#### Thanksgiving Day Comes This Year On November 22

WASHINGTON (AP) - In case you have been wondering: Thanksgiving Day comes on Nov. 22 this year, the fourth Thursday in the

Sometimes there is confusion when November has five Thursdays as it does this year.

According to tradition, the fourth Thursday is the day normally proclaimed by presidents ever since George Washington set aside Nov. 26, 1789, as the nation's first Thanksgiving Day.

Tradition - and calendars were altered temporarily when President Franklin D. Roosevelt picked the next-to-last Thursday in November for the holiday. Congress later passed a law specifying Thanksgiving should be celebrated on the fourth Thursday.

President Eisenhower probably will make it official this year with a proce ation in the fall.

### Naturalist Program **Events Announced**

With the first hint of autumn's tangy air bringing a tinge of color to the high peaks of the Smokies, the Naturalist Program of the National Park Service announces its schedule of hikes and talks for the month.

On Friday, September 14, the program calls for a hike to Laurel Falls, starting at 9 a.m. from Fighting Creek Gap. The round trip hiking distances is 212 miles.

Saturday there will be a hike to Alum Cave Bluffs, starting at 9 a.m. from Alum Cave Parking Area, 112 miles above loop tunnel on US 441. Hiking distance is 412 miles. Hikers are to bring lunch. Those planning to continue to Mt. LeConte Lodge from the bluffs should notify Mrs. Jack Church Membership Huff at Gatlinburg 2402. The naturalist will accompany the party

as far as Alum Cave Bluffs. Monday another hike is scheduled to Laurel Falls.

Tuesday's hike is to Big Trees. Greenbrier, a half-day trip starting at 8:30 a.m. from the Mountain history. View Hotel, Gatlinburg, Driving distance from there is 25 miles; hiking distance 2 miles,

Of approximately 70 million licensed drivers in the country, some 20 million were given traffic violation tickets.



MISS SALLIE McCRACKEN, native of Haywood, who was recently honored on the completion of her 60 years as an administrator of the Mills Home, the N. C. Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville. Miss McCracken is shown here at the Orphanage with two of the small boys of the

(Photo courtesy Charity and Children).

# Passes 100 Million

NEW YORK (AP) - The National Council of Churches says church membership in the United States has soared beyond the 100 million mark for the first time in

That's almost two of every three persons in the nation.

The council reported that the latest compilation of the Yearbook compares with 97,482,611 last year.

# White Cane Drive Set By Five Haywood Lions Clubs

#### C. E. Mundy, Jr. Receives Honor At Quantico

C. E. Mundy, Jr., a member of of American Churches lists 100,- the Marine Corps Platoon Leaders 162,529 members of all faiths. That Class, received the second highest rating in a class of 304 Marine Corps officer candidates upon completion of a six weeks training period at Marine Corps School, Quantico, Va., last week. The ratg is based on academic average leadership and general military proficiency. Upon completion of the course top ranking candidates State Blind Association works in are recommended for commissions in the regular Marine Corps.

The Platoon Leaders Class is an officer candidate program designed to screen and test college men for commissions in the Marine Corps upon graduation from col-

Mundy, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mundy of Lake Junaluska and Pensacola, Fla., will receive his commission as second lieutenant upon graduation from API, Auburn, Ala., next spring.

While training at Quantico. Mundy was also honorary commander of his platoon, which won first place in competitive drill.

Ninevah WMU Meets With Mrs. Smiley By MRS. AZE GRIFFIN Community Reporter

The WMU of the Ninevah Church met Tuesday night in the home of Mrs. John Smiley. Mrs. Brittian Smith conducted the de-

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McCracken and Mrs. Anna Gilford over the week-

Sept. 23 to Oct. 3 will be in charge the dining room. of project chairmen of five Lions Clubs-Canton, Clyde, Hazelwood, Pigeon Valley and Waynesville.

