

FRANK RABY SUCCUMBS OF GUN WOUND

Shoots Self With Rifle On July 10; Dies In Hospital

Frank James Raby died Sunday afternoon at Angel Hospital of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in the head.

The 57-year-old Macon native never regained consciousness, the hospital reported, after firing a .22 rifle in the side of his head July 10 in a suicide attempt at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Vera Richards, in the Bonny Crest section of Franklin.

A logger and timber worker, the suicide victim had been in failing health for some time, his family reported. He did not leave a note explaining his action, officers said. Mr. Raby's young grandson found him lying across a bed. No one was at home at the time of the shooting.

Funeral services for Mr. Raby, who was a veteran of World War 1, were conducted Tuesday at 11 a. m. at the Moses Creek Baptist Church in Jackson County by the Rev. George McClure and the Rev. Dillard Wood. Burial was in the church cemetery. Graveside military rites were conducted by the American Legion, W. E. Dillard Post.

Born November 24, 1896, Mr. Raby was the son of John B. and Mrs. Julia Conley Raby. He was a member of the Watauga Baptist Church and on August 2, 1922, was married in Sylva to Miss Vernie Stevens, of East Lenoir, who survives.

Other survivors include Mrs. Carl Richards, of Franklin; two brothers, Parker and George Raby, of Franklin, Route 4; three sisters, Mrs. Albert Owens, of West Asheville, Mrs. Perry King, of Canton, and Mrs. P. P. Roach, of Reidsville; and three grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers were Lyndon and Bobby Bryson, Arthur Hardin, Odell Hurst, George Hodgins, and Jerry Holifield, all nephews. Nieces were flower bearers.

Potts Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Late News and Briefs

MRS. HOWARD DIES

Mrs. Blanche Vinson Howard, 46, a Macon native and wife of Alex V. Howard, died Tuesday at 4:45 p. m. at her home at Tuckasegee.

Funeral services will be held today (Thursday) at 2 p. m. at Newman's Chapel here. Bryant Funeral Home is in charge.

Mrs. Howard formerly taught in Jackson and Macon schools.

KILL BIG RATTLER

A Franklin crew of Nantahala Power and Light Company men, headed by John McFalls, killed a rattlesnake near Wanchecha Bald, in Graham County, last Thursday afternoon that Mr. McFalls thinks may have been of record, or near-record, size. The snake, measuring four and a half feet, had 18 rattles and a button.

TIPPETT RECOVERING

Lee Tippet, of Franklin, is recovering at C. J. Harris Community Hospital, Sylva, from an amputation of the leg. The operation was performed Monday. Mr. Tippet injured his leg about two years ago in a tractor accident.

POOL IS CLOSED

The Jaycee-operated pool at the Franklin Lodge and Golf Course has been closed for cleaning. Dr. J. L. Hill, pool chairman, said it should reopen within a week. A scanty water supply, brought on by the unseasonably dry weather, necessitated draining the pool, he said, because there is not enough water for a nightly turn-over.

FREE SQUARE DANCING

Jaycee President G. R. McSween this week announced his organization plans to hold square dances on the Town Square each Saturday night during the tourist season. No admission will be charged, he said. Band arrangements will be handled by the club.

Golf Tournney Set Sunday; 50 Expected

A "One-Day Golf Tournament" scheduled Sunday at the Franklin Lodge and Golf Course, is expected to draw more than 50 local and visiting golfers.

In announcing the tournament, set for 1 p. m., G. R. Pattillo, manager, said only men and boys will be eligible to enter. However, he said he plans to hold a similar tournament for women later in the season. Duffers and professionals alike stand to win prizes under tournament rules, Mr. Pattillo said.

Prizes will be awarded for these 10 points:

- (1) Hidden ball in the rough,
- (2) duplicate score cards, (3) least number of putts for nine and 18 holes, (4) birdie on holes 2 and 9, (5) low medal score and runnerup, (6) ball closest to pin on drive on No. 4, (7) longest drive on No. 6, (8) highest medal score, (9) highest number of putts for 18 holes, and (10) eagle on any hole.

