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Municipal Building Planned For Waynesville Board of Trade With Full Time Secretary Assured Enthusiastic Meeting Results in Determination To Have Budget of \$25,000.00

Waynesville Given Splendid Write-up by Asheville Citizen—Synopsis of Advantages of Section

Says This Entire Section Has Had Great Summer Season and That We Expect Bigger Things in Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-Five

In reviewing the activities of the summer months, the citizens of Waynesville feel very gratified and are looking forward to even bigger things for the next year.

Real estate transactions in the last four months totaled approximately \$1,500,000.

Railroad, hotel and boarding house figures show an increase of about 5,000 visitors this year over last. It is stated that although many of the season's guests are leaving, still many are arriving.

The two banks report deposits of \$150,000 in excess of last summer's deposits, and a generally prosperous year.

One large manufacturing plant was started recently, adding to the already large list of manufacturers here. A big lumber company has purchased a site here and is expected to begin operations in a few weeks.

A street paving program for the city is well under way, having completed more than half the work. The entire expenditures will amount to about \$600,000.

Well grounded rumors have it that two new hotels are being planned to take care of the growing population both permanent and transient.

Men familiar with real estate activities state that surrounding sites are getting careful consideration by several groups of realtors and individuals with the idea of starting developments.

These are a few of the reasons why the people of Waynesville are so optimistic about its near past and its near future. Combined with these recent developments are the beauty of the city itself, encircled by majestic mountain peaks; its clear crystalline water; its fine motor highways; its easy fields of outdoor sports; its easy accessibility by train or motor; its firm foundation of established business and manufacturing concerns. All are recognized cornerstones for a future large city.

The permanent population of Waynesville is now about 3,500. Summer visitors bring this up to somewhere in the neighborhood of 6,000 for the four "heavy" months. The Chamber of Commerce, headed by E. L. Withers, is the source of this information. As previously stated, the fall and winter this year are expected to see more guests than ever before in the history of the city, and probably next summer will claim many of the transients as permanents, if building reports are correct.

Let us take a more careful look at this city, which is taking its place along with the others in Western North Carolina that are now attracting the attention of the whole country in their remarkable growth of the last few years.

Waynesville is built upon a plateau 2,800 feet above sea level. That in itself is a drawing card, for a high altitude, with its bracing air and absence of humidity, is almost a synonym for good health. Malaria, hay fever and mosquitoes, for instance, are unknown quantities in its vicinity. In addition, the city, as is all of this section, it in the South and accordingly nearer the sun. That makes for plenty of sunshine. And then, remembering the high altitude and its lack on humidity, we discover an ideal spot—warm days with cool nights in the summer, and a comparatively mild winter.

Waynesville is not only high up from the sea. It is in and is surrounded by land wealthy in scenic beauty. Here majestic mountains, the peaks of which seem to meet the sky, give a picturesque panorama with their forest and flower-clad arrangement. Streams, sometimes gushing, sometimes calm, and their way down their sides, later to become rivers, lakes or drinking water, as man might choose.

Some of the higher ranges viewed from Waynesville and within five or ten miles to the peaks from this city are Lick Stone Bald, Eagles Nest, Jones' Knob, Richland Balsam, Flott's Balsam, Water Rock Knob, Lone Balsam, Cold Spring Knob, Spruce Ridge, Caney Fork Bald and Rhinehart. All are between five and six thousand feet above sea level and the majority surpass the 6,000 mark by several hundred feet.

It is from a group of these mountains, principally Richland Balsam, that the people of Waynesville derive their drinking water. Nearly one thousand acres of watershed have been set aside so as to assure the highest degree of purity, and as a further safeguard from contamination of the water, a complete filtration plant has been established. So many streams enter the watershed that the supply is plentiful, besides giving a high pressure valuable in times of fire.

F. W. Miller, one of the city's aldermen, said that 6,000 more acres to be added shortly to the watershed. Besides giving pleasure to the eye and to the palate, the numerous mountain streams give joy to the fisherman. Trout is the principal catch. The waters are abundant with this fish, due to the United States Fishery Bureau, which has a hatchery near here.

Appropos of government stations, it would be well to mention here that in this vicinity is the Appalachian Forest Reserve and within a short distance the government reservation of the Cherokee Indians.

