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You can avoid a lot of sorrow, if you will work today and worry tomorrow.

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## Waynesville High Ready To Open House Tonight

Members of the faculty and the body at Waynesville Town School were completing the details this morning in preparation for tonight's open house. Several thousands were expected to attend the opening of the new unit, which includes vocational and physical education rooms and a cafeteria. Invitations have been sent to the general public between the hours of 7:30 p. m. and 10 p. m. The building by way of entrance, which faces the main high school building, will first inspect the new gymnasium, which will accommodate 1500 spectators, well-equipped locker room, and a swimming pool. Through the long classrooms, guests will see commercial education department, economic rooms, mechanical drawing, woodworking, ironing shops, and science laboratories. Refreshments will be served at the top of the tour, the cafeteria. The open house evening, originally planned for Tuesday was postponed until Thursday because of the death of J. Tom Leatherman, a member of the Board of Education.

## PTA Group At WTHS Is Proposed

A joint announcement was made today by J. B. Soesbee, president of the Haywood PTA Council, and M. H. Bowles, district superintendent of schools, that a meeting will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. at the high school for those interested in a High School Parent Teachers Association.

The proposal will be presented at the meeting, Soesbee and Bowles said, and if enough interest is shown, an organization can be formed.

Waynesville High School here has not had a Parent-Teacher organization in about 12 years. The meeting will be held in the auditorium.

Speakers at the meeting Tuesday night will be Mrs. Allen T. Luther of Asheville and Mrs. Olin Dillard of Candler, leaders in the Western District of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers, who will discuss PTA and answer questions concerning the organization.

It was pointed out the meeting is open not only to parents of the towns of Waynesville and Hazelwood but also those in the rural areas whose children attend high school here—such as Saunook, Maggie, Jonathan Creek, Francis Cove, Ratcliffe Cove and Lake Junaluska.

PTA officials said that parents of WTHS students have expressed an interest in forming a PTA group at Waynesville High in order to meet more effectively the many problems concerning the community's youth.

## Officials, Engineers Make Final Inspection Of Waynesville's Modern 3-Story Filtering Plant



MODERN FILTERING PLANT of Waynesville, just 2 of a mile beyond the end of the Allens Creek paved road, will be opened to the public Wednesday, October 13th, from 2 to 5 o'clock, Officials and engineers made a final inspection of the plant yesterday. The plant can filter two million gallons of water per day. (Another picture, Page One, Section Two). (Mountaineer Photo).

## Open House Set October 13th, 2 To 5

Officials of Waynesville, engineers and contractor, met Wednesday at the new filtering plant, where the final inspection was completed.

"Everyone seems happy over the completed job," Mayor J. H. Way said this morning.

"We got a good job, have excellent facilities for filtering water, and have an abundance of water today, even after all these weeks of dry weather. We are using just about one-fifth of the available water at the present time," he said.

The gauge in the plant at three o'clock Wednesday showed that consumption of water was at the rate of 900 gallons per minute.

The board of aldermen, and town manager, together with the mayor, set Wednesday, October 13, from two to five o'clock as the time for open house and inspection of the plant.

The new plant is part of the \$325,000 expansion program of the water system here. The filtering plant—a massive three story building—and equipment represents an investment of about \$225,000. Additional lines, and other equipment cost about \$100,000.

A new dam was built at the upper end of Allens Creek on the water shed property, and there the water flows 800 feet to the new plant, where it is filtered at the rate of two million gallons per day. Present consumption is about 1,250,000 gallons a day.

Construction of the plant began in July, 1953, after voters in Waynesville had approved a bond issue for the expansion of the system. The present filtering plant takes the place of one built 40 years ago. The same reservoirs are being used. Two lines from the filtering plant to the reservoirs keep them full.

As officials were inspecting the new system, workmen were working a few hundred feet away digging up a mile of 6-inch cast iron pipe, which had served for 30 years in carrying water from Shinning Branch dam to the filtering plant. The pipe will be used in additional lines here in Waynesville.

Among those making the inspection yesterday included: Mayor J. H. Way, Aldermen: Henry Miller, Henry Gaddy, and Joe Liner; G. C. Ferguson, town manager, and Harwood Beebe, president of the engineering firm who designed the plant, G. W. White, engineer, C. Abrams resident engineer, W. B. Dillard, contractor, and Fred Monteith, construction superintendent.

## Plans Completed For Pigeon Valley Fair Next Year

At a meeting coming on the heels of this year's successful fair, a committee of Pigeon Valley voted unanimously Monday night to hold another Pigeon Valley Fair next year.

Dates for the 1955 event were set as September 28 through October 1. The fair will again be held at the Bethel School. Chairmen of various committees will begin work immediately, and a planning meeting has been set for November 1 at the school.

