

Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 the Year in Advance in the County

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\$2.00 the Year in Advance Outside County

Distinguished Guests Visit Plott Balsams

Col. Wade H. Harris, editor of the Charlotte Observer, Mr. C. O. Kuester, manager of the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Bailey Groome, manager of the Statesville Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Wayne Wickler, of the Chamber of Commerce of Brevard, Fla., accompanied by other members and entertainment committee of the Sylva Chamber of Commerce, climbed to the top of the Plott Balsams, Sunday, and were treated to the most extensive view of magnificent distances, to be found in all eastern America. Into the spruce woods, where the same timber stands that was pointing into the blue haze, when Columbus sailed across the deep, and out into the fields, where one can see mountains piled upon mountains, in every direction, as far as the vision of man can hold out, the visitors were taken. Then to the camp of Mr. J. P. Hood, owner of this wonderland, and developer of Hood Park, the greatest development in the highest mountains amid the primovel spruce forests, that has yet been dreamed or attempted in Western North Carolina, where dinner was served.

Leaving the camp, the party traveled down the mountain, to the head of North Fork, where they were met at Jim Cogdill's home by automobile, and taken to Balsam, and out over the four miles of the Hood Park road, that has been graded.

On Saturday evening, these gentlemen, Mrs. Kuester and Mrs. Groome, were guests of honor at a dinner, staged by the Sylva Chamber of Commerce, and served by the ladies of the missionary societies of the Methodist and Baptist churches, of Sylva.

Mr. John B. Ensley, president of the chamber of commerce, presided, and in an address of welcome, introduced Mr. Kuester, who acted as toastmaster. Interesting and inspiring addresses were delivered by Col. Harris, Mr. Kuester, Mr. Groome, Mr. Wickler and Mr. C. C. Buchanan.

County Buys Ten Registered Jersey Sires

Working in cooperation with the county agent, the state and federal departments of agriculture, and the committee of agriculture of the Sylva Chamber of Commerce, bankers and business men of Sylva have made possible the purchase of ten registered Jersey bulls, to be placed in ten of the communities of Jackson county. The bulls have been bought and will arrive during the week.

This step, to further the dairy business of the county, following the purchase during the spring of a large number of grade Jersey cows by farmers of the county, was the outcome of a meeting of business men with the extension workers, last Thursday, in Sylva.

At the time of the meeting, the report was made that the state and federal dairy specialists have just completed a thorough investigation of the dairy conditions in the county and with the survey in hand are sure that the county is now shipping enough cream to supply a small creamery, and that the Carolina Creamery Company, has virtually assured the Jackson county people, that it will establish a branch creamery in the county early next year, provided the farmers of the county establish their fast growing, yet young dairy industry upon a firm basis.

The experts reported that the next step to be taken was the placing of registered sires in at least ten of the communities of the county, immediately, and the enthusiastic business men and bankers immediately made it possible for the farmers to buy the bulls, and contributed one-third of their cost, in cash. The county agent immediately got in touch with federal dairy experts, and authorized them to buy and ship 10 Jersey bulls to the county at once.

The county agent states that he has sold five of the animals to progressive farmers in the county, and has assurance that the other five will be placed at once.

CULLOWHEE STATE NORMAL CLOSES

Cullowhee, N. C., May 21—The Cullowhee State Normal School commencement came to a close today after several days of colorful and varied programs. The pageant of Wednesday evening, presented in the open, with a drizzling rain part of the time, was attended by nearly six hundred people. As evidence that the pageant appealed to the audience, nobody left during the two and one-half hours of performance, in which seventy five students in appropriate costumes, presented five separate acts or episodes, in the history of Western North Carolina. Each episode, except the last which was an allegorical presentation of Western North Carolina's triumph over ignorance, had a delightful romance running through it. The alumni banquet, held in Moore Dormitory Thursday at noon, was a success beyond the dreams of the alumni officers. About a hundred guests sat about the festive board, and enjoyed reminiscences of the old Cullowhee and indulged in dreams of the future Cullowhee. The high school graduation Thursday evening consisted mainly in a tree-planting ceremony, in which various members of the class likened the beautiful balsam tree being planted to various aspects of the life of those who go out from the institution as graduates. The combination of recitation, dance and song about the tree and beneath the suspended electric lights, together with the preliminary parade with Japanese lanterns, afforded a pleasing variation from the conventional class day exercises. The Normal seniors had no class day exercises in the ordinary sense, but gave instead the allegorical closing act of the pageant as their part of the commencement program. The address to the senior classes today by Senator Johnson of Robeson county, was a fitting climax to the delightful series of programs rendered during commencement. His subject was "Culture for Service," and the address was embellished with apt literary allusions and historical anecdotes, as well as being earnest and forceful. Just at the closing of the exercises today,

