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To Sponsor Tobacco Festival Home Demonstration Exhibit Armory November 16 and 17



L. E. RIEGG, right, receives a silver bowl as winner of the beauty contest in the flower show, "Indian Summer". Making the presentation is Mrs. Irving Leatherwood, general chairman of the show. (Mountaineer Photo).

The Community Development Program will take over the sponsorship of this year's Tobacco Festival and Home Demonstration Exhibit, slated to be held on November 16 and 17. The organization is offering prize money totaling \$500.

A feature of the fete which will be resumed this year is the beauty contest which was omitted last year.

A special program Tuesday, November 16, in the Court Room, will see not only the crowning of the beauty queen, but the awards to county winners of the 1954 Community Development Program contest. There will also be a guest speaker. Members of the various communities, home demonstration clubs and 4-H clubs will also participate in the program.

The tobacco and home demonstration exhibits will be at the Waynesville Armory, where they will be judged on the morning of November 16. The show will be open to the public immediately following the judging on November 16 and all day November 17. Winners in this exhibition will share in the \$500 offered by the CDP organization.

The beauty contest will be limited to single girls in senior high school. One candidate will be sponsored by each community. Entrants will be dressed as farmettes in cotton frocks.

The prize money contributed by the CDP will come from the funds raised by the sale of advertisements in the farm map directory recently issued.



MISS MARGUERITE RUSS, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Curtis Russ, has been selected to represent the Waynesville High School and the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, in the annual Good Citizenship Contest, sponsored by the North Carolina Society, DAR.

Marguerite Russ Is Chosen As Good Citizen

Miss Marguerite Russ, a member of the senior class, has been chosen by the faculty and students of the Waynesville Township High School as the Good Citizen to represent the school and the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, in the annual Good Citizenship Contest sponsored by the State Society of the DAR.

Announcement of the selection of Miss Russ was made by Mrs. J. W. Killian, good citizenship chairman of the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter.

A "good citizen" is chosen each year from the girls of the senior class of the Waynesville High School. The selection is based on qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism.

As the recipient of the honor, Miss Russ will compile a scrapbook showing her activities during her four years in high school. The book will then be entered in a contest with books made by girls representing other DAR chapters throughout the state.

Miss Russ is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Curtis Russ. She holds a high scholastic rank in the top five percent of her class and participates in a number of school activities.

She has been one of the first clarinetists with the high school concert band for four years and played two years with the military band. She has played in the symphony orchestra since its organization three years ago.

She represented the school in the all-district band clinic at Cullowhee last year and has participated on two occasions in the statewide contests for small ensembles held annually at Davidson College. Her music scrapbook was entered in the Field Day at Western Carolina College in 1950.

During the past four summers Miss Russ attended Transylvania Music Camp and devoted extra hours to the study of the clarinet. She was a member of the camp band each summer and also played in the Transylvania Symphony Orchestra, which gave concerts for network coast-to-coast radio broadcasting.

Miss Russ was co-editor of the Local Yoker, high school newspaper published by the junior class, and is now co-editor of the school paper. (See Marguerite Russ—Page 8)

Waynesville's Modern Filtering Plant Open For Inspection 13th

'Open House' Set For Wednesday Afternoon, 2 to 5

Plenty of water has gone over the dam since the day last year that Waynesville voters approved a bond issue for expansion of the water system—and that's good.

The particular dam in question is on Allens Creek, just above the new filter plant. Although everybody agrees that this summer has been unusually dry, although headlines from other towns read, "Town Reports Water Crisis is Continuing," and "City Acts to Get More Water," the Waynesville system installed as the result of that bond issue is furnishing so much water that even after all needs are supplied, there is still water flowing over the top of the dam which serves the filter plant.

The system is supplying a little less than 1,300,000 gallons of water a day to the area served by the Waynesville watershed. It could just as easily furnish 2,000,000 gallons.

The filter plant is housed in a three-story brick building slightly downstream from its dam. The top floor is used for storage, but the first and second floors are filled with a multitude of pipes, tanks and pumps which convert the raw water of Allens Creek into the sparkling, crystal-clear and pure water which is one of the town's big selling points.

