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FRANKLIN COUNTY TO GET PROJECTS

Washington, Dec. 18.—Representative Harold D. Cooley today obtained from Harry L. Hopkins, head of the WPA, a definite promise that a soil erosion project and a highway project in Franklin county will be permitted to proceed despite the inability to secure sufficient relief labor in the county and a very strong intimation that the same policy will be pursued generally throughout the nation for those two classes of projects.

Mr. Cooley was interested principally in the Franklin county situation, which presents the only acute problem in his district, but in his efforts to get the matter adjusted locally he had been informed of similar situations in other agricultural counties in the State by George W. Coan, Jr., State WPA head.

However, Mr. Hopkins informed him that similar situations had arisen in other states in respect to both soil erosion and highway projects and that he would immediately discuss with his staff the advisability of making the Franklin county order, which he definitely promised to issue, general rather than local in its application.

In Franklin county there are several hundred tenant farmers in the eastern part of the county where no tobacco is grown and where cotton acreage has been sharply curtailed, who were not on relief on the deadline date of November 1 but who would now be eligible for relief had not direct relief been discontinued. However, the soil erosion project which needs 136 men has been able to find only 48 on the relief rolls and the project is practically at a standstill. Letting of the contract from a road between Louisburg and Bunn, which the State Highway Commission was to have built with federal funds, had to be cancelled because of the absence of relief labor.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Christmas Tree Program will be held this year on Sunday night, Dec. 22, beginning at 7:30. A pageant or pantomime on the Spirit of Christmas will be given at that time, and the singing of Christmas carols will add joy to the occasion. The members of the Sunday School are asked to bring fruits, nuts, candies, or similar small gifts, next Sunday morning, and these will be placed under the tree, and distributed Christmas Eve with toys from the Toy Mission.

The church service will be at 11:00 Sunday, with Christmas music and sermon on a Christmas theme.

We have been invited to help in the annual Christmas Tree activities held at the County Home, Sunday 4:00 p. m. This is a fine opportunity for us to help others have a glad Christmas.

Among those who have offered their services or expressed willingness to help with the Toy Mission are: Mrs. Mitchiner, Mrs. J. S. E. Malone, Messrs. John Darden, Frank Rose, P. S. Allen, the Kiwanis Club, and several of the Boy Scouts. These and others will be the Committee to help with the project this year.

Christmas Day (Wednesday) Holy Communion and sermon 10:30 a. m.

The long time agricultural program is getting under way in Wayne County where agricultural leaders of the county have met with farm agent Mintz to study the question.

Program At The Louisburg Theatre

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre beginning Saturday Dec. 21st:

Saturday—Tim McCoy in "The Man From Guntown."

Sunday—Ginger Rogers and George Brent in "In Person."

Monday—Aline McMahon and B. Rathborn in "Kind Lady."

Tuesday—Ben Lyon and Helen Twelvetrees in "Frisco Waterfront."

Wednesday—Knox Day—Ronald Colman and Joan Bennett in "The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo."

Thursday—Wallace Beery and Lionel Barrymore in "Ab. Wilderness."

Last Showing Today—WILL ROGERS in his last picture, "In Old Kentucky."



Rose Bowl for Matty



DALLAS . . . Matty Bell (above), is smiling because only a year ago he was just another assistant football coach at a Southern university, and now he is getting set to lead his undefeated Southern Methodist team into the Rose Bowl classic against Stanford on New Year's day.

Judge Malone Victimized

According to the story going the rounds Judge J. E. Malone, Franklin's popular Recorders Court Judge, was deprived of his Sunday grocery supply the past week. It seems that he and Mrs. Malone after purchasing their groceries put them in their car parked on the streets and then went into a nearby store to do more shopping. While they were gone someone proceeded to help themselves to the bundles. When Judge and Mrs. Malone returned they got in their car and drove to their country home about two miles out, finding their loss when they began to remove their packages. The thief was not very particular about his victim and might fairly badly if he has to face Judge Malone in Recorders Court.

Nol Pros Charges On O. P. Ellington In Virginia Court

Charges against O. P. Ellington, Henderson man, growing out of the death of the late Sheriff F. N. Spivey, of Franklin County, near Franklin, Va., last summer, when their cars collided one Sunday evening, have been nolle prosequi, it was stated today by T. P. Gholson, who represented Ellington in court action in Virginia that followed the accident.

