

Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 the Year in Advance in the County

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\$2.00 the Year in Advance Outside County

PARK BILL BECOMES THE LAW

BILL PASSES HOUSE 99 TO 10

The bill providing for the issuing of two million dollars in North Carolina state bonds for the purchase of lands in the Great Smoky Mountain Park Area, passed the lower house of the general assembly, yesterday afternoon on its third and final reading by a vote of 99 to 10, and is now the law in North Carolina.

As soon as the balance of the necessary funds can be secured and the survey made to determine just what lands will be included in the Park, the North Carolina Park commission will demand that the bonds be issued and the purchase of the lands, either by negotiation with the owners or by condemnation will begin.

The advocates of the Park expect immediate action as to the survey and that the rest of the money, which has been assured from philanthropists in the East, will be forthcoming immediately. It is believed that the Park will become an actuality within a year and the building of roads and other developments started.

SEEKS LOST BOY

Mrs. C. C. Capps, of Sylva, is asking the aid of the public in locating her adopted son, Verlin Capps, who disappeared from his home here last Sunday. Mrs. Capps says that she supposed the boy was playing out of doors as usual, and felt no uneasiness about him, until it began to grow dark Sunday evening, when she instituted a search for him. She heard nothing about him, however, until she was told, by a boy, today, that he had seen Verlin on the road, just above Beta, Sunday afternoon, and that Verlin had said he was going to Asheville.

When he left home the boy, who is 11 years old, was wearing overalls and a gray sweater. He is heavy set, has blue eyes and light hair and has a small black birthmark on one of his legs.

SYLVA TEAMS WIN

Both Sylva Teams won over their opponents in the first round of the basketball tournament at Mars Hill tonight.

The S. C. L-Marion High School games was Sylva Collegiate Institute 26; Marion High 14.

Sylva High School defeated Fairview by 40 to 20.

The pairings for tomorrow are: Biltmore High vs. Bryson City at 9:00 A. M.

Boiling Springs vs. Farm School at 10:00 A. M.

Fruitland vs. Leicester at 11:00 A. M.

Forest City vs. Sylva High at 12 Noon.

Weaver High vs. Sylva Collegiate Institute at 2:00 P. M.

Clermont High vs. Brevard Institute at 3:00 P. M.

Mars Hills High vs. Spruce Pine at 4:00 P. M.

Lattimore vs. Green's Creek at 5:00 P. M.

INTRODUCE STOCK LAW BILL

According to reports in the daily papers, Senator Stringfield has introduced a bill in the senate regarding the stock law territory in Jackson county. It is said that the bill provides for dividing the county into districts for the purpose of holding stock law elections, said districts to be a part of township or townships, irrespective of the township lines.

ROANE WINS CONTEST

The senate committee on elections awarded the seat in the senate to Senator Roane, of Whittier, following a hearing of the contest presented by Henry G. Robertson of Macon county.

The contest grew out of alleged irregularities in the Bryson City box, and it is said that the same votes that were questioned are those brought into question in the contest for county offices in Swain county.

CREAM EXTRA GOOD PRICE

The Carolina Creamery is paying fifty cents per pound butterfat test for cream this week. Folks, that is a half dollar per pound for your butterfat delivered to the creamery manager at Sylva or Dillsboro station. The creamery will establish their central collecting station next month and meet the farmers there to get our cream.

Tennessee Jerseys brought into the county have all easily averaged a pound of butterfat per day for ten months in the year. It doesn't take long to pay for one or two of these honest to goodness cows selling butterfat this way.

Car of Tennessee Jersey Cows and Heifers to Be Bought Soon.

Mr. F. R. Farnham, Extension Dairy Specialist who has helped County Agent C. W. Tilson with buying our Tennessee Jersey cows recently returned from a big Jersey section in Tennessee. He bought a car of cows for Wantauga county farmers and reports that we will be able to get extra good cows and heifers there at this time.

County Agent Tilson says the demand for these cows and heifers is growing very rapidly and we should buy now as this is the best season to buy what we want at the most reasonable price. One of these cows or heifers is worth more than three of our ordinary cows any time and it costs only one third the feed and time to keep one.

Three of the farmers buying \$65 heifers in the December load now have heavy milkers that they have refused \$100 cash for. I have orders now for a few cows and heifers in this load and must finish it soon so we can buy at the opportune time. See or write me if you are interested in a real milk cow says your county agent.

