



## MEANDERING ALONG MAIN STREET

**TOWN OF** Franklin will soon be advertising for bids for a new police car. The old bucket has seen a string of better days and just a couple of weeks ago the drive shaft fell off as Policeman Homer Cochran started out in pursuit of a speeder.

**METHODIST MINISTERS** new to Macon County might bring things up to date by dropping by THE PRESS office and correcting the church page. The names of the old pastors are still being printed.

**THE H. BUECKS** celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary, this month in Banff, Canada. They were attending the International Lions Club Convention in Chicago (July 9-12) and when the convention closed joined a train tour group of 38 bound for the Pacific Northwest. The tour manager arranged a special anniversary dinner for the couple, complete even to music, flowers, and gifts. They returned here Sunday.

**SUGGESTION** to mine owners at Cowee Valley: Why not make your surroundings more convenient for visitors by installing adequate privies and possibly gravity water showers? There's a glaring need for something to be done along this line.

**THE STATE** Friday patched up that sunken place on Town Hill. It was getting so bad owners of the smaller cars were complaining of being unable to drive over the rut.

**INDICATIONS** are that this year's Macon County Fair is going to be the best ever held. Its steady growth suggests solidarity and it is sure to eventually develop into a full week of activity, instead of only three days.

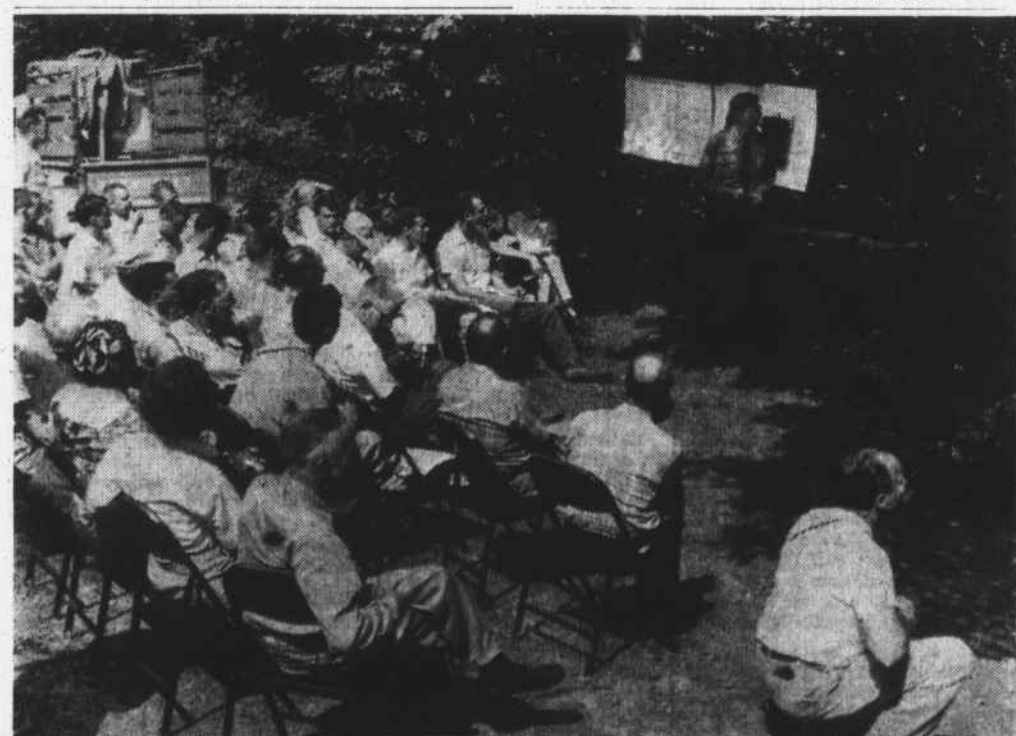
**THE STEADY** day-to-day outpouring of travelers is amazing tourist operators. Apparently there are many more moving through Macon County this year, probably because the south end of US 23-441 is no longer half-laced with detour signs.

