

Republicans Swept Into Power In City Election

Sylva Blood Center Will Open 18th

Allison Building Found Most Suitable For Use By Red Cross Officials
The Allison Building of the Sylva Methodist Church, has been approved as the site of the Jackson County Chapter's blood center, scheduled to get under way Wednesday, May 18, Mrs. Dan K. Moore, chairman of the chapter's blood committee, announced.

A representative of the American National Red Cross has inspected quarters for sanitation, water, lighting, ventilation, etc., and found that the requirements of facilities and conditions are adequate to the need.

Chairman Moore explained that the space will, in effect, contain all of the facilities of the larger fixed centers to be used during the visits of the mobile unit to Sylva.

"When we make appointments for donors," she said, "we shall try to stagger them in such a way that no one will be put to the inconvenience of long waiting. The actual process of getting blood will take no longer than 30 minutes, including the brief rest and the eating of light refreshments."

"We should like to keep the time consumed at a minimum—making it as simple as possible for busy citizens to participate in our new lifesaving service."

Those persons wishing to contribute blood on the initial visit of the mobile unit to Sylva, May 18, may do so by contacting Mrs. W. R. Enloe for appointments.

66 People Examined In Eye Clinic April 25-26

Eye clinic sponsored by the Sylva Lions club and State Blind Commission of Raleigh in cooperation with the district Health department and the county Welfare department, was held here April 25 and 26.

A total of 66 people were examined: 18 adults and 48 children. Results were: glasses prescribed for 13 adults, and 14 children; 4 needed surgery; 6 needed nothing particularly; 4 needed further study before diagnosis and recommendations could be made.

Dr. Pratt Cheek conducted the clinic with the assistance of Miss Elba Sneed, medical social worker with the State Blind Commission. The American Optical Co. sent a representative to measure glasses where prescribed.

Tuckasegee River Closed To Fishing Above Dillsboro

Game and Fish Warden W. B. Cope announced this week that the portion of Tuckasegee river from Dillsboro to the forks at Tuckasegee, will be closed to fishing during the month of May. The order for closing came through C. P. Patton, State game commissioner.

Future Homemakers club represented in Raleigh

Mead Board Chmn. Visits Sylva Division



Sydney Ferguson, Chairman Board of Directors of Mead Corp.

Diagnosis Of Rabies In Dogs

The symptoms of Rabies may be very suggestive, but a diagnosis must always rest upon the pathological lesions or the inoculation tests. The course of the disease may be divided into three stages: (a) a premonitory stage, (b) a stage of excitement, and (c) a paralytic stage. The first two stages may be absent or transient. All rabid animals invariably become paralyzed before they die.

In dogs the first symptom consists solely in a change in the disposition of the animal. He is easily excited, but does not show a tendency to bite. Soon the restlessness becomes more marked, and the animal may become furious and even show signs of delirium. The dog does not fear water, as is commonly supposed, but rushes about attacking every object in his way. Dogs suffering from furious rabies have a tendency to run long distances (twenty-five miles or more), often biting and inoculating large numbers of other animals and persons en route. Very soon paralysis sets in, commencing in the hind legs, and finally becomes general. The course of the disease is always rapid, averaging from four to five days, rarely exceeding

Four Seniors Visit Washington This Week

A group of thirty-six seniors from Sylva Central high school, accompanied by Prof. Ralph L. Smith, principal; coach James Barnwell and Mrs. Porter Scroggs, Home Economics instructor, left Sylva Friday night at 10:30 for a week's trip to Washington, D. C. The group traveled by a chartered Smoky Mountains Trailway bus. They arrived in Washington at 5 p. m. Saturday and left the Capitol City Wednesday on their return trip home.

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Future Homemakers Club Represented In Raleigh

Frances Urban, District Field secretary of the American Home Economics Association, in the evening she gave a very inspiring speech on the "History of Home Economics Clubs." She stressed that each FHA member always behave in a way becoming to a student of Home Economics. Pictures of the officers and workers in the American Home Economics Association Headquarters in Washington, D. C. were shown, also some pictures of scenes in and around Washington.

