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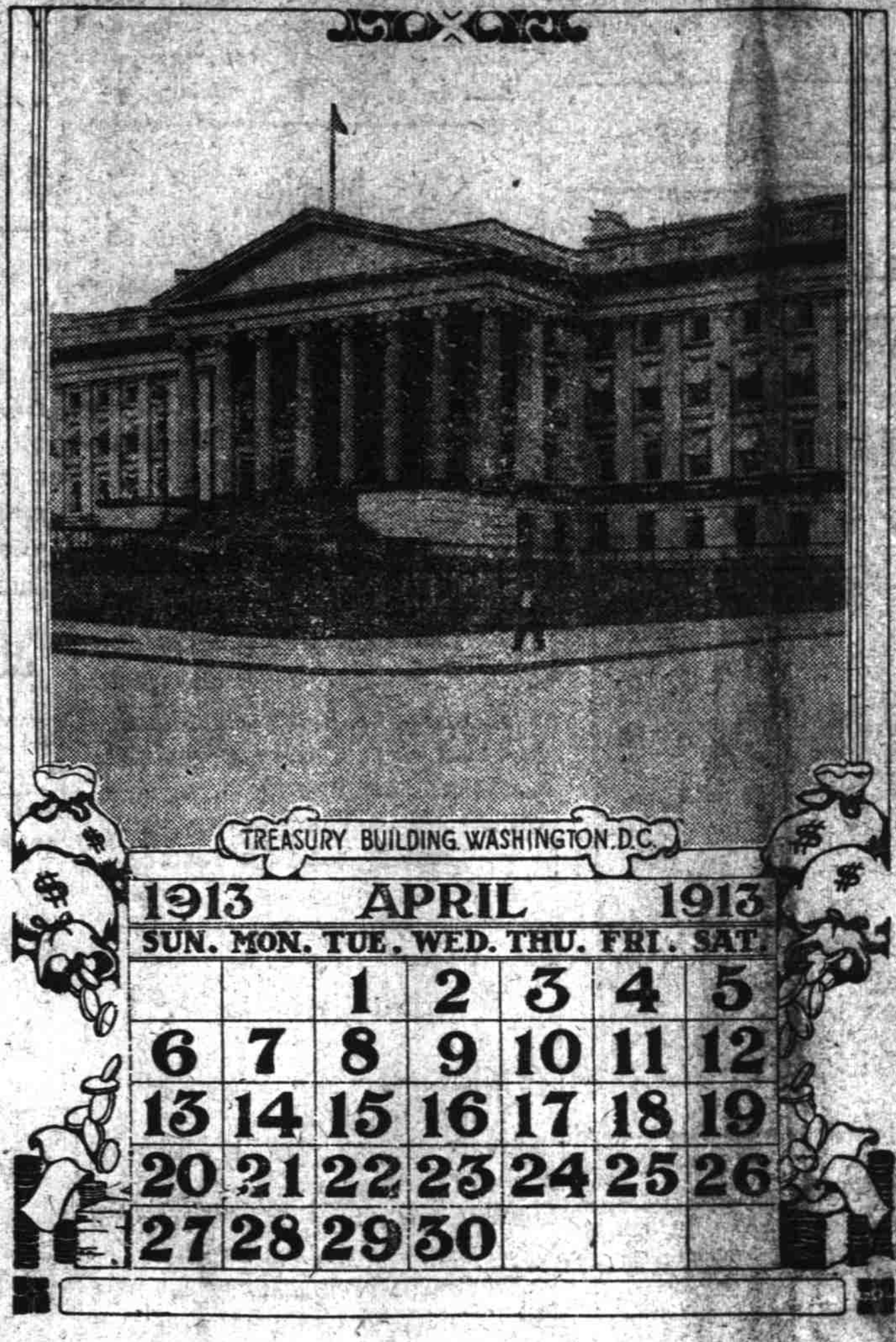
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COURT HOUSE ELECTION ACT