**THE GEORGIA** Mountain Fair is coming up in nearby Hiwassee the week of August 11-16. Everything is scheduled, from fiddler's convention, stock shows, and muzzle-loading rifle shoot to a flower show. The entire mountain area is asked to participate.

**ATTENDANCE** at Monday's opening of the court term was light and toward the shank of the day it dwindled to practically nothing. Must have been the heat of the day. The courtroom was near the boiling point. The probation officer suggested the removal of the pot-bellied stove. He felt it set up a psychological block to trying to stay comfortable.

**HATE** to dash cold water on the summer activities of the kids, but schools "will be keeping" in about a month. In line with this, merchants are planning a "Back to School" trade promotion.

**REGARDLESS** of the weather, be it behaving or acting up, the old timers seem to have a name already selected for it.



FORESTERS STUDY WORK AT COWETA LABORATORY

About 70 foresters from North and South Carolina and Virginia were at Coweta Hydrologic Laboratory Friday for a tour of the 5,600-acre outdoor water research station. The gathering was the annual summer meeting of the Appalachian section, Society of America Foresters. Saturday the foresters went on hikes in the area. Above, they are learning about a watershed project on the Coweta tour. (Staff Photo)

## CHANGES ANNOUNCED — Bolton And Sloan Receive Promotions

At a meeting July 28, the board of directors of Nantahala Power and Light Company elected C. H. Bolton vice-president and treasurer and W. W. (Bill) Sloan secretary and a director of the company.

Mr. Bolton succeeds H. H. Gnuse, Jr., as vice-president and Mr. Sloan succeeds Mr. Bolton as secretary. Mr. Gnuse is transferring this week to the Aluminum Company of America in Pittsburgh, Pa., as senior power engineer.

In other personnel changes becoming effective August 1, Mr. Gnuse is being succeeded as chief engineer of the local Alcoa subsidiary by W. T. Walker, of Maryville, Tenn., and E. L. Hyde and J. H. Davis have been appointed assistants to the chief engineer.

Mr. Bolton was first employed by Nantahala in 1929, and with the exception of 15 months' service as chief clerk of an Alcoa-operated defense plant in Riverbank, Calif., in 1942-43, has been associated with the company continuously since. He was named chief clerk of the company in 1943 and was promoted to secretary-treasurer in 1947.

Mr. Sloan was first employed by the company in 1940 as construction clerk until entering military service. He was employed in 1947 as a junior service engineer, was named director of rural service in 1949, and promoted to director of personnel and safety in 1950.

Mr. Walker, a native of Maryville, Tenn., has been an Alcoa employee since 1937, having served as civil engineer, assistant superintendent and superintendent of the hydraulic department of the Alcoa power division at Calderwood, Tenn. Since December, 1954, he has

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Mr. Bolton  
... New Officer



Mr. Sloan  
... New Secretary

## EVENT HELD SATURDAY — Mrs. Simpson, Mrs. Dinnes Take Flower Show Awards

Mrs. S. R. Simpson and Mrs. William Dinnes shared top honors in the Franklin Garden Club's 36th annual flower show Saturday.

Mrs. Simpson, club president, took sweepstakes honors, while Mrs. Dinnes became a two-time winner of the tri-color award in the arrangements division. A special merit award and the tri-color ribbon in horticulture went to Rex Andrus.

### 225 Entries

Held in the high school cafeteria, the show had 225 entries. Attendance at the one-day event was 158, many from out-of-state, according to the registration book.

Judges were Miss Louise Ballard, of Lake Junaluska, Mrs. F. E. Worthington, of Waynesville, Mrs. J. F. Pate, of Canton, and Mrs. Lerol de Caisse, Mrs. John DuBoise, and Mrs. Henry Arch Nichols, all of Asheville.

### Ribbon Winners

Blue ribbon winners, many of them collecting several as indicated in the horticulture division.

(annuals, perennials, and biennials) were Mrs. Dinnes (2), Mrs. Prelo Dryman, Mrs. S. Winkleblack, Mrs. T. H. McNish (4), Mrs. Grover Schaffer (2), Miss Adelaide Grover, T. H. DeKman, Mrs. John M. Archer, Jr. (4), Mrs. S. R. Simpson (12), and Miss Rose King.

