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Haywood County Day Will Honor Reuben Robertson



REUBEN B. ROBERTSON

Reuben B. Robertson, president and chairman of the board of Champion Paper and Fibre Company, will be honored at the 43rd Haywood County Day at Lake Junaluska, Sunday, June 10th.

Mr. Robertson will be the speaker for the annual Haywood gathering, as special recognition is given the Carolina Division of Champion on their 50th anniversary at Canton.

The special Haywood County Day committee completed details for the occasion, and J. W. Fowler, Jr., superintendent of Lake Junaluska, announced that the annual picnic would begin at one o'clock, and the program in the auditorium would start at 2:30. A one hour program is planned in the auditorium.

Haywood industrialists will be special invited guests and will be given places on the platform with the speaker.

Supt. Fowler said today that he expected this to be the largest Haywood County Day gathering in history.

The hour for the annual program has been changed from the morning to afternoon at the request of the Haywood Ministerial Association. All Haywood churches will have their morning services as usual, with hundreds expected to attend the afternoon program at the Lake.

The committee acted on the request of the Haywood ministers in making the change, and all ministers pledged their support to the program at the hour.

The general committee is composed of C. A. Corzine, James W. Fowler, Virgil Holloway, Branton Hodges, William Medford, Kin McNeil, J. E. Williamson, Bruce Nance, D. Reeves Noland, Guy Roberts, Beekman Huger, W. C. Russ, William Shull, N. J. Tucker, and Jonathan H. Woody.

Bethel Student Wins Award In Forestry Contest

Bruce Ensley, a member of the Bethel High chapter of Future Farmers of America, has been named second-place winner in the WNC district timber stand improvement contest for 1955-56, sponsored by the Champion Paper and Fibre Co. of Canton.

As runner-up, Bruce will receive a prize of \$50. The first-place contest, Jerry Whitmire of Transylvania County, will get \$100 and the third-place winner, Johnny Allen of Macon County \$25.

Fred Whitfield, district extension forester, said that the annual contest starts in the fall and timber stands are judged about May 1. This year, boys from six WNC counties entered the event.

Two Men Uninjured As Plane Crashes On Soco

The pilot and an observer walked away uninjured Saturday as a light plane crashed in the Soco section on the old Black Camp Gap Road. The plane was demolished.

Members of the Haywood Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol took charge of the wreckage, guarding it from Saturday afternoon through Sunday, when it was removed to Waynesville.

The plane was taking part in the three-day search and rescue mission maneuver conducted annually by the North Carolina Wing of the C.A.P., and was operating out of Asheville-Hendersonville Airport.

As soon as the two men in the plane had reported the crash, Lt. Raymond Caldwell of the Haywood Squadron posted a guard of cadets on the ship. When its removal was authorized by the Civil Aeronautics Administration, the owner gave Lt. Caldwell expressed thanks to the squadron for salvage.

Lt. Highway Patrol for their cooperation in getting the wreckage from the mountain to Waynesville.

Pilot of the plane was said to have been Joseph H. Byrum, Jr., of Farmville. The ship was a two-place Swift.

By its participation in the three-day maneuvers, the Haywood Squadron won a superior rating from the U. S. Air Force. Squadron commander is Lt. Charles McDarris. Other officers are Lt. Charles Balentine, Lt. Caldwell, Lt. (See Two Uninjured—Page 6)

