

Phone Company Will Put Up Office Building Here

Sylva Lions Start Installation For New Field Lights



Shown above, left to right, Lions John Corbin, Mack Deitz, Mike Strong and Dennis Barkley as work was begun on the new lighting system for Mark Watson Field. The new lights are now completely installed and ready for the opener with Hayesville tomorrow night at 8:00 p.m.

Lions Install New Lights At Football Field

The Recreation Committee of the Sylva Lions club has announced that the new lights for night football on Mark Watson field have been installed and all is in readiness for the opening game with Hayesville tomorrow night.

The new lighting system, sponsored by the Lions club, consists of entirely new equipment all around. The old poles have been replaced with eight 60-foot poles, holding ninety 500-watt sealed beam floodlights. This places the Sylva field in a class with the best lighted fields in the state.

The poles are prepared for additional lights which may be attached at any time so the field may also be lighted for baseball and softball, if there is a demand for these sports next summer.

Approximately \$2,000 was spent on the new system. The money was raised by donations from clubs, organizations, and individuals, and by the sale of advertising signs on a new board fence built against the wire fence along the highway.

Most of the labor involved in erection of the lights and the board fence was donated free by townspeople, which involved a considerable savings on the project.

Among the improvements has been the renovation of the concession stand and press box. The building is being enlarged and painted and cold drinks, candy, etc., will be easily available to spectators all during games.

The Sylva Lions club wishes to extend its heartfelt thanks to all who helped make possible this investment in the youth, and the future, of our community.

This year's national corn crop may exceed three billion bushels.

ELECTED



W. B. (Bart) Cope, chief of the Sylva Fire Department, was elected 5th Division vice-president of the North Carolina Firemen's Association at the three-day meeting now being held in Hendersonville. The election was on Tuesday. Attending the meeting from Sylva on Tuesday were: Mr. Cope, Felix Picklesimer and D. M. Talent.

ABSENTEES TO GET BALLOTS EARLY

Election officials are making preparation to supply absentee ballots to eligible voters in the November 7th election who are now serving in the armed forces or are living elsewhere but maintain this is their official residence.

J. C. Passmore, chairman of the Board of Elections, has ordered the ballots to be delivered to him as soon after September 1 as possible. Passmore said that the law fixed this date in order for the ballots to be sent to service men and returned prior to the election.

Ballots will be available for civilians 30 days prior to November 7, date of the general election.

Work To Start In Two Weeks On Lot Purchased From Harry Ferguson

30 JACKSON MEN WANTED SEPT. 11

D. L. Robinson, chairman of the Jackson County Selective Service Board, has announced that 103 young men of Jackson County will go to Charlotte on Monday, September 11 for pre-induction examination. Of this 103 men, 30 will later receive calls for induction. The date for the induction has not been announced.

No names will be released for publication until after they have been accepted for service.

The board expects to receive induction calls monthly in the future.

Building and New Equipment Will Cost Near \$75,000

Western Carolina Telephone Company is soon to have a new home in Sylva, according to an announcement made to The Herald Tuesday by R. E. McKelvey, General Manager of the Company.

A lot facing 225 feet on the Old Dillsboro Road and extending back 180 feet on Allen Street, has been purchased from Harry Ferguson, Mr. McKelvey said. This is the lot Mr. Ferguson excavated a year or more ago across the street from the City Hall. The new home for the telephone exchange will be one story of colonial type, 32 by 66 ft. with modern heating plant and other fixtures and will be built of brick, steel and concrete. It is to be completed just as soon as possible, within two or three months and then with all new installations made and ready for occupancy and service by February 1. The building will be arranged and constructed so that additions may be made to the front and side at any time it is needed.

Mr. McKelvey said that the new building is being built to fill the need demanded by telephone service in Sylva and the immediate area. The Sylva office is now operating on a four position switch board and the new building will have an eight position board, doubling the capacity for phone connections. He said that it will provide service for 100 phones in Sylva. All the outside cable will be replaced. Mr. McKelvey said much of the material and equipment has already been bought and delivered.

