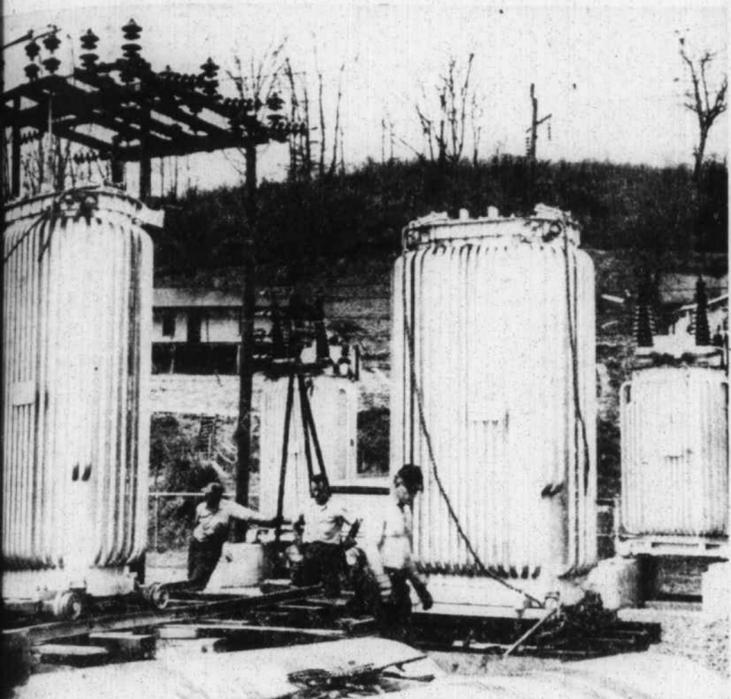


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TODAY'S SMILE
Now when you miss a day's work the government loses as much as you do.
\$3.00 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties



ENGINEERS—Engineers of Carolina Power & Light Company are shown moving one of four 1,500 KVA transformers into the Waynesville substation. Three units are used, with one serving as a spare. The three in use will have a capacity of 2,500 KVA as compared with 1,500 KVA of the smaller units which are being replaced. Each of the new units hold 800 gallons of oil, which is filtered annually. The units which are being replaced were installed in 1948. The sub station is on Smathers Street. (Mountaineer Photo).

Byers Chairman Board Elections; Registrars And Judges Appointed



TAKE OATH—The Haywood Board of Elections Saturday morning, took the oath of office, and immediately went into executive session for the naming of election officials for the next two years. Left to right, J. B. Siler, clerk of court, John Carver, Charlie Hawkins, and W. G. Byers.

Officials Of 29 Precincts Named By Election Group

W. G. Byers was named chairman of the board of elections here Saturday morning, shortly after the three members took the oath of office in the clerk of court office at the court house.
John Carver was named secretary, Charlie Hawkins is the other member of the board, while Miss Mildred Rhinehart was named temporary clerk.
Chairman Byers said today he would be in the office on the second floor of the court house each morning from nine until noon. On Saturday he will be in the office all day, until six o'clock which is the closing time for filing for county offices.
The chairman can be seen at his home in Clyde at any time when not in the office, he said.
The board named the following registrars and judges to serve for the next two years. The first name indicates the registrar; the second name is the Democratic judge, the third name the Republican judge, and the fourth name is the Democratic alternate judge.
Allen's Creek—Vance Muse, Willard Plemmons, Grady Farmer and Elwood Caldwell.
Big Creek—Mac Caldwell, Crow Hopkins, R. M. Roberts, Mrs. Jack Redmond.
Beaverdam No. 1—Mrs. Jack Woody, Hobert Hardin, Jack Jackson, Bryon Rhea.
Beaverdam No. 2—Troy Willis, Mrs. Mae West, Troy Ford, L. B. Pembroke.
Beaverdam No. 3—Mrs. Logan White, Frank M. Byers, W. L. Goolsby, Edwin W. Bell.
Beaverdam No. 4—Mrs. Wade Rhea, Mrs. Tom Higgs, Mrs. Vinson Worley, Mrs. Mark Swain.
Beaverdam No. 5—Fred Williams, Edwin Hyatt, Bill Battison, Mac Byers.
Beaverdam No. 6—Mrs. Don Scroggs, Vaughn Byers, Paul Bunn. (See Election Board—Page 8)

