

# THE WAYNESVILLE MOUNTAINEER

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TODAY'S SMILE  
One of the tempering influences in resisting temptation is that it may never come again.

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More People Than  
Are Reading  
The Mountaineer

### 2 Inches Rain For Action Since September 1

Area has had less than one  
inch of rain since  
September 1, according to a  
report by the State Test  
Station.

It was rather "wet" with  
drizzle on the 16th and 17th,  
the heaviest of .72  
inches on the 28th.

September had two days with  
more than .20 of an inch,  
the 21st and the 22nd. The rain  
was divided on the two  
other 28 days of September.

It is starting out a little  
warmer in September, but only  
the 79 of an inch which  
was the first. On four other  
days the total has been  
less than .10 of an inch per  
day. As of today there  
has been .93 of an inch  
recorded in October.  
Springs and wells throughout  
the county are reported dry,  
and are even reported lower  
instances than last fall,  
which was termed the worst dry  
in Haywood's history.



### Waynesville's New Street Washer Has Connections For Fire Fighting

The latest equipment in Waynesville's vehicle fleet is a modern street washer. The new unit was brought in from the factory at Oregon, Ill., by J. Turner, fire truck driver this week.

The equipment will be used for the first time in washing the streets this weekend.

Added equipment on the unit includes connections for fire hose. The pump has a large suction hose which pulls water from a river or creek and sends it out under high pressure.

The old street washer was traded in for \$1,100 on the new unit, which means the modern equipment cost about \$5,500.

Town officials believe the new machine will prove to be a good investment, especially since it can be used as an auxiliary piece of fire fighting machinery.

### Garden Club 'Litterbugs' Program Set

People who leave a trail of trash on Western North Carolina's highways and byways will be the "target" of "Anti-Litterbug Week" October 17-23, to be observed by Haywood County garden clubs along with others throughout the state and the nation.

"Litterbugs" also will be one of the major themes of a district garden club meeting to be held at the First Methodist Church Thursday.

Next week local garden clubs plan to distribute "litterbug" posters throughout the business section and also a quantity of automobile windshield stickers. Talks at Waynesville elementary schools and the high school will be made by Mrs. Harry Lee Limer, Jr.

In charge of the "Anti-Litterbug" campaign will be Mrs. R. B. Wright, general chairman of the district. She will be assisted by a committee made up of Mrs. Joe Stanelli, Mrs. Limer, Mrs. Bill Norris, Mrs. J. L. Edwards, and Mrs. R. L. McKittrick.

Concerning "litterbugs," an article by William S. Dutton in a recent issue of "Reader's Digest" pointed out in part:

"Civic groups are at work. The National Council of State Garden Clubs, with allied women's groups including State Roadside Councils, is waging a national drive to end what it calls The Great American Disgrace. The emblem of the drive is a cartoon of an ugly bug straggling trash, with the slogan: 'Don't Be a Litterbug'. Seals bearing the emblem are sold at cost for display on auto bumpers. Posters have been designed for schools and meeting places, and enameled metal signs for parks, roadside rests and playgrounds.

"If 'Keep America Beautiful' plans are realized, the whole country will blaze with appeals before another year passes; anti-litter reminders on cans, cups, bottles, cartons, and also in radio, TV, newspaper and magazine advertising.

"One scheme for ending roadside litter was first proposed by the garden clubs. It is to have every motorist carry a 'litterbag' in the car and use it as he would a wastebasket at home. Service-station attendants would empty it as part of their routine.

"The proposed bag is square-bottomed and made of heavy paper or plastic.



### Carson Clark, crew leader for the census of agriculture, is in charge of training personnel to work on the farm census, which begins Nov. 1.

Mr. Clark announced this morning that another exam would be given on Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room at the Court House as additional applicants are needed for the survey jobs.

### Bids On Health Center To Be Opened Tomorrow

### County, State, U. S. To Divide Building Costs

Bids on the new Haywood County health center will be opened Friday in the commissioners office, according to C. C. Francis, chairman of the county commissioners.

