

Clay County Men Teach, Attend Haywood Tech Sawmill School

By Guy Padgett Staff Writer



A.J. Cloer

Who ever heard of anyone going to school to learn to be a "ginger hick"? Sounds about as ridiculous as to attend school to learn how to make sawmill gravy".

Well, the officials at Haywood Technical Institute don't seem to think it is ridiculous at all. They can see the handwriting on the wall. They say young men are not learning special skills in their father's trades throughout a normal life. Men are needed as sawyers, saw-filers, lumber graders and dry kiln operators are becoming so scarce that the industry says they are going to have to do something about it.

Haywood Tech at Clyde is up with the answer. With assistance of federal monies, donations of equipment from lumbering equipment manufacturers and cooperation of the industry itself, they are offering classes in the above mentioned crafts, that should prepare student for employment within about 50 miles.

John W. Crites, head of Wood Products Department, points out that these men will be professionals at the end of this course, for there are no lessons to be learned by experience. But he emphasizes the fact that with very short pretenses, these men could be better prepared for these jobs than their temporaries with a life-time experience, but without benefit of technical training.

A Clay County man, A.J. Cloer, of Route 4, Hayesville, is the Haywood Tech teaching staff as a lumber grading instructor. His brother, the late W.A. "Andy" Cloer, is an instructor. Their father, late Thad Cloer, was once superintendent for Gennett Lumber Company in Hayesville.

further assist a student while attending classes may do so."

This course is unique in that it has probably the only mill in the country that is operated for the sole purpose of teaching.

Crites says he is enthused about the interest that people of Clay County have shown toward their school. Students can apply for these and other courses through the Wood Products Department, Haywood Technical Institute, P.O. Box 457, Clyde, North Carolina 28721.

Clay County Masons Celebrate Centennial

Almost all of the lodges in the 65th Masonic District of North Carolina were represented at a dinner meeting of Clay Lodge No. 301, A. F. & A. M. when they observed the 100th year of service to the Hayesville community.

Glenn Brown, A Waynesville attorney, civic leader and Baptist layman was principal speaker. He was introduced by A. F. Padgett, a member of the local Lodge and a Past District Deputy Grand Master.

James Howard Walker served as Master of Ceremonies and gave recognition to guests and to the widows of deceased brethren. Ralph L. Smith recognized Life Members: Marvin H. Alexander, J. Frank Bristol, Charles A. Burch, John Max Tiger and Robert N. Tiger, who had been Masons for 50 or more years; and A. F. Padgett and J. H. Walker who had been voted Life Memberships by the lodge for Meritorious Service to the Fraternity. He also presented a certificate to M. H.

DAVID F. BELCHER MARBLE - David Franklin Belcher, 87, died Friday morning, September 29, in a Murphy hospital after an extended illness.

He was a native of Spartanburg, S.C., but moved to Saluda where he lived for 30 years before moving to Marble two years ago. He was a member of Fork Creek Baptist Church of Landrum, S.C.

Surviving are three sons, Frank of Marble, Andrew and Bobby Lee Belcher, both of Saluda; three daughters, Mrs. Irene Nelson of Spartanburg, S.C., Mrs. Effie Mae Going and Mrs. Gertrude Pace, both of Saluda; one sister, Mrs. Pearl

Strange of Greer, S.C., several grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

The body was taken to Petty Funeral Home in Landrum, S.C.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements. Services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Fork Creek Baptist Church, Saluda, Route 1.

The Rev. Cecil Worsham and the Rev. W.D. Baker officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Wayne Pace, Billy Belcher, Ray Strange, Paul Ogle, Wesley Smith and Leonard Black.

MISS NICHOLSON HI AWASSEE, GA. Services for Miss Vinaloe Nicholson, 74, of Hiawassee, who died Thursday Oct. 2, were held at 11 a.m. Saturday in the chapel of Townson Funeral Home, Murphy N.C.

