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INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION

Legion and Scouts To
Sponsor All-Day
Fete July 5

Independence Day will be celebrated in Franklin on Monday, July 5, with a day and night program sponsored by the American Legion and the Boy Scouts.

The program from 9 to 12 in the morning will consist of races, contests and various athletic events, with prizes for each event. All of this program will be free.

In the afternoon from 2 to 4 there will be a series of boxing bouts at the courthouse for which a small admission will be charged. The proceeds will go to the Legion-Scout benefit fund.

There will be a fireworks display and street dancing at night from 9 to 12.

The full program will be announced next week.

Yale Confers Degree On J. G. K. McClure

James G. K. McClure, of Hickory Nut Gap, near Asheville, received an honorary degree of master of arts at Yale university, New Haven, Conn., Wednesday morning, according to an Associated Press dispatch.

Mr. McClure, president of the Farmers Federation and of the American Forestry association, went to New York on business last week, going from that city to New Haven for the Yale commencement exercises. Ten other persons, including Secretary of State Cordell Hull, were given honorary degrees.

Mr. McClure is a Yale graduate, having been a member of the class of 1906. He holds one other honorary degree—bachelor of science from Berea college, Berea, Ky., conferred in 1929.

Coming to this section in 1916, Mr. McClure has been prominent ever since in agricultural, conservation and civic affairs. In 1920 he organized a group of Fairview farmers into a cooperative organization that became the nucleus of the Farmers Federation. Since the organization of the larger group a few years later he has served as its president and general manager.

He was elected president of the forestry association last December.

Death of Little Ruby Irene Rickman

Ruby Irene, the six-weeks-old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rickman, died at their home at West's Mill, Tuesday afternoon about 4 o'clock, after a week's illness caused from a stomach infection.

Funeral services were held at the Cowee Baptist church Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with Rev. N. E. Holden, former pastor, in charge of the services.

Surviving are the parents and three brothers, Ervin, Edward and Cecil; the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Rickman, of West's Mill, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sawyer, of Brasstown, and several uncles and aunts.

Franklin Produce Market LATEST QUOTATIONS

(Prices listed below are subject to change without notice.)

Quoted by Farmers Federation, Inc.
Chickens, heavy breed, hens 12c
Chickens, light weight, lb. . . . 9c
Fryers, lb. 20c
Eggs, doz. 20c
Corn, bu. \$1.15
Wheat, bu. \$1.20
Yellow Mammoth Soy
Beans, bu. \$2.00
Lorida Beans, bu. \$2.50
Virginia Brown Beans, bu. \$2.50

Quoted by Nantahala Creamery
Butterfat, lb. 27c

Convict Shot

While Attempting Escape
From Road Gang

Attempting escape, Henry Oldham, 21, of Winston-Salem, was shot by J. C. Brong, guard of Hayesville, in the left arm Monday afternoon while working on the road in the Briartown section of Macon county.

Oldham was tried and convicted in Rowan county for robbery with firearms and sentenced from 10 to 15 years in the state prison. He entered state prison camp in Franklin, May 5, 1937. He is receiving treatment in the camp hospital.

He is the son of Mrs. Lucy J. Barley, of Winston-Salem.

W. A. M'GAHA, 72, DIED THURSDAY

Prominent Citizen Of
West's Mill Goes
To Reward

William Alfred McGaha, 72, died at his home at West's Mill at 8:30 Thursday night, June 17, following an illness of several months due to heart complications and a kidney infection.

The funeral was held on Friday afternoon at the Cowee Baptist church which was crowded with friends and neighbors who mourned his passing. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. F. Mayberry, pastor, assisted by Rev. C. C. Herbert, pastor of the Franklin Methodist church.

Rev. Mr. Mayberry read the obituary, and paid tribute to Mr. McGaha's character and life as citizen, church member and neighbor in his county and community.

The Junior Order of United American Mechanics conducted the final services at the grave in the churchyard adjoining with the impressive ritual of the order. Beautiful floral offerings attested to the wide circle of sympathetic friends.

Mr. McGaha was born at West's Mill May 2, 1865, the son of George and Jane Tippet McGaha, and spent his entire life here except for a few years' residence in Bryson City. He was a member of the Cowee Baptist church since 1901, and a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, Cullasaja Chapter, No. 158.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Jennie Morrison; two sons, F. P. McGaha, of Seattle, Wash., J. Fred McGaha, of West's Mill; one daughter, Mrs. Lester S. Conley, of Franklin, four grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Joseph Shepherd, of Leatherman.

