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TODAY'S SMILES
"Money isn't everything.
Some things are bigger than
pay checks."
"Yeah, I know, Bills!"

WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, OCT. 20, 1955

\$3.50 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

Pigeon River Road Eligible For Federal Aid; Officials Of Two States Request Early Action

C&D Board To Open Meeting Here Monday

Joint Conference Between Public Road Group And Officials Of Two States Held

(Special to The Mountaineer)

CHARLESTON, W. Va. — "The Pigeon River Road should be built, and we are willing to place it on the Federal Aid Primary System now," Joseph Barnett, assistant deputy commissioner of the Bureau of Public Roads told highway officials and engineers of North Carolina and Tennessee at a special meeting here.

The meeting between officials of the two states and officials of the Bureau of Public Roads, lasted for an hour and a half, was arranged by Commissioner Harry Buchanan of the 14th district, and a leader in the program to get an all-weather highway connecting Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee.

The groups were attending the National Association of Highway Engineers. Commissioner Barnett told the highway officials of the two states, that "we want some additional information — 'an economic survey' — not a ground survey, before making an announcement of the interstate route."

The chief engineers of both states, in attendance at the meeting, promised to have the joint "economic survey" into the office of the Bureau of Public Roads within ten days. The officials and engineers of the two states were told by the Bureau of Public Roads commissioner that they could expect announcement of an early decision as to the interstate route.

Judge W. M. Leech, highway commissioner of Tennessee, a position comparable to the chairman's post in this state, together with Chairman A. H. Graham, North Carolina, told Commissioner Barnett that heretofore all projects which had been unanimously approved by state and bureau field engineers had been readily adopted. The two highway executives of the states pointed out they could not understand the prolonged delay on the project.

Judge Leech also told the Bureau official that all the bureau field engineers of Tennessee had approved the Pigeon River route for the interstate system. Commissioner Barnett was asked (See Pigeon Road—Page 8)

ASC Vote Is Lightest On Record

A total of 345 votes—the lightest on record—was cast in the annual Haywood County ASC election Tuesday, according to A. W. Ferguson, ASC manager. The average vote in the past has been 900.

Jonathan Creek with 88 and Fines Creek with 84 cast the heaviest votes, while balloting was lightest at Pigeon with seven and Beaverdam with 11. The number of votes cast and the community committeemen selected were (listing the man with the highest vote first): Beaverdam (11)—Paul Sorrells, Andy Worley, and R. M. Scott. Clyde (21)—Wayne Medford, Jesse Green, and Albert McCracken. Crabtree (22)—Gay Bradshaw, Hillary Medford, and Clarence Green. East Fork (21)—Woodrow Heatherly, J. A. Poston, and C. C. Burnett. Fines Creek (84)—John Ferguson, David Noland, and R. A. Justice. Iron Duff (21)—Jack Chambers, Hardy Caldwell, and Sam Craver. (See ASC Vote—Page 6)

Park Commission To Hold Fall Meeting Here Monday

The North Carolina National Park, Parkway and Forests Development Commission will hold its fall meeting Monday in the commission office at the Masonic Temple, with chairman William Medford of Waynesville presiding. During part of the meeting in the morning, members of the commission will appear before the North Carolina Board of Conservation and Development at the Country Club Inn to discuss problems concerning the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the Blue Ridge Parkway, and North Carolina National Forests.

In the afternoon members of the commission will join the C&D tour along the new link of the Parkway from Wagon Road Gap to Beech Gap. In addition to Mr. Medford, other members of the Park Commission are: Frank H. Brown, Jr., of Cullowhee, vice chairman; Kelly E. Bennett of Bryson City, W. Ralph Winkler of Boone, W. F. Osborne of Sparta, Robert I. Pressley of Asheville, John M. Archer, Jr., of Franklin, C. M. Douglas of Brevard, secretary, and Mrs. Edith Alley Empson, of Waynesville, clerk and budget officer.

Visiting officials at the Park Commission meeting will be Edward A. Hummel, superintendent of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Sam P. Weems, superintendent of the Blue Ridge Parkway, and Don J. Morris, supervisor of North Carolina National Forests.

Governor, 52 Officials Are Expected

The fall meeting of the North Carolina Board of Conservation and Development, to be held here next week, will start informally at 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the Country Club Inn where board members and state officials will be guests of the citizens of Waynesville at a buffet dinner.

The meeting is expected to attract some 52 state leaders and their wives—headed by Governor and Mrs. Hodges. The session will open Monday morning and adjourn at noon Wednesday.

At 9 a.m. Monday, Governor Hodges will call the meeting to order, to be followed by the invocation by the Rev. Earl H. Brendall, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Waynesville, welcoming address by Mayor J. H. Way of Waynesville and response by W. Eugene Simmons of Tarboro, a member of the C&D board.

