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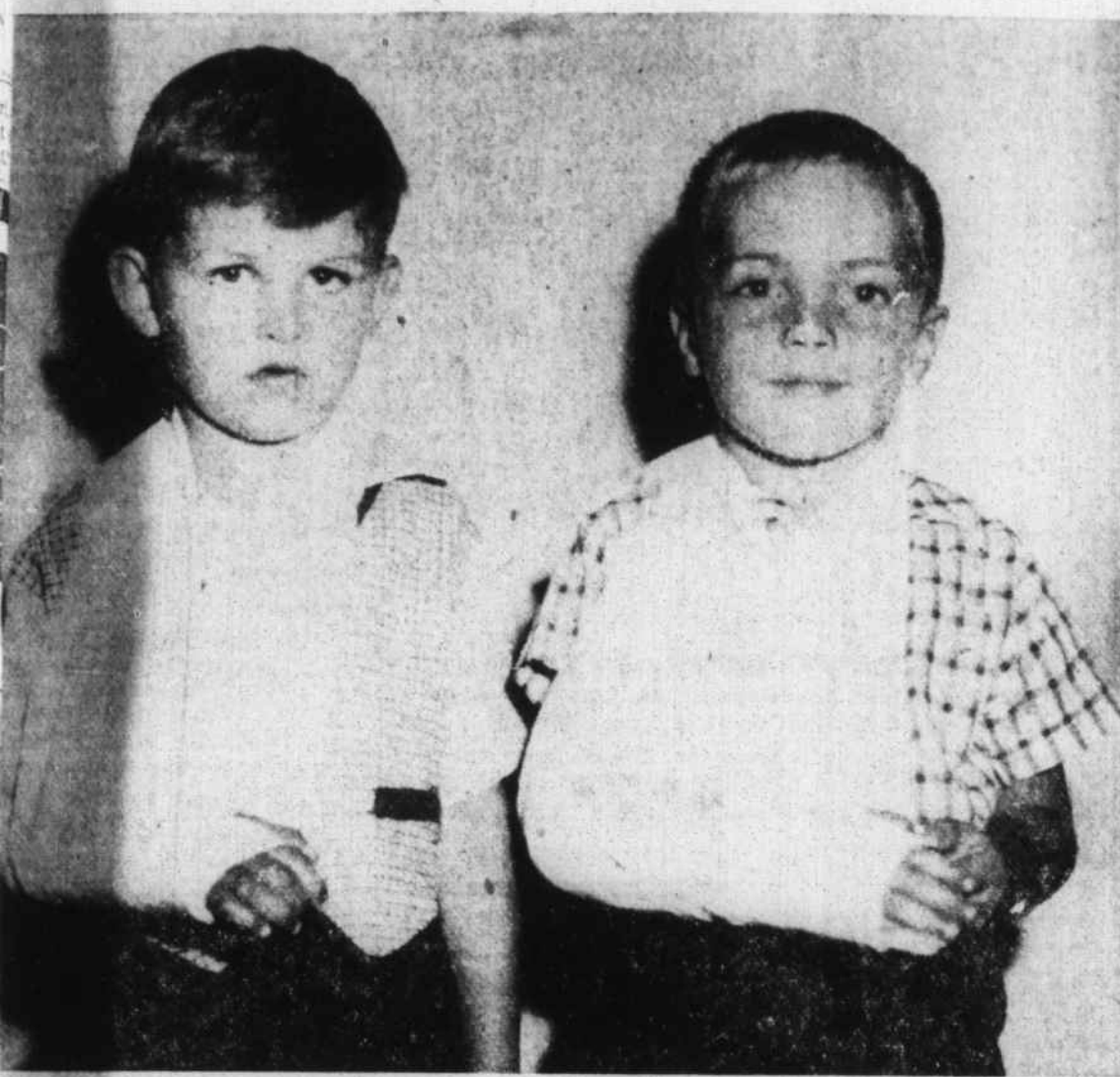
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WAYNESVILLE, N. C., MONDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 12, 1954

\$3.50 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

TODAY'S SMILE

"Should I marry a man who lies to me?"
"Lady, do you want to be an old maid?"



LUCK COMES IN PAIRS, so think Ronald Chambers, left, and his 5-year-old cousin, Danny Barrett, also 5, neighbors on Lovejoy Road, broke their right arms while playing—alone.

and playing they were a grown-up pilot, and a cowboy. Both are getting along fine, and looking forward to the time they can play football for Bethel. (Mountaineer Photo).

Farm Tour Cancellation Is Feared

Unless at least 85 persons make their reservations by noon Saturday, the 12th annual Haywood County Farm Tour, scheduled to go through Georgia and Florida later this month, may be cancelled, County Agent Wayne L. Franklin told The Mountaineer today.

