

# Jackson County Journal

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## HIGHWAY CELEBRATION AT MURPHY SATURDAY

Plans for the motoreade from Asheville to Murphy on Saturday for the occasion of the celebration of the opening of the Appalachian Scenic Highway from Asheville to Atlanta were announced yesterday, and in-  
clude minute rules for the comfort and safety of the parties making the trip. The party will assemble at the Murphy Park hotel at 6:30 o'clock Saturday morning. Breakfast will be served and the cars will get away promptly at 7 o'clock.

Indications are that the Murphy celebration on Saturday will be one of the greatest road celebrations ever held in the South. Sponsored by the International Appalachian Scenic Highway Commission of North Carolina and the State Association of Georgia, delegates will meet in Murphy from a number of Southern States for the occasion, and prominent speakers from two states appear in the program.

Roscoe Marvel, president of the International Appalachian Scenic Highway Association has issued the following schedule and rules governing the itinerary:

### Rules for Itinerary

6:30—Battery Park, coffee and  
7:40—Battery Park, assemble.  
7:45—Ready to start—picture.  
7:50—Start, speed 30 miles an  
hour.

7:50—West Asheville—Cars assem-  
ble on Main street and fall in line.

8:00—Canton—additional cars as-  
sembled join motoreade.

8:30—Waynesville—stop for addi-  
tional assembled cars to join motoreade.

9:00—Sylva—stop for additional  
assembled cars to join motoreade.

9:15—Bryson City—(10 minutes  
rest at Frytown Inn)—all cars con-  
taining ladies and 5 minutes at Dr.  
Kelley Bennett's Drug Co.

9:30—Leave for Nantahala Gorge  
and just beyond Almond the motoreade  
will stop while Hon. James G.  
Stikeleather and other State officials  
remove the barriers to permit  
travel over the last completed link of  
State Highway No. 10, and official-  
ly open the "Main Street of North  
Carolina" and the International A.  
S. H. Stop 3 minutes at top of  
mountain to view the Great Smoky  
Mountains National Park, and pass-  
ing on through the Nantahala Gorge  
and mountains, to Andrews.

11:30—Stop at Andrews for ad-  
ditional cars.

12:30—Murphy, N. C.—stop at  
bridge for guide to picnic grounds  
and parking space.

1:00—Luncheon served (Eastern  
Time) by the people of Murphy.

2:00—Program starts.  
The tentative program as announced  
by officials of the ASH will in-  
clude some of the most outstanding  
leaders and road enthusiasts in the  
entire country. The program follows:

Roscoe Marvel, of Asheville, pres-  
ident of the Appalachian Scenic  
Highway association presiding.

Welcome address John H. Dillard,  
of Murphy.

Response, Frank T. Reynolds, of  
Atlanta.

"Development of Highways,"  
Major John S. Cohen, president and  
editor of The Atlanta Journal.

"Duty of the Federal Government  
to Continue Aid for Highways,"  
Charles A. Webb, co-publisher of the  
Asheville Citizen.

"Construction of Interstate High-  
ways," John X. Holder, of Jefferson  
Ga., chairman of the Georgia State  
Highway board.

"Building the Appalachian Scenic  
Highway in North Carolina," James  
G. Stikeleather, of Asheville, state  
highway commissioner for the Ninth  
North Carolina district.

"Building Western North Caro-  
lina," Don S. Elias, publisher of The  
Asheville Times.

"Measuring the Value of Improved  
Highways," Congressman, Zeb  
Weaver of North Carolina.

"What Improved Highways mean  
to Atlanta," W. D. Hoffman, presi-  
dent of the Atlanta Chamber of Com-  
merce.

"What Improved Highways Mean  
to Asheville," President Bryson, of  
the Asheville Chamber of Commerce.

"What the Appalachian Scenic  
Highway Means to North Ga.," Henry  
H. Estes, of Gainesville president of  
the Georgia division of the Appala-

## BARKER'S CREEK

Several of the people from this community attended the Baptist As-  
sociation at old Savannah church last  
week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hobert Gib-  
son August 12th, a daughter.  
Rev. Geo. Snyder filled his regular  
appointment here this month and was  
re-elected for pastor next term.

Miss Gertrude Buchanan from  
Green's Creek is spending a week  
with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.  
John Brooks at this place.

Miss Miss Bessie Brooks pent Sat-  
urday at old Savannah.

Miss Birdell Sutton spent Sat-  
urday night with Miss Gertrude Buch-  
anan at Green's Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tatham are  
visiting Mr. Tatham's parents at  
Gay.

