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TODAY'S SMILE

Poize: The art of raising
the eyebrows instead of the
roof.

Survey Shows Tourist Business Ahead Of '53

Lake Board Approves Several Expansion Projects



WIRE BALANCER—That is what this wrecked car did Friday night, as it rolled off a used lot on Depot Street, and ran wild down the street, knocked over a sign, and then tried to go over a telephone pole via the guy wire. A slightly dented fender was the total damage. Police said the owner, Coffey Used Car Lot, said someone had been tampering with the vehicle and caused it to leave the lot. A wrecker pulled the car off the slanted perch. (Mountaineer Photo).

Lambuth Inn To Be Made Much Larger

(See pictures Page 6)

Announcement of a \$200,000 addition of 40 to 56 rooms to Lambuth Inn and plans for a new residential section at Lake Junaluska highlighted the meeting Saturday of the Methodist Assembly board of trustees.

Edwin L. Jones of Charlotte, assembly president and chairman of the 45-member board, said the expansion is a part of the development program that has been in progress for six years to enlarge facilities and services of the assembly, summer program headquarters of the Methodist Church in nine southeastern states.

The Lambuth Inn addition will include at least four conference rooms as well as the 40 to 56 bedrooms with private baths, Jones said. The hotel now has 64 bedrooms, a dormitory and several meeting rooms.

"We hope to have the addition ready by next summer, and certainly not later than the 1956 season when the two extra-large conferences will meet at the lake," Jones said.

The quadrennial conference of the Methodist Church's Southeastern Jurisdiction is scheduled to meet in June, 1956, at Lake Junaluska, and the ecumenical conference of the World Methodist Council in September of that year.

The board also voted to study needed improvements at the Terrace Hotel and survey the possibility of expanding facilities.

In opening a wooded area for residences between Highway 19 and the south shore of the lake, the trustees voted to build a principal road and install water and sewer lines for property owners who wish to build year-round homes or summer cottages. (See Lake—Page 5)



THE DALTON SISTERS of Buncombe County are Charles Dalton, Rebecca Dalton, age 9, and were among the many performers at the Max Rose Dalton, 12. (See pictures Page 5) Patch mountain gathering yesterday. Left to right (Mountaineer Photo).

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5 New England 4-H Club Members Coming Aug. 4th

The Yankees are coming! But they can't stay down your shooting' grandpa, because this bunch is coming in this way with only peace intentions.

The Northern invasion will start at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday when members of 4-H Clubs and their leaders from Berkshire County, Massachusetts, are due to arrive at Haywood-Buncombe County.

These they will be met by members of Haywood County 4-H Club and escorted on to the house in Waynesville.

At the courthouse, they will be welcomed by Edwin Bryson, president of the Haywood County 4-H Club, C. C. Francis, chairman of the county commissioners, and L. Carter, assistant state 4-H club leader. The activities will be supervised over WHCC and refreshments will be provided by Kurt members.

Here by the Bay State, a return visit for the last summer by Haywood County 4-Hers to Massachusetts. On Tuesday, the entire day will be devoted to a tour of the county and an inspection of outstanding 4-H projects. (See 4-H Club—Page 5)

Tennessee Woman Becomes Second '54 Traffic Fatality

Big-Game Area To Be Established

Good news for hunters in Haywood and surrounding counties came last weekend when the State Wildlife Resources Commission announced at Raleigh that a new big-game conservation area—to be called the Harmon Den Game Management Area—is to be established in the Northern portion of Haywood County.

Deer will be brought from other parts of the state to be bred in Harmon Den. By the end of five years, it is expected that the herd will be opened to hunting.

(Further details of the story are found on today's sports page.)

A young Tennessee woman, Frieda Jones, 28, of Newport, died early Sunday morning when the convertible in which she was riding overturned on its top in the Mt. Sterling section of the county.

Her death was the second in the county this year from traffic accidents. The first victim was Monroe Sharp, colored, of Canton, who succumbed from injuries suffered in a wreck on Highway 276 in the Francis Cove section.

Cpl. Pritchard Smith of the State Highway Patrol said that the accident occurred about 1 a.m., but was not reported until 7 a.m.

The driver of the car, a 1954 Ford convertible, was identified as Staff Sgt. W. J. Lewis, 24, of Morristown, Tenn., an Air Force recruiter.

Lewis said he had had three beers Saturday night, but investigating officers theorized that he passed out from drinking and failed to see the oncoming car. The sergeant has been charged with manslaughter.