Waynesville started as farming village—as perhaps have most cities. The fertile valleys yielded abundant crops and they still do. But where progress enters towns grow. Little by little Main street grew, new business came in, manufacturing plants entered, homes increased, summer guests increased, boarding houses and hotels started, moving picture theaters came along and so it goes.

Today we find nine large manufacturing concerns going at full speed and giving employment to hundred of people. These are, with their approximate number of employees, as follows:

Junaluska Leather Company, 75 to 125 according to the seasons; Unagusta Furniture Company, 300; Waynesville Furniture Company, 300; Haywood Furniture and Manufacturing Company, 150; Hyatt and Company, building materials mill, 150, and its coal, wood ice and feed business, 75; Waynesville Showcase Manufacturing Company, 100; Waynesville Roller Mills, 100; Waynesville Barrel Manufacturing Company, 75; The Haywood Furniture and Manufacturing Company was started about three months ago and is showing remarkable progress. About 1,000 men will find employment in the Suncrest Lumber which is moving from Sunburst to Waynesville shortly.

Two of the largest business houses here deal in wholesale groceries. They are the Blackwell-Bushnell Company and the Haywood Supply Company.

Splendid banking facilities are available to these business and manufacturing institutions as well as to the other citizens and the visitors—the Citizens Bank and Trust Company, of which Dr. Thomas Stringfield is president, and the First National Bank, J. R. Boyd, president.

About four years ago the city authorized the paving of its streets, but as it grew, new appropriations had to be made. The present plan calls for 14 streets to be paved at a cost of approximately \$600,000. Mr. Miller said that seven of these have been completed, but he hopes that Waynesville will grow so rapidly that they never will catch up. Mayor Harden Howell backs him up in this

WAYNESVILLE TO HAVE CITY HALL.

A movement is on foot to have a new municipal building or city hall for Waynesville.

Many citizens of Waynesville have been expecting such an addition for some time, but until lately the proposition has not been given very serious consideration.

This will be a move in the right direction.

With a new city building, a new county jail and the remodeling of the court house, this city is in for an unprecedented building boom this fall and winter.

GOODFELLOWS BANQUET POSTPONED.

The Goodfellows banquet which was to meet next Tuesday night has been postponed and all are invited to attend the get-together banquet and meeting of all business and professional men on the following night at Hotel Waynesville at 8:00 P. M. Wednesday, October 7.

J. R. McCracken, President.

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH HAS SPLENDID BIBLE CLASS.

Grace church is fortunate in having a very fine Bible Class, under the direction of the Hon. Ex-Congressman C. R. Thomas. Next Sunday, October 4th, begins the series of the new quarter's studies, the general theme of which is: "The Story of the Early Church." Every reader of this notice is most cordially invited to come. The hour is 10 A. M. in the Parish House.

The Rector will consecrate the Sacrament at 11, and preach again at 8 P. M.

REV. ALBERT NEW, Rector.

CLYDE CULLINGS.

A three week's revival meeting held at West Canton church by pastor Rev. B. N. Rogers and Rev. Mr. McHaffey has just closed with the results of eighty-one conversions, and twenty-nine baptisms.

Roy Rogers, son of Rev. B. N. Rogers and Jack Messer, son of Fred Messer, left Clyde last Tuesday for Jefferson, Tenn., where they will attend college.

HENRY-GEISLER.

Miss Mary Geisler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Geisler, and Mr. Fred Henry were married in Newport, Tenn., last Sunday. Immediately following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Henry left for Tampa and other Florida points.

Mrs. Henry is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geisler and is a popular member of Sylvia's younger set.

Mr. Henry is connected with his father in the firm of J. B. Henry and Son.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry will be at home to their many friends after October 1.

Fred Francis of Canton was a visitor Thursday.

outlook.

The principal and best known hotel is the Hotel Gordon, beautifully situated on a high bluff overlooking the valley of the Richland river. Fatio Dunham in the owner and manager. Through this hotel, visitors find much amusement in the way of tennis, golf, horseback riding and dancing. Just two and a half miles from here is the famous Lake Junaluska, where swimming and boating are added to the hotel's and city's pleasures.

J. F. Bass, who is associated with Mr. Withers in the real estate and insurance business, said that the city's accommodations, in spite of this large hotel and many boarding houses are not nearly enough to care for the visitors. Homes, to be sold and to be rented were at a premium this summer, he stated. It is his prediction, seconded by Mr. Miller and other business men, that Waynesville will see much building within the next year.

