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TODAY'S SMILE

With vacation-time here, we do hear that the only thing children wear out faster than shoes are parents and camp counselors.

People Than
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Racing Of Gah Link Parkway Starts Soon

of the 11-mile link of Ridge Parkway from Beech Gap to Beech Gap. Immediate contracting, Weems told The Mountaineer, would be the completed link of the Parkway Asheville.

the money for this as well as for relining the Beech Gap," Weems said. I see no delay in sight in these projects. This would give this area a loop drive via Lake Logan. State highway commission to pave the Lake when the Parkway is Weems said.

the popularity of Overlook. Weems said a long time before the name the "Mile" felt it might sound a but have found since a name that appeals to and I'm glad I made to call it "Mile High" the superintendent.

link of the Blue Parkway from Soco to Gap remains high on the list. Sam Weems, superintendent of the Parkway said today, as he discussed the N. C. Park Commission.

was listed as the number project for new construction ten years ago, but lack of appropriations kept the link from being built. The Mountaineer reported that the Parkway Commission upon the Blowing Rock section as the number project for new construction. The Soco-Balsam link as line. He estimated each would cost about two million. Weems told the commission about forty million dollars be needed to complete Parkway—Page 8)

Show Tomorrow

of 120 choice pullets offered for sale at the 4-H Club show and at the courthouse lawn at 2 p.m.

chain is sponsored by the 4-H Club in cooperation with the Farmers Federation to give members experience in poultry and keeping satisfactorily.

will be: Bob Harris of Thickety, Leonard of Ratcliffe Cove, Hunter of Fines Creek, Clarence of Crabtree, and Marie of Waynesville.

Mac and David Hips of Mac, Carroll Browning of Charles Wayne Ferguson of Neal Allison of Bethel, and Kirkpatrick of Crabtree.

Automobile 86 Pints

of 86 pints of blood were offered Tuesday during the American Red Cross drive at the Hazelwood Baptist Church.

of 200 pints was set in to make up past deficit.

ed Cross Gray Ladies assisted Bloodmobile person- registering and helping to blood donors.



SUNNY

and mild today and Friday.

Waynesville temperature reported by the State Test

Max. Min. Pr.
82 56
78 51
75 44

temperature last night was



PATHWAY TO PROFIT in Haywood County agriculture lies in the growing of more farm produce, according to C. D. "Shorty" Ketner (left), looking over an apple sorting and grading machine at his packing house on North Main St. At right is his brother, R. H. Ketner. (Mountaineer Photo.)

Growing Produce For Big-City Markets Proved Profitable In Haywood County

(See Pictures—Page 1, Sec. 2)
By BOB CONWAY Staff Writer
Are some Haywood County farmers neglecting to answer the knock of agricultural opportunity at their doors?
C. D. "Shorty" Ketner, merchant, farmer, and packing house operator of Waynesville and Maggie, is convinced that they are.
The way "Shorty" sees it, county farmers are not capitalizing properly on what Mother Nature gave them. In short, he believes that Haywood should be a major produce-growing center such as neighboring Henderson County. However, for all its potentialities, this county grows comparatively little produce aside from that consumed in this immediate area.
If the necessary steps were taken, what are the possibilities for Haywood County farmers in regard to raising produce?
Without qualification, Mr. Ketner asserts: "A produce business that would bring in two or three million dollars to Haywood County annually could be developed easily."
This statement of Mr. Ketner's is not based on mere speculation, but on years of experience, during (See Produce—Page 1, Sec. 2)

Memo: Labor Day Means Closing Of Stores, Schools

Children won't need a reminder that schools will be closed Monday, September 6, to honor Labor Day. However, adults may need a warning that all business firms, including stores, banks and post offices, will also be closed all day.
Harry Whisenand, president of the Merchants Association, announced the store closing, and Superintendent Lawrence Leath-erwood that of the schools.

