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TODAY'S SMILE
A lot of wires would be
dead ones if it were not for
their connections.

Apple Damage Laid To Cedars



Winds Carry Harmful Rust To Orchards

The eradication in Haywood County of all red cedar trees, which are blamed for "cedar rust" damage to county apple orchards, is the goal of a campaign planned by the Haywood County Apple Growers Association.

The orchardmen pointed out at their meeting last week that the red cedar harbors a fungus which, carried by the wind, harms all apple trees within a radius of three miles or more.

The rust, they said, affects both foliage and fruit of apple trees, causing spots and discoloration.

The growers explained that the rust damage not only causes a decreased in value of Haywood County's apple crop, but also forces producers to go to the expense of buying sprays to combat the rust, which they would not have to do if there were no red cedars in the county.

County Farm Agent Virgil L. Holloway said there aren't many red cedar trees in Haywood County, but added "even one would be too many."

He asserted that other trees are better for landscaping grounds and do not harm nearby apple orchards.

At their meeting last week, members of the Apple Growers Association voted to hold three meetings each year, one in conjunction with the annual apple school, one as a dinner meeting in early May, and another as a picnic in mid-summer.

The orchardmen also voted to assess association members annual dues of \$2 and expressed hopes of enrolling all of the 74 residents of the county who own commercial orchards with 100 or more apple trees.

Plans also have been proposed to furnish to truckers a map of Haywood County, showing the location of all apple orchards, and to erect signs advertising apples.

Fred Ratcliffe Is Named To Post At Clare Co.

T. Fred Ratcliffe of Waynesville has been appointed wiring supervisor of the C. P. Clare Co. plant at Fairview, it was announced yesterday by M. E. Pritchard of Chicago, assistant to the president of the company, which manufactures electronic components.

Pritchard made the announcement of the appointment at the same time he announced the addition of a wiring department to the Fairview plant, which was just opened January 3.

Ratcliffe will assume his duties March 15 and will go to Chicago to the main office for preliminary training before the opening of the wiring department on April 1.

At present Ratcliffe is in the electrical business in Waynesville. He formerly has been supervisor of electrical contracting for Martin Electric Co. here and Ivester Electrical Co. at Greenville, S. C.

Life Ends For Man In Coma Four Years



CLIFF GREEN

Life came to an end yesterday for Cliff Green after exactly four years and one month of unconsciousness—being unable to eat, speak or move.

The former Marine from Hazelwood, unconscious since he fell and suffered a brain injury in 1952, died in the Swannanoa VA hospital at 10:10 a.m. He was 49 years old.

Since he fell from a scaffold while painting a church, the Haywood County war veteran lingered in a state of somewhere between life and death. He was sensitive to neither sight nor sound and could not even open his mouth to eat.

He was fed through a stomach tube.

Until a few months ago, he remained relatively healthy from a physical standpoint. Then his condition began to decline.

Greene suffered severe damage to his brain in the fall and there was no chance an operation might bring him back to consciousness.

He became unconscious a half-hour (See Green—Page 8)



GROUND WAS BROKEN Sunday for the \$200,000 Colonial type sanctuary-education building of the Hazelwood Baptist Church. Some of the participants on the program, include those shown here, left to right: Frank Saunders, director of the Training Union; Talmadge Woodard, chair-

man of board of deacons; Mrs. Oscar Knight, president W.M.U.; Hobart Williams, Sunday School superintendent; Emmett Green, president The Brotherhood; Carol Underwood, choir director, and Rev. John Kizer, pastor. (Mountaineer Photo).

Half Of Today's Issue Is Devoted To Forestry Story

A large part of the second section of today's issue is devoted to the interesting, and timely story of forestry.

Several weeks have been spent gathering material for this section of The Mountaineer, and with cooperation of forestry specialists of the area, feels that the section presented is unusually good, and the facts are given in an interesting manner.

Realizing that forests are so vital to our local economy, The Mountaineer hopes to make this an annual feature of the newspaper early every spring.

