

# Southeastern Methodists Start Voting For Two Bishops

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# Work Started Today On Recreation Center Pool



THIS IS A PARTIAL view of the delegates attending the Jurisdictional Conference at Lake Junaluska. This picture was made during

the opening session on Wednesday morning. (Photo by Charles Grenell).

## Contract Is Awarded To W. C. Norris

Ground for the new Recreation Center swimming pool was broken at 10 a.m. today, and construction was started immediately.

A contract for \$47,670 was awarded Wednesday afternoon by the Recreation Commission to the W. C. Norris Construction Co. of Waynesville, low bidder on the project.

At the ground-breaking ceremonies this morning, the invocation and benediction were pronounced by the Rev. T. E. Robnett, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the Rev. Calvin Theilman, pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

Dick Bradley, president of the Recreation Commission, acted as master of ceremonies and introduced other members of the commission and the finance committee, who played a major role in the successful campaign last month to raise \$50,000.

After brief remarks by Mr. Bradley, a ribbon marking the site of the new swimming pool was cut by Mrs. Clyde Fisher and Mrs. Harry Whisenand, and a bulldozer then started breaking the first ground for the construction project.

Music for the occasion was provided by Charles Isley and members of the WTHS band.

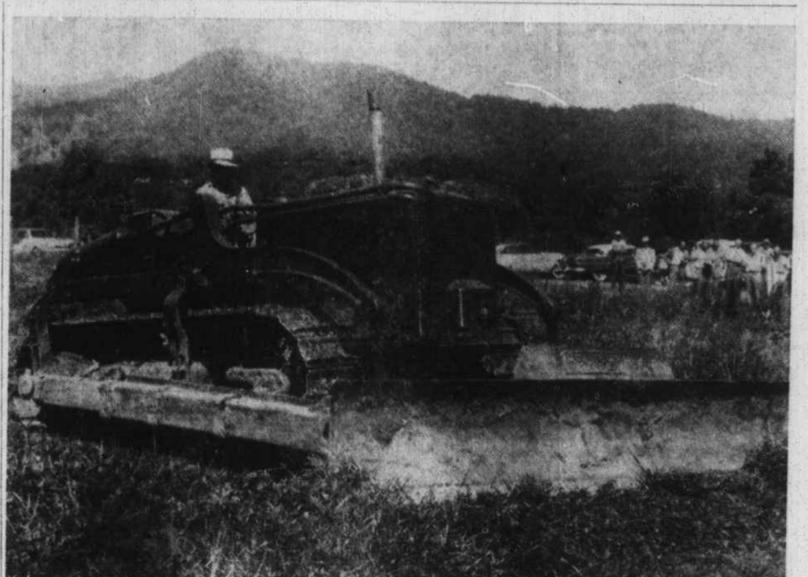
Architect Henry Foy, in whose office the bids were opened yesterday, said the new pool will have a total area of 6,700 square feet, with a 20-foot concrete deck completely around the pool. Construction will be concrete reinforced with steel.

Among features of the pool, Mr. Foy pointed out, are underwater lighting, filter system and chlorinator, separate diving well with three-meter and one-meter diving boards, and two lifeguard stations.

For greater safety and convenience of swimmers and "waders," the pool will be divided into shallow and deep sections. The pool will range in depth between three feet and eleven and a half feet.

A bathroom and fence around the pool will be built under a

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GROUND WAS BROKEN for the new Recreation Center swimming pool at 10:15 a.m. today by this bulldozer for the W. C. Norris Construction Co. of

Waynesville, who was awarded a contract for the project Wednesday afternoon. (Mountaineer Photo).

## 75 Names Included In First Ballot, More Voting Set Afternoon, Night

### Five School Projects Under Way For Fall

Efforts are being made to have several Haywood school projects completed by the time the 1956-57 school term opens this fall, according to Lawrence Leatherwood, superintendent of education.

The \$12,000 vocational shop expansion and remodeling program at Crabtree-Iron Duff, according to Leatherwood, is well on the way and should be completed by August 1.

Work has started on the additions and modernization program of the Cruso school, which will represent an expenditure of approximately \$52,000.

The sub-basement has been poured to the Administration building on the lot just to the rear of the Courthouse, and tentative plans are to complete this structure by August 20.

Architects are working on final plans for conversion of the Waynesville High School auditorium into five additional classrooms, library and study hall. Superintendent Leatherwood said he hoped to get this project, which will cost about \$22,000, under way within a week or ten days.

Bids for the Pigeon Street school, which will run about \$85,000 and will be built on a new 3-acre Pigeon Street site, are set for about July 20 in order that formal approval of the bids can be made by the State Board of Education as they meet in Raleigh August 2.

### Mother of Dan Watkins Dies In Henderson

Mrs. W. G. Watkins, mother of Dan Watkins of Waynesville, died in a Henderson hospital early Tuesday morning.

