

DEVASTATING STORM HITS COUNTY

Jackson Gives Hoey and Cherry Big Vote

State Winners Carried Jackson By Safe Margin

Gregg Cherry Received Largest Vote Of All Candidates On Ticket.

Jackson Democratic voters overwhelmingly favored Gregg Cherry for governor and Clyde R. Hoey as U. S. Senator in Saturday's primary, when they voted almost five to one for the two. Both these candidates won the nomination in the state.

Jackson gave Cherry 1,531 as against McDonald's 289, and Boyd received 12.

In the senatorial race, Hoey polled 1,477 against Morrison's 320. Simmons received 17, Ritch 10 and Newton 4.

Cherry led the entire ticket in the county, and his lead in the state yesterday was steadily mounting. With less than 200 precincts to report, Mr. Cherry had 173,841 against McDonald's 127,749. Boyd had 1,801.

Former governor Hoey's lead over Cam Morrison was also mounting and indications were that it might top 120,000 when the final counting was reported. This would give Mr. Hoey an all-time high vote. Even larger than the 113,000 majority Robert R. Reynolds received over Morrison.

Ballentine, also nominated in the primary, received an outstanding majority in Jackson county. The entire mountain area voted almost three to one for the winners.

Speedwell Girl Finishes School At Candler High

Sara Ruth Pressley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Pressley of Speedwell, graduated from Candler high school on May 13th.

Miss Pressley was active in extra-curricular activities at the school this year, having been on the staff of the school paper, on the basketball team, a member of the Drama Guild and a member of the Drama Literary Society.

She acted in several plays and represented Candler high school at the District Drama Institute held in Asheville.

Miss Pressley is a former student of Cullowhee high school.

Club Meets With Mrs. D. Tompkins

The Twentieth Century Club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Dan Tompkins at her home in Webster. Thirteen members and one visitor, Miss Elizabeth Oliver, were present.

Mrs. Dan Allison, president, presided over the business session.

A report of the state meeting was given by Mrs. E. L. McKee. Mrs. J. C. Allison reported that 227 garments had been shipped from the sewing room of the Red Cross.

Mrs. D. M. Hall presented Mrs. E. L. McKee, who gave a splendid review of Shalom Ash's book, "The Apostle."

The hostess assisted by Mrs. Ben Cathey, served a salad course.

Fellowship Class Holds Monthly Meeting

The Young Adult Fellowship class had its monthly business and social meeting Friday, May 19th at the Allison building of the Methodist church. Ten members were present.

Miss Nimmo Geisler, president, presided over the business meeting.

The program committee for the evening meetings appointed Guder Crawford, Mary Belle Blackburn and T. N. Massie.

Mary Belle Blackburn was elected secretary of the class. Discussion followed as to how to enlarge the class and reach a greater number of young people.

Mrs. T. N. Massie and Miss Nimmo Geisler assisted by Mrs. Phil Stovall served sandwiches and coffee.

ON BUYING TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Reed, Charles, Jr., Miss Nimmo Geisler and Miss Hilda Keener are in Atlanta attending the South Eastern Traveler's Exhibitors showing of fall clothes.

Finals Are Held At Western Carolina Teachers College

Dr. Clyde Erwin Heard Monday Morning By Graduates At W.C.T.C.

"We look to this institution for many of our public school teachers who are well trained and who are making a splendid contribution to the state with a spirit of service which is notable," Clyde Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction declared in the literary address before members of the graduating class of WCTC Monday morning. He discussed the war, the goals of the peace and of changes which must be expected afterward.

The Rev. Harry Perry, Saint Philip's church, Brevard, guest minister for the occasion, gave the invocation. Special music was a semi-chorus with solo obligati by Alice Weaver and Tyson, Cathey.

