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PLANNING for next week's annual home demonstration "Achievement Day" are county council officers (seated, L to R) Mrs. Glenn Hastings, secretary-treasurer and Mrs. George Byrd, president, and (standing) Mrs. C. T. Bryson, vice-president.

## Women To Gather Tuesday For '56 'Achievement Day'

Those tireless 4-H neighborhood leaders are due to receive special recognition during the annual home demonstration "Achievement Day" next Tuesday.

As a feature of the morning program at the Franklin Methodist Church, 4-H clubbers will introduce their leaders and explain some of the work they have done in helping mold the strong 4-H movement in Macon County.

### Now Preparing

Meanwhile, the home demonstration women are preparing for the yearly get-together and its many activities.

Speculation among the members centers on the question: Who will win "The Gavel", the award made to the club receiving the highest number of achievement points.

With a membership of about 500, there are 22 active clubs in the county this year, according to Miss Florence S. Sherrill, county home agent.

### Starts At 9:30

"Achievement Day" activities will get under way at 9:30 a. m., with registration under the supervision of the Cartoogechaye and Longview clubs.

The regular program will begin at 10 o'clock in the church auditorium. The invocation will be by the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan.

Guest speaker will be a sister of Mr. Morgan and a native of Macon County, Miss Lucy Morgan, founder and director of the Penland School of Handicrafts. She will speak on "The Story of Penland" and also will show slides of her travels abroad.

### Trip Report

Another highlight of the program will be Mrs. Frank I. Murray's report of her recent trip to the National Home Demonstration Council's 20th annual meeting in San Antonio, Tex.

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## Woman's Club Pledges \$500 For Library

A \$500 pledge to the Franklin Library building fund has been made by the Franklin Junior Woman's Club, according to Mrs. Margie Cabe, president.

She said the club hopes to raise the amount during the club year through the ways and means committee, which is headed by Miss Meda Angel.

## Hallowe'en Carnival Set At Cartoogechaye

Cartoogechaye School will hold its carnival for Hallowe'en at the school Saturday night at 7:30.

The P. T. A. is sponsoring the event and the public is invited.

## House Numbers Sale Under Way In Town

The Lions Club sale of house numbers is under way and M. R. Whitaker, in charge of this phase of the project, says he expects 75 per cent of Franklin residents to have bought them by week's end.

Monday was the first night of door-to-door solicitation. Mr. Whitaker said more than 150 families bought numerals that night. Cost is \$1. There are 867 residents in Franklin.

Money from the sale will be used by the Lions in civic projects.

Distribution of the numbers is the result of nearly five years' work by the Lions. During that time they completed "chaining", making overlay maps of the town and assigning every lot a number.

As unimproved lots are built upon, numbers will be ready for them.

Numbering of houses is the second step in a plan to provide mail delivery in Franklin.

## Are Moving Into Library; New Shelving Is Needed

Shifting the Franklin Library's 14,000-plus volumes from temporary quarters into the new library building on Phillips Street is under way.

Miss Frank I. Murray, Sr., librarian, says she hopes to "be doing business" in the new library by the first of next week. Meanwhile, patrons may continue to check out books from the library's temporary quarters in the old Kelly building on Main Street.

High on the new library's list of needs is new shelving, according to Mrs. Murray. Shelves now on hand were salvaged from the library when it was housed in the old Masonic Hall on Church Street, which was razed for a new building, and are not going to be adequate in the new set-up.

A benefit silver tea and open

## Saturday Last Day To Register

Saturday is the final day for registering to vote in the general election November 6.

Next Saturday, November 3, will be challenge day.

Although he was unable to supply figures from the county's 11 precincts, J. Lee Barnard, chairman of the elections board, said new registrations are running "very well."

Locally, the main race is for the county's seat in the House of Representatives. Incumbent G. L. Houk, Democrat, is opposed by J. C. Crisp, Republican.

Richard H. Slagle, incumbent county surveyor on the Democratic ticket, is facing Republican J. L. Sanders in his election bid.

This term's state senator for the 33rd Senatorial District comes from Swain County under provisions of a rotation system used by the counties making up the district. Democrat Kelley E. Bennett and Republican Ray Wright are seeking the seat.

A run-down of candidates on the national and state levels appeared in last week's issue of The Press.

### ROSE CREEK SINGING

The regular fourth Sunday singing will be held Sunday at the Rose Creek Baptist church, eight miles out on the Bryson City road (NC 28). Everyone is invited, according to Lon Thompson, president of the sing.

