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HI BASKETBALL GROUP GUESTS FOR CASE TALK

N. C. State College Coach Speaks, Shows Movie At Rotary Meet

Members of the Franklin High school basketball squad were honor guests of the Franklin Rotary club, at the club meeting April 19, to hear Everett Case, head basketball coach at N. C. State college, speak on basketball.

Also guests were the fathers of the squad members, Coach Milburn Atkins and Principal R. G. Sutton, of the Franklin school, and Coaches Carl Moses, W. G. Crawford, and Norman West, of the Otter Creek, Cullasaja, and Slagle schools, respectively.

Mr. Case discussed the development of basketball, which, he said, has become the most popular American sport, told how the game has become faster and faster and remarked on the problems that creates for game officials, and predicted that the time is not far distant when three, rather than two, persons will officiate at a basketball game.

At the conclusion of his talk, he showed motion pictures of this year's N. C. State College of the City of New York game.

In addition to Coach Case, guests from State college included H. W. (Pop) Taylor, alumni secretary, Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the college's Extension service, and Fred Sloan, formerly of Franklin, head of the Extension service planning division.

S. W. Mendenhall served as master of ceremonies for the program, and President E. W. Renshaw welcomed the visitors.

Girl Scout Fund Nears \$300-Mark

Additional contributions to the fund to provide for organized Girl Scout work here this week brought the total to \$280.45, it was announced by Mrs. R. G. Lichtenstein, treasurer. Franklin's quota is \$300.

The most recent donors to the fund include the Woman's Missionary union of the First Baptist church, the Forest Service office personnel, the A. & P. Tea company, and the Presbyterian Business Girls' circle.

Do You Remember . . . ?

(Looking backward through the files of The Press)

50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK. Appointments as census enumerators here were received by yesterday's mail as follows: Walter Garrett, Miss Margaret Bulgin, Charles T. Blaine, Robert M. Ledford, and Arthur L. McClure.

"Last year in the Franklin school district we had two hundred sixteen children of school age, children who, by all means, should be kept in school, at least nine months in the year; and for the teaching of these two hundred sixteen children, the Board of township trustees appropriated the unheard-of sum of one hundred and seventy dollars, a little more than seventy-eight cents per scholar. Yet some cannot understand why the great mass of our youth remains uneducated."—From a letter to the editor, signed "Educator."

25 YEARS AGO
The camp of the Electric Construction company, contractors for the municipal dam, consisting of approximately 20 buildings, is complete, with the exception of a concrete house and one or two others. Eighty men, more than half of whom are local citizens, are now at work.

10 YEARS AGO
A group of Franklin business men met Monday night in the office of Burrell's garage to discuss the organization of a Franklin chamber of commerce.

John Wasilik has been chosen by popular vote for the office of president of the student council of Franklin High school.

HEADS FIRM



JOHN M. ARCHER, JR.

Mr. Archer is the new president of the Nantahala Power and Light company, succeeding the late J. E. S. Thorpe. Mr. Archer, who has been vice-president since 1947, was elected president at a meeting of the board of directors here last week. At the meeting Harmon H. Gause, Jr., vice-president in charge of engineering, was elected to the board. Other directors are Mr. Archer, Claude H. Bolton, J. B. Holmes of Badin, and R. L. Smith of Albemarle. Mr. Archer, a native of Knoxville, received his education in the Knoxville public schools and attended the University of Tennessee. He has been with the Nantahala firm since November, 1929, a few months after its organization. He is a past president of both the Franklin and Andrews Rotary clubs, formerly served on the Franklin board of aldermen, and has been prominent in other community activities here, including work in the First Baptist church. He and Mrs. Archer and their two children—Miss Mary Alice Archer, a student at Meredith college, and John M., III, Franklin High school student—have made their home in Franklin since the Nantahala company moved its offices here in 1937.

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OPERETTA WILL BE PRESENTED

An operetta, "Chonita," will be presented by the Choral club of the Franklin High school Sunday evening, May 14, at 7 p. m. at the Macon Theatre, it was announced this week by S. F. (Sammy) Beck, director.

About 60 young persons will take part in the performance, on which rehearsals have been under way for some time.

The operetta is a colorful Gypsy romance, based on the themes of Franz Liszt. It is laid in the year 1880.

The first act is in the evening at a Gypsy encampment. As the curtain goes up, the throng of Gypsies is revealed. They come in singing, dancing and laughing in a procession at the head of which is "Chonita," the princess of the tribe, played by Miss Carolyn Nothstein.

