



## Jackson Teachers To Get Extra Pay Check Dec. 11

### Sylva Stores And Firms Will Suspend Business For Thanksgiving Day

#### Some Will Worship, Others Visit And Enjoy Turkey

With the World in a state of strife and turmoil, a horrible war going on in Korea, involving 100,000 American and UN soldiers, the way of life in Jackson County and Sylva has changed little and most of us will observe Thanksgiving Day tomorrow in the traditional way by stuffing ourselves with turkey and other good food, visiting relatives and friends and maybe a few will attend the annual Thanksgiving service at 8:15 a.m. which will be conducted at the Methodist church with the pastor, Rev. L. B. Hayes, bringing the message, which will be "God and American People."

All business places will be closed for the entire day, including the bank and postoffice. Mead Corporation and The Sylva Herald will probably be the only places where you will find work continuing as usual.

This year Thanksgiving Day should be taken for just what its original meaning intended, which is "giving thanks to God for his bountiful blessings during the past year", however, Americans have reason to be thankful every day, and every day should be a "Thanksgiving Day," for each and everyone of us.

This area of Western North Carolina has been unusually blessed this year. We have had not severe storms or other disasters of any kind. Our season for growing abundant crops was one of the best in years. A big summer tourist season was enjoyed and business has been good along all lines.

At this time we should be thankful that we live in America and that we live in Western North Carolina in America.

#### Cope Creek 4-H Club News

The members of Cope Creek 4-H Club met at the Club house the first Monday in November for their regular monthly meeting. After calling the club to order the minutes were approved for the previous meeting. Joanne Wilson was presented with two pins by Miss Johnston which she won at the County Achievement Day in October.

Joanne then gave a demonstration on how to make a lamp. Two practice teachers were present for the meeting.

In the absence of Mr. Cannon, Miss Johnston took over the boys and girls. The girl's record books for the coming year were given out.

The next meeting will be on December 4 and all members are urged to be present as projects for the coming year are to be selected.

Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Bill Wilson.

### Buy Seals, Help Rid Jackson County Of Tuberculosis

On November 20 over 400,000 letters went into the homes of North Carolinians. These letters stress case-finding, adequate treatment, rehabilitation, and research as effective means for eventually eradicating tuberculosis. These letters containing little seals are traditionally associated with Christmas as Santa Claus himself. Your packages convey the Christ-like meaning of Christmas when they are wrapped and made merry looking by using seals like these.

Our efforts toward eradication of Tuberculosis continue — we ask you again to help. The fact that our death rate from this disease is falling indicates that we are

#### Warren Promoted To Lieutenant Colonel

Mrs. Frank Clouse has received word from her brother, Major Jack Warren, stationed in Tokyo, in which he tells of his promotion in rank to Lieutenant Colonel. The promotion was made on October 30. Lt. Col. Warren is with the Finance Department at General Headquarters in Tokyo. He left the States by plane in May for Guam where he remained for two months before going to Tokyo. He is also a brother of W. D. and R. L. Warren, of Sylva.

#### FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. MARGARET ALEXANDER HELD

Funeral Services were held Friday, November 17, at 2:00 p.m. at Sols Creek cemetery for Mrs. Margaret Shelton Alexander, who died Wednesday, the 15, at 11:30 a.m. at the home of her grandson, Elbert Watson. Burial was in the cemetery. The Rev. Lawrence Crawford, pastor of Ochre Hill Baptist church conducted the services.

Pallbearers were grandsons of the deceased, and the granddaughters served as flower girls.

Surviving are: three sons, Jack Alexander, Sylva; Walter Alexander of Pelzer, S. C., and John Alexander of Greenville, S. C.; six daughters, Mrs. Don Alexander and Mrs. John Watson, both of Washington State; Mrs. Carl Crawford, Brevard; Mrs. Alice Alexander, Mrs. Thomas Fortner and Mrs. Baxter Mathews, all of Argus; one foster son, Leroy Alexander of Detroit, Mich.

#### YOUNG DRIVERS ARE CAUSING MOST N. C. HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS

RALEIGH, Nov. 21 — Persons under the age of 25 hold 30 per cent of the driver's licenses in North Carolina but are involved in 53 per cent of the accidents on the State's highways, a study completed today by the Department of Motor Vehicles revealed.

By examining 375 driver's license applications at random from each of the eight alphabetical licensing categories, the Department determined that 447,500 drivers, or 30 per cent, of the approximately 1,500,000 drivers in the State are below the age of 25. A study of 2,400 accident reports in a typical month—August—revealed that 1,282, or 53 per cent, involved persons in the 16 through 24 age group.

