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Around Town

Jury And Grand Jury Named For Swain Superior Court

Jurors for next weeks term of Superior Court have been drawn and are summons for Monday morning. Judge Frank W. Snapp Jr. will be presiding.

Individual Jurors are:
Glenn McHan, Max Lindsay, Velva Barker, Ed Chambers, Charles Shuler, James Calhoun, Stanley Bailey, T.G. Edmonds, Mrs. Harold Dugan, Mrs. Dee Simonds, Wilma C. Morris, Gilbert Smith, J.C. Tabor, Mrs. Carl Smith, Mrs. Dock A. Smith, Shufford Stephenson, George Brown, Mrs. W.W. Barbee, T.K. Hyatt, James W. Breedlove, Lewis Dyer, Phillip E. Brintnall, J.R. Ball, Hayden Davis, Mrs. Sam Crisp, Mrs. Raymond Mitchell, Larry Dixon, Fred E. Ammons, Mrs. Odell Dunlap, Dillard Day, Cletus Monteith, B.W. Cunningham.

Senior Citizens Office Opens

The State of Franklin Service to Senior Citizens has announced the opening of its new office in Bryson City. The State of Franklin Service to Senior Citizens is made possible by a grant from the North Carolina Governor's Coordinating Council on Aging.

The new office is maintained by June L. Dunn, Geriatric Planner, and Bettie M. Seay, secretary and is located in the old Bank Building over the Heritage Quilts Outlet store.

The State of Franklin Service to Senior Citizens has three primary objectives. The first is to provide information and interpretation of data needed by existing and developing agencies in planning for the needs of the aging.

The second is to provide professional consultation in all the areas of the needs of the aging.

The third is to provide a communication and referral system of resources available to persons over sixty years of age. The secretary will maintain the referral service and all requests for assistance will be honored.

The program of the State of Franklin Service to Senior Citizens will make present and developing services more available to persons over sixty and should stimulate interest in meeting all of the needs of the aging.

Rock Swappers

The fourth and final meeting of the rock swap shops for 1970 at Gorgama Park on U.S. Highway 19 in Nantahala Gorge between Andrews and Bryson City will be held October 17-18.

Rockhounds will have a triple opportunity of seeing the beautiful mountain fall colors, enjoying the famous Nantahala Gorge, the Great Smokies, and the Cherokee Indian Reservation, and playing their hobbies of seeking new rock oddities.

The shops are free with each person given a chance to show his favorite rocks or to see those of others or both. Fluorescents, old coins, had made jewelry, Indian relics, antiques, even driftwood are also available for swapping.

The meeting will also give rockhounds a chance to visit gem country in Western North Carolina rapidly becoming famous nationwide for its rubies, sapphires, and other top stones. Even mall diamonds have been found. Finds worth thousands of dollars have been unearthed, especially in the fields near Franklin.

PTA Festival

October 29, 1970 is the date set for the fall festival of the Bryson City Schools, sponsored by the local P.T.A. This promises to be one of the best ever. The parade will begin at 4:30 p.m. Supper will be served at the cafeteria at 5:00 p.m. The little gym and all of the activities booths will open at 6:00 p.m. with the stage show beginning at 8:00 p.m.



Chevrolet-Bridge Demolished

A 1968 Chevrolet is pictured above where it landed in Bryson Branch Saturday afternoon after the driver Roger Winchester lost control of it on wet pavement, the car ran off the right side of Bryson Walk Road and plowed

in a private bridge leading into the driveway of Judge Thad Bryson Jr. The driver was admitted to the Swain County hospital. (Photo by Charles Shuler)

FBI To Hold Conference On "Bombings And Bomb Threats"

Mr. Robert M. Murphy, Special Agent in Charge of the Charlotte Office of the FBI, announced that "Bombings and Bomb Threats" will be the subject of a special law enforcement conference to be sponsored by the FBI at NC Highway Patrol Assembly room in Asheville October 20, 1970.

In an announcement concerning similar conferences being held throughout the United States, FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said that this topic was chosen because of the great concern of law enforcement and the general public over the prevalence today of a wave of menacing bomb threats and senseless bombings, including the unwarranted attacks on police officers in which explosive and incendiary devices are used. He commented that although most bombing matters are local in nature from a jurisdictional standpoint, the full facilities of the FBI's laboratory and Identification Divisions have been offered in the past to local agencies.

The FBI Director indicated that bombings and threats of bombings have increased considerably over the past few years and noted that the principal targets of these inane attacks have been educational institutions, Federal, state, and municipal Government facilities, chain-type department stores, corporate enterprises and banks, churches and temples, and police facilities. Attesting to the seriousness of the situation, Mr. Hoover noted that during 1969 the New York City Police Department Bomb Squad recorded 93 explosions and 3,191 false bomb scares in New York City alone. Other areas of the country have also experienced a wave of actual explosions or bomb scares.

In addition to possible physical injury and loss of life, it was noted that according to an insurance company—although no figures are available as to the precise amount of property damage caused by bombing and arson attacks as such—riots and civil disorders resulted in more than \$31 worth of property damage in the year 1969 in the United States. This same report stated incidents involving damages occurred in 350 cities in 41 states and the District of Columbia.

Mr. Hoover commented that

the purpose of these scheduled conferences is not to create a corps of demolition experts, but rather to acquaint police officers with current bombing methods and techniques utilized by militant groups against law enforcement and the general population. The necessity of having explosive, incendiary, and detonating devices handled only by experts will be stressed. The special curriculum will include

topics such as law enforcement planning and action in handling bomb threats, searching and evacuating buildings, and visual recognition of the more prevalent types of explosive, detonating, and incendiary devices. Following the completion of these conferences, the same specialized subject matter will be provided in field police training schools by FBI instructors.