After "Chonita" finally gets the large crowd of Gypsies quiet, she thanks her old nurse, "Days," (Miss Betty Lou Constance), and her father, "Mudo" (Richard Jones), for a wonderful birthday celebration.

The first act also includes a dance done by six Gypsies, (Misses Carol Huggins, Mary Ann Killian, Mary Bell Brown, Nell Baldwin, Iva Jean Taylor, and Libby Murray), a solo by "Chonita's" lover, "Stefan" (Kenneth Crawford), and another solo by "Days."

Act II takes place in the elaborate . . .

Counts 189 Living Descendants As He Observes 91st Birthday

W. N. McCoy, who still is quite active despite his 91 years, was honored Sunday, April 16, with a party, the occasion marking his ninety-first milestone.

Approximately 150 relatives and friends attended the party, given at Mr. McCoy's home in the Gneiss community by his children and grandchildren.

Mr. McCoy has 189 living descendants—10 children, 69 grandchildren, 107 great-

REGISTRATION TO OPEN HERE NEXT SATURDAY

Books To Be Open Three Saturdays Prior To Primary

Registration for the May 27 primary election will start Saturday.

The registrars will be at the polling places in the county's 12 precincts the next three Saturdays—April 29, May 6, and May 13. On other weekdays between April 29 persons wishing to register may do so at the business place or at the home of their registrar.

Those whose name are not now on the election registration books are required to register in order to vote in the primary.

With a contest for the Republican nomination for sheriff, Republicans as well as Democrats are interested in registration for the primary election.

Challenge day will be observed on Saturday, May 20.

The polling place this year for Ellijay precinct, it was understood, will be the new Cullasaja school. The Higdonville school has been the polling place for that precinct previously, but that property recently was sold by the county board of education.

G. W. Dowdle Dies, Aged 59; Rites Tuesday

George W. Dowdle, well known Franklin merchant, died at his home in the Clark's Chapel community last Sunday morning. Mr. Dowdle, who was 59 years of age, had been suffering with a heart affection for several weeks.

Funeral services were held at the Clark's Chapel Methodist church Tuesday at 11 a. m.

Mr. Dowdle, formerly a farmer and construction worker, had operated his store on the Georgia road for the past four or five years. A native of this county, he was the son of the late Ben and Mrs. Sarah Duffey Dowdle. He was married June 11, 1911, to Miss Emma Ray, who survives.

Mr. Dowdle for many years was a member of the Sugarfork Baptist church, but in recent years had moved his membership to the Wells Grove Baptist church.

Survivors, in addition to his widow, include four sons, Glenn, Woodrow, and Robert, all of Franklin, and Frank, of Bowie, Md.; two sisters, Mrs. Robert Ray, of Franklin, and Mrs. Winford Howell, of Watkinsville, Ga.; and five grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. D. B. Martin, Clark's Chapel pastor, and the Rev. C. E. Murray, Franklin Methodist pastor.

Pallbearers were Jack Cobe, Ned Dowdle, R. L. Ray, C. R. Cobe, J. D. Dowdle, and Richard Howell. Arrangements were under the direction of Potts funeral home.

Plan Meeting Today For Brownie Scouts

All persons interested in the formation of a Franklin softball league and in entering a team this summer are invited to attend a meeting at the Franklin High school Thursday night at 7:30 p. m. The announcement was made by Milburn Atkins, Franklin high school athletic coach.

Plagues Commemorating War Dead Erected

Two attractive bronze plaques, bearing the names of Macon County's dead of World Wars 1 and 2, were placed on the front of the courthouse here Friday.

The plaques will be dedicated in a ceremony, planned by the American Legion Auxiliary, to be held Sunday afternoon, May 28. While the general public is invited to attend this service, all relatives of the 91 Macon County men who gave their lives in the two world wars are especially invited, it was explained. The plaques cost \$1,160, and the inscription explains that they were erected by the people of Macon County. The money came in chiefly in small donations, Gilmer A. Jones, who has pushed the project, explained, much of the fund having been raised by school children who gave their quarters and half-dollars. When all but \$280 had been raised, the Macon County Memorial association contributed that sum.

WIN HIGH HONORS



MISS JOYCE BURNETTE Valedictorian



CARL FENLAND Salutatorian

Miss Burnette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Burnette, of Highlands, has been chosen valedictorian of the 1950 graduating class of the Highlands High school. Miss Burnette also is editor of the school paper, "The Mountain Trail." Carl Fenland, son of Mrs. Effie Fenland, of Sealy, with the second high average scholastic grade, will deliver the salutatory at the graduation exercises.