BALSAM

Mrs. W. S. Christy left last Friday for Lakeland, Florida, where she will spend the rest of the winter.

Mrs. Robert Cope and children of Asheville spent just week here with her mother, Mrs. W. J. Cogdill.

Miss Evelyn Green, Waynesville, spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Claude Green.

Mrs. Hattie Beek has been on a visit to her husband, Mr. Henry Beek who has been confined in the hospital at Franklin some time. Regret that Mr. Beek is not improving very fast.

After three weeks of lovely "February Spring" weather, the mercury took a fantastic leap downward Sunday and treated us with a flurry of snow and freeze up generally.

Mr. and Mrs. George T. Knight chaperoned a party of their young friends to Waynesville, Saturday night.

Court Adjourns—Grand Jury Makes Recommendations

The superior court adjourned this afternoon until Monday following the completion of the trial of the criminal docket before Judge James L. Webb. The grand jury made recommendations that the county commissioners make necessary repairs upon the buildings at the county home, commended the repairs that are being made at the jail and recommended other repairs, recommended that the roof of the court house be repaired and that the driveways and grounds around the court house be hard surfaced. A postscript was made to the report insisting that the county and city officers make it their business to stop the sale of cigarettes to minors and the driving of automobiles by children under the age of 16. The grand jury styled the driving of cars by children as "a growing menace upon our highways."

Judge Webb commended the grand jury upon its report and declared that all its recommendations should be headed by the proper authorities.

The court will resume its sitting next Monday for the trial of civil cases, with Judge A. M. Stack presiding.

PLEADS GUILTY GETS 4 MONTHS

Will Little, negro, plead guilty of manslaughter in superior court, this afternoon and was sentenced to serve 4 months on the roads of Buncombe county for the death of Adell Johnson, another negro, at the bridge construction camp of the Southern Railway Company, near Addie a few weeks ago.

Johnson died in the Bryson City hospital following the shooting and the grand jury returned a true bill charging Little with murder. However, it developed from the evidence that Little had no intention of shooting the dead negro; but that it was through his careless use of the pistol that the fatal shot was fired, and he was given the minimum sentence on a manslaughter charge. Little claimed that he did not know the pistol was loaded.

JUDGE WEBB CHARGES THE GRAND JURY

Judge James L. Webb delivered a powerful charge to the grand jury of Jackson county Monday morning, in which he stressed the home as the greatest institution in the State and called upon parents to teach the lesson of obedience and respect for law in the homes. He laid emphasis upon the large number of white boys who are being tried in the courts for larceny and similar offenses, and in speaking of the violations of the automobile traffic laws, called attention to the statute making it a misdemeanor for a child under the age of 16 to drive an automobile upon the public highways or streets, and stated that the last general assembly went a step further and made it a misdemeanor for parents to allow their children to drive automobiles in North Carolina before they arrive at the age of 16.

The grand jury is composed of Jno. V. Ashe, foreman, S. E. Wilson, Jno. L. Wood, W. L. Painter, Jr., R. B. Henson, Paul Warren, C. W. Mills, R. A. McClure, H. H. Bryson, C. M. Wells, George Extine, F. C. Fisher, J. C. Collins, James A. Reed, James G. Messer, E. D. Hooper, L. T. Watson and W. M. Frizzle.

BRYSON-BREEDLOVE CASE CONTINUED

The cases against Jim Bryson and Walker Breedlove were continued in the superior court, until the October term; both sides agreeing to the continuance. The matter arose over the shooting of both men at the Hensburg election precinct, last November at which Breedlove was the registrar and Bryson the Republican judge of the election.

WILL SELL PONTIAC CARS

The agency for this territory for Oakland and Pontiac automobiles has been obtained by the Tuskegee Motor Company, it is announced by officials of the company, and it is expected that these cars will soon be on display in their show rooms on Main street.

GLENN CASE CONTINUED

The case wherein Raymond Glenn, local jeweler, is charged with assault with deadly weapon upon John Nance, was continued upon motion of Judge Thad D. Bryson, appearing for the private prosecution.

It was stated in court that a telegram had been received from Nance, setting that owing to sickness it would be impossible for him to appear at this term of the court.

The shooting of Nance occurred on the streets of Sylva early last summer, and it was thought for several days that he would succumb to the wounds received. At the October term the private prosecution secured a continuance to the present term. At both terms Glenn was present and insisting upon a trial.