Winners Announced
After Mr. Erwin's address had been concluded, Dean W. E. Bird announced winners of six special awards and honors. Miss Dorothy Jeane Ensley of Bryson City, won one of the Alpha Phi Sigma medals for outstanding scholarship and superior service to the student life on the college campus. Best college citizen among the girls, given by S. W. Enloe of Dillsboro, an honor which is chosen by popular vote of students and faculty, was Miss Ayers, president of the student body. Best college citizen among the boys proved to be a tie between Owen McDonald of Larned, Kas., and Robert Howell of Mars Hill, the first award being donated by Professor E. H. Stillwell and the second being given by the college. The Gertrude Dills McKee distinguished service award, donated and presented in person by Mrs. McKee of Sylva, was won by Elizabeth Ann Hunter, of Cullowhee.

Madison Presents Gifts
President emeritus and founder of the college, R. L. Madison, as is his annual custom, presented four members of the graduating class whose parents or grandparents he had taught, with gifts. These four students were Miss Louise Bryson, Lake Alfred, Fla.; Miss Elizabeth Warren, Sylva; Mrs. Frankie Bumgarner Ferguson of Speedwell; and Robert C. Hall of Sylva.

Degrees were then conferred by President Hunter upon the 44 members of the graduating class, two of whom received the B. A. degree and the remaining forty-two, the B. S. degree. It was significant that every graduate who received a

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Dillard L. Bryson Dies At Home After Long Illness

Funeral services will be conducted at the Scott's Creek Baptist church at 3 o'clock this afternoon for Dillard L. Bryson, 77, who died at his home Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock after an extended illness. The Rev. B. S. Hensley will officiate, assisted by Rev. T. F. Deltz. Burial will be in the Old Field cemetery. The body will lay in state at the church from 2 to 3 o'clock prior to the burial.

Serving as active pallbearers are deacons of the church as follows: B. E. Harris, Vernon Cope, Thad Reed, John Smith, Ed Fisher and W. G. Dillard.

The other members of the board of deacons of the church will serve as honorary pallbearers.

In charge of the flowers are: Mrs. Loy Bryson, Mrs. T. C. Bryson, Jr., Mrs. D. V. Hooper, Mrs. John Parris, Mrs. G. K. Bess, Mrs. Mary Crumley and Miss Gladys Sellers. Mr. Bryson was an outstanding citizen of his community and had been a deacon of Scott's Creek Baptist church for the past 40 years and had also served as church clerk and as Sunday school superintendent of the church.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Laura H. Bryson; four daughters, Mrs. John Reed, Mrs. E. M. Loyd and Mrs. Ed Curry, of Sylva, and Mrs. Dean Painter, of Marion; three sons, Fred Bryson, of Portsmouth, Ark., Dan T. Bryson, of U. S. Navy, and Royal Bryson, of Sylva; and nine grandchildren.

Central Jackson Singers To Meet

The Central Jackson Singing Convention will meet at the Scott's Creek Baptist church at two o'clock on June fourth.

The Victor Bell quartette from Hendersonville will be there and also the choir from Barnardsville. The public is cordially invited to attend especially those interested in singing.

Mrs. W. H. Hooper, of Caney Fork, has recently received a letter from her son, Larry (Doc), who has been in the Pacific for one year, that his brother, Clyde, has recently been assigned to duty on the same island.

Oil Men Starting Campaign Against The Black Market

On Friday night at eight o'clock all of the oil dealers and station operators will have a meeting at the Community House in Sylva. An OPA operator will speak.

This meeting is to make plans to fight the black market in gasoline. All dealers and station operators are urged to attend, and the public is invited.

Dr. Hunter Heard In Annual Talk To Graduates

Following a custom practiced for a number of years, Dr. H. T. Hunter, president of Western Carolina Teachers College, made his special address to the members of the graduating class on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in the reception room of the Student Union building. Using the subject, "Four College Years Gone—Or Are They?" Dr. Hunter asked his audience where the four years were and what materially each had to show for the time spent at the college. Drawing upon the speech of an old Indian chief in the far-away plains of Montana, President Hunter told his hearers: "I come with no wealth of gleaming metals, no luxury of furs, no wide stretches golden with singing grain. But I come not empty handed. Three gifts I bring to you—my memories, my purposes and my dreams. I bring you memories both aching, bitter with grief and aching sweet with joy, memories of this my land and yours, the purpose of building the happy valley, and dreams of happiness and growth."