MISSION UNION TO MEET MAY 6

The annual meeting of the Macon County Woman's Missionary union will be held at the Mt. Hope Baptist church Saturday of next week.

After group singing and the devotional, which will be led by Mrs. J. L. Martin, the business session will open at 10:20 a. m. Included on the business program will be the recognition of visitors, appointment of committees, the roll call, and three-minute reports from each of the presidents of Woman's Missionary unions throughout

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The plaque on the left side of the courthouse entrance bears the names of the 16 dead of World War 1, and that on the right, the names of the 75 who died in World War 2.

DISTRICT MEET OF METHODISTS SET FOR TODAY

150 To 200 Expected For Waynesville Area Session

Between 150 and 200 persons are expected here today (Thursday) for the annual conference of the Waynesville district of the Methodist church. It will be the first time in many years that the conference has been held in Franklin.

The program will be featured by reports of the pastors of the more than thirty churches in the district, and talks by representatives of the various interests of the church. Dr. C. N. Clark, of Waynesville, superintendent of the district, which includes Haywood and the counties west of Haywood, will preside. The meeting will open at 9 a. m. at the Franklin Methodist church.

It also is the responsibility of the district conference, at each annual gathering, to renew the licenses of the local preachers, and issue licenses to new applicants.

Two other meetings are to be held today in connection with the district conference, a meeting of vacation school workers, and the quarterly conference for the Franklin church.

All pastors and retired ministers, church school superintendents, presidents of Women's Societies of Christian Service, district stewards, district trustees, the district lay leader, assistant district lay leaders, the charge lay leaders, the president of the district W. S. C. S., the district directors of young people's adult, and of children's work, and four delegates elected by the quarterly conference from each pastoral charge are expected to attend the conference.

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Death Takes J. Robt. Ray At Age Of 92

J. Robert Ray, who had spent his entire 92 years in Macon County, died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Clint May, in the Flats community, Tuesday morning, following a long illness.

Funeral services were set for 2 p. m. yesterday (Wednesday), at the Cowee Baptist church, with the Rev. William L. Sorrells, the Rev. Norman E. Holden, and the Rev. C. C. Welch officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Robert Ray, Martin Angel, Lester and Wymer Ray, Clyde Clark, and Harold Roper were listed as the pallbearers. Potts funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

The son of John and Mrs. Nancy Summer Ray, Mr. Ray was born February 20, 1858. A farmer, he also had devoted considerable time to mica mining. He was a member of the Cowee Baptist church, and had served that church as a deacon for a number of years.

He was first married to Miss Kansas Fouts, who died in 1906. He was married the second time to Miss Jennie Wild, who survives.

Other survivors are a daughter by his first marriage, Mrs. Hyacinth Roper; a daughter by his second marriage, Mrs. Clint May; and 11 grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

Auto Climbs Up Wall, Then Climbs Down Again; 2 Hurt

An automobile early yesterday morning climbed a two foot cement wall along Bidwell street, turned around in the Ross Zachary front yard, headed back over the wall, and landed in Bidwell street on its wheels.

The car, however, was practically wrecked, and Furman Raby suffered a broken nose and his brother, Everett, cuts and abrasions about the face. Perry Shepherd, the third passenger, and Roy Catrell, owner and driver of the car, also suffered minor bruises. The four were treated at Angel hospital.

ACCEPTS CALL



REV. M. W. CHAPMAN

DEATH CLAIMS C. J. MOONEY

Funeral Conducted Sunday For Franklin's Town Clerk

Charles Jacob Mooney, clerk for the Town of Franklin and leading Presbyterian layman, died at his home here last Friday morning.

Funeral services were held Sunday morning at the Franklin Presbyterian church, and burial was at Erwin, Tenn.

Mr. Mooney, who was 49 years of age, had been in ill health for about two years, and his condition had been serious for the past three or four months. Death was attributed to a heart affection.

A native of Mooresburg, Tenn., Mr. Mooney and his family moved to Franklin 11 years ago. For a number of years he was bookkeeper for Burrell Motor company, and then formed Mooney Motor company, which he operated. He had been town clerk for about a year. Mrs. Mooney has operated Riverview inn here for several years.

Mr. Mooney was educated in Mooresburg public schools and was graduated from Draughon's Business college in Knoxville. He was Sunday school superintendent and an elder of the Franklin Presbyterian church. He also was a member of the Masonic Lodge here.