We have the threshers with us this  
week and that means work.

Mr. Frank Sutton who is working  
at Sylva spent Sunday with home  
folks.

Mr. General Sutton and Holmes  
Cagle were Barker's Creek visitors  
Saturday.

The Sunday school is doing nicely  
Only wish we could have better  
attendance.

## WILL HAVE OPENING SALE OF OAKLYN HILLS

The opening sale of Oaklyn Hills,  
the new subdivision of the Sylva  
Realty Company, will be held on  
Thursday, August 26th, according to  
announcement made by A. J. Dills,  
manager of the company.

The subdivision faces on highway  
No. 10, now concrete and has water  
sewer, lights, surfaced streets and  
playground facilities.

This subdivision has building re-  
strictions assuring that only high  
class homes will be erected  
there it is stated. Oaklyn Hills is lo-  
cated outside the city limits of Sylva  
between Sylva and Beta.

## ROAD PROJECTS IN GRAHAM AND CLAY SCHEDULED

Two important road projects in  
Clay and Graham counties will be in-  
cluded when bids on twenty-one pro-  
jects involving a total expenditure of  
\$2,600,000 are let August 24, at Raleigh, by the State Highway Depart-  
ment it was announced recently by  
James G. Stikeleather, commissioner  
for the Ninth District. The awards  
to be made in August will form the  
largest single lettings in the history  
of the state commission.

Ninth District projects to be in-  
cluded in the August lettings in this  
immediate section are:

The grading of 9.4 miles of road  
in Clay county, between Hayesville  
and Franklin, on a section of Route  
No. 28 leading from Bat Cave to  
Murphy.

The grading of 9 miles of road in  
Graham county, from Robbinsville,  
the county seat, westward, toward  
the Tennessee state line.

## TO HOLD SALE AT LUFFY DAM

On Friday, August 27, the Sylva  
Realty and Auction Company and the  
C. J. Jeffress Realty Company will  
conduct an auction sale of the R. M.  
Waldroup property at the Oconee Luf-  
fy power dam, and at the junction of  
the Tuckaseegee and Oconee Luffy  
rivers.

The property faces on Highway  
No. 10 and the Highway to Cherokee  
and on the Lake front.

It is considered valuable property  
for camp sites and summer homes  
property.

Tom Tarheel says that old rocky  
field, full of stumps, just back of the  
barn is now one of the best pieces  
of land on the farm since he blew  
out the rocks and stumps with explo-  
sive.

chian Scenic Highway.

"What the Appalachian Scenic  
Highway Means to North Carolina,"  
Otis Green.

"The Great Atlanta - Asheville -  
Montreal Motoreade of 1927," May-  
or John Cathey of Asheville.

"The Atlanta Convention of the  
Appalachian Scenic Highway Asso-  
ciation," W. T. Winn, of Atlanta,  
president of the Georgia Automobile  
Association.

All addresses will be limited to five  
and ten minutes, in order that the  
full program may be covered at the  
one afternoon session and without  
wearying the audience.

## FORMER SYLVA MAN FOILS BANK HOLD-UP

H. W. Hoffman, the hero of the  
following story from the Ocala, Fla.  
Weekly Star, was until recently as-  
sistant cashier of the Jackson Coun-  
ty Bank, in Sylva and resigned to  
accept the position of cashier at  
Citra, Fla.

"Attempts on the part of two  
young men to rob the bank at Citra  
at 10 o'clock this morning was de-  
feated thru the quick action of H.  
W. Hoffman, cashier of the institu-  
tion, who shot one thru the neck.  
The other man made his escape and  
is being trailed by blood hounds fol-  
lowed by Sheriff Thomas and his  
entire personnel of deputies. At the  
hospital the wounded man gave his  
name as Harry Barnes of Island  
Grove.

The attempted hold up occurred  
shortly after the bank opened to do  
business for the day. The cashier  
was standing near the cash window  
when two young men entered. They  
approached the writing desk and  
Barnes drew from his pocket a check  
which he filled out. He then ap-  
proached the cashier who took the  
check with the intention of cashing  
same. The name of Joe Tracey, no-  
torious outlaw who recently escaped,  
signed to the check caused Hoffman  
to quickly look up and as he did so he  
gazed into the muzzle of a gun held  
in the hands of Barnes. The other  
hold up man took his post as guard  
at the front entrance.