The Rev. Fred Lunsford officiated. Burial was in Macedonia Cemetery.

Surviving are a brother, Abner Nicholson of Hiawassee; and several nieces and nephews.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Robbinsville; and two grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the chapel of Townson Funeral Home.

The Rev. Loy Kennedy and the Rev. Clarence Adams officiated. Burial was in Lone Oak Cemetery. Graveside rites were conducted by members of Eller Rogers American Legion Post No. 192.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

CHURCH NEWS

D.E. PHILLIPS ROBBINSVILLE - Danny E. Phillips, 40 died Friday morning, Oct. 3, in a Farmington, Mich., hospital after a brief illness.

A veteran of World War II, he was employed as a heavy equipment operator.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. E.M. Crisp, and Misses Deborah and Pamela Phillips, all of Atlanta; two sons, Army Pfc. Richard G. Phillips and Danny E. Phillips Jr. of Atlanta; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bick Phillips of Robbinsville; five brothers, Ronald V. of Detroit, Jerry L. of Atlanta, Jack, James and Donald Phillips, all of

The Evening Circle of the Murphy Presbyterian Church met Monday evening, Oct. 6 at the Westminster Building.

The chairman, Mrs. Marcella Smith, presided and opened the meeting with prayer. Mrs. Vola Ledford gave Bible study on "Giving is Fun". Scripture II Corinthians 8 and 9 chapters.

Those present were Mrs. Ruth Cheney, Mrs. Vola Ledford, Mrs. Marcella Smith, Mrs. R.M. Foard, Mrs. Joe Ayers, Mrs. Ann Phillips and Mrs. Holland McSwain.

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This book contains the picture of all but four of the past masters of the lodge and all the current officers. It has listed every officer who has served the lodge during the past 103 years. The Lodge was "in business" three years before it was chartered in 1869. It has listed, in alphabetical order, every person who has ever been a member and for about half that number it has listed: date of birth and death (for those deceased) maiden name of wife, name of father, maiden name of mother and date when he became a mason.

You will also find pictures of two of the buildings used as Masonic Halls in Hayesville and data concerning the building of these halls.

The general public can purchase these books from Todd Phillips at the Hayesville Barber Shop or from the lodge secretary, who at present is J. Guy Padgett, P. O. Box 485, Hayesville.

Health Group Fund Drive Nearing Goal

The State of Franklin Health Council fund raising drive is making progress toward its goal of \$10,000. The Murphy goal is approximately \$600, and according to Mrs. Cloe Moore, fund drive chairman, much of this goal has been realized. Mrs. Moore said, "We are encouraged at the support this worthy project is receiving".

The funds raised will be used to match federal money amounting to approximately \$35,000. The \$10,000 in local money must be raised each year for the next six years to keep the health council functioning.

The State of Franklin area includes the seven western North Carolina counties of Haywood, Clay, Graham, Macon, Jackson, Swain, and Cherokee. The purpose of the health council is to serve as an overall planning and coordinating body for health services in the region.

By uniting in purpose and planning the resources of the area, health services to benefit all the people can be developed without duplication of purpose and money.

Contributions may be sent to the county chairmen or to the State of Franklin Health Council, Inc., Post Office Box 2672, Cullowhee, North Carolina 28723. The council is a non-profit, tax deductible organization.

OBITUARY

MABLE CALLAHAN Mabel Callahan, died Sunday, October 5 in Albany, Ga., after a short illness.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, at Cullman, Ala.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Bess Alverson of Murphy and Mrs. Lillie Cheeks of Ala.; one brother, Herman Callahan of Baltimore, Md., several nieces and nephews.

Moss Funeral Home of Cullman, Ala. was in charge of arrangements.

AT HIGH POINT

Miss Suzanne Townson Coward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alden E. Coward of 200 Mooreland Hts., Murphy, is a member of the freshman class at High Point College. She is a graduate of Murphy High School.