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Life is 10 per cent what you
make it.
And 90 per cent how you
take it.

YEAR NO. 24 20 PAGES Associated Press WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 24, 1955 \$3.50 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

Board Closes County Home As Economy Move

10,000 In Cash Donations Given County Library

13 People Moved, Enjoy New Facilities

Haywood County Library Assn \$5000

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HICKORY, N. C.

AL DONATION made to the building of \$10,000. This is a copy of the \$5,000 check to the Haywood County Library was announced today, along with others, making a total

Money Given For Building Fund Project

Cash contributions to the building fund of the Haywood County Library are now in excess of \$10,000, it was announced today by James Kilpatrick, of the building fund committee of the board of trustees.

A check for \$5,000 from Alex Shuford, of Hickory set the pace, with a donation of \$3,000 from Mrs. Homer Ferguson, Newport News, and a \$1,000 check from Dr. John Smathers, of Waynesville, and the fifth check of \$1,007 from the Waynesville Womens Club.

Mr. Shuord is the son of Mrs. Watson.

Kilpatrick said a goal of \$75,000 had been set for converting the Ferguson building on Haywood Street into a modern library building. The Ferguson home place was donated to the library last fall by Mrs. Maude F. Watson of Hickory and Mrs. Marjorie Blaylock, of Waynesville and Florida. The property was valued at \$40,000.

Soon after the donation of the property, the board of trustees began working with architects on plans for modernizing the brick building into a modern home for the library. Kilpatrick said a set of plans had been presented, but the final details had not been completed.

Other cash donations are expected to be received for modernizing the building.

Kilpatrick said that the sale of the stone building on a 23-foot lot, now the home of the library on Main Street, would be sold as soon as the Ferguson home is renovated into a new home for the library.

The board of trustees are now at work on plans for raising funds for starting the renovation program at an early date.



CANTON OFFICIALS study major problem of a proposed viaduct, and the possibility of a highway by-pass around the town. The officials have just answered a letter of Highway Commissioner Buchanan, re-stating their position on the proposed viaduct. Seated left to right: Henry Seaman, alderman; Charles Beall, alderman; E. M. Geier, clerk; W. J. Stone, mayor, and C. F. Stanley, alderman. (By Frances' Photo Service for the Mountaineer.)

Haywood's county home has been closed, and the move will save taxpayers about \$10,000 per year.

The 13 people at the home have all been transferred to state licensed nursing homes under a plan worked out through the Welfare Department in cooperation with state and federal agencies.

Six of the 13 are at a home in Jackson county, while the others are here in Haywood. Three of the 13 people are classified as bed patients, and their cost to the county will be \$19 per month for each one. The other 10 are being cared for at a cost to the county of \$9 each, while the Welfare Department, through direct benefits to the people, make up the difference.

Mrs. Sam Queea, superintendent of the Haywood Welfare Department, told The Mountaineer this morning:

"I have checked the people who were at the county home and who are now in licensed nursing homes, and they are so happy with their new places. They have repeated time and again how much they enjoy the new places."

The Board of Commissioners have had the matter under consideration for the past few months, and have been checking with state and local welfare officials on the matter.

"In the face of the substantial savings, and the fact that the nursing homes are actually better prepared to take care of the people, it was a move which appears practical and best for all concerned," F. C. Green, chairman, said.

"From reports, we learn that all the people are happy in the nursing homes," the chairman continued.

Chairman Green, and the other two commissioners, Floyd Woody and Frank Medford, were in session Wednesday noon, as the announcement was made.

Chairman Green said it was his personal feeling that the 135-acre county home farm should be leased for cash rental after this year.

"It is too late to go into such a plan for this year as the crop is already started and it would complicate matters," he explained.

The county home farm superintendent is Jack Allison, and until now, he has been in charge of (See County Home—Page 6)

Canton Board Asks Consideration Be Given Highway By-Pass Around Town

The Canton Board of Aldermen feel consideration should be given to a by-pass around the town, instead of a proposed viaduct. They make this suggestion in a letter to Highway Commissioner Buchanan, and point to utilizing funds which have been allocated for the proposed 800-foot viaduct for use on the possible by-pass.

The Canton officials gave Commissioner Buchanan a requested answer in a lengthy letter. The highway official had asked for a definite answer from the Town of Canton by April 1st as to whether or not they would pay one-third the cost of right-of-ways for the proposed 800-foot viaduct through Canton.