N. C. Press To Meet At Junaluska June 10-12

Indications are that a majority of newspapers of North Carolina will be represented at the summer meeting of the N. C. Press Association at Lake Junaluska, June 10-12.
Mrs. Fred Campbell, secretary of the Assembly, attended a meeting of the Press directors at Chapel Hill Saturday, and worked out many of the details of the convention.
The invitation to come to Lake Junaluska this summer was extended by W. C. Russ at Chapel Hill in January, and the group voted unanimously to come to the Lake for the summer meeting.
The opening session, open to the public, will be held in the Lake Auditorium, with a nationally known speaker being sought for the program.
Friday morning will be devoted to a general discussion of newspaper work, with a trip to Mile High Overlook, and the Cherokee Village set for that afternoon. The annual banquet will be held that night, and the Saturday session devoted to business, memorials, and annual election of officers.
The Press Association held their last meeting here in 1936, but stopped here on two occasions since, once stopping at Camp Sebaux for supper, and another time enjoying a barbecue at the Armory. On both of the latter occasions the meeting was held in Asheville, and the group made a trip to this area for the evening meal on the second night of the convention.
A number of reservations have already been received, and the directors on Saturday told Mrs. Campbell they expected a large attendance at the convention.

Along Political Fronts

Many Democrats Going To Sylva
Invitations have been received by a large number of Haywood Democrats to attend the formal opening of the district highway shops in Sylva Friday from four until eight. A barbecue will be a feature of the occasion, according to the invitation from Harry Buchanan, district commissioner.
A number of state officials, from Governor Umstead, on down have been invited. Also Senators Hoey and Lennon. It is expected that the Junior Senator will be on hand, as he is scheduled to make an address in Sylva that day, according to an announcement by his campaign offices in Raleigh.
Chairman A. H. Graham of the State Highway Commission, will attend, as will several highway commissioners west of Raleigh. All county and town officials in the 10 counties, together with all candidates in the May primary are being invited to attend.

Large Campaign Crowd Here Saturday
The swearing in of the new board of elections, together with the fact that only a week remains to file for office, accounts for more campaign and political talk going on at the courthouse Saturday than since last primary.
Candidates who have already announced were very much in evidence, shaking hands and getting their campaign before as many voters as possible.
Prospective candidates were sending out feelers and getting the general lay of the land. Little groups huddled together here and there about the courthouse lawn, and in corners of the courthouse and it was safe to bet that most of the conversations were about the approaching campaign.
A good crowd stood in the hallway of the courthouse and watched J. B. Siler, clerk of court, administer the oath of office to the new board of elections.

New Feature On Editorial Page

Starting on the editorial page today, and scheduled for every Monday is a new feature of The Mountaineer—"Highland Flings" written in the usual and easy-to-read style by Bob Conway, member of The Mountaineer staff.
You'll enjoy every one of Conway's columns, as he entertains you on the editorial page every Monday.

Haywood Second In Hospital Births In North Carolina

Haywood County ranks second among North Carolina's 100 counties in the percentage of hospital births—just a shade behind the first county, Watauga.
Based on statistics for 1952, 98.32 per cent of Haywood County's 776 live births were in the hospital. Watauga's record was 98.55 per cent of 414 births.
The state's average was 70 per cent, while that for the nation was 88 per cent.
Statistics for other Western Carolina counties were:
Avery 91 per cent of 34 births in hospitals, Buncombe 93.98 per cent of 2,742, Burke 94.83 per cent of 1,026, Cherokee 89 per cent of 399, Clay 59 per cent of 105, Graham 95.67 of 162, Henderson 92.89 of 732, Jackson 76.48 of 387, McDowell 92.18 of 512, Macon, 63.68 of 358, Madison 72.03 of 422, Mitchell 86.29 of 321, Polk 84.4 of 218, Rutherford 68 per cent of 1030, Swain 72 of 258, Transylvania 77.54 of 374, and Yancey 80.67 of 326.

