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83 Students Graduate At Franklin High School

Auditorium Too Small To Accomodate Record-Breaking Attendance

Commencement exercises were held at the Franklin high school Wednesday night, June 6. Beginning with Verdia's "ProceSSIONal," played by Mrs. Henry Cabe and ending with Wagner's "Recessional" the occasion filled out with the concomitants due the girls and boys who had spent their years of schooling profitably and were well deserving of the honors bestowed upon them.

Well over a thousand people attended, some standing at the doors. When "America" was sung they all joined in and almost lifted the rafters with the old song that could be said really to come from their hearts. The Rev. A. Rufus Morgan delivered a powerful invocation. The salutatory address was made by Cecil Tallent, in which he welcomed parents and friends of the graduating class to the ceremonies. Carolyn Long, in her speech on "Federal Aid for Education," emphasized the need for equalization of educational standards, costs and opportunities throughout the country. The talk of Lee Roy Roper on soil conservation stressed the need of recognition in our schools for teaching the rising generation the fundamental necessity of the preservation of soil resources.

When Miss Dorothy Sloan, directress of the Choral Club, rose and with her the members of the club, to sing "Mighty Like A Rose," the audience sat enraptured. Violet Barnard, in her talk on the subject of Home Economics Education, emphasized the fact that home making was the largest concern of most Americans. Anne Flanagan, speaking on the subject of "Education for Peace," said that the development of transportation and the improvement in communication has made it imperative that we turn our thoughts to an aggressive and constructive development of a world peace structure.

Principal George H. Hill, in his announcement of awards stressed the fact that industry placed a premium on high school graduation, not altogether because of the knowledge and skills gained in high school, but because of the fact that a young person who had had the perseverance to finish high school would likely take this perseverance into his life's work.

Superintendent Guy L. Houk conferred diplomas, having addressed the class to the effect that their graduation did not mean that their education was completed but that they had to climb to higher peaks of it.

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OWM & R Cracks Down On Farm Slaughterers

The Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion has directed, effective July, 1945 that no one will be permitted to sell or give away meat resulting from the slaughter of livestock UNLESS they have registered and been granted a Class 3 Slaughterer's permit by HIS OPA Local Board.

"If you do not intend to sell or give away meat before July 1, 1945 you have until that date to register your farm slaughtering establishment with your local board. You will be limited in the amount of meat you may sell or transfer during the next 12 months to 100 per cent of the dressed weight of meat that you sold or gave away during 1944. If you did not sell or give away any meat during the year 1944 but plan to sell or give away meat in the year 1945 it will be necessary for you to register and obtain a permit. You will not be restricted in the amount of livestock you may slaughter for consumption in your own household. All livestock slaughter licenses and permits issued by War Food Administration are revoked.

"If you sell livestock or meat, play square by charging no more than legal ceiling prices. Of course, some people may offer you a lot more—but no mat-

LAWRENCE B. CURTIS PROMOTED TO MAJOR

For his excellent work as Quartermaster Supply Officer, Lawrence B. Curtis, 25, husband of Mrs. Mavis Curtis, 103 Hudson St., Storm Lake, Iowa, and son of Robert Curtis, Demorest, Ga., has been promoted to the rank of Major, according to a recent announcement from the headquarters of Lt. Gen. Dan I. Sultan, commanding general of the United States forces in the India Burma theater.

Major Curtis was graduated from the Franklin high school, Franklin, and entered the army when only 17 years of age. He has seen eight years of active service, including two years in Panama as 1st Sgt. of an Infantry Co. After being commissioned in the Quartermaster Corps, July 3, 1942 he was stationed at the Desert Training Center, San Bernadino, Cal., and subsequently transferred to the India Burma Theatre more than one half year ago.

OLD MUNDAY HOTEL SOLD

Auction Brought Large Crowd From Macon And Adjoining Counties

The old Munday hotel building and contents was sold Saturday, June 2 at auction. Attending the sale were people from Jackson and Swain counties as well as a good crowd of Macon folks.

Bob Patton, as auctioneer, did an efficient and entertaining job and everybody had a good time whether they were buying or just looking.

Tempering the holiday spirit that pervaded the crowd was a feeling of regret that the old hotel with its many associations with the early history of Franklin had at last come to the end of its long period of usefulness and must come down to make room for further development. (See Franklin Press and Highlands Maconian of May 31, "Death of a Tree", on page 6).

Interest was stirred by the large stone slabs with which the front wall and steps were built. It is reported that they had been cut from a quarry near the head of Walnut creek by Jim Byrnes, whose name can be seen on many a chimney top in Western North Carolina. The old smoke house with its funneled vents aroused memories of the days before electric refrigeration when a spring house and a smoke house were the only means of keeping meat, as indeed they still are in some sections.



NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM

S/SGT. THOMAS SETSER HOME ON VISIT



S/Sgt. Thomas E. Setser who has been in overseas service for several months, and who was reported to be missing in action on March 31, is here on a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Setser at their home on Cartoogechaye.

S/Sgt. Setser, who was missing from March 31, until May 1, told his parents that he was being taken care of by the underground in Northern Holland during that time. He arrived on Wednesday of this week on a 60-day furlough.

HARRY C. CORBIN S 1/C COMPLETES SIGNAL COURSE



Harry C. Corbin, S 1/C, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Corbin, of the Cullasaja community, has completed his signal course at Great Lakes, Ill., and is now stationed at New Orleans, La.

Seaman First Class Corbin entered the services in March of the past year, and took his training at the University of Florida, Miami.

W. E. WILLIS PROMOTED TO RANK OF MAJOR

Captain W. E. Willis, husband of Elizabeth Dowdle Willis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Dowdle, of Franklin, has recently been promoted to the rank of major.

Major Willis is an executive officer of the First Battalion of 411th Infantry of the 103rd Division of the 7th Army. His battalion was the one that joined the Fifth Army troop in Italy on May 4th.

He has received two commendations, the Vases Forest Battle and the penetration into Germany's Palatinate in December. He went to overseas duties on May 21, 1944, and entered the armed forces on October 1, 1944. He took his training at Fort McClellan, Ala., Fort Benning, Ga., and at Camp Hauze, Texas.

Family Reunion

J. A. Mason, of the Nantahala section of Macon county, has announced that the Mason reunion will be held on Sunday, June 17, at the Union Hill Baptist church. All relatives and friends are urged to attend and bring basket lunch.

S 1/C ROBERT L. JENNINGS IN PACIFIC



S 1/C Robert L. Jennings, son of Mrs. Rebecca Jennings, of Franklin, has been serving with the navy since August 1943. He took his boot training at Baltimore, Md., and was sent to Shoemaker, Calif., for his further advanced training.

Prior to his entering the navy he was employed at the Ecusta Paper Corporation at Pisgah Forest. His wife, Mrs. Mavis Jennings and son, Billy, are making their home at Brevard. Seaman Jennings is now somewhere in the Pacific.

LIEUT. JOHN PALMER HOME ON FURLOUGH



Lieut. John Lyle Palmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer of Palmer street, Franklin, who has completed his 61st mission overseas and has been home on a furlough, has reported to an air base in Miami, Fla., for further orders of location.

Lieut. Palmer, who entered the armed forces in December 1941, at Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio, and took his pre-flight training at Santa Ana, Calif., was later sent to an advanced training school at Kirtland Field, Albuquerque, N. M., where he graduated in July 1943. He was then sent as a bombardier to a navigation school at Carlisle, N. W., and later transferred to Morris Field, Charlotte, where he spent several months.

Lt. Palmer has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal and the Oak Leaf Cluster. He was recently cited for guiding his plane through adverse weather and intense and accurate anti-aircraft fire which damaged the plane, and made a perfect run over the target which enabled him to release the bombs with precision accuracy upon a vital enemy airdrome.

The citation read, "Lieut. Palmer's courage and superior flying ability contributed immensely to our mission in the European theatre, and by his gallantry and steadfast devotion to duty, has brought great credit to his squadron. It is particularly gratifying for me to acknowledge in this way a job superbly done." Signed by B. W. Chidlaw, Brig. Gen.

Lieut. Palmer is a graduate

Seventh War Loan Drive Behind Schedule Here

Final Rites For Joseph Dendy Held Friday

Joseph Dendy, 79, died at his home in the Gold Mine section of Macon county on Thursday afternoon at 9:45 o'clock following an illness of six months.

Mr. Dendy, who was born on November 13, 1865, was a son of the late Elvins Gibson and Samuel Dendy, of the Gold Mine community. He was twice married. The first marriage was to Miss Katie Gibson, who died in 1901, and following her death he was married to Miss Dora Peck.

He joined the Brush Creek Baptist church 55 years ago and served as clerk in the church since 1910. His life's work was farming.

Funeral services were held at the Gold Mine Baptist church on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Rev. James I. Vinson and the Rev. Frank Reed, officiated, and interment followed in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers included Albert Southards, Sherman McClure, Charlie McCall, Jim McCoy, Lawton Keener and Sheridan Peck.

Surviving are the widow and 11 children, Bert, Mac, Mattie, and Ellison Dendy, Gneiss, Floyd Dendy, of Highlands and Sidney Dendy, of Brevard, all by the former marriage, and Clifford Dendy, in the army in Germany; Col. Clyde Dendy, of Florida, Lola, Stella and Earl Dendy, of Gneiss, and a stepson, Sheridan Peck, of Gneiss. Also 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Bryant funeral directors were in charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Nannie Cabe Passes After Long Illness

Mrs. Nannie Justice Cabe, 61, died at her home in the Tellico section of Macon county, on Tuesday morning at 4:30 o'clock, following a lingering illness of two years. Death was attributed to paralysis.