A study of 64 fatal accidents in

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#### FRANCIS BUCHANAN IS PROMOTED IN ROTC AT CHAPEL HILL

Francis A. Buchanan, son of Mrs. M. Buchanan of Sylva, has been promoted to the rank of cadet lieutenant colonel in the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps at the University of North Carolina and designated a distinguished military student for his outstanding scholastic and drill field performances.

Buchanan, who was a cadet captain of the prize drill company at Oak Ridge Military Institute prior to his enrollment at UNC has been made executive officer of the cadet corps and placed second in command of the 371 AF ROTC cadets at the Chapel Hill unit. He attended summer camp at Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, Colorado for six weeks last summer as part of his ROTC training.

#### Flood Damage In So. California Is In Millions

Eight days of continuous rain causing snow and ice to melt in the high Sierra passes which added to the flood waters already threatening the Central California valley caused the most destructive flood in a generation as thousands of people were driven from their homes, and damage to crops, livestock, property and highways ran into some \$15,000,000.

Warm rains washed away the last of the Sierra-Nevada Mountains' ice pack, originally estimated at 25 feet thick, and with this gone hopes mounted for the worst of the flood to have passed.

While new storms moved toward California from the Pacific, icy winds sent the mercury in a 20-30 degree tumble from Wisconsin to Texas.

Two persons lost their lives directly from the flood and 10 to 12 others died as a consequence of the storm.

A \$200,000 fish hatchery was washed away and 100,000 fat turkeys ready for the Thanksgiving market were drowned in the Centerville area in Fresno County.

#### BUREAU ASSISTS IN RECOVERY OF 82 CARS IN OCTOBER

RALEIGH, Nov. 21—Members of the Theft Bureau assisted in the recovery of 82 stolen cars during the month of October, the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles reported today.

The Theft Bureau also began investigation into the theft of 40 stolen cars.

Of the 2,735 trucks stopped, 2,138 were North Carolina trucks and 597 out-of-state trucks. One hundred and seventy-one trucks were found to have insufficient licenses, with 168 of these North Carolina trucks and three out-of-state. Of the 55 trucks found to be over the road limit, 42 were North Carolina trucks and 13 out-of-state.

A total of \$38,533.23 was collected in penalties and additional license fees, with \$5,601.84 coming from additional license fees and \$9,059.04 from penalties on privately owned trucks. For hire vehicles brought in \$16,643.24 in additional license fees, with penalties amounting to \$7,229.22.

The most important preventive measure against grasshoppers is the destruction of their eggs during the winter or early spring before hatching takes place.

In a new bulletin, the Forest Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture says palms are second to grasses as useful plants.

SYLVA CITY MARKET... in A&P



#### Now As Then

Today, as our forefathers did, we celebrate Thanksgiving with a deep appreciation for His generosity. But now, as then, we are faced with the necessity of carrying arms to protect ourselves from forces of darkness that threaten to smother the light of liberty. Yet, with faith in Him we are certain that liberty will conquer, as it did then.

#### Cub Scouts Meet

Monday evening members of the Pack Committee of the Cub Pack No. 5 of Sylva met at the home of Den Mother, Mrs. Raymon Stovall. Present were Mike Strong, committee chairman; Mutt Monteith and Fred Williams, committee members; Mrs. Walter Jones, Dr. Norcella Wilson, and Robert Wagner, Cubmaster.

Plans were made for rechartering the Pack December 31. All boys between the age of 8 and 11 who are interested in becoming cub scouts are urged to attend the next Pack meeting Thursday, Nov. 30, at 7:30 p.m. at the Legion Hall. Attendance of at least one parent is required. A special film entitled "The Cub in the Home" will be shown at this meeting. This film explains very clearly the responsibilities of the parents in supporting the cub scout program.

Themes for the next four months were chosen and a theme chairman appointed for each month. These will be announced at the pack meeting.

After the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Stovall.

About 40,000 turkeys are being produced in Pamlico County this year, according to turkey specialists at State College.