Instead of putting up his hands as  
was demanded the plucky cashier  
dropped down on the floor behind  
the cage and as he went down he  
grabbed his gun and opened fire thru  
the wooden partition. Four shots  
were fired in quick succession and  
Barnes fell to the floor with a bullet  
in his throat. Barnes' partner, upon  
hearing the shots and seeing that the  
cashier resisted, made a break for  
liberty and fled to a woods nearby.

Sheriff Thomas was immediately  
notified and he rushed to the scene,  
carrying all available men with him.  
A quick trip to the county road  
camp was made for the blood hounds  
which are kept there and as soon as  
all arrived on the scene the chase  
started and reports late this after-  
noon are to the effect that capture  
was made about five o'clock in the  
afternoon.

Barnes was rushed to the Marion  
General hospital in this city and an  
x-ray, revealed that the bullet had  
entered the throat and had glanced  
downward. As doctors and nurses  
were preparing to operate the wound-  
ed man was seized with a coughing  
spell and the bullet was coughed up.  
It was of 38 caliber. After his  
wounds were dressed Barnes was re-  
moved temporarily to the city jail  
and is under the guard of two deputy  
sheriffs.

Barnes it is stated has been engaged  
in a fishing trip around Citra.  
On a piece of paper before deputies  
at the hospital he wrote his parents  
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ergle lived at  
Island Grove, he stated that he was  
an ex-war veteran and belonged to  
the American Legion at Palatka. He  
wrote that his wife whom he called  
Bessie knew nothing of the hold-up  
and requested that she in case of his  
death be given his insurance of \$1,  
882. The message was written rapidly  
and the wounded man was under the  
impression that he was going to die.  
Doctors state that he will probably  
recover.

## TO CLEAN OFF OLD FIELD CEMETERY

Announcement is made that the  
Old Field Cemetery, near Beta, will  
be cleaned off Wednesday, August  
25. Everybody having relatives or  
friends buried here is requested to  
come. Bring lunch and tools and  
spend the day. Don't forget the date.  
D. G. BRYSON.

## REED MOTOR CO. ORGANIZED

The Reed Motor Company has  
been organized and has taken the  
sales agency for Overland "Whip-  
pet" and Wyllis Knight cars, ac-  
cording to announcement made by  
W. E. Reed, manager of the sales  
company.

The show room of the Tuckaseegee  
Motor Company has been secured for  
the display of the Overland-Knight  
vehicles, Mr. Reed states.

## WALHALLA ROAD WILL BE BUILT

With the assurance, the public  
promise of the chairman of the high-  
way commission of South Carolina  
and of the commissioner for this dis-  
trict of North Carolina, that the  
Wade Hampton Memorial Highway  
from Sylva to Walhalla will be con-  
structed and surfaced, the large  
number of road enthusiasts left the  
dinner table at High Hampton, hap-  
py and in high spirits.

The principal speaker was former  
governor Cameron Morrison who elo-  
quently paid tribute to the Southern-  
ers of the past who so valiantly  
championed the cause of state's  
rights, and pledged his everlasting  
allegiance to the principal; but as-  
serted that too little had been said  
about state's duties, the duties of the  
states to provide the best possible  
government through the state agen-  
cies of education, health conservation,  
road construction and every other  
agency that makes for the happiness  
and prosperity of the people of the  
state.

He then outlined the history of the  
road building program in North Car-  
olina, and stated that not even the  
politicians can stop the program un-  
til it is gloriously completed through-  
out the length and breadth of the  
state. He urged South Carolinians  
present to get away from the "pay-  
as-you-go" plan and emulate the ex-  
ample of North Carolina, reciting the  
figures to show that without levying  
a cent of property tax, North Caro-  
lina maintains her institutions and  
receives more than ample from the  
gasoline and automobile taxes to pay  
the interest on the bonds, maintain  
the roads, and have a sinking fund  
to pay the entire bonded indebted-  
ness before the bonds are half due.

Col. James of the Walhalla bar, af-  
ter stating that it was fifty years  
ago to a day when General Hampton  
was nominated for governor of  
South Carolina, leaving Cashier's  
for Columbia to accept the historic  
nomination, introduced a resolution  
recommending to the states affected  
that the highway from Charleston via  
Columbia, Walhalla, Cashier's Val-  
ley, Sylva, Knoxville, Cincinnati to  
Chicago be named and designated the  
"Wade Hampton National High-  
way." The resolution was carried  
unanimously. There is a great deal  
of interest throughout the South east  
over the road, as it will give a much  
shorter mileage from Charleston, Ar-  
gusta, Miami and other points to the  
Carolina mountains, the Great Smoky  
Mountains National Park, and the  
cities and plains of the middle west  
than any other route.