Schedule Announced For County Pre-School Clinics

Allen, Roberson, Ledbetter Named Boosters' Trustees

C. N. Allen, Dr. Stuart Roberson, and A. P. Ledbetter were named as trustees for the Hazelwood Boosters Club to handle the organization's business transactions—especially those which will arise out of plans to construct a community center building at Hazelwood.

The Boosters Club recently purchased a lot from George Walls near Hazelwood School to erect the community center. The club hopes to start construction "as soon as possible".

At the club's regular meeting last Thursday night, members discussed the town's annual Fourth of July program, the community center project, and the 1956 Finer Carolina program.

Reports on all three of these projects will be made at the next meeting of the Boosters Club in April.

MRS. BOYD CRITICALLY ILL

Mrs. Jimmy Boyd, Hazel St., was reported this afternoon as being in a critical condition at the Haywood County Hospital.

She was taken suddenly ill and admitted to the hospital about 11:30 this morning.

The annual Haywood County pre-school clinics for all children entering school in September will start Wednesday at Rock Hill and Maggie schools and end May 16 at Hazelwood.

During the clinics, children will be examined by physician members of the Haywood County Medical Society and given the necessary immunizations for entering school. Corrective work also will be recommended by the doctors when they conduct their examinations.

County PTA groups and home demonstration clubs will assist at the clinics and will present a program of entertainment to acquaint children and their parents with the schools. During the clinics, parents are urged to accompany their children to the schools.

The complete clinic schedule is:

March 14—Rock Hill, 9 a.m.; Maggie, 11 a.m.

March 16—Lake Junaluska, 9 a.m.

March 22—Morning Star, 9 a.m.; Reynolds, 12:30 p.m.

March 28—Fines Creek, 9 a.m.; Crabtree-Iron Duff, 11 a.m.

March 29—Allen's Creek, 11 a.m.; Saunook, 1 p.m.

April 4—Cruso, 1 p.m.

April 5—Pennsylvania Avenue, 9 a.m.

April 6—Clyde, 9 a.m.

April 11—North Canton, 9 a.m.

April 19—Patton, 9 a.m.

April 27—Bethel, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

May 3—Central Elementary, 1 p.m.

May 4—East Waynesville, 1 p.m.

May 8—Pigeon Street, 9 a.m.

May 11—Beaverdam, 9 a.m.

May 16—Hazelwood, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Another N. C. State dairy specialist on the program, George Hyatt, emphasized the value of keeping accurate records on dairy herds, and advised Haywood County farmers to take advantage of two programs being carried on in the county at present: (1) the DHIA testing program, and (2) the artificial breeding program.

He also recommended paying particular attention to growing good replacement heifers and producing an abundance of feed on the farm—especially silage.

In regard to the latter, the speaker pointed out that some high-producing dairy herds are being fed almost entirely on silage.

Also on the program were reports made by Frank Davis, Charles Francis, and James Kirkpatrick, who were named recently by the Haywood County Dairy Producers Association to investigate the use of the new bulk milk tanks.

Toastmaster Club Meeting Set Monday

Al Marshall, Virgil Smith, Jack Noland, and Wayne Rogers will be the speakers tonight at a meeting of the Waynesville Toastmasters Club.

Evaluators for the four talks will be Jack Dickerson, William Medford, Cliff Harrell, and C. R. Border.

Al Marshall will give the invocation, Jerry Rogers the instructions, and Ray Ellis will act as toastmaster.

Home Justice will be table topics master, Jack Snyder will be table topics evaluator, Ted Stockpole will be grammarian, and Charles Underwood will be master evaluator.

'Dairy Outlook Bright, But Competition Must Be Met'

"The future outlook for the American dairy industry is bright," F. R. Farnham, dairy specialist from N. C. State College, asserted here last week at the annual Haywood County dairy school. He warned, however, that dairymen must be efficient producers to meet present competition.