Dr. Hunter discussed intimately and warmly the student's memories of their four years at Cullowhee, their purposes for the future, and their dreams, many of which have been interrupted or broken by war.

In conclusion President Hunter stated, "May you, like the old Indian chief, whether from college, war, or other experiences, come with your rich gifts to your people. You are going back sooner or later to the heart of the common people from which you came. May God speed you and bring you to that Happy Valley, content in the wistful purple of Indian summer."

Special music for the occasion was given by Miss Alice Weaver's singing a religious number accompanied by her voice teacher, Mrs. Charles G. Gulley. Just after President Hunter's address, the faculty entertained the seniors, their parents and friends with a reception in the foyer of the Student Union building.

Plans Made For Fifth War Bond Drive, To Commence June 12th

H. J. Landis Is Improving After Auto Accident

Manager Of Belk's Store Here In Asheville Hospital, After Thursday's Accident.

H. J. Landis, manager of Belk's Department Store of Sylva, was seriously injured in an automobile accident last Thursday.

Mr. Landis is suffering from a broken hip, arm, several fractured ribs and lacerations. He was on his way to Charlotte on business for the Belk Stores and was accompanied by Talmadge Jones, manager of Belk's Store in Bryson City and T. H. Callahan, assistant manager of the Bryson City store.

The accident occurred near Candler when a large transfer truck and the car Mr. Landis was driving collided.

Mr. Landis is improving in the Biltmore Hospital in Asheville.

Coward Reunion Set For June 11

The Coward reunion which has always been held on June 12th will be held this year on Sunday, June 11th at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. George Coward at Whit-tier. All friends of the family are invited to attend.

Mrs. Dills Resigns As Sheriff's Clerk

Mrs. Ralph Dills has resigned as clerk of Sheriff Leonard Holden's office and will move to Waynesville where she has accepted a position with Smoky Mountain Trailways. Mrs. Vernon Hoyle will fill the position which Mrs. Dills has held for more than four years.

ON FURLOUGH HERE

Pfc. Worley W. Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Powell of Tuckasegee, is spending an eight-day furlough with his wife, the former Miss Verdine Marie Buchanan of Gay, and small daughter, Gwenda Yvonne. Pfc. Powell entered the army March 10th, 1943. He is stationed in Florida at the present and will return to Florida when his furlough is ended.

Rain, Electrical And Hail Storm Hit Here Monday

Webster Section Felt Brunt Of Storm; Cope Creek Went On A Rampage.

One of the hardest rain and electrical storms in years hit Jackson county late Monday afternoon, doing untold damage to crops and newly planted fields.

Heavy hail fell in some parts of the county, playing havoc in its path.

Damage along Cope creek seemed heaviest, while the entire Webster section carried the brunt of the storm. Cope creek left its banks, and lightning struck in numerous places throughout the county.

Scotts creek was at flood stage here in Sylva, and was almost out of banks in numerous places.

At least fifty telephones were put out of order by the storm, the local office reported, while repairmen of the Dillsboro Electric Light Company were still out repairing damaged lines yesterday. No estimate of the damage was made by officials.

Agricultural authorities were unable to give an estimate of the damage done to crops and farm-lands, although a check-up was being made Tuesday.

One house at Webster caught fire during the storm, but little damage done. The firemen from Sylva answered the call.

J. J. Mason Rites Are Conducted At Dillsboro

Funeral services were conducted at the Dillsboro Methodist church Sunday afternoon for J. J. Mason, 90, who died at his home Saturday following a brief illness.

He was a native of Spartanburg, S. C., coming to Jackson county in 1886. He cut the first cross-ties used in building the Asheville-Murphy railroad and established the J. J. Mason Lumber company in Dillsboro and continued to operate it until his retirement in 1920. He constructed most of the first homes in Dillsboro and built the second bridge ever to span the Tuckasegee river.

