



Choirs To Present Easter Cantata Sunday



Above is the combined choir of the Methodist churches of Sylva and Cullowhee which will present two separate performances of the Easter Cantata, "The Crucifixion", Sunday, April 9. The first performance will be presented at the Ritz Theatre at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. At 8 p.m. they will give the same Cantata at the Cullowhee Methodist church. The choirs are under the direction of Ralph Kemmerer, director of the Sylva choir.

Blue Cross Enrollment Underway

An intensive Blue Cross enrollment campaign began in Jackson county Monday morning, it was announced by Dr. T. D. Slagle of this city, Blue Cross chairman for the county. The campaign for enrollment will continue through Saturday, the 8th, the chairman said. "Every resident should take advantage of this opportunity to obtain complete coverage for hospital and surgical care," Dr. Slagle said. "The majority of families in Jackson county and the 14 other counties of the Tenth Medical District are without adequate hospital, surgical and maternity insurance," the county chairman said. "This report of the Health and Hospital Council of the district was directly responsible for the planning of the enrollment.

"The importance of Blue Cross protection to the individual and family is too often disregarded," the doctor declared. "Illness or accident, coming without warning, frequently brings financial crisis to the average family. Blue Cross makes it possible for all such families to pay hospital care in advance at the rate of only a few pennies a day."

During the Jackson Co. Blue Cross enrollment both group and family memberships are being offered. Group memberships are open to all persons who work where there are five or more employees. Group memberships have special low dues which are payable monthly through payroll deductions or group treasurer. For farmers, professional men and others who are self-employed individual memberships are available.

Girl Scouts Hear Regional Advisor In Area Meeting

Miss Mary Johnson, community advisor, Region 6, of the National Branch of Girl Scouting (office New York), was the principal speaker of the Girl Scout Rally held Saturday, April 1, at Cullowhee by the Nantahala Girl Scout Council. Miss Johnson emphasized the moral influence exerted by the Girl Scout organization and gave some of the background facts of the organization. Region 6 is made up of Scout organizations of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida, with headquarters in New York. Miss Johnson told the group. The Nantahala Council being a member of Region 6, is made up of the counties of Jackson, Macon, Clay, Cherokee and Swain. It was granted a Charter in 1948 and renewed in 1949. Miss Johnson stated that charters must be earned by the various groups.

In giving requirements necessary for a Scout organization Miss Johnson pointed out the following facts: There must be girls who want to be Scouts; there must be adults to serve as leaders, Council members, and advisors; and there must be community cooperation.

Town Placing Gravel On Unpaved Streets

The town of Sylva's street improvement program is making satisfactory progress, town officials said here this week. A big part of the most traveled unpaved streets have already received a deep coat of gravel or will have been gravelled within the next two weeks. The work has been contracted to Ferguson and Deitz and the gravel secured from the State stock pile at Addie.

Jackson County Tubercular Association Holds Spring Meet

At the annual spring meeting of the Jackson County Tubercular Association held at Jarrett Springs hotel Monday night it was voted that the association complete the remaining requirements necessary for the association to become a Representative Association. When this has been done it will entitle the Jackson County organization to a director on the State Board of Directors of the State Tubercular Association. Present to assist in advising the group on certain phases of the work of the county association was Scott Venable, field secretary of the State Tubercular Association. Mr. Venable pointed out the few remaining details the association lacks. It was unanimously voted that all these details be met and application will then be made for membership in the State organization. Mr. Venable also discussed invaluable assistance that the local organization can give for tubercular patients, including rehabilitation work and patient adoption, also the work that may be accomplished thru cooperation with the County Health Department.

Mrs. Dan Moore, president of the recently organized group, named the following standing committee members: Health Education, Miss Lucille Hunt; Publication, Marcellus Buchanan; Rehabilitation, Rev. Charles B. McConnell, J. C. Cannon, Jr., and Miss Alice Benton. The budget committee is composed of officers of the association. A budget of \$370.00 was set up for the year. Those present included Mrs. Moore, Mr. Venable, Miss Alice Benton, Mrs. Paul Reid, Mrs. Louie Allen, Mrs. Ralph Smith, Mrs. Wilma Jones, Miss Lucille Hunt, Miss Violet Mann, and Marcellus Buchanan.

Joint Pre-Easter Services At Cullowhee Churches

A Communion Service will be held jointly by the Cullowhee Baptist and Methodist churches this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Baptist church. On Friday afternoon at 4:30 these two churches will hold a joint Good Friday Service at the Methodist church. Members and friends of the churches are invited to attend.

"The Crucifixion" To Be Presented By Cullowhee, Sylva Choirs Sunday P.M.



PAUL GIBSON, above, assumed his duties here April 1 as Jackson County Farm Agent. Mr. Gibson comes to the work here from Graham county where he has served as county agent. He fills the post left vacant here when W. T. (Bud) Brown resigned.