#### FARMERS URGED TO SECURE LIME AND FERTILIZER NOW

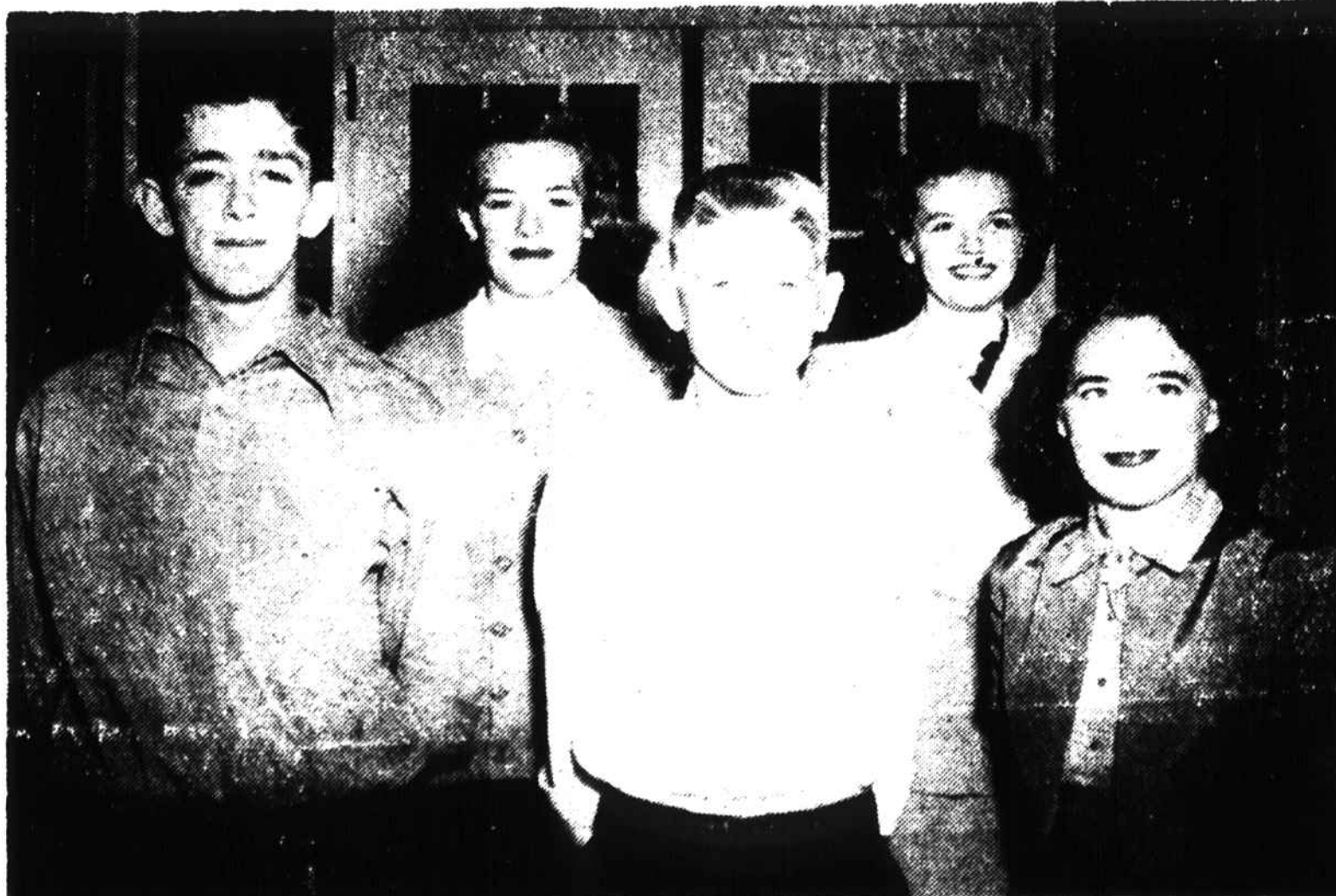
The Jackson County PMA (AAA) office advises farmers to secure their lime and fertilizer now rather than wait until ready to make seedings. This suggestion is given in view of possible material and transportation shortages that may prevail when farmers are ready to prepare their spring seed beds.

Merchants now have in stock the fertilizers for which the PMA office can issue purchase orders. However, we have no assurance that this will be true during the rush fertilizer season of late winter and early spring.

J. Lyman Stewart, chairman of the County PMA committee, points out that lime and phosphate give best results if applied three to six months before grass and clover are to be seeded. Also farmers are encouraged to distribute these materials during the winter months while other crops are requiring least time and labor.

A survey of farm residents shows that rural families who own cows drink three times as much whole milk as farm families who own none.

