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GREGG CHERRY HERE TUESDAY

R. S. Jones, County Mgr. Candidates Race For Governor

Major Gregg Cherry of Gastonia, candidate for the democratic gubernatorial nomination for Governor of North Carolina, paid a brief visit to Franklin last Tuesday. He stayed just long enough to secure the consent of R. S. Jones, well known local attorney, to be his campaign manager in Macon county.

Major Cherry expressed delight over this beautiful section of the State, and promised to return at an early date to meet the people and make a public address. He only passed through this time to fill an appointment in Murphy.

Mr. Jones, who resigned as chairman of the Macon county Board of Elections last year to accept the position of assistant to the secretary of state in Raleigh, and who returning only recently to look after his private business, is well fitted to direct Major Cherry's candidacy.

For several months, Major Cherry has been answering invitations all over the state and his state manager, has reported through all publicity channels the candidate's clear statements of his stand on vital issues.

Mr. Jones said yesterday that it is the general sentiment throughout the state that Major Cherry will be the next governor. He referred to the recent "Gregg Cherry Day" rally program when his homefolks paid tribute to his varied distinguished services to his county and state.

Former Mayor Douglas of Charlotte said, "I soldiered with Gregg Cherry in France, and I knew him as a man and as an officer who was cool, calm and collected under fire."

Dr. C. E. Rozelle of High Point, his former pastor in Gastonia, said, "I have known him since we were boys together here in Gaston county, through our college days when we roomed together at old Trinity college... in the governor's office he will bring credit to himself, his friends, his county, and his state."

Bryan Hurd from the Cramerton Mill, said, "I am glad to be the representative of the textile employees of Gaston county on this program; we are interested in good, progressive government and in Major Cherry we have a fan who will guarantee that sort of government for North Carolina."

Eastern Star Installs Officers

The newly elected officers for the Nequassa chapter No. 43, Order of the Eastern Star, were installed to serve through the coming year at the regular chapter meeting on Thursday evening.

Miss Elizabeth Slagle, past district deputy grand matron, presided as installing officer, and Mrs. Eunice Hill Church, also a past district deputy grand matron, was installing marshal. C. Gordon Moore acted as chaplain, Mrs. Nobia Murray as secretary, Mrs. Edith Boesser, conductress, Mrs. Flora Dean, warder and Mrs. Ida Mae Jamison, sentinel.

Officers installed included: Mrs. Beth Guffey, worthy matron; B. L. McGlamery, worthy patron; Mrs. Irene Bryson, associate matron; James L. Hauser, associate patron; Mrs. Nobia Murray, secretary; Mrs. Alice Ray, treasurer; Mrs. Frances McGlamery, conductress; Mrs. Grace O'Mohundro, associate conductress; Mrs. Leola Penn, chaplain; Miss Lassie Kelly, marshal.

Miss Virginia Slagle, organist; Mrs. Florence Sherrill, Adah; Mrs. Sallie Killian, Ruth; Mrs. Genett Thomas, Esther; Mrs. Nina Crisp; Martha; Mrs. Milton Hyde, Electa; Mrs. Dess Pendergrass, warder; and Mrs. Ruth West, sentinel.

The associate officers were: Mrs. Sallie Sellers, chaplain; Mrs. Edith Boesser, marshal; Mrs. Margaret Cabe, organist; Mrs. Pearl Corbin, Adah; Mrs. Josephine Long, Ruth; Mrs. Esther

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Ration Board

Announces Latest News On Gas Rations

Changes In Ownership Of Vehicles

A person who sells or otherwise disposes of an automobile or motorcycle must surrender outstanding gasoline rations, issued for the vehicle, to the local War Price and Rationing Board and receive a receipt, OPA Form R-569.

Any person who buys an automobile is required to obtain from the transferrer of the vehicle, gasoline receipt OPA Form R-569, the transferrer's tire inspection record and part "D" of Ration Certificates OPA Form R-2 which may have been issued to the transferrer of vehicle to purchase new tires. These forms and records must be presented by the purchaser of the vehicle to the board at the time he applies for Basic Gasoline ration for vehicle.

Notice To All "B" or "C" Gas Ration Holders:

It is necessary for you to present your tire inspection record and speedometer reading when applying for a renewal of your gas ration. No gas can be issued without them in the future.

War Price & Rationing Board,
45-126,
Macon County, N. C.

Attention— Truck Operators

All holders of Certificates of War Necessity for truck may get their gasoline ration for Second Quarter on March 29, 30, and 31, 1944. It will be necessary for you to obtain your gasoline ration for Second Quarter on the above dates, during office hours, because the type of coupon that you now hold will not be good for the purchase of gasoline on or after April 1, 1944. The Board office hours are 8:15 a. m. to 4:00 p. m., everyday except Saturday. Saturday hours are 8:15 to 12:00.

