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TODAY'S SMILE

The cold war isn't too bad, as long as you don't get cold feet.

More People Than Ever Are Reading The Mountaineer

1954 YEAR NO. 98 24 PAGES Associated Press WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DEC. 9, 1954 \$3.50 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

Expansion Of Wellco Shoe Plant Announced

Grover Davis, J. H. Howell, Mrs. Ellen Woody Named To Key County Posts



GROVER C. DAVIS has been named county attorney by the board of commissioners.



J. H. HOWELL, SR. is Haywood County Veterans Service Officer.

The board of commissioners have named Grover C. Davis as county attorney, J. H. Howell, Sr., as veterans service officer, and Mrs. Ellen Woody, as assistant tax collector of Beaverdam.

These three changes in the county administration came as the board met for the third day getting the many matters in order which came to their attention after taking office Monday shortly before noon.

Most of the Monday afternoon session was taken with checking bonds of the various officers of the court house, and putting the amounts and names of the bonding firms on the records.

The board also accepted the bonds of J. H. Thompson, constable of Clyde; and F. R. Noland, of Fines Creek. Accepted earlier were those of A. F. Arrington, Waynesville; W. C. Sutton, Jonathan Creek; W. H. Scott, Beaverdam; and Fanning Burress, East Fork.

W. C. Price was also given the oath as justice of the peace of Fines Creek.

Jack Allison was renamed as superintendent of the county home farm, and Mrs. Eula Allison as county home manager.

J. H. Howell, Sr., veterans service officer, succeeds Bruce Brown, of Clyde.

George Queen was named day janitor of the court house, and Charlie Smathers renamed the night janitor.

The board named the three banks in the county as the depository for county funds.

Ernest Chambers, dog warden, was reappointed, while Miss Nancy B. Davis was renamed as tax assessor.

F. N. McElroy continues as the (See Commissioners—Page 2)

90-Day Road Sentence Given Man Who Failed To Heed Own Advice

"But, shurruf, I can't go to jail—I gotta preach at ten thuty, I just gotta—" stammered a 60-year-old drunk, as Sheriff Fred Campbell gently took him by the arm in the Maggie section at 3:30 Sunday morning.

"How can you sober up enough in seven hours to preach?" the sheriff asked the stuttering, and resisting man. "You better come on and we'll talk about the preaching part later," the sheriff continued.

"My con-gashun 'specks me, and I aims to be there," the drunk stammered further, as he began to use his full strength to break away from the officer.

Seeing that he could not out-talk the sheriff, the drunk started to use force, and attempted to fight the officer, but was told in plain English that he was in enough trouble without adding another charge of resisting an officer, and perhaps assault.

Ten-thirty Sunday morning came, and the man was still wozy. No one came to post his bond this time, as had been the case once before, when he was arrested for being drunk and disturbing the peace. The sheriff on that occasion (See Road Sentence—Page 2)

Horse Show Folk Will Name Board Saturday Night

The annual meeting of the Haywood Horse Show Association will be held at the court house, Saturday, at 7:30 p.m., it was announced today by C. C. League, president.

Five directors will be named for the 1955 board, League said, and all life members of the association are expected to attend this annual meeting.

The association sponsored the Carolina Jubilee Horse Show last August, and about 10,000 attended the two-day show.

Other officers of the Horse Show Association are: H. W. Sherrill, vice president; Miss Margaret Perry, secretary, and Dr. Doris B. Hammett, treasurer.

