

## Junaluska Extends Program Season 3 Weeks County Farm Suits Began Today In Civil Court

### Biggest Year In History Is Predicted

Advance reservations, and the outstanding program for Lake Junaluska this season caused J. W. Fowler, Jr., superintendent, to predict this morning, "the best and biggest year in the Lake's 43-year history."

More than 30,000 visited the Lake during 1955, and Supt. Fowler felt today that this all-time record would be shattered during 1956, when the season will be three to four weeks longer.

The program at the Lake begins May 21 this year, with a national conference of the Women's Division of Christian Service and Delegates attending from all parts of the nation.

The program calendar of the Assembly is packed with conferences until September 18th when the world-wide Women's Division of the Board of Missions meet. This conference is expected to bring in several hundred delegates from around the globe.

Motel reservations are coming in fast, and Sunday School groups are fast taking Camp Adventure for a week or two week period.

The Jurisdictional Conference will be held July 11-15, and will bring in about 3,000 delegates, Supt. Fowler said. This conference covers nine Southern States.

In August the popular Candler Camp Meeting will bring to the Lake platform Dr. Billy Graham and Dr. William E. Sangster, of London, the latter often spoken of as the "Billy Graham of Europe." Both have been at the Lake on previous programs.

In September the World Methodist Council will meet for a 12-day session, bringing members and delegates from all parts of the world. Supt. Fowler said that the completion of the \$250,000 Lambuth Inn addition would be ready in (See Junaluska—Page 8)

### 50 Persons Called As Witnesses

BULLETIN:

Judge Pless and the four lawyers in the County Home Farm case were still in conference at 3 this afternoon.

Unofficial reports were that there was little likelihood of the case getting started with testimony later today.

About 50 witnesses have been summoned to appear in the case.

The dual suits over the sale of the 140-acre county home farm began in civil court this morning before Judge Will Pless.

Judge Pless called for a conference of the four lawyers in the case at 10:55 and the five spent an hour and a half in the judge's chambers discussing the case. Judge Pless explained that he could learn more in an hour's time in conference with the lawyers than he could in several hours of testimony after starting the case.

This case is by consent, not a jury trial.

The first 55 minutes of court this morning was spent in checking the docket, in which six cases were continued and 9 are left open of the original 36 on the docket.

Two divorces were granted this morning, prior to the calling of the county home farm case.

The attendance at court this morning was far less than expected. A large number in attendance were summoned as witnesses in the case.

The 108 plaintiffs who filed a complaint and got an injunction stopping the sale of the county home farm hope to get the restraining order made permanent, while the commissioners, as defendants, are asking for dissolution of the order, and have filed a \$25,000 damage suit, plus costs against the plaintiffs for stopping the sale.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 9**  
Motion Docket  
Trial Calendar

Joe Browning vs. E. L. Weisinger, Weisinger Lumber Co.  
Ray Haynes et al. vs. Board of Commissioners for Haywood County.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 10**  
Jack Redmond vs. Grover C. Clark.  
Olson Ledford vs. Arthur C. Grant, Jr.

J. B. Maiden, Allied Roofing Co. vs. Tom J. Frazier and Ruth Frazier.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11**  
R. L. Parks vs. Sue L. Parks.  
Dovie Randolph vs. N. C. State Hy. & PWC.

Dovie Randolph & W. W. Cairnes vs. N. C. State Hy. & PWC.  
**THURSDAY, JANUARY 12**  
Jerry Liner, Junaluska Supply (See Court—Page 8)

### Officers To Be Elected Tuesday For C. of C.

The newly elected board, and 1955 board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce will meet Tuesday night and organize for the new year.

The directors will name a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and an executive vice president.

Richard Bradley is president. Ten new directors were recently elected—two from each of the five divisions. Five directors were carried over from the last board, and eight members will be appointed, representing various organizations in the community.

### The Weather

COND'D COLD

Sunday and cold today. Tuesday, fair with slowly rising temperatures.