## P. O. RECEIPTS ABOUT SAME AS LAST YEAR

### Franklin Increase For Quarter Caused By New Box Rents

If an old business weather-vane can be relied upon—postal receipts—business in the county is as good this period of the year as last.

For the quarter just ended, postal receipts at the Franklin and Highlands post offices were almost exactly the same as last year's. Highlands was off about 1%, according to Postmaster Charles C. (Uncle Charlie) Potts. In Franklin, Postmaster Zeb Meadows reported an increase of 2.1% in receipts.

Mr. Meadows said all of the increased revenue came from box rent on the new 96 post office boxes recently installed.

Highlands receipts for July to October 19 were nearly \$9,000. Franklin's postal income was \$10,548.73.

This past quarter, containing the summer months, is Highlands' busiest, while Franklin's busiest is the new quarter under way, which includes Christmas.

Here's a comparison of quarterly figures for this and last year for the Franklin post office:

Jan.-March '55	\$7,758.73
Jan.-March '56	7,475.44
April-June '55	\$8,580.07
April-June '56	9,328.02
July-Sept. '55	\$10,333.94
July-Oct. 19, '56	10,548.73

The post office has converted to a new quarter system based on weeks rather than months and this is the first quarter under the arrangement. This is why third quarter figures for 1955 and 1956 cover a slightly different period.

## TO RECOGNIZE 4-H CLUBBERS

### Locals To Receive New Laurels During Asheville Meeting

New laurels will be heaped on the Macon County 4-H movement in Asheville Saturday when several club members and leaders are slated to be honored at a district "recognition day."

Bert Raby, of Oak Dale, and Guy Duvall, of Iotla, are to be honored as district winners in Poultry Demonstration.

Mrs. James P. Cunningham, 4-H adult leader of the Carson Community, is scheduled to appear on the program. She will speak on "What It Means To Be A 4-H Leader." She will also represent her community, which has entered the state recreation contest.

Carol Arnold will represent Cullasaja Community, which is competing in the state health contest.

The following 4-H clubbers are to be honored at the district meeting as participants in state contests:

Mary Lou Cabe, Otto, Farm and Home Electric; Vicky Ray, SEE NO. 2, PAGE 8

## Buchanan Talks Roads In County

Although financially unable to promise relief, 14th Division Highway Commissioner Harry E. Buchanan nevertheless talked over road problems with citizens here for nearly two hours Friday afternoon.

Posers tossed in the commissioner's lap ranged from rumors of a major highway change, requests for gravel and paving, and Franklin's new one-way street system.

### No Money

Flanked by division and local highway officials, Commissioner Buchanan told a small crowd assembled in the court room at the county courthouse that his division is still in the same "bad (financial) shape" it has been for some time because of the burden of maintaining the secondary highway system built in the late 40's.

He said there is no money available for black-topping any roads in this county.

However, for those "in the mud" he sounded a brighter note by disclosing that \$50,000 has been allocated next year for the purchase of gravel in Macon.

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## Carson Is Winner Of Rural Contest

### Macon Democrats To Hear Speeches By Two Leaders

Two pre-election speeches are on tap this week for county Democrats.

Tonight (Thursday) in the Highlands High gymnasium, an Asheville man, Roy Taylor, is slated to speak at a rally. He is a former state representative and is now county attorney of Buncombe. The rally will start at 7:30.

Saturday at 8 p. m. at the courthouse in Franklin, Democrats will hear a speech by George B. Patton, a native son who recently was appointed attorney general of North Carolina.

George A. Shuford, of Asheville, congressman from the 12th Congressional District, also is slated for brief remarks on behalf of his campaign for re-election.

Macon Rep. G. L. Houk will serve as master of ceremonies at the county-wide rally.

### Cowee And Iotla Are Runners-Up; Awards Are Made

Carson Community, runner-up in last year's event, is the winner of the '56 Macon County Rural Community Development Contest.

Cowee is in second place and Iotla in third, according to the decision handed down by the out-of-county judges Mrs. Velma B. Moore, home agent of Clay County, and Harry Brown, of Mountain City, Ga., a former under secretary of Agriculture.

Carson gets \$200, Cowee, \$150, and Iotla, \$100.

Cash awards of \$50 each also go to Cartoogechaye, Cullasaja, Higdonville, Otto, and Patton.

Incentive awards of \$50 in each of 10 categories were instituted this year to fire more interest in the competition. Communities winning these are (in cases of ties, the money is divided):

Increase in income, Iotla; best accomplishments in youth activities, Carson, Cullasaja, and Cowee; best home food supply, Patton; best community beautification, Cowee and Iotla; best programs, community participation in activities and attendance at meetings, Cartoogechaye; best agricultural program, Holly Springs; most outstanding community project, Carson and Cullasaja; 4-H garden project, Clark's Chapel; best health program, Otto; most outstanding accomplishments in religious activities, Cowee and Higdonville.