He was the father of four sons: McBee of Asheville, Cramwell and Perry of Dillsboro, and Charles C., prominent Democrat and former sheriff of Jackson county. None of his sons survived him. He was a Bible scholar and a member of the Methodist church. Interment was in the Parris cemetery at Dillsboro.

Sgt. J. O. Jackson Now In England

An Air Force Service Command Station, "Somewhere in England"—S/Sgt. Jonny O. Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson of East LaPorte, is now overseas and has participated in a course designed to bridge the gap between training in the States and soldiering in an active theater of war.

At one of the Air Service Command stations known as Control Depots, Sgt. Jackson was carefully processed by classification experts who made certain that he was well-fitted for the job assigned to him. Security training, personal hygiene, a talk by a Special Service Officer informing him of facilities for healthful recreation, and a lecture by the Chaplain are all in turn part of the G.I.'s preparation for his overseas duty.

Before entering the army, he was attending school in Cullowhee.

Mrs. Walter Jones and children and Miss Lucile Wilson were weekend guests of Mrs. Commodore Cassada in Bryson City.

Lt. (jg) Keith Hinds left on Saturday to return to his post of duty after spending two weeks with his wife and daughter of Cullowhee.

C. C. Buchanan of Morganton, spent the week-end here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cagle and Sidney Cagle of Tampa, Fla., were here last week visiting relatives.

Mrs. M. Buchanan went to Hendersonville Monday. While she is away she will attend the commencement exercises of the Hendersonville high school. Her grand daughter, Sara Bell Buchanan, is a member of the graduating class.

Official Returns For Jackson County

	Senate				Governor			Lieutenant Governor			Secy of State		Auditor		Treasurer		
	Morrison	Hoey	Simmons	Ritch	Newton	Cherry	McDonald	Boyd	Ballentine	Halstead	Lyda	Eure	Crawford	Pou	Hunter	Johnson	Phipps
Barker's Creek	3	37	0	0	0	38	2	0	38	1	0	38	1	38	1	38	1
Canada No. 1	3	11	0	1	0	13	2	0	11	1	1	6	3	8	2	8	2
Canada No. 2	13	9	0	0	0	22	0	0	22	0	0	22	0	22	0	22	0
Caney Fork	7	86	1	0	0	86	11	0	57	22	13	74	20	71	19	82	8
Cashiers	15	119	0	0	0	115	17	0	0								
Cullowhee	37	234	3	3	1	215	51	6	206	21	24	207	46	197	53	226	23
Dillsboro	20	70	0	1	0	87	7	0	57	9	7	60	13	60	9	61	11
Hamberg	19	41	1	0	0	53	6	0	47	7	4	48	11	50	7	51	6
Qualla	72	61	0	0	0	69	65	0	114	7	8	107	21	102	24	104	19
River No. 1	1	49	2	0	0	44	8	0	45	0	7	46	6	43	6	45	7
River No. 2	13	9	0	0	0	8	2	0	4	3	2	9	1	6	4	5	3
Savannah	1	145	3	2	1	140	23	2	130	10	9	117	35	121	29	128	16
Scotts Creek No. 1	3	27	1	0	0	26	6	0	19	4	6	21	9	24	5	22	8
Scotts Creek No. 2	3	50	0	0	0	52	1	0	34	0	5	38	2	37	1	38	0
Scotts Creek No. 3	6	49	2	0	0	42	15	0	49	0	2	40	17	43	11	48	8
Sylva North	19	124	0	0	0	123	18	1	124	9	2	111	27	114	25	121	18
Sylva South	56	206	0	0	0	223	38	1	206	34	15	227	27	223	23	214	35
Webster	17	106	0	0	0	117	9	0	120	2	5	109	13	117	7	106	17
Mountain	0	18	3	1	1	18	5	0	11	5	6	12	10	13	8	13	8
Totals	280	1477	17	10	4	1531	289	12	1428	149	139	1449	248	1397	232	1474	192