At 9:20 a.m. a general business session will get under way with reports by Ben E. Douglas, director of the Department of Conservation and Development, and these division heads: Charles Parker, advertising; Dallas T. Dally, commerce and industry; C. G. Holland, commercial fisheries; F. H. Claridge, forestry; Jasper L. Stuckey, mineral resources; Thomas W. Morse, parks; B. C. Snow, water resources, inlets, and coastal waterways, and W. Ray Bishop, department auditor.

Governor Hodges will then comment on the various reports, starting at 10:40 a.m.

At 11 o'clock, three public hearings are scheduled: a report from the North Carolina National Park, Parkway and Forests Development Commission by Chairman William Medford of Waynesville, a report from the Cherokee Historical Association by John A. Parris of Sylva. (See C & D Board—Page 8)

N. C. Lions Governors To Meet Here

Governors of all six districts of Lions International in North Carolina will be in Waynesville this weekend for the fall meeting of the Lions State Council at Spaldon's Restaurant.

Lawrence B. Leatherwood of Waynesville, governor of District 31-A, will be host at the meeting, which is the first such ever held here.

Other Lions governors expected for the council session are: W. Roy Poole of Kinston, chairman; Al Field of Hickory, Willie Welborn of Thomasville, Henry Price of Kannapolis, and Paul Little of Elizabeth City.

Norman Trueblood, state secretary of North Carolina Lions, will be here along with members of two statewide Lions committees. (See Lions—Page 8)



MAGGIE VALLEY KIWANIS CLUB received their charter Wednesday night, as S. Preston Douglas, governor of the Carolina district, presented the charter to Sam McCrary, president of the Maggie Valley Club. Looking on from the left is Dr. Robert Owen, president of the Canton Club, sponsor of the new club, and on the right is Lt. Governor Early Lee, Asheville. (Other pictures, Page 1, Section 2.) (Mountaineer Photo.)

CDP Selects Nominating Committee

Five Haywood County residents have been named to draw up a slate of nominees for election of county CDP officers and directors for 1955-56. They are:

R. C. Sheffield of West Pigeon, chairman; Lloyd Justice of South Clyde; T. J. Fletcher of Thickety; the Rev. C. L. Allen of Allens Creek, and Mrs. Julia McClure of Saunook.

Nominations for the CDP offices may be made by contacting members of the committee, or by making nominations from the floor during the Tobacco Festival "Awards Night," November 8.

Jack Ray of Iron Duff is the present chairman of the county CDP organization.

Hazelwood 4-H Club Elects New Officers

Geraldine Williams was elected president of the Hazelwood School 4-H Club at the first meeting of the organization last week.

Also chosen were: Lillian Hyatt, vice president; Ann Hill, secretary-treasurer; Donald Davis, reporter; P. A. Donnahue and Teresa Beck, song leaders.

Kenneth Hannah is adult leader for the Hazelwood 4-H Club.

Charter Night Of Maggie Valley Kiwanis Club Is Attended By About 200

Almost 200 people attended the charter night banquet and program of the Maggie Valley Kiwanis Club Wednesday night. Nine clubs of the area were represented, and heard S. Preston Douglas, governor of the Carolina district, outline a 10-point program.

Dr. Robert Owen, president of the Canton Club, sponsor of the new club, was in charge of the meeting and gave the address of welcome, with M. E. Gamble, former Lt. Governor, of Hendersonville, responding.

Dr. Owen stressed "service unlimited" as he opened the meeting, and pointed to the value of the club to the community.

The audience was said to have been the largest charter night attendance in the two Carolinas.

Sam McCrary, president of the new club accepted the charter from Governor Douglas, and in accepting the charter, McCrary said: "This is a challenge to us to help build a better Maggie Valley."

The Canton Club, through Greek Waddell, gave the new club an American flag and a British flag, a Kiwanis banner, rostrum, and a song.

Gifts were given to all the officials, and following the formal meeting, the officers and their wives stood in the lobby and bid the audience goodnight.

Representatives of the following Kiwanis Clubs were in attendance: Canton, Asheville, Cherokee, Hendersonville, Waynesville, West (See Kiwanis—Page 6)