Red ribbon winners included Mrs. F. S. Purdom (5), Mrs. S. R. Simpson (4), Mrs. T. H. McNish (3), Miss Adelaide Grover (2), Miss Evelyn Hope Daniels (2), Mrs. Jo Long (2), Mrs. Prelo Dryman, Mrs. William Dinnes, Miss Mary F. Cover, and Mrs. Grover Schaffer.

Yellows were won by Mrs. Sam Winkleblack, Mrs. Prelo Dryman (honorable mention), Mrs. T. H. McNish, and Mrs. S. R. Simpson.

Winners in bulbs, corms, rhizomes, and tubers were: BLUE—Miss Laura Jones, Randolph Bulgin (2), Mrs. Prelo Dryman, Mrs. William Dinnes, Mrs. S. Winkleblack (2), Rex Andrus, Miss Rose King, Miss Mary F. Cover, Mrs.

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## THREE HOST CHURCHES — Macon Baptists To Gather For Two Days Next Week

"Let Your Light Shine" will be the theme of the 55th annual session of the Macon Baptist Association, slated next Thursday and Friday (August 7-8) at the Liberty, Wells Cove, and Prentiss churches.

Featured during the two-day meeting will be reports on a variety of state Baptist activities, in addition to local reports, according to the moderator, the Rev. L. Eugene Walter.

### Liberty Host

Liberty church will be host to the opening session at 9 a.m. Scheduled to appear on the morning program are the Rev. R. R. Standley, pastor of the First

church; Jimmy Hall, member of the host church; Mrs. John Campbell, associational clerk; J. C. Jacobs, chairman of committees on committees; the Rev. C. T. Taylor, associational field worker; the Rev. John R. Willis, Mount Hope pastor; Dr. E. L. Spivey, secretary of state missions of the Baptist State Convention; Mrs. Hoyt Bryson, of Cowee church; Mrs. E. W. Fisher, of First church; Mrs. Claude Roper, of Iotia church; Dr. M. A. Huggins, secretary-treasurer of the state convention; the Rev. Clyde Rhinehart, vice-moderator and Cowee pastor; and the Rev. Doyle Miller, Holly Springs pastor and missions committee chairman.

### Miller to Preach

Mr. Miller will deliver the annual message to the group at 11:30. His sermon will be preceded by special music by the Franklin Quartet.

### Editor To Speak

On the afternoon program will be the Rev. J. A. Kahler, Shortoff pastor; J. Marse Grant, editor of Charity and Children; Tom Rickman, member of Cowee church and Homes for Aging representative; James M. Hayes, general superintendent of Homes for Aging; the Rev. C. C. Welch, Windy Gap pastor and Baptist Hospital representative; Dr. W. K. McKee, director of denominational relations of Baptist Hospital; Thomas Pruitt, of Hickory, chairman of Committee of 25; Mrs. Arvil Parker, associational treasurer; Mrs. I. T. Peek, member of First church and chairman of resolutions committee; Fred Corbin, member of Higdonville church and associational historian; the Rev.

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## Folk Event Set Tonight

### Local Entertainers Will Compete For Prize Money

For the next three nights (starting tonight, Thursday), the sixth annual Macon County Folk Festival will be held "under the stars" at the Franklin High stadium.

Nightly performances of the local mountain talent show are set for 8 o'clock and they close when "everyone runs down", according to a Jaycee spokesman.

Square dance teams, string musicians, singers, and a host of other talent will be on hand all three nights and will compete for several hundred dollars in prize money being offered the best acts by the sponsoring Jaycees.

### Exhibition Teams

Exhibition dancing by the famous Smoky Mountain Cloggers and by the newly-organized Carson Dance Team will be extra features.

Admission will be 25 cents per person, excluding "carry-in-size" babies, the Jaycees say.

Only Macon County talent can compete for the prize money. However, entertainers from neighboring counties are invited to attend and join in the fun. Anyone wanting to "show out" will be given a spot on the program.

