canton; Eddie Morgan, Virgil Ford, Earl Franklin, and Anthony Wood, all of Troop 2, Waynesville; Robert H. Wood, Troop 16, Canton; Charles Rhinehart, Ronnie Rogers, William Nix, and Joe Marion Nix, all of Troop 22, Canton.

Second Class — Billy Stone, Troop 1, Canton; Lucius Wood, T. P. Stanley, and Tommy Mitchell, Troop 2, Waynesville.

First Class — John Bottoms, Troop 1, Canton, and Ben J. Sloan, Jr., Troop 2, Waynesville.

Merit badges presented were:

Geoffrey Cooper of Troop 1, Canton, scholarship, bugling, first aid, and rabbit raising; Ashely Neal of Troop 1, Canton; citizenship in the community, citizenship in the home, and hiking; Jimmy Todd of Troop 2, Waynesville, cycling, art, and zoology; Stephen Woody of Troop 2, Waynesville, camping; Charles Balentine of Troop 5, Hazelwood, public speak-

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Lonely Hearts Find A Way

John Price, 65-year-old farmer of Cove Creek, has a new bride, but he courted her by mail and married her within 24 hours of their meeting. Last Friday Price and Ada Goodin, a widow of Warsaw, N. C., were married by Justice of the Peace J. J. Ferguson in the Haywood County Courthouse.

Price, who has been married twice before and twice left a widower, was a member of a "social club" whose purpose was to find wives for its members. Mrs. Price also subscribed and was sent 30 or 40 men's names by the club. She says that she chose John Price because of his nice handwriting.

The two corresponded several times but had never met until Price sent for his future bride and she arrived by bus last Thursday night. Mrs. Price had no trouble identifying her future husband as she got off the bus because, she claims, she had a dream about him before she came and saw exactly how he looked and what he wore.

The newly weds report to one of the witnesses at their wedding, T. C. Davis of Iron Duff, that they are both "very well satisfied." Mr. Price says his bride is an "extra good cook", and his son, Glenn, who makes his home with them, claims she makes "awful good biscuits."

It seems Mr. Price had one other candidate for marriage who came to see him several weeks ago. She was not satisfied with things, however, and they decided they would not get along. He's glad now he waited.

Bus Wreck Hurts Clyde Resident

Mrs. Neal Carr of Clyde suffered lacerations of the head and leg this week when the Greyhound bus in which she was riding plunged over a 25-foot embankment on Draper Mountain near Pulaski, Virginia.

Six other passengers on the bus were injured—none seriously — in the accident.

Mrs. Carr was returning to her home at Clyde after visiting her son, Rodney, who is stationed at the Marine Base at Quantico, Va.

The driver of the bus, Clifton Stafford, of Roanoke, said he swerved his southbound bus to avoid a head-on collision with an unidentified northbound car. The car did not stop after the accident, he added.

The bus, traveling at a low rate of speed up a steep grade, crashed through a guard rail, and slid on

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Labor Survey Being Pushed In Haywood

Many people are responding to the county-wide labor survey which is being conducted by the Chamber of Commerce.

Miss Debrayda Fisher, in charge of the N. C. Emplayment Office here said that people from all sections of the county were filling out the questionnaire and mailing them back. The Chamber of Commerce had 10,000 forms printed, and these have been distributed throughout the schools of the county.

Again today, The Mountaineer is publishing a copy of the form. This copy may be filled out and mailed to the Employment Office. Already scores of people have used the form as printed in The Mountaineer about a week ago.

W. A. Bradley is chairman of the industrial committee of the Chamber of Commerce, and said the survey was the first important step towards getting new industrial plants here, as well as furnishing a basis of information for getting defense work for the plants that are already here.

Miss Fisher urged that any people unemployed fill out one of the forms immediately and mail them in.

"It is important that we get this survey completed by March first, as we have several vital factors awaiting the results of this survey," she said.

