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WPA ALLOTS MORE FUNDS

Three Allocations Made to County For Schools And Sanitation

Three allocations of WPA funds for use in Macon county have received Presidential approval this week, according to carbon copies of official orders received by The Press through the office of Congressman Weaver in Washington.

They are as follows:

No. 30192. Macon county. County wide, \$2,923. Clean and renovate school buildings throughout county. Following work to be performed:

Cleaning walls, woodwork, furniture, and small equipment; and cleaning, washing and repairing furnishings such as curtains, draperies, and upholstery. This work has not previously been performed under a WPA project, and will be performed only once in any one building, or part thereof, under this or any other WPA project. This work is not a normal activity of the sponsor, and no regularly employed personnel will be displaced. County owned property. In addition to projects specifically approved. Sponsor: County board of education.

To Furnish Matron Service

No. 30187. Macon county. County wide, \$1,832.

Furnish matron service for the toilet rooms, in the public schools of Macon county. This project will operate throughout Macon county. Not a normal activity of the sponsor and no regularly employed personnel will be displaced. No regular janitorial services will be performed except those incidental to matron service. In addition to projects specifically approved. Sponsor: County board of education.

Community Sanitation

No. 30175. Macon county. County wide, \$8,601.

Community sanitation—the elimination of insanitary devices by the construction of sanitary privies in rural areas and suburban territories where sewer systems are impracticable. This project will operate throughout Macon county. The sponsor has legal authority to prosecute the work over the area involved. In addition to projects specifically approved. Sponsor: State board of health.

Football Coach Expects Fast, Heavy Team

Coach E. G. Shuford, of the Franklin high school, reports that 45 boys have reported for football practice, and that he has some excellent material which he thinks can be developed within a few weeks.

He reports that his most promising prospects at the present time are: Goldman and Curley Pennington, 185 and 198; Chas Setser, 185, and John Setser, 184.

Coach Shuford states that all of the boys are big and tough, but green and inexperienced, however, that they can be developed. He looks for a fast and heavy team for the coming season.

Local Team Takes Another Licking

The Franklin baseball team took another licking last Sunday to the tune of 9 to 2, when they journeyed down into Georgia for a return game with Clarksville on the Cornelia diamond.

The locals started well, but the game soon became ragged, and Clarksville took a long lead which they held throughout the game.

A game with Highlands on the Franklin field is scheduled for Sunday to be followed by a game between the same teams in Highlands Monday. Highlands plans a full day of baseball for Labor Day, and it is expected that many will go from Franklin.

Highlands

To Hold Bond Election September 28

The town of Highlands will hold an election on Wednesday, September 28, to decide upon whether or not bonds to the amount of \$27,500.00 will be issued by the town for the purpose of extending and improving the water system.

It is proposed to spend \$50,000.00 on the project, the town to furnish \$27,500.00, and the remainder to be made up by a grant from federal funds, on a basis similar to that proposed for the town of Franklin.

Several citizens of Highlands have stated that extensions and improvements contemplated would have to be made soon, and that it was thought best to make them now when a large part of the cost would be covered by a government grant.

F. H. Potts has been appointed register, and W. P. Pierson and Weldon Paul, judges of the election. Registration books will be open on September 3, and remain open until sundown Saturday, September 17, both inclusive, at Potts Bros. Store.

This is not a new registration, but the books will be kept open for all those who are not now on the registration list. September 17 will be challenge day.

The polls will be open on election day from 7 a. m. until sunset.

LOCAL SCHOOL BEGINS WORK

Large Number Enrolled; Highlands To Start September 8

Franklin schools opened Monday morning with an attendance of 970 in the high school and elementary grades, the high school numbering 500 and the grammar school 470.

The faculty is as follows:

J. R. Wells, principal.

High school—Miss Katherine Porter, Mrs. Helen Macon, Miss Jennie Gilliam, Mrs. Hugh Leach, Miss Josephine Weaver, Hayes Overcash, E. G. Shuford, Miss Annie Bailey, Mrs. Marie Stewart, Mrs. Paul Grist, Mrs. J. R. Wells, Ray N. Moses and W. H. Finley.