The luncheon and highway meet-  
ing was an enthusiastic gathering  
and John B. Ensley, president of the  
Sylva Chamber of Commerce and  
chairman of the meeting, presided.  
Ex-Governor Morrison was introduced  
by Mr. Stikeleather and spoke in  
glowing terms of the great work that  
has been done on highways in this  
section and pledged to the South  
Carolina delegation the building of  
the road on the North Carolina side.  
Although no immediate action could  
be taken by the North Carolina dele-  
gation Mr. Stikeleather and Mr. Mor-  
rison both said that the North Caro-  
lina delegation felt that sufficient  
appropriations would be made by the  
State legislature to build the high-  
way.

The meeting was opened by the  
reading of one of his own short sto-  
ries by Harry Stillwell Edwards,  
Georgia author.

Mr. Morrison and others on the  
program spoke at considerable length  
on the friendly and cooperative re-  
lations that have existed so long be-  
tween the two state. A part of the  
proposed new highway is already in  
use as a highway and would when  
completed make possible a new route  
from August, to Knoxville, Tenn.  
through the Great Smoky Mountains.  
This route would be 75 miles shorter  
than the present highway route. Rep-  
resentatives of the various chambers  
of commerce along the route attend-  
ed the meeting after a tour of the  
Sylva and Cashier's Valley districts  
had been made. Hope was expressed  
at the meeting that the route would  
eventually be brought through the  
Great Smoky Mountains to the Ten-  
nessee line.

Among the representatives of  
South Carolina were: Geo. W. Croft,  
of Aiken, chairman of the state high-

## QUALLA

There was an unusually large at-  
tendance at Sunday School Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hughes, Mrs.  
J. H. Hughes and Miss Mary Battle  
attended services at Franklin, Sun-  
day.

Mr. H. G. Ferguson and family,  
Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Ferguson and  
daughter, Ruth, and Mrs. J. L. Fer-  
guson attended the Ferguson reunion  
at Crabtree Baptist church, Haywood  
County, Saturday.

Mr. Suel Hips and family of Can-  
ton spent the week end with rela-  
tives.

Prof. and Mrs. J. D. Warrick of  
Tennessee were guests at Mr. R. F.  
Hall's Sunday.

Mr. Jack Battle of Asheville Farn  
School is spending a few days with  
homefolks.

Mr. D. M. Shuler was called to  
Canton Saturday on account of the  
serious illness of his father.

Mrs. Mary A. Moore of Hayesville  
stopped with Mrs. J. L. Ferguson en  
route to the Ferguson reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Turpin of Ten-  
nessee are visiting at Mr. W. J. Tur-  
pin's.

Mrs. J. M. Hughes is teaching  
school on Conleys Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Howell and Mr.  
J. O. Howell and family were guests  
at Mr. H. G. Ferguson's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Henson of  
Whittier visited Mrs. W. H. Cooper  
Thursday.

Mrs. Dan Gass was a caller at Mr.  
J. E. Battle's Monday.

Master Harley, Jr. son of General  
Ferguson of Washington City, is  
visiting Mr. Wayne Ferguson.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Needham of  
Whittier were guests of Mr. J. C.  
Johnson Wednesday.

Mr. Guy Moody is spending a few  
days with a party on Soco Mountains.

Mrs. D. M. Shuler called on Mrs.  
J. G. Hooper Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes spent  
the week end at Mr. D. K. Battle's.

Miss Gertrude Ferguson spent  
Sunday afternoon with Miss Annie  
Lizzie Terrell.

We are having old time hot weather  
with frequent showers and corps  
are growing in the old fashioned way.

## ALLEN STILL ALIVE

There has been considerable ex-  
citement in Canada township, Jack-  
son county and upper Clouester in  
Transylvania, over the report that J.  
B. Allen had been murdered in Can-  
ada, a few weeks ago. Sheriff Sut-  
ton went to the scene of the supposed  
murder and could learn nothing  
about it except rumors.

The sheriff is now in receipt of  
letters from Transylvania county of-  
ficers stating that they have seen  
Allen since the time of the supposed  
murder, and also has the following  
letter from Allen, dated at Hot  
Springs, on July 30th:

Dear Mr. Sheriff: I am at Hot  
Springs. I am the man that was  
claimed to be murdered up near Hor-  
net. I was in Brevard the other day  
and the sheriff said he would notify  
you that I was O. K. and here at  
Hot Springs. If I can give you any  
information will be glad to do so.  
J. B. ALLEN.

