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BOND INTEREST WILL BE PAID

Judge Webb Issues Order For Distribution Of County Funds

Judge E. Yates Webb, of the U. S. district court in Asheville, has ordered the distribution of \$71,335 of Macon county funds among the creditors having interest claims against the county.

The money has been held in the Wachovia Bank and Trust company pending a settlement. The order was signed in suits brought by Royal Neighbors of America, Inc., and the Sovereign camp Woodmen of the World.

The county has entered into an agreement with its creditors for the refunding of its bonded indebtedness, and this agreement provides for payment of the accrued interest on the indebtedness at fifty cents on the dollar. Most of the bondholders have accepted the terms of the agreement, and the order of Judge Webb clears the way to settlement.

George B. Patton, county attorney, who has been leading the movement for the refunding of the county's debts and for a lower interest rate, stated that since the order had been issued by Judge Webb additional funds had been deposited to bring the total amount to \$75,000, which will cover the payment of all delinquent interest at the rate named in the agreement. All that a bondholder has to do is to turn in his bonds and receive the new bonds in their stead, and at the same time he will receive a check for the interest due him under the agreement.

With the signatures of all of the big bondholders already attached to the agreement, it is thought that all of those holding smaller amounts will soon fall into line, as they have in other counties where similar action has been taken.

Charles R. Hursh Visits Franklin

Charles R. Hursh, of Asheville, in charge of forest influence investigations of the U. S. forest service, formerly with the engineering data division of TVA, spent the weekend in Franklin on a visit to the Coweeta experiment station.

In speaking of this water resources project, Mr. Hursh stated that there existed no finer opportunity for comprehensive and intensive watershed study and research than that furnished by the Coweeta experiment station.

This station is now on charge of Hugh E. Creasman who succeeded Mr. Richard Hertzler, after his recent transfer to Asheville.

Watkins Reunion To Be Held Sunday, Aug. 1

The Watkins reunion will be held Sunday, August 1, with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Stiles at their home near the Cozad roller mill.

All the descendants of this family are invited to come and bring basket lunch.

Miss Virginia Oliver came up from Atlanta, Sunday for a week's visit with Miss Anna Jean Hall.

Franklin Produce Market LATEST QUOTATIONS

(Prices listed below are subject to change without notice.)
Quoted by Farmers Federation, Inc.
Chickens, heavy breed, hens 11c
Chickens, light weight, lb. . . . 9c
Fryers, lb. 20c
Eggs, doz. 19c
Corn, bu. \$1.15

Quoted by Nantahala Creamery
Butterfat, lb. 27c

Rotarians

Attend Assembly Sessions In Hendersonville

Several Franklin Rotarians and their wives attended the district assembly, of the 190th district which was held in Hendersonville Monday and Tuesday.

The 190th district contains 37 clubs in North Carolina and South Carolina, and the assembly is composed of the presidents and secretaries of these clubs.

Guy L. Houk, of Franklin, district governor, presided over the meetings of the assembly.

Among the Franklin people who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Houk, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Perry, George J. Johnston, J. S. Conley, John Cunningham and Lester Henderson.

LEGION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Rev. J. A. Flanagan Named Commander of Post For Ensuing Year

Rev. J. A. Flanagan was elected commander of Macon Post No. 108 of the American Legion at the regular monthly meeting and annual election of officers held Monday night in the Legion hall.

Adolph Zoellner was elected first vice-commander, A. R. Higdon, was elected adjutant and finance officer. Others elected were: Tom Moss, sergeant-at-arms, and Rev. S. R. Crockett as chaplain. The newly-elected officers will be installed at a later date.

Boise Hall was the retiring commander of the Post.

Rev. J. A. Flanagan and Miss Lassic Kelly were elected delegates to the state convention in Durham, July 25-27.

Rev. S. R. Crockett and W. R. Smart were named as alternates.

Refreshments were served following the meeting.

Arrested for Disposing Of Mortgaged Property

Bill Byrd, of near Aquone, was arrested Sunday morning at 3 o'clock by John W. Edwards, United States deputy marshal, on a charge of disposing of mortgaged property belonging to the United States and which had been in his possession for the past two years.

Byrd was taken to Bryson City and lodged in jail in default of \$300 bond to await the November term of United States district court.

Market Open Wednesdays and Saturdays

The Home Demonstration club market will be open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 8:30 until 1 o'clock.

The women appreciate the support that the town people have given them and will welcome any suggestions.

Mrs. J. A. Deal Reported Improved

Mrs. J. A. Deal, who has been critically ill at Angel hospital for several days, was reported Thursday to be somewhat improved.

Dermont Tysinger returned to his home in Lexington, N. C., Wednesday, after spending several days here with his brother, Carl Tysinger and Mrs. Tysinger at their home on Harrison avenue.

Miss Florence Stalcup spent Tuesday in Asheville on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dalton, announce the birth of a son, Dale Hampton, Thursday, July 8, at their home on Franklin, route 4.

MODERN FIRE TRUCK BOUGHT

New Equipment Arrives; Is Latest Thing In Fire Apparatus

The fire truck recently ordered by the Franklin town board arrived one day last week, and the fire boys are very much elated.

The truck is the very latest thing in fire fighting equipment. The pump has a capacity of 800 gallons per minute from a hydrant and 500 gallons per minute from suction. The suction pipes can be attached on both sides, and with siamese connections, four streams of water can be thrown at high pressure over any building in the town. The truck is also equipped with ladders and axes and has a hose capacity as great as will ever be needed.

Before being accepted by the insurance underwriters and shipped to Franklin the engine of the new truck was run for 24 hours without a stop and showed no defect.

This new equipment will no doubt reduce the insurance rates in Franklin appreciably, and will also give home owners an added sense of security.

Those who have examined the new equipment are unanimous in saying that the town has made a good investment.

Contests

To Be Held at Courthouse Friday Night, July 30

Have you a hidden talent? Are you considered a beauty in your community? Is your little daughter popular among her friends. Would you like to prove any, either, or all of these points? If so, why not enter one of the following contests: A Little Miss Macon county contest, a beauty contest, and an amateur contest. This program will be held Friday night, July 30, in the Macon county courthouse, sponsored by the Woman's Missionary Society, of the Franklin Methodist church.

These entries are free and for the purpose of discovering new talent for radio or screen tests. These opportunities may secure a radio, stage, or screen career. The winner of both the beauty contest and amateur contest alike will be entitled to and will be invited to attend the state-wide contest with all expenses paid while there. The winner of the Little Miss Macon County Contest will receive a gold-lined silver cup for her prize.

Children from 2 to 12 years may enter. All beauty contestants over 14 years of age, either married or single, may compete for the title of Miss North Carolina and in the final Miss United States.

Entrants in the Little Miss Macon county and beauty contest are to be sponsored by the business firms and professional men of the county. Contestants are to furnish their own costumes, either afternoon or evening dresses.

Entrants in the amateur contests may be any age, either male or female. Any form of wholesome entertainment will be acceptable, such as tap dancing, singing, impersonations, reciting or any form of instrumental music. Any act may consist of one or more people. However, at the state contest, the company will assume the expenses of only four persons in any one act. Registrations for amateur contest must be made Saturday July 24, and Monday July 26, at Macon County Furniture Store.

Misses Staley and Kathleen Smith, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith, of Greenville, N. C., are on an extended visit with friends and relatives of West's Mill.

J. B. Raby

Funeral Held at Watauga Baptist Church

Funeral services for John B. Raby, 74, were held at the Watauga Baptist church Wednesday afternoon, July 11, at 4 o'clock. Rev. D. C. McCoy, of Oak Grove, was in charge.

Mr. Raby died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mildred Nelson, in Mitchell county, Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock after an illness of six months.

Mr. Raby, a farmer, spent his entire life in Macon county until two years ago when he went to make his home with his daughter. He was a member of the Oak Grove Baptist church.

He is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Mildred Nelson, of Kona; Mrs. Annie Bryson, of Waynesville; Mrs. Kate Owens, of Biltmore; Mrs. Fannie Roach, of Reidsville, and Mrs. Ruth Leatherman, of Indiana, and three sons, Frank, of Cowarts; Parker and George, of Franklin; two brothers, J. H. Raby, of High Point, and James E. Raby, of Memphis, Tenn., and several grandchildren.

PICNIC TO BE HELD JULY 31

Farmers' Federation Will Stage Annual Affair In Franklin

The date for the Farmers' Federation picnic in Macon county has been moved forward from Wednesday, August 4, to Saturday, July 31, it was announced this week by Vance A. Browning, the Federation's director of educational work and field activities.

Mr. Browning explained that the change of dates was made on account of the fact that many rural schools in this county are to be open on Monday, August 2. By moving the date up to the preceding Saturday, he feels that the attendance will be much larger. A crowd of 800 to 1,000 persons is expected.

The picnic will be held on the Franklin school grounds. The program will get under way at 10 o'clock in the morning with addresses by Federation executives and others, music by the Federation's string band and various entertainment features. There will be prizes for the oldest and youngest couples present, the largest family, the baldest man, the man with the longest beard and the best tall story teller.

After a picnic dinner, there will be foot races and other contests followed by a singing convention from 2 o'clock until 4 o'clock with prizes offered for the best choirs, quartets and duets. Mr. Browning is especially anxious to have a good representation of singers present.

Although the picnic is being sponsored by the Federation, it is open to all farm families in the county. Mr. Browning said. Those attending are expected to bring well-filled lunch baskets. Lemonade will be served by the Federation.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Garner, of Woodrow, spent Sunday here with Mrs. Garner's grandmother, Mrs. J. B. Stalcup.

Miss Catherine McIver, of Milledgeville, Ga., is spending several days here, the house guest of Miss Virginia McGuire.

J. W. Reynolds, of Albany, Ga., came up for a visit with his wife, who is spending the summer at a camp near Arrowood Glade.

Mrs. J. B. Deal and two daughters, Misses Dorothy and Mae Deal, returned to their home on Franklin Route 4 last week, after a visit to relatives and friends in Cumberland, Ky.

GEORGIA YOUTH FOUND IN LAKE

Identified as Alton Owens, Caddy at Highlands Country Club

The body of Alton Owens, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Owens, of Satulah, Ga., was found in the country club lake about one mile from Highlands, Saturday afternoon about 1 o'clock by a young man named Norton who resides in the neighborhood.

The body had apparently been in the water for several days and was swollen almost beyond recognition.

Young Norton said he saw the body in the lake and notified Tom Crunkleton and Gene Brown, who reside in that section. They obtained a boat, rowed to the middle of the lake and found the body hanging by a foot to a wire that is stretched across the lake. The water at that place is 20 feet deep.

The body was brought to shore and Sheriff Slagle was notified by phone. He, Deputy Sheriff John Dills, Coronor C. M. Moore and Dr. W. A. Rogers went immediately to the scene. The body showed no marks and it was at first thought that Owens came to his death by drowning, and the case was listed in that way, but the parents of the youth were dissatisfied and a further examination was made Sunday by Dr. Furman Angel, Dr. Edgar Angel and Dr. S. P. Vandiviere, of CCC camp F-20. X-rays showed that Owens' skull was fractured on the left side and the whole head gave evidence of having been brutally beaten.

Officers are investigating the case but so far no clues have been found as to where the young man was killed or who killed him.

Young Owens had been working as a caddy at the country club up to Tuesday night of last week, and it was at about 9:30 that night that he was last seen. He said that night that he might go to a picture show or might go home to Satulah. His brother-in-law, Ed Russell, of Highlands, with whom he was staying, therefore thought nothing of his absence. His parents at Satulah, thinking he was with the brother-in-law, also made no inquiries, which accounts for the fact that no search was made after he disappeared.

The body of young Owens was taken to his home at Satulah for burial.

Singing Convention To Meet At Bethel Aug. 7-8

The sub-division of the annual singing convention of Macon county, will meet on Saturday and Sunday, August 7 and 8, at the Bethel Methodist church on Highway No. 28, it was announced this week by John Holt, president.

Bound Over For Breaking and Entering

At a hearing before Robert A. Patton, United States commissioner, Friday morning, Donald Houston was found guilty of breaking, entering and the larceny of 45 gallons of gasoline from a government tool house on Buck creek.

He was bound over to the November term of United States district court at Bryson City.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our many thanks and appreciation to our friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy shown to us during our bereavement. Also for the beautiful floral offerings.

MRS. J. W. HASTINGS
AND CHILDREN.
(adv.) It

Mrs. J. T. Russell, of Waynesville, spent Sunday here visiting her mother, Mrs. J. B. Stalcup, at her home on Iotla street.