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COURT HOLDS 2-DAY SESSION

Adjourned Tuesday After Disposing Of Number Of Cases

Macon county court which convened here on Monday morning with Judge J. A. Rousseau, of North Wilkesboro, presiding, adjourned on Tuesday afternoon after disposing of a number of cases and a number postponed until December court.

The grand jury consisted of the following: S. J. Kinsland, foreman, John Cunningham, Osborne Younce, W. P. Martin, L. P. Patterson, Henry Tallent, Joe M. Henry, S. H. Crunkleton, N. G. Clappitt, Arthur Sanders, James Houston, R. L. Blaine, John F. Smith, Glenn Tallent, J. E. Hicks, J. C. Southards, Lester Norton and J. P. Hyatt.

Among the cases disposed of were Baz Tallent, who was tried for abandonment. He was given a sentence of six months on road, which was suspended for two years upon payment of cost of trial and to pay his wife \$20 per month for benefit of the children.

Robert Hawks plead guilty to the charge of driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated and carrying a concealed weapon. He was given a fine of \$50 and cost on the first charge and on the second count he was given 90 days in jail, suspended upon payment of cost and \$100 fine. He is not to violate any of the laws of the State for a period of two years.

John Henry, who was tried for larceny of an automobile, was given a two-years sentence on the road under the supervision of the state highway and public works.

Fred and Mary Lou York, who operate the York Camps on the Cowee Mountain, were tried for selling beer without license. Sentence to pay cost of trial.

James Hackney, 26, and Charles Jones, 23, prisoners in the Macon county prison camp, who made their escape on Friday, April 20, and who on Saturday afternoon held up Clyde Bingham, a Franklin taxi driver, at the point of a gun and robbed him of between \$75 and \$100, his automobile and a quantity of gasoline ration stamps, was tried and sentenced to serve not less than eight years nor more than 15 years in the State Prison Camp, at Raleigh. Their sentences are to begin at the expiration of the sentences now serving in the prison camp here.

Hackney was serving a sentence of three to five years and 15 to 25 years on charges of breaking and entering and larceny in Alamance county, while Jones was serving a sentence from two to five years from Buncombe county.

Thirteen divorce cases were listed on the court calendar, and six couples were granted absolute divorces. They included John T. Farmer vs. Lillian Ledford Farmer; Homer Woods vs. Cleo Woods; Belva Martin Jacobs vs. Carl P. Jacobs; and Dorothy Evans Holland vs. Rufus L. Holland, all of Macon county; and John S. Rogers vs. Dollie Moss Rogers, and Wade Homer Messer vs. Dorothy Messer, both couples from Jackson county.

Lester Chappell, who was tried for operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated. To this charge he plead guilty and was sentenced to 90 days in the common jail of Macon county. This sentence was suspended upon the following conditions for two years, that he not drink, nor violate any of the laws of the state, that he surrender his drivers' license, and not drive a motor vehicle for 12 months, and pay the cost of trial and fine of \$50.

DRYMAN REUNION

The Dryman annual reunion will meet on Saturday, September 1, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dryman at Sealy. All relatives are urged to attend and bring basket lunch.

DONALDSON REUNION

The Donaldson family annual reunion will be held on Sunday, August 26, at the home of Mrs. S. E. Donaldson. All members of the family are urged to attend and bring basket lunch. It has been announced by Mrs. Bertha Sanders.

Day Of Prayer

Observed In The Franklin Methodist Church Sunday

A Day of Prayer was observed in the Franklin Methodist church last Sunday morning. In accordance with the proclamation by President Truman, the 11 o'clock hour was devoted to the memory of those who have given their lives in the service of their country. The lovely flowers which adorned the sanctuary were later divided among the families that have suffered the loss of eight sons in this war.

Special prayers of praise and thanksgiving were offered, and the minister stressed the responsibility which rests upon the American people as they endeavor to build a world of peace in this new Atomic Age.

The service next Sunday evening has been cancelled in favor of the county-wide revival which begins at the Friendship Tabernacle.

Final Rites Held For Mrs. Laura Patton Smith

Carey B. Patton, of Bidwell street, Franklin, attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Laura Patton Smith, who died almost suddenly in the Downey Hospital in Gainesville, Ga., on Saturday morning.