The letter from the Canton board re-states, in fact, the position taken last fall as they pointed out they did not feel the Town of Canton should have any financial obligation in the construction of a regional highway through Canton.

At present there is \$1,550,000 set aside for the Canton project in State Highway funds.

No definite figure has been made (See Canton Board—Page 6)

Truck Goes Over Creek; Driver Unhurt

Waynesville area boys found a truck and possible drowsy driver on a creek in which they were plunged over a 30-foot drop into Dix Creek in section.

Driver of the truck, Ronald Wyatt Creek, a student at Waynesville High School, Patrolman V. E. Bryson noticed the steering wheel had failed and attempted to apply his brakes, but the truck had already left the road and careened over the creek.

When over four or five feet of water in the creek came to rest in about four feet of water in the creek (See Page 6)

WTHS Orchestra Ahead of Schedule

The 43-piece WTHS orchestra is due to arrive in New Orleans this afternoon at 5:30, although they ran two hours ahead of schedule yesterday.

The bus, and two-car caravan arrived in Tuscaloosa, Ala., at 6:30 (EST) Wednesday, instead of the scheduled hour of 9 p.m.

The orchestra plays Friday afternoon.

Details and picture on page one, section three.

Forestry School Set Tomorrow

Increased profits from timberland and planting to control soil erosion will be two themes of the annual forestry school scheduled in the county tomorrow (Friday), according to County Farm Agent Virgil L. Holloway.

The school will consist of two identical meetings — one for farmers in the northern portion of the county, the other for those in the southern portion.

The first session will be at 9:30 a.m. on the Floyd Teague farm in the White Oak community. The second will be at 2 p.m. on the Ellis Wells farm on the Edwards Cove road in the West Pigeon community.

Speakers at the school will be John Gray, in charge of extension forestry work at N. C. State College; Fred Whitfield, extension forester at N. C. State, and Ray Orr, division forester for the Champion Paper and Fibre Company at Canton.

Among subjects to be discussed will be how to thin, underplant, and prune trees, how to estimate the growth of timber, and general principles of woodland management — aimed at producing the highest profit per acre.

Special stress will be placed on identifying and controlling the Southern pine beetle, which has caused heavy damage in this part of the county, including several sections of Haywood County.

Wood Men in State Session Bill

Bill is expected on the floor of the County Board of Deputies, named in a House bill.

Bill and Clifton S. Terrell included in the bill for term on the board.

Bill was nominated last year in Democratic primary election on the board of education.

Bill is through the assembly. The bill is now in the Senate, and no changes, as far as is concerned, will be learned.

Canton Druggist Returns Home From Hospital

James Luther Ward, Canton druggist, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident January 16, returned home Tuesday from the Memorial Mission Hospital.

While he will be confined to his home for some time, he was able to see and talk with friends Tuesday night.

The accident occurred on the highway just east of Canton city limits. Ward's new car was completely demolished when it overturned.

Rogers Grants Time Study Of Sheriff Bill

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Rep. Rogers On Joint Committee On Appropriations

Rep. Jerry Rogers is a member of the 25-man joint sub-committee on appropriations. This committee is working daily on appropriation bills, and have been notified there will be weekend meetings.

Rep. Rogers said he hoped to get off and come home this weekend, if the committee schedules permitted.

"We are being kept mighty busy now, and every committee meeting is vitally important," he said. "I hope to get him this weekend if the committee schedule is arranged so I can make it."

Allens Creek CDP Plans Ham Supper

The Allens Creek CDP will have a baked ham supper Saturday night at Allens Creek School.

Women of the CDP will serve from 6:30 until 8 p.m. Plates will be \$1 each.

Proceeds from the supper will be used to finance community projects.

Businessmen Urged To Get Facts On U. S. Road Program

Local businessmen were urged today to inform themselves on the basic issues behind the President's multi-million dollar highway program, the proposed minimum wage increase and state right-to-work laws by Robert M. Maxwell, of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

Maxwell, Manager of the Roanoke District was here to discuss legislative affairs with local Chamber of Commerce directors.

The luncheon meeting was held at Spaldon's at noon today, with Richard Bradley, president, in charge.

Maxwell said the highway issue was not whether we need better roads, but how to pay for them. He pointed out that the President's program would quadruple present federal highway aid, and thus increase dominance by Washington (See Businessmen—Page 6)



ROBERT M. MAXWELL

Camp Junaluska Has Waiting List For 43rd Season

Camp Junaluska for Girls is destined to have another banner season, as the camp enrollment was filled in January. The waiting list is growing, according to Miss Ethel J. McCoy, owner-director.

