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MORE RED CROSS HELP IS NEEDED

Prompt Giving Urged To Complete Macon's Quota

The following donations have been received during the week for the War Relief Fund of the American Red Cross, as reported by Harley R. Cabe, county chairman. The Girl Scouts will continue to receive contributions on Main street for the remainder of the week.

The Macon county quota is \$300, which National Chairman Norman Davis has asked to be increased in the face of indescribable need of the war refugees. Each day over radio and through the press comes news of horrors and suffering of pitiful millions who look to the United States as their only hope of relief. The American Red Cross workers are risking their lives to minister to the suffering and starving, with the need much greater than they can meet.

Chairman Cabe urges prompt response so that Macon county's share in this work may be wired to headquarters without further delay.

Lee Guffey, \$1; Ras Penland, \$1; Mrs. Ella Hall, \$1; Mrs. J. H. Slagle, \$5; Mrs. S. P. Penland, 50c; Allie Wood, 50c; Mulberry Methodist Sunday school, \$1.22; Mrs. E. N. Evans, 50c; Coweta Baptist Sunday school, \$1.25; Snow Hill Methodist Sunday school, \$3; Hickory Knoll Sunday school, \$2; Paul Carpenter, \$1; Mrs. Chas. Melichar, \$1; A. G. Cagle, \$1; Elizabeth Love, 25c; Mrs. I. L. Roberts, 50c; Dr. J. H. Fouts, \$1; Rev. P. L. Green, 50c; Chas. Bradley \$1; W. G. Hall, \$1; Edna Jamison, \$1; J. R. Bulgin, \$1; E. B. McCollum, \$1; Mrs. E. B. McCollum, 50c; Rev. Mayberry, 50c; Mrs. Gordon Moore, 25c; H. C. Wellman, \$5; C. F. Moody, \$1; Mrs. Lavada Compton, \$1; Mrs. E. Doyle, \$1; Mrs. John B. Willis, \$3; Miss Anderson, 25c; Mrs. E. K. Cunningham, \$1; Ray Swanson, \$1; Roy F. Cunningham, \$1; T. W. Angel, Jr., \$1; B. W. Woodruff, \$1; T. D. Bryson, \$1; H. H. Hirsch, \$1; Mrs. H. H. Hirsch, \$1; Mrs. W. W. Sloan's Sunday school class, \$5.

Total \$52.72. The amount acknowledged last week was \$35.35, which brings the total acknowledgment to \$88.07.

Tony Welch Buys People's Market

R. E. (Tony) Welch, a former Franklin boy, has returned to his home town and has purchased the People's Market from Mrs. C. S. Brown. Before going to Denver, Colo., a few years ago, where he has been employed by Safety Stores, Inc., he was an employee of People's Market when it was owned by C. L. Pendergrass.

Mr. and Mrs. Welch will receive a warm welcome home with good wishes from their many friends.

A total of 6,397 drivers' licenses have been suspended in this state since 1935 for causes ranging from speeding to illegal transportation of liquor.

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Colonial Dames Celebrate Historical Event With Fitting Ceremony

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The Franklin celebration will include a program arranged by the North Carolina Colonial Dames. Other distinguished guests as well as members of the Colonial Dames are expected to attend the unveiling. Immediately following this ceremony, which will take place near the Little Tennessee river

The Bath House at Cliffside



LEGION PICNIC AT CLIFFSIDE

State Commander Rose To Be Guest Speaker On June 16

June H. Rose, of Greenville, N. C., department commander of North Carolina, will be guest speaker at the annual picnic given by the local post of the American Legion and members of the American Legion Auxiliary, on Sunday, June 16, at Cliffside Lake, near Highlands.

An invitation has been extended to all ex-soldiers in Macon county, including their families. Transportation will be furnished to all these ex-soldiers and their families who do not have their own conveyances. They are asked to meet at the Macon county courthouse at 10:30 o'clock.

Commanders and adjutants in the 20th district have been invited to attend.

The picnic dinner, which will be served at 12:30 o'clock, will be furnished by the attending group, and the speaking is scheduled to begin at 2 o'clock.

Franklin Lodge And Golf Course Now Open

The Franklin Lodge and Golf Course is now in readiness to receive guests after many additions and improvements, including three new cottages. Fresh paint and many new furnishings have made both lodge and cottages even more attractive.

Electric hot water heaters and showers have been placed in every cottage, giving this delightful resort every indoor comfort as well as offering the attractions of living out-of-doors. The golf course has been put in perfect condition for the season's playing. New lighting and decoration in the lodge made this spacious house one of the main attractions among tourist accommodations in the community.