Two busloads of people are needed to make the tour, Mr. Franklin said. "Some people may be afraid of the hot weather, but present temperature records show that Miami actually is not as hot as Charlotte and Raleigh."

Persons on tour will not experience discomfort, he added, because air-conditioned buses will be used throughout the tour, and all room accommodations are also air-conditioned.

The tour this year has been scheduled to go through Georgia and Florida because people on last year's tour expressed their desire to see those two states.

McCracken Appointed To School Post

Tom Leatherwood was re-elected as chairman of the Haywood County Board of Education, while J. P. McCracken was named superintendent of buildings and grounds, at a meeting of the board Thursday night.

Mr. McCracken, superintendent of the county home for 10 years, has had several years of experience in the construction field. He worked for Du Pont on projects at Ecusta, the atomic bomb plant at Aiken, S. C., and the Chattanooga nylon plant. He was employed last winter by the Piping and Equipment Co. of Charlotte on construction work at the Enka Rayon plant.

Mr. McCracken, who succeeded J. W. Killian in the school post, is also engaged in dairy farming at his home at Bethel. Married and the father of seven children, he is a member of the Baptist Church, West Pigeon CDP, and the Bethel PTA.

Burley Acreage Measurements Near Completion

Ten Haywood County tobacco growers have been found guilty of exceeding their 1953 tobacco marketing quota and, as a result, have had their 1954 acreage allotments reduced, according to an announcement by the county ASC committee.

The growers were given a hearing before the ASC county committee in the presence of a representative of the investigation division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Reductions of 1954 allotments totaled 4.1 acres, with growers penalized with reductions in the same proportion as the violations.

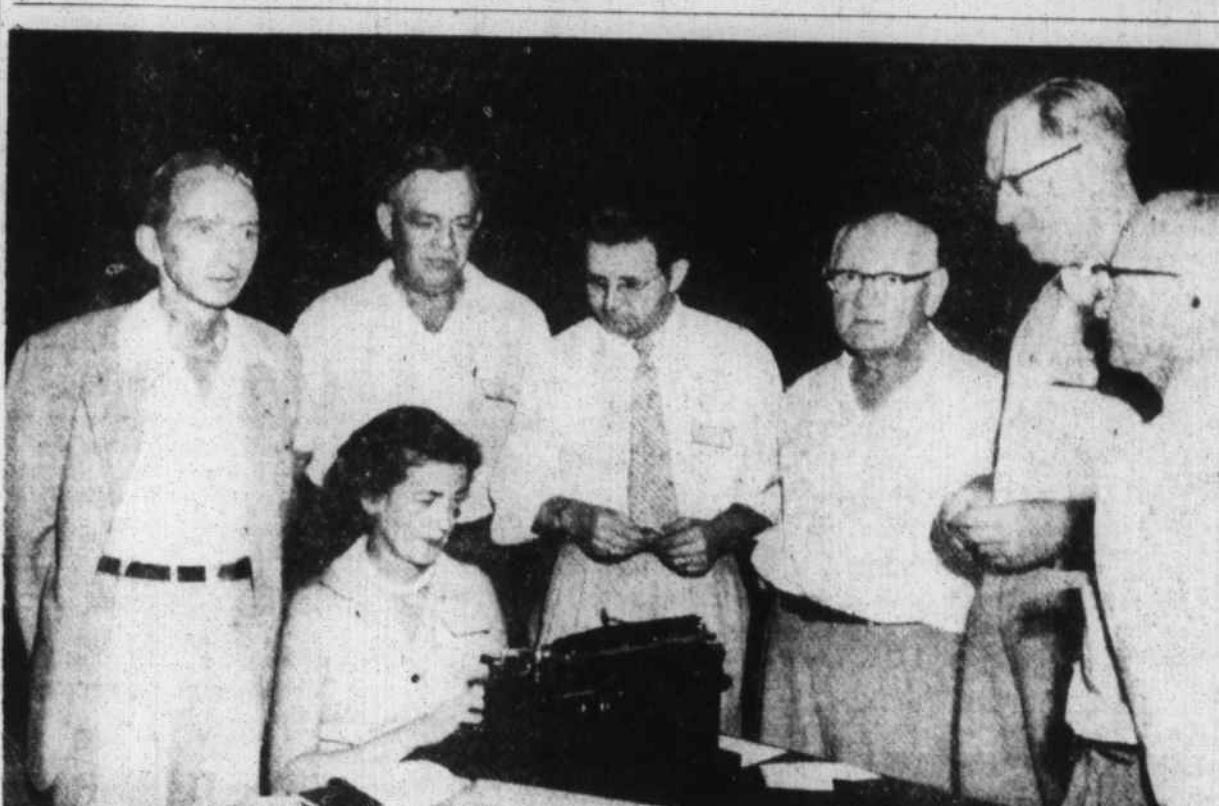
A. W. Ferguson, ASC office manager, explained that farmers can sell excess tobacco by paying penalties on a special marketing card. The failure of the 10 to pay this charge resulted in their being assessed that amount in addition to having their acreage allotments reduced.

