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Two-Day Short Course To Teach Home Making

Experts Brought Here By Home Demonstration Clubs Next Week

A two-day short course on House Furnishing and Home Management, sponsored by the home demonstration clubs will be held on Thursday and Friday, February 13 and 14, in the basement of the Franklin Methodist church. The meetings will begin at 10 a. m.

This course has been arranged and made possible by the Extension service to come to our Macon county women because they are too far away to attend those offered during Farm and Home Week in Raleigh each year, according to Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill, county home demonstration agent. All home demonstration club members and other interested persons are urged by Mrs. Sherrill to attend these classes.

State College Experts To Teach
Miss Pauline Gordon, home furnishing and home management specialist of State college, will conduct the classes and demonstrate furniture and floor finishes, color in the home and other home improvement features. Homemakers are invited to bring their problems in house furnishing to class to be discussed.

Mrs. Cornelia C. Morris, food conservationist and marketing specialist at State college, will accompany Miss Gordon. Mrs. Morris will bring display packets of fruit and vegetables similar to those exhibited at the North Carolina State Fair in previous years. A handicraft exhibit will also be brought by Mrs. Morris, for the purpose of illustrating means of using native products in constructing salable crafts.

The Macon county home demonstration clubs, under the leadership of Mrs. Sherrill, are constantly on the lookout to find new ways for farmwomen to add convenience to their homes and to find new ways to create cash income from farm sources. These classes offered next week mark a new step toward this objective.

R. W. Graeber

Demonstrates Timber Stand Improvement Monday

R. W. Graeber, extension forester from Raleigh will be in Macon county Monday, February 10. Beginning at 9 o'clock Mr. Graeber will be at the farm of Harley Stewart in the Patton settlement to conduct a timber stand improvement demonstration. At 2 o'clock he will be at the farm of Ben Lenoir in Cartoogechaye where a timber stand improvement demonstration has already been started by E. J. Whitmore and his vocational boys, according to an announcement by Sam Mendenhall, county agent.

Two units or \$3.00 per acre may be earned in the Agricultural Conservation program by correctly carrying out the practice of timber stand improvements. Mr. Mendenhall states, Farmers who are intending to make part or all their units by this practice should attend one of these demonstrations to learn the proper way of doing timber stand improvement work. Everyone is invited to attend these demonstrations and bring their ax.

Zone Meeting February 12

The Macon County Zone meeting of the Missionary Societies of the Methodist churches of Macon county will be held on Wednesday, February 12, at the Franklin Methodist church, it was announced by Mrs. Fred Slagle, zone leader.

Mrs. P. E. Branson, of Clayton, district secretary of the Waynesville district, expected to be present and be the principal speaker for the occasion. She will be accompanied by Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, of Waynesville and Mrs. J. B. Tabor, of Murphy.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock and all societies in the county are urged to send a large delegation of members. Only one meeting a year is held now.

Castor Oil Found At Whiskey Still

A "pure corn whiskey" still discovered in the Cowee mountains last week revealed a puzzling feature of a quart of castor oil found nearby.

Deputy Sheriff John Dills accompanied John D. Norton and Louis B. Fretz of Asheville, of the Alcohol Tax unit went to the spot where a 30-gallon copper still was discovered and 475 gallons of still later.

Mr. Norton said signs indicated the still had been in operation about a year and had been making pure corn whiskey. Corn meal bags were found in abundance, but no sugar sacks, the officer said. However, the strangest find was the quart of castor oil, which Mr. Norton said he could not account for at the whiskey plant.

After destroying the still, the officers arrested Grady Dalton at his home a mile from the plant. He was taken into custody by the federal officers, and, it is understood here, was to have appeared for trial at Sylva on Monday. From information gathered here it was reported that Dalton failed to appear.

J. M. Carpenter

Well-Known Citizen Dies After Week's Illness

James M. Carpenter, 85, a well-known citizen of Macon county, died at the Angel clinic Friday morning, January 31, at 9:30 o'clock, following a week's illness with pneumonia.

A life-long resident of this county, Mr. Carpenter was born on May 22, 1855, a son of Henry and Lucinda Allen Carpenter. Most of his life was spent at Prentiss as a farmer. In his earlier years he was a school teacher. He served as superintendent of the Sunday school at Prentiss for a number of years.