#### CULLOWHEE HIGH CLASS OFFICERS



Members of the Cullowhee high school Senior class at a recent meeting elected class officers for the year and they are shown in the above picture, left to right: Dan Barns, president; Mildred Teague, secretary; Dean Brown, vice president; Dorris Lucille Dills, treasurer, and Katy Wynne Hooper, class reporter.

## \$37,509.43 To Be Paid In Supplementary Salary To 139 School People

#### Attend Conference For Handicapped Children

The Conference for Handicapped Children held in Raleigh, Nov. 17 and 18, was most interesting and informative. Attending from Jackson County were Mrs. Joe Wallin, Mrs. Gudger Fortner, and Miss Lucille Hunt. Much more help may come from this conference, reports Miss Hunt, Jackson county school supervisor.

#### SHORT TIME LEFT FOR RST GROUP TO GET LICENSE

RALEIGH, Nov. 21—The R. S. T group of motorists represents the largest of the groups of motorists who must stand examination for drivers license renewals, and only a month and a half remains in which they may obtain renewals, the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles said today.

Approximately 180,000 North Carolinians are included in the R-T group. With over three-fourths of the examining period past, only 130,493 persons have taken the examination.

Examiners seldom can test over 20 persons a day. With 50,000 drivers in this category left to be tested between now and December 31, some will have to wait in line. The Department urges them to go to their nearest drivers license examiner as soon as convenient. Don't wait until the rush begins and the lines start forming.

The examining period for motorists whose surnames begin with U, V, W, X, Y, Z will begin on January 1.

#### PRESS PEOPLE TO TOUR CHAMPION PAPER PLANT

Some fifty members of the Western North Carolina Weekly Newspaper Press Association will be guests of Champion Paper and Fibre Company on a tour of the huge paper making plant and at a luncheon in the Champion cafeteria at noon Friday at Canton. Following the luncheon the press people will go by motorcade to Waynesville to participate in the Haywood Tobacco Festival parade at 2 p.m. and be the guests of the Festival officials during the afternoon program.

#### Almost Everyone Benefits As State Keeps Promise

Jackson County school teachers will receive \$37,509.43 in supplemental salaries from the State Board of Education on December 11th, County Superintendent Vernon W. Cope announced Monday.

Some 139 of the county's teachers will benefit in the supplemental salary checks. All teachers and building principals are included. Regular high school principals do not participate in the benefits. Superintendent Cope announced that minimum checks will be \$126.00 and maximum \$387.00 which is the gross amount. From this amount 18 per cent will be deducted as withholding tax, regardless of dependents.

Checks will be drawn by local units in the counties over the state and copies sent to the state board of education offices in Raleigh where they will be checked for accuracy, it was stated.

The payments will go to teachers holding either "A," "B" or graduate certificates as a supplement to their salaries for the last fiscal year.

The supplemental payment was promised by the 1949 Legislature providing general fund revenues were sufficient. Governor Scott and the Advisory Budget commission decided several weeks ago that revenues were sufficient.

The state will pay approximately \$7,239,000 to the teachers of the state as supplementary salaries.

#### CPL. CLAY HENSLEY IS NEW ARMY AND AIR FORCE RECRUITER

Cpl. Clay Hensley has been assigned as Army and Air Force recruiter for this area, including Jackson, Macon, and Swain counties.

Cpl. Hensley is a native of Madison County and is now located in Asheville but will move to Sylva as soon as a house is available. He is married and has two children. They are members of the Hot Springs Baptist church. Cpl. Hensley is a member of French Broad Masonic Lodge No. 292 of Marshall and Mrs. Hensley is a member of the Eastern Star.

#### QUALLA PTA HAS NOVEMBER MEETING

The November meeting of the Qualla Parent Teacher Association was held in Miss Jennie Cathey's room Wednesday, November 15, at 2:30 p.m.

The devotional was read by Mrs. Louise Edwards. The secretary's report was read and approved.

Four members, Mrs. Helen Cathey, Mrs. John Hyatt, Mrs. Arthur Worley and Mrs. Hilda Battle attended the PTA Study course held in Sylva, Oct. 25. A report of the course was made by Mrs. John Hyatt and Mrs. Hilda Battle.

Mrs. Lucy Hall's room won the \$100 prize for the most parents present at this meeting. A contest was held among the members selling the most Christmas greeting cards, and the prize was given to Mrs. Louise Edwards first grade room.

After the business session the members played Bingo and then returned to the lunch room where they were served delicious refreshments by the hostesses for the monthly meeting.

BOSSAMON'S . . . . . in Sylva