Mrs. Smith, a former resident of Macon county had made her home in Gainesville for the past 25 years, being associated with the hospital a greater part of that time. She was a registered nurse, having graduated from that hospital several years ago, and shortly after her arrival for duties on Saturday morning died following a brief illness. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Mrs. Smith was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Patton, of Franklin, and was married to Jule Smith, of Cornelia, Ga., who preceded her in death a few years ago.

Funeral services were held at the Newton & Ward chapel in Gainesville on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, with the Rev. Henry G. Jarrard, officiating. Interment followed in the Alta Vista cemetery.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. James Hulsey, and three grandchildren, of Gainesville; four brothers, Thomas Patton, Franklin Route 1; Harley Patton, Tellico Plains, Tenn.; W. F. Patton, Rosman, Fla.; and Carey B. Patton, Franklin; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Dills, Long Island, N. Y.; Mrs. Donald De Costa, Dunellen, N. J.; and Mrs. Hattie Ledford, Valdese.

Last Rites For Mrs. J. Leopard Held Monday

Final rites for Mrs. Josephine Leopard, 82, were held on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Cullowhee Mountain Methodist church in Jackson county. The Rev. Frank Holland, of Gneiss officiated and interment followed in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Leopard, a native of Jackson county, had made her home in the Walnut Creek section for the past nine years. She died at the home of her son, Alfred Leopard on Sunday night at 9 o'clock following a lingering illness of two years.

Mrs. Leopard, who was the former Miss Josephine Owens, was a member of the Cullowhee Methodist church. She was born on January 16, 1863.

Surviving are five sons, Alfred Leopard, of Walnut Creek; Lee Leopard, of Sylva; Bennie Leopard, Jackson county; Ransom Leopard, Gneiss, and Lambert Leopard, of Franklin, two daughters, Mrs. Sarah Childers, Sylva and Mrs. Minnie Rogers, Dillsboro. Also a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Bryant Funeral directors were in charge of the arrangements.

Still Captured In Walnut Creek Section

Sheriff J. P. Bradley and Deputy Sheriff Walter Dean made a raid in the Walnut Creek section of Macon county last week, and captured a 30-gallon capacity copper still and destroyed more than 300 gallons of beer.

The still was not in operation at the time but evidence showed that it had been in recent operation. No one was found at the still.

NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM

CPL. VENICE A. RAMEY



Cpl. Venice A. Ramey, son of Mrs. Sam Vanhook of the Prentiss section of Macon county, is serving with the 728th Amphibian Tractor Battalion in the Pacific, and has been commended by his commanding officer for his part in bringing the Okinawa campaign to a brilliant conclusion.

The commendation reads as follows in part: You have attacked and captured fortified positions without supporting infantry. You have evacuated assault troops, and our maintenance men have performed the near impossible in keeping worn out vehicle in operation. You have been called upon to perform many tasks beyond those which you could have normally expected. You have been through the hazards and hardships of an infantry soldier. You have stood in the water-filled fox-holes of the front lines and have dug and blasted the enemy from caves and pillboxes. I am proud of your fighting ability and I ask for no greater privilege than to lead you in the final assault against the empire of Japan. Signed by Lt. Col. Frederic B. Mann.

Cpl. Ramey, who entered the armed forces in April 1940, took his basic training at Fort Bragg, Camp Forest, Tenn., and at Camp Cook, Calif. He has been in 12 months overseas service.

FIRST LT. LEWIS B. PATTON IMPROVING FROM WOUNDS

First Lieut. Lewis B. Patton, son of Robert A. Patton, of Franklin, who was injured on June 7 while on a B-29 raid over Kobe, Japan, is reported to be improving.

Lieut. Patton's crew flew back to Iwo Jima where he was hospitalized for a few days before he was taken to Guam, where he remained until July 23. He left Guam on July 23 and was flown to Hawaii where the Purple Heart decoration was bestowed on July 27.

While on Guam, Lieut. Patton's brother, Pfc. George E. Patton, who is with the 6th Marine Division, visited him for five days. Pfc. Patton had gone through the entire Okinawa campaign and was in a camp at Guam at the time.

Lieut. Patton landed in California on July 30 and was then flown to Valley Forge General Hospital, Phoenixville, Pa., and is reported to be in fine spirits and cheerful despite the serious illness and suffering.

EXPECTED HOME

S/Sgt. Hugh A. Johnston is expected home within the next few weeks, according to a letter received by his mother, Mrs. T. J. Johnston, of Harrison avenue, Franklin.