THOMAS SLAGLE DIES AT HOME

Funeral Services Held At St. Agnes Church On Wednesday

Thomas Maxwell Slagle, one of Macon county's oldest and most esteemed citizens, died at his home on Cartoogechaye on Tuesday morning at 8:45 o'clock, after an illness of eight months. He was a farmer and lumberman.

Funeral services were held at St. Agnes Episcopal church at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning and burial was in Franklin cemetery. Rev. A. Rufus Morgan conducted the services assisted by Rev. S. R. Crockett of Hazelwood, former pastor of Mr. Slagle.

Pallbearers were A. B. Slagle, Carl S. Slagle, Javan Gray, Eugene Crawford, Harry S. Higgins and John Slagle. Mr. Slagle lived all his life in this county, the son of Elam L. and Amanda Crawford Slagle. He was born on Cartoogechaye, April 14, 1853. He married Miss Laura Slagle, also of Cartoogechaye on December 28, 1898, who died in 1936. He had almost reached his 91st birthday. Beloved by family and friends for his never-failing goodness and hospitality, his last days were a benediction to those who cared for him.

Mr. and Mrs. Slagle were donors of a 500-acre tract of rich farm land on the Cartoogechaye creek to the Asheville Presbytery for a home and school for homeless boys of the county as a memorial to their son, Maxwell, who died in childhood. It was named the Maxwell Home, and for 20 years did a beneficent work in this county until 1933 when it was closed.

Rev. S. R. Crockett was in charge of the work for some years.

Surviving are one son, Richard, who is with the Navy at Pearl Harbor, two daughters, Miss Amanda Slagle, a teacher at Slagle school; and Miss Lucy

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NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM



Pfc. James Weaver Holbrook, son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Holbrook, has been serving overseas for two years. He entered service in August 1941.



Cpl. Sidney Clay is stationed overseas. His wife is the former Miss Betty Shook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Shook of Cullasaja.



CM 2/C Zeb Ledford, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ledford, is with the U. S. N. overseas. Mrs. Ledford is now living here.



Cpl. John B. Davis, son of Mrs. Katie Davis of Franklin and Brevard, has been awarded the Purple Heart Medal for wounds received in Italy. He is now on active duty. His wife, the former Miss Vennie Holbrook of West's Mill, is making her home in Winston-Salem.

Four Macon Men Meet In Honolulu

News has come of how three cousins and another Franklin boy met in far-off Honolulu on February 20 for an evening together—a memorable occasion to all of them, according to their report. One was Lt. Col. George Bidwell Sloan of the regular army, a West Point man who is already a veteran of several Pacific campaigns.

It was not so long ago that he was romping with his brothers, Neville and Bobby, on Sloan Hill in East Franklin. One winter, he is reported to have recalled proudly, he drove his cousin, Gilmer Crawford's milk truck. This same Gilmer, now a quartermaster in the Honolulu Navy Yards, was giving the dinner party at Mawana Hotel on Wakiki Beach. The other cousin was Tom Slagle of Cartoogechaye and the fourth man was C. S. Brown, Jr. The last named are with the Navy Construction Battalion—better known as the Seabees—who are at present stationed there.

We hope that other happy meetings of Macon men at overseas stations may be reported to friends at home from time to time.

U. S. Soldiers Enjoin Church Socials In England

The following news release has been received here:

HEADQUARTERS EUROPEAN THEATRE OF OPERATIONS—American engineers have revived the good, old fashioned church social in England and are promoting more cordial and friendly relations with the local townpeople. Every Sunday the soldiers repair to the local church to play various games. During the evening tea and cakes are served, and those who

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DR. M'DONALD IS CANDIDATE

For Governor Of State On The Democratic Ticket

"All-out support of the war and peace efforts" and "an emphatic leadership in a sound program of progress in all fields" were the keynotes of Dr. Ralph McDonald's formal announcement here today as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of North Carolina. McDonald recently resigned from the State University to make his second race for the Governor's office which he barely lost in a memorable contest with former Governor Clyde R. Hoey in 1936.

Educational progress, a major postwar road building program, increased farm income, adequate pay for State employees, full provision for returning service men and women, opposition to the sales tax, reduction in the personal income tax, payment of the State General Fund debt, development of aviation, and a strong temperance stand were the principal features of a twenty-four point program setting forth the Winston-Salem candidate's views on major issues.