## PRESSLEY'S TO HOLD REUNION

The Pressley reunion will be held  
Sept. 12, 1926, Speedwell at the old  
original home of Andrew Pressley,  
now known as the old Fidell Press-  
ley home place.

There will be an address by the  
Rev. D. M. Pressley of Bentleyville,  
Pa., at 11 a. m. by Mr. Z. V. Watson  
and others in the afternoon.

All relations are urged to come,  
are cordially invited to bring their  
friends; also well filled dinner bas-  
kets.

way commission; C. E. Jones, of  
Batesburg, member of the state  
highway commission; R. E. Legon,  
of Anderson, state highway commission;  
Ben M. Sawyer, Columbia, secretary  
of state highway commission; C. H.  
Moorefield, of Columbia, chief en-  
gineer of state highway commission;  
C. O. Allen, of Greenville, state high-  
way commission; V. E. Towles, of Co-  
lumbia, Federal highway engineer for  
South Carolina; and Sam M. Wolfe,  
of Anderson, former attorney general  
of South Carolina.

## DR. McILWAINE TO PREACH HERE SUNDAY

Rev. Dr. W. E. McIlwaine, pastor  
of a large Presbyterian church in  
Pensacola, Fla., will preach at the  
Methodist church here Sunday even-  
ing.

Dr. McIlwaine will be most kindly  
remembered by the older residents of  
this part of Jackson county as he  
was a frequent visitor to Webster  
several years ago. He is a native of  
North Carolina and has won distinc-  
tion throughout the country.

While in Sylva Dr. McIlwaine will  
be the guest of Judge Walter E.  
Moore, at his home on Keener street.

The Asheville Citizen of this morn-  
ing carried the following article re-  
garding Dr. McIlwaine:

There is no place in the world that  
can compare with Western North  
Carolina as a place to live or visit.  
Dr. W. E. McIlwaine, prominent  
Presbyterian clergyman of Pensacola,  
Fla., told the guests at the Royal  
Pines pavilion yesterday.

Dr. McIlwaine, who was formerly  
pastor of the Westminster Presby-  
terian church of Charlotte and was  
born and raised in Union county,  
North Carolina, declared that he had  
just returned from a trip which took  
in the capitals of six European  
countries and Alaska.

Dr. McIlwaine first commented on  
the progress of roads leading into  
Asheville now as compared to ten  
years ago and on the wonderful  
beauty and progress of the develop-  
ment of Royal Pines.

"There is no place in the whole  
world," he said "that can compare  
with the great south in general after  
rising from the ashes of the War Be-  
tween the States and there is no  
place in the whole world that can  
compare with Western North Caro-  
lina, for climate, scenery or any  
other of the desirable elements of a  
homesite or place to visit."

## TUCKASEEGEE ASSOCIATION ENDS SESSION

The ninety-sixth annual session of  
the Tuckaseegee Association was  
brought to a close on Sunday morn-  
ing last, when the moderator, Rev.  
T. F. Deitz preached at the Old Sav-  
annah Baptist church. The business  
ended on Saturday, after a three day  
session. Those attending the associa-  
tion pronounced it one of the best in  
the history of the body, in the mat-  
ter of objectives reached and in  
pledges for the coming associational  
year.

Officers elected for the ensuing  
year are: Moderator, Rev. T. F.  
Deitz; Clerk, Hugh E. Monteith;  
Treasurer, D. G. Bryson; Mrs. C. L.  
Allison, Rev. R. L. Randolph, J. B.  
Ensley, G. W. Sutton and J. T.  
Gribble, with the moderator and  
clerk, were elected as the executive  
committee.

The next session will be held at  
Tuckaseegee on the Thursday before  
the 3rd Sunday in Aug., 1927, with  
Rev. Western C. Reed preaching the  
annual sermon.

## REV. J. T. MANGUM To PREACH SUNDAY

Rev. J. T. Mangum of Waynes-  
ville will occupy the pulpit of the  
Methodist church here Sunday morn-  
ing at 11 o'clock. Mr. Mangum has  
the reputation of being a splendid  
speaker and a large number people  
will no doubt avail themselves of the  
opportunity of hearing him.

## SYLVA COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE TO OPEN

The fall term of the Sylva Col-  
legiate Institute will begin August  
31st. Everybody is cordially invited  
to be at the opening in the adminis-  
tration building at 10 a. m.

W. C. REED, Principal.

## ZACHARY REUNION

There will be no public dinner  
served at the Zachary reunion which  
will convene at Cashiers August 28;  
but lunches will be furnished on the  
ground at a reasonable price by the  
local cafe man.

T. A. DILLARD,  
By order of the Com.