

Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 the Year in Advance in the County

Sylva, N. C., Wednesday, January 5, 1927

\$2.00 the Year in Advance Outside County

LEGISLATORS GO TO RALEIGH

Representative Cyrus H. Nicholson of Jackson county, Senator R. J. Rountree of Whittier, Representative O. P. Williams of Swain, Representative Alvin Solesby, of Macon, Senator Thomas Stringfield of this senatorial district and other members of the General Assembly, from Western North Carolina, left the first of the week for Raleigh to assume their duties in the assembly.

B. T. Fountain, lawyer from Edgecombe county was elected speaker of the house, and Senator W. Lunsford Long of Halifax, president pro tem of the senate.

B. Fritz Smith of Wake county, was named Senate reading clerk, by 25 to 16 over John D. Berry, also of Wake, after both candidates had given demonstrations of their reading ability.

LeRoy R. Martin of Yadkin, unopposed, became Senate principal clerk; O. P. Shell of Harnett county, unanimously selected sergeant at arms, and Captain J. A. Bryson of Henderson county named assistant sergeant at arms by acclamation. The Senatorial caucus lasted but 30 minutes against the House caucus two hours of oratory and humor and serious keynote address of Speaker-elect Fountain which closed the House caucus.

In the House, minor officers-elect were chosen.

Principal clerk, Alex Lassiter, Bertie county re-nominated unanimously. Reading clerk, David P. Dellinger, Gastonia, winner 53 to 43 over Needham P. Mangum, Wake county.

Engraving clerk, Miss Rosa P. Mund, Cabarrus county, re-nominated unanimously.

Sergeant at arms Major John A. Lisk, Montgomery county, 87, one of Stonewall Jackson pall bearers, winner, 52 to 42 over C. M. Higgins, Anson county.

Assistant Sergeant at arms, Major "Hellraiser" Wodehouse, Currituck county, unanimous, with keynote speech "every single man and lady will be proud of the selection" and concluding good humor of the packed gallery.

CO. BOARD OF AGRICULTURE MEETS SATURDAY, JAN. 15TH

The Jackson County Board of Agriculture consisting of a representative from each township and from the Sylva Chamber of Commerce will have a very important meeting in the county agent's office at the court house on Saturday morning, January 15th at 9 o'clock. The representatives acting for the various townships for the past year will be in charge at this meeting. These representatives are as follows: R. C. Howell, Qualla; T. S. Nations, Barker's Creek; M. Y. Jarrett, Dillsboro; Erastus Buchanan, Green's Creek; N. Higdon, Savannah; C. R. Moody, Sylva; F. H. Brown, Cullowhee; Will Lewis, Webster; J. L. Lovedahl, Caucey Fork; J. J. Hooper, Tuckaseegee; M. R. Mathews, Canada; W. A. Henson, Hamburg; Marian Moody, Mountain; T. A. Dillard, Cashiers; J. A. Allman, Scott's Creek; and Jno. R. Jones, Sylva Chamber of Commerce.

This meeting will be held for the purpose of checking up on the plan of work we had for the past year and making out the plan for the agricultural development of Jackson County for this coming year. Various problems in connection with the plan and work in the entire county will be discussed. And every thinking farmer is urged to write or see his township representative before this meeting about any farming problem he feels should receive consideration and attention in his township.

(Signed)
Jno. R. Jones, Sec. of Board.
C. W. Tilson, County Agent.

WORKING ON NO. 10.

The maintenance forces, under Patrolman C. C. Mason, are working on the unpaved stretch of highway No. 10 just east of Sylva, putting it in good condition. An application of crushed stone is being placed on the roadway and it is stated that this will be rolled and oiled in the early spring.

Militarism Big National Menace

Brevard News.
Quoting statistics to show that the United States spent 4 billion dollars on the army and navy in the last six years, this amount being three times as much as France spent during the same period, Rev. O. L. Simpson in a Christmas sermon Sunday morning at the Methodist church charged that this country is fast becoming militarized.

"We are spending more for military and naval purposes than France, Italy, Germany and Russia. President Coolidge disclosed recently that we have 550,000 men under arms. That constitutes a record for peace time. Why this bristling array of armaments at a time when no powers on the earth threaten our peace? We are dupes and fools if at this season we idly prattle about peace and good will and are unaware of our national status relative to the one most unchristian, immoral social usage known to man."

Mr. Simpson, who is an ex-service man and whose travels in Europe soon after the armistice, afforded him an opportunity to make an exhaustive study of the western front, said most men who entered the service did so from a fine sense of duty on the promise that it was a "war to end war." "We know now," he said, "that war does not end war. It digs more graves, breaks more hearts, unloosens more vicious hates, degrades more varieties of human nature than any other legalized institution. But it does not end war. The only way to end war is to outlaw it."