Estimated cost of the structure is \$58,363.50—with the federal government to provide \$25,679.50 of that amount. The remainder will be split between the state and the county—with the latter expected to contribute approximately \$18,000 over a two-year period.

The new building will contain at least 3,500 square feet—with the possibility of an additional 900 square feet if funds can be obtained. Approval of the 900-foot addition depends on the bids submitted here Friday.

The health center, to be constructed on Highway 19A-23 just south of L. E. Sims property, will include:

An assembly room to seat 40 persons (70 if the addition is approved), interview room, three treatment rooms, health officer's room, nurses' room, sanitarians' room, dental room, secretary's room, records room, bacteriological laboratory, X-ray room, photographic darkroom, storage room, and furnace room.

Architect for the building is William Moore Weber of Raleigh, specialist in designing health centers in North Carolina.



### DR. TOM STRINGFIELD Oldest Lifelong Resident, Dies

Dr. Thomas Stringfield, prominent retired physician, statesman and businessman, died yesterday in his home on Walnut Street. He had been in declining health for several years and his condition became critical last week.

"Dr. Tom," as he was affectionately known, was said to be Waynesville's oldest life-long resident. He was born March 18, 1872, the son of Col. William Williams and Maria Love Stringfield.

He retired in April, 1946 after 47 years active practice of medicine and service in three wars.

During the preparatory period of his life, he played football at three colleges, the University of North Carolina, Old Trinity, and Vanderbilt University.

The active years of his life were devoted to professional, business and political careers, for in addition to the practice of medicine and service in the army, Dr. Stringfield engaged in business in Waynesville and held several political offices.

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### Southern's Officials Using Passenger Train Along Murphy Branch

Citizens along the Murphy branch of the Southern Railway have been startled for the past few days in seeing a 5-car passenger train pass back and forth.

No passenger services has not been restored.

The train passengers are officials of the Southern Railway system, taking a 3-week schooling at the Almond Camp, on Fontana, of B. W. Brosnan, vice president of the system.

Each day, officials are carried from the Almond camp to a point beyond Asheville to view a recently designed machine at work between Black Mountain and Old Fort.

The group will leave today, and unless something unforeseen takes place, the Murphy Branch will be without another passenger train until the camp opens again, perhaps next fall.



### REV. M. R. WILLIAMSON Charlotte Church Asks Williamson To Fill Pulpit

An Associated Press dispatch from Charlotte said the Tenth Avenue Presbyterian church had called the Rev. M. R. Williamson, pastor of the Waynesville Presbyterian church to be its minister.

Rev. Mr. Williamson said upon leaving for a men's church convention in New Orleans, that he would not be back until Monday, and that he had received the call. He also said that no action will be taken until a church session meeting scheduled for Sunday, October 24.

A. R. Pegram, chairman of the pulpit committee of the Charlotte church, said the call was encouraging.

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### Toastmasters Club Installs New Officers

Ray Ellis was installed as president of the Waynesville Toastmasters Club at a "Ladies Night" program at Mount Valley Inn Monday night.

Also installed were:

Dick Bradley, vice president; M. T. Bridges, secretary-treasurer; Ray Pleiness, educational chairman; and Robert Hall, sergeant-at-arms.

Perry Weaver of Asheville, area governor of Toastmasters, served as installing officer. Cliff Harrell, charter president, presided at the meeting.

A program conducted included a number of extemporaneous talks and prepared five-minute speeches.