Mrs. Cabe was a daughter of the late Jane Duvall and J. D. Justice, of the Tellico community and had lived in that section all her life. She was born on July 11, 1883, and was a member of the Tellico Baptist church. On September 19, 1901, she was married to John T. Cabe, who survives.

Funeral services were held at the Tellico Baptist church on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. The Rev. Judson and the Rev. Theron Slagle, both of the Tellico community, officiated. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers were James Ramsey, Will McGaha, Floyd Ramsey, Verles McGaha, Wint DeHart and John Anderson.

Surviving are the husband and four children, two daughters, Mrs. Albert Ammons and Mrs. Bryan Duvall, both of Tellico, and two sons, Lester Cabe, in the army serving in Germany, and Gudger Cabe, of East Gastonia, five brothers, Marion Justice, Greer, S. C., Emory Justice route 1, Franklin, Thomas Justice, Dillard, Ga., Route 1, Weldon Justice, Georgia, and Mack Justice, Clayton, Ga., and one sister, Mrs. Cynthia Ledford, Prentiss. Also 14 grandchildren.

Bryant funeral directors were in charge of the arrangements.

St. Agnes Sunday

The service at St. Agnes Episcopal church next Sunday, June 10th, at 11 o'clock, will be the celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon by the pastor, Rev. A. Rufus Morgan. All are welcome to this and other services.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services at Morrison Presbyterian Church, Sunday June 10, Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Preaching at 3:30 p. m. Dr. C. R. McCubbins of Franklin will preach. Everybody invited.

of the Franklin high school and attended North Carolina State College, Raleigh. He was married to Miss Cumi Snyder, of Cherokee in 1944, who is with him in Miami at present.

Dollars Invested Now In E Bonds Can Shorten War, Saves Lives

Henry W. Cabe and Gilmer A. Jones, chairmen of the 7th War Loan Campaign, have announced that the sale of bonds in Macon county is dragging and right now it looks as though the county would not meet its quota of \$218,000.00.

On Monday, June 4, a report from the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond, Va., showed that a total of \$54,881.25 in the "E" series had been sold in the county and that the overall sales had reached \$80,555.25, about one-third of the county's quota.

Never has there been so great an appeal for the individuals to purchase bonds as in this, the Seventh War Loan Drive, and yet the interest has never lagged as it has in this drive, the chairmen stated. It cannot be that the people do not realize that our negligence is costing the lives of our boys in the Pacific, and that every day, we here at home, prolong the war by not doing our share by buying bonds, and are losing more of our boys.

The booth in the Bank of Franklin on next Saturday morning will be under the supervision of Civil Air Patrol, with Ruth Angel as chairman.

BOY SCOUTS MEET AT COWEE

Merit Badges, Patrol Citations And Training Certificates Awarded

Boy Scouts of the Smoky Mountain Troops held a meeting at the Cowee schoolhouse in the West's Mill community, Monday, night, June 4, with a number of scouts, leaders and visitors in attendance. John F. Corbin, district advancement chairman of Sylva, presided.

F. V. Smith, assistant Scout executive, presented the tenderfoot awards to T. C. Shepherd, William Ray Fox, Charles Cagle and Ellis Ervin Fox, of Sylva Troop 1, Frank Henry, III, of the Franklin Troop, and D. Roy Reese, of Troop 7, Highlands.

The second class rank was awarded by Herman H. Plemons, troop committeeman of Franklin, to Frank Holden, of troop 1, Sylva.

Merit badges were awarded to Charles Stillwell, of Sylva, for public health; to Robert Quigley of Sylva, home repairs and to John D. Alsup, Jr., of Franklin, for swimming. The presentation was made by John D. Alsup, Sr., of Franklin, scout committeeman.

Highest award of the evening, the Star Scout, was presented to Frank M. Crawford, of troop 1, Sylva, by the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, chairman of the Smoky Mountain district.

Jimmy Waldrop, of Franklin, served as clerk to the Court.

Horace Bradley, Cecil Rickman and Howard Cabe, of troop 3, West's Mill, served as color bearers and Paul Holden, of the same troop, led in the pledge to the flag.

Citation to the patrols who entered the recent camporee, was presented by W. C. Hennessee, of Sylva, district camping chairman. He also presented 11 General Eisenhower waste paper medals for collecting at least 1000 pounds of paper. These medals all went to the Sylva Scouts.

Training certificates were presented to the leaders who attended the recent course at Camp Lumkin. They were John W. Edwards, Herman H. Plemons, the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan and John D. Alsup, Sr., of Franklin; W. C. Hennessee and Dennis E. Barkley, of Sylva, and John H. Stanley, of Andrews. These men were also presented certificates for serving as instructors for this course.

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