

## Schools Belong To The People, Says Editor At Meeting Of School, Press

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not conscious of the time a teacher spends in supervising the child's lunch program, or the time and "The schools belong to the duty and transportation of chil-

people. How we solve our school dren to and from school, or all problems today will determine how of the collections of money for Maconians will be living years various reasons, or the many, many from now. Macon County is a times principals have to be called wonderful place in which to live away from their classes to superand it promises to be a much vise necessary activities."

greater one in the years to come." The meeting was held in the These were the words of Editor library of Franklin High school. Weimar Jones, of The Franklin At the suggestion of The Press, Press, who spoke last Thursday schools and P.T.A.'s have apto a meeting of publicity chair-men from the county's schools Mrs. Cunningham and Mrs. Marand P.T.A.s. He discussed the tha C. Shields, Cartoogechaye; purpose and background for Miss Elizabeth Meadows, Franklin gathering and reporting news on P.T.A. and Franklin Elementary; what is happening in the schools Miss Nora Moody, Iotla School; today, and related activities. He Mrs. Katherine A. Crawford, East told of Press plans to give ex-panded schools coverage. Mrs. Gladys

"All are interested in what is lands School; Mrs. Gladys Kinsland, Highhappening in the learning pro- and Mrs. Lily C. Moody, Cowee cess," Mr. Jones said. "What are School; Paul Sorrells, Franklin children learning? Why are they High School; Mrs. Quince Shope learning a certain thing in a cer- and Mrs. Ned Teague, Union tain way? .... We are convinced School; Mrs. Maybur Norton, that our children must have the Cullasaja School; and Mrs. Mary best education possible, not as S. Byrd and Mrs. Hazel C. Norton. Carolinians, not as Southerners. Otto School.

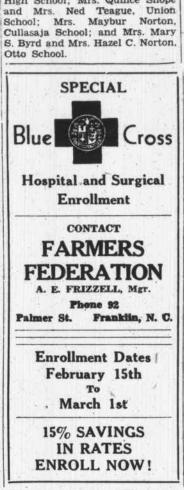
but as citizens of the United States.

"The teachers serve the public: The Press represents the public. Our mutual interest—the child is the purpose for which our schools were founded," Mr. Jones said.

J. P. Brady, news editor of The Press, cited two reasons why The Press is limited in the coverage it can give the schools. "One limitation is an operational, or mechanical, one (personnel, time, budgets). The other is The Press's obligation to other items of public interest.

"In fairness to everyone, we at times must sidestep the more routine activities in order to give the public thorough coverage on important activities in other fields, like politics and government." Mr. Brady said "too many teachers take their tasks for granted; yet, the public doesn't realize the endlessness of a teacher's job."

Activities suggested by The Press speakers which are of public interest include enrollments, attendance, new methods of teach-ing the "tool" subjects, honor rolls, lunchroom activities, and unusual happenings in a child's day. Mrs. James P. Cunningham, a publicity representative for Cartoogechaye Parent-Teacher Associ-ation, said: "Many parents are



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