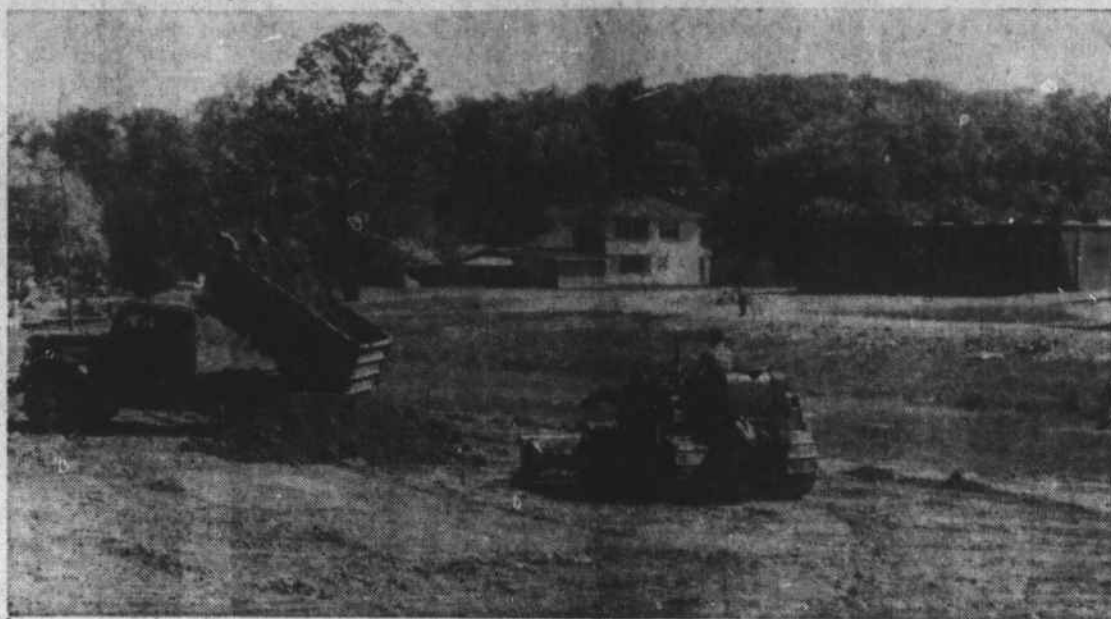
The Weather

Mostly sunny and unseasonably warm today and Tuesday with a chance of late afternoon thunder-showers.

Official Waynesville temperature as reported by the State Test Farm:

Date	Max.	Min.	Pr.
May 10	80	47	...
" 11	85	47	...
" 12	84	51	...
" 13	84	55	...

Recreation Corporation Authorized



HAZELWOOD SCHOOL will soon have a new \$3,500 concrete play area under a "Finer Carolina" project sponsored by the Hazelwood P.T.A. Paul Bryson of Hazelwood started work last week on the paved play area, which will measure 110 by 120 feet. (Mountaineer Photo).

Committee Named To Study Rural Garbage Disposal

A special committee from the Chamber of Commerce has been named to work with the County committee on a proposed rural garbage disposal plan.

Several meetings pertaining to the sanitary fill have been held in the past, and a county-wide committee was appointed last spring to study the problem, but no definite action has been taken.

At the Chamber of Commerce meeting the growing need of a system to take care of garbage in rural areas, as well as the waste from some of the industrial plants, was pointed out.

Committee chairman is C. G. Thompson. He will be assisted by Hollis Chase, James Kirkpatrick, Virgil Holloway, Lawrence Davis and G. C. Ferguson.

'Rodeo' Set At Schools This Week

Haywood County high school students will participate in a "rodeo" this week under joint sponsorship of the schools, the State Highway Patrol, and police in the four towns.

One event will be held at Waynesville Township High School for students from WTHS, Crabtree-Iron Duff, and Fines Creek. The (See Rodeo—Page 6)

Maggie C of C Meets Tuesday

Business people of Maggie Valley will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the school to elect the nine-member board of directors of the newly organized Maggie Valley Chamber of Commerce. The board will then name a president, vice president and treasurer, as well as a full-time office executive secretary.

Serving in the interim are Carl Henry, president; Hoxie Griswald, vice president and Ross Caldwell, treasurer.

The office, located in the building next to the Platt Grill, is expected to service as a clearing house for valley attractions.

Members of the Haywood County Board of Education will meet with the county commissioners today to discuss new estimates on the cost of constructing an administration building for the Board of Education on Branner Ave, behind the courthouse.

Bids on the building were first opened last Tuesday, but the totals submitted exceeded the funds available by more than \$25,000.

Lawrence B. Leatherwood, superintendent of county schools, said the board had hoped to erect the building for \$60,000, but four bids on the project totaled \$85,547.50.

After the announcement of the bids Tuesday morning, the board (See Education—Page 6)

Ratcliffe Cove CDP Starts Garbage Disposal Program

The Ratcliffe Cove CDP initiated a permanent system of garbage disposal in the community Saturday morning when a converted army truck made its rounds of a number of homes in the area.

The truck will be in operation again next Saturday and then will make runs each two weeks to the homes of Ratcliffe Cove community, who wish to have their garbage

picked up regularly. A fee of 50 cents is charged for the service.

Persons in the area who desire to have stops made at their homes are asked to contact Zimmery Messer, who is chairman of the garbage-disposal program, which is believed to be the first of its kind in Haywood County.

The Ratcliffe Cove CDP also is working on a beautification and roadbank seeding project.

