

Group To Meet To Plan Motorcade Over 107 To South Carolina Points

Dinner Meeting At Sunset Farms 5:30 Friday Evening

The Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, Merchants Association, and Jackson County Tourist Association are jointly sponsoring a tri-state meeting of members of civic groups, including South Carolina, Tennessee towns, Sylva, Cherokee, Cullowhee and Cashiers in North Carolina for the purpose of promoting a motorcade to be made sometime in September.

The meeting will be held at the highest and most spectacular 11 with a dinner, the out-of-state visitors being guests of the Sylva organizations.

Mr. Felix Picklesimer, president of the Jackson County Chamber, and principal promoter of the project, has announced that representatives of the towns and Chambers of Commerce from Gatlinburg, Tenn., Anderson, Clemson and Seneca, S. C., have already accepted the invitation, and that representatives from Knoxville, and Seville, Tenn., and Greenville and Walhalla, S. C., are expected to accept.

Also attending the meeting will be Joe Jennings, Superintendent of the Cherokee Agency, and Ross Caldwell, of the Cherokee Historical Association, Carl Sink, Carol White, and Kenneth Hunter, of "Unto These Hills", and McKinley Ross, vice chief, of Cherokee; Paul A. Reid, president of Western Carolina Teachers College, Dean W. E. Bird, and representative-elect Frank H. Brown, Jr., of Cullowhee; W. L. Lewis and Henry Konkle, of Cashiers; H. E. Monteith, Mayor of Sylva; Jennings Bryson, Finance Commissioners; Ed Nicholson, president Merchants Association; Harry Ferguson, president Rotary Club; W. T. Brown, president Lions Club; William McKee, Chamber of Commerce; Col. Lee Hooper, Philip F. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bumgarner, Tourist Association, and J. A. Gray, John Parris, and Larry Mull, of the press.

The group will leave the Farm at 7:30 p.m. for Cherokee to be special guests of "Unto These Hills."

PMA Committeemen Dinner And Tour

Committeemen of the Jackson County Production and Marketing Administration met in the courthouse at 9:30 Wednesday morning for an instructional course in the work for the coming season. J. H. Enloe, District Fieldman, was present to give the information.

At noon the members and others, numbering around 40, gathered at the Legion Home for a dinner prepared by the members of the Legion Auxiliary.

Following the dinner the group left for a farm tour during which time pasture demonstrations were studied on the farms of Lee Bumgarner, Frank H. Brown, Jr., and C. P. Shelton.

State Wildlife Resources Commission To Study Fish

Richard O. (Dick) Wilson, chairman of the Fish Committee of Jackson County Wildlife Club, after a visit to the Wildlife Resources Commission office in Raleigh, announces that a crew of State fish experts will be in Jackson County the week of September 3rd for the purpose of making an analysis of Lake Glenville. As a result of this analysis scientific measures can be taken to improve the fishing in this lake.

The interest that the State is taking in the improvement of fish-

FRANKLIN GARDEN CLUB WILL STAGE FLOWER SHOW 12TH

The annual flower show, sponsored by the Franklin Garden Club, will be held at the agricultural building in Franklin on Saturday, August 12, it has been announced.

The show will be open to the public from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. All Jackson County and Sylva persons interested in this type of show are cordially invited to attend.

Any person in Macon County is eligible to compete in the event, and the Garden Club officials said it is hoped there will be entries from communities throughout the county.

Mrs. T. W. Angel, Jr., is in charge.

JACKSON COUNTY REPUBLICAN CLUB TO HEAR HAMLIN

Lewis P. Hamlin, Republican Chairman of the 12th Congressional District, will be the principal speaker at the regular meeting of Jackson County Republican Club at the courthouse in Sylva Friday night, August 11, at 8:00 o'clock.

Jeff Hedden, President of the Club, states that important matters are to be taken up during the meeting and he urges a full attendance of the members.

NILES TO BE HEARD IN FOLK MUSIC PROGRAM AT WCTC

John Jacob Niles, noted composer and singer of American folk music, will present a program of folk tunes at Western Carolina Teachers College at 8:00 p.m., August 22, in the Hoey Auditorium.

Frank H. Brown, Jr., of Cullowhee, president of the Farm and Home Round-up which is to be held at the college on August 22 and 23, has announced that arrangements have been completed for the program to be attended by the farm families which will be present on the campus at that time.

Niles is appearing as the lyceum offering for the second summer session of Western Carolina Teachers College. Earlier in the summer, Jesse Stuart, famous Kentucky author, lectured as the first selection of the lyceum committee.

John Jacob Niles was born and grew up in Jefferson County, Ky. He began his musical education early, on his father's knee.