County Agricultural Group Elects Holloway President

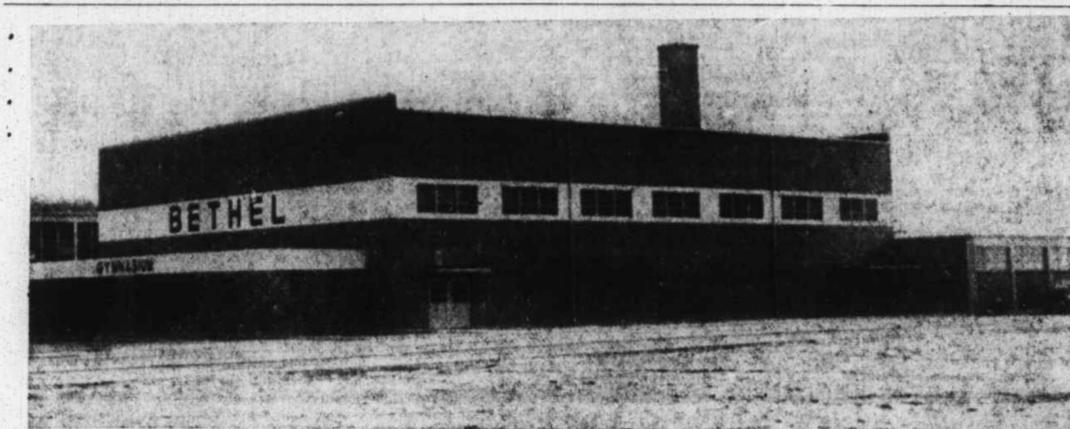
Virgil L. Holloway, county farm agent, was elected president of the Haywood County Agricultural Workers Council at a meeting held Tuesday afternoon at the court house.

Also chosen were B. F. Nesbitt, vocational agricultural teacher at Crabtree-Iron Duff High School, vice president, and Miss Jean Childers, assistant home demonstration agent, secretary.

Discussing the annual Baby Beef Sale held at Enka in November, the agricultural workers agreed that 4-H Club and FFA members should enter only one calf in the event.

It was also decided that special efforts will be exerted to see that all animals entered from Haywood County at Enka will be in the "prime" and "choice" grades.

Next year the Agricultural Workers Council will meet at the Courthouse at 3:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.



VISITORS TO BETHEL, even those without 20-20 eyesight, will have no trouble mistaking the identity of this building as four-foot high letters proclaim it to be the home of the Bethel Blue Demons and Belles—two of the county's top basketball teams. The new gym will seat more than 1,100 persons in "foldaway" seats when opened to the public in January. (Mountaineer Photo).

12-Room Lodge; Old Mill Renovation Projects Of Two South Carolina Men

A 12-room lodge on Pie Top Road is well under way, and plans are to have it completed by spring, according to H. T. Stewart, formerly of Florence, S. C.

The place has been named "Smoky Shadows Farm" by Stewart, who is also a partner in the ownership and operation of the Cove Creek Mill.

The mill is being operated by Karl Rogers, also of Florence. The 108-year-old mill, bought from Temp Phillips, is being renovated, and several major improvements made, Rogers said. "None of the improvements are to change the appearance, or take away from the 'ripe-old-age' of the place, Rogers explained.

The mill is now servicing stores with their products and Rogers said that as soon as the Pigeon River Road is completed, he plans to build a tourist unit, and a gift shop to operate in connection with the mill.

Touch Of Spring In Air - Over At Wellco Shoe Plant

Monday was the coldest day of the winter, according to the weather report, but at the Wellco Shoe plant, spring was in the air.

The 362 employees at Wellco began making the new spring and summer line of shoes. The change-over from the winter lines to the warm weather line was made without loss of an hour, it was learned from plant executives.

The plant now turns out between 5,000 and 6,000 pairs of shoes daily—enough for every man, woman and child in Waynesville to get a new pair daily. The shoes are sold in all 48 states.

WTHS Orchestra \$100 Nearer To New Orleans Trip

As of today, the 50-piece WTHS symphony orchestra is about \$200 from being able to accept the invitation of playing a concert in New Orleans before Southern music instructors.

The goal was \$300, and a few friends and an organization came forth with about \$100.

The parents of the 50 musicians have underwritten \$2,500 of the expenses. Charles Isley, director of the music at the high school estimated that \$2,800 would be needed for the trip and all expenses.

No public solicitation will be made for the funds. Those wanting to help make the trip possible should contact director Isley.

New Offices Are Added At Wellco

Workmen have just completed the addition of four new offices for Wellco Shoe Corporation. The new offices are on the second floor, and have an outside entrance.

Heinz Rollman, president, said the additional office space is necessary due to the increase in business of the firm.

Brendall To Head Ministerial Group

The Rev. Earl H. Brendall, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Waynesville, has been elected president of the Haywood County Ministerial Association for 1955. He succeeds the Rev. Archie Graham, pastor of the Hazelwood Presbyterian Church, the retiring president of the association.