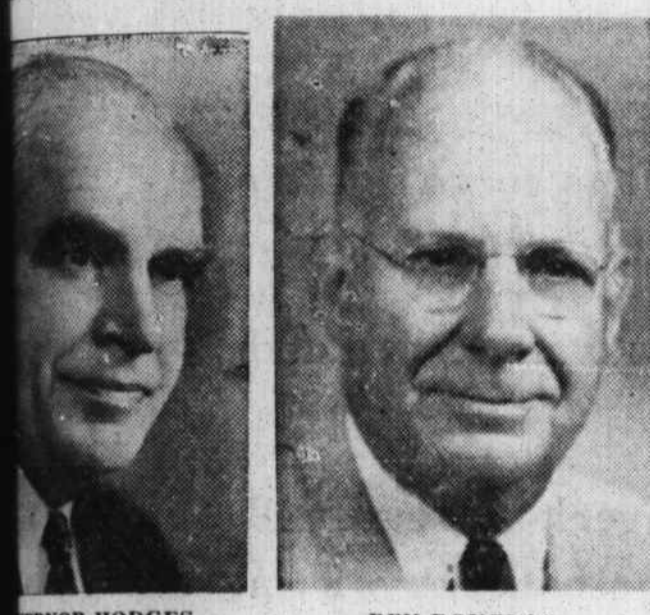
10 Communities To Compete For \$1,000 In CDP Awards

Ten Haywood County communities will be judged next Monday and Tuesday for a total of \$1,000 in prize money award by the Community Development Program.

Results will be announced during the Tobacco Festival "Awards Night," Tuesday, November 8.

The communities will be judged under the Danish system, in which blue, red, and white ribbons are awarded. In the blue-ribbon group, one community will be named as the first-place winner to represent Haywood County in the WNC district contest, November 14-18. No other ratings will be made within ribbon groups.

The schedule of community judging is: Monday — White Oak, 10 a.m.;



Governor HODGES



BEN DOUGLAS

TWO OFFICIALS will head the large group to Waynesville 3-day meeting of the State Board of Conservation and Development. The meeting will begin Monday morning. The group will adjourn late Sunday.

Parkway Link To Open Autumn Foliage Show

Visitors in this section for the autumn foliage show will find a new Parkway link open just as the autumn color is approaching its peak. It is an 11-mile stretch of smooth, paved highway from Wagon Road Gap, on US 276, to Beech Gap, in the high wild and handsome Devil's Courthouse country to the southwest. Tentative opening date is tomorrow, October 21.

Autumn color is expected to be at its best during the last ten days of October. Color is increasing in the Great Smokies and Nantahala National Forest, where color is usually later and lasts into November.

The Parkway's newest link is situated at an average altitude of 4,500 feet and reaches 5,000 feet at one point. From lofty overlooks there are magnificent views of Mount Pisgah, Looking Glass Mountain and the forbidding crags of the Devil's Courthouse.

At mid-October there was a brilliant display of yellow, mingled with the red of dogwoods, sourwoods and gums; maples were beginning to turn but oaks were still green and their deep bronze and rich crimson tones completing the color scale usually appearing during the last part of October.

Visitors who want to see and photograph the color parade at its best are advised to begin their sightseeing early in the morning or drive to high overlooks in the late afternoon when the slanting light is best.

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Contract To Complete Hazelwood's Street Paving

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Rules For Tobacco Festival Beauty Contest Announced

Rules for the beauty contest to be held in connection with the annual Tobacco Festival in November have been announced by county CDP officials.

The contest will be held during the festival's "Awards Night" Tuesday, November 8.

Rules are: 1. Contestants must live in a community in which there is an active CDP.

2. Each community can enter only one contestant.

3. Contestants must be single and in high school.

4. Contestants must wear cotton dresses during judging.

5. Contestants' names must be submitted by their communities to the county farm agent's office or county home agent's office not later than Tuesday, November 1.

United Fund Campaign Is Now Over \$14,000 Mark

The red line on the United Fund thermometer moved upward to \$14,388 this morning toward the \$38,841 goal as a partial report was received from nine of the campaign divisions.

Scores of workers were carrying out their assignments this morning and Dave Felmet, campaign chairman, said he expected the greater part of the area would be covered by Monday, the scheduled deadline for the campaign.

A canvass of residences in this portion of the canvass will be made tonight and Friday night by 23 different organizations, including civic clubs, fraternal orders, garden clubs, and CDP groups.

Hye Sheptowitch and Robert H. Winchester are co-chairmen of the town drive, while Bud Whisenhunt will head the campaign in the rural areas.

Mrs. Raymond Caldwell, office secretary, said much interest was being shown in the campaign, which is the first for this area, and that she would have more detailed reports compiled by Monday morning.

Dr. J. E. Fender, president of the United Fund Campaign here, said that with the workers carrying out their tasks thoroughly, the campaign would reach the top. "It is gratifying to see such interest, and the amount of hard work the scores of people are putting into the campaign," the president said.

There are 25 agencies being covered in the campaign, and it has been expressed many times that this method of raising money for worthy groups will reduce the time of both the workers and the donors.

The United Fund Campaign Has Started — Give Generously For The 25 Agencies

Highway Record For 1955
(TO DATE)

Killed . . . 2
(1954 — 3)

Injured . . . 82
(1954 — 51)

Accidents 153
Loss . . \$64,930

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

Max.	Min.	Pr.
57	29	
53	39	.01
57	40	.03