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CROWD EXPECTED LABOR DAY

Gipsy Smith To Be at Tabernacle September 12-26

Famous Revivalist Will Conduct Two Weeks' Meeting

Gipsy Smith, Jr., an evangelist who is known all over the nation for his powerful presentation of gospel truths, will conduct a series of revival services in Franklin at the Angel tabernacle, beginning Sunday night, September 12, and closing September 26.

Several committees are at work making arrangements for this great meeting and large crowds from all over this section are expected to attend.

Statement From Publicity Chairman

The following statement has been given out by Rev. W. B. Underwood, chairman of the publicity committee:

Rev. Gipsy Smith, Jr., is coming to Franklin for revival meetings at the Angel tabernacle. The meetings will begin on Sunday night, September 12, and continue through the evening service of Sunday, September 26.

Mr. Smith is a minister of international reputation. He is one of the sanest evangelists of this day. His messages are simple and forceful. He preaches the gospel without fear or favor and he preaches it with all the fervor of his soul.

Tell your neighbors about the meetings, pray for the minister, make your plans to attend every service.

W. B. UNDERWOOD,
Chm. Publicity Committee.

New Manager

In Charge of Telephone Office Here

Ben W. Woodruff, of Columbia, S. C., has arrived in Franklin to fill the position of manager of the Western Carolina Telephone Co., succeeding George Johnston, who has accepted a position with the Bell Telephone Co., in Atlanta.

Mr. Woodruff comes to his position in Franklin from the engineering department of the Bell Telephone company in Columbia, S. C. He began his work as manager September 1.

Mrs. Woodruff will join Mr. Woodruff shortly and they will occupy the J. Steve Porter house where Mr. and Mrs. Johnston have been living.

Mr. Johnston and his family plan to leave Franklin next week.

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. 25c
Corn \$1.05
Wheat 90
Rye 90c
New Potatoes, No. 1, 1 1/2 lb. . . . 60c

Quoted by Nantahala
Butterfat, lb.

Revivalist



GIPSY SMITH, JR.,
Who Will Conduct a Series of Revival Meetings in Franklin Beginning Sept. 12

COURSES HERE FOR TEACHERS

Dr. Willis A. Parker To Conduct Work In Franklin

M. D. Billings, county superintendent of schools, has secured the services of Dr. Willis A. Parker, director of extension of Western Carolina Teachers' college, to teach extension courses in Franklin during the fall and winter.

Through these courses teachers of Macon county are enabled to accomplish work for A grade certificates who would not otherwise get it.

Extension courses as provided in North Carolina are primarily for teachers and are intended to enable teachers to study while in service, and be able to meet the steadily rising educational requirements of the state department of education, which aims to raise the efficiency of the schools in North Carolina to a level equal to the best in the nation.

But while intended primarily for teachers, these courses are of interest to studious and thoughtful persons of the community, and in many centers are taken advantage of by others than teachers. The subjects taught are often of general interest, and serve to keep former college graduates and others of general culture abreast of information not available at the time of their own educational preparation.

This is notably true of the instruction afforded in the extension classes provided by Western Carolina Teachers' college. Dr. Parker is a scholar of mature years and of nation-wide reputation as both a student and an effective social work authority, whose classes in other Western Carolina communities have been attended by numbers of non-teachers, especially in Asheville, Hendersonville and Brevard.

Dr. Parker has explained that the course to be given in Franklin

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DEAN SISK, 61, PASSES SUNDAY

Prominent Attorney Dies In Hospital After Long Illness

After an illness of several months, R. Dean Sisk, 61, died in Angel hospital Sunday morning at 2 o'clock. He underwent an operation Tuesday morning.

Mr. Sisk was born at Cashiers in Jackson county, May 2, 1876, and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Sisk. He, with his parents, moved to Macon county when quite young.

He attended the public schools, also what is now Western Carolina Teachers' college, at Cullowhee and studied law at the University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill.

He was admitted to the bar at the September term of the supreme court of North Carolina in 1897 and has practiced law in Macon county since.

In 1918, Mr. Sisk was elected Senator of the 33rd district on the Republican ticket. He was at one time United States deputy marshal, and chairman of the Republican party. At the time of his death he was a member of the Republican state executive committee.

For more than 30 years he has served the town of Franklin in some capacity. He had been mayor of Franklin for a number of years, on the town board of alderman several terms and was one of the members of the present board.

He was president of the Citizens' Bank of Franklin for several years.