The bulk tanks, it was explained, are of stainless steel, have an average capacity of from 150 to 300 gallons, and cost from \$1,500 to \$2,500.

Milk-distributing plants have been urging dairymen to install the new tanks on their farms, contending that they save labor costs, and produce milk of a higher quality.

The Haywood dairymen have expressed the opinion that if the tanks are to be obtained, they should be bought collectively by county farmers.

The dairy school program was (See Dairy—Page 8)

Hazelwood Baptists Break Ground For New Sanctuary

Impressive Ceremony Is Held At Site

Impressive ceremonies marked the dedication of the lot and breaking of ground for the new \$200,000 sanctuary, and educational building of the Hazelwood Baptist Church shortly before noon Sunday.

Between 250 and 300 gathered at the lot on the corner of Main Street and Virginia Avenue, with Rev. John Kizer, pastor, in charge.

Preliminary services were held at the church, and then the congregation went to the site of the new sanctuary for the remainder of the service.

Jerry Rogers, chairman of the building committee, gave a brief history of the new church property. John Blalock, a member of the building committee, and in charge of construction, gave the prayer of dedication, and the pastor gave a brief description of the new church.

Excavating was slated to start today, and actual construction will follow on the Colonial type structure. The sanctuary will face Main Street, and will occupy a half acre site.

The announcement was made yesterday that next Sunday will be "Buy A Brick Day" with the bricks selling for five cents each. Much interest is being shown in the money-raising plan.

The construction schedule calls for completion of the sanctuary sometime between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

The sanctuary will have a total seating capacity of 607. There will be pews for 404, with 33 seats in the choir loft, and 130 seats in the balcony, making a total of 557 permanent seats. Space will be available for 50 additional chairs, the specifications cite.

The educational building will (See Baptists—Page 8)

Merchants All Set For Big Spring Bargain Festival

The first of a community-wide program staged by merchants will begin this weekend with the Spring Bargain Festival.

Merchants earlier in the year planned several such community-wide events, and this one is the first for 1956.

The merchants have been working in anticipation of this event and have had their buyers scouting the markets for items just for this big occasion.

Through a cooperative plan, all banners and decorations will be the same.

A. D. Harrison, president of the Merchants Division of the C. of C. said it appeared this would be the best such campaign ever staged here.

The Thursday edition of The Mountaineer will carry listings of what the merchants are offering as specials for this big Spring Bargain Festival.

CDP To Hold County - Wide Tour - Picnic This Summer

Instead of the individual CDP tours and picnics which have been held in Haywood County since 1949, a county-wide tour will be held this year by the Community Development Program organization.

The decision was made Monday night at the courthouse after CDP county officers and directors heard a report by a committee on tours and picnics, headed by R. C. "Bob" Francis of Ratcliffe Cove.

Tentative plans call for a number of different tours during the morning—including those to see beef and dairy farms, poultry, burley tobacco, and home improvements. At noon the CDP members and their families will have a picnic and then enjoy a program of recreation in the afternoon—including softball and horseshoe contests between the various communities.

Mr. Tippett added that during the past six years the individual tours and picnics have been held, most organized communities in the county have visited all the other communities.

On the committee planning the county-wide tour, along with Mr. Francis, are C. L. Allen, Mrs. Roy Robinson, Jarvis Caldwell, and Mrs. Walter Rhodamer.

The date for the county-wide tour has not been set, but it probably will be held on a Saturday in the middle of the summer.

Bob Tippett, assistant farm agent in charge of CDP work, said individual tours involving two communities have sometimes been difficult to arrange in the past because some groups prefer the event to be held during the week and others on Saturdays.

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Haywood Schools Stressing Drinking Of More Milk

A campaign now under way in Haywood County schools to increase students' consumption of milk resulted in a gain of 2,040 pints consumed during the first week of the campaign as compared with the week previous.

This announcement was made by Mrs. Rufus Siler, county school cafeteria supervisor, who said that the campaign is being conducted at the request of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.