2 Strangers Give Youth Poison Drink

Robert Presnell, about 12, of Cove Creek was the victim of a strange poisoning case last night when he was given some unknown drink by two out-of-state men parked on the road at Maggie.
Acutely ill about 8 p.m. last night, he was taken to Haywood County Hospital where his stomach was pumped, and he was afterwards admitted. He went home this morning.
Presnell and a companion, Tommy Singleton of Jonathan Creek, told Sheriff Fred Y. Campbell and Jerry Rogers, school attendance officer, that they had been swimming at Maggie and wanted to get a drink.
Seeing a car parked alongside the road near the Maggie zoo, the two boys asked two men in the car for a dime to get a soft drink.
One of the men said that they had a soft drink in the car and (See Boy Poisoned—Page 8)

The Rev. Elmer Green Is Ill With Pneumonia

The Rev. Elmer Green, Association of the Baptist Church, is ill with bronchial pneumonia, according to a report from his family. He was taken sick Tuesday and is receiving treatment at the Haywood County Hospital, where he is said to have spent a restful night last night.

Canton District Schools Report 2,701 Enrollment

First enrollment figures reported by Canton District schools today showed a total of 2,701 students enrolled in the district's seven schools.
Canton High School's enrollment totaled 636—an increase over last year's figure of 596.
Enrollment in the white elementary schools totaled 1,922 as compared to 1,914 a year ago.
Elementary enrollments reported by Superintendent of Schools

TV Tower Near 300 Foot Mark

The TV tower atop Mt. Pisgah is now up almost 300 feet. The Mountaineer learned today from Engineer Don Hunnicut.
Plans are to place the 40-foot antenna on top of the tower Saturday, making the total height 340 feet.
Equipment is now being tested, preparatory to using the tower for broadcasting a test pattern in the near future.

Tours End Saturday At Saunook

Haywood County's summer community tours, sponsored by the Community Development Program, will come to an end Saturday morning when East Pigeon visits Saunook.
Assembling at Saunook School at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, the group will follow this itinerary, according to the county agent's office:
Pleasant Balsam Baptist Church, improvements; Mr. Franklin's remodeled barn home; Mr. Walker's residence; Mr. Chambers' summer home; view of Barber's Orchard; Gen. Sumter L. Lowry's summer home; State Fish Hatchery; Mr. Evans' home improvements; tour through Barber's Orchard; lunch at Saunook School, and recreation on the Barber playground.
Chairmen of the two CDP organizations are L. M. Sherrill at East Pigeon and Dillard Hooper at Saunook.
This year's tour program started July 20 with Francis Cove visiting Iron Duff. Other tours were:
South Clyde at Morning Star, Thickety at West Pigeon, Allens Creek at South Clyde, West Pigeon at Ratcliffe Cove, Morning Star at White Oak, Ratcliffe Cove at East Pigeon, Iron Duff at Thickety, White Oak at Francis Cove, Cruso at Allens Creek, and Saunook at Cruso.

MOD Drive Nearing End

Contributions to the Emergency March of Dimes were being deposited slowly, according to Treasurer Carl Gillis, as the official drive drew to a close this week. Because funds from certain special events had not yet been deposited and because of the uncertainty of the success of the contributions-by-mail phase of the campaign, there was no way of predicting how successful the drive would be, however.
"Fred Setzer's Singing Convention at Morning Star School August 27 netted the drive another \$117," campaign chairman Turner Cathey said. "This is another of a series of successful special events. Fred Setzer and other men and women who have worked hard on these events for the benefit of the drive rate the community's deepest appreciation," he added.

Waynesville's Filter Plant About Finished

Workmen are installing the last two valves in the new \$300,000 filtering plant of the Waynesville water system today. The valves were delayed for several weeks, and held up final completion of the project.
G. C. Ferguson, town manager, said that the chlorination system would be installed Monday, and that beginning Tuesday, the entire system would undergo a 24-hour sterilizing.
Three hundred pounds of powdered antiseptic will be used in the sterilizing program. The filtering system lines and pool will be filled with water containing the antiseptic and will be pumped throughout the lines for the 24-hour period.
Ferguson said plans were to stage open house for the public at an early date, just as soon as the system is put into use.
Engineers of the State Board of Health have been here checking on the project and are pleased with the system which will soon be put into use. The engineers plan to return Tuesday for the period which the system is being sterilized.

