

### BALSAM RANGE CONTAINS MANY OUTSTANDING PEAKS OF POPULAR SCENIC ATTRACTIONS

Jackson county has many and varied scenic attraction, among these and probably the most widely known is the Balsam Range. Balsam is the highest standard gauge railroad point east of the Rockies. The Balsam "Black Knob" in the Caney Fork section is one of the highest peaks in Eastern America.

The hamlet of Balsam, located on the Southern Railroad at an altitude of 3,470 feet, has its attraction for tourists other than its scenic beauty. The Balsam Springs

Hotel has made a name for itself and has reopened this year after several years' idleness.

Below the hotel site the Balsam Springs are visited by many. The water from this spring is spoken of as the purest in the world. Many visit and drink from these springs for the healthful qualities it contains.

More and more the splendor of this range is being seen by those who drink of her untold beauty and pure mountain air.

### Lt. Edith Sutton Is Commanding Officer Of WAC Hospital

LAFAYETTE, Ind., September 24.—1st Lt. Edith Kathryn Sutton, of Sylva, North Carolina, Commanding Officer of a WAC Hospital Company at Camp Pickett, Va., is a member of the eighth class of student officers assigned to the Women's Army Corps school for personnel administration at Purdue University. She will return to her command at the conclusion of the two and one-half week course.

Designed to improve the efficiency of women in the Army, the school is unique in the War Department's training program. The course consists largely of lectures on personnel management, Army organization, adult psychology, current history and the utilization of special services and educational facilities of the Army. Approximately half of the class time is devoted to seminar groups for discussion of matters pertaining to women in the Army.

Lt. Sutton attended high school in Sylva, North Carolina, and Western Carolina Teachers College, Cullowhee, North Carolina where she received her B.S. degree. She enlisted in the Women's Army Corps on February 7, 1943. Prior to her enlistment she was employed as a teacher. She is the daughter of Allen Sutton.

### EYES EXAMINED, GLASSES FITTED

Dr. Alden C. Downs

will examine eyes and fit glasses in Sylva at M. V. Higdon's offices, over Bowlers Dept. Store Friday, Sept. 28, from 9 o'clock to 4 o'clock.

If you have eye trouble or don't see well you should consult Dr. Downs on above date.

### Judaculla Rock



By Frances Whitt

Judaculla Rock, a large slab covered with rude carvings, is one of the ancient mysteries of Western North Carolina.

The significance of the inscription has been lost in antiquity, although the Cherokee Indians have a legend that attempts to explain it.

The rock is under an apple tree on the farm of Milas Parker and is about 13 miles from Sylva.

The late James Mooney, ethnologist of the U. S. Bureau of Ethnology, perhaps the leading authority on the lore of the Cherokee Indians, says of Judaculla Old Fields and of Judaculla Rock:

"Judaculla Old Field": a bald spot of perhaps a hundred acres on the slope of Tennessee bald, Tsaul Kalu, at the extreme head of Tuckaseegee River, in Jackson County. The gaint, Tsaul Kalu or Judaculla, as the name is corrupted by the whites, said to be derived from the Indians, this bald spot was a clearing which he made for a farm. Some distance farther to the west on the north branch of Caney Fork, about a mile above Moses Creek and perhaps 10 miles above Webster in the same County, is the Judaculla Rock, a large soapstone slab covered with rude carvings which according to the same tradition, are scratches made by the gaint in jumping from his farm on the mountain to the creek below.

The Cherokee legend about Tsaul Kalu-eyed gaint. The names means literally, "he has them slanting",

being understood to refer to the gaints eyes. The legend says that Tsaul Kalu lived in Taunegunyi and is great lord of the game, and as such is frequently invoked in the Indian hunting formulas.

Chief Blythe, present chief of the Cherokee tribe, has made a study of the carvings and pronounces the rock carvings to be a record of a peace treaty between the Cherokee and the Catawbas and that this treaty should last as long as the rock should last.

Judaculla Rock is soft and can be easily cut or ground by other stones; it appears that other stones were used to make the carvings on the rock.