The new building and new equipment will cost around \$75,000, it was stated, and construction will begin within two weeks.

Mr. McKelvey said that long distance telephone calls over the Sylva system have increased 20 per cent over last summer. Much of this, he said, was due to the tremendous number of calls in and out of Cherokee in connection with the Drama which come thru the Sylva office.

Western Carolina Telephone Company plans expansion and improvements throughout its system in North Carolina and Georgia. Increase in service at Cullowhee is to be made in the near future.

The Sylva office now has 15 employees and this number will be increased to 25 or more after the new building is completed and the larger number of switchboard positions installed, Mr. McKelvey said.

SYLVA PEOPLE TO ATTEND HIGHWAY MEETING IN S. C.

A group of Jackson County and Cherokee Indian Reservation people will leave Sylva Friday morning, September 15, for Anderson, S. C., to attend a tri-state meeting of highway officials, chamber of commerce and civic groups for the promotion of a Federal highway from Knoxville, Tenn., over 107 through Cherokee, Sylva, Cullowhee, Cashiers, N. C., Walhalla, Seneca, Clemson and Anderson, S. C., to Augusta, Ga.

The Federal highway for this road was promoted by the Sylva Chamber of Commerce, and Felix Picklesimer as president. Mr. Picklesimer worked up a meeting of a similar group which met at Sunset Farm for a dinner meeting on August 11.

Henry W. Gordon, State Highway Commissioner, of Raleigh, and L. Dale Thrash, 10th District Commissioner, of Asheville, have indicated that they will attend the Anderson meeting on the 15th. South Carolina's State Highway Commissioner will be present and Highway and Chamber of Commerce people from Knoxville and

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HODGES TO SPEAK AT DEMOCRAT MEET THURSDAY NIGHT

Brandon P. Hodges, Treasurer of the State of North Carolina, will be the principal speaker at a party meeting of the Young Democratic Club at the courthouse on Thursday night, September 7, at 8 o'clock.

The public is extended a cordial invitation to hear Mr. Hodges.

Webster High School Opens, New Subjects Offered Students

Oliven T. Cowan, principal of Webster high school, has announced the addition of three new subjects to the curriculum of the high school as it opened for the regular session last week. The subjects added are: French, Short-hand and Agriculture.

Mr. Cowan stated that the school opened with an enrollment of 305 in the elementary department and 135 in the high school, which is about the same as last year's enrollment. He noted a slight drop in beginners. This year was supposed to have been the peak year for beginners but enrollment in this department dropped from 48 new students last year to 32 new ones this year. The beginners class, including carry over and new last year enrolled 57, while only 42 have been enrolled in the same way this year. This same record is also being experienced

at Sylva and Savannah schools. The kitchen of the Webster school has just been modernized Mr. Cowan said. All electric equipment has been added and around 200 hot meals are being served each day of school.

Other improvements in the physical plant is the building of book cases for some of the rooms and a new paint job on the interior of the building.

Webster has the same teaching staff as last year, which includes Mr. Cowan, principal; Louise B. Davis, Kate M. Rhinehart, Ernest Penland, Jr., M. B. Madison, Elizabeth Hope Reed, Alvin Fullbright, Pearl B. Madison, Hannah Cowan Allison, Louise Bishop Cagle, Maude Cooper Esley, Davie C. Sutton, Mary Bridges Cowan, Ruth B. Roper, Sarah Belle H. Moseman and Dorothy Buchanan Higdon.

Dirt Is Moving Fast On New Webster Highway As Contractors Rush Job

Hard Surface On Better Grade Will Connect No 107-23

Construction work, which began a few weeks ago, on the new highway through Webster, connecting highways 107 and 23, is moving along this week following the rainy weather of last week. The Hanes Construction Company of South Carolina, contractors for the grading and surfacing project, have huge dirt moving equipment gouging out the hills and cliffs as they straighten out the road, beginning at intersection of 23 toward Webster.