Industry Pledges To Back March Red Cross Drive

Co-chairmen of the industrial division for the forthcoming Red Cross Fund Campaign, James G. McKinley and Clyde ("Dutch") Fisher, have announced that all major industries in this area have been contacted and representatives for the drive appointed in each company.

The Red Cross officials are suggesting for employees in industry either straight donations or payroll deductions. They emphasized, however, in talking to each company that over-all coverage was the important factor in a drive of this kind. A small amount from a very large number of people makes it easy to attain the goal of $5,000, they said.

The following executives will represent their companies for the drive which begins March 1:

George Bischoff, Royle and Pilkington; Whitener ("Red") Prevost, Unagusta Manufacturing Corp.; Mrs. Lelia Parham, Wellco Corp.; Kimball Barber, A. C. Lawrence Leather Co.; and Jack Hunt and John Moore, Dayton Rubber Co.

Other committees for business, professional men, ministers, residential and rural solicitation are still being organized, it was stated today by E. A. Williamson, chairman of the entire campaign.

Little Theatre Seeks New Name; $5 Prize Offered

Want to earn five dollars with only a two-cent investment?

Well, it can be done. All you need is a postal card and an imagination.

The Waynesville Little Theatre, which organized last week, is looking for a more distinctive name than that which is already used by a large number of dramatics groups all over the United States.

A prize of $5 is being offered to the person who submits the best name. So, send in your selection to Postoffice Box 341, Waynesville. The deadline is March 1.

THREE FILE FOR RE-ELECTION—Three Haywood office holders are shown here formally filing with Glenn Brown, seated center, chairman of the board of elections. On the left, seated, is Sheriff Fred Y. Campbell; standing center is Jule Noland, Registrer of Deeds, and standing right, J. B. Siler, Clerk of Court. All three filed together late Wednesday afternoon for their respective offices.

(Mountaineer Photo).

Dedication Of New Central School Set

The new Central Elementary School building, on the lower end of Haywood Street, which was opened on January 4, will be dedicated formally at an open house at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, it was announced today by Principal Claud Rogers and Harry Kent, president of the Central Elementary PTA.

Dave Felmet will be in charge of dedication ceremonies at the first new school building to be constructed under the county's $2,000,000 school bond issue.

Special guests at the open house and dedication will be town and county officials, and members of the school board and the board's special advisory committee.

The program will be in charge of the Central Elementary PTA.

Little Road Work Done In County During January

Not too much road work was done in Haywood during January, according to a report from Harry E. Buchanan, commissioner of the Fourteenth State Highway Division. The total for the district was 27.85 miles.

In Haywood, Bruce Street was graded 26 feet wide, drained and surfaced 14 feet wide for 0.10 mile. Allen's Creek for 0.3 mile was reinforced with three inches of additional traffic-bound macadam. The road is 16 feet wide.

The Fourteenth with division headquarters in Sylva is made up of Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Polk, Ewain and Transylvania counties. G. G. Page is division engineer. His assistant division engineer is C. W. Lee, while P. J. Dupree is district engineer at Hendersonville and E. L. Curtis is district engineer at Bryson City.

Along Political Fronts

Mrs. Bryson Not Running

Who says a woman can't keep a secret?

Early last fall Mildred H. Bryson decided that she would not be a candidate for re-election as tax collector. She decided at the time that she should devote her full time to her dairy, farm, and other business interests.

This morning she made known her decision of four-and-a-half months ago.

Scores of people have been to her in the past few weeks and pledged support, and given her encouragement, feeling that she would be a candidate to succeed herself.

"I am deeply appreciative of the encouragement, and the pledged support offered me for the May primary, but my best judgment tells me that I should devote my time to my private business interests. Of course I will finish my present term, which expires December 11th of this year, and certainly want my friends to come by and see me at the tax office from now until then.

"I shall miss the campaign, and working again with so many loyal supporters as I had in 1950. But I feel I cannot sacrifice my private business interests," she said.