Mr. Gibson has had a wide experience in agricultural work. For three years he was with the State Experiment station; three years as farm agent in Graham county; one year as assistant farm agent in Transylvania county. He is a graduate of N. C. State College with a B.S. degree. He was reared on a farm in Macon county, is a member of the Baptist church, married and has one child, DeAnne, 3 years old. They will make their home at Maple Springs. Mr. Gibson served with U. S. Army engineers for three years in the European and Pacific theatres of operation. Mr. Gibson's hobby is beekeeping. He has a number of stands.

Dean's List Includes 16 WCTC Students

CULLOWHEE — Miss Anna Hammond, chairman of the Dean's List committee of Western Carolina Teachers College, has announced that 16 students met the requirements during the winter quarter. Students named to the Dean's List were Nicholas Bonarrigo of Canton, Jane Callison of Black Mountain, Rose Cook of Leicester, Winona Cotter of Cullowhee, Mrs. Gladys Elmore of Franklin, Tom Grogan of Canton, Willard Hinkle of Asheville.

Herbert Hyde of Bryson City, Martha Ellen Lynch of Mooresville, Robert K. Phillips of Augusta, Ga., Joan Rogers of Robbinsville, Richard Stott of Bailey, David Walker of Webster Groves, Mo., Charles West of Weaverville, Dewey Whitaker of Horse Shoe and Davis Whitesides of Glenwood. In addition to those named, seven students were awarded honorable mention to the Dean's List. They are Ruth Angel of Franklin, Phillip Croft of Hendersonville, Patricia Edwards of Marion, Herbert Foster of Lexington, Clifton Harris of Charleston, S. C., Janet Robeson of Tar Heel, and Ralph Williams of Monroe.

'Big Mo' Skipper



A WORLD WAR hero, Capt. Irving T. Duke has been assigned to take over command of the battleship Missouri April 17. Presently the commanding officer of the heavy cruiser Rochester, Capt. Duke will replace Capt. William D. Brown, who is to be tried before a general court martial shortly on charges growing out of the Missouri's grounding on January 17. (International Soundphoto)

WNCAC To Meet In Franklin April 18

Civic leaders of Sylva and Jackson County will attend the quarterly meeting of Western North Carolina Associated Communities which will be held in Franklin on Tuesday, April 18. The meeting will open with a "dutch" luncheon at the Panorama Tourist court and the business of the meeting will follow immediately. The organization is made up of representatives from eleven western counties, and is headed by Percy B. Ferebee of Andrews chairman.

NOTICE

J. L. Stewart, Jackson county chairman of T.M.A., reminds farmers that April 15 is the closing date for issuing purchase orders for pasture seeds for Spring seeding.

To Be Heard In Ritz Theatre At 4 P. M. And Cullowhee Church At 8

The combined choirs of the Sylva Methodist Church and the Cullowhee Methodist Church will present "The Crucifixion" by John Stainer on Sunday afternoon, April 9, at 4:00 o'clock in the Ritz Theatre. The same cantata will be given Sunday evening at 8:00 p.m. in the Cullowhee Methodist Church. The chorus will be under the direction of Mr. Ralph Kemmerer, director of the Sylva Methodist Choir, and soloists will be Robert Bowers of Cullowhee, Charles West of Cullowhee, Rev. R. T. Houts of Cullowhee, Tom Davis of Sylva and Dr. David Daniel of Sylva. Guest soloist for the occasion will be Mr. Jack Evans of Greenville, S. C. The accompanists for the two performances will be Mrs. E. R. McConnell and Miss Jean Barrett.

The members and friends of both churches as well as the general public are cordially invited to both performances of this well-known musical work which tells the Passion Story beautifully and effectively.

HAZELWOOD YOUTHS LODGED IN JAIL ON ROBBERY CHARGES

Sheriff Griffin Middleton is holding Eddie Rogers 15, and Bill Walls 16, white youths of Hazelwood, in the Jackson County jail on charges of breaking, entering and carrying away certain merchandise. The two boys were arrested about 2 a.m. Wednesday on the streets of Franklin and turned over to Sheriff Middleton who had notified Franklin officers to be on the lookout for the boys.

Rogers and Walls admitted entering several places in Hazelwood Monday night and stealing a camera, radio and other merchandise and also to entering the office of Sylva Air Port at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning taking candy, gum, cakes, pies and about \$6.00 in change. While eating some of their pies taken from the Air Port office in the hangar, Johnny Watson, manager of the air port, drove up and when he went into the office the boys slipped off up the creek, leaving a bicycle, the camera and radio behind. These articles were taken to Hazelwood by the sheriff which helped get a line on who the robbers were. They were then traced to Franklin.

Attend Regional Meet Of State C of C Body

W. R. Hampton, a director of the State of North Carolina Chamber of Commerce Executive Board, and Felix Picklesimer, President of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, will attend an all-day meeting on Friday of the Regional meeting of the Executive Board in Lexington. Mr. Hampton was elected a director of the State Board at the State Convention last fall. Mr. Picklesimer is a former State Director.

Safe Crackers Get \$487 At Kirk-Davis Chevrolet Office Here

Officers Find No Clues, Job Points To Professionals

A safe cracking job, with all the markings of a professional, was pulled in Sylva sometime last Wednesday night when the large iron safe in the office of Kirk-Davis Chevrolet Company was stripped open and cash in the amount of \$487 was taken. Bonds and endorsed checks were left on top of the safe. Other papers in the safe were scattered about the office. The robbery was investigated by Sheriff Griffin Middleton, State S.B.I. agents and safe experts from Asheville. No clues were left about the job to give the officers a lead.