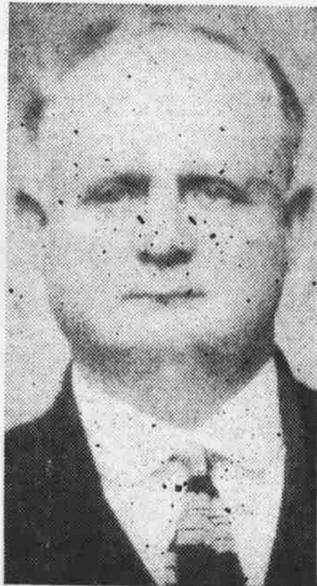
Mr. Sisk had been dean of the Bar association of Macon county and was one of the oldest practicing attorneys in Western North Carolina.

He was trustee and treasurer of the Franklin Golf club and was

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Byrne Tower On Wayah Bald To Be Dedicated

Attorney Dies



R. DEAN SISK
Prominent Attorney, Who Passed On Last Sunday

McGaha-Tippett Reunion To Be Held Sept. 12

The annual reunion of the McGaha and Tippett families will be held Sunday, September 12, at the home of B. G. Hurst, near the Iotla bridge.

Relatives of both families are urged to attend this reunion, and bring basket lunch.

Chamber of Commerce, And Forest Personnel Sponsor Program

Franklin will play host to hundreds of visitors attending the dedication exercises of the John B. Byrne Memorial Tower Labor Day, Monday, September 6. The tower, located on Wayah Bald in the picturesque Nantahala mountains with an elevation of 5,336 feet, commands an impressive panorama of rugged peaks, broad valleys and vast stretches of timberland. Knitted to the rock mass of Wayah Bald, the new Byrne Memorial Tower rises 53 feet above the summit and seems to stand guard over the vast stretch of rich timberland, cherished by the late John B. Byrne, a former supervisor of the Nantahala national forest.

An observation level 24 feet above ground has been provided for visitors to the tower. From this vantage point, one may survey, through large casement windows, the variety of scenery from every point of the compass. A door leads from this enclosed level to an open, rustic balcony which encircles the tower. Here rustic stone benches built into the tower offer repose to those who wish to enjoy the scenery leisurely. What a variety and expanse of scenery is afforded from the tower! Immediately below and surrounding the tower is a solid mass of azalea, fragrant white to a rare fragrant scarlet variety with yellow and flame blending in. Rugged, timber-covered peaks close by accentuate the contrast to the farm dotted Tennessee valley below.

Lazy clouds drifting in the valleys below or covering the tops of the higher mountains add to the feeling of height. High mountain peaks in Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina form an irregular outline against the blue backdrop of horizon.

Serves as Fire Lookout

Above this public observation level is the towerman's quarters, 34 feet above ground level. Here the towerman has equipment necessary for fire protection, fire finders, haze meter, maps and telephone as well as his household equipment for cooking and sleeping. Throughout the fire season, in the spring and fall, he keeps his long, lonely vigil for the faint puff of smoke which often spells the destruction of vast areas of timberland and countless number of wild life.

In dedicating this tower as a memorial to John Byrne, the U. S. Forest Service has provided not only a facility for the protection of the forests which he loved, but has also made available for the enjoyment of the public one of the outstanding scenic points in Western North Carolina.

Joseph C. Kircher, of Atlanta, regional forester of the Southern region, U. S. forest service, will deliver the dedicatory address. Other speakers on the program will be Rev. H. V. Lane, pastor of the St. John's R. C. church, Waynesville, Rev. J. A. Flanagan, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church, and Paul H. Gerrard, supervisor of the Nantahala national forest.

Mrs. John B. Byrne, of Columbus, Ga., wife of the late John B. Byrne, will be present, as will quite a few other members of the family.

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PROGRAM

Dedication—John B. Byrne Memorial Tower
Nantahala National Forest, Franklin, N. C.
Monday, September 6, 1937
2:00 P. M., at Wayah Bald

Welcome to the Nantahala National Forest—
Paul H. Gerrard, Supervisor, Nantahala National Forest.

Solo, "Estralita"—Mrs. James Averell, Mrs. Harry Higgins, Accompanist.

Biographical Sketch of John B. Byrne—Rev. H. V. Lane, Pastor St. John's R. C. Church, Waynesville, N. C.

Dedicatory Address—Joseph C. Kircher, Regional Forester, Southern Region, U. S. Forest Service, Atlanta, Ga.

Unveiling the Plaque—Philip Byrne, son of the late John B. Byrne.

Prayer—Rev. J. A. Flanagan, Pastor Franklin Presbyterian Church.

4:00 P. M.—Franklin High School Park

Baseball Game—CCC NC F-23 vs. CCC NC F-20.

7:00 P. M.—Franklin, Main Street

Street Dance—Mountain Music (Free).

The entire program is sponsored by the Franklin Chamber of Commerce and personnel of the Nantahala National Forest. Everyone is invited.