The new highway will be located on a much better grade than the present road. Leaving 107 it will follow pretty much of the present road and cut out the big curve, or switch back, just before entering Webster. It will swing to the left of the curve and enter the main street of Webster between the property of Herbert Hedden

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Young Republican Club To Meet On Thursday, Sept. 14

Jeff Hedden, president of the Jackson County Young Republican Club, has announced that the club will meet at the courthouse at 8 o'clock p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14 instead of on the 7th as had previously been announced. The change in date for meeting was made necessary due to a conflict of meetings at this time.

Mr. Hedden urges the full attendance of the members to be present as many important matters are to be discussed and all the party candidates are to be heard from at this time. He also announced meetings to be held and stated that the courthouse has been promised and is to be available for the club meetings on Sept. 28, October 12 and 26.

Turkey growers are reminded that most flocks should be moved at this time of the year to prevent blackhead disease.

Hamilton To Play With Cats, Hunt To Coach Sylva High

The Sylva High Golden Hurricane is acting under new management. Beginning immediately before the Hayesville opener at Mark Watson Field Friday night, Joe Hunt, a graduate of Western Carolina and for three years a fullback for Coach Tom Young's Catamount, will take the reins of the team left vacant when Pee Wee Hamilton turned in his resignation the latter part of the week.

Hamilton pulled stakes so he could return to Western Carolina to do graduate work on his Physical Education degree. He will also play out his final year of eligibility with the Catamounts who are after their second North State championship in succession.

Hunt will continue operations from the Tom Young single-wing which Hamilton installed at the beginning of the season. Jim Barnwell's T-formation has been stored away for possible use by a future coach. Hunt said he will stick strictly to the single-wing.

The switch in coaches came as a surprise to Sylva and Jackson County football fans. It was met with split opinions. However, the majority of the people were satisfied with the switch. Hunt, it is felt, is capable of doing as good a job with the Hurricane as Ham-

ilton. And Hamilton will now be free to cut his gridiron capers for another full season with the Catamounts. This is what many fans have been crying for since the opening of fall drills.

Ralph Smith, principal of Sylva High, stated yesterday, "We are sorry that Hamilton will not be with us this season, but we'll string along with him. He is doing what he feels best. And Joe Hunt will fill the job capably. We are indeed fortunate in securing as good a man as he to take Hamilton's place."

At Cullowhee, Tom Young voiced a pleasant opinion of the situation. "We are very happy to have Pee Wee back in the fold. He's a good boy to have around and I know he will make our opponents live hard before the season ends. Also, Hunt will more than fill the bill at Sylva. He is a good, hard working fellow and is well versed in the subject of football."

Another fellow of the football world was not so happy about the situation. Cameron Duggins, head coach of the Appalachian State Mountaineers, said two weeks ago that he hopes Hamilton chooses to stay in the coaching field. "He's the biggest little man I ever saw."

WILDLIFE CLUBS TO HOLD JOINT MEET AT GLENVILLE 7TH

In place of the regular September meeting of the Jackson County Wildlife Club, its members are invited to meet with the Bue Ridge Wildlife Club at the Glenville School house at 8 o'clock p.m., Thursday, September 7th.

A five-man crew of the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission is at Lake Glenville this week making a study of the lake with a view to improving the fishing there. This crew will report to the Wildlife Club what conditions they have found and what are the future prospects for the lake. This subject should be of great interest to all Jackson County sportsmen.

4-H CAMP TO BE DEDICATED AT STATE TEST FARM

Saturday is the day for the dedication of the new 4-H Club Camp near the Agricultural Experiment Station in Haywood County. Jackson County has played a big part in building this Camp; therefore, we should have a large delegation of people attending the dedication.

All persons who are planning to attend the dedication are asked to assemble at the Courthouse at 9:00 a.m. and join the motorcade.

Let's all plan to attend and carry a carload of 4-club members.