Niles has spent nearly twenty years of his life collecting and recording ballads, Negro spirituals, and other folk tunes. Part of his collection has been added to the Library of Congress in Washington.

Using one of his three homemade dulcimers, Niles accompanies himself as he sings the early ballads and songs of American folklore.

ing in Lake Glenville is evidenced by the fact that Mr. Comell, Chief of the Fish Division of Wildlife Resources Commission, will fly here on an inspection trip while the analysis is in progress.

Because of these developments the regular August meeting of the Jackson County Wildlife Club has been postponed, and in its place a call meeting of the club will be held in early September while the field men from the Commission are here.

YEAGER RETURNS TO SYLVA HIGH AS BAND DIRECTOR

Rehearsals To Start Monday At 9 A. M. In School Bandroom

Patrons of Sylva school will be glad to know that Harold C. Yeager has decided to return to Sylva as school band instructor. Mr. Yeager was here for a few weeks last spring, following the resignation of Ben Cole and while here he became very popular with the students and citizens of the community.

Ralph L. Smith, Sylva District school Principal, announced Monday that Yeager had accepted the position again this year and that he will be here Monday morning, August 21, to begin band rehearsals at 9 o'clock in the school band room. All band students and those planning to take up band this year are urged to be present Monday morning.

Mr. Yeager has been taking special work at the University of Indiana during the summer.

Mr. Yeager received his A.B. and Masters degrees at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa., and had several years experience in the field of music, having served a supervisor and teacher in the Wimber school, Pennsylvania and the Greenville high school, Greenville, Miss.

Mr. Yeager served three years in the United States Army during World War II. His home is in Spartanburg, S. C.

Lots In New Section Of Cemetery Available

The town of Sylva officials have announced that all of the lots in the old part of the city cemetery have been sold and that the 77 lots in the recently annexed addition of 2 acres purchased from A. J. Dills, are now available. In fact 21 of the 77 new lots have already been purchased. The lots in the new section are 20 by 20 feet and are available at \$50 per lot. The lots on the old part were only 10 by 20 and sold for \$25 each.

Tar Heel Legion Night At "Unto These Hills" Sponsored

CHEROKEE, N. C., August 12—Legionnaires from five Southern States are expected to join comrades of North Carolina in a special "Legion Night" celebration August 25th at the 45th performance of Kermit Hunter's great Cherokee Indian Drama, "Unto These Hills".

Felix Picklesimer, vice-commander of the William E. Dillard Post 104 of Sylva, said Legionnaires from Tennessee, Georgia, Kentucky, Virginia and South Carolina are being urged to attend the Tar Heel Legion celebration.

"We hope," he said, "that Legionnaires from these states will make a special effort to be with us, and we are especially anxious to have a good representation from every post in North Carolina."

"Legion Night" is being sponsored by the Sylva Post through the cooperation of Cherokee Drama officials. Reservation for seats should be made to Picklesimer or Carol White, General Manager of "Unto These Hills", Cherokee, N. C.

Among the top Legion brass of North Carolina who will attend the celebration are Hugh Alexander of Kannapolis, North Carolina Department Commander; Beaman Pinner of Asheville, Fifth Division Department Commander, and the Rev. Quay Grigg of Sylva, State Department Chaplain.

State Department officials will be entertained at a dinner at the Legion Hut in Sylva and will proceed from there to Mountainside Theatre here for the drama performance.

Legion Calls Off Saturday Night Dances

Due to the small crowds that attend the Saturday night dances the American Legion will discontinue them. However, the regular Tuesday night dances will continue.

SYLVA CITY MARKET . . . In A&P

Mead Sponsors Safety Course



H. S. BAUCOM, Safety Director for the North Carolina Industrial Commission, will conduct a Safety Course, sponsored by The Mead Corporation, beginning Monday, August 14 at 4 p.m. in the Sylva elementary school auditorium. Mr. Baucum will lecture each day for five days and the lectures will be illustrated by movies and slide films.

The showing of the film, "The Miracle of Paradise Valley" will take place at the opening session. It is highly recommended by those who have seen it and is especially interesting to women as well as men.

The course is intended primarily for industrial workers and foremen, but family members are invited. Employees attending all sessions will be awarded a certificate by the State of North Carolina.

Bids Asked For Moving Postoffice Equipment

T. Walter Ashe, postmaster for the Sylva office, has announced that the postoffice department is seeking bids from local citizens for moving the office equipment of the Sylva office to the new building which will be ready for occupancy some time in October. Bids should be submitted to Mr. Ashe as soon as possible.

Dr. and Mrs. T. D. Slagle To Leave For S. America

Dr. and Mrs. T. D. Slagle and two of their children, Lois and Ned, left today for Miami where they will board a plane for Medellin, Colombia, South America. The party will drive to Miami and will fly on one of the SMA Airline planes.