S/Sgt. Johnston has been stationed in the Southwest Pacific for 31 months. He belongs to the 13th Air Task force which is made up of the 72nd Bombardment Squadron (H) 5th Bombardment Group (H), which has received two Presidential citations for outstanding performances of duty in action.

It was stated in the citation. "The exemplar, courage and devotion to duty displayed by the personnel of the 5th Bombardment Group (H) reflects great honor upon the Armed Forces of the United States."

S/SGT. HAROLD L. BOLICK



S/Sgt. Harold L. Bolick, of Los Angeles, Calif., who has been listed as missing in action over France while on his 23rd mission, has arrived in the United States and will spend a 60-day furlough with his mother, Mrs. Ella Bolick, in Lawnsdale, Calif.

Sgt. Bolick has been stationed in Italy for the past two years. He was awarded the Air Medal and Oak Leaf cluster, representing two additional awards, the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Presidential citation. He was an Aerial Gunner on a B-17 heavy bomber. Following his furlough he will report to Santa Monica, Calif., for reassignment.

Sgt. Bolick was married to Miss Alma Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Anderson, of Los Angeles.

Sgt. Bolick has a number of relatives in Macon and Jackson county.

FRANKLIN NURSE IN ARMY HOSPITAL OVERSEAS

After treating 7,786 wounded soldiers, this United States Army general hospital has completed its mission in the United Kingdom. Among those who helped in the recovery and rehabilitation of these patients is First Lieutenant Nancy H. Jones, 26, of Franklin, an Army nurse.

Lt. Jones joined this hospital unit in August, 1944, shortly after its arrival at Gourcock, Scotland in July. On July 13, the first battle casualty, a soldier wounded on the Normandy beaches, arrived here for care and treatment. The last patient left the hospital for the United States on July 6, 1945, almost one year later.

"Our busiest period was last December and January during the German breakthrough at the Ardennes," she said.

Lt. Jones is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilmer A. Jones, of Franklin. Before entering the Army in May, 1942, Lt. Jones was engaged in teaching at the School of Nursing of the Duke Hospital, Durham.

Jesse A. Hodgins, of Greensboro, is spending a few days at Trimont Inn on Harrison avenue. Mr. Hodgins has been coming to Franklin for about 25 years. He is employed by the Vanstony Clothing in Charlotte.

St. John's School Of Waynesville, To Open Tuesday, September 4

St. John's School, which is a private school for pupils from the first through the 12th grades, will open in all departments on Tuesday, September 4, according to an announcement made by the Rev. A. F. Rohrbacher, superintendent.

The academic year lasts nine months and registration for the coming year will be held at the school office on Friday, August 31. Both boys and girls are accepted as day pupils, and boarding school facilities are open to girls only. Additional features of the school are kindergarten, music department and commercial department.

On another page of this paper is an advertisement telling of the various courses taught in this school and what the different departments offer to students.

Union Revival To Begin At Tabernacle August 26th

James Vanhook, 65, Passes Tuesday

Funeral services for James Vanhook, 65, who died at the home of his brother, Bun Vanhook in the Clark's Chapel community on Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock, following an illness of three weeks, were held at the Clark's Chapel Methodist church on Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The Rev. D. P. Grant, pastor, officiated, and burial followed in the church cemetery.

Mr. Vanhook, a native of this county, had been engaged in construction work for the past 18 years. He was en route from Cleveland, S. C., where he was employed, to his home in the Clark's Chapel community, when he became suddenly ill and stopped at the home of his brother. Death was attributed to a poison from food.

He was married to Mrs. Naomi Fulcher Dowdle, who preceded him in death 18 years ago.

The pallbearers included Arthur Kimsey, Charles Rogers, Lex Vanhook, Ned Dowdle, Wilson Rogers and Otto McClure.

Surviving are three sons, Max N. Vanhook, who recently was discharged from the army, Nelson Vanhook, in the navy stationed at Charleston, S. C., and Donald Vanhook, Enka; one step-daughter, Mrs. T. H. Callahan, of Franklin; two brothers, Bun and Sam Vanhook, of Franklin Route 2, and one sister, Miss Octia Vanhook, of Franklin Route 2, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Bryant funeral home were in charge of the arrangements.

Fourth Sunday Singing To Meet At Coweta

The Fourth Sunday Singing Convention will be held at the Coweta Baptist church on Sunday afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock it has been announced by Ben E. Gibson, president. All singers are urged to attend and take part in the singing.