Official Waynesville temperature as reported by the State Test Farm:

Date	Max.	Min.	Pr.
Jan. 5	59	14	
" 6	65	17	
" 7	48	24	
" 8	32	15	

### Hazelwood Postal Receipts Down Due To New Ruling

### Lions Hear Former GE Executive

Steps in the manufacture of electric light bulbs were explained at a meeting of the Waynesville Lions Club Thursday night by M. J. Hamner, retired executive of the General Electric Corp.

The speaker pointed out that parts for GE light bulbs are made in several different plants and then assembled at the firm's Cleveland plant.

Mr. Hamner, a former Cleveland resident, now lives at Balsam.

During the month of December, Waynesville Lions sold 504 fruit cakes for a profit of \$521, which will go into the club's sight-conservation fund.

The Lions also outfitted 120 needy school children in clothing and shoes before Christmas with \$1,200 granted to the club by the United Fund.

### Former Hotel Clerk Arrested On Theft Charge

Wiley Moore, 40, former night clerk at the LeFaine Hotel, has been bound over to Superior Court by Justice of the Peace J. J. Ferguson on a charge of theft of \$115 from the hotel the night of November 8. Bond was set at \$500.

Of the \$115 that Moore is accused of stealing, \$101.72 belonged to Frank Williams, an employee of the Open Air Curb Market across the street from the LeFaine and a resident of the hotel.

Moore was picked up by sheriff's deputies on the Balsam Road in Hazelwood.

He later told the officers that he has been in Florida for the past several weeks.

### Carolina Mutual Moves Offices To Larger Quarters

The Carolina Mutual Insurance and Real Estate Co. has moved its offices from 110 Main St., Waynesville, to larger quarters at 283 Main St., in the building formerly occupied by the Food Store.

Established in 1945, Carolina Mutual in 1946 built the building on Main St. now occupied by the Rayette Beauty Shop, where the business remained until 1952, when a move was made to 110 Main St.

The firm is now being managed by Miss Pearl Leslie Johnson, who recently purchased the business from her father, R. N. Johnson. Mr. Johnson is still connected with the firm on a part-time basis.

After the Food Store vacated its former site on Main St., the building was partitioned and one side was occupied on the first of December by Roy Moseman, blind merchant (See Carolina Mutual—Page 8)

### Tennessee Is Again Leader In Visitation To Smokies

Tennessee visitors to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park again led all other states in park visitation during 1955 with a total of 48 per cent, according to figures released by the National Park Service.

North Carolina was second with 11.4 per cent and Georgia third with 6.3 per cent.

A Northern state—Ohio—edged out nearby South Carolina for fourth place by one percentage point—4.4 to 4.3 per cent.

Other top states on the visitation list to the Great Smokies during 1955 were:

Illinois	2.8%
Michigan	2.6%
Kentucky	2.4%
Indiana	2.3%
Florida	2.2%

### L. B. George, Jr. Loses Fight For Life

Because of a new postal regulation restricting the size and weight of parcels from one first-class post-office to another first-class post-office, total receipts at the Hazelwood postoffice during 1955 were down \$13,156.01 from 1954, according to Postmaster Thurman Smith.

Receipts for the year just past were \$58,263.34, in comparison with \$71,419.35 during 1954.

Money order business at Hazelwood, however, showed an increase of from \$193,855.42 for 1954 to \$202,853.04 for 1955, the postmaster reported.

Mr. Smith added that the Hazelwood postoffice sent out 8,427 bags of parcel post from July 1, 1955 to December 28, 1955. During the period from December 1 to December 23 this year, 2,014 bags went out.

The peak of the Christmas rush was reached at Hazelwood on Monday, December 19 when approximately 8,500 pieces of mails were cancelled during the day.

### Canton Reports Record Postal Year For '55

A record business year at the Canton postoffice during 1955 has been reported by Postmaster C. W. Burrell.

Stamp sales during the year totalled \$60,123.58 as compared with \$58,744.71 for 1954—a gain of \$1,378.87.

During the month of December alone, 185,800 2-cent stamps were sold, which shows an increase over the same period a year ago of 5,900. Stamps of the 3-cent denomination were 50,100, or 5,100 more than the same period of 1954.