Golfers planning to enter the tournament are urged to turn out early so play can begin promptly at 1 o'clock.

Local Golfers Defeat Bryson

Franklin golfers stroked their way to a 21 to 17 victory over the Bryson City team on the local links Sunday afternoon.

The win tied things up for the two teams. Earlier in the month, Bryson City beat Franklin 22 to 17 on their home links. Franklin's Charlie Fulton carded a 78 for the low score of the two-city match.

The following Franklin men won their games. Dick Stott over Melven Guelker, 3 and 2; W. W. Reeves over Carl Dehart, 6 and 5; T. W. Angel, Jr., over G. D. Clark, 4 and 2; Charlie Fulton over Floyd Grant, 6 and 5.

Deacons To Meet

A county-wide meeting of Baptist deacons is scheduled tonight (Thursday) at the Iotla Baptist Church.

Gus Baldwin, secretary, who made the announcement, said supper will be served at 7:30.

MACON SCOUT FIELD DAY ON SATURDAY

County-Wide Craft Event Scheduled At Local Athletic Field

Saturday afternoon, some 90 Macon Boy Scouts will converge on the athletic field at Franklin High School for a county-wide craft field day.

Contests between the 16 patrols of the five organized troops will get under way at 3 o'clock, according to Ben Edwards, summer Scout worker.

Wood chopping, fire building, tent pitching, and flap-jack flipping, are just a few of many Scout skills to be displayed during the afternoon.

A 30-minute field event for Cub Scouts also is planned.

Following the field day, the Scouts will have a "pot-luck" supper at the high school for parents and friends. A program by the individual patrols is also scheduled as a feature of the meal.

The winners of the contests will receive prizes donated by local merchants. Three winners will be picked in each division. Members of the Rotary Club will serve as judges.

You're Right! It's Been Hot

You're right — it has been hot!

For the week ending Tuesday, only two days found the mercury out of the 90's and those two days — Friday (86) and Saturday (87)—were hot enough.

Tuesday and Wednesday of last week the temperature stood at highs of 86, tapering off to a cooling (?) 95 on Thursday.

Day before yesterday (Tuesday), it did it again—another 96.

Last Thursday, 37 inch of rain fell in Franklin, bringing only brief relief to townspeople and grief to George Ledford. The flash storm toppled a small tree in Mr. Ledford's front yard. His car was in its way. Extensive damage was done to the truck area and rear window.

Methodist Area School Slated Here

Methodist churches of the county will hold a training school for the Franklin area Monday through Friday at the Franklin Methodist Church.

Sessions are planned nightly at 7:30 o'clock.

Teachers for the school will include Miss Barnett Spratt, of Lake Junaluska, who will instruct workers and parents of nursery, kindergarten, primary, and junior children; the Rev. Roy H. Bell, of Sylva, who will be in charge of workers and parents of the Methodist Youth Fellowship age group; and Dr. J. Lem Stokes, of Misenheimer, who will teach a course on "Personal Religious Living."

All Methodist churches in the county will participate in the school, according to the Rev. C. E. Murray, Franklin pastor, who will serve as director. Church school superintendents of the churches are in charge of promotion. Mrs. Eva Cunningham is chairman of finance and text.

The school is being co-sponsored by the churches and the conference board of education.

CLUB MEMBERS ARE IN RALEIGH

4-H Delegation Off For Annual Week On Monday; Go By Bus

Eight Macon club members are in Raleigh this week for the annual 4-H Club Week.

The local delegation is made up of Margaret May and David Solesbee, both of the Nantahala club; LaVerne Young, Cullasaja club; Elizabeth Ann Ammons and Jackie Ann Cabe, East Franklin club; Otis Stiventer and Nancy Cable, Franklin club; and Clayton Richardson, Iotla club.