This is the 43rd season of the Camp, and complete details will be found on page one of the 3rd section.

Tractor School Slated At Lake Next Thursday

The county's annual tractor maintenance school will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31, at the Haywood Tractor and Implement Co. at Lake Junaluska. It has been announced by County Agent Virgil L. Holloway.

Principal speaker at the school will be J. C. Ferguson, agriculture engineering extension specialist from N. C. State College, who will discuss principles of internal combustion engines, air cleaners and carburetors, fuels, lubricants and oil fillers, ignition systems and engine timing, cooling systems, tire care, wheel weighing and hitching, and tractor and farm machinery safety.

The school will last from two to three hours.

Kibbe Bruised As Motorist Crashes Into His Truck

Russ Kibbe, Jr., local oil distributor, was bruised when the pickup truck he was driving, was hit by a passenger car near the trestle underpass between here and Sylva about noon Tuesday.

Pfc. S. W. Sanford of the Patrol said John McDowell Gowan, 24, of Marion, RFD 4, was treated at the C. J. Harris Community Hospital here for lacerations of the mouth and injuries to the teeth and that Gowan was charged with operating a car on the wrong side of the highway.

Sanford said Gowan was driving a car on U. S. 19-A about six miles east of Sylva when his car and a pickup truck collided head-on on a curve.

Damages were estimated at \$600 to the car and \$475 to the truck.

\$200 Raised For Pair Whose House Burned

Nearly \$200 was raised at a special shower last Saturday at the White Oak Community House in behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hunter, whose home was destroyed by fire the night of Friday, March 11.

The event was attended by 90 members of the White Oak CDP, who contributed both money and household furnishings to replace those lost in the fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, who were married last year, were preparing to move into the dwelling which burned. The house itself was insured, but not the furnishings.

Music was provided at the shower by Billy, Jay, and May Kirkpatrick and Carol Best.

Two Servicemen From Iron Duff Meet In Korea

PFC Frank E. Chambers and Pvt. David Hugh Tate cousins and also neighbors in the Iron Duff community, recently learned the truth of the saying, "It's a small world."

Now in service and unaware of the other's whereabouts, the two met not long ago in an armed forces snack bar near Seoul, Korea.

Comparing notes, they found that their bases are about 15 miles apart and that both are on duty with the Korean Military Assignment Group.

'Finer Carolina' Group To Meet

A roving civic-improvement committee will be named at a meeting of Canton's "Finer Carolina" organization at 7 p.m. Friday at the Champion YMCA.

Hall Whitworth, general chairman of the "Finer Carolina" program, will preside at the meeting.

Also on the agenda Friday night is a report by the youth center committee.

Haywood Exempt From Bill Fixing Open Doe Season

Haywood County is exempt from a bill which would fix an open season on doe deer.

The House has passed and sent the bill to the Senate. The bill's aim is to permit open season on doe deer when the deer population gets out of balance.

Other counties exempt include: Hoke, Bladen, Pender, Scotland, Brunswick, Franklin and Caldwell.

The Haywood Wildlife Club protested to a measure which would permit the killing of doe deer found bothering crops of farmers.

Burley Quota Referendum Appears Unlikely At Present

The likelihood of an eight-state referendum on burley tobacco allotments has been ruled out temporarily following the defeat of a new quota measure in the U. S. House of Representatives in Washington.

The bill, which would have authorized a new cut in quotas, reduced acreage allotments and set up a referendum, was defeated by a vote of 260 for and 151 against — 14 short of the necessary two-thirds majority.

One possibility remains of getting the bill through the House — a request that the Rules Committee give it a priority position.

Two federal officials from the Department of Agriculture, in Waynesville Monday afternoon for a special meeting on burley allotments, expressed a belief that the measure to reduce quotas would be approved by the House.

One of the men — Joe Williams, a native of North Carolina — told the 700 farmers at the meeting Monday that cuts in burley are necessary mainly because of heavy overproduction in the face of an 8 per cent decline in tobacco consumption.

In 1954 it was predicted that the nation's burley crop would total 581,000,000 pounds, but it actually reached 602,000,000. Despite a 10 per cent cut in allotments from 1953, the total poundage rose sharply because of record (See Burley—Page 6)

Highway Record For 1955 In Haywood (TO DATE)

Killed . . . 0
Injured . . . 11
Accidents . . 35
Loss . . \$13,684

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

Max.	Min.	Pr.
67	52	
65	33	2.01
58	20	