The rock is embedded in the ground and faces west with a drop of almost 45 degrees. It is something like 40 feet in circumference, but its thickness is unknown.

Across the face of the rock is one straight base line. No other carvings cross this line, which runs practically northeast and southwest. There are numerous other lines, holes, and indentations all over the face of the rock. One carving looks like the representation of a balsam, or spruce tree, one like a horned owl, another like an Indian wigwam, and there are two unfinished spots on the side of the rock.

On the west side of the base line there is a carving that looks like the representation of the hand of a gaint or some powerful person. The lines and indentations on this side of the line are different from those on the other side of the base line.

### ENLOE PLANS TO EXPAND GULF OIL FACILITIES HERE

Gulf Oil Company came to Jackson County in 1926 and today is distributors for Jackson, Swain, Macon and Haywood counties.

This company' personel consists of S. W. Enloe, partner, W. R. Enloe, partner and manager, Roy H. Reed, bookkeeper, J. Milas Ward, delivery salesman and E. F. Ray, delivery salesman.

Mr. W. R. Enloe, manager of the firm entered the army Nov. 1942. He is now a First Lt. serving with the 820th ordnance Base Depot Co. in Belgium. During his absence Roy Reed has been acting manager.

This firm has a post-war building plan underway and expects a big boom in their business as a firm ready to accommodate and satisfy their customers.

### I WAS BORN IN THE SOUTH

Jesse Collins

I was born of a breed  
Of which gaints are born,  
In the dark of the woods,  
In the dusk of the morn,  
Of a daughter of God,  
Without blemish or blame,  
With the help of her faith  
And the women who came.

I was born of a father  
Who had little of gold,  
But an arm for an axe  
And a breast for the cold.  
Yet the trails that he made  
And the fields that he cleared  
Are the cities today  
Where his children are reared.

I was born in a place  
Where the evergreens grow,  
That are green in the sun  
And are green in the snow,  
Where a vale is a church  
And a pine is a spire,

### QUALLA NEWS

Mrs. C. O. Newell, Mrs. Frank Hall, Mrs. Golman Kinsland and Emerson Cathey attended the fall seminar of the Woman's Society of Christian Service held at Sylva on Sept. 19th.

S. Sgt. Clarence E. Clements is spending a furlough with his family.

The Qualla Home Demonstration club met with Mrs. Marshall Gass Sept. 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Green of Georgia, formerly of Qualla, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gass and other relatives.

Miss Birdie Galloway has accepted a position in the Whittier schools.

Mrs. Zell Stillwell was called to Columbus, Ga., last week due to the illness of her daughter, Mrs. John Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. Seph Clark of Waynesville spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Dock Snyder and family and other Qualla relatives.

Mrs. Lyle Jones of Savannah visited her daughter, Mrs. Robert Bradburn, last week.

Mrs. Della Oxner spent Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. O. C. Rochm.

Mrs. Flora Battle Bradley of Sylva spent last week visiting her relatives and friends. Her former home was in Qualla.

Miss Bertha Martin of WCTC spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Martin.

Miss Mary Emma Ward is ill in the Haywood county hospital in Waynesville.

Where the winds are a voice  
And the woods are a choir.

I was born in a land  
That believes in God,  
Who is heard in the gale  
And is seen in the sod.  
He waits by our side;  
Him we praise with our mouth,  
To the wild, to the world—  
I was born in the South.

### Friends Meet In Germany

T-5 Monroe L. Woodard and Pfc. Perry R. Hyatt of Gay recently met in Germany. The friends had not seen each other for more than two years and both report that the meeting afforded them much pleasure as it was good to recall old times at home and reunion in the future.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to each and everyone for their acts of kindness and the beautiful floral offerings from all. Thoughts of friends have meant much to us in our sorrow over the death of our loved one, J. O. Fisher.

