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AIR MAIL WEEK STARTS SUNDAY

Local Postoffice Secures Special Cachet For Air Mail Letters

T. W. Porter, local postmaster, has announced that his office would have a special cachet which will be used on all air mail letters during National Air Mail Week, May 15-21. Postmaster Porter stated that all patrons of his office wishing a cover containing this special cachet should address their letters to the right of the center of the envelope in order that the cachet can be applied without defacing the address. The special cachet stamp will only be applied during Air Mail Week, May 15-21. The local postmaster stated that the goal of Air Mail Week is "One Air Mail Letter Each Day From Each Citizen," and it is hoped that the citizens of Franklin will add the additional three cents to all their mail during Air Mail Week, which will give a creditable number of air mail letters from this office and will, at the same time, advertise Franklin by having cachets distributed throughout the United States. The slogan of the cachet used at this office will be "Scenic Center of Southern Appalachians."

It was also announced by J. H. McKenzie, state chairman of the national air mail week program, that 131 towns throughout North Carolina have secured special cachets for use during air mail week. Chairman McKenzie stated that the response and cooperation that he has received from the postmasters and citizens throughout the state is most gratifying. The response from postmasters and citizens in the smaller communities indicated to him that the public generally is becoming more conscious of the advantage of the use of the air mail service in all sections of the state.

Rev. J. A. Bryson To Preach Here Sunday

The Rev. J. A. Bryson, of Columbia, Mo., a former Macon county man, will preach at the Franklin Baptist church Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service. He will also preach at the evening service at 8 o'clock.

Sunday afternoon at 2:30 Mr. Bryson will preach at the Sugarfork Baptist church.

Mr. Bryson is enroute to Richmond, Va., to attend the Southern Baptist convention.

"In Old Chicago" Here Next Week

"In Old Chicago," said to be one of the finest pictures ever made, will be shown at the Macon Theatre Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

Critics and commentators have all agreed that this picture is one of the greatest spectacles to be put on the screen. The story of the great conflagration started by Mrs. O'Leary's cow has been filmed at enormous expense, and is drawing record-breaking crowds wherever it is shown.

A typographical error in the theatre program on page 3 of this issue shows "Start Cheering" as due to be shown Thursday. It should read Friday, May 20.

Franklin Produce Market LATEST QUOTATIONS

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

Quoted by Farmers Federation, Inc.
Chickens, heavy breed, hens 13c
Chickens, light weight, lb... 10c

Quoted by Nantahala Creamery
Butterfat, lb. 22c

Summer School To Be Held In Franklin Beginning May 30

A summer school will be held in the Franklin high school for the benefit of students who wish to make up work in upper grammar grades or high school subjects. The school will open on Monday, May 30, under the direction of Mrs. Helen Macon, and any information desired may be secured by consulting her, announced M. D. Billings, superintendent of public schools for Macon county.

DEATH TAKES MRS. RICKMAN

Aged Lady Dies Saturday At Her Home At Leatherman

Mrs. Alice M. Rickman, 76, died at her home at Leatherman, 12 miles north of Franklin, at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon following a month's illness. She had high blood pressure and last week suffered a stroke of paralysis.

She was a daughter of the late Samuel and Margaret Morrison Bryson, one of Macon county's pioneer families. She was born and reared at West's Mill, and was married to J. Wiley Rickman, of that community. She had been a member of Cowee Baptist church for more than 60 years.

Funeral services were held at the Cowee Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The Rev. R. F. Mayberry, pastor, officiated. Interment was in the church cemetery. The pallbearers were: C. Tom Bryson, J. Fred Bryson, Purnell Bryson, Will Rickman, Robert Rickman, and Earl Rickman, all nephews.

Surviving are her husband, two sons, E. Oscar Rickman, of Leatherman, and Everette B. Rickman, of Canton; three grandchildren; two sisters, Misses Laura and Beulah Bryson, and three brothers, Charles, C. A., and Robert T. Bryson, of West's Mill.

P.-T. A. To Have White Elephant Sale

The Franklin P.-T. A. will give a white elephant sale at the American Legion hall on Friday afternoon, May 20, at 3 o'clock. Everybody come and bring your "White Elephant." Also, please bring a lemon or an orange. The price of admission will be one penny for each seed in the fruit, not, however, to exceed 10 cents. Refreshments will be served.