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### 29 Haywood Men Leave For Induction

Twenty-nine Haywood County men left here Tuesday for Knoxville and induction into the armed forces. They were:

Joseph Wade Osborne, Route 2, Canton; Thomas Glen Gaddy, Waynesville; Tommy Blankenship, Canton; Ervin Jack Rogers, Clyde; Thad Way Crawford, Route 4, Waynesville; James Robert Williamson, Route 4, Waynesville; Samuel Stewart Green, Route 3, Waynesville; James Roy Parton, Waynesville; George Thomas Holcombe, Route 1, Canton; Reuben Wilburn Adams, Lake Junaluska; Eddie Ray Caldwell, Route 2, Waynesville; Jerry Richard Rogers, Route 3, Canton; Eugene Arrington, Route 4, Waynesville; Roy Lee Holcombe, Route 1, Canton; R. O. Frady, Route 4, Waynesville; James Edson Jaynes, Route 4, Waynesville; Frank Davis Medford, Route 4, Waynesville; Billie Haywood Cagle, Route 2, Waynesville; Roy Wayne Pope, Route 4, Waynesville; Alvin Odell McFalls, Route 1, Canton; Wayne Charles Presnell, Lake Junaluska; Jessie Churchwell, Jr., Route 1, Waynesville; Robert Sanford, Route 4, Waynesville; Dalton Cullins, Waynesville; Billy Odell Conard, Route 1, Waynesville; Earl Leon Norris, Route 3, Waynesville; William Fulton Osborne, Clyde; Carroll Ceal Smith, Route 1, Clyde; Albert Johnson McCracken, Jr., Route 4, Waynesville.

Thirty-three registrants were sent to Knoxville Monday for pre-induction examinations.

### Dr. Elmer Clark Going To Meeting In West Indies

Dr. Elmer T. Clark, of Lake Junaluska, will attend sessions of the Methodist Provincial Advisory Council of the British West Indies on October 18-27 in Antigua, Dr. Clark is secretary of the council.

He is one of the four American members of the World Council to attend. Others are Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, of St. Louis, Mo., president of the world council; Edwin L. Jones, Charlotte, treasurer, and Rev. Dr. J. Manning Potts, Nashville, editor of "The Upper Room."

In addition to the islands of the West Indies, where Methodism dates from 1760 the Provincial Council includes churches in Honduras.

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### Canton Man Donates 24th Pint Of Blood

Albert Lowe joined the "Three-Gallon Club" at Canton Wednesday by giving his 24th pint of blood during a visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile at the Champion YMCA.

Roy Patton also became a two-gallon donor when he gave his 16th pint Wednesday.

Those becoming eligible for the Gallon Club membership were H. K. Franklin, Joe Ben Flynn, Mrs. Paul Soesbee, Miss Mary Gillis, Walter Cowart and W. L. Rickard.

The Bloodmobile's visit to the Paper City was sponsored by the Canton Homemakers Club. Assistance also was given in the operations by the Red Cross Gray Ladies.

### Draft Board Classifies 29 County Men

Twenty-three men were given draft classifications by Selective Service Board No. 45 at a meeting Tuesday. They were:

Class 1-A (available for induction) — William McKinley Gibson, Jr., Wilfred Kinsland.

Class 1-C (enlisted) — William Hawley Powell, Lloyd James Cannon, Jr., Charles Eugene Moody, Richard Michael Tranham, Carol Price.

Class 1-C (reserve) — James Hugh Burgess, Thomas Massie Ray, Lucius Everett Kuykendall, Jack Arvel Sayles, Herschel Hueb Parker, Jr.; James David Carver; Robert Cordell Evans, Jr.; Robert Dewey Stepp; Wilburn Earl Mills.

Class 3-A (hardship) — George Washington Cogburn; Fred Parton.

Class 4-D (ministerial student) — James A. Trantham.

Class 4-F (rejected) — James Wyeche, Jr., Ben Jack Cagle, Clayton Smith.

Class 5-A (over-age) — Gene Kinsland Howell.

### Canton Area Residents Urged To Save Water

Although there is no present shortage of water in the Canton area, residents there have been asked by the mayor and aldermen to conserve water in order to avoid any future scarcity.

The town officials at their meeting Tuesday agreed that water should not be used for "unnecessary" things, such as sprinkling lawns.