Other officers named were the Rev. James Y. Perry, pastor of Grace Episcopal Church in Waynesville, vice president, and Major Cecil Brown, superintendent of the Salvation Army citadel at Max Patch, secretary-treasurer.

Captain James Henry, commander of the Salvation Army, Asheville, was the speaker.

Dedication Bethel's New School Units Set For 15th

Bethel's new elementary school building — including two classroom units and a large gymnasium — will be dedicated in ceremonies next Wednesday night in the new cafeteria, starting at 7 p.m.

With Principal C. C. Poindexter presiding, the first part of the program will include:

Advance of the colors by Troop 12 of the Boy Scouts, national anthem by the band and audience, pledge of allegiance to the American flag, led by Scout Eddie Wells; invocation by the Rev. Henry Hope, pastor of the Bethel Presbyterian Church; presentation of flag of Waynesville order of Woodmen of the World; "In Memoriam," and recognition of officials and guests.

Presentation of the master key to the new school will be made by Architect Lindsey Gudger to Mark Kirkpatrick, chairman of the county school board. Clifton Terrell, chairman, will accept the key for the Bethel District Schools committee, while Mr. Poindexter will accept for the school.

Lawrence B. Leatherwood, superintendent of county schools, will deliver a dedicatory address and the Rev. Oder Burnett, pastor of the East Fork Missionary Baptist Church, will give a dedicatory prayer.

The band and audience will then sing "America" and "Bethel the Beautiful," after which the Rev. L. B. George, pastor of the Bethel Methodist Church will deliver the benediction.

The final event of the event will be a tour of the building and serving of refreshments in the cafeteria by the Bethel School PTA.

The new Bethel School facilities, built at a cost of more than a half million dollars, include two units with a total of 24 classrooms, a cafeteria which seats more than 400, a library, clinical room, teachers' lounges, principal office, walk-in safe, and a gymnasium which will seat more than 1,100 in "foldaway" seats, and a large water tank. Parking facilities also are being constructed on the school grounds.

Jeff Reece Is Nominated To AF Academy

Jeff Reece has been nominated to compete for a place in the first class to be admitted to the United States Air Force Academy, which has been established at Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, Colo.

Nomination of the cadets is based on scholastic aptitude, character and leadership and participation in athletics and other extra curricular activities.

The Academy has been established by the Congress of the United States and will begin functioning with its first class of Cadets in July, 1955. The Academy will be located permanently at Colorado Springs, Colo.

It will be the primary purpose of the Academy to train and instruct the Cadets to be officers of the Air Force. These men will head the governing staff of the (See Jeff Reece—Page 2)

Joe Milner To Head Local Woodmen Camp

Joe Milner was elected consul commander of the Waynesville camp of Woodmen of the World at the organization's last meeting. He succeeds Leo Buckner, Jr., who becomes past consul commander.

Other officers chosen were: Carl McCracken, Jr., advisor lieutenant; Paul Franklin, banker; Orville Cogdill, escort; Jack Edwards, watchman; Billy Schulhoffer, sentry; Gilbert Reeves, financial secretary; Bobby Joe McClure, recording secretary, and Jesse James, James Gardner, and Leo Buckner, Sr., auditors.

Highway Record For 1954 In Haywood (To Date)

Killed 3 Injured 66

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

Water Rock Forest Fire Frozen Out

Fire fighters are guessing what has happened to the fire on top of Water Rock. The snow-bound road to the 6,100-foot peak prevents from reaching the scene of the fire which was smoldering 100 feet deep in the dry forest before the snows covered the peak.

R. Caldwell, fire warden, said he had tried to reach the scene but had to turn back because of ice and snow on the trail. When Caldwell said he was sure that the fire was "frozen out" and that it would not give any trouble.

The blaze began when campers (See Forest Fire—Page 2)

Fire Runs Wre Tuesday

Runs were made by Waynesville Tuesday, according to Chief Felix Stovall.

At noon was to the residence of Cunningham on the Dell Road where slight damage caused by a defective flue. The fire out when firemen arrived.

Fire smoke damage was caused by faulty stove in the trailer owned by Greenarch on the Hall Road when firemen answered (See Fire—Page 2)

13 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

Weather table with columns for Max, Min, Prec. and rows for various days.

LOCAL STORES WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL NINE O'CLOCK FRIDAY