Home Coming Day Postponed At Tellico

Home coming day scheduled for September 2 at the Tellico Baptist church has been postponed indefinitely, due to unavoidable conditions, it has been announced by Carl Morgan, of Stiles.

Leatherman Reunion To Be Held September 2

The Leatherman family reunion will be held on Sunday, September 2, at the Smith Cabin, at the old home place of the late Z. M. Leatherman, in the Leatherman section of Macon county. All members of this family are urged to attend and bring lunch.

Office Of Public Relations Changes Name

The Navy Department has changed the name of its former Office of Public Relations to the Office of Public Information. This change will affect former Public Relations Offices throughout the Navy both in the Fleet and ashore. There will be no shifting or changing of personnel or general policies.

Since its inception the old Office of Public Relations actually functioned for the purpose of bringing to the U. S. public news of the Navy and Navy personnel. The change of names was made to more accurately describe the duties of the office.

Health Clinic Schedule Changed

The Macon County Health office has announced that the health clinic schedule to be held here on Monday, September 3, has been postponed until Monday, September 10, due to Labor Day coming on the day of the clinic. Please bear these dates in mind.

Macon County Schools To Open September 30th

Macon county public schools will open for the 1945-46 school term on Thursday, August 30, it has been announced by Guy L. Houk, county superintendent.

Services To Be Conducted By Ministers Of Local Churches In County

The series of revival services scheduled to begin on Sunday night, August 26, and continue through Sunday, September 9, at the Friendship Tabernacle on Wayah street, Franklin, will begin at 8:30 o'clock each evening, and the opening sermon will be delivered by the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, rector of the St. Agnes Episcopal church.

The ministers of the different denominations in the county will be in charge of the preaching this year instead of an out-of-town preacher as heretofore:

On Monday evening, the Rev. J. F. Marchman, former pastor of the Franklin Baptist church, will deliver the message; Tuesday evening, the Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, of the Franklin Methodist church; Wednesday evening, the Rev. J. B. David, son, Presbyterian preacher of Highlands; Thursday evening, the Rev. Bill Sorrells, pastor of the Apostolic Holiness church, and Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday evenings, the Rev. C. R. McCubbin, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church, will bring the messages.

Beginning August 4, the Rev. Bill Sorrells, will preach the remainder of the sermons through the conclusions of the meeting. He is pastor of the Mt. Hope and Iotla Baptist churches.

The Tabernacle committee have appointed the following committee to see that everything is in readiness and help out with arrangements for the meeting. They include:

To repair and get the Tabernacle in readiness are, Elbert A. Angel, chairman; A. A. Brooks, Pritchard Russell, and John Bulgin.

Music committee, Herbert A. McGlamery, chairman; Miss Dorothy Sloan, Mrs. J. A. Flanagan and Mrs. H. E. Freas.

To install amplifiers, Ernest Hyde, chairman, and Harry A. Willhide.

Finance committee, Henry W. Cabe and Dr. G. B. Woodward.

Transportation committee, B. L. McGlamery and Quince Hauser.

Ushers, Charlie Potts, J. S. Conley, J. A. Ordway and J. Ward Long.

Mrs. John M. Archer, chairman of the flower committee.

The Tabernacle committee state that the choir will be composed of the churches in town and of the various singers throughout the county who are urged to attend and help make the singing an attractive feature of the revival. This committee urge the residents of the entire county to attend and help make this one of the best revivals held in years.

Picture Of Macon Honor Roll Appears In New York Paper

The Macon County Roll of Honor, which bears the names of more than 1,500 Macon county boys and girls in the armed forces, many giving their lives for their country, was pictured in the New York Herald Tribune, on Sunday, August 5, and a copy sent to Mrs. R. P. McCutcheon, who spends her summers on Wayah Road, Franklin.

Approximately 60 crosses have been placed in front of the roster bearing the names of the boys who gave their lives in World War 1 and World War 2. Friends and relatives keep flowers on the crosses as a tribute to their loved ones who gave their lives on the distant battlefronts.

A picture of this roster was taken by representatives of the Associated Press who visited Franklin recently, and published in many of the Daily papers in New York and elsewhere. This board has possibly attracted the attention of more people than any one thing in Macon county, and some have been so taken with the idea of honoring their service boys, that they have drawn sketches to be taken to their home town to be copied.