Major and Mrs. Carmack have advertised Franklin in Florida the past winter, with the result that many newcomers to this part of the mountains are expected this season.

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Cliffside Lake Open To Fishing This Week-end

Cliffside Lake will again be open to fishing on June 8, 9, and 10. Daily fishing permits may be obtained at the bathhouse at \$1.00 per person. The first open period which occurred in May proved to be an outstanding success. The fish caught averaged one-half pound each. All fish caught were brook trout and averaged approximately 11 inches. It has been found that not only the lake but also

As The World Turns

A Brief Survey of Current Events In State, Nation and Abroad.

WAR SUMMARY

With the withdrawal of 335,000 Allied troops from Dunkirk under German attack by air and land, the deadliest battle the world has ever seen was brought to its tragic end. The British navy, using a thousand ships, assisted by every sort of small craft, performed one of the greatest feats in naval warfare by the successful transportation of this large proportion of an army otherwise doomed for annihilation.

German superiority in mechanized numbers on land and in the air swept over Holland and Belgium, forcing their complete surrender. Holland's royal family escaped to England and Belgium's king surrendered his throne.

Losses on both sides were colossal, including thousands of men, women and children refugees, which the advancing Germans swept ahead of them for protection from Allied forces, and which were machine-gunned by low flying Nazi planes. The Germans are now in possession of Dunkirk and that section of northern France.

BERLIN

The German high command states that they have thrown "countless new divisions" against a 200 mile front in Northern France. They predict capture of Paris in two weeks.

PARIS

The first large air raid on Paris has claimed 254 dead and 652 wounded and caused much damage within the city, as the Nazis dropped 1,000 bombs.

Generalissimo Weygand's new system of defense is reported to have stopped Germany's armored columns which broke the main French front at spear-points of their great offensive towards Paris yesterday.

Changes in Premier Reynaud's cabinet includes the dropping of former premier, Daladier, Reynaud thereby becoming minister of national defense as well as minister of foreign affairs. Reprisal air were made following air raids on cities in southern France and on raids on German military bases Paris.

LONDON

Lord Beaverbrook, air minister appealed for the speeding of airplane output, for "the production you pour from your factories this week will be hurled into the desperate struggle next week.

The government is considering sending hundreds of thousands of British children to Canada and Australia as England faces invasion and bombing from across the channel. Incendiary bombs were dropped yesterday in many rural districts in Germany's first widespread air attack on England.

MOSCOW

London reports that the diplomatic front has improved in Russia following the imminence of Italy's entrance into the war.

Town Board

Votes Improvements For Palmer Street

At the town board meeting last Monday night action was taken to lay curbs and gutters on Palmer street from the intersection with Main street at the foot of the hill to the crossing of U. S. Highway 23.

This work will be done under the same arrangement that Harrison avenue has been improved, with WPA furnishing labor and concrete and the town supplying other material and equipment.

The widening of Main street from the postoffice to Harrison avenue was discussed but no vote was taken on the motion. It was agreed that the people of the town should be consulted before the board could come to a decision that would involve the destruction of all trees shading that section of the street.

the two small streams entering it are well stocked with brook trout equal in size to those found in the lake. Skittles Creek below the dam has numerous excellent pools in which will be found brook trout equal in size to those found above the dam.

Harrison avenue and Church street are closed for surfacing for the rest of the week.

Population Of Franklin 1,250 By Official Count

J. M. BROUGHTON



J. M. BROUGHTON NEXT GOVERNOR

Second Primaries Waived By Runners-Up Of Both Parties

Lieutenant Governor Wilkins P. Horton withdrew from the Democratic gubernatorial campaign Monday.

Broughton said he was "deeply gratified" and sincerely believed the decision would aid party harmony.

The state board of elections an hour earlier had formally ruled that Horton was entitled to a second primary. He got 105,916 votes to take second place in the seven-man field. Broughton led with 147,386.

Governor Hoey quickly let it be known that he had given his unqualified endorsement to Horton's withdrawal.

"It is a very fortunate circumstance that the people will not have the tediousness of a second primary..." said Hoey.

Horton's Statement

After the state board of elections certified returns of the first primary, Horton announced his withdrawal in a statement which said: "It appears that the best interests of the Democratic party will be served by terminating the matter without further contest... I am a party man."

Both Broughton and Horton have been staunch supporters of Governor Hoey's administration, and there was but slight difference in their programs.

Pledged To Modify Sales Tax

Broughton is pledged to remove the sales tax from all food bought for home consumption; Horton did not mention the sales tax.

W. Erskine Smith of Albemarle has conceded the Democratic nomination for lieutenant governor to R. L. Harris of Roxboro, who led in the first primary.