Hazelwood Playground Work Starts

Work started Friday on a new \$3,500 playground project at Hazelwood School, sponsored by the P.T.A. as a project in the town's Finer Carolina program.

Friday and Saturday, bulldozers and trucks worked over the ground behind the school for a 110-by-120-foot concrete play area for both school and community use.

The concrete portion will be used to set up two full-sized basketball courts, two full-sized tennis courts, and a volleyball court. When not being used for these sports, the area can be used for roller skating and may also be used for ice skating in the winter time if curbs are added. This feature is now being considered.

Planned later are shuffleboard and the erection of lights to permit use of the playground at night.

Supervisor of the playground will be Rock Powers, who was recently named manager of the Little League baseball program in Hazelwood.

In addition to the concrete play area now under construction, the 3½-acre playground at Hazelwood school also has \$1,100 worth of equipment—including a merry-go-round for 50 children, a loop-o-ball, two climbing gyms, two horizontal bars, and one slide. Other playground equipment will be added later.

Carl Ratcliffe, Hazelwood principal, said that the P.T.A. is raising all its money for the playground construction by various P.T.A. projects. He said the organization already has more than \$1,000 and has another \$1,000 in prospect.

In addition to sponsoring recreation, the Hazelwood P.T.A. is also promoting safety as a Finer Carolina project.

Board Gets New Figures On Building

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Dave Felmet Is Appointed Cleanup Drive Co-Chairman

Dave Felmet, Waynesville insurance agent, has been named co-chairman of the area cleanup campaign which starts today and continues through the month of May.

The other co-chairman, Mrs. A. R. Riegg, past president of the Waynesville Council of Garden Clubs, was appointed last week.

Mrs. R. H. Stretcher, new president of Council of Garden Clubs, will be in charge of the campaign for the sponsoring organization, Mrs. Walter Baermann is publicity chairman for the event.

Plans are now being considered for a special Cleanup Day on Wednesday, May 23, when individuals and organizations will be asked to clean up their own property and to be responsible for certain other area.

It also planned to assign each member of the area's four garden clubs to be responsible for the

Plans Made To Expedite Program

A formal movement to form a Recreation Development Corporation for this area got underway Friday night, when a group of civic, business and professional leaders discussed a recreation program.

A motion passed unanimously authorizing immediate application for a charter for a \$50,000 straightening corporation, and setting up a board of directors.

Another motion named Jonathan H. Woody as chairman of raising money for payment of the 16-acre tract of land, bought Thursday from the Haywood Horse Show Association, Inc., and also for construction of a pool and other recreational facilities in the property.

A general planning committee will meet tonight, 8 p.m. in the L. N. Davis lounge, and discuss further organizational plans and details of the new corporation.

Ralph Andrews, chairman of the State Recreation Commission is due here Tuesday or Wednesday to consult with leaders as to the development of the property into a recreational center.

The executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce, who worked out details for the purchase of the property, was named to "carry on" until the corporation charter was received, and a board of directors and officers elected. The committee is composed of R. L. Bradley, Ned Tucker, C. G. Thompson, and Harvey M. Dulin.

Many leaders were warm in their praise of the action of the executive committee for acquiring the property.

Heinz Rollman said, "this is the most realistic approach of any plan presented here thus far. In fact, it appears to be the only plan that is along the right track."

Jonathan Woody said in substance that if the community does not proceed immediately and raise the money for the property (\$18,000) it will be apparent that the citizens are not interested in a recreational program.

W. I. Dooley felt the money could be raised, and the project started at once. It was Mr. Dooley who made the motion for organizing a corporation.

J. W. Ray suggested that the (See Recreation—Page 6)

Riverside Baptist Building Fund Goal Is Reached

The Riverside Baptist Church is expected to be free of debt by the end of the Church year, June 30, following a special meeting at which \$1500 was given in pledges and cash. About \$18,000 has been raised during the two-year building program.

The meeting climaxed a ten-day building fund drive at the church. An honor guest was former pastor Thomas Erwin, under whose leadership the building program was launched.

Special services are planned to mark the paying off of the debt, but no date has thus far been set.

Park Group In Quarterly Meet

The North Carolina Park Commission held their quarterly meeting here today, with various committees reporting.

Chairman William Medford said several projects were discussed, and the reports of the committees came up for discussion.

The meeting adjourned with the luncheon this afternoon.

Snowball For Teacher Brings West Carolina Nationwide Publicity

Just because it wasn't an apple they took to the teacher, three Waynesville and Hazelwood boys have made news that has traveled across the whole continent.