HIS LAST LETTER



The Message of the American Legion Auxiliary Poppy
BUY ME—I STAND FOR SERVICE. I enabled one cent to be earned by a disheartened service man in the hospital who needed it, and all you pay for me goes for service for those for whom the war is not over. **BUY ME.**

WEAR ME—I represent the sacrificial blood of the men who fell in Flanders Fields. I am a Memorial to all who died in service. In reverence and understanding, WEAR ME.

The poppy money goes to the aid and support of those the war made helpless, the men in the hospitals made them, and earn money for their loved ones in the small, noble task. The money from their sale is used by the American Legion for the aid of the mothers, the widows, the orphans of the war, for those who gave their great love, that we might live and enjoy prosperity.

SIMONS BUYS CLOUSE COMPANY

A. M. Simons, proprietor of The Paris, has closed negotiations for the purchase of the stock of A. F. Clouse and Company, it is announced. The two principals of the transaction are today taking inventory of the goods and fixtures and closing the deal.

Mr. Simons states that he plans to build an arcade between the two buildings making one huge department store, which will be operated as one business under the well-known firm name "The Paris."

Coming to Sylva in July 1917, Mr. Simons opened a small store, in a little building owned by A. J. Dills, and has been steadily increasing his stock, until The Paris is now one of the largest department stores west of Asheville. A little later he moved into a new building, erected by D. G. Bryson, and a few months later his business had grown until it was necessary to open a huge bargain basement. With the purchase of the Clouse business, Mr. Simons will have a really big department store.

Prior to making the alterations in the buildings and adjustment of stock, The Paris, will conduct a removal sale, announcement of which will be made next week.

Mr. Simons, in discussing the transaction with a representative of the Journal, stated that he contributes his success in Sylva, largely to persistent advertising through The Journal, and in having goods to back up every statement made in his advertising.

Mr. Clouse, who is one of Sylva's popular business men, will devote his time to his real estate business, of Clouse and Gribble, it is said.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

License to wed has been granted to the following couples:
Horace Ashe to Etta Ammons.
Wm. F. Russell to Annie Irene Paris.
Wardon Bradley to Lillian Leathwood (both of Haywood county).
Baxter Hooper to Annie Lou Brown.
McClure Stephens to Effie Hooper.

Miss Lacy Young, of Asheville, presented to the school a pledge, signed by every member of the senior normal class, to donate to the Student Loan Fund the sum of one thousand dollars within the next five years.

Diplomas were granted to forty-one high school and normal graduates, representing fourteen counties in North Carolina and South Carolina. Prizes were offered as follows: The Mrs. E. L. McKee essay prize of a ten dollar gold piece, was won by Ernest Monteith, of Jackson county, on "Health and Scenery of Western North Carolina;" Holmes Bryson prize of a ten dollar gold piece, won by Ernest Hall, of Jackson county, on "Recent Educational Advancement in Western North Carolina;" Columbian Literary Society debate medal, Ethel Curtis of South Carolina; Columbian Declamation medal, Ray Gibbs, Swain county; Columbian Recitation medal, Louise Smith, Duplin county; Erosophian Literary Society debate medal, won by Hilliard Henson, Jackson county; Erosophian Recitation medal, Clifford Bailey, Yancey county; Recitation medal, Bernice Rardin, Buncombe county. Two prizes were awarded for improvement in writing, being won by Edna Ferguson, Haywood county and Miss Raleigh Raines, Transylvania county. These prizes were \$50 and a half dollar gold pieces.

Primary Candidates Are All in Field

The Democratic primary will be held on June 5th. The registration books have closed, and the candidates names are all filed in the race. Twenty candidates on the democratic side are aspirants for county offices.

Harry E. Buchanan is unopposed for the democratic nomination for representatives in general assembly.

John M. Watson and E. L. Wilson are opposing each other for the nomination for commissioner of finance.

For Commissioner of Highways there are three democratic candidates: John C. Allman, T. A. Dillard, and Weaver Swayngin.

Three democrats also want the welfare commissioner's post: Ben N. Queen, G. T. Cooper and John C. Brown.

The chief interest is in the four-cornered race for the nomination for sheriff, with C. C. Mason, Mack O. Brown and N. Don Davis opposing the present sheriff, N. L. Sutton.