Mr. Carpenter was a member of the Franklin Baptist church after moving here several years ago. He had been a deacon for several years and was a senior deacon at the time of his death, always taking an active interest in his church's work. He was married March 22, 1887, to Miss Ada Sellers of this county.

Funeral services were held at the church on Saturday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. C. F. Rogers, pastor, was assisted in the services by the Rev. J. L. Stokes II, of the Franklin Methodist church, the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan of the Episcopal church, and the Rev. George Davis, of the Cowee Baptist church. Interment was in the Franklin cemetery.

The pallbearers were Ben McCollum, J. B. Pendergrass, Roy R. Cunningham, J. Horner Stockton, J. Herbert McGlamery and J. W. Addington.

Honorary pallbearers were John E. Rickman, Silas Womack, John O. Harrison, R. M. Ledford, Alex. Moore, R. N. Stiles, John M. Moore, Wade Cunningham, George Carpenter, Ernest Cooper and Noah Gibson.

Surviving are his widow, and four children; two daughters, Misses Nina and Grace Carpenter; and two sons, W. Roy and Paul B. Carpenter, all of Franklin; one sister, Mrs. Riley J. Garland of Toccoa, Ga., and one brother, E. H. Carpenter of Franklin Route 2.

Nantahala National Forest

Did You Know That

AQUONE CAMP MOVED
The Aquone CCC Camp F-10 was moved to Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., February 1. In its new assignment this camp will assist in the various jobs arising as a result of the rapid expansion of the training camp.

Camp F-10 was one of the early camps to be established on the Nantahala National Forest. Its personnel had a major part in the development of Nantahala Forest lands in Macon County, particularly in the vicinity of Wayah. Some of the projects which this camp had a part in initiating and completing are the John Byrne Memorial Tower, Nantahala Road, Rainbow Springs Road, Arrowwood Glade, and Wayah Depot.

Plans at present are to return this camp to Aquone on about May 1 so that it may continue its splendid work in developing National Forest lands in Macon County.

SCOUT HOUSE TO BE BUILT

Boy Scout Anniversary Celebrated Here This Week

Steps are being taken for the building of a new Boy Scout headquarters for the Franklin troop, according to Jess Conley, speaking for the Scout committee of the Rotary Club, sponsors of the local troop. "We intend to put up a good building on the site of the old house, which will be torn down," said Mr. Conley last Tuesday.

The scouts are now meeting in the small building in the rear of the Methodist parsonage, since the roof of the scout house is considered unsafe. The announcement of the proposed building marks a feature in the celebration by the local troop of the 31st anniversary of the founding of the Scout movement in the United States, February 7-13.

Attend Court Of Honor

The troop attended the district court of honor of the Daniel Boone council at Sylva last Monday night, accompanied by Scoutmaster Jimmie Hauser.

At this court John Allen Higdon was promoted to life rank from star rank; Frank Murray, Jr., and Harold Bradley to the rank of first class. Merit badges were awarded to Bobby Leach for cycling; Gus Leach, civics; Dick Angel and Kenneth Conley, dairying; Gordon Porter, camping, cooking and woodwork.

Council Troops

Dean W. E. Bird of W. C. T. C. has been reelected as chairman of the Smoky Mountains District of the Daniel Boone Council, Inc. This district consists of Swain, Macon, and Jackson counties and at the present time has 126 Scouts in eight different Scout Troops.

The troops are located at Cherokee, Cullowhee, Bryson City, Franklin, Mt. Zion Baptist church (near Bryson City), Highlands, and two troops at Sylva. At the present time there are several communities in the district that are in the process of starting troops.

During the past year the troops were active in camp and other Scout events. The district held a patrol camporee at the Lumpkin property, a cabin and 16 acres of land near Arrowwood camp grounds.

The district holds a Court of Honor each month at which time the boys are recognized for their advancement in rank. This meeting is held on the first Monday in each month and moves from town to town. The next Court will meet in Franklin March 3.