Mrs. Ethel H. Fisher  
and  
Maj. Carl B. Fisher

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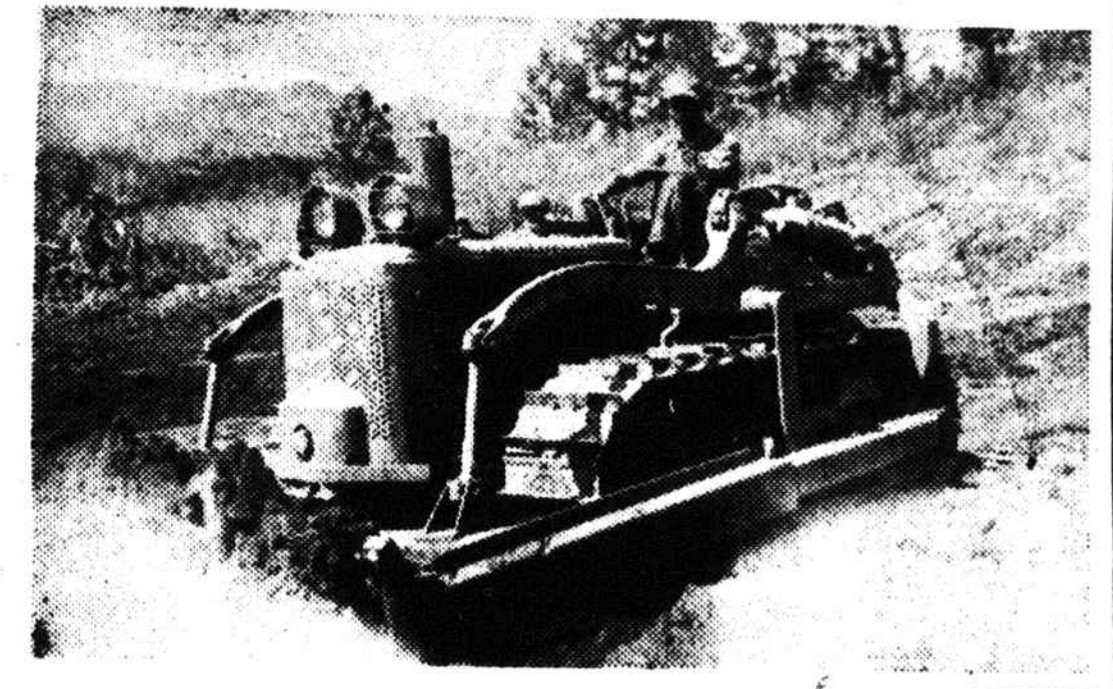
### Sentinels of Health

Don't Neglect Them!

Nature designed the kidneys to do a marvelous job. Their task is to keep the flowing blood stream free of an excess of toxic impurities. The act of living—life itself—is constantly producing waste matter the kidneys must remove from the blood if good health is to endure. When the kidneys fail to function as Nature intended, there is retention of waste that may cause body-wide distress. One may suffer nagging backache, persistent headache, attacks of dizziness, getting up nights, swelling, puffiness under the eyes—feel tired, nervous, all worn out.

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### FARM TOURS PROVIDE LIBERAL EDUCATION

Farm tours give growers the opportunity of gaining a liberal education at very small expense. These tours also give information that will put extra dollars in the farmer's pocket, if he takes advantage of the things that he learns on the tours.

It is fine to pick up practical bits of information from bulletins, magazines, and books but there's nothing like seeing a job well done under field conditions and learning of the success and mistakes in doing the job.

In every county in North Carolina there are many outstanding pieces of work that every farmer should study. Farm tours are arranged by county agents to facilitate the spreading of this information.

Under wartime conditions there have been from 15 to 125 farmers taking advantage of these tours. With the country rapidly returning to normal, there is no valid reason why this number should not be increased to 1,000 farmers, with growers arranged in groups and scheduled to make the rounds at different periods of the day. Traffic directors will need to be appointed.

The farmers who have been taking part in these tours are the progressive, wide-awake men who are always on the alert for new ideas that will enable them to do a job with less labor and expense, and for information that will put extra dollars in their pockets. The grower who needs the help most is generally absent from these meetings—will not walk across the road to find out what it's all about. He is the individual who is content to plod along as he has in the past, while new ideas and new practices sweep past him.

Here's a job for neighborhood farm leaders. Get these men out to farm meetings and get them interested in farm tours.