Mrs. Jessie Downs Cabe, assistant home agent, accompanied them.

The group was taken to Asheville early Monday morning by County Agent T. H. Fagg, where they joined the Buncombe delegation for a charter bus trip to the capital city. They will return Saturday afternoon.

WREN NAMED ASST. AGENT FOR COUNTY

South Carolina Man Is Former Cherokee County Agent

John Wren, former assistant county agent in Cherokee County, will take over his duties as assistant agent here on a "temporary basis" beginning August 1.

County Agent T. H. Fagg said yesterday (Wednesday) Mr. Wren's appointment was announced by District Farm Agent W. B. Collins and has the approval of the county.

A native of South Carolina, the new assistant is a veteran of World War 11, holding the rank of lieutenant colonel in the army.

He fills the post left vacant by Mr. Fagg, who was named county agent following the death of S. W. Mendenhall.

Picnic Planned For Dr. Hursh

A picnic honoring Dr. C. R. Hursh, former director of the Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory, will be held at Coweeta Saturday at noon.

The picnic is being arranged by the Coweeta staff, with a view to providing an opportunity for Dr. Hursh's friends to see him.

He left the Forest Service June 30, and is not expected to be often at Coweeta in future.

All friends are invited to come and bring picnic lunch, it was explained.

Swann Hired As Summer Reporter For Highlands

Allen Swann, of Pelham, has been hired by The Press as summer reporter in Highlands.

A 1954 graduate of the University of North Carolina, School of Journalism, Mr. Swann takes over his duties in the resort town today (Thursday).

He will handle all news, advertising, and subscriptions for the newspaper.

August Term Jury List Drawn Monday

METHODISTS PLAN DINNER

Event Friday Night Will Mark Completion Of New Church Wing

Marking the completion of the \$40,000 educational annex to the Franklin Methodist Church, a "family night dinner" and a shower for the new church kitchen will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 7 p. m. in the basement of the church.

Families have been asked to bring a basket or covered dish supper. Following the meal, donations of money or gifts will be accepted. The joint affair is being sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

Mrs. H. W. Cabe, president of the W. S. C. S., said the society has purchased a new electric range and refrigerator and that a 50-place silver setting will arrive this week. She said, however, that roasters, cooking pans, kettles, and other kitchen utensils are needed.

The supper is being held in honor of the church's building committee. Those on the committee are E. J. Whitmire, Jr., chairman, H. H. Gnuse, Jr., M. L. Dowdle, T. W. Angel, Jr., A. A. Siler, W. W. Sloan, and H. W. Cabe.

In addition to the new kitchen, which is located in the old part of the church, 11 new classrooms and an assembly room constitute the recently completed three-story west wing annex. The ground floor of the extension includes four classrooms and a rest room. Three classrooms and two rest rooms are on the second floor, and four classrooms and an assembly room on the third floor.

Renovations have been made in the old part of the church. A temporary partition was taken out on the ground floor to provide for a larger social room, the educational building was roofed and repainted, woodwork on the outside of the building was painted, and a new coal stoker installed.

Superior Court Set August 23, Johnston Judge

Fifty-four jurymen, including two women, were drawn Monday morning for the August term of superior court here.

The court term opens August 23 with Judge Walter E. Johnston, of Winston-Salem, presiding.

The two women are Miss Grace Howard, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1, and Mrs. F. E. Mashburn, of Gneiss. Both were picked for duty the first week.

Jurymen were drawn at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners by Brenda Garrett, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Garrett, of Franklin.