Grammar school—Mrs. Elizabeth Guffey, Mrs. Joyce J. Cagle, Mrs. Kathryn H. Williams, Mrs. Elsie W. Franks, Mrs. Pearl Hunter, Miss Margaret Skagle, Mrs. Brown, Miss Edna Jamison, Mrs. Albert Ramsey, Mrs. Lola P. Barrington, Miss Maybelle Moody and Mrs. Bertha C. Smart.

Highlands to Open September 8

Highlands school will begin on Thursday, September 8. The teachers are as follows: High school—O. F. Summer, principal; F. C. Hentz, and Miss Elizabeth Whiteside. Elementary school—Mrs. J. E. Brown, Miss Cynthia Moretz, Miss Ethel Calloway, Miss Mattie Wilkes, Miss Nina Howard, Mrs. Jack Hall, Mrs. Paul Carpenter, and Miss Veva Howard.

Misses Whiteside, Moretz, and Wilkes are new members of the faculty.

An enrollment of approximately 350 is expected, including both the high school and the elementary school.

Luther Anderson Ill At Duke Hospital

Luther Anderson, who is employed at the power house of the Nantahala Power & Light company in Franklin, was taken to Duke hospital several days ago for treatment, and reports received Wednesday stated that he was in a critical condition. His son, Ray Anderson, is also seriously ill at his home near the power plant.

Made Superintendent of Puerto Rican Hospital



Dr. T. D. Slagle, shown above with his wife, recently was appointed superintendent and medical director of St. Luke's Hospital in Ponce, Puerto Rico. The son of Mrs. Henry Slagle, of Franklin Route 1, Dr. Slagle is familiarly known to many friends here as "Dick." The missionary hospital which he now heads ministers to 12,000 patients annually.

Dr. T. D. Slagle Now Heads Large Missionary Hospital

Appointed Superintendent Of St. Luke's Hospital, Puerto Rico

Dr. T. D. Slagle, son of Mrs. Henry Slagle, of Franklin Route 1, has been appointed superintendent and medical director of St. Luke's hospital, a missionary institution in Ponce, Puerto Rico, which yearly ministers to more than 12,000 patients through its wards and clinics. Announcement of Dr. Slagle's selection for this responsible post is carried in the current issue of The Spirit of Missions, published by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal church in the U. S. A. St. Luke's Hospital was founded and is operated by the Episcopal church.

Dr. Slagle assumed the superintendency of the hospital August 1, succeeding Miss Ellen T. Hicks, another native of North Carolina, who for 20 years has been head of the institution, said to be the largest hospital in Puerto Rico.

After attending the graded schools of this county Dr. Slagle, familiarly known by hundreds of friends and acquaintances here as "Dick" Slagle, went to the University of North Carolina. After taking "pre-med" work at "the Hill" he completed his course at the Cornell Medical School in New York, being graduated with high honors. After about a year's hospital experience in Syracuse, N. Y., he and his bride visited Dr. Slagle's mother at her home, The Arboretum, about eight miles west of Franklin before going to Ponce, where Dr. Slagle had accepted a position in another missionary hospital. He followed a year's work in this institution with 18 months in government medical work, all the while studying Spanish so that his work among the Puerto Ricans might be more effective.

Writing in The Spirit of Missions, the Rt. Rev. Charles B. Colmore, D. D., missionary bishop to Puerto Rico, says that Dr. Slagle has so gained the confidence of the natives among whom he works that they have conferred upon him "that term which expresses affection and appreciation, 'simpatico'." Continuing, Bishop Colmore added:

"Of St. Luke's future under Dr. Slagle's management, I am highly enthusiastic. He will give his full

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2 BOYS DROWN AT HIGHLANDS

John Gibson And Andrew Chastain Lose Lives In Lake Sequoyah

Two Highlands boys, John Gibson, 11, and Andrew Chastain, 15, were drowned in Lake Sequoyah, a mile and a half from Highlands, about 11:30 o'clock Tuesday morning in spite of rescue efforts of a number of persons, including Rear Admiral Newton Alexander McCully, U. S. navy, retired.