Gravity alone sends dam water through a big pipe into the building for the first phase of its treatment. Pressure is so great that a hydraulic valve is necessary to keep it from spouting up like a geyser.

The water rushes up the pipe to the second level, where it enters three troughs, each 80 feet long.

Two Meets Set By New AA Chapter

As the result of what was described as a "successful meeting" of a proposed Alcoholics Anonymous chapter Thursday night in the Parish House of Grace Episcopal Church, plans have been made for a similar meeting next Thursday, followed by a county-wide mass meeting at the Court House on October 21.

The meeting this coming Thursday will be held as the first, at 8 p.m. at the Parish House of the Episcopal Church. Plans will be discussed for the meet the following week. Persons who have alcoholic problems, and especially members of other AA groups, are invited to attend both meetings.

At the October 21 meeting in the Court Room members of AA groups from Charlotte, Greenville, S. C., Hendersonville and Asheville will be among the speakers.

The movement to organize a local chapter of AA is being backed by law enforcement agencies, the welfare department, The Waynesville Mountaineer, Station WHCC, the North Carolina Alcoholic Rehabilitation Center, and the pastors of as many Waynesville and Hazelwood churches as have so far been approached.

Persons interested in the movement may write Box 454, Hazelwood. In an emergency they are asked to telephone GL 6-6313 and ask for the AA member.

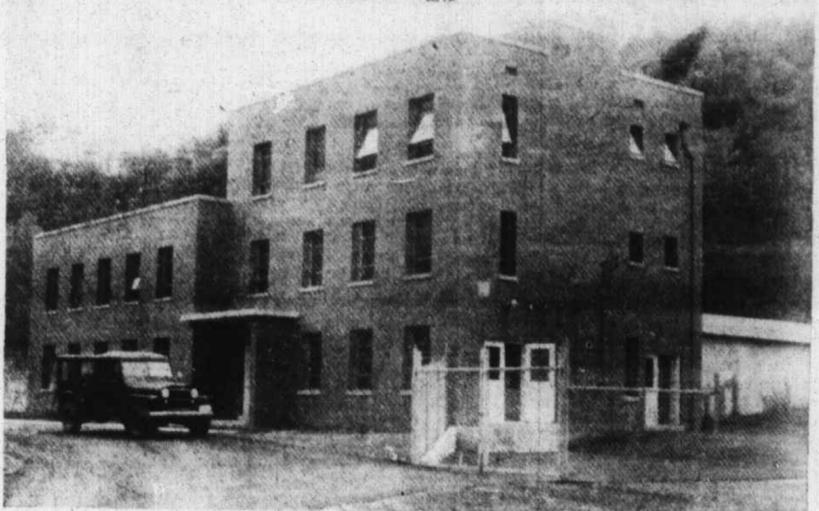
Hazelwood Man Captures Fourth Football Contest

Roy Moody of Hazelwood won The Mountaineer's fourth weekly football contest with correct guesses on nine out of twelve games and a combined total score of 41 points on the Waynesville-Hendersonville game.

Runner-up was Frank Poteat of Clyde who also only missed three, but was further off on the Mountaineer score.

Eleven persons missed four predictions while the balance missed five or more.

The extent of the season's big upset at Hendersonville was shown by the fact that not a single entrant in The Mountaineer's grid contest last week picked the Bearcats to win.



"OPEN HOUSE" of this modern 3-story brick filtering plant will be staged Wednesday afternoon. The public is invited to attend, and see the latest in scientific and engineering equipment for water plants. (See editorial). (Mountaineer Photo).

Mountaineer Crowded At Open House Thursday

Several hundred persons thronged the plant of The Mountaineer Thursday night for a first-hand acquaintance with the multitude of operations that go into making up their newspaper.

Of most interest to most people seemed to be the 12-ton "press turning out 55 papers a minute," the "indytips setting each visitor's name in type as a souvenir, and the photo-electric engraver reproducing a photograph with the aid of a beam of light and a red-hot needle.

Early arrivals had a snail's eye-view of proceedings, as the arrival of over a hundred guests during the first hour swamped The Mountaineer's facilities.

Guests had a brief lesson in news and headline writing and a look at the work of circulation, advertising and bookkeeping departments before they saw the photographic equipment, composing room, job printing department, press and other phases of the paper's operation. Refreshments were served on a newsprint-covered table as visitors watched the day's papers come off the press.