"The people of North Carolina know what I stand for," said McDonald. "My record is an open book. I stand where I always stood on major issues. Since I began fighting for these principles the tide in State affairs has turned definitely in the direction of the policies I have advocated."

Miss Sloan

To Be Presented In Voice Graduating Recital

Miss Dorothy Sloan, will be presented in her graduating voice recital by The Woman's College school of music in Greensboro next Monday night at 8 o'clock in recital hall of Music building. She will be accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Pearce, a junior, of Franklinton.

Midway of her program, Miss Sloan, a mezzo-soprano, will sing two arias, "Printemps qui Commence," from "Samson at Dailia," Saint-Saens, and "Esser Mesto" from "Martha," Flotow. She will open with an impressive group, including "Ru lo sai" Scarlatti; "Donzella, fuggite," Cavalli; "Era la vo," Sadero, and "Prepare Thyself, Zion," Bach.

Other selections will be folk songs, a French and Italian group, and the concluding numbers will be "London Rain," Klemm; "At The Well," Hageman and "Love Went A 'Riding" by Bridge.

Miss Stone has studied under the Woman's College during her four years of college work, and last summer studied in New York at the Julliard School of Music. Her work has been outstanding and she has taken a leading part in the scholastic, musical, social and religious activities of the college.

Horner P. Norton of the Naval Training Station at Bainbridge, Md., spent a furlough at home. While here he visited his sister, Mrs. Thomas Hunt, Jr.

Red Cross Goal In Sight Says Chairman John Archer

The \$6,500 Quota Will Be Assured When All Report

"With approximately \$5,000 already turned in to Claude Bolton, treasurer of the Macon county Red Cross War Fund; our goal of \$6,500 is in sight," reports Chairman John Archer.

S. C. Russell, Highlands chairman, advises that the Highland campaign is well under way and that figures will be released in next week's report. Until the total of the Highlands campaign and the Macon county share of the Fontana collec-

FOREST FIRES HELP THE ENEMY

Warden Bryson Appeals To All To Protect Forests

"Forest fires not only help the enemy but they injure every one. When our forests burn, everybody loses," says Fred Bryson, County Warden.

"Hundreds of people in Macon county work in our forests. Hundreds more are dependent on the forest products for their daily wage.

"Uncle Sam" is depending on these people to stay at their work and thereby get the vital war material to the proper place, where our boys are waiting for it. Let's not let our boys down by not doing our part. If we have to stop valuable work to put out forest fires we are losing a foot hold some where," Mr. Bryson says.

"We have been extremely fortunate in Macon county up to the present time in keeping the fires down. This is proof of good citizenship.

The next sixty days will be the trying time. I believe in the people of Macon county. I believe that every one is going to do even better this spring than usual, for it is a plain fact that we can't spare our valuable labor for fighting forest fires, therefore, we are not going to let them start.

"You people who have burning to do in your farming work, get your permit and burn when you can control your fire." Mr. Bryson makes this earnest appeal to all.

Burning permits may be secured from:

U. S. F. S. Ranger, Franklin. Register of Deeds office, in Franklin.

J. D. Burnette, Sealy. Andrew Gregory, Gneiss. Samuel Ramsey, Tellieo.

W. W. Cochran, Flats. Carr Bryson, Asst. County Warden.

J. Fred Bryson, County Warden.

Mrs. Passmore Taken By Death

Mrs. Martha L. Passmore, 74, died Monday at the home of a step-son, Jeff Passmore, West's Mill, following a six-weeks' illness.

A native of the Ellijay section, Mrs. Passmore was a member of Carson Chapel Methodist church. She moved to West's Mill about two years ago.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3 p. m., at Cowee Baptist church, with the Rev. Norman E. Holden officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Tom Rickman, Ernest Cabe, Clyde West, Jim Hurst, Leon Cabe and Robert Bryson.

Surviving are one son, Charlie Valentine, Sylva; seven stepsons, Elisha, Gastonia, Joshua Glenville, Jeff, West's Mill, Parker, Greenville, Alex, Gay, Isaac, Rock Hill, S. C., and John Passmore, Franklin, Route 4, two step-daughters, Mrs. John Elliott, Murphy, and Mrs. Walter Ertzberger, Gastonia; and 50 grandchildren.

Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pvt. Thomas Hunt, Jr., of Camp Breckinridge, Ky., spent an 8 day furlough at home.

Macon Sailor Sends \$5.

The chapter has received the following letter from a Macon county sailor:

"In appreciation for a few of the many things the Red Cross is doing for the Service men, enclosed is \$5.00 to help your annual Red Cross drive.

Sincerely,
Thomas Turpin, Phm 2/C
U. S. N.