These five clubs will conduct community sales of lapel tabs and solicitation of memberships in the N. C. State Association for the Haywood County's five Lions

Clubs will join in drive efforts with 30 other clubs with some 1,600 members in District 31-A comprising 12 western mountain coun A non-profit organization, the

cooperation with the State Blind Commission in assisting the blind and visually handicapped all over "Safety, Security and Self Support for North Carolina's Blind" is

White Cane Drive's objective, with all funds derived being used directly or indirectly for blind aid programs. There is no paid staff. State Blind Association fills in the gap between services rendered

by Lions Clubs and the State Blind Commission, making a total program unequaled in the United Association funds are used for

many purposes. Radios for blind persons and equipment for blind stand operators are purchased.

Association sponsors educational programs on Prevention of Blindness, pre-school institutes for mothers of blind children, and provides eye surgery when other funds are not available

Other projects financed are: transportation charges on all talking book machines used by the blind, White Cane walking sticks for all blind, furnishing of glasses, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Watson of artificial eyes, provision for cloth-Woodruff, S. C., were guests of ing, hearing aids, dental services and hospitalization

Margaret Godfrey, and Miss Betty Ann Poteat of Marion were guests Miss Mary Alice Godfrey, Miss of Mrs. John Smiley on Sunday.

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## 3 Scouts Get Eagle Rank 17th

Three Haywood County Boy Scouts-two from Canton and one from the Waynesville area-will receive their Eagle Scout badges at a Pigeon River District Court of Honor at the First Methodist Church of Canton at 7:30 p.m. Monday, September 17.

The three are John Hill, III, and Jim Rosendahl, both of Troop 16, Canton, and Johnny Mack Farmer of Troop 5, Hazelwood.

Rosendahl, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rosendahl of 89 Newfound St., Canton, is a ninth grade student at Canton High School, and plays a clarinet in the school

Jim, a member of the First Methodist Church of Canton, has aspirations to be a lawyer.

Hill is the proud owner of 22 merit badges, although he is only 13 years of age. He is a member of the eighth grade of Canton Junior High, and has made straight "A's' since he started school

He has been a Scout for two years, and is already a member of the 'Order of The Arrow".

His ambition is to be a mechancal engineer, perhaps going into the field of aeronautic engineering He is proud of his Scout Troop and especially fond of his Scoutmaster Floyd Lowrance.

Farmer, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Moody Farmer, Route 1. Waynesville, is a 10th grade student at WTHS, and a French horn player in the Waynesville band.

A member of the First Baptist Church of Waynesville, Johnny Mack wants to be a doctor.

#### Small Dinner

HELENA, Mont. (AP)-It was no a 10-foot hamburger was on the menu for delegates to the National Association of State Approval The 1956 White Cane Drive in Agencies convention, Police escort-



EAGLE SCOUT CANDIDATES for the coveted badge of Scouting, to be awarded at a Pigeon River District Court of Honor at the First Methodist Church of Canton September 17, are (from left)



16, Canton, and Johnny Mack Farmer of Troop 5,

(Mountaineer Photo)

# Hazelwood Presbyterians To Dedicate Organ Sunday

Church has planned a service of dedication for the new Wurlitzer Concert Model Organ recently purchased and installed in the Church as a memorial to "Harry R. (Blue)

The dedication service is set to ight lunch, A 40-foot hot dog and commence at 4 p.m., Sept. 16.

After a brief service of dedication there will be an organ con- School for the past three years. cert of approximately 45 minutes, Haywood County scheduled from ed the lunch from the bakery to presented by Henry Lofquist, or- Memorial by means of a fund

Church in Asheville and teacher of piano, organ and harp at the Waynesville Township High School. the University of North Carolina. and Guilmant Organ School in New York City. He received his masters degree in music at Columbia

The organ was purchased as a ganist at the First Presbyterian which was instituted by the ses-

University, he has been teaching

at the Waynesville Township High

sion of the Church shortly after the death of Mr. Robinson. The fund was known officially as the Harry R. (Blue) Robinson Organ Fund."

"Blue" was a very active member of the Hazelwood Presbyterian Church, he had been Sunday school Mr. Lofquist is a graduate of superintendent, a teacher of the young adult Sunday school class. and an ordained ruling elder in the church. He had been active also in many civic affairs of the community, having served as president of the Waynesville Jaycees. and as a state officer in the Jaycees. He was also a member and had been president of the

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