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Engineers Are Making Final Check On Canton Viaduct

Completed Plans
Scheduled For
Presentation Within
Two Weeks

Highway Engineers are expected to make the last of a series of checkups this week on the Canton viaduct through Canton, N. C. The viaduct, which will be completed by the end of the year, will be the longest of its kind in the South. It will be 1,400 feet long and will carry the highway over the mountain peaks. The viaduct will be built on a concrete and steel structure. The viaduct will be built on a concrete and steel structure. The viaduct will be built on a concrete and steel structure.

Commissioner Buchanan in an interview with The Mountaineer at the final plan will be in along the same line as the viaduct presented to a Citizens meeting last October. The viaduct will be built on a concrete and steel structure. The viaduct will be built on a concrete and steel structure. The viaduct will be built on a concrete and steel structure.

Estimated plans call for a viaduct starting at Bridge and coming down back of the office. The viaduct will be built on a concrete and steel structure. The viaduct will be built on a concrete and steel structure. The viaduct will be built on a concrete and steel structure.

Commissioner Buchanan said he will be able to have all the viaduct plans ready in six weeks, and a meeting of Canton officials will be held to present the viaduct plans to the citizens.

Alley Cites To Crippled At meeting of the Wayneville Kiwanis Club, Mrs. Doyle D. Alley, president of the Wayneville "Emancipated" committee, said the handicapped manufacturing program now being carried on by the Kiwanis Club.

Wood PTA To Hear Child Psychologist Blanche Haley, field representative for the North Carolina Teacher Association, will talk on child psychology in her talk "The Child's Mind" before the Hazelwood PTA at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday in the PTA auditorium.

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Master Plan For Maggie Valley Is About Complete

Fire Alarm Code Reprinted Today

The Mountaineer is today re-printing the fire alarm system for this area. So many requests have come into the office asking that the code be reprinted that this is being granted. The horn blasts in accordance to the zone in which the fire is reported. If you fail to catch the code blasts the first time, the alarm will sound again in short order.

Haywood Fourth In Retail Sales

Haywood County ranked fourth in retail sales among eight Western North Carolina counties during a 12-month period ending June 30, 1953, according to a report by the North Carolina Department of Revenue. The county also ranked fourth in population among the counties.

Haywood's sales totaled \$21,811,000—considerably more than the next largest county, Burke, which reported sales of \$20,118,000. Haywood's population was listed as 37,631 in comparison to Burke's 45,518.

County	Population	Sales
Buncombe	124,403	\$111,198,000
Rutherford	46,356	23,744,000
Burke	45,518	20,118,000
Haywood	37,631	21,811,000
Henderson	30,921	24,309,000
McDowell	25,720	15,783,000
Transylvania	15,194	6,665,000
Polk	11,625	5,234,000

Easter Seals To Aid Crippled In This County

The Easter Seal campaign for crippled children and adults got underway locally this week with the sending of a thousand seals by mail to Wayneville and Hazelwood families.

The campaign is sponsored locally by the Rotary Club under the chairmanship of E. A. Williamson, assisted by Mayor J. H. Way. Several projects are being planned to collect funds, one by the Girl Scout troop of Miss Sue Crocker. They will sell paper dolls made by the handicapped on the streets of the two towns this coming Saturday, April 10.

Coin cards have also been distributed to school children by Mrs. Carl Ratcliffe of the Board of Education. Williamson emphasized in opening the campaign that the Hazelwood County Chapter for Crippled Children sends substantial donations for each crippled patient from this county to the Orthopedic Hospital in Asheville.

Another purpose of the fund drive is to educate the public in the needs and services available to crippled people and to find any who are in need of help. It is requested that any person knowing of a crippled case which is not under care or treatment please get in touch with E. A. Williamson, Hazelwood (GL 6-4336).

Boosters Will Meet As Seven Tonight

The Hazelwood Boosters Club will meet tonight at 7 o'clock at the Presbyterian church for their regular monthly dinner meeting. Richard Barber is president, and Roy S. Wright is secretary.

Plans are being made for the formal presentation of the master plan of the Maggie Development Association this month, it was learned from Carl Henry, president.