Department officials recently disclosed that state public schools used only \$861,200 of a total of \$2,330,856 allocated during the 1954-55 school year by the federal government for its special school milk program.

Goals in the North Carolina school milk drive this year are:

1. Milk served in every school to which milk can be delivered.

2. At least a half pint of milk per day consumed by each child in each school serving milk.

3. Adequate lunches available to each child in each school with food service facilities.

4. All National School Lunch Program and Special School Milk Program funds utilized.

Mrs. Siler explained that school students in all grades buy one-half pint of milk with their lunch, and are encouraged to buy extra milk at a cost of only three cents a half pint.

Schools are now urging students to drink a half pint in the morning, one or two at noon, and another in the afternoon before classes are dismissed for the day. There is no limit on the amount of milk children can buy for three cents a half pint.

In the milk campaign thus far, Mrs. Siler said, Allens Creek (See Milk—Page 8)

Fire Early Sunday Destroys Carver Home Near Canton

The four-room frame house of Mrs. Troy Carver in the Greenhill section a mile west of Canton was destroyed by fire of unknown origin early Sunday morning.

The Clyde Fire Department answered the alarm, but found on their arrival that the blaze had already gained too much headway.

The fire, which started about 12:30 a.m. Sunday, was discovered by a neighbor, Ralph Breedlove, who was returning home from his job at Enka.

The house was not occupied when the fire broke out in the living room as Mrs. Carver was spending the night at her father's home in Canton. Her husband is now in service.

Mrs. Carver had moved into the Greenhill residence only last week and had all new furniture. The house, owned by C. W. Ledford, was partially insured, but the furniture was not insured.

Damage was estimated at \$4,500.

Linda Gibson Loses Fight For Life

A heart attack took the life of little Linda Gibson, 19-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Gibson yesterday in Gastonia.

The little girl came to the attention of Waynesville residents last December when her parents' home on Hill Street and all their belongings were destroyed by fire.

It was learned at that time that the child suffered from a congenital heart condition and donations were made to help send the mother and child to Bowman-Gray Hospital in Winston-Salem, Transportation to the hospital was furnished.

(See Gibson—Page 8)



LINDA GIBSON

'Early' Trout Season Fails For Arden Men

Two Arden men, unwilling to wait for the opening of the trout season and apparently believers in fishing with the least amount of energy, tried their luck at the N. C. Fish Hatchery on the Balsam Road late Saturday night.

The pair managed to net one good-sized trout, but before they could catch a string big enough to brag about, the two men found themselves in the Haywood County jail.

Fred Mathis, 42, was apprehended first by Leo Reiger, superintendent of the fish hatchery. Later, Sheriff Campbell arrested Dennis Mathis, 36, near the truck which the two men had parked behind the hatchery.

The sheriff reported that a tub,

and the cap of one of the men was found by a pool at the hatchery. In the men's truck were two large metal drums filled with water.

The Arden pair told the sheriff they intended to eat all the fish they caught, but admitted they "aimed to get a load." Both were drunk when arrested, Campbell said.

One man related he gained entrance into the hatchery grounds by "climbing the fence and falling over."

The brothers have been charged with trespassing and attempted larceny of state property by District Game Protector Howard Wooten and will be given a hearing here before Justice of the Peace J. J. Ferguson.

The
Weather

Partly cloudy, windy and colder today. Tuesday, considerable cloudiness and rather cold with chance of rain.

Official Waynesville temperature as reported by the State Test Farm:

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
March 8	69	31	.55
March 9	61	19	.01
March 10	61	22	—
March 11	61	44	.03

Highway
Record For
1956
In Waywood
(TO DATE)
Killed 0
(1955 — 9)
Injured 24
(1955 — 10)
Accidents 49
(1955 — 31)
Loss . . . \$15,324
(1955 — \$11,784)
(This information compiled from records of State Highway Patrol.)