To supervise the Scout activities in the district and to promote the movement there is a committee made up of men from each town. For 1941 this committee is made up of Dean Bird as chairman, E. J. Duckett, Sylva, vice-chairman and in charge on Health and Safety, Jess Conley, Franklin, chairman of Finance, S. S. Alfred, Bryson City, Organization chairman, W. E. Ensor, Cherokee, Training chairman, Hugh Monteith, Sylva, Camping chairman, E. C. Dodson, Cullowhee, Cubbing chairman, H. W. Gibson, Sylva, Inter-Racial chairman. Other members are M. C. Close, Bryson City, A. F. Neely, Cherokee, W. W. Sloan, Franklin, and Sidney McCarty, Highlands.

Girls Win Over Boys At Holly Springs School

The first basket ball game of the season was played at Holly Springs school house on Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, between the Holly Springs girls and the Holly Springs All Stars boys.

A very interesting game was played. The girls won over the All-Stars by a score of 90 to 44. Each girl fought bravely and did her part. But Miss Jewel Elliott lead the crowd by 50 points or more.

The All-Stars put up a hard fight. Dewey Elliott and Frank S. Crispe were in high favor at the game, but they couldn't match the power of the community girls. The All-Star boys are a very nice bunch of boys to play with, which the girls appreciate very much.

The Holly Springs All-Stars are now ready to play basket ball, and are looking for games.

Glenville Dam Will Be Completed In Record Time

The Nantahala Power and Light company's Glenville hydro-electric project is rapidly nearing completion. One section, more than one-half mile long of the main tunnel which will carry the impounded waters to the power house, was completed last week. The other two sections are expected to be completed within two months.

The two dams are also nearly finished. When completed, the main dam will be 1,000 feet long, 150 feet high and contain approximately one million cubic yards of earth and stone. The saddle dam will be 600 feet long and 100 feet high.

The Morrison-Knudsen corporation of Boise, Idaho, is the contractor for the project. More than 1,000 men are employed.

When the project was begun last July, it was expected to take 15 months to complete, but it is now believed that the project will be finished well before that time.

Although the tunnels are being rapidly completed, they must be connected from one mountain to another with drain pipe and two of the three sections are to be lined. The total distance from the dam to the power house is 16,000 feet 13,000 feet of which will be tunnels. The total fall of the water from the dam to the power house is 1,215 feet, making this one of the highest head plants east of the Rockies.

President's Birthday Ball Thursday Night

An enjoyable affair was the President's birthday ball last Thursday night at Panomara Courts. The attendance was not as large as was expected on account of the influenza epidemic, but the younger set reported an entertainment where all had a good time. Seventy per cent of the proceeds went to the Infantile Paralysis fund, amounting to \$21.00 was reported by Chairman Lester Arnold.

CHEROKEES ENLIST

Five Indians from Cherokee left recently for Honolulu after enlisting in the army.

Thirty-seven others left for army camps where they will be employed on construction projects.

Dr. Robert L. Flowers of Duke University faculty and acting president since the death a few months ago of President Few, has been elected president by the board of trustees.

CITIZENS ON THE RECORD

Under this head The Franklin Press and Highlands Maconian will print comments of citizens on matters of public interest. Suggestions of queries will be appreciated.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION
"WHICH, IN YOUR JUDGMENT, WILL BRING GREATER PROGRESS TO THE STATE'S SCHOOLS AS A WHOLE, A NINE MONTHS TERM OR A TWELFTH GRADE?"

W. H. FINLEY: "I believe that nine months at school mean more to the boy or girl who goes to college than the 12th grade. This is borne out by the fact that recent statistics of the University of North Carolina show out of 43 freshmen who made the honor roll, 29 came from nine months schools. Of course the nine months school means much more to the great majority who do not go to college.

Schools in large cities and industrial centers have sufficient revenue to add the ninth month, while the rural schools, serving the greater number, cannot do so. Therefore it would help a greater number of young people to supply the nine months school for all and let the city schools add the 12th grade.

We need more pay for teachers; the ninth month would supply this; which, I believe, teachers would be as pleased to receive as more pay for eight months. It is better to pay teachers more than to employ more teachers for a 12th grade. This would partly answer the argument against the ninth month. An increase in salaries for eight months plus the cost of a 12th grade would amount almost to the sum sufficient to give a nine months school for all."