Young Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gibson, and young Chastain, son of Mrs. Zeke Chastain, with four other boys, including David Tally, 12, Clarence Baty, and Corbin Tally, 16, were en route to caddy at the Highlands Golf and Country club when they decided to go swimming in the lake.

Gibson, Chastain, and Corbin Tally were in water three feet deep about 12 feet from the lake shore when Gibson stepped into a hole 10 feet deep and about 20 feet wide. Chastain saw Gibson go under and went to his rescue, but got into difficulties himself. Both were poor swimmers. Gibson came to the surface twice, and Chastain four times.

The second time Chastain appeared on the surface he called to the other boys on the bank to go for help. Corbin Tally, who was farther out in the lake, swam to the spot and made several attempts to rescue the lads, but was unsuccessful. He went to the shore and rushed to the clubhouse for help. In the meantime, Clarence Baty and David Tally had gone to the Dugout, an establishment a quarter of a mile away, where they gave the alarm. Answering the call were Rear Admiral McCully, who is spending the summer in Highlands, and Jerry Keener, of Highlands. They rushed to the lake and made efforts at rescue, Admiral McCully making several dives into the deep hole in trying to bring the boys to the surface. He worked at the task until exhausted.

While the admiral was diving, his adopted daughter rushed to Highlands, a mile and a half away, and summoned Chief of Police Rogers and W. A. Hays, town electrician. Hays dived several times finally bringing to the surface the body of Gibson after it had been in the water 30 minutes. Chastain's body was brought to the surface 20 minutes later by E. L. Meadows, of Asheville, who also was summoned to the scene. Mr. Meadows found the body on his first dive.

Dr. J. K. Stoddard, of Cashiers and Highlands; George Stewart, of Asheville, and others worked for two hours at resuscitation efforts, but found no signs of life.

Young Gibson, who was in the fifth grade, is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gibson, of Highlands; four sisters, Martice, Alice, Mary and Peggy, and four brothers, James, Charles, Clyde, and an infant.

Young Chastain's father died last spring. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Zeke Chastain, and several brothers and sisters.

Rear Admiral McCully, who, in spite of his 71 years, made strenuous efforts to rescue the two boys, is a native of Anderson, S. C. He commanded the U. S. navy's patrol squadron off the coast of France in 1917 and 1918 and commanded the scouting fleet in 1923 and 1924. He retired in 1931 after long and distinguished service in the navy. He is a frequent summer visitor in Highlands.

Funeral services for John Gibson were held Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock at the Highlands Baptist church, and final rites for Andrew Chastain were held on the same day at 2 o'clock p. m. at the Clear Creek Baptist church, six miles from Highlands on the Walhalla road.

MURDER CASE IS POSTPONED

Defense Counsel's Illness Causes Trial to Be Carried Over

The case against Nathan Brendle and Mrs. Lawrence Mason, charged with murder in the death from poison of Lawrence R. (Jabo) Mason, which was scheduled for trial Monday of this week, was postponed until the December term on account of the illness of J. N. Moody, of Murphy, who was chief counsel for Mrs. Mason.

A special venire of 50 men had been summoned for the trial, but they were dismissed by Judge Felix E. Alley, judge presiding, when it was found necessary to postpone the trial.

The civil docket was then taken up, and all jury cases were finished by Wednesday afternoon, leaving only motions and routine matters to be handled before adjournment Thursday.

The civil docket was light and contained no cases of major importance.

Funeral Held For Mrs. W. A. Pendergrass

Funeral services for Mrs. W. A. Pendergrass, 79, of the Aquone section of Macon county, were held at the Kyle cemetery Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. The Rev. George Younce was in charge of the services.

Mrs. Pendergrass died Sunday after a short illness.

Surviving Mrs. Pendergrass are her husband and four children, Mrs. Ed. Roper, of Rainbow Springs; Mrs. Robert Hawks, Mrs. Van Morgan and Roscoe Pendergrass, all of the Kyle section; two half brothers, Dan Huskin, of Hayesville, and Johnnie Huskin, of Sweetwater, Tenn., and one half sister, Mrs. Bill Bakersville; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Carson have moved into their new home on Bidwell street, recently purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Manson Stiles.