An act to allow the citizens of Jackson County to express their will concerning the proposed removal of the county seat of Jackson county from the town of Webster to the town of Sylva in said county, and to remove the county seat if a majority of the qualified voters of the county shall favor it; and to levy a special tax for the building of a new court house and jail.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:
 Section 1. That there shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the County of Jackson at an election hereby called and fixed to be held on the second Thursday in May in the year one thousand, nine hundred and thirteen on the question of the removal of the county seat of said county of Jackson from the town of Webster to the town of Sylva in said county, at which said election all qualified voters favoring such removal of the county seat from Webster to the town of Sylva shall vote a written or printed ballot with the words "For Removal" thereon, and all qualified voters opposed to such removal shall vote a written or printed ballot with the words "Against Removal" thereon, and if a majority of the qualified voters at said election shall be for removal then the county-seat of said county of Jackson shall be at Sylva, and the public papers, records and books and public business required to be done at the county-seat shall be transferred from the



town of Webster to the town of Sylva when the court house and jail at the latter place are completed and received by the proper officers, as hereinafter more particularly provided.

That the election shall be held and in all respects conducted under the general law as now existing providing for and regulating the election of members of the General Assembly of North Carolina, except as herein otherwise may be specially provided; that at least forty days before the said second Thursday in May, one thousand, nine hundred and thirteen, the county board of elections of said county of Jackson shall meet and appoint a registrar and two judges for each voting precinct in said county, and the duties of the board of elections for said county in respect to this election, and the penalties imposed for any failure or default of duty, shall in all respects be the same as those imposed under the general law for the election of members of the General Assembly of North Carolina, unless otherwise herein provided; that the duties of the registrars and judges and the penalties imposed for failure or default to perform any duty in connection with this election shall be and they are hereby made the same as those provided in the general law for the election of members to the General Assembly of this State; and they shall open books of registration and hold the said election in the same manner, except that the day for hearing challenges shall be on Wednesday instead of Monday preceding the election; that the registrar of deeds of said county of Jackson shall deliver over to the registrar of the respective precincts the registration books and one poll book used by such precinct at the November election, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and it shall not be necessary for any elector who was duly registered at said November election to re-register for this election and the judges and registrars shall not be required to keep more than one poll book for

each precinct; that the registrars and judges of each precinct shall appoint one of their number to attend a meeting of the board of county canvassers as a member thereof and shall deliver to such member the returns from such precinct who shall have been so appointed and the members so appointed from the respective precincts, together with the county board of elections, shall constitute the board of county canvassers for the purposes of canvassing and declaring the result of the election, and such canvassing board shall meet in the court house in Webster at noon on the first Monday following the said election and shall canvass said vote and declare the result and under the hand of their chairman and secretary shall file a certified copy of the result of their canvass with the register of deeds and the clerk of the court of said county who shall record the said returns as in case of general elections for members of the General Assembly, and if a majority of the votes cast at such election shall be for removal, then it shall be the duty of the Register of Deeds to notify the committee, hereinafter named in section _____, of the said result; that all the qualifications, duties and penalties for the failure to perform any duty hereunder and in connection with said election by any person or officer are hereby made the same as if an election for members of the General Assembly of North Carolina were being held. Provided, that the Registrars appointed hereunder for the several voting precincts of said county shall purge the registration books for their respective precincts of the names of all persons deceased, removed or who may not have paid their poll tax on or by May first, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, for the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and it shall be the duty of the sheriff of said county before the day of said election to furnish to each Registrar a sworn statement of the names of all persons shown by his one thou-

CQ. COMMENCEMENT A SUCCESS.

The first County Commencement for Jackson was celebrated in Webster last Saturday. The large attendance and the interest shown give those at its helm reason to believe that the enterprise will be a success.

At 12:40 the meeting was called to order by Supt. David H. Brown. Prof. R. L. Madison pronounced the invocation after which Mr. Brown made a few remarks explaining the purpose of the Commencement which is to create an interest in scholarship and promote it in the public schools.

Prof. Claude A. Smith who has been principal of the Dillsboro school delivered an address which was very much enjoyed. His theme was education.

At 12:45 every one partook of the abundance of dinner prepared by Webster's hospitable good women and served in the open air just in front of the school-house.