Survivors include his widow, the former Miss Johnnie Cantwell; four sons, Robert, Neil, Jack, and John, of Franklin; his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Isenberg Mooney Hicks, of Erwin, Tenn.; a brother, Jim Mooney, of Johnson City, Tenn.; and a sister, Mrs. Love Gentry, of Erwin.

The funeral service, held at 11 a. m. Sunday, was conducted by the Rev. Hoyt Evans, pastor of the church, and the Rev. C. E. Murray, Franklin Methodist pastor.

Pallbearers were J. Ward Long, Claude H. Bolton, Frank . . .

Women Of Church From This Presbytery To Meet Here

The forty-fifth annual meeting of the Women of the Church of the Asheville Presbytery will be held at the Franklin Methodist church Wednesday of next week. The meeting will open at 10 a. m.

Twenty-seven churches are expected to be represented.

A feature of the meeting will be an address by the Rev. John Williams, of Montreat, who will speak on evangelism and stewardship.

Auto Climbs Up Wall, Then Climbs Down Again; 2 Hurt

Mr. Cantell told Police Chief C. D. Baird that he found, just before he was about to enter West Main street from Bidwell, that his brakes would not hold. Rather than taking chance on colliding with a car that might be passing along Main, he steered his machine into the wall, hoping to stop it. The car, however, climbed the wall.

The four men, all from the Cowee community, were on their way to work in Clay county, where they are employed by the Macon Construction company. The accident occurred about 6 a. m.

BAPTISTS HERE CALL CHAPMAN FROM ASHEVILLE

New Pastor Of Franklin Church To Conduct Services Sunday

The Rev. M. W. Chapman, associate pastor of the First Baptist church of Asheville since January, 1949, has accepted a call to the pastorate of Franklin's First church, and will hold his first services as pastor here Sunday.

He succeeds the Rev. Charles E. Parker, who resigned about seven months ago to accept a call to New Bern.

Mr. Chapman, who will preach at both the 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. services Sunday, and his family plan to move from Asheville to the Franklin pastorage sometime next week. His family consists of Mrs. Chapman, the former Miss Rebecca Beard, of Louisville, Ky., and their two young sons, Marvin Watzel, II, aged two, and Charles Wallace, aged eight months.

A native of Salisbury, the 33-year old minister is a graduate of the high school at China Grove, where he was awarded the Civitan trophy for scholarship and citizenship. After graduation from Spartanburg Junior college (then the Textile Industrial Institute), where he was president of the graduating class, he attended Catawba college in Salisbury, and in 1943 was graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological seminary at Louisville, Ky. In 1946, while he was serving as pastor at Fayetteville, he took special work at Wake Forest college, and while in Asheville studied at the Polk School of Creative Arts.

He was licensed as a minister by the Rowan Baptist church in 1935, and ordained by that church in 1942. He served as pastor of the Neighborhood mission, while a student at Louisville, and in 1943 went to Fayetteville as a missionary to the Fort Bragg soldiers and their families. Two churches have developed from projects he started there.

On organization of the Trinity Baptist church in March, 1944, Mr. Chapman was called as full-time pastor, and in December of that year the church went into a new, modern building erected during the year. Four years later, when Mr. Chapman left Trinity to become associate pastor of the First church in Asheville, the Trinity church was rated second in the New South River Baptist association. During his last year there, Mr. Chapman served as Moderator of the New South River association. He also has been active in associational work in Asheville, having served as chairman of training and as vice-president of the ministerial association.

In Asheville he also has served as a member of the Community Chest Planning council and as chairman of the Planning Council committee for coordination and development of family care and counseling.

He is a Lion and a Mason, and is grand prelate of the Knights Templar of North Carolina, and has been invited to preach the sermon May 14 at the meeting in Asheville of the Grand commandery, Knights Templar.

Mrs. Chapman, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wallace Beard, of Louisville, obtained her education in the Louisville public schools and at the University of Louisville.

The Weather

Temperatures and precipitation for the past seven days, and the low temperature yesterday, as recorded at the Coweeta Experiment station.

	High	Low	Pct.
Wednesday	70	43	...
Thursday	59	40	1.01
Friday	60	25	Trace
Saturday	68	28	Trace
Sunday	80	40	...
Monday	83	43	...
Tuesday	63	44	...
Wednesday	45	45	75

FRANKLIN RAINFALL

(As recorded by Manson Siles for TVA)
Wednesday, none; Tuesday, .05 of an inch; Friday, trace; Saturday, none; Sunday, none; Monday, none; Tuesday, none; Wednesday, .63.