M. C. Nix, fair manager and agriculture teacher at Bethel school reviewed the success of this year's fair, which drew an estimated 7500 persons in its three-day run. Over a thousand entries were on exhibit continuously, in addition to special events which included a pet show, a talent show, horse show and football game.

## Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood

(TO DATE)

Killed . . . 2  
Injured . . . 42

(This information compiled from Records of State Highway Patrol.)

## Persons Are Injured In Two Traffic Accidents

Two persons were painfully injured in a 10:10 Wednesday morning accident when a 1937 Chevrolet in which they were riding failed to clear a curve on the Medway road.

Man W. R. Wooten, investigator, said that Reeves G. 25, driver, suffered a fracture of the left leg, lacerations, Charles Smith, Cecil Smith, 13, brothers, cuts and bruises. Charles Smith's face cuts and was in a serious condition. (The Haywood Hospital this morning announced as having regained consciousness.) Cecil suffered cuts and bruises and internal injuries to the chest.

They were brought to the Haywood Hospital, and Sunday morning was removed to the Asheville hospital. The Smiths remain in the local hospital.

## Accident Victims Are Recovering From Injuries

Thurman Burnette of Asheville, formerly of Canton, who was injured in an automobile accident last Saturday night in West Asheville, is reported to be in good condition, although he remains a patient in Memorial Mission Hospital. He expects to be discharged from the hospital next week.

Mrs. Burnette, who received a broken nose in the same accident, has been released from the hospital.

## McCracken Suffers Injury, From Thorn

R. P. McCracken is in the St. Joseph Hospital receiving treatment from a thorn in his eye. McCracken is a retired Baptist.

## O. W. TO MEET

Waynesville Lodge of Woodmen will meet at 7:30 p. m. at the W. O. W. hall. Red Wing Gift Shop on

## Davis Charges That Society Is Neglecting The Needy

"All elements of society are responsible for the conditions which cause part of our people to become underprivileged," Frank Davis, county commissioner and dairy farmer, told the Waynesville Kiwanis Club Tuesday night at Spaldon's.

The nation's churches, schools, political organizations, and other groups have neglected their responsibility toward the underprivileged, he asserted.

"Why are hundreds of persons in Haywood County suffering from lack of food, and why are only one third of our people attending church?" Mr. Davis asked.

In spite of the county's great advance in education, the commissioner said that illiteracy in Haywood County is as widespread to-

## Champion Paper Announces Wage Adjustments Made

Adjustments in the wage structure of the Carolina Division of the Champion Paper and Fibre Company and the establishment of an additional paid holiday for hourly rated employees were announced today by H. A. Helder, vice president and division manager.

Five cents per hour of the company's Cooperative Earnings Plan is being converted into the base pay rates of hourly employees, effective with the two-week pay period beginning September 20.

At the same time, Helder said, the Cooperative Earnings Plan is being revised in order to retain the present ceiling and provide employees with an opportunity to further increase their earnings through increased production and efficiency.

Thanksgiving Day is the additional paid holiday being established for hourly employees, making a total of four paid holidays now. Helder also announced that equitable wage adjustments are also being made for the salaried employees of the company.

## Driver's License Examiners Set New Office Hours

Starting Monday, state driving license examiners will be in the basement of the Haywood courthouse each Monday and Tuesday from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m., it has been announced by Charles J. Crawford, in charge of the office here.

The examiners are also in Canton each Wednesday and Thursday from 8 until 5 in the courtroom of the Canton Town Hall, and in Sylva each Friday from 8 until 5.

Assisting Mr. Crawford in conducting drivers' tests is another examiner, Thomas L. Lentz.

## 2 Canton Men Face Hearing On Liquor Charges

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## Nominees Listed For ASC Posts

One hundred and twenty-nine Haywood County farmers have been nominated in 12 communities as candidates for ASC community committeemen, it has been announced by A. W. Ferguson, county ASC manager.

Ballots to elect the committeemen will be sent out shortly after October 7. If returned by mail, the ballots must be postmarked not later than October 15. If delivered in person, to the county office, they must be brought in not later than noon of October 18.

The county convention, at which the elected delegates will elect county committeemen, will be held on October 19.

Farmers can cast votes for community committeemen if they have interests as owner, operator, tenant, or sharecropper on farms participating or eligible to participate in any program administered during the current calendar year through the county ASC office.

Concerning the coming elections, Mr. Ferguson issued this statement:

"Very soon you and your neighbors will be electing the ASC farmer-committeemen who in 1955 will be responsible for the local administration of such national farm programs as the Agricultural Conservation Program, price supports, acreage allotments, marketing quotas, storage facility loans and others.