The presentation will be made at a dinner meeting to be held at the school. For 18 months, there have been 8 or 9 students in the City and Regional Planning Department of the University of North Carolina working on the details of the plans, under the direction of James Webb, instructor.

Norville Rogers is vice president of the group, and Miss Evelyn Siler, secretary.

Town Power Will Be Off On Sunday

In order to permit the installation of larger transformers at the Carolina Power and Light Co.'s Waynesville sub-station, electrical power will be off in Waynesville (except Allen's Creek) from 2 until 5 p. m. Sunday, according to an announcement by Roy Wright, local C. P. & L. manager.

The new transformers, when in operation, will increase the electrical capacity in this area by more than a third, Mr. Wright said, and will permit the company to add more customers without overloading its lines.

The interruption of power will not affect Allen's Creek, Hazelwood, Lake Junaluska, Maggie, or other areas near Waynesville, Mr. Wright explained. Permission to cut off the power was asked by C. P. & L. and granted by town officials.

Carolina Power and Light retails electricity in Hazelwood, but wholesales it to the Town of Waynesville, which in turn, distributes it to individual consumers.

There are approximately 1,800 users of electricity in Waynesville, according to G. C. Ferguson, town manager.

Building & Loan Pays Earning To Its Stockholders

The Haywood Home Building and Loan Association has just distributed \$27,235.22 in earnings, for the April 1 period.

L. N. Davis, secretary-treasurer, said that checks for \$17,433.25 had been mailed to those stockholders owning full paid shares, while an additional \$9,801.97 had been credited accounts of those owning optional shares.

This is one of the largest earnings paid by the association.

Moose Initiation Ceremonies Set

Initiation ceremonies for a class of 50 candidates will be held by the Loyal Order of Moose, Waynesville Lodge 1733, at 7:30 p. m. Monday in the Waynesville High School auditorium, according to an announcement by Governor Noble Arrington.

A degree team from the Asheville Moose lodge will be in charge of the initiation ceremonies. All candidates have been asked to be present at 7 p. m.

Haywood Enters State 'County Of Year' Contest

Haywood county will enter the 1954 North Carolina "County of the Year in Rural Progress," contest sponsored by "Progressive Farmer" magazine, it has been announced.

The decision to enter the contest was made Monday night at a meeting of county agricultural workers—including county farm agents and home agents, vocational agriculture teachers and home economics teachers.

Judging in the contest will be based on these five points: 1. Desirable adjustments in agriculture. 2. Homemaking and family living. 3. Community improvement.



A BIG 'UN in the rainbow trout family was caught Tuesday evening by Hollis Price of Jonathan Creek with a red worm on a No. 6 hook. The fish measures 24 1/4 inches and weighs five pounds. Price caught it in Jonathan Creek, but would rather not say just where. (Mountaineer Photo).

Along Political Fronts

Election Board Takes Office Saturday

Saturday morning, at ten o'clock, Clerk of Court J. B. Siler is scheduled to administer the oath of office to the three members of the Haywood county Board of Elections.

The administering of the oath will take only a few minutes, and then the three members will go into executive session, and name a chairman, and a secretary.

The members are W. G. Byers, John Carver, and Charlie Hawkins. Byers and Carver are serving for the first time, and are Democrats, while Hawkins has served for a number of terms, representing the Republican party. Hawkins is the present secretary, while Glen Brown is the retiring chairman.

'55 Farm Program To Be Discussed

The 1955 agricultural program will be discussed at a meeting of county agricultural workers at 9:30 a. m. Friday, it has been announced.

Attending the meeting will be county and community ASC committeemen, the county agent, soil conservation supervisors, heads of various farm organizations, and other interested persons.

Recommendations made at the meeting will be forwarded to the state ASC committee.

Lennon Rally Set In Sylva 16th

The Associated Press carried a story from Raleigh that a Lennon Rally would be held in Sylva on April 16th.

Invitations to a barbecue have been issued to a number of Haywood people for that date, and indications are that it will be one of the largest political gatherings in this part of the state this spring.

The new highway shops at Sylva will be dedicated that afternoon, with a lot of state leaders taking part.

