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TODAY'S SMILE
"You're one woman in a thousand," said Solomon to each of his wives in turn; and the records show not one of 'em tumbled to the joke.

County Reimposes Rabies Quarantine On Dogs

Park Group Request Pigeon Road Funds

Pet Dies, Five Persons Being Treated



FUNERAL arrangements have been made for Senator Clyde R. Hoyer, Saturday, in Shelby, at 2:30. He died Wednesday at his desk in the Senate Building, Washington.

A county-wide quarantine on dogs, imposed last fall but lifted in March, was again ordered Wednesday by the Health Department following the death of a dog from rabies in Waynesville Monday.

The Canton area has been under quarantine since early April.

As the result of the death of a mixed collie-boxer dog owned by Woody Lee of Boyd Ave., four persons are taking anti-rabies shots: Mr. Lee, his son, James, 10; Becky Stanelli, 4; Donna Carol Whitman, 5, and Albert Wheeler.

The Stanelli girl was bitten on the left ear; the others were only exposed. Wheeler is employed by Dr. A. R. Riegg, veterinarian, in whose office the dog was kept for several days for observation before it died.

According to Dr. Riegg, the Lees first noticed that their dog acted queerly when they returned from a weekend trip May 3. They brought the animal to Dr. Riegg's office last Thursday and it died Monday of this week.

Before its death, the dog acted shy, sluggish, and showed a lack of appetite.

Dr. Riegg termed the case an example of the "dump" type of rabies where dogs act shy and refuse to eat. Better known is the other type of "furious" rabies.

Because of the fact that the Lee dog was known to have had a fight with other dogs near the Balsam Manor Apartments, dog owners in that vicinity near the high school, and on Boyd Ave., have been urged by the Health Department to keep careful watch on their pets and report any suspicious actions.

Under provisions of the county-wide quarantine, all dogs—and cats as well—must be kept confined.

From last August until the end of the year, Haywood County had 10 cases of rabies, which resulted in the imposition of a county quarantine and the employment of Ernest Chambers as county dog warden.

Haywood Joins Others Mourning Death Of Hoey

Haywood County has joined the rest of the state and the nation's capital in mourning the death of North Carolina's colorful senator and former governor, Clyde R. Hoey, who died at his desk in the Senate Office Building Wednesday.

The senator's last appearance here was as speaker at the Haywood County Day program at Lake Junaluska last summer.

One of the veteran lawmaker's sons, Clyde, Jr., a combustion engineer at the Champion Paper and Fibre Co. plant, resides on the Canton-Asheville highway.

Box Supper Saturday For Little League

The box supper to raise funds for the Little League program in the Waynesville area will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday instead of on Friday as reported previously.

Persons attending may bring a box supper if they desire, it was announced.

The Little League will open its baseball season shortly after school is dismissed for the summer, according to Bill Milner, in charge of the program.

MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The Merchants Association will meet Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Chamber of Commerce office.

Harry Whisenhunt will preside.

Haywood Crops Damaged By Frost

A number of communities throughout the county have reported severe damage due to recent frosts.

The facts on the various communities will be found in the community news articles which appear in this issue from every section of the county.

Some agricultural leaders feel it will be a week or so before the exact extent of damage can be determined.

3 Conventions Will Bring Many People To Section

Planning for at least three conventions this year, and working for others later, consumed the major part of the director's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce here Tuesday night.

Encouraging reports were made that the three conventions this year would bring in about 200 visitors each, with pending conventions for the future running from 1,500 to 2,000 visitors each.

This year's conventions start off with the State Press Association, June 10-12, and on the 13th the North Carolina State Woman's Golf Tournament and then a four-state medical meeting of two days, June 23-26.

The Press Association will meet at Lake Junaluska, and the medical meeting will be held here, with sessions in the court house. Several nationally known specialists will be on the program, and doctors from North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina will be in attendance.

The golf tournament will be held at the Waynesville Country Club. The directors will confer next week with a special committee on a convention slated to bring about

1,500 to the community. Details are not completed.

The board appropriated funds for the police to take care of out-of-state cars who stayed too long against a parking meter. The police would put a nickel in the meter and leave a printed message on the windshield that the courtesy was by the Chamber of Commerce.

The organization will cooperate (See Convention—Page 6)

Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood (TO DATE) Killed . . . 0 Injured . . . 8 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)



SPEAKER — Thad Eure, (left) secretary of State, will fill his annual appointment as speaker at the Ramp Convention Sunday at Camp Hope. Thousands are expected to attend.