Mr. Simpson quoted passages from Senator Borah's Senate resolutions on the outlawry of war. He declared himself in favor of the resolutions solely on the ground of a sincere effort on his part to be a Christian.

An attractive feature of the service was the excellent Christmas music. The anthem, "The Infant Jesus," was unusually effective.

U. N. C. Alumni Association Formed

With the election of J. N. Wilson as President, H. E. Buchanan as secretary-treasurer, and Geo. W. Sutton as vice-president, the Jackson County Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina was organized in Sylva on the evening of December 29.

The three officers and W. E. Bird and F. E. Alley, Jr., were named as the executive committee of the association.

There was present at the meeting: J. N. Wilson, F. L. Hooper, Dan M. Allison, Monroe Madison, W. E. Bird, C. C. Buchanan, Geo. W. Sutton, Oscar D. Bidley, J. E. Keener, F. E. Alley, Jr., M. Buchanan, Jr., C. E. English, C. W. Allen, H. E. Buchanan, Conrad Nichols, W. R. Enloe and S. W. Enloe, Jr.

Prof. Robert L. Madison, a former trustee of the university, was unanimously elected as an honorary member of the association.

A motion was carried requiring all members of the Jackson County Association to become members of the general association.

Harry E. Buchanan was elected as the delegate to the district meeting to be held in Asheville on January 14, with J. N. Wilson as alternate.

The next meeting of the association will be held on January 21.

SYLVA METHODIST CHURCH

Preaching Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. No services at the evening hour, as the pastor goes to Dillsboro. All the other services at their usual hour.

If you want to make this the happiest year of your life, attend every service of the Church that you possibly can and bring some one with you. A good New Year's resolution, "Feeling the need of all the spiritual help that I can get for myself and for the encouragement of others, I am resolved, God helping me, to attend all the services of my church this year that I possibly can."

Be sure and come Sunday morning and bring some one with you.

There were 283,482 farms in North Carolina in 1925 and 24,983 of these farms were mortgaged. The amount of the mortgages was only 36.4 per cent of the value, however.

Gov. McLean Recommends \$30,000,000 for Highways

Does Not Mention the Great Smoky Mountains Park

A recommendation of \$30,000,000 bond issue to carry forward the state highway building program for the next two years, was a feature of the message of Governor McLean to the general assembly, delivered today. The Governor, while he referred to many matters of interest to the east, did not mention the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Speaking of the Highway Program, the Governor said:

"During the calendar year of 1925 contracts were let for the construction of 1,414.2 miles, costing \$24,622,423 and during the calendar year of 1926 for 1,102.99 miles costing \$20,732,515, making a grand total for the two-year period of 2,517 miles, involving expenditures totaling \$45,354,938. Of this, \$12,901,585 was derived from county loans.

There are now outstanding bonds and bond anticipation notes issued for highway construction aggregating \$85,000,000, together with an additional \$600,000 for the construction of the Chowan River Bridge, authorized by the 1925 General Assembly.

After considering every phase of the situation as it relates to the issuance of further highway bonds, I recommend that we issue within the calendar years of 1927 and 1928 the sum of \$30,000,000, these bonds to mature in equal installments of \$1,500,000 annually, the first installment to be paid one year from July 1, 1927, and the remainder in equal annual installments continuing over a period of nineteen years from that date, to be paid out of current revenues.

Further, I recommend that short term notes be issued at any time after April 1, 1927, in anticipation of the sale of these bonds. From information I have received from the chairman of the State Highway Commission, I am satisfied that this \$30,000,000 together with the amount received from Federal aid and from surplus highway revenues, will provide ample funds for highway construction during the coming biennium. I am sure that any plan for the issuance of bonds in excess of \$30,000,000 for highway purposes at this time would be exceedingly unfortunate, especially in view of the fact that bonds for permanent improvements for institutions and also \$2,000,000 for the veterans' loan fund will have to be authorized at this session. It must be constantly borne in mind that the most important consideration is to handle this important business in such a way that the highway program can be gradually continued without imposing too high an interest rate or disarranging the general credit structure of our State."

The governor praised the executive budget system, adopted by the last general assembly and stated that the system is working "with a remarkable degree of success."

The Salary and Wage Commission also came in for commendation, and the Governor recommended that the assembly continue the commission.

Governor McLean also commended the appointment of the commissioner of pardons, and conduct of the prisons of the state.