Lake Hotel Purchased By Local Women

Mrs. Gladys Wright and Mrs. J. A. Bowen of Lake Junaluska have purchased the Colonial Hotel on the assembly grounds and plan to open the building to guests on May 28. It was announced today by the new owners.
The hotel was sold to the Lake Junaluska Women by Miss Nellie McCless of Durham and Mrs. H. A. Aldridge of Rocky Mount. The purchase price was not disclosed.
Mrs. Bowen said that she and Mrs. Wright are considering extending their season through the month of September.
The Colonial Hotel, built about 20 years ago, is located on the lake front below the cross. Of frame construction, it has 40 rooms and a dining room.

Haywood Communities Contest

Haywood County will be represented by 16 communities in the community development contest sponsored by the Asheville Rural Council.
The contest, aimed at the improvement of farming practices and living through community work, will continue throughout the year, according to M. L. B. manager of the council.
The number of communities in the contest is 16, and the communities are:
150. Yoder Clarke; 200. Star, 200. Fred Setzer; 200. James Worley; 200. Crabtree, 87. J. B. James; 200. Cove, 65. R. H. Boone; 200. Dillard Hooper; 200. Allens; 200. Bill Hembree; 200. South; 200. Lloyd Justice; 200. Oak, 75; Teague Williams; 200. Eugene Henson; 200. J. H. Clarke; East Pigeon; 200. M. Sherrill; Fairview, 125; 200. Morgan; West Pigeon, 225; 200. Reed, and Iron Duff, 105.

Health Center's Approval Hinges On Public Interest

The size of the crowd at a public meeting Tuesday night to discuss the erection of a health center could determine whether or not the Haywood Health Department is to obtain the health building that it has sought for the past three years.
A similar meeting was held in July, but spokesmen said that insufficient public interest was shown at that time to warrant construction of the center.
However, Mrs. Ruby Bryson, acting head of the Health Center, said last week that the county commissioners have promised to consider an appropriation for the center if enough public interest is shown at the meeting tomorrow night.
The meeting, to which the public is invited, will be attended by the commissioners, Board of Health, Health Department personnel and others interested in the project.
The principal speaker will be Dr. C. C. Applewhite, director of the local health division of the State Board of Health, who will discuss the ways by which a county can obtain a health center.
Mrs. Bryson has explained that the federal government would provide 70.6 per cent of the funds needed to construct the health building—estimated at \$60,000.
Haywood County's portion—\$18,000—could be paid over the period of two years—the health officer 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.
Haywood county does not now operate either a heart or a cancer clinic and county residents are forced to go either to Sylva or Asheville for those services. However, such clinics might be established if the county builds its own health center, Mrs. Bryson opined.

Road From Soco To Cherokee Is Being Resurfaced

Highway 19, from Soco Gap to Cherokee is closed during the day time, as workmen are re-surfacing the highway on the Jackson county side.
The road is opened at night to through traffic.
Tentative plans are for the road to be completed by this weekend. Completion depends a lot on prevailing weather.

Repairs Made In Court Room Here

Plasterers are scheduled to finish their work in the court room of the court house sometime today. They have been replacing cracked plaster caused by several leaks in the roof.
The leaks date back several years, it was explained, and the plaster began to peel off in several spots in the ceiling.
After the plaster dries for a couple of days the painters will come in and complete the renovation job, according to C. C. Francis, county manager.
"We are glad to get this fixed, and out of the way," he explained. "This thing of trying to hold meetings in the court room and do this repair work, which causes a lot of dust, has been a trying ordeal," he continued.

Beasley Candidate For Constable

L. Shuford Beasley, of Fines Creek, announced he is a candidate for constable of Fines Creek township. He held the post for four years under the late Sheriff Jule Welch.
Beasley is a native of Fines Creek, and lives in Wilkins Creek. He is a farmer and stockraiser. He attends church at the Salvation Army, and the Fines Creek Methodist Church. He is the father of six children.

Legion Post 47 To Meet Wednesday

Waynesville Post 47 of the American Legion will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Legion Hall.
Several important matters will be discussed, Legion officials said.

