

About Twenty Haywood People Take Drivers License Test Daily

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By BOB CONWAY

Early days of the "horse-
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examine applicants for
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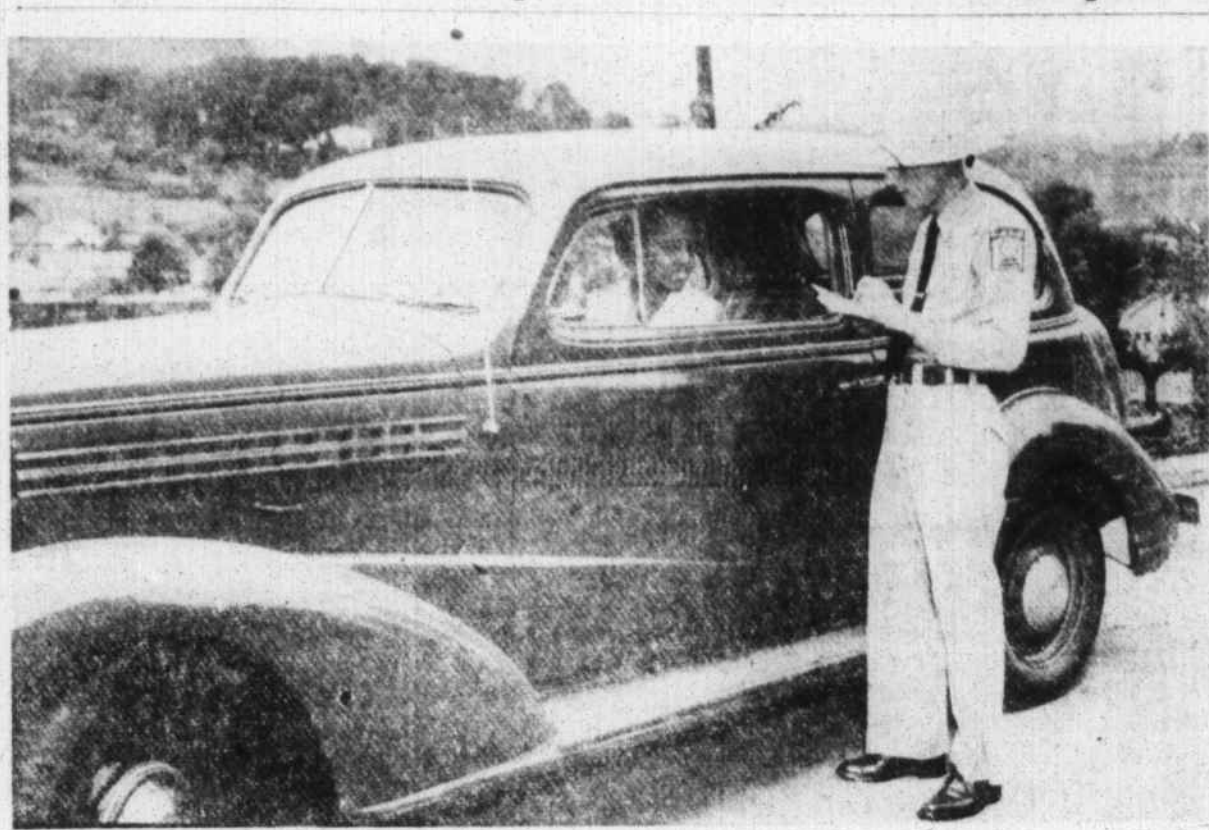
in the state there are 130
license examiners, five
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A ROAD TEST is given here to Nancy Lee Wheeler by Thomas L. Lentz, Jr., at the rear of the courthouse. The two most common causes of not passing this test are failure to stop at intersections and unsatisfactory parallel parking. (Mountaineer Photo).

knowledge of using hand signals, approaching and turning corners correctly, stopping at intersections, backing up, stopping and starting on grades, stopping quickly in the case of emergencies, and parking parallel.
A score of 70 or better also must be made in this test—although some deficiencies such as failure to stop at intersections or unsatisfactory parking automatically mean rejection for the applicant.
Driving license examiners for Haywood County are Charles J. Crawford of Swannanoa and Thomas L. Lentz, Jr. of Durham. Their schedule is: Haywood County courthouse Mondays and Tuesdays from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Canton Town Hall Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8 to 5, and at Sylva on Fridays from 8 to 5.
During the day here, Mr. Crawford said, his office usually examines about 20 persons a day—approximately three-fourths of whom pass their tests satisfactorily. The main obstacle for those who fail, he explained, are failure to stop at intersections and incorrect parking procedures during the road test.
Mr. Crawford added that the psychological factor in the tests causing many people to be unduly nervous, also results in failures.
"People should not be afraid of criticism," he said, "but should just go on and drive."
License examiners themselves have cause for nervousness because some applicants are far from skilled when they come in for tests. Both Mr. Crawford and Mr. Lentz have been in cars involved in collisions, driven by persons being tested. Needless to say, licenses were not granted.
Asked of them considered men or women to be the best drivers, both examiners pondered the question carefully before answering. Mr. Crawford said he regards both sexes about equal in ability. Mr. Lentz remarked: "In some cases, women are better."
Occasionally a comedian comes along—like the man who, when asked how he gets his mail, replied that the mail man brings it. Then another, who identified a "curve" sign as identifying a hill, asserted that "a curve is a hill turned on its side."
One thing people are often mistaken about is their belief that applicants for drivers' licenses must be able to read and write. This is not so, Mr. Crawford pointed out. He advises such persons to get a friend who can read and write to help them with the state's driver manuals, which contain informa-

tion needed to pass the written tests.
For safety driving, Mr. Crawford and Mr. Lentz advise:
1. Don't drive when drinking.
2. Don't speed; always drive at the speed which is safe according to the condition of the road.
3. Observe all laws and follow directions given by signs.
4. Don't drive too close to the car in front.
Don't drive when angry or emotionally upset. ("A man when mad is just like a drunk man," the examiner observed.)
6. Dim lights when meeting oncoming cars.
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Morning Star Personal Items

By MRS. ELDON BURNETTE
Community Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Phillips are the parents of a baby daughter born October 4 at the Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams honored their daughter, Wilma Sue, Saturday night with a birthday party. Games were played after which refreshments were served. Those present were Barbara Farmer, Joyce Farmer, Carolyn Trantham, Peggy Watson, Nancy Rhodes, Anna Jean Sharp, Martha Hall, Mary Hall, Naomi Carr, Wayne Setzer, Jackie Setzer, Leon Setzer, George Ensley, Erwin Mcdford, James Gaddy, Dorey Case, Russell Rhinehart, Ernest Hall and Rufus Donaldson. Mrs. Elsie Farmer was co-hostess.

Charles and Cecil Smith, who were in a car wreck last week, are approved and have returned home this week from the Haywood County Hospital.

Mrs. Harvey Crumley and Mrs. Fred Setzer gave Barbara Setzer a bridal shower Saturday night at the home of Mrs. Crumley.

Friends of P. N. Higgins wish him a speedy recovery. He is at the Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville where he has been a patient for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jenkins have moved from our community to the Beavertdam community.

Sgt. Hoyle Perland, son of Mrs. Letha Reece, returned home last week after spending a year in Korea.

The brontosaur, long-extinct plant-eating dinosaur, was the largest animal ever to walk the earth. It averaged 70 feet in length and often weighed more than 30 tons.



TAKING A TEST for depth perception is Miss Dorothy Whisenhunt, 805 East St. Checking her score is Charles J. Crawford, in charge of the driver-license examining office here in the basement of the courthouse.

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