"It is these men who will see to it that such national programs are properly adapted to conditions in Haywood County and to your farm, and it is the background and experience of these same men that

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Deputy Howell also investigated the theft of 36 pounds of cheese and 18 pounds of meat from the lunchroom of Patton Ave. School in Canton. One "clue" was an empty milk carton—with the top torn off by a thirsty thief who was unable to open the new-type milk container.

## Advance Planning Big Item With Newspapers

By AGNES FITZHUGH SHAPTER Staff Writer

Getting out a newspaper is rather like getting a dinner on the table.

"Way ahead of time you have to plan your menu. You take into consideration what produce is available, what your family likes best, and what they may not smack their lips over but do need for an adequate diet.

Similarly the editorial staff of a paper figures out what will probably be happening, what will be the biggest story—the main dish—and what else must be included.

Then comes marketing for ingredients. The housewife inspects the refrigerator and heads for the grocer; the editor assigns staff members to talk to people, take pictures and otherwise gather up the multitude of facts that will make up the paper.

With everything assembled, the homemaker gets to work in the kitchen. This dish takes more time to cook—start it ahead of everything else. That is a good nourishing dish, but it certainly needs careful seasoning to make it tasty to the family. With the same advance planning, the staff writers get to work.

The chances are that you or one of your neighbors have at one time or another given The Mountaineer a "piece to go in the paper". If you and our other friends didn't let us know when your church was having a benefit supper, or your daughter was going to be married, we'd be hard put to it to turn out a paper that would be interesting to our 25,000 readers.

There are, of course, regular "beats" to which a reporter is assigned. One man may check the police department daily; another keeps in close touch with the County Agent's office; but the bulk of the stories that appear in the paper start when somebody calls up and says, "Have you heard about that wreck last night?"

At once a reporter starts checking on the "tip". In the case of an accident, he sees whatever law enforcement branch is handling it. (See Newspapers—Page 4)

## Hye Sheptowitch Renamed President Of Kiwanis Club

Hye Sheptowitch, Waynesville merchant, was re-elected president of the Waynesville Kiwanis Club at a meeting Tuesday night at Spaldon's Restaurant.

Mr. Sheptowitch, who was elected vice president last year, was elevated to the presidency of the Kiwanis Club this summer when Charles Underwood resigned to devote more time to his business.

R. L. Pleiness, chief chemist at the Dayton Rubber Co. plant, was named vice president of the club,

and Joe Howell, another Waynesville merchant, was re-elected treasurer. The Kiwanis Board of Directors will name the club's secretary.

The Board of Directors for 1955 includes: Hooper Alexander, Roger Ammons, Enos Boyd, Rufus Carswell, Henry Clayton, A. D. Harrison, Joe Howell, Ray Pleiness, Hye Sheptowitch, and Bob Winchester.

The new officers will take office on January 4, 1955.

## Hunters Warned From Junaluska Property Grounds

By AGNES FITZHUGH SHAPTER Staff Writer

Squirrel hunters had better skirt a wide path around Lake Junaluska property, according to Everett McElroy, Junaluska police chief and county deputy, who announced this morning that there would be positively no hunting allowed on the Lake property at any time.

McElroy pointed out that the land was posted, and that all persons found trespassing on the property would be subject to arrest.

In the past a number of squirrel hunters have not used caution in pointing their guns and have showered some of the Lake homes with shot.

## Scout Officials Seeking Leaders Among Adults

Scout leaders of the area are expecting many adults interested in carrying on Boy Scout work in this area to attend the Relationship Conference at the court house, Tuesday, 7:30.

"The interest of adults in the program has reached such a low ebb that there must be additional interest, or the program will suffer and perhaps have to be curtailed," one area officer said this morning.

"Unless we can get more men interested as leaders in the Scout movement here, there will be thousands of boys deprived of the benefits of the Scouting program unless additional adults enter actively in the program as leaders," the official continued.

A survey revealed that there are 3,404 boys in this county of Scout age, and less than 300 boys now enrolled in the Scout troops of the county, which comprises the Pigeon River District.

## Clyde Masons To Give Fellowship Night Supper

A "Fellowship Night" program for Masons of the 41st District will be sponsored at 7 p. m. Saturday in the Clyde School cafeteria by Clyde Masonic Lodge 453.

Masons and their wives of the district are invited to attend. Clyde chapter of the Order of Eastern Star will serve the meal. Plates will be \$1 apiece.

## Theatres To Open At 8 P.M. Sundays

Effective this Sunday, the Strand and Park theatres will open on Sunday nights at 8 o'clock and the show will start at 8:30 p. m.

In the past on Sundays, the theatres have opened at 8:30 and started the film at 9 p. m.

Partly Cloudy  
cloudy and warm today  
with scattered afternoon  
Little change Friday.  
Waynesville temperature  
reported by the State Test

Max.	Min.	Pr.
85	44	
82	46	
85	48	