BY FOR CROWN—Miss Joyce Morgan, the queen of the Ramp Convention, will be officially crowned Sunday, by Thad Eure, Secretary of State, at the 25th annual gathering at Camp Hope. Miss Morgan is a student at Bethel high, and a majorette of the Bethel band. Her bouquet, of course, is a bunch of ramps. (Mountaineer Photo).

Camp Convention Sunday May Prove Biggest Yet

Sunday the mountaineer's favorite to the polecat — ramps — again take the spotlight as Haywood County's 25th annual Ramp Convention is staged at Camp Hope.

That day several thousand mountaineers and quite a passle of outsiders will get together at Camp Hope for some eatin', singin', talkin', romancin', and politickin' in the 25th anniversary honoring celebrated highland herb.

There'll be the usual early birds at Camp Hope Sunday morning. One of the first official parts of the program will come at 9 a.m. with a motorcade, bearing Ramp Queen Joyce Ann Morgan and the official speaker, Thad Eure, secretary of state, is scheduled to arrive at Camp Hope.

At 10 o'clock, a religious service will be held with the Rev. W. G. Byers in charge. Mrs. Byers will speak at 1 o'clock and Ramp Queen will be crowned immediately thereafter.

Other events will be music by the Pigeon Valley String Band, the String Band and songs by the Sutton Sisters from Tennessee and selections by the Washington Band from Greenville, S. C. Bethel High School Band will perform during the day. Local talent groups such as (See Ramps—Page 6)

The weather RAIN
with considerable cloud- and rain today. Friday, partly cloudy and mild.
Waynesville temperature reported by the State Test Farm.
Max. Min. Prec.
10 59 31 —
11 65 29 —
12 68 32 —

Importance Of Road Is Proclaimed

The North Carolina Park Commission, in session here Wednesday, went on record asking for additional funds and "uninterrupted construction" of the Pigeon River Road.

The motion was presented to the commission by William Medford, Waynesville, a member of the commission, and author of the bill setting up the commission while he was in the State senate.

The commission also aimed a pointed program at securing fulfillment of the long-promised development of the North Carolina side of the Park.

Among the points adopted at the meeting, included:

1. Requested that the federal government honor a 15-year-old promise to open up Eastern America's last great wilderness area by constructing a seven-mile stretch of road into the Deep Creek area north of Bryson City.

2. Instituted a move through the State Highway and Public Works Commission to persuade the federal government to rebuild and relocate the Cherokee-to-Newfound Gap Road, a 14-mile stretch of U. S. Highway 441 which has been per-

(See Road—Page 6)

NCEA Plans To Honor 50 Teachers

Fifty Haywood County school teachers who have taught for 25 years or more and are still employed in the county school system will be honored at a meeting of the local unit of the North Carolina Educational Association at 3 p.m. Thursday at Central Elementary School.

No. 1 teacher from point of service is Fred L. Safford, principal and coach at Crabtree-Iron Duff School, who has been teaching for 37 years. Mr. Safford, an honor graduate of Duke University, has taught in Columbus County schools in Indiana, at Bethel, served an unexpired term of a county school superintendent for one year, at Grace School in Buncombe County.

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ISLEY IN ASHEVILLE HOSPITAL

Charles Isley, director of music at WTHS, was reported to be resting comfortably at Memorial Mission, Asheville, today. He entered the hospital Tuesday, for further treatment, after suffering from severe pains in his back about ten days ago. He was a patient here for about a week.

Tentative plans are for him to return home this weekend.



SWEESTAKES WINNER of the Canton Flower show was Mrs. A. W. Bottoms, shown here with some of her entries. The show was outstanding from every angle and attracted wide attention. Other pictures on Page Four and Five. (Mountaineer Photo).

Civil Court Ends, Seven Cases Heard

The May civil term of Superior Court was adjourned here Wednesday at noon following the hearing of seven cases Tuesday and Wednesday morning before Judge H. Hoyle Sink of Greensboro.

The next session of Superior Court will be the criminal term, which will be convened in July.

Cases heard this week included: Henry E. Reno vs. Mary Lucy Reno, for divorce; State vs. Alvin Cason Mansfield, defendant released to appear in July term of court on a charge of auto theft; State vs. Mark Jones, defendant released to appear in July term of court on a charge of assaulting a prison guard; Marshall S. Cole vs. Katherine Mills Cole, case dismissed for lack of jurisdiction; Lawrence C. Rhodes vs. Joyce C. Rhodes on a question of alimony and support payments and counsel fees, case referred back to Judge Dan K. Moore for a hearing at Sylva Saturday because of unavoidable absence of plaintiff's attorney; Manson Jenkins turned over to Juvenile Court on a writ of habeas corpus; State vs. Charles Thurston Holland, support payments ordered for two infant children, custody of children given to paternal grandparents from first to second Monday of each month.