B. B. Long is seeking the nomination for register of deeds against Raymond R. Nicholson, the present register.

Joseph J. Hooker, former Judge of the Recorder's Court, is opposing Judge F. E. Alley, Jr., for that position.

No democrats are opposing Geo. W. McConnell for coronor or Tom Buchanan for surveyor.

Republicans File County Ticket

The republicans of Jackson county have filed a complete ticket, prior to the primary, in keeping with the primary law; but there are no contests for the republican nominations.

The republican ticket is headed by Cyrus Nicholson, for representative, and D. G. Bryson for sheriff.

Thomas Gribble is the republican candidate for Commissioner of Finance, S. M. Parker, for Commissioner of Highways. Thomas Barrett for Commissioner of Welfare, W. H. Smith for Clerk of the Superior Court, W. W. Bryson for Register of Deeds, Geo. W. Sutton for Judge of the Recorder's Court, R. L. Elder for Coroner and Sam H. Cook for Surveyor.

FRANCIS-SMITH

Miss Jencie Francis, of Waynesville, and Mr. Charles Smith were united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Parker yesterday afternoon, Rev. W. C. Reed performing the ceremony. Mrs. Smith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Francis of Waynesville and Mr. Smith is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, and has had a position with the Morris Company here for several years.

Flapper Grandmother Friday Night, May 28

For the past week Sylva has been busy with rehearsals for one of the most enjoyable shows ever staged here, namely, "The Flapper Grandmother," which will be given Friday, May 28th, at 8:15 p. m. at the Graded School Auditorium under the auspices of the 20th Century Club.

Andrew Spriggins, who hasn't had a modern idea in forty years, is played by Mr. Billy Davis. Mat, his wife, who yearns to be modern is Mrs. C. C. Buchanan. The Flapper Grandmother is Miss Ruth Allison. Dr. Joy, who is in love with grandma, is Mr. Coleman Hall. Lena Spriggins, the wild child, is Mrs. Enloe Moore and Belindy, Andrew's other daughter, who is a bit old-fashioned is Mrs. McNeil.

These and many others help to make up the cast of this extremely enjoyable musical comedy, not to mention the sparkling choruses of pretty Sylva girls, the Jelly Bean choruses of boys, the Matrons and the Rag Doll and Door Knob choruses of little children.

The play is directed by Miss M. Frances Dunaway, of the Wayne P. Sewell Co., of Atlanta, Ga., and is given by the 20th Century Club for the purpose of raising money to beautify the high school grounds.

No one should miss the "Flapper Grandmother" on Friday evening, May 28th. Reserved seats are on sale at Hooper's Drug Store and should be purchased immediately if good seats are desired.

REV. J. O. ERVIN'S SON IS DROWNED

Friend here, where Mr. Ervin held a meeting, in the Methodist church, several years ago, will deeply sympathize with him in this sorrow. Asheville Citizen.

Rutherfordton, N. C. May 22.—James Osborne Ervin, Jr., the 12-year old son of Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Ervin, pastor of the Methodist church of this place, was drowned yesterday afternoon in Broad river, six miles west of here. He had gone out with two other young companions to camp for the night and to fish. They decided to go in swimming and wading when young Ervin stepped in water over his head and went under. His companions brought him up and it is supposed that he took cramp, due to the cold water and fell back into the water and disappeared. His body was found at 7:30 o'clock about one and one quarter miles below where he went under, after staying under water for three hours and fifteen minutes. A large party of men formed a line and searched the river until they found his body. Young Ervin is survived by his parents, five brothers and two sisters. Two brothers, Messrs. Paul and Lamonte Ervin are students at Duke University, while the elder brother, Rev. Clifton Ervin is a student at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. All will be at home for the funeral which will be conducted at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock and interment will be in the Rutherfordton cemetery. Rev. J. Frank Armstrong, of Charlotte, will be in charge of the funeral services, assisted by a number of other ministers. Young Ervin had just finished the sixth grade in the local schools and was a bright, good boy. His sudden death has cast a gloom over the entire county.

Mrs. McKee Attending Biennial

Mrs. E. L. McKee left the first of the week for Atlantic City to attend the eighteenth biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

The convention which will be in session for ten days, will be attended by about fifteen thousand delegates and will be addressed by Secretary Herbert Hoover, Congressman Eaton, of New Jersey, Governor Gifford Pinchot, of Pennsylvania, William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, Mayor John Taylor, general counsel for the American Legion, Dr. William Mather Lewis, president of George Washington University, and General Garibaldi, of Rome, Italy.