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Two Murder Cases Set For Trial This Week; Number Traffic Cases Heard



PART OF THE 250 MASONS who have registered for the Summer Assembly are shown here at the registration desk, looking on as Mrs. A. M. Sales registers an Alabama delegate. Shown standing, left to right: F. E. Worthing, member of the registration committee; Albert Abel, general

chairman; Oliver H. Harris, of Birmingham, chairman of council and Blue Lodge; Bill Chambers, local treasurer; Leroy Davis, Sumter, S. C., past illustrious master, and former Waynesville resident; and C. B. Hosaflook, local secretary. (Mountaineer Photo).

Solicitor To Call Sutton, Parks Cases

Solicitor Thad Bryson announced this afternoon that he was calling Wednesday morning, the case of Holace Sutton, charged with the death of Elmer Hall.

"As soon as that case is completed, I shall call the other murder case; Joe Parks, charged with the death of Woodrow Leatherwood."

As court recessed for lunch at 12:35, a long line of defendants were standing, awaiting their turn, as the court was passing on all defendants entering a plea of guilty of speeding. There must have been 35 to 40 in the line, paying the costs and fine as imposed by the court.

Judge Walter E. Johnson, Jr., ordered a mistrial in the fifth divorce case that came before him this morning, as the two-week July term of Superior Court opened.

Judge Johnson ordered a subpoena issued for the mother of the husband in the case, as the plaintiff, on the stand, said it was her mother-in-law who wrote the anonymous letter which was introduced into the records of the court. The plaintiff testified that she and her husband had been living apart two years. The letter, according to the court, denied this statement. Judge Johnson said: "There are too many angles to this case right now that I want to get more evidence."

The mother-in-law of the plaintiff lives in Buncombe county, it was pointed out.

Four other uncontested divorces were granted, after nine new members of the Grand Jury had been named.

The new members of the Grand Jury are: Joe Evans, Roy Hightower, Hiram Leatherwood, L. W. Singleton, George S. Coleman, Robert H. Pace, Eugene Kaykendall, Rex Pless, and Ernest M. Sutton.

Those members who were named in February, and will continue for another six months, include Ernest Messer, foreman, Elbert Phillips, E. O. Robinson, Marion Green, Weaver Rathbone, David Edwards, Marvin Yarborough, E. F. Caldwell, and E. L. Poston.

The divorces granted by 11:15 today included, J. Phillip Messer vs. Anna K. Messer Marshall S. Cole vs. Mary Katherine Mills Cole; Dorothy Bryant vs. George Bryant; and Kathleen Moody Bradshaw vs. James William Bradshaw.

One of the largest crowds to attend an opening day of court was on hand this morning. The docket containing about 425 cases drew many witnesses and principals in the cases.

For the first time in a criminal court session, the public address system in the court room is being used. It is meeting with much favor from both the court officials, and the spectators. (See Court—Page 6)

820 Stray Dogs Destroyed

A total of 820 stray dogs have been destroyed in Haywood County since last November in the county's campaign to reduce the incidence of rabies, according to Ernest Chambers, dog warden.

In addition to destroying strays, the county has conducted a series of compulsory vaccination clinics for registered pets.

Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood (TO DATE) Killed . . . 1 Injured . . . 16 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

Town Sets Tax Rate and Budget

Officials formally adopted a budget, and are keeping a rate of \$1.40 the same as last year's.

Rate for the three funds will be the same; general 58c; water and debt service 57c. Total budget requirements for the year are set at \$448,030.22. \$81,500.22 will be raised by taxes.

The budget, which is being published on another page in this issue, shows the valuation of property in the town as \$5,800,000.

The town operates its water and sewer departments for the difference in the requirements of \$448,000. Income from taxes, of \$448,000, will cover the budget.

The sewer line on Main Street, which is being paved, will cost \$20,000 on paving; \$10,000 on equipment for cleaning the lines, and \$12,000 on a new pump up Shelton Branch.

Ferguson, town manager, said some paving was being done for the coming year, and a definite program to date has been formulated.

Health Center Site To Be Selected

Final selection of a site for the town's new \$60,000 health center will be made Thursday afternoon when three representatives of the North Carolina Medical Commission are to meet with the county commission.

Commissioners and members of the health center site selection committee recently visited three sites which will be recommended by the medical care officer. The site must contain an acre of land.

The county will contribute approximately \$18,000 toward the cost of \$60,000. The remainder will come from state and federal funds.