In the case of Norris Transit-Mix Concrete Co., Inc. vs. T. Hunter Worsham, Jr., a mistrial was ordered when members of the jury were unable to agree.

The jury included: A. C. Rowe, J. H. Allen, Sherrill L. Teague, Theodore McCall, Thomas Frazier, Rich Trull, Forest J. Wright, Carl Cunningham, Thomas L. Leatherwood, Dick Moody, Richard R. Shoaf, and Lynn Chambers.

New Water Lines

Town forces have started work of laying 6,500 feet of 4-inch water mains from East Waynesville to Ratcliffe Cove.

The project is expected to take about 10 days, and an additional week for tapping on the 25 customers along the route who purchased the pipe for about \$7,500 and are giving it to the town in order to get water service.

Three fire hydrants are included in the project.

The Ratcliffe Cove community decided to purchase the pipe after the severe drought last summer. They will pay regular water rates, town officials pointed out.

WNC Town Officials Coming 17th

About 50 officials of Western North Carolina towns are expected to attend the district Municipal League meeting here Monday afternoon.

The meeting will be held on the second floor of the Town Hall, with city officials hosts to a dinner at the Lodge later in the evening.

The conference will be conducted by members of the State Municipal League Staff, including Mrs. Steve, executive secretary; George C. Franklin, attorney; and Lee Wilson, field counselor.

The conference will begin at three o'clock, and Mayor J. H. Way will give the address of welcome.

The Western Region includes the towns of:

Andrews, Robbinsville, Bryson City, Franklin, Highlands, Cashiers, Sylva, Hazelwood, Clyde Murphy, Canton, Rosman, Brevard, Hot Springs, Marshall, Mars Hill, Weaverville, Biltmore Forest, Burnsville, Black Mountain, Hendersonville, Saluda, Hayesville, Dillsboro, Waynesville and Laurel Park.

Howell Named New Commander American Legion

James H. Howell, Jr., was named commander of the American Legion Post 47 here Wednesday night. He succeeds Douglas Worsham.

Besides the election of officers, the group began making plans for Memorial Day, and also decided to sponsor two boys to Boys State, Chapel Hill, and send two others to the special program at Camp Hope.

The annual award of a citizenship medal to a senior of WTHS will be continued.

The installation of officers was (See Legion—Page 6)

Boards Give Green Light To County School Projects

A "go ahead" has been given by the Haywood County Board of Education on plans for construction of a gym and lunchroom at Crabtree-Iron Duff School and a lunchroom at Fines Creek School.

The board gave the projects the green light following a meeting Tuesday night with the county commissioners and the School Advisory Board. Several members of the school board were in Raleigh last week to confer with state officials on the county's building plans.

According to Lawrence Leatherwood, county school superintendent, members of the three boards agreed that a declining market exists and that sufficient funds are on hand to complete the Crabtree plan and Fines Creek projects.

The opinion was also expressed that by the time that the new contracts are awarded, the State Board of Education probably will allocate funds for the completion of all work originally planned under the county's \$2,000,000 bond issue authorized in 1951.

Mr. Leatherwood also pointed out that the board has hopes of being able to provide extra classrooms at Hazelwood, East Waynesville, and Pigeon Street schools.

The superintendent added that Asheville architects Lindsey Guderger and Jack Baber have nearly completed plans on the Crabtree and Fines Creek jobs. When the plans and specifications are finished, they will be submitted to the State Board of Education. If they are approved, bids will then be asked.

Haywood Democrats Meet For Convention Here Saturday At 2

A record attendance is expected Saturday as Haywood Democrats gather at the court house at 2 o'clock for their bi-annual county convention.

W. G. Byers, orator, and champion of the Democratic cause, will be the keynote.

Besides hearing Byers, the Democrats will name delegates to the State Convention, which will be held May 20th in Raleigh.

And sometime during the afternoon, the 29-member executive committee will go into a closed session and name a chairman for the two-year term. Charles B. McCrary, chairman for the past four years, will preside at both the convention and the executive session.

McCrary said he was not seeking re-election as chairman of the executive committee.



W. G. BYERS

The chairman said: "I've been honored by Haywood Democrats by serving as their chairman for four years, and feel that the honor should be passed around. I want to thank the many loyal members of the party for their cooperation while I was chairman. And I shall continue to work hard for the best interest of the party."

The rules of the convention are that if a man is named chairman, that a woman must be named vice chairman, or visa versa.

There is always a lot of interest about the chairman of the county executive committee, and this year is no exception.

Fourteen of the 29 committeemen are serving for the first time, the precinct chairmen were named Saturday, and are by virtue of (See Democrats—Page 6)

Saturday At Six Is Last Time To Register For May Primary (On May 29th)