### Old Fiddler

Expected to show up as always is Cobe Cope, of Jackson County, of the western area's remaining old time fiddlers.

"Back up music" for the dance teams, buck dancers, and singers will be provided by the Lunsford-Roberson String Band.

Veteran festival performers now tuning up for tonight's opening include "Shorty" Kirkland and his banjo with the "sound built in"; Hayes Carver and his home-made banjo, made from a cheese box, a gourd/hog hide, and a two-by-four; the Neal Sisters, acrobatic dancers; Don and Diane Clay, singers; and Betty and Dorothy Cowart, Dean Ledford, Carolyn Myers, Bobby Ray Carver, Wiley Scott, and Wade Stockton, to name just a few of the buck dancers.

## Little League Team Defeated By Forest City

Forest City knocked Franklin's Little League All-Stars out of the regional championship playoffs Saturday in Forest City. The score: 6 to 0.

Franklin carried the banner of District 1 to Forest City for the tournament after defeating Andrews-Murphy 7 to 3 Wednesday afternoon of last week, and trouncing Canton 10 to 3 Friday afternoon. The Canton-Franklin game was rained out Thursday, as league officials prepared to douse the playing field with gasoline and set it afire to dry the field for playing.

## Class Of '28 Has Reunion Here Sunday

Franklin High's Class of '28 celebrated its 30th anniversary here Sunday and set up a reunion organization to plan for future gatherings.

Sunday's reunion, held at the East Franklin School, was the first one for members of the class, many of whom hadn't seen other since graduation.

However, an annual reunion is now planned in the future — one the fourth Sunday in July.

Officers elected for the year were Mrs. Martha P. Shields, president, Mrs. Hazel P. Sutton, vice-president, and Mrs. Kathleen C. Stevens, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Shields and Mrs. Sutton

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## TOP STATE HONOR — V.F.W. Auxiliary Recipient Of Community Service Award

Macon County's V. F. W. Auxiliary has won the state's top award for community service.

In a surprise presentation here Sunday afternoon at a District 17 meeting, the auxiliary received a community service plaque from Mrs. Gertrude Lowe, of Hendersonville. Until she announced it, local auxiliary members had no idea the award had been won by Franklin.

"It took all of us by surprise," declared Mrs. Anne Murray, who also was presented a silver tray for recently being named "Auxiliary President of the Year" for 1958.

### For Projects

Franklin won the first place award on the basis of the number of projects, the number of

taken by the auxiliary were cancer (making bandages), Civil Defense, Americanism, P. T. A., March of Dimes, tuberculosis X-ray, Christmas Seal sale, as well as participation by individual members in other community service projects. The judging was based on the amount of work done according to the size of the auxiliary.

### 85 Delegates

Attending Sunday's district meeting were about 85 delegates and members from Asheville, SEE NO. 7, PAGE 12

Some of the projects under-

## Rep. Shuford Resigns Post; Weir Is Likely Successor

### PRESS Poll Shows Asheville Manager Ahead Of Others

Unless the western counties unite on a man, it looks like J. Weldon Weir for the Democratic nomination for Congress from this (the 12th) district.

Wednesday, however, there was evidence that representatives of the district's western counties were trying to get together on a nominee, and the name of William M. Medford, of Waynesville, was popping up in discussions.

While Mr. Weir, Asheville city manager, yesterday didn't ap-

pear to have the nomination in the bag, it was clear he had the solid backing of the influential and powerful Democratic organization in Buncombe County, with scattered support elsewhere in the district.

The 20-member district Democratic executive committee will meet in Bryson City today (Thursday) at 2 p. m. to select a nominee, following the resignation Sunday of Rep. George A. Shuford, Mr. Shuford, who won re-nomination in the May 31 Democratic primary, resigned as the party's nominee for another term, but announced he would continue in office to the end of his present term next January. He assigned the condition of his health as his reason for resigning.

The Bryson city meeting is to be held only four days after announcement of Mr. Shuford's resignation.