Blueing does not whiten clothes but makes them look white by camouflaging the yellow or dinginess left by poor washing.

### STATE COLLEGE HINTS TO FARM HOMEMAKER

By RUTH CURRENT  
N. C. STATE COLLEGE

Home economists say that such freshly harvested Irish potatoes as those now on the market offer more vitamin C than those coming on the markets from winter storage. Serve potatoes any way you wish but cook them with care because this saves vitamin C as well as B-vitamins and minerals which this vegetable offers. Do not cook large and small ones together. The small ones will be overcooked.

A triangle and transparent ruler, which high-school members of the family used in geometry classes, can take a permanent place in the sewing room. A transparent ruler, 6 inches long, with one-eighth inch marks on sides and ends is a great help in measuring hems, seams, and spaces between buttons. A triangle is useful to square such pattern corners as yokes.

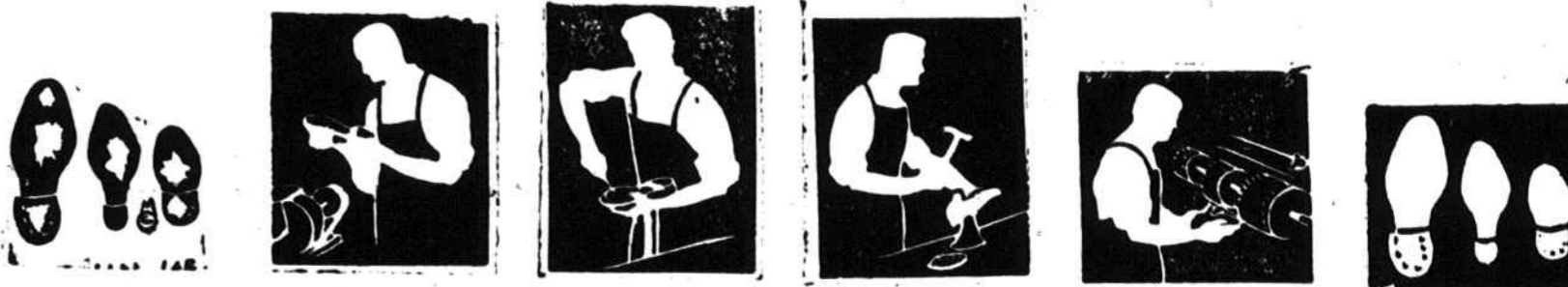
When you do find sheets for sale, don't be stampeded by the more sight of them and snatch them up, regardless. Look for a label giving size, and remember that "torn size" means the size before hemming. Too short sheets like too short blankets are uncomfortable and necessarily subject to more strain than those which are long enough to tuck in firmly and, for the top sheet, turn back far enough to protect the blankets or other bedclothes.

Keep sugar sirup on hand for sweetening drinks and iced tea. It goes farther than plain sugar. To prepare, boil together for 3 to 5 minutes equal parts of sugar and water. Keep covered tightly in refrigerator.

### U. S. To Go Back On Standard Time

President Truman signed legislation Tuesday, Sept. 25, returning the nation to Standard Time, effective at 2 A. M. Sunday Sept. 30.

On that day, clocks must be turned back one hour to end day light saving of war time.



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We appreciate the patronage of the people of Sylva and Jackson county who have given us their work for the past fifteen years. We invite your continued support and solicit the patronage of new customers as well.

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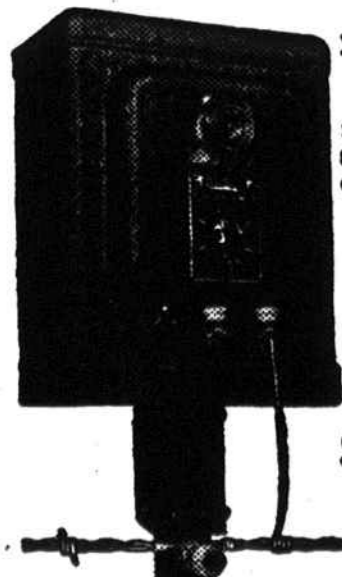
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