After a preliminary hearing in a lower court, Ellington's bond was fixed at \$2,500, which he gave. On November 19 the Commonwealth's attorney nolle prosequi the action, but disposition of the case has just been officially recorded in the county where the fatal collision occurred, and Mr. Gholson was today notified of that move, he said.

Auction Sale

Beginning Saturday at 1 o'clock the What-Not Bargain Store will conduct a big auction sale, when everything in this popular store will be exposed to auction. Mrs. Perry, the proprietor, tells the TIMES man, that she is really going to sell out this stock and people may expect big bargains. Mr. Joyner, a Henderson auctioneer, will auction the articles. Everybody is invited to read her announcement and attend the sale.

Mass Meeting

The United Dry Forces are announcing a mass meeting to be held in the Courthouse Sunday afternoon, Dec. 22, at 2:30 o'clock. See their advertisement.

Italians Admit Reverses

Rome, Dec. 17.—The long-awaited general battle in northern Ethiopia, toward which the Italian and Ethiopian armies have been maneuvering for weeks, appeared to be under way today, with the first engagement resulting an advance for the Ethiopians.

The Italian government announced today that the Italian troops had retired before an attack of about 3,000 Ethiopians on the northern front.

This announcement, the first of the war in which Italy has admitted a retreat, was made in an official communique.

There were considerable losses among the Italian forces, including four Italian officers killed and three wounded, nine Italian soldiers killed and several dozen Eritrean allies killed and wounded.

Ethiopian losses were described as "considerable." The communique stated: "Notable enemy forces, estimated at 3,000 armed men, attacked our advanced observation post on the Takkaze river.

"Our Eritrean troops, after having put up a bitter resistance, withdrew to Demingina Pass.

"The enemy maneuvers resulted in a battle that now is in progress, and in which, on our side, air forces and detachments of tanks are taking an active part."

Christmas Seals

The TIMES is requested to state that tuberculosis seals will be on sale at Scoggin and Bodie's Drug Stores until Christmas eve night. The County Chairman says the use of these seals will aid the needy in Franklin County, and urges all to buy them promptly.

To Observe Christmas

It is announced that the stores and practically all business in Louisburg will observe Christmas by closing on Wednesday and Thursday—Christmas day and the day following. Those having business with these institutions will bear this in mind.

Big Hogs

Killing of big hogs in Franklin County the past week have been reported to the TIMES as follows:

W. H. Pernel, of near Alert, two weighing, 440, 378.

G. E. Allen, of near Mapleville, four weighing, 428, 380, 380, 330.

J. W. Perry, Louisburg, four weighing 228, 235, 201, 210.

With an enrollment of 1400 rural boys and girls into the 4-H clubs of Johnston County, there is an increase of 100 percent above the enrollment for last year.

Young Ethiopian women wear veils so their boy friends can't see their faces until after marriage, so we learn from the Jefferson City Missouri, Post Tribune, Well, women of other nations wear cosmetics.

Schmeling Here Again



NEW YORK . . . Max Schmeling (above), former heavyweight champion, is here from Germany to rise up "Bomber" Joe Louis, dusky Detroit sensation and discuss a possible match. N. Y. Boxing Commissioners say Max must meet Louis before expecting a match with Champion Jim Braddock.

FOR CONTROL IN FRANKLIN Vital Importance

The attention of the readers of the Franklin TIMES is directed to the page advertisement on the back page of this issue giving facts about and arguments for Whiskey Control in Franklin County and carrying endorsements of many of the County's best informed and most substantial citizens. Its your duty to inform yourself and then vote your conviction.

C. S. Merritt Dead

Mr. C. S. Merritt, one of Moulton community's oldest citizens died at his home early Wednesday Morning in the 74th year of his age. He was apparently in his usual health Tuesday, having made a trip to Durham, but experienced a heart attack that night resulting in his death. He leaves two sons, Coleman and Ollie, and a number of relatives. The funeral was held yesterday at the home and interment was made in the family cemetery nearby.

Schools Close

Supt. W. R. Mills informed the TIMES reporter yesterday that all the County Schools would close at the end of today's work for the holidays, and that most of them would re-open on Monday, December 30th. The school holiday is caused by getting started so late in the early fall.

THANKS

We wish to extend our deepest appreciation to all those who rendered so many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy in the recent illness and death of our father, W. H. Culpepper. They will be tenderly remembered.