Business Will Suspend For Labor Day Programs

Haywood To Join Canton For Events

(Other Stories—Page 1, Sec. 3)
Haywood business and schools will suspend Monday in observance of Labor Day. Activities will center around the Canton program of the 48th annual Labor Day celebration.
Beginning Friday at four, the annual pet show will be held in Canton, with activities running daily until 10:15 Monday night, when the program will conclude at the Canton high school stadium.
Turner Cathey, general chairman of the Canton celebration, and his associates, have worked out a complete program for the four days, and a program which promises to attract a large attendance for every event.
The Pet Show will get underway at 4 o'clock Friday at the high school stadium, with Harry Matthews, chairman.
Saturday morning, at the YMCA Gym, beginning at 10, the annual doll show will begin with registration, and will be open to the public at two o'clock until four. Mrs. Gordon Rodgers is chairman.
Saturday night, at the high school stadium, but in the school auditorium in the event of rain, the selection of the Labor Day Queen will be made. Just prior to the Canton-Bethel football game, Pat Greely is chairman. At nine the festivities will move to Camp Hope for the annual coronation ball with music by Pete Lampl's Cavaliers. At 10 the Labor Day king and queen will be crowned, also at Camp Hope.
Sunday afternoon, starting at 2:30, there will be a gospel singing at the high school stadium, and again in the event of rain, the program will move into the school auditorium.
Monday, beginning at ten, the annual colorful parade will be held. Glenn Simmons is chairman.
Other activities of the day will include:
11:30—colored foot races, Little League Park.
12:30—white foot races, high school stadium.
1 p.m.—Horse show, old Champion Nursery Grounds.
2 p.m.—platform entertainment, high school stadium, with Fred Ferguson, chairman.
4 p.m.—colored baseball game, high school field—Canton Eagles vs. Cullowhee.
7 p.m.—platform entertainment, high school stadium (includes square dancing, string bands and many outstanding performers).
10:05 p.m.—award of V. F. W. car, high school stadium.
10:10 p.m.—award of American Legion T.V. set, high school stadium.
10:15 p.m.—award Kiwanis pony, high school stadium.



A POURING PARTY was held by the sheriff's office Wednesday afternoon after deputies Gene Howell and Everett A. McElroy seized 68 gallons of moonshine whiskey on the property of Hubert Goodson in the Ratcliffe Cove community about 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. Pouring the "mountain dew" down the drain in the garage at the courthouse are (left to right) Deputy McElroy, Sheriff Campbell, and John Ray. The boy at the far right is not identified. (Mountaineer Photo.)

State News Head Says Tourist Business Fine

The entire state has enjoyed a better tourist season than usual, Charles Parker, director of the State News and Advertising Department, told The Mountaineer yesterday.
Parker had just completed a personal survey of this area when he made the statement.
"Travel in this area, proven by actual counts on the Parkway and into the Park, proves there has been an increase in this immediate area," he continued.
When Parker was asked what he felt was the one greatest need of this section, he replied: "Usable water—a lake with usable water, with cottages on the shoreline. We have more inquiries for that particular type of accommodations than any other right now."
"The transient traveler is well provided for with modern courts and motels," he said, "but so many people want swimming facilities, and prefer bodies of water which will afford boating, as well as swimming," he continued.
Parker was interested in the progress of the Pigeon River road, and planned to visit the site this morning, and get first-hand information of that project, which he termed essential to the development of the Eastern end of the Park, as well as giving this area an all-weather road from the mid-west.



THE REV. JAMES Y. PERRY, JR. will conduct his first service in Grace Episcopal Church Sunday morning.