Forestry Duties Are Assumed By E. Hinson

MURPHY, June 23.—Ernest Hinson has arrived in Murphy to take up his duties as sub-district forester in this area which includes the five westernmost counties of North Carolina and three counties in Georgia.

He will work with the county agents of the eight counties on reforestation and soil-erosion projects. This area includes Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Macon, and Swain counties in North Carolina, and Union, Towns, and Fannin counties in Georgia.

Bailey Condemns Relief Measure

Following up his blast last night against Governor Earle for the use of troops in Pennsylvania, Senator Josiah W. Bailey issued another formal statement to the press reiterating his views on the relief bill which Tuesday passed the senate.

"The advocates of the spending policy won an emphatic victory," the senior North Carolina senator declared. "The bill was not a relief bill—it was a spending policy bill."

CURB MARKET BEING ERECTED

Recreational Center Also
To Be Constructed
On Same Lot

Curb market stalls and a playground are under construction on the property recently acquired by the county, extending through the block from Main street to Church street.

The county commissioners, with the cooperation of the Woman's Home Demonstration club and the Recreation committee, are sponsoring this joint project. The curb market, which has been in successful operation each Saturday, under the direction of Mrs. T. J. O'Neil, county home demonstration agent, has needed this shelter for protection from rain and sunshine, so that this action of the commissioners has insured the continuance and growth of the curb market where the county and town women enjoy mutual benefit of sale and purchase of fresh products from the farm.

The development of a community recreation center on this vacant property is further planned by the recreation committee of the county, under the direction of recreation supervisor, Dr. T. J. O'Neil, who states that the plan includes the construction of tennis, croquet, and soft ball courts, which will be ready for use during the next few weeks.

Bite of Black Widow Spider Rarely Fatal

RALEIGH, June 23.—The bite of the black widow spider is painful and may be very serious, but it is not fatal, per se, according to a statement made here, by Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, state health officer for North Carolina. He said that numerous inquiries on this subject led him to make this fact plain, "in order to allay the inordinate fear of this insect," now reported prevalent in many sections of the state. He urged caution, however, and said it would be well to shun all spider webs, the presence of which should be reported to their elders by children discovering them, in order that they be destroyed and the danger of bites, thereby, be minimized.

"It is not impossible," Dr. Reynolds continued, "that a spider bite lead to death as a contributory cause. To say the least, such condition might easily accentuate the suffering of the patient from some unrelated cause. It is well always to bear in mind the advisability of safeguarding against the bite of the black widow, which is painful and toxic, even if not fatal. The habitat of the spider is the web, and when this is invaded, the mother spider's home-loving instinct leads her to launch an attack. The same is true of the malaria-bearing mosquito. It is the female of the anopheles species that injects the poison into the human system when drawing blood for the nourishment of her own body, in order that she may lay eggs and produce young.

Dr. Reynolds warned against the use of whiskey or any other form of alcohol in a condition of this kind, it having been established, he said, that this is "just about the worst possible medicine" and should not be resorted to in any event.

Complete Tally Gives Wake Wets 1,372 Win

Complete but unofficial reports from all 45-Wake county precincts gave wets a 1,372-vote majority, with 7,932 ballots for county control and 6,560 against.

Raleigh voted wet by 2,161 majority, while precincts outside the city gave dries a 1,211 lead.

Mrs. Max Losner, of Miami, is a guest at Trimont Inn.

Addition

Of Second Story On Billings Building

M. D. Billings will begin next week the erection of a second story on his building across the street from the court house, and which is now occupied by the A & P store, the Nantahala Power & Light company, John Moore and the City Market.

The new structure will contain 12 modern office rooms equipped with all conveniences, and will be a valuable addition to the business section of Franklin.

DEATH CLAIMS J. M. M'CONNELL

Funeral Conducted At
Union M. E. Church
Tuesday

James Marion McConnell, 73, died Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock, after being a patient in Angel hospital for more than a month. He recently underwent an operation which proved of no avail in relieving his trouble. Death was caused from Bright's disease.

Mr. McConnell was a leading farmer in his community in early life, and was a man of outstanding character, standing always for the betterment of his community and his fellowmen.

He was a steward in the Union Methodist church where he had been a member for many years.

Funeral services were held at the Union Methodist church Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. O. E. Croy, pastor, was in charge of the service.