On Saturday, April 23, the State FHA Rally met in the Hugh Morrison High school in Raleigh. Some of the highlights of the convention were greetings from D. W. Sanders, principal of the Hugh Morrison High school; Leatrice Hill, State FHA president; and from L. S. Fisher of Addie.

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Ferguson Sees Progress Of Plant Modernization On Second Sylva Visit

The Sylva Division of The Mead Corporation was visited Tuesday by Sydney Ferguson, chairman of the board of directors of the huge Corporation, accompanied by Ford Shepherd, public relations director. This was Mr. Ferguson's second visit to Sylva in little over a year. He first visited the Sylva plant March 24, 1948, then as president of the Corporation, having since that time been elevated to the position of board chairman. The first visit was to view the progress of the expansion program underway at the Sylva mill and to become acquainted with the men and women in charge of and operating the plant.

The purpose of the visit Tuesday was to see the mill in operation following the major completion of the modernization program instituted several years ago at this plant. He stated to a Herald representative that he was well pleased with the progress made in the modernization program of this plant. Mr. Ferguson also stated that the Mead Corporation has spent millions of dollars in the post-war period modernizing their plants in order that they might produce a higher quality product more economically and at the same time continue to offer benefits to the communities

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ROBERT R. FISHER FUNERAL HELD HERE SATURDAY MORNING

Funeral services for Robert Ransom Fisher, 50, who died Thursday evening of a heart attack at his home, were held Saturday at 11 o'clock in the Sylva Methodist church of which he was a member. Interment was in the Keener cemetery. The Rev. W. Q. Grigg, pastor of the church; Rev. B. S. Hensley, pastor of Scotts Creek Baptist church, and Rev. B. C. Fisher, officiated. The body lay in state at the church for one hour prior to the service.

Mr. Fisher was the son of the late R. R. Fisher, of Addie. He was a barber in Sylva for many years but had been in declining health for some time, and had been in the N. C. Sanatorium at McCain, N. C., for treatment just prior to his death. He had only been back home one week when he suffered a heart attack.

Heartbearers were Grady Clayton, Fisher Sprinkle, Paul Sutton, W. J. Fisher, Dillard Caward, Frank Fricks, Hugh Monteith and R. W. Fisher.

Honorary pallbearers were: Dr. D. D. Hooper, Dr. Grover Wilkes, Dr. Bernard Smith, D. G. Bryson, Thomas Wyke, Ernest Bird, Vernon Cope, A. A. Bryson, Chester Scott, Judge Dan K. Moore, Judge Felix E. Alley, Gudger Crawford, Fred Williams, Herbert Gibson, Frank Hyatt, E. L. McKee, Edwin Allison, Zeb Parriss, O. E. Monteith, and E. P. Stillwell.

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Republican Ticket In Office First Time In History Of City

Due to a split in the Democratic ranks in the town of Sylva election here Tuesday the entire Republican ticket for Mayor and Board of Aldermen was swept into power for the first time in the history of



HUGH E. MONTEITH

the town. There have been times in the past when a citizen's ticket, composed of men of both parties has been elected, such was the case in 1917 when the late George Sutton, Republican, was elected Mayor. The town has not had a Republican mayor since that time.

The Republican ticket elected Tuesday was composed of Hugh E. Monteith for mayor; and Fred E. Cope, George L. Painter, Dr. D. D. Hooper, Walter D. Warren and Britton Moore, for board members.

One of the heaviest votes in recent history was cast in the election which created much public interest due to several factors entering in, one being the proposed \$150,000 water bond issue, which was voted down by a vote of 391 against to 187 for it.

The vote was as follows: Monteith 396 for mayor against 273 for incumbent Jack C. Allison.

The vote for aldermen, Republican—George L. Painter, 404; Walter D. Warren, 404; Britton Moore, 397; Dr. D. D. Hooper, 390, and Fred E. Cope, 379.

The Democrat vote for board members was: Dr. Harold S. McGuire, 294; Joseph F. Wilson, 265; Raymond R. Nicholson, Jr., 266; James F. (Archine) Crawford, 258 and Woody R. Hampton, 289.

When the new board members take office has not been announced, according to mayor-elect Hugh E. Monteith.