In explaining the call for a quick meeting, committee Chairman Francis Heazel was quoted by The Asheville Citizen as saying it was necessary to meet Thursday to allow time for the nomination to reach the State Board of Elections in Raleigh by not later than Monday, August 4. It was added that the State Board must have the ballots printed and in the hands of the various county boards of election by not later than September 1.

### What Board Said

Yesterday The Press questioned the board, by long distance, telephone, about this regulation. It was given this information:

There is no rule about when a nominee's name must reach the State Board, but Raymond C. Maxwell, the board's secretary, requested Mr. Heazel to get the name of the new nominee in as early as possible, and not later than August 15. The reason for that request is that absentee ballots — not those to be cast at the voting booths — must be printed by September 1, it was explained.

### 'Open Minds'

While Mr. Weir is being pushed by such party leaders in Buncombe County as Don S. Elias and Sheriff Laurence E. Brown, a poll of committee members, conducted by The Press this week, indicated that several of them will go to the Bryson City meeting with

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### Congressman Quits Because Of Health, Effective Jan. 1

Rep. George A. Shuford, who resigned Sunday as Democratic nominee for reelection, "is in fine physical condition — he's improving every day", Philip C. Cooke, one of Mr. Shuford's secretaries, in Washington, told The Press by telephone Tuesday.

The reason Mr. Shuford resigned as the Democratic nominee for Congress, Mr. Cooke added, "is contained in his statement. When the boom has been lowered on a man, he just isn't fit to campaign in the mountains". He didn't explain what he meant by the boom's being lowered.

"The party is entitled to a man who can conduct a vigorous campaign".

Mr. Shuford has been ill since May 25, when he was hospitalized in Asheville, just six days before the Democratic primary in which he won re-nomination. He is now at his Washington home, going to the Bethesda Naval Hospital for treatments. The illness resulted in partial paralysis.

The congressman now dictates daily by telephone to his secretaries. Mr. Cooke said, but has not yet returned to his office. The doctors hope he can in the near future.

While he resigned as the party's nominee for a fourth term, Mr. Shuford's statement last Sunday explained he would remain in office until the end of his present term, next January.

## Judge Hearing Civil Actions

Except for a couple of judgments, Judge J. C. Farthing has a finished docketed criminal case yesterday (Wednesday) and was hearing civil actions.

The August term of Superior Court opened Monday and is scheduled to end Friday.

On opening day, Judge Farthing granted a continuance in the Carl Story case to the December term. Mr. Story, a country music radio-television personality, who hails from this county, is charged with fraudulently obtaining \$7,000 from Mrs. Vernon Pruitt, a 101 widow, for construction of a radio station. He is free on bond.

The grand jury completed its work, including an inspection of county facilities, Tuesday.

A report of the jury's findings and a run-down of criminal and civil dispositions will appear in next week's issue of THE PRESS.

## The Weather

FRANKLIN				
	High	Low	Rain	
Wed., 23rd	82	62	0	
Thursday	80	63	0	
Friday	85	64	1.0	
Saturday	84	61	0	
Sunday	88	67	1.0	
Monday	90	66	0	
Tuesday	88	62	0	
Wednesday	86	63	0	
COWETA				
Wed., 23rd	81	60	1.1	
Thursday	82	64	0	
Friday	75	58	0	
Saturday	83	57	0	
Sunday	85	62	0	
Monday	86	61	trace	
Tuesday	90	62	0	
Wednesday	86	57	0	
HIGHLANDS				
Wed., 23rd	76	62	0	
Thursday	72	62	0	
Friday	80	57	0	
Saturday	79	56	0	
Sunday	84	60	0	
Monday	83	64	0	
Tuesday	84	62	0	
Wednesday	84	58	0	

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SEVERAL ATTENDING Sunday's class reunion drove many miles, including (L to R) T. C. "Doc" Parrish, of Dearborn, Mich., Miss Mary Enloe, of Knoxville, Tenn., and George Carpenter, of Valdese. Franklin High's Class of '28 met at East Franklin School. (Staff Photo)