Selected for duty the first week of court were Frank Burnette, of Route 3; George Gibson, of Route 4; Neville Cabe, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1; T. M. Rickman, of Route 4; Paschal Norton, of Franklin; Preleau Shope, of Prentiss; Dallas Rowland, of Aquone; Charles W. Nolen, of Route 1; George Doster, of Route 2; J. N. Houston, of Route 3; Lee Poindexter, of Franklin; Paul B. Carpenter, of Franklin; D. E. Chastain, of Highlands; Jim Neal, of Flats; Homer Passmore, of Nantahala; R. M. McGaha, of Route 3; Glenn Holt, of Franklin; W. R. Edwards, of Route 3; W. A. Hays, of Franklin; W. D. Shuford, of Franklin; James R. Norris, Jr., of Dillard, Ga., Route 1; Howard Bradley, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1; C. B. Bryson, of Cullasaja; Frank L. Cabe, of Route 4; Ray Dryman, of Sealy; Wade McConnell, of Prentiss; Troy Bradley, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1; W. S. Castle, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1; Mell Cabe, Jr., of Route 2; Judd McGaha, of Route 3; Carl P. Cabe, of Franklin; Miss Grace Howard, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1; and Mrs. F. E. Mashburn, of Gneiss.

The remaining 18 jurymen will serve the second week. They are Dewey Hopper, of Highlands; Paul Kinsland, of Franklin; Earl Harrison, of Route 1; George Bryson, of Cullasaja; L. H. Bingham, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1; Floyd Denny, of Highlands; Lorenza Moses, of Cullasaja; Gilmer Setser, of Route 1; Gorman Raby, of Route 3; E. K. Buchanan, of Route 2; Frank Dalrymple, of Flats; Bill Byrd, of Prentiss; Roy Donaldson, of Prentiss; Frank B. Duncan, of Franklin; Homer C. Greene, of Route 1; Carl D. Green, of Franklin; Lon J. Dalton, of Route 3; and Weimer, Dewesse, of Route 3.

At past court terms, because of light criminal and civil dockets, second week jurymen seldom have been called for service. The grand jury is selected from the first week list.

Work On Center

Macon's new \$30,000 health center on Riverview Street is not expected to be ready for occupancy before the last of August, according to W. E. (Gene) Baldwin, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.

Originally, the new center was to be opened this month, but Mr. Baldwin said the installation of the heating system has stopped all work inside. Until the system is installed, the final interior work cannot be done, he said.

The Weather

The week's temperatures and rainfall, as recorded in Franklin by Manson Siles, U. S. weather observer, and at the Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory.

FRANKLIN		
Temperatures		
	High	Low
Wednesday	96	65
Thursday	95	63
Friday	86	65
Saturday	87	64
Sunday	93	63
Monday	93	66
Tuesday	96	64

COWEETA		
Temperatures		
	High	Low
Wednesday	92	63
Thursday	91	59
Friday	84	63
Saturday	84	63
Sunday	86	63
Monday	87	64



Summer vacation doesn't mean a life of leisure for a lot of Macon students as some folks would think. Some are taking it easy, but others are hard at work, raising spending money or saving for a college education. (top left), Miss Patti Lou Phillips, Western Carolina College student, adds a touch of charm to her father's Franklin service station; (top center), the undisputed kingpin of youthful fishermen, Mitchell Houston, Franklin student, does what come naturally for a summer vacation; (top right), Miss Carol

Stockton, Franklin High student, is a waitress in a downtown cafe this summer—likes the work too; (bottom left), car-hopping for a local drive-in brings in a summer salary for Jack Kusterer, student at the University of North Carolina, and is helping him get in another year of college work; (bottom center), the golf course swimming pool is drawing a lot of students both college and high school, and a blase hand of bridge is the order of the day—(1 to 6) Miss Beverly Higdon, Franklin High student, Miss

Ann Hays, who attends Woman's College, Bobby Biddle, 1954 Franklin graduate, Bill Zickgraf, pool lifeguard, and Miss Carolyn Dowdle, Franklin student; (bottom right), George R. PattiHo, (center) manager of the Franklin Lodge and Golf Course, briefs Hayes Snyder, Franklin elementary student, (left), and Tommy Gnuse, Franklin High student, on the fine points of caddyng at the course—the way the two boys make their summer pocket change.