Box Supper At Cowee School May 20

Members of the home demonstration club of the Cowee community will sponsor a box supper and give two plays, "Mrs. Apple and her Troupe" and "Sumpin' Always Happens," at the Cowee school house on Friday night, May 20.

The proceeds will be used to pay on a piano for the school. No admission will be charged and an invitation is extended to the public to come out and help out a good cause.

Cowee Church To Meet At Rose Creek May 15

Members of the Cowee Baptist church are expected to meet Rev. C. C. Welch at the Rose Creek school house on Sunday, May 15, to receive members into the church after the baptizing, it was announced by Mr. Welch.

Box Supper At Holly Springs May 21

There will be a box supper and cake walk at Holly Springs school house on Saturday night, May 21, sponsored by the boys' athletic club of that community.

WPA EDUCATION WORK IN MACON

Nine Teachers And 502 Students Engaged In County Program

Among the 6,000 adult students enrolled in WPA and state-aided classes from 14 Western North Carolina counties who are observing Adult Education Week, are the 502 students enrolled in Macon county classes.

A number of the students, with the Macon county adult education teachers, will attend the all-day program in Asheville at McCormick Field on Thursday.

The program will open with a concert by Lee Edwards high school band, the principal speaker being Dr. L. R. Alderman, of Washington, federal director of the WPA education division.

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Morriss, director of adult education in North Carolina, and Frank Bently, regional WPA educational director, will bring messages.

Other speakers include Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, of the state department of public instruction, and Mrs. Mary E. Campbell, state director of WPA business and professional women's projects.

Prizes will be given for the best exhibits of work from the various counties.

The WPA adult education program in Macon county is conducted by nine teachers, with Mrs. Leona P. Duncan as head teacher, who supervises and places the teachers, who are appointed by the area supervisor, Mrs. Edith J. Morgan, of Asheville.

The classes and teachers are as follows: Kyle and Aquone, George W. Stegge; Mashburn Branch, Miss Trulla Vinson; Otter Creek, Miss Rebecca Ray; Highlands, Miss Annie L. Westbrook; CCC camp at Otto, Wilburn Welch; Burningtown, John Slagle; Prentiss, Jess Sanders.

Working on a three-year program, the aim of the classes for this period is the enlargement and enrichment of human lives and better homes.

The teacher's approach to each student is guided by the principle "Begin where the student is, go in the direction he wants to go, at his own pace."

Illustrating this plan, Mrs. Duncan gave as an example the instance of one man who asked, "I want to learn to divide and nothing else." The teacher taught him enough arithmetic to enable him to divide, then his interest was awakened to continue and learn other things.

The program includes close cooperation with other social and educational agencies, so that the students may receive benefit from other sources, for example the churches and schools, home demonstration and farm agent work.

Speaking of the progress of the work Mrs. Duncan stated that the work as being carried on now was well worth while, but hampered by the fact that only WPA funds at present are available.

"If Macon county could have the benefit of an appropriation from the county educational fund, which the state would match with a like amount as is the case in Jackson, Swain and other counties, we could have needed materials, better teachers and better meeting places."

New School Principal Here This Week

J. R. Wells, new principal of the Franklin schools, and Mrs. Wells spent a few days this week in Franklin looking over the town and getting acquainted with the people.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells have had their household goods moved here and placed in storage, and they expect to return in August and settle down before school opens.

Poppy Day

To Be Observed In Macon County On May 28

As a personal tribute to the men who gave their lives in the nation's defense, Poppy Day will be observed in Macon county this year on Saturday, May 28, announced Mrs. J. E. Perry, chairman of the poppy committee of the American Legion auxiliary.

These memorial poppies, which will be worn in honor of the world war dead, and to help raise funds for the welfare of the disabled veterans and needy families of the dead, will be sold by the Girl Scouts and other girls of the town.

On that day everyone can show their appreciation of what has been done by the veterans by buying and wearing one of the poppies which are made by the disabled veterans.

ELECTION FOR C. C. DIRECTORS

Unique Plan Adopted By Chamber Of Commerce

The Franklin Chamber of Commerce has adopted this year an unusual plan for the election of a board of directors, and one which will no doubt arouse a great deal of interest. Four ballot boxes have been prepared and will be placed in Angel's and Perry's drug stores, the A & P and the Dixie store, and the public is invited to make a choice of seven directors out of a list of 14 which will be posted near the ballot boxes.