In the afternoon the gathering was delightfully entertained by the following program

- Song—The Old North State.
- Declamation Contest:
 - Master James Ashe—"Betsy and I Are Out Once More" Sylva.
 - Master George Hedden, Webster—"How Ruby Played."
 - Master Hugh Montieith, Dillsboro—"Universal Education"
 - Music—Miss Dorothy McKee, Sylva.
 - Recitation Contest:
 - Miss Jessie Leatherwood, Dillsboro—"Naughty Zell."
 - Miss Ruth Allison, Webster—"Miss Dorothy Entertains The Minister"
 - Miss Laura Howell, Qualla—"The Legend of Vermont"
 - Miss Rebecca Cathey, Sylva—"The Disaster"
 - Miss Blanche Fisher, Beta—"Crippled Joe"
 - Music—Miss Ruth Allison, Webster.
 - Spelling Contest:
 - Miss Mamie Bryson, Beta.
 - Miss Myrtle Reed, Beta.
 - Master Will Pangle, Dillsboro.
 - Master Lawrence Keever, Dillsboro.
 - Master Frederic Moore, Webster.
 - Miss Icie Buchanan, Webster.
 - Master Alex Ashe, Sylva.
 - Miss Pearle Long, Sylva.
 - Music—Misses Inez Cathey and Inez Weaver.

The medal for declamation was awarded to Master Hugh Montieith, Dillsboro, that for recitation to Miss Jessie Leatherwood Dillsboro. Miss Pearle Long won the medal for spelling.

All the contestants were from the seventh grade.

The judges selected before hand were all from out of the County but were unable to reach here because of bad railway service. The judges for the contests were then selected from the teaching forces of the several schools as follows:

- Prof. C. A. Smith, Dillsboro.
- Miss Willie Cherry, Webster.
- Mr. V. V. Hooper, Beta.
- G. Taylor Hampton, Sylva.
- Mr. John Reed, Greens Creek (disinterested).

MR. SHOPE IS DEAD.

We regret to learn of the death of Mr. Vance Shope, of Bryson City N. C., which occurred at the home of Mr. J. H. Mashburn in North Franklin at 3 o'clock last Thursday morning. Mr. Shope had a stroke of paralysis some weeks ago and was under Dr. Lyle's treatment and was improving but he had another stroke Wednesday, causing his death.—Franklin Press.

BOOKLET TO BE PUBLISHED

The Greater Western North Carolina Association is preparing a booklet to be distributed throughout the south, east and west, concerning western North Carolina and giving names and location of all persons who expect to accommodate tourists this season. We are in receipt of a letter from the manager of the Association, Col. Sanford H. Cohen, asking that information be sent to the office of the Association in regard to all people who wish to entertain the summer visitors. If you are going to keep boarders this summer, write at once to the office of the Greater Western North Carolina Association, at Asheville, and give all the information you can about your place, location, advantages and the number of people you can keep. This is excellent advertising and will cost you nothing, as Jackson county is a member of the Association. Write the letter today, as the publication of the booklet cannot be delayed.

FIRE DRILL

The boys of the Sylva Fire department demonstrated their ability to cope with the raging flames Wednesday night, when Chief A. J. Dills sent in the alarm that the Journal Office was afire. The boys got busy and were on the scene in 4 minutes after the alarm was given. Some of the citizens of the town were scared nearly out of their boots and when they discovered that there was really no fire, thinking that it was an April fool 2 days late, tried to kick up a rumpus, however when they found that it was only a necessary practice, they relented and every body went home with a smile on his face singing the praises of the fire laddies.

WEEK END HOUSE PARTY.

Col. S. A. Jones will be the host at a house party which he will give this week end at his camp, "Ruby City," near Willets. The party will be attended by friends of Col. Jones from Atlanta and Chicago and he has invited several of his Asheville friends out for the occasion. Col. Jones' house parties are well known events in the social circles of the city. The event promises much that is enjoyable.—Gazette-News

ALLENS PAY PENALTY.

After a dramatic fight for life Floyd Allen and Claude Swanson Allen were electrocuted at Richmond, March 28th for the shooting up of the court at Hillsville, Va. last March.

Governor Mann had refused to commute the sentences of the two condemned men, but while he was out of the state they appealed to the acting governor. When Gov. Mann learned of the ruse he hurried back to Virginia soil and wired the authorities that he was in Virginia. The mandate of the court was carried out and the two Allens paid the penalty.

Ralph Rigdon of Tuckasegee spent Tuesday in Sylva.

We change the address of Miss Bessie Hooper from Amelia Va. to Dinwiddie Va.



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