Truck's Brakes Fail, Driver Turns Into Field

A Lumberton truck driver, Lawrence Parker Britt, escaped serious injury yesterday afternoon when his brakes gave way coming down Soco Mountain towards Maggie.

Unable to stop his oil tanker, loaded with asphalt, Britt turned off the highway and rolled 200 yards through a bean field owned by R. H. Ketter before his vehicle came to a halt. It did not overturn.

The trucker was not hurt and his tractor-trailer was not damaged. Mr. Ketter estimated damage to his bean field at \$25.

State Patrolman Harold Dayton, who investigated the accident, said that Britt, driving in the mountains for the first time, may have started down the mountain in the incorrect gear.

Another accident reported by the State Patrol involved a 1951 Ford driven by Oscar Charles McDarris of Baltimore, Md., which ran off the pavement on the Dellwood road and struck a light pole at 8:20 p.m. Sunday.

He was charged with reckless driving and under the influence of alcohol in the wreck which occurred near the L. L. Moody farm.

Both McDarris and his two companions — boys named Hawkins and Moore — all escaped injury. The latter two were thrown from the car by the impact of the crash.

Post Offices At Clyde And Canton Show Increases

TV, News Reels To Photograph Cataloochee Meet

Plenty of pictures will be shot of the 16th annual Cataloochee Beef Shoot on Wednesday, if advance inquiries are any indication. Ranch owner Tom Alexander reports that two news reel companies and two television studios are sending cameramen, in addition to news coverage and the usual "snaphooting" amateurs.

Mr. Alexander expects a record crowd of spectators and marksmen alike. Last year's match attracted 140 contestants. Details of the contest may be found on the Visitors' Page of this issue.

County ASC Group Will Attend Meeting

The Haywood County ASC Committee will attend a district meeting Friday at Asheville to receive instructions on new procedures for the election of community and county ASC committees.

A discussion will also be held on the 1955 Agricultural Conservation Program.

Mrs McCracken Grows Triple-Headed Zinnia

Ever see a triple-headed zinnia? We never did either—or even a double-headed one—until Mrs. Annie McCracken of Route 3, Waynesville, brought us one last week. A neighbor first noticed it growing in Mrs. McCracken's yard.

This botanical triple feature is now on display at The Mountaineer office. Drop in and see our latest contender for "Believe It Or Not!"

Clyde Rural Carrier Travels 2nd Longest Route In U.S.

The second longest rural mail route in the United States is Route 1, Clyde according to Postmaster Richard W. Hannah. It winds 84.45 miles across the mountains to the Tennessee line.

Carrier Gerald Best finds it necessary to arrive at the post office at 7 o'clock in the morning, to get his mail sorted in time for a take-off promptly at 8:30. He doesn't get back until 3 or 4 o'clock in the afternoon—and still has the day's collections and other paper work to look after.

The route winds through Crabtree and Iron Duff, then crosses the Madison County line to take care of Spring Creek. Mr. Best necessarily carries his lunch, and is probably one of the few in Haywood County who picnics on a mountain top six days a week.

He finds that the rocky, rutted roads wear out a car in about a year, and tires are cut to ribbons in no time flat.

According to Postmaster Hannah, the only U. S. route longer than Clyde's is one in Florida which stretches 101 miles.

Clyde Post Office Business Doubles

The Clyde Post Office business has nearly doubled this year over the corresponding period last year, according to Postmaster Richard W. Hannah.

The total for the first six months of 1954 is \$24,327.41; that for the same fiscal period of 1953 was \$13,454.49.

Mr. Hannah received his appointment as Clyde Postmaster on July 1 of this year. His assistant is Mrs. Robert Hawkins.

Thus far this year, there have been 20,055 money orders written. Postmaster Duckett said that the increase in postal receipts were general in all departments, and marked the trend of business, in his opinion.

(Last Thursday The Mountaineer carried a similar story about Waynesville and Hazelwood post offices—Waynesville had a 6 per cent increase, and Hazelwood 16 per cent.)

Officials Endorse Safety Campaign

To emphasize the "Slod Down and Live" campaign of the State Highway Patrol, officials of Canton, Clyde, Hazelwood and Waynesville this week signed proclamations affirming the cooperation of the four towns with the Patrol.

The "Slod Down and Live" period extends from Memorial Day through Labor Day, September 6. Its goal was endorsed by Canton Mayor W. J. Stone, Canton Judge R. R. Mease, Waynesville Town Manager G. C. Ferguson in the absence of Mayor J. H. Way, Clyde Mayor Gerald Fish, Clyde Police Court Judge Larry H. Cagle and Hazelwood Mayor Lawrence C. Davis.