The Slagles will visit Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Powelson in Medellin, Colombia, until Labor Day. Mr. Powelson is the operation manager of the SAM Airline.

Norma Slagle met her sister, Betty Slagle from Garberville, California, at the Knoxville airport yesterday.

Two other Slagle children, Tommy and Phil, will visit with relatives in Franklin while their parents are visiting in South America.

Dr. Ritter Attends Audio-Visual Meet

Dr. Paul Ritter of Western Carolina Teachers College represented the college at the Audio-Visual Convention held in Chicago on July 27 through August 2. A review of audio-visual progress for the past 50 years was presented. A contrast of the primitive silent films and the new modern films was reviewed.

Later Dr. Ritter attended the Frequency Modulation Convention held at the Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, which was held on August 3 and 4.

Mrs. Paul Ritter accompanied Dr. Ritter.

CANCER CLINIC TO MEET at C. J. Harris Hospital, in Sylva, Friday, August 11. Registration from 9 to 10:15 a.m. The Division of Cancer Control The N. C. State Board of Health provides examinations for cancer to women above 35 and men above 40 years old and to any person of any age with symptoms suggestive of cancer.

WOW PRESENT FLAG TO WHITESIDE MOUNTAIN, INC.

The Stars and Stripes now wave over Whiteside Mountain, one of the highest and the most spectacular peaks in Jackson County. The flag was raised Sunday when Cashiers Lodge of the Woodmen of the World presented it to officials of Whiteside Mountain, Inc.

About 200 members of the Cashiers Lodge held a picnic at Whiteside camp ground and following the picnic they proceeded to the top of the mountain over the new motor road recently built by the Corporation.

The flag was presented by Mayor Hugh Monteith of Sylva, and received by Dr. W. R. Matthews, of Atlanta, Ga., president of Whiteside Mountain, Inc.

Color bearers were: Clyde Bumgarner and Cladie Loggins, of Sylva. The flag was the first to be placed on top of the mountain since its development. Following the flag raising ceremony a tour of the development was conducted.

Attend Rural Fire Fighting School

Bart Cope, Chief of Sylva Fire Department, and Dick Wilson, a member of the Department, attended a Rural Fire Fighting School held at State College in Raleigh last week. The school was sponsored by the State at the instigation of Governor Scott. Its purpose is to promote better rural fire protection.

New Post Office Schedule Is Announced

Beginning Monday, August 14, the Sylva Post Office will operate on a new schedule according to T. W. Ashe, Postmaster.

Office hours will be from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with out-going mail as follows: (Hour mail closes)

7:00 a.m. West, Highways Post Office to Atlanta via Murphy. 10:00 a.m., East via Asheville 11:00 a.m., Cashiers-Webster 3:30 p.m., East via Highway Post Office to Asheville 3:30 p.m., West to Murphy 4:30 p.m., To East La Porte and Webster

Incoming mail: 8:00 a.m. from East via Asheville 9:45 a.m. From Webster 10:15 a.m. From Murphy 10:30 a.m. From Cashiers 3:30 p.m. From East La Porte and Webster 4:00 p.m. From East via Asheville 4:30 p.m. From West via Highway Post Office.

Tuckaseegee Baptist S. S. Convention To Meet

The Tuckaseegee Baptist Sunday School Convention will meet Sunday, August 13, at 2:30 with the Shoal Creek Baptist Church. All Sunday Schools in the county are urged to attend this meeting.

The program will include the message, "Plan Now, Reap Later," by the Rev. Ewell Payne of Cherokee. Mr. Johnny Hyatt will deliver the devotion. Mr. Charles Ginn will discuss the Sunday school planning. Special music will be conducted by Mr. Cary Reed Snyder.

Former Sylva Resident Dies In Tennessee

Haywood York, 75, died at his home in Etowah, Tenn., on July 26. Funeral services were held the following day at the Etowah Baptist Church; interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. York, a former resident of Sylva, will be remembered here by a number of people as the contractor who was in charge of the construction of the Jackson County Courthouse. He was also a maker of hand-made furniture.

The deceased was an uncle of Mr. Lyle Ensley of Sylva. He is survived by three sons and two daughters, all of Etowah.

Mr. Jim Ensley of Sylva was among the out-of-town relatives attending the funeral services.

BOSSAMON'S in Sylva

Automobiles Can Now Be Driven To The Top Of Whiteside Mountain

SELECTIVE SERVICE BOARD OPENED HERE MONDAY MORNING

D. L. Robinson, chairman of Jackson County Selective Service Board No. 51, has announced that this board was activated again Monday morning, August 7, at 9 a.m. located in an office over Leader Department store with Mrs. Olive Wilson as the clerk. Office hours will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day.