THE ROTARY BANQUET.

The Gordon dining hall was the scene of a brilliant affair Friday night when the members of the Rotary Club entertained with a banquet in honor of the wives.

The dining hall was beautifully decorated with the blue and white paper artistically draped about the room.

Seated at the speaker's table were the President, Rev. J. T. Mangum, and other officers with their wives. Mr. Mangum welcomed the ladies in some well chosen words, and also gave a most wonderful address on the Rotary Club and the high ideals for which it stands, after which Mrs. J. Dale Stentz gracefully responded in behalf of the ladies.

During the evening, J. Dale Stentz lead the assembled guests in several rousing Rotary songs, after which George Stuart, Jr. rendered two beautiful solos, "Lindy Lou," and "Because They All Love You."

After the four course dinner, several mirth provoking contests were held. In one of the contests each lady was the recipient of a handsome gift. The lady having a birthday nearest the date of the banquet was given a lovely set of silver candle sticks. Mrs. Fred Martin was the winner in this instance. The last contest was very interesting, as well as exciting. The men's and ladies' names were placed in separate boxes, and a name from each was drawn.

The prize in this case was a five dollar gold piece. Mr. W. L. Lanier and J. Dale Stentz were the lucky winners.

The meeting closed with the result that the invited ladies found themselves more than ever closely allied with the interests of the Rotary Club.

WAYNESVILLE HIGH DOWNS MARION 910.

Opening up an aerial attack in the last quarter, the Waynesville high school football team overcame the stubborn resistance offered by the Marion high school line last Friday afternoon, and on this line of attack scored a touch down followed a few moments later by a field goal to win their second straight contest of the season-9-0. Davis' run, after receiving a perfect forward pass, netted Waynesville their touchdown and first score. The outstanding feature of the game was the brilliant playing of Rotha, Campbell and Davis.

Marion tried to break Waynesville's strong lines of defense, but they were unable to accomplish this feat.

Score by quarters:
Waynesville 0 0 0 0—0
Marion 0 0 0 9—9

Officials—Mahan referee—Herman umpire—Plott head linesman.

FOOTBALL GAME FRIDAY.

Coach Henry Browning's strong football eleven will clash with Marshall team Friday, Oct. 2nd on the Waynesville field. The Waynesville team has made a brilliant record for the opening of her season; the first game played on Asheville's court resulted in Waynesville's victory 18-0, and her record with Marion was 9-0 played on our court last Friday.

CHURCH NOTICE.

On the first Sunday in October at 11 A. M. I will hold my last service for the conference year at Davis' Chapel. We are especially anxious for all the members to be present. Come and bring your friends with you. Also at 3 P. M. we will hold the last service at Fincher's Chapel. Come one and all, everybody cordially invited.

P. L. TERRELL, Pastor.

WOMAN'S CLUB.

The Woman's Club will hold its next meeting at the home of Mrs. R. L. Allen, October 8, 1925.

Clyde H. Ray, Veteran Waynesville Civic Leader Elected President With Strong Board of Governors

Blackwell-Bushnell Company and Hyatt & Company Start Investment With \$1,000.00 City Administration To Invest \$2,000.00. Drive of Waynesville Township for Large Budget.

On Tuesday night, September 29th, a Banquet was held in the Waynesville Hotel for the purpose of reorganizing the Waynesville Board of Trade.

About one hundred men of Waynesville attended and it is said that it was the most representative gathering of the taxpayers of the community ever held in Waynesville.

A splendid banquet was enjoyed by all present after which the meeting was called to order by the outgoing President, Mr. Frank Miller.

In the election for a president Mr. Clyde H. Ray was unanimously elected. Mr. Ray is the old veteran leader of Waynesville and it is conceded by everyone that the right man had been selected to fill this important position.

The Board of Directors was then chosen and is composed of the following:

Clyde Ray, Sam Bushnell, Rev. J. T. Mangum, Theo. McCracken, Sam Stringfield, Lucius Bramlett, Bonner Ray, Bill Lampkin, O. T. Alexander, M. H. Reeves, F. W. Miller, Paul Walker, Joe Mormino, Jas. Atkins.

The question of a secretary-treasurer was temporarily laid aside until the new president and board of directors have mapped out their program, etc., and have had time to hire an experienced man for this important position.