Funeral services were held in Henderson yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Watkins left Tuesday to attend the services.

### The Weather

Partly cloudy and a little warmer today. Friday, fair to partly cloudy and somewhat warmer.

Official Waynesville temperature as reported by the State Test Farm:

Date	Max.	Min.	Pr.
July 9	79	60	.09
July 10	77	56	
July 11	73	49	

### Many Extra Copies Of Mountaineer Being Published

Several hundred extra copies of this issue of The Mountaineer were published in order to meet the demand of the many visiting Methodists and others at Lake Junaluska and in this vicinity this week.

The demand for extra copies of The Mountaineer has grown steadily. The Monday issue was sold out soon after coming off the press.

### Dr. Butler Will Head Health Dept.

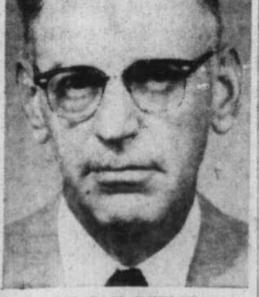
Dr. Raymond Kenneth Butler of Front Royal, Va., has been named health officer of Haywood County, and will assume his duties here September 1.

His appointment was announced by the Haywood County Board of Health.

Before starting his work at the Health Center, Dr. Butler will work with the Buncombe County Health Department during the month of August.

The new health officer attended Dayton Normal School and Westminster College in Pennsylvania, was graduated from the University of Pittsburgh Medical School and took his internship at Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh.

Dr. Butler began practice of medicine at Dayton, Pa. and re-



DR. R. K. BUTLER

A special program emphasizing missionary work and church extension will feature tonight's session of the Southeastern Methodist Jurisdictional Conference at Lake Junaluska.

The voting began with 75 persons included in the first ballot. Of that number 34 received one vote.

The rules are that a person must receive 60 per cent or 229 of the 384 delegates to be elected. Two delegates did not vote in the first balloting.

The results were:  
Dr. Nolan B. Harmon of New York, and the Virginia Conference, 103.

Dr. Walter C. Gunn, of Norfolk, 62.

Dr. J. H. Chitwood, Tuscaloosa, Ala., 57.

Dr. Lee Tuttle, Charlotte was sixth with 49, and Dr. Embree Blackard, Asheville was 9th with 35.

The second balloting with 376 votes cast were as follows:  
H. J. Mon 182, Gum 66, Chitwood 64, Tuttle (7th) 36, and Blackard (12th) 24. Voting for the third ballot. (See Methodist—Page 6)

### 11 Farmers File Applications For Soil Bank Aid

Eleven Haywood County farmers have applied to the ASC for soil bank payments on burley tobacco. A. W. Ferguson, ASC manager, announced today.

Total acreage involved in these 11 requests is 4,888 acres, for which payments will be approximately \$1,600.

Among the farmers making applications for soil bank assistance were three from Cove Creek, who applied under the provision of "natural destruction" of their crops by the June 30 flash flood in the community.

The other eight farmers applied for aid under the provision they were anticipating joining in the 1956 soil bank program.

The deadline for applying for payments this year is Friday, July 20.

### Water Line To New Plant Started

Town forces are scheduled to start work installing 1,000 feet of 8-inch water line to the new Unagusta plant, according to G. C. Ferguson, town manager. The water main will go under the Southern Railway tracks to the plant to provide a direct line connecting with the main from the reservoir.

Ferguson estimated that the work could be done in about two weeks under favorable weather conditions.

### N. C. Press Group Will Get Local Promotion Data

A motored hearing members of the North Carolina Press Association will pass through Waynesville about 3 p.m. Friday en route to the Wagon Road-Beech Gap section of the Blue Ridge Parkway.

The motored will proceed up Main Street to Pigeon Street, where it will turn left and leave town on Highway 276.

The group is scheduled to stop briefly at Camp Hope — during which time the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce representative will distribute a package of the area promotional material, including the new Waynesville booklet, the WNC Vacation Map, Highlanders accommodations list, Lake Junaluska program, industrial booklet, a newspaper picture of Devil's Courthouse and a 300-word story suitable for publication in N. C. papers.

The press group will be headed by Leslie Thompson of Whiteville, NCPA president, and Miss Beatrice Cobb of Morganton, secretary.

### Wool, Lamb Checks To Be Ready July 23

The Haywood ASC office is now preparing drafts on 1955 wool and lamb payments. A. W. Ferguson, ASC manager, announced today.

Approximately 60 producers are eligible for checks, which will be distributed starting Monday, July 23.

Payments are made on wool and on lambs sold for immediate slaughter.

### Bryson Cites Urgent Need For Lower Court In County

Solicitor Thad D. Bryson, Jr., this morning pointed to the urgent need of a lower court for Haywood County.