About 75 persons had an extra attraction as they happened to be present in the room when it became necessary to put another half-ton roll of newsprint on the press.

ASC Mails Ballots For New Officers

Ballots for the annual election of ASC officers were mailed from the county office Thursday and should now be in the possession of Haywood farmers, according to A. W. Ferguson, ASC manager.

Farmers are urged to mark and return their ballots immediately. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked not later than October 15 or brought to the ASC office in the courthouse by noon, October 15.

All persons are eligible to vote in the elections who have an interest as owner, operator, tenant, or sharecropper on a farm participating or eligible to participate in any program administered during the calendar year through the ASC county office.

Those eligible to vote who fail to receive ballots can pick them up at the ASC office, Mr. Ferguson explained. Community committeemen elected will meet later at a county convention to choose the ASC county committeemen.

Jail Gets 27

Twenty-seven men landed in the county jail during the weekend on charges of being intoxicated. Sheriff Fred Campbell reported today. Twenty-two were escorted to the bastille Saturday night, and another five on Sunday, the sheriff said.

We Deeply Regret

that some of the visitors coming to The Mountaineer office to "open house" last Thursday night had to wait to get through—or were even unable to get into the office from the street.

So many people attended that there were some who might have been inconvenienced, and for that we are sorry.

Those who did not even get inside the plant, are invited to call by and make arrangements for making the same tour later. We know that many members of the Lions Club failed to get near the front door, due to the large crowds waiting in line to get through.

We were happy to have had everyone, and will be glad to arrange a tour of the entire three floors of the plant for any group at a later date.

—The Staff and Publishers.

Roadblock Here Nets An Escaped Convict

A roadblock set up jointly by Waynesville police and the State Highway Patrol last night netted an escaped convict from the Macon County prison camp near Franklin. Getting a tip that the escapee—Cecil Lovedahl, 28—was driving a Kaiser passenger car with Tennessee license plates, Cpl. Pritchard Smith of the patrol spotted the car heading east on the Balsam road and radioed ahead to Waynesville police.

Several patrolmen—including Ray Whitner, Coleman Swanger and Ed Robinson—set up the roadblock on South Main St. near Ray's Flower Shop. When halted by the officers, the fugitive offered no resistance.

The Waynesville policemen were assisted at the roadblock by Chief of Police Roy Stephens of Hazelwood and State Patrolman W. R. Woolen.

Lovedahl, a native of Jackson County, is serving a life term for the murder of a mail carrier. He escaped one other time from the state prison at Raleigh by hiding in a trash truck leaving the institution. He was recaptured later in New York City. His latest flight was made Thursday from the Macon prison camp. The stolen auto was from Knoxville, it was reported.

Bullet Cuts Phone Cable Near Clyde

Telephone service between Waynesville and Canton was interrupted between sometime Wednesday evening and 1 p.m. Friday when someone shot a 22 bullet through a telephone cable back of the cemetery at Clyde and cut 72 of the 109 wires which composed it.

C. T. McCuston, Southern Bell manager, expressed relief that no large fire or other serious emergency had arisen during that time, as even ordinary calls had to be handled on an emergency basis.

Telephone repairmen located the damage early Thursday morning and three men worked until 1 p.m. Friday to restore service. The men found two spent shells about 30 feet from the cable.

Last year saw three cases of such willful interruption to subscribers' telephone service.

Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood

(TO DATE)
Killed . . . 3
Injured . . . 49

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

Registration Books Open November 2 Elections

Books are now open for registration in Haywood County for the November 2 general elections, it was announced today by Chairman G. Byers, John Carver and Charlie Hawkins of the County Board of Elections.

Registrars will be at the polling place in each precinct from 9 a.m. until sunset on Saturday, October 16 and Saturday, October 23. Registration may also be made with the registrars wherever they may be at any time before sunset on October 23.

Challenge Day will be Saturday, October 30, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Provision has been made for absentee voting by any qualified voter who expects to be out of the county or who because of sickness or other physical disability will be unable to travel to the voting place.