The work of A. J. Maxwell and I. M. Bailey in dealing with "Blue Sky Law" violators was praised, and the governor pointed out the need of a federal "Blue Sky Law."

The work of the board of health officials was praised as having been efficient, and a recommendation made that the work be continued effectively.

The governor did not recommend any change in the educational system, such as had been hoped for in some quarters, in order to give a uniform state system of public education, but advised the continuation of the equalization fund, and admitted defects in the system. Summing up the educational work the Governor said:

"Realizing that in spite of the great progress we have made, there

remained unsolved many serious problems to both administrative control and financial system which ought to be given immediate and earnest consideration, I requested the last General Assembly to provide for an Educational Commission, which it did. This Commission was charged with the responsibility of making a complete investigation of the cost of our educational system, the means of collecting and disseminating accurate information as to the system and recommending measures for its improvement. As Members of this Commission, I appointed able and conscientious men and women to investigate and report their findings of fact, together with recommendations, to this session of the General Assembly. The personnel of the Commission represents both school administrators and taxpayers. I hope you will find in this report, when it is presented to you, such material as will enable you to formulate curative measures for present deficiencies and guide you generally in your deliberations on the subject of education. It is highly important that the public schools shall function along the lines it was intended they should function, rendering maximum efficiency, as they have to do with the greatest number of our people and the widest range of our population. They must not only be made highly efficient but must be so constituted and governed that they will forever merit and win the respect and confidence of the people of the whole State. For them to fall short of this would be failure. Our educational system cannot progress without the confidence of the taxpayers."

Agriculture was referred to and it was said that the industry should receive the "fostering care of state and national governments;" but the farmer was told to work out his own salvation.

It was stated that progress has been made in law enforcement, and that there have been no lynchings in the state within the past six years.

Additional superior court judges were recommended.

The judicial conference was referred to as having been "productive of much good."

Rail and water transportation was mentioned, and a recommendation made that the fight for fair and equitable freight rates be continued.

Better supervision of the fish and oyster industry and further development of the hatcheries was recommended.

A uniform state game and fish law was pointed out as a necessity.

A modern and uniform law of weights and measures was recommended.

A law requiring an operator's license for drivers of motor vehicles was recommended and was amendment to the railroad crossing stop law.

The governor favored the beautification of the state highways.

The problem of taxation, especially local taxation, was presented to the assembly to be worked out on better basis and improved methods of county government were recommended.

In conclusion the governor stated that other matters of importance would be presented later, and friends of the Smoky Mountains National Park are hopeful that this is one of the "other matters of importance."

COUNTY TO HAVE NURSE

The commissioners of Jackson county, at the meeting Monday, voted to employ the services of a public health nurse for the county, during the next year.

The salary of the nurse is not to exceed \$2500, \$1250 of which is paid by the state, and the salary is not to begin until the nurse is on the job and at work.

The nurse to fill the newly created position has not yet been employed.

Health Resolutions For the New Year

As a means of promoting health and happiness, the following New Year Resolutions are advised by the Board of Health.

RESOLVED:
I shall have a complete physical examination made by my family physician at the earliest opportunity to determine if any defects exist, which if corrected now, would prevent serious organic trouble in later life.

I shall give my children protection from diphtheria by having my family physician make them immune to this disease by administering toxin-antitoxin, particularly to all children from 6 months old to 7 years.

I shall safeguard the health of my family and community from smallpox by the only known method to prevent this disease—that of vaccination.

I shall do everything possible to prevent the spread of communicable diseases by not unnecessarily exposing my children to infection from others who are victims of diseases termed "catching," and by keeping them from school when suffering with suspicious colds, or running temperature that they may not be a source of infection to others.

I shall promote birth registration in my community by being certain that my children are properly registered with the vital statistics department of the State Board of Health, and by ascertaining if the physicians of my community are properly registering all local births.

I shall insist on my family taking typhoid vaccine to prevent typhoid fever.

I shall give my city and county health officials every assistance possible in making my home community one of the most healthful spots in the State.

I shall drive my car in a manner that will not endanger my own life nor the lives of others.

Where Winter Dairying Pays in a Big Way

Carlton Ledford during October and November was getting \$10.00 every two weeks for his cream. Since opening his silo he has had a steady increase. His last cream check was nearly \$25.00 for two weeks. Carlton has four Jersey cows, and two common milk cows that he had been using for family use. One of his Jerseys is dry and will be in in one month. On his three Jerseys and the surplus from these two common cows with the use of silo, he is realizing practically \$50.00 per month. During October and November before he was feeding common roughage supplemented with soy beans, he was getting \$10.00 every two weeks or \$20.00 per month. The first two weeks after opening his silo his check went up to \$15.00 and last week it went up to \$24.00. A silo to Carlton Ledford looks like a return of about \$30.00 per month. Don't you believe it pays? His silo cost him 64.45 and will last ten or fifteen years. This is why all the farmers are clamoring for County agent work. And this is why they are putting out the effort to keep him.