Then with feeling, she requested the political reporter to "please stress the fact that I do appreciate what the voters did for me in 1950, and I reached the decision of not running after much thought and deliberation."

Joe N. Tate, Jr. In Race For Tax Collector

Joe N. Tate, Jr., announced this morning he was a candidate for Tax Collector in the May primary.

This is the first public office Tate has sought, although he has been in politics for some years, and is at present president of the Young Democrats of Haywood.

He is a member of the Lions Club, having served as an officer; also member of the American Legion, a Mason and a Baptist.

For three years he was in the Army Air Corps, flying from Eng-

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Hub Caldwell Seeks Place on Election Board

Hub Caldwell, retired farmer-Dairyman, announced today for member of the Board of Education.

Until three years ago, Mr. Caldwell operated a large farm and dairy on Jonathan Creek. He sold his business, retired, and moved to Waynesville.

"While I have voted the Democratic ticket for 52 years, this is the first time I have sought an office," he said.

"I have plenty of time to devote to the work, and feel that I am in a position to render a service to my county, and the schools in which I have such a vital interest. I have nothing else to do, and feel that such a job takes lots of a man's time. That's the reason I am running."

Three Nominated For Election Board Posts

John Carver of Waynesville, W. G. Byers of Clyde, and Farady Green of Fines Creek have been nominated as candidates for the county board of elections by the Haywood County Democratic Executive Committee.

The three men were named at a meeting of the committee, presided over by Charles McCrary, chairman.

Present members of the election board are Glenn W. Brown, chairman, and Fred Medford, both Democrats, and Charles Hawkins, Republican.

Three Office Holders File For Re-Election

Three candidates seeking reelection, filed with Glenn Brown, chairman of the board of elections late Wednesday afternoon. They filed at the same time, which put all three in the category of the "first."

The three, all holding major of-

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New Precinct Created In Beaverdam

A new voting precinct was created in Beaverdam Township this week as a result of a meeting of the Haywood County Board of Elections held Monday to set up the boundaries of the precinct.

Created from parts of Beaverdam precincts No. 5 and No. 6, the established boundaries of the new precinct are:

"Beginning at the intersection of the Queen Town Road with the Pigeon River Road, Highway No. N. C. 110, and runs thence in a southerly direction with the Queen Town Road to the Pigeon Township line; thence up the watershed of the ridge with the Pigeon Township line to the Buncombe County line; thence with Buncombe County line to Thompson Knob; thence with the watershed of the mountain to Chestnut Mountain to Albert Wilson's home; thence from said Wilson's home in a westerly direction to a point where a branch crosses a gravelled road; thence continuing with said gravelled road to a point where said gravelled road is intersected by the Allen Farm Road; thence with the Allen Farm Road in a westerly direction to the point where Allen Farm Road is intersected by Skyland Drive; thence with the Skyland Drive; thence with the Skyland

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Red Cross Gets 108 Pints During Visit To Canton

Eight new members to the Gallon Club were added to Canton's long list of blood donors Wedensnesday, when the mobile unit made its periodic visit there.

A total of 108 pints were donated, according to Red Cross Secretary, Helen Pressley.

The program Wednesday was sponsored by the Canton Lions Club, and a marked increase in the number of new contributors was noted.

Those qualifying for the Gallon Club by giving their eighth pint of blood were Robert E. Davis, J. C. Ward, William J. Brooks, Earl L. Bumgarner, Ernestine Burnette, Donald Randolph, Kelly Whitt and Dwight Beaty.

Corley Gibbs became eligible for the Two Gallon Club, when he contributed his sixteenth pint yesterday.

Merchants Name Committees For The Coming Year

Harry Whisenhunt, president of the Merchants Association, named three committees for the year, at the meeting of the board of directors Monday night.

The committee on store hours is composed of Bill Cobb, chairman, Francis Massie and Hye Sheptowitch.

The promotion committee is made up of Frank Moore, chairman, Roy Parkman and J. W. Ray.

Membership and finance, Ernest Edwards, chairman, Euel Taylor, C. D. Ketner and H. Massie.