The meeting of the state board was of a routine nature. The Democratic gubernatorial vote, as finally certified, gave Broughton 147,386 and Horton 105,916.

Well Known In Macon

J. M. Broughton is well known to many in Macon county, having delivered the commencement address at the Franklin high school in 1939. He has been an active Democrat and Baptist leader for 25 years. His nomination, which is equivalent to election next November, will place the nominee in the governor's chair next January. Gilmer A. Jones was Broughton's manager in Macon county, where he received a plurality of 82 votes over Horton.

No Republican 2nd Primary

The possibility of a state-wide Republican second primary also was eliminated Monday when George M. Pritchard of Asheville announced he would not contest the gubernatorial nomination of Robert H. McNeill of Washington, D. C., and Statesville. In the first primary, McNeill received 13,130 votes; Pritchard received 11,847.

Horner Stockton

Elected President of Rural Letter Carriers

J. H. Stockton, of Franklin, was elected president of the Smoky Mountains branch of the North Carolina Rural Letter Carriers' association at its annual meeting held at the Cliffside Lake recreational area in Nantahala National forest on Thursday.

Other officers elected are: Vice-president, E. E. Roberts, of Cand-

GIVE NOW!

To the Red Cross to help war victims in France. Thousands are wounded, sick, starving, homeless!

Census Supervisor Urges Persons Omitted To Report

Official census figures for the town of Franklin have been announced by Charles Z. Flack, of Asheville, district supervisor, as follows:

Population as shown by a preliminary count of returns of April 1, 1940 is 1,250. The figures of the preceding census as of April 1, 1930 were 1,094, showing a population gain of 156. The occupied housing units of Franklin are shown as 339, with 28 vacant houses.

Not Too Late To Count

Mr. Flack emphasizes the fact that it is not too late to count any names omitted and requests these to be reported to the county clerk or The Franklin Press office. Miss Anna Jean Moore, census enumerator for the town of Franklin, will add any additional names to her report.

Rufus Ray, 70 Dies At Clark's Chapel

Funeral services for Rufus Ray, 70, were held on Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at the Clark's Chapel Methodist church. The Rev. Phillip L. Greene, pastor, was in charge of the services. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Ray, a widely-known farmer and carpenter, was the son of the late Wilburn and Nicie Wilson Ray. He was born on April 27, 1870, in the Burningtown section of Macon county, and had lived his entire life in this county. Fifty years ago he was married to Miss Carrie Roper, also of Macon county. He was a member of the Sugarfork Baptist church.

Mr. Ray died at his home in the Clark's Chapel community on Monday morning at 1:30 o'clock. Although he had been ill for the past two months, death was sudden and unexpected. Death was due to a heart attack.

The pallbearers were Glen Dowdle, R. L. Ray, Harve L. Bryant, Woodrow Dowdle, Paul Ray and Bill Barnard.

Surviving are four sons, Oliver, of Augusta, Ga.; Mann, of Franklin; and Robert and Frank, of Franklin Route 2; two daughters, Mrs. George Dowdle, of Franklin Route 2; and Miss Allie Ray, of the Clark's Chapel community; one brother, Emelose Ray, of Franklin Route 3; three sisters, Mrs. John Baldwin, Mrs. H. J. Bryant, and Mrs. H. L. Barnard, all of Franklin Route 3; 23 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

ARRESTED ON ARSON CHARGE

Four Men To Be Tried For Setting Fire To School House

At a preliminary hearing Saturday before magistrates C. A. Setser and Samuel J. Murray, Willard Sanders and Leo Sanders of the Skeenah section of Macon county and Bill Southards and Rance Flemmings of Mountain City, Ga., were bound over to the August term of the Macon county Superior court.

These four men, who were arrested by Deputy Sheriff John Dills and placed in jail, are alleged to have set fire to the Maple Springs school house in the Skeenah community, on Monday night, May 27. Warrants were sworn out by Guy L. Houk, superintendent of Macon county public schools.

All four men are out on \$500 bond each.

ler, and secretary-treasurer, W. P. Cook, of Asheville.

Decision was reached to meet again at Cliffside Lake on May 30, 1941.

Fourteen letter carriers and their families attended the meeting. T. W. Porter, postmaster of Franklin, was a special guest and led a round-table discussion on subjects of interest to the carriers. Mr. Stockton welcomed the carriers to Macon county and Mr. Cook spoke on the national convention held at Portland, Ore., last August. Mr. Cook was the district delegate to the convention.

WAR

The economic effect of the European war and the closing of vital markets to the agricultural surplus producing countries are beginning to have a decided effect on the prices of foodstuffs.