Mayor-elect Hugh Monteith told a Herald representative that a statement on policies will be made after the new administration takes office.

ASHE SUCCEEDS THE LATE MRS. MCKEE AS WELFARE BOARD HEAD

Jonathan E. Brown Is Now Member of County Board, Succeeding A. J. Dills

Mr. G. C. Henson, Superintendent of Public Welfare for Jackson County and Executive secretary to the Jackson County Board of Public Welfare, announced that the county board met Monday morning in the county welfare office and organized by electing T. Walter Ashe chairman of the board, filling the vacancy created by the death of Mrs. E. L. McKee who had been welfare chairman since July 1, 1937, until her death in December.

Under the present set-up for appointing county welfare board members, the State board of health appoints one member, the county commissioners one and the local health board appoints the third member. The three-member board then appoints its own chairman. Mr. Ashe was the State

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SOSSAMON'S In Sylva

Sylva School May Day Events To Be Friday

King And Queen To Be Crowned Mid-Air Of Pom And Glory, Library To Display Books

The Sylva Elementary school will present its first May Day program with all the pomp and glory of the crowning of the King and Queen and other events in connection with the coronation exercises on Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The exercises will be staged on the campus in front of the high school building and is being given by the students of the grammar grades under the direction of their teachers.

The royal procession will be escorted to the throne where the Superintendent, W. Vernon Cope will crown Tommy Ginn as king and Darla Mae Rice as his queen. The maid of honor will be Joyce Nicholson, escorted by Billie McClure. The attendants of the Royal couple include: Patsy Lindsay, Harlene Morris, Peggy Chambers, Clara Bryson, Erlene Hurst, Doris Moody, Eddie Muriel Jones, Delois Reed. Escorts will be: Jackie Cooper, Lambert Hooper, Richard Ginn, Edward Sumner, Bobby Beck, Gary Carden, Olin Blanton, and Tommy Reed.

Following the coronation Miss Eddie Lou Terrell will sing a solo, "Welcome Sweet Springtime."

A group from each of the grammar grades will then entertain the King and Queen and court. A special feature will be the May page dance by students of the 6th and 7th grades.

Following the coronation and the May Pole dance tea will be served in the elementary school library with Jean Cogdill, Edith Moore, and Leah Sutton in charge. At this time the collection of 600 new library books will be on display.

It is hoped that a large number of parents and friends of the school will be present.

AUXILIARY NAMES COMM. MEMBERS

The second monthly meeting of the newly organized auxiliary to the Harris hospital met last Thursday at the hospital with the president, Mrs. Harry Ferguson, presiding. Business transacted consisted of the appointment of the following committees: Membership, Mrs. Pratt Cheek, chmn., Mrs. Ralph Sutton, Mrs. Ernest Bird, Dr. Daisy McGuire, and Mrs. Chester Scott. Resolutions—Mrs. W. T. Wise, chmn., Mrs. Paul Kirk, Mrs. Guy Leatherwood; Finance—Mrs. Dor Moore, chmn., Mrs. T. D. Slagle, Mrs. J. C. Cannon, Mrs. Raymond Sutton, Dr. Noracella Wilson; Hospitality—Mrs. Grover Wilkes, chmn., Mrs. Jennings Bryson, Mrs. Ramsey Buchanan, Mrs. J. E. Buckner, Mrs. W. R. Enloe.

House committee—Miss Anne Enloe, chmn., Mrs. G. Bryson, Mrs. J. B. Enslay; Publicity—Mrs. R. S. Morgan; By-Laws—Mrs. W. T. Wise, chmn., Mrs. Grover Wilkes, Mrs. Mary Cowan, Dr. Patsy McGuire, and Mrs. R. W. Kirchnerberg.

A general discussion of the fund raising campaign was held. All members present were urged to bring a new member to the next auxiliary meeting which will be held June 2. Any interested woman in the county is invited to become a member of the organization.

Bill Fold Turns Up After 3 Years

When Berry Gaither, wrom most people remember as manager of Park Lunch Room, now of Brevard, came out of the Marines at San Francisco in 1946 he lost his bill fold containing a \$100 Postal Money Order, \$50 in cash and other important credentials. The bill fold was returned to him last week with all contents except the \$50 in cash. It was sent to him through the Navy department.