Joe Cline was named as representative on the Chamber of Commerce board of directors.

Occoneechee' To Be Presented Tonight At 8

The Waynesville High School usic Department, under the diction of Charles Isley, will present "Occoneechee, Fair Maid of Forest," an operetta in three s by Miss Margaret Stringfield, night at 8 o'clock in the school torium.

cast will include all mem-

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Heart Disease Is Major Killer Of American People

Cancer and polio most often oc- the public spotlight, but it's fact that the major cause of ath in the United States is heart ease and associated circulatory ments.

In order to combat this Public emy No. 1, a Heart Fund drive now being conducted all over the United States. It began in the Waynesville area Monday under the direction of Dr. James K.

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HEART FUND drive chairman in the Waynesville area this year is Dr. James K. Stringfield. He succeeds Mrs. Mildred Bryson. Goal of the local drive is $1,500.

The Weather

WARMER

Fair and somewhat warmer to- . Friday, partly cloudy and tinued warmer.

Official Waynesville temperature compiled by the State Test m:

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
. 15	70	49	—
. 16	66	50	.02
. 17	58	34	.54

Architect Pleased With Work In School Projects

Haywood county will soon have some of the best school plants in the state, according to Lindsey M. Gudger, architect for the projects now under construction here in the county.

Mr. Gudger in a letter to Jerry Liner, contractor for three of the projects — Waynesville high, Bethel elementary, and the Clyde gym ,said:

"I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you on the quality of work now being done by your office.

"With continued attention on your part to detail and to quality of both material and workmanship, we anticipate occupying school buildings which will be an outstanding credit to Haywood county."

Mr. Liner plans to have the three projects completed by the beginning of the 1954-55 school term.

Mr. Liner, in transmitting a copy of Mr. Gudger's letter to Dave Felmet, member of the advisory committee, said: "I did not conciliate this expression, in fact, I have never suggested to him anything that would prompt him to give me this letter.

"So he (Mr. Gudger) must feel my work is excellent, in fact above average, in order for him to give me this letter voluntarily."

NOT IN RACE—Mildred H. Bryson announced this morning that she would not be a candidate to succeed herself as Tax Collector in the May primary. She said she felt she had to devote all her time to her private business. (See political fronts for details).

IN RACE—Joe N. Tate, Jr., well known civic and political leader, formally announced today he was a candidate for Tax Collector in the May Primary. (See political fronts for the detailed story.)

State Specialists To Open Farm Schools Tomorrow

A lot of information useful to Haywood County farmers, will be dispensed in the comparatively short period of three days, starting at 9 a.m. Friday at the courthouse, when a series of agriculture training schools will be conducted by specialists from N. C. State College.

A variety of subjects will be discussed—including fertilizers, weed control, dairying, tobacco raising, animal husbandry, forage crops, poultry, horticulture, fruits and vegetables, and irrigation.

According to County Agent Wayne L. Franklin, the schedule for the farm schools is:

Friday, February 19—9:00 a.m., Outlook for Agriculture; 9:30 — Fertilizers; 10:15 — Recess; 10:30 — Economics of Fertilizers; 11:00 — Weed Control; 11:45 — Discussion Period; 12:00 — Lunch; 1:00 — Dairying; 2:30 — Recess; 2:45 —Agricultural Engineering; 3:45— Discussion; 4:00—Adjourn.

Monday, February 22—9:00 a.m. —Tobacco; 10:45—Recess; 11:00 — Farm Management; 12:00—Lunch; 1:00 — Animal Husbandry; 2:15— Recess; 2:30 — Forage Crops; 3:30 — Forage Crop Diseases; 4:00 — Adjourn.

Tuesday, February 23—9:00 a. m.—Poultry; 10:45—Recess; 11:00 —Poultry Marketing; 11:45—Discussion; 12:00—Lunch; 1:00 Horti-

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Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood

(TO DATE)

Killed 0

Injured 2

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