Dick Hoyle of Hazelwood and Jimmy Whitman and Don Calhoun of Waynesville, who commute to school each day, saw that they were going to be late for their early-morning classes at Western Carolina College. No apples were handy (it was mid-April) but there was plenty of snow; so the enterprising youths "apple-polished" the teacher with a snowball a foot thick. (The heavy snow on the highway be-

tween Waynesville and Cullowhee was the cause of their tardiness.)

The snowball snowballed. Their professor, Julian Hirt, told the tale of their novel alibi. The story went out on the Associated Press wires. Now letters and clippings have been received from places as far distant as Merced and Los Angeles, Calif., from alumni and friends of the college who have seen the story in their local papers or heard it on their radios.

Haywood County has long been proud of its apples; now it can start bragging about bigger and better snowballs.

Democrats Name Smathers At Meeting, Hear Senator Medford, Pick Delegates



LORANZO SMATHERS
New Democratic Chairman

Meeting Saturday afternoon the Haywood Democratic convention named new officers and a slate of delegates to the State convention in Raleigh May 19. State Senator William Medford was the keynote speaker.

Loranzo Smathers was elected chairman, replacing Frank D. Ferguson, Jr., who announced previously that he was not seeking reelection. Mrs. Raymond Caldwell was named vice chairman, in place of Mrs. Mary Robinson; and Mrs. Fred Campbell was reelected secretary.

Using as his theme a quotation from Abraham Lincoln: "If we could first know where we are and whither we are tending, we could best choose what to do and how to do it." Senator Medford made a strong plea that voters choose the Democratic party to guide the nation in the position of world leadership into which it has been thrust. He said, in part:

"At the close of the World War America was thrown into a position of leadership in the world. We were not prepared psychologically for this leadership — we didn't want it — but we couldn't shirk the responsibility; it was one of those things that come of being a leader in the free world. We had to make an effort to maintain peace in the world.

"The world is actually in two armed camps, one led by America and one led by Russia. It is difficult to know what to do in these (See Democrats—Page 6)

Patrolmen Get Week's Respite From Accidents

Here's one instance where "no news is good news."

Cpl. Pritchard Smith of the State Highway Patrol said today that the four patrolmen in Haywood County have not investigated a single accident in the past week.

"I believe that's a record," the corporal added.

Over 8000 Cars Checked As Auto Inspection Ends

With well over half the county's 14,000 automobiles inspected during the past week's Safety-Check campaign, officials of the Haywood Traffic Safety Committee expressed themselves as well pleased with the interest of the car-owning public. During the six days in which the lanes were open, 7,127 cars were inspected, 4,311 in the Waynesville and Hazelwood lanes and 3,816 in Canton.

March Sales Tax Total Up \$8,000 Over March, 1955

Sales tax collections in Haywood County for the month of March, 1956 were ahead of those for March of last year by nearly \$8,000, according to figures reported in "The Retailer," published by the North Carolina Merchants Association.

Collections for March this year were \$35,504.70, as compared with only \$27,838.14 for March, 1955.

The total for February was put at \$33,396.14.

Electronics Students Visit The Mountaineer

Sixteen members of the Waynesville High electronics class visited The Mountaineer last week to see the part that electricity and electronics plays in the modern printing and publishing business.

The group was headed by Y. F. Burgess, electronics instructor at the school.

Winners from the "Waynesville-Hazelwood lanes are the following: 446107, 446070, 446017, 204504, 696757, 696572, 821382, 578708—and the grand prize winner, 821249.

Numbers drawn in Canton are the following: 954172, 954098, 954424, 697106, 954136, 697012, 954186, 697026, 157482, 157480, 157146, 157380, 196393, 157404, 157449, 157156, 157389, 704370, 827975, 827792, 704185, 704178, 827926, 657941.

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Highway Record For 1956 In Haywood (TO DATE)

Killed 1
(1955 — 1)

Injured 32
(1955 — 21)

Accidents 78
(1955 — 51)

Loss . . . \$27,529
(1955 — \$17,304)

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



GARBAGE COLLECTION was started Saturday in the Ratcliffe Cove community, under sponsorship of the CDP. Making the first rounds of the community were (left to right) Charles Massie and Joe Green and Zimmery Messer, past president of the Ratcliffe Cove CDP. Development of a system of garbage disposal in rural areas is one of the major goals of the county Community Development Program organization for 1956. (Mountaineer Photo).