Cousins, At Play, Tumble And Suffer Broken Arms

Arm-Break Ridge would be an appropriate name for the hill where Ronald Chambers, 5, and his first cousin, Danny Barrett, also 5, live on the Lovejoy Road.

The siege of hard luck began when Ronald climbed atop a fence and proceeded to pretend he was an airplane pilot. The plane must have come into a spin, for Ronald was "thrown from the plane" without benefit of a parachute, and broke his right arm just above the wrist.

Danny, who lives just a little distance away, seeing the plight of his cousin, decided he would stick to ground travel, and contented himself with being a cowboy. Danny climbed atop a step ladder and proceeded to put his bronco through the paces, but sometimes animals are temperamental critters, and without warning, Danny fell to the ground, and sustained a broken right arm—just above the wrist.

Both boys were taken to Dr. Roy Moore, Canton. While in the office it was decided to get their weight just for the records. The scales went to 42 in both instances.

The would-be pilot and cowboy are getting along fine, and are looking forward to the time they can go to school, at Bethel, and play football.

Ronald insists he is still going to make a pilot, and fly big planes. Danny wants to think things over a little longer before committing himself to the career of a cowboy.

The two boys play together all the time, never fuss, and could easily pass for twins.

Ronald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Chambers, and Danny is the son of Mrs. Ava Barrett.

Road Builders Feast On Steak

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Annual Shooting Event At Cataloochee Aug. 4th

The shooting will start bright and early August 4 in North Carolina's Great Smoky Mountains. And by late afternoon, when the smoke from ancient muzzleloading rifles has cleared away from the Top Mountain and Mile-high Cataloochee Ranch, marksmanship honors for the Great Smokies will have been settled for another year at the 16th annual Cataloochee Beef Shoot.

County Schools Open Aug. 23

Haywood County schools will open for the fall term on Monday, August 23, it has been announced by Lawrence B. Leatherwood, superintendent of county schools.

The 23rd, one of the earliest opening dates for county schools, is two weeks before Labor Day, which falls on September 6 this year.

Masons From Ten States Here For Annual Assembly

More than 250 Masons, from 10 states, have registered for the annual Summer Assembly here, which began Sunday evening and will continue until Tuesday night.

Albert Abel, general local chairman, said that the states represented in the registration included: North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Texas, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, and Maryland.

Included in the group are 25 past and present grand masters of the various states.

Last night the services, with a large attendance, were conducted by Rev. Dorsey H. Rutter, Daytona Beach. The music was led by Rev. Mr. Davis of Marion.

This morning at nine, at the Armory, the opening session of the Grand Council will be held.

At one o'clock William Chambers, local treasurer, was host to a group of officials at a luncheon at the Piedmont Hotel.

The annual trip to the Masonic Marker at Black Camp Gap was set for three o'clock. The speaker was Most Illustrious Champion Boyce F. Wooten of Elizabethton, Tenn.

Tonight, at eight, in the Armory, a Degree Team from the Hiram Council, No. 116, Chattanooga, will be in charge of the program.

The second morning session of the Assembly will begin at 9 Tuesday in the Armory, and continue until the program is completed.

Tuesday afternoon, the Assembly (See Masons—Page 6)

Local Cannery Opens Tuesday

The Waynesville Community Cannery will open for the summer on Tuesday at Waynesville High School. John H. Nesbitt announced today.

The cannery will be open only on Tuesday this week, but will be open each Tuesday and Thursday in the weeks following. Hours are from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

All foods must be prepared and ready for the cookers by 1 p.m., Mr. Nesbitt said.

Head Of Church Women Guest Speaker At Lake

The national president of United Church Women, Mrs. James D. Wyker of Columbia, Mo., will be the guest platform speaker Monday and Tuesday nights in the Methodist Assembly auditorium, Lake Junaluska.

She will speak at 8 o'clock at public services of the Southwide School of Missions conducted by the Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service in nine southeastern states.

As president of United Church Women, Mrs. Wyker heads the program of women's work in the National Council of Churches. She is a member of the board of managers of the United Christian Missionary Society, and a former vice president of the International Convention of the Disciples of Christ.

The missions school will close Wednesday, and a Missionary Conference for 300 delegates of nine states will open Thursday night and run through July 21. The conference director will be Dr. Walter C. Gum, Richmond, Va., president of the Methodist Board of Missions in the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

Missionaries and executives of the Board of Missions headquarters in New York will serve on the faculty. Dr. Gum said. The program will feature study, classes, workshops, panel discussions and daily (See Head of Church—Page 6)



HOT

fair and somewhat warm—Monday and Tuesday.

Waynesville temperature by the State Test Farm: Max. Min. Prec. 84 62 .25 81 63 .06 80 58 .23 79 59 .12