It is pretty well understood that a full time secretary from outside of Waynesville will be selected and he will be a man of experience and a live-wire promoter and advertising expert. It was pointed out that a cheap man is worse than none.

Many brilliant talks were made by some of those present and much was accomplished in the way of mapping out a campaign for a \$25,000 budget. The members assembled went on record and a resolution was adopted nothing less than \$10,000 for the first year's work was necessary and much more if possible was to be raised.

Another banquet is to be held at the Waynesville Hotel on next Wednesday night, October 7th, at 8 o'clock.

ANNUAL PICNIC.

The annual picnic of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Waynesville Methodist church was held on Sept. 22nd with Mrs. James Atkins, Sr., at Lake Junaluska.

The attractive home decorated with golden rod and dahlias was thrown wide open to the society with many visitors and friends.

The picnic was served cafeteria style, everyone helped themselves to a bountiful luncheon and as only these ladies can prepare. In the afternoon a very interesting business and devotional service was held with Mrs. E. J. Robeson as leader. The subject for study was, "Our work with the Negro."

Mrs. Tucker read a story of the life of Mary Washington, the wife of Booker T. Washington. Mrs. Way told of how we had helped and could still be of help to the colored people in our midst.

Later Mrs. Mead gave a most interesting sketch of Mary Washington, as she knew her personally.

Very encouraging reports were given by all circles and departments for the work done in the year past. A very vital discussion was held in regard to a new parsonage and plans were formed for same.

The leader asked Mrs. Turbyfill who has attended practically all of the picnics to tell something about them.

Mrs. Turbyfill said they originated about 37 years ago when Mrs. Tate invited the society to her home on

and every taxpayer in Waynesville township is invited to be there. It makes no difference whether you are a member of the Board of Trade or not; you are urged to attend because this meeting is of vital interest to this whole section.

It is planned to appoint teams to canvass the entire township and the entire amount is to be raised during the month of October.

At the next meeting the president and board of directors will submit their plans and budget for the consideration and adoption of those present.

Blackwell-Bushnell and Hyatt & Company have already subscribed \$1,000.00 towards the necessary fund.

Mr. M. H. Reeves of the Waynesville Pharmacy subscribed for ten memberships in the Board of Trade. Mr. R. N. Barber subscribed \$25.00 and Messrs. LeRoy Sargent and Emerson have agreed to give five per cent of amount raised. Mr. Fatio Dunham has volunteered to give ten per cent of amount raised.

The city authorities will subscribe the legal amount out of the city treasury which will be approximately \$2,000.00.

These subscriptions have already been volunteered before the organization is perfected or the real drive made.

It was the most enthusiastic group of civic leaders that have assembled in Waynesville in many moons and from all signs this community will have an organized Board of Trade that will be second to none in America.

Everyone is invited to next meeting next Wednesday night. Everyone is urged to bring someone else.

This Board of Trade will bring a new hotel, it will bring many more tourists; it will stimulate business; will bring harmony out of chaos; promote a home trade spirit and will be of untold benefits to this whole section. Of course it is realized by almost everyone that it all depends upon getting a real experienced full-time secretary.

Camp Branch for the day. The picnics were held with her each year until her death. They have since been held with Mrs. W. B. Ferguson, Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Welch, there was only one year that the picnic was not held in the whole 37 years.

Mrs. S. J. Shelton made a short talk on her appreciation of the picnic.

Mrs. R. Q. McCracken paid a loving tribute to the former Mrs. Atkins, since her's was the master mind that formed the circles and put them to working, since then a great good has come through the work and she asked that as soon as possible something be given as memorial to her.

Mrs. W. T. Shelton moved that we stand as a token of our appreciation of Bishop Atkins.

Mrs. S. J. Shelton led the prayer. The following visitors were present and gave greetings. Mrs. Batten, Miami, Fla.; Mrs. Bishop, Gainesville, Fla.; Mrs. Page, Greensboro, N. C.; Mrs. Curtis, Pickens, S. C.; Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Mead, Lake Junaluska; Miss Claggett, Mrs. Browning, Mrs. Mead, Mrs. James Thomas, Mrs. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turbyfill.

PARENT-TEACHER TO MEET.

There will be a meeting of Parents-Teachers' Association on day night, Oct. 2, at 8:00 o'clock at the East Waynesville school. All the parents that have children in the East Waynesville school are urged to attend.