ACQUITTED OF MANSLAUGHTER

J. K. Wamsley was found not guilty of manslaughter by a jury in Jackson county superior court this afternoon. The case grew out of the death of Willard Norman, 14 year-old boy near Addie on January 9th.

The evidence, while conflicting, was that Mr. Wamsley, whose home is in Asheville was driving toward Sylva, on the fatal Sunday afternoon and the car struck and instantly killed the young Norman boy.

For two days the case was fought through the superior court, the state and the private prosecution taking the view that the killing of the lad was due to the recklessness and carelessness of Wamsley, while the defense insisted that the whole matter was an unavoidable accident and that Mr. Wamsley was not violating the traffic laws of the state at the time the boy was killed.

The state was represented by the solicitor and Alley, Alley and Alley; while Judge T. D. Bryson, G. Lyle Jones and E. P. Stillwell represented the defense.

JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF AGRICULTURE PLANS WORK AROUND SLOGAN OF: "FIVE COWS, A HUNDRED HENS, THIRTY EWES AND A BROOD SOW, WE SAY, WITH LIME AND LEGUMES MAKE FARMING CASH PAY."

At a recent meeting of the Jackson County Board of Agriculture with ten active farmers from the various sections of the county and a representative from Sylva Chamber of Commerce, a careful survey was made of the past year's agricultural work in the county and a definite plan was made for the coming year's work.

The Board was proud to realize that in most every line of work the plans they had made for the past year were fulfilled and in many cases surpassed. The Board was gratified with the statement from Mr. I. O. Schaub, Director of Agricultural Extension Work in North Carolina, that it would never have been possible to accomplish so much in the cash farming program for Jackson County unless the plans had been made by the Board of Agriculture for the past year and the splendid co-operation given by farmers and business men in carrying out the work.

With the foundation already laid the Board decided and planned this year's work and that of years to come around their adopted slogan of "Five Cows, a Hundred Hens, Thirty Ewes and a Brood Sow we say, with Lime and Legumes make Farming Cash Pay." The plan stated briefly is as follows:

1. Dairying
 - a. Bring in 50 high producing dairy cows.
 - b. Cull out 100 head of low producing scrub bulls.
 - c. Bring in six dairy bulls.
 - d. Cull out by butcher or castration fifty scrub bulls.
 - e. Get every farm possible to grow stock beets and soy beans or cow peas for cow feed.
 - f. Establish at least five cows and a cream separator on farms that should sell cream.
 - g. Develop the standard system of cream stations, and cooperate with Carolina Creamery in marketing high quality cream.
 - h. Have tea standard community dairy demonstrations in the county.
2. Poultry
 - a. Completely establish 25 farm flocks of one standard breed of poultry with equipment for brooding and raising chicks and standard laying house for 100 hens.
 - b. Start 50 new farm flocks and develop standard equipment so far as possible this year.
 - c. Place 20,000 standard bred baby chicks on the farms in county with no more than 300 chicks to one good brooder.
 - d. Have 15 standard community

HIGHWAYS NEAR COMPLETION

Raleigh, Feb. 23—The State Highway commission is approaching the end of construction activities and is ready to devote the major part of its activities to maintenance, according to the import of a bill introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Folger, of Surry.

Proposed bond issue of \$30,000,000 now in assembly hoppers is designed to complete the program of about 5,000 miles of surfaced highways and to repay county loans amounting to about \$17,000,000. The issue is expected to be the last substantial highway allotment in North Carolina for several years.

The Folger bill takes this into consideration by moving to throw 25 percent more county roads on the state commissioner for maintenance.

The new maintenance burden would be apportioned by districts as now outlined on the basis of the road in greatest need of maintenance being taken over first.

In taking over roads the amount of mileage would be decided on the present basis of apportionment of funds for new construction, but with provision for equity, in that smaller counties with less ability to maintain their roads could obtain more aid than larger counties NOT in need of their full amount of state service.

The bills provides that the roads shall be taken within 12 months upon recommendation of the district highway commissioner whose decision would have been made after calling a public hearing.

poultry demonstrations starting with brooder, brooder house and 300 standard bred chicks, and carrying through until this farmer demonstrates the producing of a standard farm flock and equipment.

c. Market poultry by cooperative car lot shipment provided sufficient and market eggs through express shipment provided sufficient volume is available this fall to furnish a continuous supply.