Only One Small Accident Reported

Highway patrolmen reported one small accident in Haywood over the weekend. Two cars collided at Clyde Saturday night, which resulted in a bent fender, with only slight damage, and no injuries.

Workmen Ready To Pave 4-Lane Lake-Canton Road

The final laying of gravel, plus extensive rolling and preparation for black topping is about ready on the four lane highway from Canton to Lake Junaluska.
The 6-mile link was roped off for the weekend, and plans are to start pouring the asphalt surface this week, according to information received here.
This is the only four-lane highway in the 14th district, according to Harry Buchanan, district commissioner.

Community To Unite In Easter Week Services

Leading churches of Waynesville will cooperate on union services Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of Holy Week each evening at 8:00 and Friday noon.
The Rev. Earl Brendall will deliver a sermon entitled "The Great If" Wednesday evening at the Waynesville Presbyterian Church. The choir under direction of Mrs. James Kilpatrick will sing "Into the Woods My Master Went".
Maundy Thursday will offer a union service at the First Methodist Church with the Rev. Malcolm R. Williamson speaking on "The People's Choice". The choir there is under the direction of Mrs. Fred Martin.
On Good Friday a noon-day service will be led at the Grace Episcopal Church by the Rev. Edgar Gould, and Friday night the combined choirs of the four churches will present a service of sacred music under the direction of Charles Isley at the First Baptist Church. The Rev. T. E. Robinett will conduct that service.
Mr. Isley has chosen the cantata "The Seven Last Words of Christ" as befitting the Good Friday service and in the spirit of the Passion. The Holy Week cantata was written by DuBois, a late 19th century French composer. Soloists will

Murder Of Boy Scouts Ends It Expensive Fun

A young man who thought it fun to disturb a group of Boy Scouts has a different idea today.
At 3:30 Sunday morning, Moody, scoutmaster of a scout troop, found a young man trying to let the air out of the tires and also put out the

C. of C. Banquet Tickets On Sale

Tickets went on sale today for the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet which will be held Wednesday, April 28, at the Central Elementary school.
Reuben B. Robertson, Sr., chairman of the board of Chamber Paper and Fibre Company, will be the speaker, according to Dr. Boyd Owen, general chairman.
The tickets are \$2 each.
Full details of the program will be announced later.

Another Local Editorial In Congressional Record

An editorial, opposing charging of admission to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, carried in the Mountaineer on April 1, appears in the April 7 issue of the Congressional Record, according to a letter to this newspaper from Congressman George A. Shuford of Asheville.
The letter, addressed to Editor W. C. Russ, reads in part:
"I was impressed with your recent editorial on the Smoky Mountains National Park and had the same included in the Appendix of the Congressional Record of Wednesday, April 7.
"There is no need to make a charge for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. It belongs to all of the people and they should be entitled to use it without having to pay an admission fee."
"I want to thank you for your tireless efforts in the promotion of the park. Your efforts and the efforts of others will some day bring forth much fruit."
In the Congressional Record, under the title, "Keep the Park Free," Rep. Shuford is quoted as saying:
"Mr. Speaker, under leave to extend my remarks in the Appendix of the Record, I would like to include an editorial which appears in the April 1 issue of the Waynesville Mountaineer, published in Waynesville, North Carolina. Mr. Curtis Russ, the able editor of this paper, has played a vital role in the development of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. In this editorial he continues his efforts to keep this national park for all of the people."

Speed Watch To Be Used Again

Spl. Pritchard Smith said the effective speed watch outfit which is being used extensively in curbing speeding on the highways would be back in use on Haywood highways this week.
In addition to the speed watch program, the patrolmen plan to set up a series of light checking stations in the county soon.
Motorists who have defective lights should get them corrected at once, the patrolmen warned.

Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood (TO DATE)
Killed . . . : 0
Injured . . . : 5
(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

PARTLY CLOUDY
warm with scattered clouds this afternoon. Tuesday cloudy and cooler. Waynesville temperature by the State Test Farm.
Max. Min. Prec.
76 45 .84
64 41 —
69 44 —
73 54 —