According to Mr. Murphy, the following persons are scheduled to attend and share the speaker's platform at the conference in this area: J.C. Hall, Chief of Police, Mr. Murphy, Keith M. Snyder, US District Attorney, Special Agents Edward J. Brennan and Joseph M. Zimmerman, Commanding Officer, 48th Ordnance Det, US Army and Captain E.S. Guthrie, State Highway Patrol.

Democratic Chairman Tells Rally "Thou Shall Not Split Thy Ticket"

Democrat candidates were out in full force Tuesday night as they gathered in the high school cafeteria and were met by some 200 party supporters for the first full scale rally before the November 3 General Election.

The enthusiastic crowd met to eat, enjoy the entertainment of the Alarka Cloggers, and talk the all important subject of politics and discuss plans for the upcoming general election just three weeks away.

The entire Democrat ticket was represented with the exception of Congressman Roy A. Taylor. Members present included state representative candidate John K. Smart Jr.

from Brevard and Senate candidate Dr. Carl Killian. Both men are seeking seats now held by Republicans.

Other dandidates present were V.N. Gasoway (sheriff) O'Dell Shuler (chairman of county commissioners), Harold Sandlin (clerk of Court) Maggie Warren (Register of Deeds) Doc. Kelly Bennett (Cornor), Jack Smith and C.C. Carson (County Commissioners), and Frank Burnett and Paul Marr (School Board).

Attorney Phillip Harll, Democrat Chairman from Jackson County, was the guest speaker for the event. Harie told the group that he was, had

been, and always be a Demo and that he felt there should be an 11th Commandment "thou shall not split thy ticket".

Each candidate was given a chance to make a short speech during the meeting. Each thank the people for past support and asked that everyone present support the ticket "as a whole in November."

As the meeting adjourned Mr. Harie invited everyone present to attend a joint Jackson - Swain County Rally at the Quella School House in Jackson County. Congressman Roy Taylor will be the guest speaker for the event that begins at 6:30 with a free chicken supper.

Alley Presides Over 1/2 Day District Court

Judge Felix Alley presided over a very short term of District Court here Tuesday morning. The rather lengthy docket was heard by judge Allen in approximately 2 1/4 hours and court was adjourned at about 11:30. Of the 36 cases on the docket, 13 individuals were called and failed to appear, 12 cases were continued until the next term, one case was nolle prossed and ten cases were disposed of. Individual cases heard were:

Jack Wildcat, charged with non-compliance and non-support. Prayer for judgment continued. Harold Edward Deitz, charged with driving under the influence. Case continued. James Milles Maney, charged with aiding and abetting in driving under the influence. State took a nol pro.

Jessie Bradley Welch, charged with driving under the influence. Called and failed. James E. Sutton, charged with non-support. Called and failed.

Jimmy Nelson, charged with public drunkenness and resisting arrest. Called and failed.

Thomas Dudley Shuler, charged with reckless driving. Case continued.

Olin Proctor, charged with driving under the influence. Case continued.

Joe Woodard, charged with assault. Called and failed. Jessie Bradley Welch, charged with driving under the influence. Called and failed. Jessie Bradley Welch, charged with failure to stop for blue light and siren. Called and failed.

Mike O'Conner, charged with larceny. Called and failed. Harold Guy Mathis, charged with driving under the influence. Case continued.

Harold Smith, charged with public drunkenness, 3rd offense. Called and failed. Billy Sloan Beatty, charged with assault. Case continued.

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Garry Michael Warren, charged with shoplifting. Called and failed. Roger Allen Wiggins, charged with shoplifting. Called and failed. Earl David McManhan, charged with failure to stop for a stop sign. Settle before magistrate court.

Robert Potts, charged with having no operator's license. Fined court cost and \$25. Clyde Wood, charged with arson. Case continued.

Roger Lee Ledford, harged with breaking, entering and larceny. Case continued.

William Dale Wiggins, charged with reckless driving and improper passing. Sentenced to 30 days suspended to two years. Fined court cost and \$50.

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WEATHER

Wednesday, October 7—Partly cloudy. Low 54 degrees. High 76 degrees.
Thursday, October 8—Partly cloudy and scattered showers. Low 66 degrees. High 80 degrees.
Friday, October 9—Occasional showers. Low 64 degrees. High 81 degrees.
Saturday, October 10—Variable cloudiness. Low 59 degrees. High 78 degrees.
Sunday, October 11—Variable cloudiness. Low 60 degrees. High 79 degrees.
Monday, October 12—Variable cloudiness. Low 58 degrees. High 77 degrees.
Tuesday, October 13, Variable cloudiness. Low 58 degrees. High 77 degrees.



Handshaking-Planmaking

Tuesday night was a night of handshaking and planmaking as Democrat candidate for Sheriff V.N. Gasoway (left) and O'Dell Shuler (right) chairman of the County Commissioners wish each other luck in the upcoming

general election. The two talked with Jackson County Demo Chairman Phillip Haire (center) and John Smart (candidate for House of Representatives).



Democrat Candidates For Nov. 3 Election

Democrat candidates for General Election Nov. 3 are: (LtoR) Frank Burnett, Doc. Kelly Bennett, Maggie Warren, O'dell Shuler, V.N. Gasoway, John K. Smart, Carl Killian, C.C. Carson, Harold Sandlin, Jack Smith, and Paul Marr.