They explained that their appeal also applies to residents of the Beaverdam community, the new Water Association in the West End and other outlying areas.

### 'Nickels - For - Know - How' Referendum Slated Friday

Haywood County voters will again go to the polls tomorrow to cast a vote in the "Nickels For Know-How" referendum concerning the fertilizer assessment plan to finance agricultural research in North Carolina.

Indications are that the three-year plan, first approved in 1951, will again win the vote of Tar Heel farmers.

In 1951, the farm people voted in favor of adding 5 cents per ton to the price of feed and fertilizer for a period of three years for supplementing an expanding agricultural research and educational program in North Carolina. The three-year period is up and another Nickels for Know-How referendum will be held Friday.

Any person engaged in the production of farm commodities who uses feed or fertilizer is eligible to vote. This includes the husband or wife of such individuals, as well as FFA and 4-H club members who use feed or fertilizer in carrying on their projects.

The cost for each farmer will depend on the amount of feed and fertilizer he uses. However, the cost to most farmers will be from 50 to 50 cents a year. The five cents per ton will be collected by the N. C. Dept. of Agriculture from the manufacturer and turned over to the N. C. Agricultural Foundation for use in research work.

The funds have been used to do research work on small fruits, truck crops, tobacco, cotton, pecan-

### Directors Of C. of C. To Named Early December

The nominating committee was Tuesday night to prepare for the annual election of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce. John Johnson, president, plans to be made to election prior to December 15 in order that the new board meet and elect officers at the December 15 meeting.

The committee is composed of Ray, chairman, Joe Cline, Spowitch, James Kilpatrick and John Carver.

Directors discussed promotional material for next year, and a committee composed of Pitt McCarrroll, Ken Fry, and Hye Shep-towitch, was named to bring recommendations to the November meeting.

Charles Ray reported that an invitation had been extended the board of directors of the Carolina Motor Club to hold their annual fall meeting here next year. He said there are 30 members of the board, and that the wives are always invited to attend. As a member of the board, he said the "reaction to the invitation was encouraging."

### Highway Patrol To Address Two Groups On Friday

Lt. H. C. Johnson, of the State Highway patrol, will make two addresses here Friday, on highway safety.

At 8:45 he will address the student body of Waynesville high school, and at one o'clock he will address the Rotary Club.

The four Haywood members of the patrol, together with Sheriff Fred Campbell, and Chief Orville Noland, will be guests of the club on Friday.

### Western Carolina College's Growth Told By Dr. Reid

Western Carolina College at Cullowhee is now enjoying the largest enrollment in its history — 882, President Paul A. Reid of the college told the Waynesville Kiwanis Club at a meeting Tuesday night at Spaldon's.

The institution is also in the midst of a major building program, Dr. Reid added.

The WCC head told the Kiwanians that the college's enrollment this year is up 18 per cent from 1953, and has shown an increase of 67 per cent in the past three years.

Although encouraging, this steady gain in enrollment has confronted Western Carolina College with acute problems of housing and feeding on the campus, Dr. Reid said.

"The situation for men is extremely critical; we don't know how many prospective students we have lost because of being filled up."

To accommodate more men on the campus, the college will ask the North Carolina General Assembly.

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ENJOYING A CUP OF COFFEE during the open house held at the new Waynesville filtration plant Wednesday afternoon are Mayor J. H. Way (center) and Fire Chief Felix Stovall. Handing out the beverage is Police Chief Orville Noland, who is known here as an accomplished cook. Several hundred people inspected the modern filtration facilities from 2 until 5 p.m. yesterday. (Mountaineer Photo).

### Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood (TO DATE) Killed . . . 3 Injured . . . 49

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

### CLOUDY

cloudy and warm, with  
drizzle and a few scattered  
showers.

Waynesville temperature  
recorded by the State Test  
Station:

Max.	Min.	Pr.
83	44	...
80	48	...
82	60	.05