Mr. McConnell is survived by his widow, the former Miss Carrie Hopkins; two sons, Morris, of Prentiss, and John, of Hendersonville, and one daughter, Mrs. Claude Thompson, of Carnesville, Ga., by his first marriage to Miss Sarah Thomas. He is also survived by nine grandchildren and one brother, Charlie McConnell, of Martin, Ga.

Only Grade A Cafes May Serve Wine

RALEIGH, June 23.—None but Grade A eating places may serve wine. Following the attorney general's ruling Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, state health officer, issued a formal statement, in which he said:

"The board of health is not interested, per se, in the sale of wine, but it is profoundly interested in the rating of cafes and restaurants, in order that the people may be rendered assurance of protection against food poisons, impure milk, unhealthy personnel serving the public and insanitary conditions.

"The law has placed a solemn obligation upon us, and we feel a deep sense of our responsibility and will meet it in no uncertain terms.

"One of the major questions worrying the state board of health is the inability of counties without organized health departments to secure Grade A ratings, they not having sanitary inspectors qualified to grade dairies. All hotels, cafes, restaurants, etc., are graded according to the lowest grade of milk used in such establishment. This will force unorganized counties to secure milk inspection or the eating places must get their milk from sources that can furnish Grade A milk.

"The ruling has been made, and it will be enforced, strictly," Dr. Reynolds concluded.

Several provisions of the social security act are primarily for the benefit of the farmer and residents of rural communities. These include maternal and child care, crippled children, public health and other services.

FORESTRY MEN TRAINING HERE

Assistant Supervisors
From 11 States In
12-Day Meeting

Assistant forest supervisors and fire assistants from 11 southern states began their training conference in Franklin, at the Franklin Terrace, on June 14, according to Paul H. Gerrard, supervisor of the Nantahala national forest. The conference will last twelve days, and is under the supervision of Joe R. Riebold, regional training officer for the U. S. forest service.

The conference is devoted to the study of training methods which will be used by forest service officials in training personnel and CCC enrollees in more efficient methods of fire control, road construction, timber and game management, as well as other phases of forestry.

Joseph C. Kircher, of Atlanta, national forester for the southern region, made the opening address of the conference. The importance of training was stressed in the opening remarks of forester Kircher—"A well trained personnel, thoroughly versed in all phases of forest work, means the achievement of our aim—the efficient and economical operation of our national forests."

Those attending the conference are: G. K. Stephenson, Alabama national forest, Montgomery, Ala.; Roswell Leavitt, Chattahoochee national forest, Gainesville, Ga.; E. W. Renshaw and V. B. McNaughton, Cherokee national forest, Cleveland, Tenn.; H. E. Howard, Florida national forest, Tallahassee, Fla.; H. G. Knoch, Nantahala national forest, Franklin, N. C.; T. N. Burch, Ouachita national forest, Hot Springs, Ark.; J. L. Averell, Ozark national forest, Russellville, Ark.; C. H. Overbay, Pisgah national forest, Asheville, N. C.; F. W. Bennett, Mississippi national forest, Jackson, Miss.; R. N. McKinley, South Carolina national forest, Columbia, S. C.; H. S. Redding and W. C. Callender, Keratchie national forest, Alexandria, La.; L. N. Whipple, Texas national forest, Houston, Texas; Carl T. Jones, forest service, CCC unit, Chattanooga, Tenn.

State Constitution Commission Named

The following prominent North Carolinians have been appointed on the state commission to cooperate with the national commission on plans for observing the 150th anniversary of the formation of the Constitution of the United States:

Governor Clyde R. Hoey, W. P. Stacy, chief justice of the supreme court; Henry M. London, secretary of the N. C. historical commission; Walter Murphy, Salisbury; Thomas J. Gold, High Point; Judge John J. Parker, Charlotte; Judge E. Y. Webb, Shelby; A. D. MacLean, Raleigh; Isaac C. Wright, Wilmington; J. G. Merrimon, Asheville.

Health Nurses Hold Annual Conference

Nurses employed by the state board of health to work in unorganized counties held their annual conference in Raleigh. They conferred with Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, state health officer; Dr. G. M. Cooper, assistant state health officer and director of the division of preventive medicine, and others, while at the state health building. These nurses have charge of midwife and school inspection and other work, for the performance of which they are responsible to the board of health, through Dr. Cooper's division. While there, they discussed plans for the future, including the revision of reports, etc.