The boxes will be put in place and the lists posted next Monday morning, and the election will be closed the following Saturday night. Following is the official ballot:

For Directors of Chamber of Commerce (Vote for Seven)

Miss Lottie Kelly, Vance Miles, Tom Angel, Jr., Jim Perry, John Archer, Jess Conley, Bert Slagle, Jack Sanders, Harve Bryant, Mrs. Sally Sellers, Harold Sloan, W. T. (Bill) Moore, George Patton, Rev. Frank Bloxham.

No poll tax, no registration and no contribution required to vote in this election. Polls open Monday and close Saturday night.

Franklin Boy Named Fraternity Officer

Bernard Poliakoff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Poliakoff, of Franklin, has been elected vice-president of Pi Gamma Mu's South Carolina Beta chapter. He is a student at the University of South Carolina, Columbia, where he is majoring in law.

Matthew, a brother of Bernard, has been chosen as a delegate to the Pi Gamma Mu convention at Clemson. He is also a student at the University of South Carolina.

Matthew was court jester at May queen coronation at the University of South Carolina and he will be junior orator at the commencement exercises.

Bernard was elected secretary-treasurer at the law federation at Columbia.

Social Agency Council To Meet May 26

The Macon County Council of Social Agencies will hold its second meeting at a dinner at Kelly's Tea Room on the evening of Thursday, May 26.

All members are urged to hold themselves free from other engagements on that evening, so that they may attend, as many important matters are on the program.

Jack Sanders is spending this week in Atlanta, on business.

P. L. RICHARDS DIES SUDDENLY

Body Discovered In Cabin Where He Had Been Living Alone

P. L. Richards, 65, was found dead Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock in a cabin belonging to A. W. Reid, two and one-half miles east of Franklin, on highway 285, where he had been making his home for the past 10 months.

Mr. Richards, who left the Reid home about 10 o'clock Tuesday evening, was apparently in the best of health and had eaten a hearty supper as usual.

He was found by Wilburn Reid, the 9-year-old son, of A. W. Reid, who went to awaken him for breakfast. When he received no response to his knock, he then went for his father who upon entering the cabin, found him lying across the bed fully dressed. He also had on his overcoat.

Dr. John H. Fouts, the attending physician, said that Mr. Richards had died suddenly from natural causes. He had for several months been suffering with heart attacks and complications.

C. M. Moore, coronor for Macon county, made investigations and held an inquest Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. The empaneled jury was composed of Zeb Shope, Carey Moffit, R. R. Cunningham, Samuel J. Murray, Wiley Sellers and W. C. Ledbetter, whose verdict was that death came by natural cause.

Mr. Richards, a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, came to Macon county about 8 years ago in an attempt to regain his health. While here he became interested in mining for mica which he did on a small scale. He had been a practicing attorney in Cincinnati and was well informed on the affairs of the country.

The body was shipped from Sylva Tuesday night to the home of his brother, James Richards, in Cincinnati.

Prisoners Ask Donations Of Musical Instruments

Has anyone in the county any banjos, guitars or other stringed instruments that are not in use? The men at the local prison camp need instruments to while away the time and they would be most useful also for leading the singing at the weekly religious service which is held for the men.

The Rev. Frank Bloxham would be glad to receive instruments or donations towards purchasing new ones. The instruments will remain at the camp and will not become the personal property of any of the prisoners. Who will help in this project?

Dedication At Pine Grove Well Attended

The dedication exercises at Pine Grove Baptist church last Sunday were well attended and a number of good speakers were on hand for the occasion.

Rev. Jud Smith, of Tellico, discussed the Sunday school as "The Foundation of the Church," and Hon. J. H. Harwood, of Bryson City, delivered a talk on "The Duty of the Church." Rev. H. A. O'Kelly, of Otto, spoke on "The Effects of the Church," and Rev. W. M. Hocutt, of Sylva, preached from Matthew 16:18, "On This Rock I Will Build My Church."

A bountiful dinner was enjoyed after the completion of the morning exercises.

Girl Scouts Discuss Camp Plans

The Girl Scouts at their regular meeting last Friday discussed camp plans for the summer. Several may go to an official Girl Scout camp at Brevard. A picnic was also hinted.