Such absentee voters may apply in person, or by their husband or wife, brother or sister or parent or child, or by mail in writing to the Chairman of the County Board of Elections for an official ballot. This application must be made at least two days before the election, except when the voter unexpectedly becomes too ill or too badly injured to be able to go to the polls.

Additional information may be obtained from Mr. Clark at his Route 3, Canton, or by writing him at Canton 4463.

Girl Scout Fund Drive Opens Today

The annual fund raising drive to support the activities of Girl Scouts in the Waynesville area opened this morning under the direction of the Lions Club, local sponsors of Girl Scouting.

The quota for this community is \$2,435, which represents half of the \$4,870 quota for Haywood County. The quota is one of seven in the Pisgah Girl Scout Council which has a total goal of \$23,195.

Jerry Rogers is chairman of the project for the Lions and will be assisted in the campaign by Herb Angel, Charlie Woodard, Francis Massie, M. R. Whisenunt, Harry Whisenunt, Henry Davis, Paul Davis, Charlie Balentine, Lee Davis, and L. L. Lyda.

Working with the Lions will be Mrs. Aaron Prevost, district chairman of Girl Scouts, and troop leaders as follows: Mrs. J. D. Smith, Mrs. Jack Smith, Mrs. Charlie McCall, Mrs. Larry Walker, Mrs. Clarence Dunn, Miss Mary Sue Crocker, Miss Peggy Plennons, Mrs. John Terrell, Miss Lane Prevost, Mrs. Tommy Hooper, Mrs. Robert Donnelly, Mrs. Paul McElroy.

Mrs. Heinz Rollman, Mrs. George West, Mrs. Katherine Duvall, Mrs. B. C. Navy, Mrs. Jonathan Woody, Mrs. Ben Bridges, Mrs. Wayne Dietz, Mrs. Henry Gaddy, Mrs. Martha Chambers, Mrs. Walter Baermann, Miss Barbara Cabe, Miss Bette Hannah, and Miss Geneva Massie.

33 To Be Examined;

30 Will Be Inducted

Thirty-three Haywood County men left by bus this morning for Knoxville for armed forces pre-induction examination, it was announced by Selective Service Board No. 45.

Thirty more will leave tomorrow morning at 9:30 for induction, the board added.

Highlanders To Meet

The Haywood County Highlanders will meet Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the courthouse. The announcement was made by L. E. DeVous, president.

Farm Bureau Drive Results Being Compiled

"A lot of interest is being shown," according to Mrs. Carl Medford, in the Farm Bureau membership drive which got under way Friday. No figures are yet available on the number of members who have joined, she said, as workers are still busy compiling their results. Mrs. Medford is secretary of the county Bureau.

Legion Meeting Set

Hillard Penland of West Asheville, district commander of the American Legion, will be the principal speaker at a meeting of the Waynesville American Legion Post at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, according to post commander J. H. Howell, Jr.

Buckets And Garden Hose Quench Bethel Church Fire

Sunday morning at the Bethel Presbyterian Church, Henry Hope, Jr. of Atlanta, a student pastor at the church, was preparing to deliver a sermon entitled "Fireproof."

A short time later, Mr. Hope joined churchgoers of the congregation in fighting a fire ignited by sparks from the chimney flue.

Using a bucket brigade and several sections of common garden hose, the church members succeeded in bringing the fire under control by the time that firemen from Waynesville and Canton arrived on the scene. The hose was connected up in the agricultural building at Bethel High School.

The Bethel Presbyterians were joined in their fire-fighting efforts by Baptists and Methodists who saw the smoke and rushed to aid their neighbors. Afterwards both the Baptists and Methodists invited the Presbyterians to use their churches for services yesterday

morning, but the latter declined the invitation with thanks and worshipped in their own sanctuary.

Damage to rafters in the attic and the roof was estimated at \$500 by Clifton Terrell, one of the church elders. The church voted recently to put a new roof on their building and also planned to renew their insurance which was to expire later this month. One of the oldest churches in this area, the Bethel Presbyterian Church was founded in 1834.

The Rev. Archie C. Graham of Hazelwood, pastor of the church, praised the efforts of the amateur fire fighters and added that his own church members and those from the Baptist and Methodist churches as well were "exceptionally helpful."

He also thanked the Waynesville and Canton fire departments for their prompt response to the alarm.