MRS. JAMES E. PERRY: "I much prefer the nine months term, because the four months of idleness is too long a time for young people to be out of school. Then, those who go to college are at a disadvantage in competing with those who have had the advantage of a nine months term."

TOM C. BRYSON: "I am for a nine months term rather than a 12th grade because it benefits a greater number. I am for that legislation which brings good to the greatest number of citizens."

MRS. HARLEY LYLE: "I think I prefer the 12th grade, because boys and girls are too immature to go away to school when they complete the 11th grade. They need another year at home to better fit them for college life."

DR. FRANK SMITH: "The nine months term I consider of greater value. The additional month over a period of eleven years amounts to more time, and is better distributed than a 12th grade added to an eight months term. As at present constituted, the eight months work is harder than it would be spread over nine months, and the pupils do not get as much out of it."

MRS. FLORENCE STALCUP SHERRILL: "I prefer the 12th grade. When children get out of the 11th grade school they are too often too immature to go to college or to decide what vocation they wish to take up. The average boy or girl would be better equipped, in my judgment, by having 12 grades."

As The World Turns

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

WILLKIE REFUSES SIMPSON'S SEAT

The New York Republicans have received a cablegram from Wendell L. Willkie "not interested" to their proffered nomination of the former presidential candidate to the vacancy in the House of Representatives of Congress caused by the death last week of Kenneth F. Simpson.

N. C. HEAD OF SELECTIVE SERVICE

Brig. Gen. J. Van B. Metts' appointment by President Roosevelt as Director of Selective Service in North Carolina was confirmed last week by the Senate.

M'ADOO DIES IN WASHINGTON

William G. McAdoo, former senator from California and secretary of the treasury under President Wilson, died in Washington last week and was buried in Arlington national cemetery Monday.

"UNLOADED" PISTOL KILLS YOUTH

The trigger of an "unloaded" pistol pulled by a companion killed Dallas Humphrey, 17, of Valdese Sunday night, on the public school grounds.

GROUNDHOG SEES SHADOW TO FEBRUARY 2

The groundhog is reported to have poked his head out of his burrow last Sunday—Groundhog Day—blinked in the bright sunlight, yawned and shuffled back into his hole for six more weeks of winter.

WILLKIE'S MESSAGE TO GERMANY

At the request of BBC, Willkie sent a radio message to Germany before he left. It said in part: "... I am proud of my German blood, but I hate aggression and tyranny. Tell the German people my convictions are shared in full by an overwhelming majority of my fellow countrymen of German descent. They too believe in freedom and human right... we reject the hate, aggression and lust for power of the present German government."

BOMBERS BLAST INVASION COAST

In expectation of early invasion threat, R. A. F. bombers, protected by clouds of fighting planes are making offensive daylight raids on German "invasion coast" with devastating effect on submarine bases, air and army forces.

Nazi raids over London and other cities are increasing. Both sides claim losses of enemy planes.

CIRIS IN FRANCE SEEMS NEAR

Out of the strict censorship that covers France it is reported that Marshall Petain, who dropped Pierre Laval from his cabinet and stands firm against use of France's fleet against Britain, has offered to surrender his direct control of the French government to Admiral Francoeur Darlan. Pierre Laval, with Hitler behind him demands to be installed as premier, equivalent to handing over the Vichy government to Nazis. A crisis is impending.

ITALIAN DEFEATS CAMPAIGNS

In Africa and Greece Italian forces are retreating on all fronts. Greeks have reached Tepeleni. British on land, sea and air press campaigns in Libya, Ethiopia and Eritrea.

BULGARIA IN DANGER

Reports come that Hitler is renewing pressure on Bulgaria to allow passage of Nazi troops towards Greece to aid the Italians.

WILLKIE LEAVES FOR HOME

Wendell Willkie sailed on the American clipper from Lisbon Wednesday night for the U. S. by way of Bolama, Portuguese Guinea, Trinidad and Puerto Rico.

Bidding the British people farewell after a 10-days whirlwind tour of the island kingdom he said he was hurrying home to do "anything I can to help Britain in her fight for freedom."

The Times of London said: "Everywhere and with everyone Willkie left the impression of sincerity, friendship, boundless energy and radiant high spirit which has been intensely heartening."