Money orders issued during the year just ended totalled \$622,740.51—an increase of \$6,379.13 over the 1954 figure. Total fees on money orders written amounted to \$7,139.55.

Memorial services for the child were held at the Scarritt College Chapel at 9 a. m. Saturday.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a. m. at the Memorial Chapel at Lake Junaluska.

The Rev. Frank Smathers, Dr. Elmer T. Clark, the Rev. L. E. Wiggins, and the Rev. Carlock Hawk will officiate.

Palbearers will be James Edwards, Turner Vance, W. W. Trantham, Harley Wright, Dr. H. A. Matthews, John Taylor, Phillip Edwards, Ronald Free, Eddie Cane and Terry Swain.

Honorary palbearers will be members of the Haywood County Ministerial Association.

The body has been taken to the home at Lake Junaluska where it will remain until it is taken to the chapel to lie in state 30 minutes prior to the service.

Surviving in addition to the parents, are the maternal grandmother, Mrs. E. E. Dacus of Rock Hill, S. C.

The family suggests that those who wish to make contributions to Dr. Elmer Clark for the establishment of a memorial to youth in the Methodist World Council program, instead of sending flowers. The memorial would be established at the children's building at Lake Junaluska. Dr. Clark is secretary of the Methodist World Council.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wells Funeral Home, Canton.

### Haywood Births Decreased, Deaths Increased In '55

Births showed a decrease and deaths an increase in Haywood County during 1955 as compared with 1954, according to figures listed by Miss Dot Whisenand, records clerk at the Health Center.

Births last year, however, exceeded deaths by a total of 611.

Births for 1955 declined 44 from the 1954 figure of 888 to 844. Deaths increased 34 from 199 in 1954 to 233 in 1955.

A total of 10 stillbirths last year also was reported.

### Haywood 10th In State In Farm Numbers Gain

Haywood County ranks first in Western North Carolina and 10th among the state's 100 counties in the percentage of increase or decrease in the number of farms in the state from 1950 through 1954, according to figures published in the latest issue of the University of North Carolina News Letter.

Figures cited were taken from the 1954 Census of Agriculture.

For the four-year period, Haywood County had an average of 2,818 farms—an increase of 1.2 per cent.

Only 16 of the state's counties had gains. Person County led with 3,591 farms—an increase of 26.2 per cent. On the bottom of the list of the 100 counties was Gaston County with 1,762 farms—a decrease of 27.4.

Buncombe County, with 4,303 farms and an increase of 0.9 per cent, was tied for 11th place with Bertie County. Madison County was 14th with 3,482 farms and an increase of 0.7 per cent, while Henderson County was 86th with 1,998 farms and a decrease of 16.5.

Concerning the decrease in the number of farms, the News Letter commented:

"There is nothing to be alarmed about in the decline of farms in North Carolina. We are finally following the national trend. In the United States the number of farms reached an approximate peak about 1910 and remained rather constant for the next 25 years.

"The decline in farms set in after 1935, at which time the Census reported 6,812,350 farms. The number of farms had declined to 5,382,162 in 1950. The total for 1955 has not been reported. Preliminary reports are out for about 30 states, nearly all of which show fewer farms in 1954 than in 1950.

"North Carolina has experienced a loss of from 288,508 farms in April 1950 to 267,906 farms in November 1954. This means a loss of 20,602 farms, or slightly under 5, farms per year for the four and one half year period.

"While there has been a steady decline of farms in the United States, and in almost every state during the last 20 years or so, North Carolina has shown increases. In fact, North Carolina is the only state in the Union that showed increases of farms from 1940 to 1945, and from 1945 to 1950.

"The 1920 Census reported 269,763 farms in North Carolina; the 1950 Census reported 288,508 farms. The 1954 report of 267,906 is almost identical with the 1920 number. During this same period, the nation lost more than one million farms, representing a decline of some 20 per cent in number of farms.

"While there was a decline in the total number of farms, there was an increase of about 2,000 in the number of farmers cultivating from 1 to 9 acres. There was a decrease in all other brackets up to 200 acres of cultivated land per farm. There was an increase of 209 farmers cultivating more than 200 acres each. This again is following the national trend."