Kesler Candidate For Constable

Paul Ray Kesler, an Air Force veteran, has announced his candidacy for constable of Waynesville.

Mr. Kesler, a native of Athens, Ga., has resided in Waynesville for the past nine years. During World War II, he served three years in the 20th Air Force as an Air Policeman.

He is now employed at the S. & M. Barber Shop.

Chamber Of Commerce Directors Meet Tuesday

The directors of the Chamber of Commerce will hold their regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday at the Town Hall.

John Johnson, president, will preside at the meeting.

WNC Vacation Map Deadline Saturday

Saturday is the deadline on orders for the 1954 "vacation map published by Western North Carolina Highlanders, Inc. Mrs. Doyle D. Alley, secretary of the Highlanders, announced today.

The maps are distributed nationally, but not locally except on order, Mrs. Alley explained. The maps are used widely and are much in demand, she said, urging that tourist establishment operators and other interested businessmen get their orders in early.

The only local order received by the Highlanders Regional office has been from the Waynesville-Hazelwood-Lake Junaluska Chamber of Commerce which has ordered 1,000 maps.

Meeting Set To Discuss Erection Of Health Center

New Yorkers Top March List Of Tourist Inquiries

Pre-School Exams Set At East Waynesville

Pre-school physical examinations for children entering county schools next September will be held at 1 p. m. Friday at East Waynesville School, according to an announcement by the Health Department.

The examinations will be conducted at Bethel School next Thursday, April 15, at 9 a. m.

Play Tryouts Set Monday By Masquers

Tryouts for the Mountain Masquers' first play, "The Man Who Came To Dinner," will be held at 7:30 p. m. Monday in the commissioners' room at the courthouse, it has been announced by Mrs. Ila Campbell, production director of the amateur theatrical group.

Wolcott Gibbs' famous play, which starred Monty Woolley in the film version, will be produced in June. A musical, to be directed by Bette Hannah, will be produced in July, while another play will be staged in August, under the direction of Betsy Lane Quinlan.

Casting at the tryouts will be done by Mrs. Campbell and Vance Derby.

At their regular monthly meeting Monday night, the Masquers laid plans for a membership drive to start Saturday at the Country Club Inn with a fashion show sponsored by Mrs. Carrie Hannah of the Town and Country Shop.

Both memberships and associate memberships will be sold to raise funds for operation of the Masquers' program.

Band And Chorus Will Present Spring Concert

Charles Isley, music director of the Waynesville High School, has announced the program for the spring concert to be presented by the concert band and mixed chorus Friday night at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium.

The band, which is one of three bands in the state with a top rating in top grade music, will play numbers to be used in the annual state contest in Greensboro April 23. The chorus will present a group of novelty selections.

Advance tickets are being sold by members of the performing group. The concert will be directed by Mr. Isley and his assistant, Robert Campbell.

The program follows:

Part I—Concert Band
March—Gloria Losey
Overture—Il Guarany Gomez
Finale—Symphony No. 5 Tchaikowsky

Part II—Chorus
Spiritual—Were You There arr. Burleigh
I Heard A Forest Praying Peter De Rose
Pretense Clokey
Girls' Chorus—Lollytoodum arr. Bell
Folk Song—Mr. Frog A-Courtin' He Did Ride arr. Gearhart

Part III—Concert Band
March—Army of the Nile Alford
Jericho—A Rhapsody for Band Morton Gould
Caribbean Fantasy Morrissey

Haywood County singers and the public are invited to attend.

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Although a survey by the Asheville Chamber of Commerce showed that Ohio sends the most tourists to Western North Carolina of any state in the union, the largest number of tourist inquiries received recently by the WNC Highlanders have come from New York State.

During March, 29 cards and letters concerning a vacation in Western Carolina were from residents of the Empire State, while only 10 emanated from Ohio.

Also ahead of the Buckeye State in March were Illinois (20 inquiries) and New Jersey (17). Pennsylvania also contributed 10.