3. Hogs.

a. Establish at least one good brood sow on 30 farms with proper housing and pastures.

b. Place 15 purebred boars in county and castrate scrubs.

c. Have ten standard community demonstrations in housing and pasturing and the care of the brood sow and pigs.

d. Get every farmer possible to grow pigs on balanced rations of corn, shorts, and fish meal with pasture, and market in April and September when market is best.

4. Sheep

a. Establish small farm flocks headed by purebred ram on at least ten farms.

b. Encourage use only of purebred rams and cull out scrub rams.

c. Encourage the saving of the best half of ewe lambs produced in county this year for future ewes for Jackson County farmers.

d. Have cooperative car lot wool sale, and when practical have cooperative lot lamb sale.

5. Beef Cattle.

a. Encourage and promote the production of beef cattle only where farmers have large pastures of cheap lands and are sufficiently equipped to maintain their own breeding herd.

b. Discourage average valley farmer with high priced lands against producing beef calves for somebody else to pasture and trade for their profit and loss.

c. Place purebred beef bulls and ewe out scrubs with beef cattle breeders.

d. Encourage and aid beef cattle breeders to cooperate in securing the best markets.

6. Vegetable and Fruit Growing.

a. Establish practical orchard management of pruning, spraying, fertilizing and cultivating and proper storage of fruit with at least ten home and commercial orchard keepers.

b. Have five demonstrations in orchard management.

c. Encourage the proper storage of fruit in standard houses to hold

COFFEY WARRANT IS WITHDRAWN

Franklin Press, Feb. 17

The warrant sworn out by Zeb Shope, charging Chief of Police R. M. Coffey with having shot into the car in which two of Mr. Shope's sons and another youth were riding last Thursday night, has been withdrawn and the question of who fired into the car remains a mystery.

The warrant was sworn out by Shope last Saturday, but before it was served, Mr. Shope instructed the sheriff to hold it until Shope had had time to "cool off," and Tuesday he withdrew it.

The youths all of this county and each about 21 years of age, were returning from a party across the Georgia line, they stated, and their car was fired upon as they neared their homes in this county. They charged that a party of officers who, they said, had followed them, fired the shots. The officers emphatically deny having fired any shots.

The bullet pierced the rear of the car, went through the back seat, and entered the front seat, in which the three young men were seated. The bullet hole was seen by Mr. Coffey. The youths were Prince and Preleus Shope and Clyde Hopper, son of M. M. Hopper.

According to the story told by the youths the party of officers, composed of Mr. Coffey and Deputy Sheriffs Frank Norton and Harley McDowell, had followed them for some distance.

The car in which the youths were riding turned into a side road, the shot was fired, and about that time the car got stuck in the mud. Mr. Coffey came up and asked, "Is anybody hurt?" according to the youths' story. He denies asking the question, but says he asked "What is the matter?"

The officers had been out on a liquor hunt, they stated. They deny the statement of the boys that they had twice previously searched the youths' car for liquor, and found none.

TO INCORPORATE CASHIERS

A bill has been introduced in the senate by Senator Stringfield to incorporate the town of Cashiers. It is understood that D. A. Bumgarner is named as mayor in the bill. for best market.

d. Work to standardize the growing of the varieties of potatoes and cabbage and beans best suited to our county along with the use of the fertilizer and sprays that will give us highest yields and best quality.

7. Soil Building.

a. Promote the cooperative buying of 250 tons of lime to be used in producing legumes.

b. Encourage the use of clovers, soy beans and cow peas for turning under as soil builders.

c. Have ten standard community soil building demonstrations with lime and legumes.

8. Have seven Boys and Girls Community Agricultural Clubs, with boys and girls as Junior demonstrators in dairy calf, poultry, pig, sheep and potato club work.

9. Have organized farmers tour in late summer through a section of South West Virginia and Eastern Tennessee where our farmers can visit and study the cash crop system of farming we are now starting in Jackson County.

In the business session the Board of Agriculture voted that the Executive Committee of five, make any changes necessary as to appointment or change of members on the Board whenever necessary for further promotion of the agricultural work in any township or for the interest of the work as a whole.

As representatives for the agricultural interests and more cash farming, to make Jackson County a better place in which to live, we the members of the County Board of Agriculture solicit the fullest cooperation of our farmers and business men in carrying out this program.

Signed:
F. H. Brown, Chairman.
Jno. R. Jones, Secretary.