On entering the garage part of the building early Thursday morning workmen found the back door had been opened and the door between the garage and office had been forced. They then went into the office and found the safe wrecked.

State S.B.I. Agent, Pearl Kitchens, of Asheville, said that the safe was not blown open but stripped open. The robbers drilled a small hole at the top of the dual-doors and were then able to strip off the front shell of the

left door. They were then able to release the pins and open the doors. It is said that professional safe crackers do a job like that in about 15 minutes.

A gang of safe crackers is known to have been in Western North Carolina for some weeks, having pulled a job at Hazelwood and having been frightened away from a proposed job at Cullowhee. Ed. die Black is now being held in the Jackson County jail on a charge of possessing burglary tools. He is known to have been with two other men, planning the Cullowhee job. Officers believe that his two partners are responsible for the Kirk-Davis job. They are not known and Black will not talk.

Paul Kirk and Homer Davis, owners of the Chevrolet Company, carry adequate burglary insurance.

CATS RAINED OUT TUESDAY

The scheduled baseball opener for the Catamounts of WCTC with North Georgia College in Dalonga, Ga., was rained out Tuesday and the game was postponed.

The Cats yesterday pitted their skill against the Wofford Terriers, of Spartanburg, S. C. Six-foot-five-inch Jim Pardue was starting pitcher.

Sylva Lions Attend District Cabinet Session In W'ville

Errors, the eight zone chairmen, the international counsellors, and J. H. Wicker, district executive secretary, from North Wilkesboro and Blowing Rock.

Delegates attending from the Sylva Lions club were Hugh Montith, deputy district governor; Jennings Bryson, international counsellor; and Claude Campbell and Martin Cunningham, president and secretary respectively of the Sylva Lions Club.

The Lions Club District 31-A Cabinet, meeting at the Lodge in Waynesville Sunday, endorsed a state committee proposal to increase the number of districts from three to six.

This was the major action of the five-hour Spring quarterly meeting which attracted 50 Lions cabinet officers and other club

Mrs. Stallcup Resigns As City Librarian

Mrs. Mae P. Stallcup, supervisor of the Jackson County public library in Sylva for the past several years, resigned this week March 31 to devote her full time to Stallcup's Antique Shop which she recently opened in Cherokee. Miss Sadie Luck has taken over the work of operating the library. She will be in the office from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day except Saturday.

Mrs. Stallcup built up the library from the very small beginning of 200 books until now around 4500 books of all types are catalogued for use by the public. The library was first established as a WPA project, sponsored by the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce at the time the late Claude Allison was president, with the late Mrs. E. L. McKee as chairman of the library committee.

Mrs. Stallcup informed The Herald that there are two books out and the party in whose hands they are is not known. The books are: Dinner at Antionne, by Keyes, and Emily Post book of Etiquette. She is very anxious that the party or parties having these books return them to the library.

Edgar Rice Burroughs, famous novelist, creator of the character "Tarzan", died in California on March 17, aged 84 years.

officials at the dinner meeting.

Dr. Basil Whitener of Boone, immediate past district governor and member of the three-man state committee, submitted the proposal to the 30 cabinet officers meeting with District Governor Paul Cashion of North Wilkesboro. Dr. Whitener explained to the gathering that his committee, contingent on the approval of all three of the district cabinets, will recommend that each of the present three districts be divided in half. The proposal will then be submitted to the vote of the representatives of the 200-odd Lions Clubs at their annual State convention, to be held in Charlotte June 18, 19, and 20.

Plans for the State convention occupied the spotlight with the re-districting proposal. E. B. Graeber of Charlotte, one to the zone chairmen, and chairman of the committee handling the state convention plans, explained the arrangements that have been made to date.

The Waynesville Lions were hosts to the cabinet officers, who included in addition to Lion Cashion his four deputy district gov-

Horticulture Specialist Talks To Cullowhee Club

John Harris, Horticulture Specialist with the Extension Service, of Raleigh, met with the interested people of Cullowhee in Hoey Auditorium Thursday afternoon for the purpose of discussing the "Model Mile" project which is being sponsored by the Woman's club of Cullowhee. He also talked of phases of home and yard beautification other than the "Model Mile." First Mr. Harris stressed the importance of the house plan to fit the lot so as to have a convenient drive way which would serve both the living room entrance and the kitchen door. The four important points brought out by Mr. Harris to make an attractive place

were (1) grass—have a pretty lawn; (2) trees; (3) screen planting—for a background; and (4) foundation plantings. Above all, he said, is to really want a pretty home. "Attractive fences play a very important part in making an attractive home", said Mr. Harris. "These can be made by stretching wire on locust posts. They serve to mark off pastures and croplands". To more fully illustrate this Mr. Harris showed a slide of a wire fence using steel posts with English ivy entwined. Also another slide to bring out the important part mail boxes have in making a home and also