Local Patrol cars are now distinguished by bumper or trunk signs reading "Speed Kills." The signs were ordered by Cpl. Pritchard Smith. Cpl. Smith pointed out Friday that highway fatalities during July 1953 totaled an even 100 throughout the state. "This year," he stated, "thanks to the cooperation of the motoring public, and their realizations that the Patrol's strict enforcement of speed laws is for the motorists' benefit, the rate is considerably down. Unless we have an unprecedented accident toll over the weekend, we should find a noticeable decrease in the number of traffic deaths."

For the state as a whole, highway fatalities are running about 20 per cent below those of last year.

Courthouse Shrubbery Not Ideal For Drinkers

Deputy Sheriff Gene Howell didn't have to travel far in making an arrest at 1:30 p.m. today.

Displaying a lack of wisdom in choosing a place to do their drinking Arvill and Jess Sutton of Waynesville were picked up for imbibing goggle water in a clump of shrubbery on the courthouse lawn.

The Suttons are now "boarding" with Sheriff Fred Campbell.

Cattle - Killing Bear Slain In Lake Logan Community

Hub Parker, who lives above Lake Logan near the Sherwood Game Management Area, got in some bear hunting this morning without even leaving his own property.

But it wasn't mere sport he was engaged in, because Mr. Parker was out for revenge against the bruin that killed a 700-pound steer of his last week.

After killing the steer, the bear returned once Saturday and again this morning. His third trip proved to be a one-way affair because Mr. Parker shot the marauder out of a tree after he had been treed by a pack of 10 dogs. Mr. Parker bagged the bruin with a 300 Savage at about 100 yards. The animal was about 5 feet tall but weighed only 250 pounds—being described as "poor."

In the hunting party were Clyde Huntsinger, game warden in the Sherwood Area, who issued a permit to have the bear killed; Earl Williams, county game warden; Claude Johnson, Alford Johnson, and Glenn Parker.

This incident was reported to be the first cattle killing by a bear in the Lake Logan area in a number of years. It was speculated that the slain bear may have been the same one that killed another steer

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Junaluska Youth Center Drive Raises \$17,000

The annual "Junaluska Day" drive of cash and pledges Sunday raised \$17,000, it was announced today by officials of the Youth Center.

Proceeding from pennies to \$1,000, the big offering will go to the building fund of the new \$100,000 Paul B. Kern Youth Center to be built at the lake within the next year.

Sunday's offering included advance gifts of \$7,300 given earlier by lake visitors, according to the Rev. Lee F. Tuttle, Charlotte, who is directing the youth center's fund campaign.

Bishop Costen J. Harrell, Charlotte, preached at the 11 a.m. service and presided at the fundraising.

The youth center, named for the late Bishop Kern of Nashville, Tenn., and Lake Junaluska, will be located on the lakeshore near the new swimming pool. Building plans were announced last week.

"Bishop Kern rendered distinguished service to the Methodist Church in many ways, but I am convinced that no leader in the episcopacy served in such a dynamic way the youth of the church," Bishop Harrell said in his tribute to Bishop Kern. "He was among the first to purchase a youth camp, and the originator of the youth caravans. It is appropriate that the Youth Building at Lake Junaluska should be named in honor of him. . . it will serve to perpetuate his memory and his example among the youth throughout the church."

Drinking Beer In Church Puts Man In Jail

A Miami man who went out to a rural Haywood County church "to be saved" ended up instead in the county jail Saturday afternoon.

Notified by a neighbor that the man, identified as E. E. Norwood, had pulled up in the churchyard in a trailer, Sheriff Fred Campbell investigated.

On his arrival, the sheriff found Norwood engaged in activities not normally conducive to being redeemed—drinking beer in a Sunday School room.

He was charged with drunkenness. However, he was not alone at the county jail because 33 men were picked up for being drunk during the weekend and up until noon today.

Additional Seed Funds Available

Additional funds have been made available under the 1954 Agricultural Conservation Program for all farms requiring seed for fall pasture or meadow, according to A. W. Ferguson, ASC office manager.

This includes farms which have taken all the assistance allowed for spring seeding, he added.

SHOWER

Considerable cloudiness with heavy afternoon and evening showers today. Tuesday, slightly cloudy and moderately with scattered thundershowers likely in the South portions. Official Waynesville temperature reported by the State Test

Date	Max.	Min.	Pr.
8/1	85	59	
8/2	89	59	.22
8/3	88	60	.02
8/4	85	61	.24

Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood (TO DATE)

Killed . . . 2 Injured . . . 19

(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol)