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CARS FROM 37 STATES NOTED

Three Youngsters Check Out-of-State Tags On Streets

Three Franklin youngsters, one girl and two boys—Miss Audrey Conley, Hugh Curtis and Turner Dehart—counted out-of-state cars on the streets of Franklin for a couple of days last week and the result was surprising.

The states represented were: Maryland, California, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama, Texas, Indiana, Louisiana, New Mexico, Tennessee, New York, Mississippi, Ohio, Illinois, Virginia, Michigan, Minnesota, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Iowa, West Virginia, Montana, Idaho, New Jersey, Arkansas, Missouri, Florida, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Kentucky, New Hampshire, Colorado, Oklahoma, Wyoming, Nebraska, Delaware, North Carolina.

They also saw tags from Panama Canal Zone, Canada and District of Columbia.

The only states not represented were: Arizona, Kansas, Maine, North Dakota, Nevada, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Washington and Wisconsin. Cars from these states have no doubt been through here this summer but they did not happen to be in evidence on the days the young people were looking out for them.

Specialists To Go On Farm Tour

We have been very fortunate in securing F. R. Farnham, dairy specialist from Raleigh, to be with us on August 18, for the farm tour. He will speak to the group after the dinner hour.

We are also more than glad that Mrs. Esther G. Willis, district home agent has consented to be with us and talk to us during the noon hour program.

The tour will leave the Franklin courthouse promptly at 9 o'clock. The dinner and program will be at Arrowood Glade on the Wayah Bald road. As usual the price per person for this dinner will be 25 cents.

Every man, and woman in Macon county is invited to be with us for the day's program on Wednesday, August 18.

S. W. Mendenhall,
County Agent.

Robert Johnston Dies In Chicago Thursday

Just as we go to press we learn that W. Robert Johnston, son of Mrs. F. S. Johnson and the late F. S. Johnston, died in a Chicago hospital Thursday morning of peritonitis, following an operation performed Wednesday night.

It is understood that the body will be brought to Franklin for burial and that funeral services will be held Saturday.

Mr. Johnston is survived by his widow and two children, his mother, Mrs. F. S. Johnson; two sisters and two brothers, Mrs. Guy L. Houk, of Franklin; Mrs. William Jones, Jack A. Johnston and F. S. Johnston, of Tampa, Fla.

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, heavy, lb. 16c
Fryers, light, lb. 13c
Eggs, doz. 22c
Corn \$1.05
Wheat \$1.00
Rye \$1.00
New Potatoes, No. 1, bu. . . 70c

Quoted by Nantahala Creamery
Butterfat, lb. 27c

Rickman

Elected Moderator Macon Baptist Association

John E. Rickman, of the Franklin Baptist church, was elected moderator of the 34th annual session of the Macon Baptist association, which convened Wednesday and Thursday, with the Coweta Baptist church.

Other officers elected for the year are: Alex Moore, vice-moderator; R. M. Ledford, clerk; E. V. Ammons, treasurer and Rev. D. C. McCoy, historian.

Thirty or more of the 34 Baptist churches in Macon county, were represented by the pastors and delegates. Approximately 500 attended this meeting with visitors from other states.

Splendid reports were made by the various committees and the pastors on the works in their churches.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. R. F. Mayberry, using the scripture of the great commission, dwelling largely on the words of Jesus, "Go teach and preach My gospel."

The association next year will meet with the Cartoogechaye Baptist church.

OLD CRAFTS TO BE EXHIBITED

Demonstrations To Be Given at Cashiers And Highlands

Demonstrations of the old mountain crafts will be given Wednesday through Saturday of next week by mountain women under the auspices of the Spinning Wheel of Asheville and Mountain Cabin Quilters of Cashiers, at both Highlands and High Hampton Inn, Cashiers.

The group of women demonstrating quilting will show all the processes, beginning with the carding of the wool, piecing of the tops and the quilting, done in the old time quilting frames. Many examples of fine quilts in the lovely old patterns will be exhibited.

The group of spinners and weavers will be at work on their loom and at both the "little flax wheel" for the spinning of linen and the "big wheel" for the spinning of wool. Their exhibit will include fine pieces of weaving in the old coverlet patterns and original pieces of picture weaving.

The Spinning Wheel, under the direction of Miss Clementine Douglas, will be at Highlands on August 18 and 19 at Cobb's furniture store, next to Highlands Inn, and at High Hampton Inn on August 20 and 21.

The Mountain Cabin Quilters, under the direction of Mrs. J. K. Stoddard, will be at High Hampton on August 18 and 19, and at Highlands on August 20 and 21, at Cobb's furniture store next to Highlands Inn.

Henderson-Peek Reunion Saturday

The Henderson-Peek families will hold their annual reunion on Saturday, August 14, at Vanhook Glade picnic grounds, on U. S. highway 64, between Franklin and Highlands. Members of both families are urged to attend this gathering.

Supper at Clark's Chapel Next Saturday Night

On Saturday night, August 14, beginning at 8 o'clock, there will be a pie and sandwich supper and a cake walk, at the Clark's Chapel church. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the church. Everyone is cordially invited.

Plans Being Made For Gypsy Smith Meeting

SEVEN INJURED IN COLLISION

Two Trucks Collide On Highway No. 64, Near Franklin, Saturday

Seven persons were injured when two trucks collided last Saturday afternoon on U. S. Highway 64, five miles from Franklin.

Tommie Redfern, five-year-old son of a Mr. Redfern, of South Georgia, suffered a fractured skull and was taken to the Angel hospital.

Joseph T. Marsh, of South Bend, Ind., an engineer for the Southeastern Mining corporation, engaged in mining for asbestos on Ellijay, suffering three rib fractures. He also was taken to Angel hospital.

Treated for bruises at the hospital were Jack Berry, Glen Pruitt, and Lambert Stuart, all of Glenville, and Leman Fox and John Williams, of Ellijay.

Officers, who investigated, said the accident occurred when Marsh drove a truck from a filling station into the highway. It collided with a truck driven by Mr. Redfern. The latter truck turned over, causing injuries to six of the persons who were riding on it.

Compliments From Franklin Visitors

R. J. Willis, an official of the Bell Telephone company, of Atlanta, with Mrs. Willis, have arrived at Trimont Inn, where, for several years they have spent their annual vacation.

Mr. Willis told The Press reporter that he liked Franklin best after trying different resorts over a period of years.

"I like Franklin because the altitude is just high enough, and not too high," said Mr. Willis. "Then when we get tired driving we can just sit and rest and look at beautiful mountain scenery on all sides. Then I come back to Franklin because of the unusually fine and friendly people I always find in your delightful town."

Mr. and Mrs. Willis are accompanied by Mrs. J. L. Newton, of Atlanta.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lee and son, Charles, of West Palm Beach, Fla., are among the guests that like to come back to Franklin. "We love Franklin for its scenery and climate, and I like to put my feet on the porch railing of Trimont Inn and enjoy life." Mr. and Mrs. Lee are accompanied by Mrs. C. S. Forrester and daughter, Patricia.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee S. White, and Mr. White's mother, Mrs. E. B. White, of St. Petersburg, Fla., have returned to Franklin to spend the remainder of their vacation. After spending a week in Franklin in early July, they have returned from a trip to Pennsylvania, "because we like Franklin better than any place we've been," said Mr. White. Mrs. E. B. White, whose husband was associated with Charles Schwab in building up the huge steel industry, tells interesting reminiscences of the time when her husband and Schwab worked together in a steel mill as mechanics, and later of their travels through Europe and America when Mr. White became a research metallurgist for the steel industry under Schwab.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Scott, of Williston, Fla., have been spending their vacation at Trimont Inn. "We enjoyed a visit here several years ago and wanted to come again," said Mrs. Scott.

Committees Appointed To Handle Arrangements For Revival

A group of ministers and laymen representing the various churches of the county gathered at the Franklin Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening, August 10, to formulate plans for the Gypsy Smith evangelistic campaign to be conducted in the Tabernacle, September 12-26.

Rev. J. A. Flanagan, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church, was elected general chairman of the committees. Other committees named include the following: Music, Mrs. C. C. Herbert, Jr., chairman; Mrs. H. T. Horsley, Mrs. Frank Bloxham, Mrs. R. B. Dul'ree; entertainment, J. S. Conley, chairman; ushers, Paul Carpenter and George Johnston, chairmen; personal workers, Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr., Rev. W. F. Beadle, Mrs. J. Henry Slagle, R. B. Dul'ree, Miss Rachel Davis, Alex Moore, W. E. Furr; finance, J. E. Lancaster and Rev. Frank Bloxham, co-chairmen, J. W. Addington, Broadie Pendergrass, J. Harold Sloan, C. S. Slagle, Albert Ramsey, Clyde West, Tom Rickman; publicity, Rev. W. B. Underwood, chairman, with the Sunday school superintendents of the county; parking, James Hauser, chairman, with Boy Scouts; Tabernacle, Allen A. Angel.