Boosters Meet Thursday

The Hazelwood Boosters Club will hold their regular meeting at 7 p. m. Thursday at the Hazelwood Presbyterian Church.

### Community Meet Slated Wednesday At Fines Creek

A community meeting will be held at the Fines Creek School at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday to discuss increasing farm, income in Fines Creek community with additional agricultural enterprises.

The meeting will be sponsored by the Fines Creek Grange and the Fines Creek CDP.

Speakers will be: Charles Pugh, farm management specialist from N. C. State College, who will discuss long-range outlooks on various farm commodities; Virgil L. Holloway, county farm agent, and Albert Ramsey, assistant agent.

To be discussed will be sheep, small fruits, Turkish tobacco, orchards, and other enterprises.

### Six Haywood County Men Enter Service

Six men who volunteered for the draft left here today for Knoxville and induction into the armed forces.

They were: William Moody, Jr., and Paul Thomas Mehaffey of Maggie, Franklin Kirkpatrick of Candler, formerly of Canton; Clint Mull of Allens Creek, James Eugene Cagle of Route 2, Waynesville, and George Willard Cogdill of Balsam.

After the departure of the draftees, a meeting of Selective Service Board 45 was held at the courthouse.

### 4-H's Get Records

Hazelwood 4-H Club members received their project record book and health-improvement records at the organization's January meeting Friday.

The records were distributed by Cecil Brown, assistant farm agent in charge of boys 4-H work, and Jean Childers, assistant home agent in charge of girls 4-H work.

### 4 Accidents Are Reported By Patrolmen

Four weekend traffic accidents in Haywood County were reported today by the State Highway Patrol. None involved injuries.

Paul Baxter Moore of Route 2, Canton, driving on old U. S. 19 at the Medford Farm at 12:30 a. m. Saturday, lost control of his 1950 Ford on a curve, causing the vehicle to skid and overturn off the left of the highway.

Moore was charged by Cpl. Pritchard H. Smith with reckless driving and driving without an operator's license. Damage to his car was estimated at \$100.

At 1:50 p. m. Saturday on the Lake Logan road, a mile from Bethel, a 1950 Chevrolet, driven by Barbara Woody, of Route 3, Canton, ran into the rear end of a 1950 Chevrolet pickup truck driven by Eugene Reece, also of Route 3, Canton.

Neece told Patrolman Harold Dayton that he stopped his truck to pick up a rug he had dropped.

Miss Woody was charged with following too closely.

Damage was estimated at \$75 to the passenger car and at \$5 to the truck.

A collision at 11:15 p. m. Saturday in front of Saurook School on Highway 19A-23 involved a 1951 Chevrolet pickup, driven by Daniel W. Blanton of Balsam, and a 1949 Plymouth driven by Jesse Howell, Jr. of Sylva.

Patrolman Dayton reported that Daniel pulled out of a side road and turned left into the path of Howell's car. The former was charged with failure to yield the right of way.

Damage to the truck was set at \$75 and to the passenger car at \$100.

A 1953 Chevrolet, driven by Paul Thomas Grogan of Cruso, collided with a work bus driven by Bobby Lee Heatherly of Cruso on Highway 276 at the intersection of the Hunger Creek road at 7:40 a. m. today.

Grogan was charged with failure to stop at the stop sign.

Damage to the passenger car was set at \$300 and to the bus at \$50.

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### Farm Record Book Check Underway

Thirty-four Haywood County unit test demonstration farmers will have their 1955 record books checked today and tomorrow at the courthouse by representatives of N. C. State College and the TVA.