James Y. Perry Is New Rector Of Grace Church

The Rev. James Y. Perry, Jr., a native of Columbia, S. C., has been appointed rector of Grace Episcopal Church here and will conduct his first service in the church Sunday morning. He succeeds the late Rev. Edgar H. Goold, who died July 4.
Mr. Perry is the son of James Y. and Anne Guerry Perry of Columbia, S. C. and the grandson of the late Rt. Rev. Alexander Guerry, Bishop of South Carolina. He is the fourth generation of his family to enter the Episcopal ministry.
He attended Porter Military Academy, Charleston, S. C., and the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn. His first two seminary years were spent at St. Luke's School of Theology, Sewanee, Tenn. and his senior year was spent in New Haven, Conn., where he attended Berkeley and Yale Divinity Schools. He completed his study last spring.
Prior to entering the seminary, Mr. Perry was engaged in farming. (See James Perry—Page 8)

Things Aren't Quite That Dirty

A. W. Ferguson, county ASC office manager and his three clerks strongly contend that their office—or the entire courthouse, for that matter—is not so dirty that 10 cases of soap are needed to clean up the situation.
Recently the ASC office ordered 40 cakes of soap from the Federal supply agency, in Atlanta.
Today the office received 10 cakes.

Canton Mayor Extends Bid To Labor Day Celebration

"We of the Town of Canton are extending the warmest possible invitation to our neighbors everywhere to join us in our Labor Day celebration," beamed Mayor W. J. (Bill) Stone today. "We feel that we are presenting one of the best programs yet in our 48-year history, and we sincerely hope that every single one of our friends will take part in our observation of the day.
"So that there will be something that will appeal to everybody from toddlers up, our com- mittees have worked long and hard. If you don't want to dance at the Coronation Ball Saturday night, maybe you'll enjoy the Gospel Singing Sunday afternoon. We planned the pet show and the doll show especially for the youngsters, but we're expecting to see some grey-haired youngsters there. In fact, we'll be disappointed if we don't see just about the whole of Haywood County some time of other during our Labor Day celebration."

Deputies Seize 68 Gallons Of Illegal Liquor

Hubert Goodson of Ratcliffe Cove will face a charge of possession of 86 gallons of non tax-paid liquor before Justice of the Peace J. J. Ferguson Tuesday morning as the result of his arrest on that charge by sheriff's deputies.
Acting on a tip, Deputies Gene Howell and Everett A. McElroy seized 86 gallons of moonshine liquor in gallon jars on Goodson's property about 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. They said part of the liquor was in the house, the remainder in the barn.
The illicit beverage was poured out at the courthouse yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Fred Campbell and his deputies.
Goodson's bond was set at \$500.

Heart Attack Is Fatal To Summer Resident

Edgar Clinton Dunn, 72, Daytona Beach businessman and summer resident of Balsam died Wednesday afternoon of a heart attack en route to a hospital here.
Dunn owned and operated a large wholesale hardware company and lumber companies in Florida. He had been a summer resident of Balsam for the past twenty-three years.
Surviving are the wife, Mrs. Sarah F. Dunn; five daughters, Mrs. R. M. Hall of New Syna Beach, Fla.; Mrs. T. R. Cobb of Daytona Beach, Fla.; Mrs. W. G. Warbritton of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. J. R. Withers of Mellington, Tenn., and Mrs. J. B. Shaffer of Chapel Hill.
Also four sons, H. Clinton, Edgar M., William S. and Austin L. of Daytona Beach; and 20 grandchildren.
The body has been sent to Daytona Beach for funeral services and burial. Crawford Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements here.

Dellwood Churches' Homecoming Is Sunday

Congregations of the Barberville Baptist Church and the Maple Grove Methodist Church will join together Sunday for a Homecoming Day program at the Barberville Church.
The two churches will have separate Sunday School services, but will unite for the worship service. The program will include:
Welcome by the superintendent of the Barberville Sunday School, prayer by the superintendent of the Maple Grove Sunday School; addresses by former pastors of each church; special music by the church choirs, dinner on the grounds at noon, and group singing in the afternoon.

BREAKS LEG

Dale Massey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Zack Massey, Dellwood Road, is resting comfortably at home, after suffering a broken leg while at play at the Lake Junaluska school.

Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood (TO DATE) Killed . . . 2 Injured . . . 31 (This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)