The board members are D. L. Robinson, chairman; O. E. Monteith and Felix Picklesimer, members.

All young men are required to register with the board as they become 18 years of age.

The board has not received a draft quota for July and August but expects to be given a quota at any time.

GROUND-BREAKING MONDAY FOR NEW WCTC BUILDING

Ground breaking for the new million dollar science-classroom building at Western Carolina Teachers College will take place on Monday. Yesterday engineers and workmen were busy getting the ground lined up for the digging. Huge excavating apparatus and concrete mixers are arriving at the building site.

Mr. Lattimore, engineer, stated that local help would be employed to construct the building.

MISS SADIE LUCK APPOINTED TO LIBRARY POST

A new library board has been appointed, by the county commissioners, to direct the activities and policies of the Jackson County Public Library, to succeed the members whose terms of office expired with the fiscal year of 1949-50. The new board is composed of Britton M. Moore, chairman; Jennings A. Bryson, treasurer; Mrs. Harry R. Hastings, Mrs. Gordon Reed and W. T. Wise.

At a meeting of the board, held recently, Miss Sadie Luck, who has been acting librarian since the resignation of Mrs. W. G. Stallcup took effect the first of April, was elected librarian for the ensuing year.

Beginning August 15, the library will be open from 12:30 to 5:00 o'clock every week day, except Wednesday. The change from the Wednesday to Saturday opening is being made in order that the numbers of people from over the county who are here on Saturday may have an opportunity to get books from the library. As there are very few people in town on Wednesday, it is thought that no inconvenience to anyone will result.

The loan of the books is free to the people of the town and county. A fine of two cents a day for books for adults and one cent a day for

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Scenic Wonderland Made Available To Public First Time

With the opening of a motor road to the top of Whiteside Mountain another scenic wonderland has been opened to thousands who heretofore were unable to see this 4930 foot peak except from a distance. Now they can ride to the very top in their cars from where they command a view of 40,000 square miles of mountains and plains of North and South Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee. From the parking area one may see five lakes, three waterfalls, five fire towers and many other points of interest.

Whiteside Mountain is located midway between Highlands and Cashiers, N. C., on U. S. Highway No. 64. The Mountain is famous because of its cliffs, the highest in Eastern America. (A stone thrown from its crest will drop 1,800 to 2,000 feet straight down).

Whiteside rises into the sky as a mammoth finger projecting from the Blue Ridge divide at the eastern border of the Highlands plateau, the highest and only tableland of its kind east of the Rockies. Geologically, Whiteside is one of the oldest mountains in the world, and several millions of years ago projected into the sky much higher than it does now, bare of its exquisite flowers, ferns and magnificent trees.

For many years the question of whether a road to the top of Whiteside could be built was discussed. A few said one could be built, more said it couldn't, most didn't really know. In 1948 an engineering party, starting from the top, blinded by the overgrowth of bramble and hampered by the steep and rough terrain, discovered after several attempts that if one critical point atop a 200-foot cliff on the western slope of the mountain could be reached, a road could be built. From this point downward a center line on a 10 per cent grade was chosen for trial. For a quarter of a mile soundings disclosed nothing but solid rock, but continuing downward, still on a 10 per cent grade the victory was finally won. The survey ended in the termination of a country road. The chief engineer, Major C. D. S. Clarkson, U. S. Army retired, advised the party to "go find a millionaire" because of the quantity of rock.

Faith and hard work built the road, for no "millionaires" were forthcoming. Most of the difficult quarter-mile is a "through cut" into solid rock of the hardest type. Holes were cut into the side of the mountain as deep as 16 feet, and the amount of dynamite used ran into tons.

Over half of the funds needed in the beginning of the development came from local citizens, many of whom belong to families of the first settlers of this region. Whiteside stands for them as a bulwark overlooking a history of struggle and sacrifice—and faith in a land belonging only to God and themselves.

The new road is a toll road and is open every day to the public. The development is known as Whiteside Mountain, Inc.

Board Of Aldermen Orders Curtailed Use Of City Water

At a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the town of Sylva on Tuesday night for the purpose of discussing the critical water shortage it was ordered that everyone do all they possibly can to conserve water and use it only for essential purposes.

All persons are ordered not to water lawns, gardens nor wash cars or use water for anything except absolutely essential purposes.

The intake of water at the city

water reservoir is the lowest it has been in years, caretakers say.

The board stated that no water is to be used for washing the streets from the city supply. Water from Scotts Creek is available for street washing. The water in the city swimming pool has not been changed and will not be changed during the critical period, the board stated.

Citizens are urged to check their homes and business places for leaks and if any are found to have them stopped at once.