Clay County News.

BUYS CHEVROLET COMPANY

N. Don Davis has purchased the Jackson Chevrolet Company, and has secured the associate agency for the Chevrolet Automobiles, with the Cullowhee Motor Company.

In addition to the Chevrolet sales rooms, will conduct a general garage and filling station. He has associated with him, as chief mechanic, Mr. S. T. McGinnis.

A difference of over 1,000 pounds of legume hay per acre was secured where land was limed as compared with a similar unlimed area in tests made by North Carolina farmers last season.

Five demonstrations with soybeans showed a yield of 4,606 pounds of hay per acre where one ton of lime was used on the land as compared with 3,822 pounds of hay per acre where no lime was used.

The farm population of North Carolina in 1925 was 1,446,881 persons. Of this number 937,001 were white people.

89 MILLION LEFT BY DUKE

Somerville, N. J., Jan. 4.—The estate of the late James B. Duke, tobacco Manufacturer and philanthropist was worth \$89,704,859.66 at his death, according to a petition for a first accounting filed in surrogate courts Friday. Money paid out for taxes administration expenses, legacies and trust funds since Mr. Duke's death in 1925, cut the value to \$53,451,770.76.

Legacies were paid and trust funds set up to the amount of \$36,253,080, while taxes and the administration of the estate cost \$9,577,710.

The bulk of the estate, or \$62,443,383, was made up of stocks and miscellaneous bonds, while \$18,605,700 was invested in government, state and municipal bonds.

Cash notes and accounts receivable totaled \$4,524,634.

The executors are Mr. Duke's widow, Analine H. Duke, and George C. Allen and William P. Perkins.

W. N. C. PASTOR'S CONFERENCE

Bryson City Baptist Church January 11 and 12, 1927

Tuesday A. M. Discussion: Divorce Evil.

10:45 Devotional, J. S. Smiley.

11:00. Cause and Effect, George C. Steed.

11:30. Divine and Civil Laws Governing Divorce Compared and Contrasted, J. H. Wilson.

12:00. Noon Lunch.

Tuesday P. M. Divorce Evil, Continued.

1:15. Devotional, W. H. Buchanan.

1:30. Suggested action on part of both the state and the church as corrective remedies, A. V. Joyner.

2:00. The Divorce Evil as type of apostate church, J. H. Ford.

2:30. What should be that attitude of ordained ministers and the church toward re-marriage of those unscripturally divorced, J. M. Woodard.

3:00. Business and adjournment.

Tuesday Evening—

7:30. Devotional, Algie West.

8:00. Sermon—The Ideal Christian Home, T. L. Sasser.

Wednesday: Discussion—New Testament Church.

9:45 A. M. Devotional, George C. Snyder.

10:00. The Origin and Meaning of the Church, T. C. Buchanan.

10:30. The Head of the Church, A. D. Smith.

11:00. The Body of the Churches, H. H. Hyde.

11:30. The Organization of a Church, R. L. Creal.

12:00. Noon—Lunch.

1:00 P. M. The Ordinances of the Church, C. T. Sisk.

1:30. The Mission of the Churches, W. P. Elliott.

2:00. The final glory of the Churches, Rev. Stafford.

NOTE—Free entertainment will be furnished all visiting brethren.

VIOLENT DEATHS IN N. C. IN 1926, EXCEED 1,500

Raleigh, Jan. 3.—Violent deaths in North Carolina last year exceeds 1,500.

State board of health reports show 1,313 violent deaths during the first eleven months of the year. This number does not include deaths from the violent forms of disease.

Automobile accidents again took the largest toll. In 1925 the total was 376. This year it was 352 up to November, with one of the heaviest months to be added.

Burns came next in fatal results. The first eleven months of 1926 saw 245 North Carolinians burned to death. December was expected to run the total to nearly 300. In 1925, 259 died from this cause.

Homicides showed a slight decrease. The estimated number in 1926 was 225, based on 194 for the first eleven months. In 1925 there was 260.

Suicide ran slightly better than even, an estimated 135 against 123 in 1925.

Faith without works is worth little, so are pledges without action. The business-like farmer will begin now to plan his crop acreages for the coming season.