The judges noted that the "spiritual phase" was emphasized by nine of the 10 in the incentive awards competition. They also reported this classification was the most difficult to judge, but that it reflected the most outstanding achievements of the communities.

Mrs. Moore and Mr. Brown said they found the communities engaged in "good honest work for the good of the community, not for prizes." In selecting the winners, they evaluated the work on "where they were and what they had."

Plans are now under way for holding an awards banquet in December to honor the winners and the businessmen who back the annual contest with prize money.

## Area Club Women Gather Here For District Meeting

Eighty-two women representing clubs in eight Western North Carolina towns were in Franklin Tuesday for the annual meeting of District 1, N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs.

Hostesses were members of the Franklin Junior Woman's Club. The occasion marked the first time a junior organization has been in charge of a district meeting.

Meeting at the First Baptist Church, the club women opened the day's program with a coffee hour and registration.

Addresses were made during the morning by the state president, Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Margaret Harper, of Southport, 2nd vice-president and director of districts.

Mrs. Kelley E. Bennett, of Bryson City, presided.

Singing of "God Bless America", led by Mrs. C. E. Henry, opened the business session. The devotional was given by Miss Harriett Murray. Mrs. Marjorie

Cabe, president of the host Franklin club, extended greetings to those attending. The response was by Mrs. D. E. Pulliam.

Thirteen clubs in the district, Franklin included, received certificates of honor for superior ratings in activities.

### Election Held

An election of officers saw Miss Pearl Harris, of Waynesville, go in as district president; Mrs. Cecil Franklin, of Sylva, vice-president; and Mrs. Ray Parshall, of Waynesville, secretary-treasurer.

The Aguyah Club, of Robbinsville, was awarded a gavel for having the largest delegation present.

Lunch was served by the women of the Holly Springs Baptist Missionary Society.

Club women voted to hold their next district meeting in Bryson City.

Among favors given those at-SEE NO. 3, PAGE 8

## Panthers Lose To Swain Hi; Miss Cochran Is Crowned

Favored Swain High had an uphill battle here Friday night in defeating the Franklin Panthers 13 to 7 before a homecoming crowd of several thousand.

Fans were treated to a scoreless, first half of top-notch defensive play on the part of the two foes before the Swain Maroons pushed over two touchdowns in the third quarter to take command of the game.

Half-time festivities centered around the crowning of a

"Homecoming Queen", Miss Helen Cochran, who was elected to reign by a vote of the student body. The identity of the queen and her maid-of-honor, Miss Joan Thomas, was kept secret up until an announcement by Jim Tysinger, master of ceremonies, after the contestants for the titles had been driven in convertibles on to the field and introduced to the crowd. They were serenaded by

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## Fair Winners Take \$618 In Prizes; Anybody Missed?

Winners of the recent Macon County Fair walked off with \$618 in prize money, according to the fair association treasurer, Edwin T. Williams.

Because of the scope of the award schedule, Mr. Williams pointed out that some winners may have inadvertently been overlooked when the checks were mailed out this week.

"If we missed anyone, we're sorry . . . and if they'll just let me know I'll see that they get their prize money."

## The Weather

The week's temperatures and rainfall, as recorded in Franklin by Macon 2514, U. S. weather observer; in Highlands by Tudor N. Hall and W. C. Newton, TVA observer; and at the Coweta Hydrologic Laboratory.

### Temperatures

Temperature and rainfall readings for Franklin are not available for this week.

### HIGHLANDS

	High	Low	Rain
Wed., Oct. 17	62	53	.00
Thursday	58	52	.11
Friday	58	52	.83
Saturday	56	50	.02
Sunday	55	50	.75
Monday	55	50	3.01
Tuesday	54	48	.78
Wednesday	40		.00

### COWEETA

	High	Low	Rain
Wed., Oct. 17	68	44	.17
Thursday	63	55	.96
Friday	65	54	trace
Saturday	65	54	.26
Sunday	60	53	1.56
Monday	62	55	.51
Tuesday	71	49	.00
Wednesday	41		.00



ASSISTANT COACH G. R. (Pat) Pattillo is shown crowning Franklin High's "Homecoming Queen", Miss Helen Cochran. Watching the ceremony at right is Miss Joan Thomas, the queen's maid-of-honor. The crowning was a half-time feature of the Franklin-Swain High game here Friday night.

# Saturday [Oct. 27] Is Last Day To Register For The Election