From the correspondence now in the Highlanders' files, it is apparent that the state's extensive advertising campaign is paying off very well. Quite a number of out-of-state people wrote that their desire for a visit to the Blue Ridge-Smokies country was stirred up by an article in "Better Homes and Gardens" magazine entitled "Nothing Could Be Finer Than To Be In Carolina."

Quite a few other people mentioned that they have been in Western Carolina before and have a yen to return.

In March, the Highlanders received 190 inquiries from most of the 48 states and seven more from foreign countries—Canada and Cuba.

The letter from Cuba was from a Havana doctor planning a honeymoon trip through Western Carolina.

One of the inquiries from Canada came from a girl in Ville St. Georges, Est. in the Province of Quebec, who kept referring to North Carolina as "Carolina State."

A boy in Haleah, Fla., explaining how much he had enjoyed a past vacation at Fontana Village, asked: "Is there another place like Fontana? But it must be in the mountains."

One woman in Florida wrote: "I would very much appreciate your sending me a copy of 'Variety Vacationland, North Carolina.' I loaned a copy which I had, the borrower handed it to someone else and it was never returned."

Three letters came from two states which are also well known for their summer resorts—California and Colorado.

Another letter was written by a British professor, now teaching at Harvard University, who expressed a desire to tour the Smokies.

All in all, it appears that a good crowd will be on hand this season for Western Carolina's "Big Show of '54."

4-H County Council Will Meet Saturday

A film on 4-H Club activities will be shown at a 4-H County Council meeting at 10 a. m. Saturday in the courthouse, it has been announced.

The film to be shown will either be "Share the Fun Breakfast" or "Hope of Tomorrow."

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CORRECTION

In today's editorial reference was made to Highway 411. It should read 441.

Public Is Invited To Session Tuesday

A public meeting to discuss the erection of a health center in Haywood County will be held at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday in the courtroom, it has been announced.

Present at the meeting will be the county commissioners, the Board of Health, Health Department personnel, and other persons interested in the health center project.

The principal speaker at the meeting will be Dr. C. C. Applewhite, director of the local health division of the State Board of Health, who will explain the means by which a county health center can be obtained.

Mrs. Rubye Bryson, acting head of the Haywood County Health Department, said that county commissioners have promised to consider appropriations for the health center if sufficient public interest is shown in the matter.

It is expected, Mrs. Bryson said, that the construction of a suitable health building would require about \$60,000—with 70.6 per cent of the funds to be provided by the federal government through state-supervised grants.

Haywood County's portion would be approximately \$18,000—which could be paid over a period of two years, Mrs. Bryson explained. The county would also furnish an acre of land, she added.

According to Mrs. Bryson, a health center in Haywood County would provide:

1. Expansion of clinical work—including dental services.
 2. Privacy for medical examinations, not possible at present.
 3. Larger waiting room.
 4. Classroom space for the teaching of such subjects as home nursing and first aid.
 5. Enlarged laboratory.
 6. More office space in the county courthouse, which would be available if the Health Department were moved to another building.
 7. Abundant parking space.
- More than 40 counties in North Carolina have already built or are now building separate health centers. The nearest such center to Waynesville is now under construction in Macon County.

Dog Dies Of Rabies At Canton

A new case of rabies was reported this week when a young beagle owned by a Canton man died at the office of Dr. A. R. Riegg, veterinarian, after being bitten on the nose by a stray bulldog.

The dog's head was sent to the state laboratory at Raleigh where tests confirmed that the animal had died from rabies.

Although the bulldog has been seen on several occasions, no persons are believed to have been exposed or bitten by the dog.

The county's last case of rabies occurred last December 27, and the county-wide quarantine on dogs was lifted March 27.

Although dog owners do not have to keep their pets confined at present, they must have them vaccinated in accordance with state law. Persons who do not have this done may be prosecuted in court, the Haywood County Health Department has warned.

For the public's benefit, a series of clinics will begin Monday and continue through May 5. All dogs three months old or older must be vaccinated, and collared with 1954 tags. When the clinics have been completed, Ernest Chambers, county dog warden, will pick up and destroy all dogs not vaccinated against rabies.

Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood (TO DATE)

Killed . . . : 0
Injured . . . : 5

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