F. D. Culpepper,
Mrs. B. C. Delbridge,
Mrs. J. W. Dean.

A news item says that a boy of four has quit smoking. It takes a lot of stamina for a person of that age to give up the habit of a lifetime, but it simply proves what will power can do for us when we shine it up and put it into action.

Hauptmann Execution Jan. 13th.

New York, Dec. 15.—Having been advised by an unnamed prison guard that Justice Trenchard had set the week of January 13 as the date for his execution, Bruno Richard Hauptmann, condemned as the murderer of the Lindbergh baby, today pondered the three courses now left open to him.

They are:

1. Present new evidence to Justice Trenchard and ask for a new trial with a stay of execution.
2. Go into United States Supreme Court again on a technical question of law.
3. Petition the Court of Pardons and Appeals, of which Governor Harold Hoffman is a member, for commutation of the death penalty to life imprisonment.

Some Comfort
Meanwhile Hauptmann probably will get some degree of comfort today in the statement made recently by Governor Hoffman, whose interest in the case has aroused a whirlpool of charge and counter-charge throughout New Jersey and New York.

Governor Hoffman said: "If Bruno Hauptmann were to be electrocuted tonight, there would still be in my mind and I am convinced, in the minds of hundreds of thousands of people great doubt that the Lindbergh baby murder case had been solved completely and that all facts in connection with it were known."

Newspapers of this region are playing a prominent and non-partisan part in aiding the educational program of the Resettlement Administration. Homer H. B. Mask, regional director for North Carolina, West Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky, said today:

"From the straight 'news' angle," Mr. Mask said, "editors throughout this region realize that the activity of the Resettlement Administration in changing the present agricultural map, is of vital importance to every section."

"A survey of this region reveals little editorial criticism—and that of a constructive nature," he said.

"Without the newspapers it would be nearly impossible for the public to realize the broad scope of the Resettlement Administration. The manner in which the information is disseminated brings before the public, at top speed—the progress of present operating projects and the rapidly unfolding plans for the future."

"Especially in the agricultural communities, the newspaper is the most important carrier of facts.

"Because newspapers are alert to their local and state problems, they not only follow closely the news developments of the Resettlement Administration, but they themselves investigate for stories of special interest. I am especially glad that editors have taken such an interest in the fundamental importance of the program."

The prime motive of the Resettlement Administration is to move farmers on non-productive land to good land, rehabilitate farmers whose working capital has been depleted, and to restore worn out land.

Visitor—Do you have much trouble in school, Junior?
Junior—Uh-huh.
Visitor—What seems to give you the most trouble?
Junior—The teacher.

Don't you wish that you had some of those dollar bills that you passed out so freely in the late 20's?

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Stirs Hauptmann Doubt



TRENTON . . . Detective Ellis Parker (above), noted New Jersey detective, reported to still be working on the Lindbergh kidnap murder case, is quoted as having said that "Bruno Hauptmann is not the man."

"IN PERSON"

Starring Gingers Rogers and George Brent in a Romantic Comedy at Louisburg Theatre Sunday, Dec. 22nd.

Soaring from submerged featured roles to solo stardom within the short span of eighteen months Gingers Rogers is headlined and underscored in the billing for "In Person," in which George Brent is cast as her romantic lead.

After a series of lesser roles, Miss Rogers achieved costardom with some of the screen's leading male stars—outstanding among whom are Fred Astaire, with whom she has appeared in "Roberta," "The Gay Divorcee" and "Top Hat"; Francis Lederer, her screen mate in "Romance in Manhattan"; and William Powell, her suave boy friend in "Star of Midnight."

"In Person" gives Ginger a new film lover, George Brent, who shares in its comedy, drama and, above all, romance. Together, they enact the chief participants in a speedy and robust story by Samuel Hopkins Adams, author of the prize-winning "It Happened One Night."

Ginger portrays a celebrated screen star unnerved from a fear of crowds. George takes her under his wing—against his better judgment—to give her an opportunity to recuperate. His diamond-hard attitude riles her, but she is determined to force him to re-ignite her glamour.

A shotgun wedding imposed by mountaineers to uphold the "morals of the community," joins Gingers and George in unexpected matrimony which, ostensibly is against their will. Beneath their adamant attitude however, is sincere and ecstatic love, which both admit in the denouement.