Solicitor Bryson said that 256 new cases had been added to the local docket since the February term of court and with the few continued cases meant a docket of 311 for this one-week term of court.

He said that 250 cases had been disposed of as of noon today and that 90 per cent of all the cases on the docket were traffic cases which a lower court could dispose of faster and more economically than Superior Court.

Solicitor Bryson said that 95 per cent of all traffic case defendants brought into court entered a plea of guilty. He cited the recent inauguration of a lower court in

### Governor Arrives Here Friday For Special Meeting

Governor Luther H. Hodges will arrive in Waynesville tomorrow for a special conference with Western North Carolina legislators on proposed school legislation to be presented to the special session of the legislature which convenes July 23.

The meeting here will be open only to legislators from Avery and Burke counties and other counties to the west. The session will be concluded with a dinner at the summer home of A. L. Freedlander, president and general manager of the Dayton Rubber Company.

Hosts at the dinner will be Senator William Medford of Waynesville and R. O. Huffman of Morganton.

Three other meetings are being held by the governor with legislators this week. One was held at Rocky Mount Monday, one at Kinston Tuesday and the third at Lexington today.

## Adjournment Of Court Set About Noon On Friday

### Thompson Assumes Duties As Chamber President

C. G. Thompson formally assumed the presidency of the Chamber of Commerce as the Board of Directors held their regular monthly meeting Tuesday night. He succeeds Richard L. Bradley, who tendered his resignation in order to accept the presidency of the Waynesville Recreation Development Commission.

Thompson is president of the Smoky Mountains Fertilizer Company and has been active in civic and church affairs of the community since coming here several years ago.

Bradley has served as president of the civic organization for the past 18 months. In his letter of resignation to the board, Bradley expressed his appreciation for the interest and activities of the board and said:

"I sincerely appreciate the out-

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### Ensley Superette Formal Opening Now Under Way

The formal opening of the new Ensley Superette, 301 Pigeon St., Waynesville, will be held today, Friday, and Saturday.

During the three-day formal opening, 25 food baskets will be given free and door prizes will be presented to all children.

The new Ensley Superette, a short distance down the street from the old store, is operated by Junior Ensley.



ED POTTS, manager of a service station at Lake Junaluska, is foreman of the Haywood County Grand Jury, now in session during the July term of Superior Court. (Mountaineer Photo)

### Tourist Inquiries Reach New High, Highlanders Say

"Inquiries for reservations are heavier than ever before," according to L. E. DeVous, president of the Haywood County Highlanders. "Inquiries are coming in by air mail, regular mail, telephone and telegraph," DeVous continued.

Reservations are being sought for the remainder of July, August and the fall. The outlook is very encouraging for September and early fall business, the head of the tourist organization pointed out.

DeVous said that there had been more response from the distribution of the recently published 20,000 booklets than ever before. This is the fifth year the pictorial book has been published.

"Thus far we have been able to fill every reservation very satisfactorily," DeVous continued, "and with the many new places that have opened up we feel we will be able to take care of every visitor that comes into our area with modern and economical facilities."

No one else will be accepted for the tour unless some of the reservations already made are cancelled, Mr. Holloway said.

The tour will leave here a week from today for a trip through portions of 15 states and the Canadian provinces of Quebec and Ontario. The group is scheduled to return to Waynesville July 29.

### Reservations Close For 13th Annual Out-Of-State Tour

All 90 places on the 13th annual out-of-state farm tour have now been filled up, County Agent Virgil L. Holloway said today.

No one else will be accepted for the tour unless some of the reservations already made are cancelled, Mr. Holloway said.

The tour will leave here a week from today for a trip through portions of 15 states and the Canadian provinces of Quebec and Ontario. The group is scheduled to return to Waynesville July 29.

### Grand Jury Suggests Old Tax Records Cleared From Courthouse Basement Office

Removal and destruction of old tax-listing records from the courthouse was recommended by the Haywood County Grand Jury in its reports to Judge Zeb V. Nettles Wednesday afternoon.

Concerning the courthouse, the Grand Jury report stated:

"The Court House is found to be in good shape and clean except basement of the office of the Register of Deeds, which is used for the storage of old records. Lots of old records should be removed and done away with. Shelves need to be built. Old records are piled on the floor which might cause danger of fire. We recommend metal shelves be installed."

The grand jurors also inspected the Haywood County and Canton jails and the Hazelwood Prison Camp and pronounced them clean and in good condition.

The report was signed by Ed Potts, foreman of the Grand Jury.

**Highway Record For 1956 In Haywood (TO DATE)**

**Killed . . . . . 2**  
(1955 — 1)

**Injured . . . . . 43**  
(1955 — 37)

**Accidents . . . 102**  
(1955 — 76)

**Loss . . . \$32,621**  
(1955 — \$30,479)

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