The meeting is to be interdenominational and county-wide in its scope. It is the hope of the sponsors that every part of the county will have a part in the campaign, and thereby receive the benefits of the meeting. Volunteers for the various committees are being asked to turn their names in to Mr. Flanagan, the general chairman, as the committees named above are just the nucleus for the larger group needed to effect the organization of the work.

Reunion

Of Bryson Family To Be Held at West's Mill

The Macon-Jackson Bryson reunion will be held next Sunday, August 15, at the Cowee Baptist church, at West's Mill. All the descendants of the Bryson clan are cordially invited to attend this reunion and bring basket lunch.

Following is the program for the day:

- 11:00—Song, Congregation, led by W. H. Dalton.
- 11:05—Devotional, Rev. D. C. McCoy.
- 11:15—Reading, Marion Moody.
- 11:30—Quartet, Dalton class.
- 11:40—Recognition of visitors.
- 11:55—Address, Hon. Joseph R. Bryson.
- 12:20—Special music, Prof. R. L. Madison and son.
- 12:30—Historian's report, Hon. T. C. Bryson, of Sylva.
- 12:40—Address, Prof. R. L. Madison.
- 1:00—Business.
- Picnic dinner.

Dates of Driving License Examiner

George A. Stewart, driver's license examiner, announced that he would be in Highlands, Tuesday, August 17 from 2 p. m. until 5:30 p. m., at the town hall, and in Franklin, Wednesday, August 18, from 8:30 a. m. until 12 noon, at the courthouse, for the purpose of issuing operators' and chauffeurs' licenses. Mr. Stewart further stated that any driver not having a license is subject to immediate arrest.

In the future he will be in Highlands and Franklin every other week on the above mentioned days.

SILER REUNION HELD AUGUST 5

Two Hundred Members of Family Present For Annual Meeting

By MRS. F. L. SILER

The 87th annual Siler family meeting was held on the customary first Thursday of August, at "Sunny Side," the residence of Mrs. W. W. Sloan.

Cars parked on the spacious grounds bore tags from Texas, Tennessee, Kentucky, Florida, New York and the Carolinas.

About two hundred members of the family and 15 visitors were present to "carry on" the meeting of the family that was begun by the four Siler brothers who settled this part of the country.

Long tables were prepared under the spreading branches of the old maple, known as the largest maple in the county. This tree was planted 90 odd years ago by the father of the late W. W. Sloan. Many annual family gatherings have been held beneath its shade.

After the usual excellent dinner was enjoyed, the two standing officers, Chairman Carl Slagle, and Secretary James Gray, conducted the meeting, and the business of hearing reports from the various committees was attended to. Five ministers were present at this meeting. They, the members of the family from a distance and visitors, are always given an opportunity by the chairman to make a speech.

The business meeting is always called to order by the use of a gavel made from the "Pow Wow" tree beneath which Jacob Siler and the Cherokee Chief Santecla, held a conference in 1818. The gavel, with old photos, letters and family records, is kept in a small chest made from the great white pine that topped the summit of Summer hill. This tree was planted there by the wife of Jesse R. Siler, by her "Summer House" of flowers, from whence the hill got its name.

"Uncle" Emlas Siler, age 79, an ex-slave of Jess R. Siler was present at this meeting with his "white folks." Uncle Emlas was born "at the foot of the hill," as the residence of Jess R. Siler has always been known. This old Siler home is now occupied by his granddaughter, Mrs. Hattie Sloan Jones, his great grandson, Dick Jones, and great-great-grandson, Richard Jones, Jr.

Members of the family reported abroad this year, are Dr. Dick Slagle, seventh son of Mrs. Henry Slagle, practicing medicine in Porto Rico, and Isobel Elias Jones, studying in Austria.

The youngest member of the family, this year, is Robert Frederick Siler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Siler, five weeks old, and the eldest is Hattie Cash Moore, age 94. "Cousin Hattie" was present at the first family meeting, and is present each year with her bright brown eyes and snow white hair and sweet smile of welcome, for about five generations that she has seen come into the family.

This meeting was held with the descendants of the Jesse R. Siler branch. The 1938 meeting will be held with Mr. and Mrs. Gilmer A. Jones, decedents, respectively, of William Siler and Esther Siler Lowery.

Box Supper At Higdonville August 21

There will be a box supper, cake walk, beauty contest and string music at Higdonville school house on Saturday, August 21, at 7:30 p. m.

Everybody invited. Funds will go for the benefit of the Sugarfork Baptist church.