Welfare Board Head



T. WALTER ASHE, well known civic and community leader of Jackson County, has been appointed by the State Welfare Board to membership on the Jackson County Welfare board, filling the vacancy created by the death of Mrs. E. L. McKee last Dec. At an organization meeting of the county board Monday, Mr. Ashe was elected chairman of the board.

MYSTERIOUS FIRE AT HOTEL PUT OUT BEFORE BIG DAMAGE

What might have been a disastrous fire for Sylva was averted at 12:15 a.m. last Friday when a roomer in room 16 on the second floor of Carolina hotel noticed light outside of his window. On investigating he found a piece of wood on fire which was leaning against the brick wall, resting on a wooden ledge between the 2nd and 3rd stories of the building. The fire was immediately put out with the use of fire extinguishers. Had it been allowed to burn much longer there is no telling the damage that might have been done.

Mr. Cope, chief of the Sylva fire department investigated the fire and could find no cause for its having started unless sparrows had carried matches or a smoldering cigarette or cigar into a nest of trash. Mr. Cope issued a warning to all property owners to make a thorough search of their premises for just such "sparrow fire traps."

Miss Johnson Joins Technician Staff Of Local Doctors

Miss Eugenia Johnson, formerly with the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, arrived in Sylva Saturday to become associate laboratory technician for the doctors located in the new Ferguson building on Main street.

Glenville F.F.A. Boys Win 1st Place In Cattle Judging Contest

When the judges completed their findings at the annual Future Farmers of America Federation Livestock judging contest for the Nantahala district including the counties of Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Swain, Clay, Cherokee and Graham, which was held at the State Test Farm and the Galloway Dairy Farm in Haywood county last Friday it was found that three Glenville high school FFA boys won first place in the dairy cattle class. The boys, with their instructor C. J. Rich, entered the contest and carried off the honors much to the pleasure of the entire community.

Thad Mills, 14, son of Dallas Mills, Keith Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Wright, of Cashiers, and Arley Stewart, son of Hayes Ste-

Mrs. Moore Will Head PTA Again

Vernon Cope Tells Of School Enlargement Program For County

The Sylva Parent-Teacher Association held its last meeting of the year last Wednesday night and elected officers for the coming year as follows: Mrs. Dan Moore, president; Mrs. Moore has served as president the past year; Paul Kirk, vice-president; Miss Evelyn Sherrill, secretary and Mrs. Walter Jones, treasurer. Miss Sherrill and Mrs. Jones also being re-elected.

The program consisted of talks by Mrs. Dan Tompkins, Prof. Ralph L. Smith, Superintendent W. V. Cope, Miss Juanita Davis, H. Gibson, and Joann Moody.

Mrs. Tompkins' talk was on the subject of Education and the Home. Prof. Smith, principal of the school, expressed his appreciation for the aid given by the Association in securing a piano for the school and for the services of a librarian to catalog the books and reorganize the school library. He also told of his plans for promoting further improvements in the Sylva school during the summer and coming session of 1949-50.

Miss Davis discussed the relation of the teacher and the parent. Mr. Gibson talked on the Parent's relation to the school and duties and responsibilities resting on school officials in providing better schools for our children.

Miss Joann Moody's talk was the educational view from the students standpoint.

Superintendent Cope highlighted the program with his talk on what the recent legislature did toward proving aid for new buildings and repairing of old ones, and other phases of the state and county educational systems. He informed the teachers and parents

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FUNERAL FOR ANNIE MAE FOX; 12, HELD AT SPEEDWELL CHURCH

Annie Mae Fox, 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fox, died Monday morning at 10 o'clock following an illness with measles and complications. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2:00 o'clock p.m. at the Speedwell Baptist church with Rev. Zollie Fox officiating. Interment was in the church cemetery. Moody Funeral Home was in charge.

Annie Mae was a student in the Cullowhee training school and was a very bright student. She was the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Fox who survive as well as two young brothers, David Lee and William.