Submitting their records are demonstration farmers R. H. Boone, D. J. Boyd, Jule Boyd, Porter A. Broyles, T. D. Brummitt, J. E. Burnett, W. J. Campbell, Frank Christopher, Harper Eavenson, Charles W. Edwards, Buford Ferguson, Paul W. Ferguson, Hugh Francis, R. C. Francis, Clyde Gorrell, Leland A. Garnett, J. Sam Jackson, James Kirkpatrick, John H. Kirkpatrick, Guy Medford, F. L. Leopard, William Osborne, D. D. Reid, Roy A. Robinson, Cassius Rogers, Mark Scott, George H. Smathers, L. M. Sherrill, Frank Sorrells, Van C. Wells, O. L. Yates, C. L. Allen, Joe Davis, Cash Medford, J. L. Rhodamer, Luther Smathers, and Ellis Wells.

Examiners are Charles Pugh, farm management and marketing specialist from N. C. State College; Roy Isley, TVA assistant agent for Swain, Macon, and Jackson counties, and W. H. Anderson, TVA assistant agent for Yancey, Mitchell, McDowell, Ashe, and Avery counties.

Records submitted by the test demonstration farmers are used by county and state extension agents in formulating North Carolina agricultural programs and recommendations.

The 34 farmers also give demonstrations of recommended practices in their individual communities.

For keeping records and giving demonstrations, the farmers are given TVA fertilizer at reduced cost.

Named last month to participate in the 1956 test demonstration program were Herbert J. Singletary, Pink and Bob Francis, Hillary and Bill Medford, Way Abel, and Julian Smathers.

Scheduled to leave the program this year are R. C. Francis, Clyde Gorrell, and William Osborne.

Assisting in the test demonstration program in the county are assistant farm agents Albert Ramsey and Eugene McCall.

### Toastmasters Meeting Set Here Tonight

Ray Ellis, Charles Underwood, and Clifford Harrell will be the speakers at a meeting of the Waynesville Toastmasters Club at 7 p. m. Monday at Spaldon's Restaurant.

Al Marshall will be toastmaster. Walter Francis will give the invocation, and Homer Justice will issue the instructions.

Jack Felmet will be table topics master, Wayne Rogers will be table topics evaluator, Robert Hall will be grammarian, and John Reeves master evaluator.

Evaluators for the individual talks will be Virgil Smith, Ted Stackpole, and Al Hunt.

### Canton Lions Finish Busy, Profitable 6-Month Program

Senator William Medford will address the Canton Lions Tuesday night as they meet at Glenelle's for their first meeting of the year.

The club, in a review of activities of 1955, showed the completion of over 100 projects.

C. A. Smith is president of the club, and listed first among the accomplishments was six months of perfect attendance.

Other accomplishments include: continued sponsorship of the Canton high school band; raising funds on Labor Day; broom sale netting \$570; conducting annual camp for handicapped boys and girls from State School for Blind, in cooperation with Champion YMCA; furnished chairman of Fines Carolina program; netted over \$400 from sale of light bulbs for work with blind; pledged \$250 to support Haywood Clinic for the Blind.

At the last meeting the club auctioned off the 4-H baby beef recently bought by the organization. The sale netted \$49.

It was announced that a group of boys from Asheville School, under the direction of Sol Cohen will present the program for the last meeting in January.

### 4-H Council, Exchange Club Meet Saturday

The Haywood 4-H Club county council will hold its January meeting at the courthouse Saturday at 10 a. m. with president Bernard Ferguson of Fines Creek in charge.

Slated for discussion are various 4-H activities such as summer camps, exchange trips, radio programs, and plans for National 4-H Club Week, to be held in March.

After the meeting of the county council, the 4-H Exchange Club will meet to elect officers and to discuss plans for entertaining a group of 4-H members from Weld County, Colo., this summer. The Haywood exchange group visited Colorado last summer.

### Local Merchants Vote To Continue 'Golden Harvest'

Waynesville area merchants participating in the Golden Harvest trade promotion voted last week to continue the program for three more months and changed the date of the weekly awards from 4 p. m. Tuesday to 3 p. m. Saturday, in front of the courthouse.

Next awards will be made on Saturday, January 14, from a total fund of \$714.

The Golden Harvest program is being supported here by 35 merchants.

### Highway Record For 1956 In Haywood (To Date)

Killed . . . . . 0 (1955 - 0)

Injured . . . . . 0 (1955 - 0)

Accidents . . . . . 9

Loss . . . \$3,305

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