Finding logical place in the picture are three popular songs which give Miss Rogers adequate opportunities to display her singing-dancing skill with the deftness she showed in her film musical successes with Fred Astaire. She sings "Out of Sight, Out of Mind," "Don't Mention Love to Me" and "Get a New Lease on Life," and offers two new dance routines created by Hermes Pan, associate dance director of "Top Hat."

"In Person," RKO Radio Picture, was directed by William Selig with an able cast including Alan Mowbray, Grant Mitchell, Louis Mason and Sam Hinds.

Waitress—We have roast beef, rabbit, rutabagas, rolls, rice and French bread.
Diner—You certainly know how to roll you R's, don't you?
Waitress—Well, maybe its these high heels I'm wearing.

The reason the things the choir members talk about before the service doesn't make the minister blush, is because he doesn't hear them.

WILLIAMS SCOGGIN DEAD

Passed Away at Park View Hospital Friday—Funeral Sunday.

Mr. Williams Scoggin, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Scoggin, died at Park View hospital Rocky Mount Friday about noon following a week's illness with pneumonia. He was 23 years of age and besides his wife, who was Miss Anne Taylor, he leaves his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Scoggin, and two brothers Louis Scoggin and Herbert Scoggin, both of Louisburg, besides a number of relatives.

Mr. Scoggin was one of Louisburg's most popular young men, winning his popularity by his pleasant personality, his ability and strict attention to business. He was connected with his father and brother in the drug business in Louisburg. He was taken to the hospital Wednesday after his condition failed to show the proper improvement.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from St. Paul's Episcopal Church, conducted by Rev. Frank E. Pulley, rector, and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The interment was made at Oaklawn Cemetery, where the newly made grave was more than covered with the prettiest of flowers speaking the silent love and esteem in which the deceased was held. Both services were largely attended.

The pallbearers were as follows: Active—Kenneth White, Edward Crudup Perry, Jr., Karl Allen, F. B. O'Neil, Dave Crawford, H. C. Taylor, Jr., James Stovall, W. N. Fuller, Jr., Honorary—R. C. Beck Jr., Harry Banks, Tommy Harris, Wesley Williams, Cary Howard, Jr.

The deepest sympathy is extended to the bereaved family in their sad bereavement.

J. Lawrence Bowden Dead

Mr. J. Lawrence Bowden, one of Franklin County's oldest citizens and one of the few remaining old Confederate Veterans, died at his home at Justice at 7:45 Sunday morning at the age of 89 years. He is survived by three sons, Messrs. L. W. Bowden and H. C. Bowden, of Raleigh and J. C. Bowden, of Justice, and three daughters, Mrs. Mamie Earp, Mrs. Sarah J. Stallings, Mrs. R. L. Hayes, of Justice.

Mr. Bowden was one of Franklin County's leading and most public spirited citizens. The two things dearest to him besides his family and his religion was the education of the youth of his community and the interest of the Confederate Veterans. He was the moving spirit behind the establishment of the Justice High School which later became a part of the Edward Best district. He gave liberally of his means to this movement. He also had the honor of instigating and sponsoring the regular May 10th old Soldiers re-union at Justice and was among the first to open the invitation to Veterans of all wars. He promoted and established the first Confederate Monument in Franklin County. This monument now stands in the foregrounds of Justice School. And above all he enjoyed the confidence, love and respect of his neighbors and all who knew him.

The funeral was held from the home Monday afternoon and the interment was made in the family cemetery nearby. Both services were largely attended and the floral tribute was especially pretty.

The bereaved family has the sympathy of a large number of friends.

W. H. CULPEPPER

William Henry Culpepper, age 77 died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Dean, Cedar Rock Saturday noon, Dec. 14th.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. L. B. Reavis, Pastor of Cedar Rock Missionary Baptist Church and Dr. W. R. Cullom, of Wake Forest, and interment was made in the family burying ground at the Culpepper home near Justice Sunday P. M.

Surviving are one son, Frank D. Culpepper, of Henderson, and two daughters, Mrs. B. G. Delbridge, of Spring Hope, and Mrs. J. W. Dean, of Cedar Rock, also two sisters, Mrs. W. S. Gay, of Spring Hope, and Mrs. B. W. Batchelor, of Nashville.

An old German and his wife were given to quarreling. One day, after particularly unpleasant scene, the old woman remarked with a sigh:

Wife—Vell, I wish I was in Heaven.

Husband (groaning)—I wish I was in a bear garden.

Wife (crying)—ach ja! Always you pick out the best for yourself.

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