Jimmy Gray Joins U.S. Air Corps

James A. (Jimmy) Gray, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gray of Sylva, has enlisted in the United States Air Corps and is now at Lackland Air Base, San Antonio, Texas. Jimmy and his first cousin, Bobby Jones, of Morristown, Tenn., signed up for Air Cadet training at Knoxville the first of last week and left Knoxville by plane Friday morning, landing at San Antonio late that afternoon. Bobby is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Jones, of Morristown, Mrs. Jones being a sister of Mrs. Gray.

Both young air cadets were in college last year, Jimmy a student in the School of Design, taking a course in architecture, N. C. State college, and Bobby at Carson-Newman, Jefferson City, Tenn. Jimmy was employed by the Architect firm of Greene & Robeliot in Asheville, during the summer and Bobby at Lowland plant of the American Enka Corporation.

BOSSAMON'S . . . . . in Sylva

Jackson Farmers Seed 1500 Acres To Permanent Pasture

By J. L. Stewart, Chairman Jackson County PMA

Jackson County farmers are pushing plans for seeding a record-breaking acreage to permanent pastures this fall. Farmers who have not had soil samples taken in their prospective pasture fields should have soil tests made at once. Most of the farmers have had soil analysis made and are now applying the recommended amount of limestone and fertilizers.

Materials needed to carry out permanent pasture practices are being furnished through the Agricultural Conservation Program. Farmers should contact the PMA office for approvals before beginning any practice in the County Handbook. It is important that the right seed mixture be selected to seed pasture. 10 to 12 pounds of orchard grass with 2 pounds of ladino clover is recommended by the Technical Committee of the PMA.

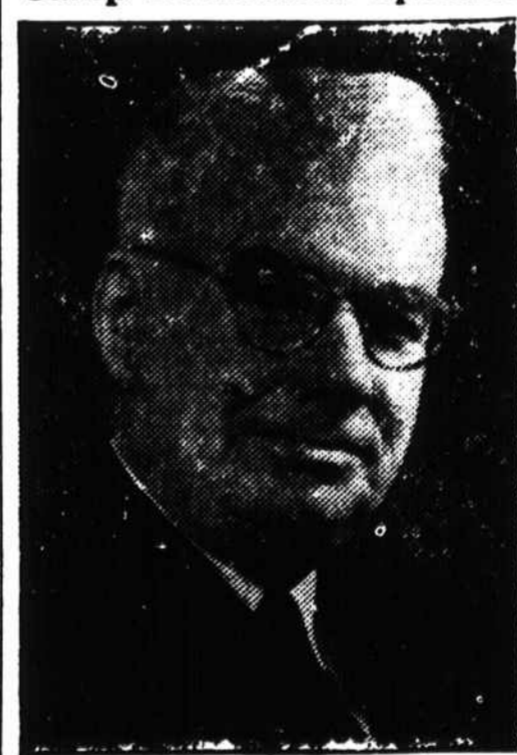
Farmers should buy only certified or high-quality non-certified seed. All non-certified seed should be bought from only experienced seedsmen who know the origin of their seed. BE SURE TO READ THE SEED TAG AND SEE THAT YOU ARE BUYING ONLY HIGH QUALITY SEED.

Approximately 600 acres of permanent pasture were seeded in Jackson county in 1949 and it is expected that 800-900 acres will be seeded under the 1950 ACP.

CANCER CLINIC TO MEET

at C. J. Harris Hospital, in Sylva, Friday, Sept. 8, 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.

Camp Dedication Speaker



Dr. M. L. Wilson, above, director of the Federal Extension Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, will be the featured speaker at the dedication of Camp Schaub, new 4-H Club camp near Waynesville, on Saturday, September 9. Dr. Wilson will deliver a tribute in appreciation of I. O. Schaub, director of the N. C. State College Extension Service for the past 26 years, in whose honor the camp is named.

Homecoming At Shoal Creek September 10

Rev. O. J. Beck, pastor of the Shoal Creek Baptist church, announced that Homecoming Day will be observed at the church next Sunday, September 10. This special observance will be in honor of the old people of the community.

Worship Service and a special program will be held during the day.

The public is extended an invitation to attend and bring a basket lunch for the picnic unch hour.

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