

\$150 the Year in Advance in the County

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To Begin Erection Paper Plant Next Month

MEADE PAPER CO. WILL START IN JANUARY

The erection of the Meade Paper Company's huge plant will begin next month. The Journal has it on good authority that the engineering plans and other data for the erection of the new paper mill in Sylva have advanced far enough at the present time to assure that the actual construction work of erecting the plant will begin about the first of January.

Engineers have been busy, during the past few weeks perfecting the plans, and attorneys passing on titles and other legal matters, it was learned, and the new company will begin operations at the earliest possible moment, hoping to have the plant ready for manufacturing paper within six months.

Not only is that true, but it is learned from the same high authority that the tannic acid pulp mill, which has been closed down for several weeks, will resume grinding of chestnut wood, under the new company, on January first and that acid wood is again being bought from the wagons and trucks at the local yards of the company. The full force of men for operating the acid plant will again be given employment during the winter and spring in the construction work of the new plant.

The contracts between the Parsons Tanning Company and the Meade Paper Company were closed in Chicago two weeks ago today, completing negotiations which have been pending since last February, whereby a large interest in the Sylva plant was passed to the Meade Paper Company, one of the major paper manufacturing concerns of the United States. It is understood that the new plant, which will be located just across the Southern Railway Company's tracks from the present tannery and extracts plant, will manufacture boxing and carton paper from the chestnut chips, which at present are burned after the tannic acid is extracted from them. Not only, it is pointed out, will the new plant be a large additional industry for Sylva, but it will stabilize the present extract plant, assuring its continuous operation, by taking this valuable by-product, which is at present burned, and manufacturing it into marketable products.

No announcement has been made in Sylva as to who the officials of the new company, created through the merger will be, but it is not anticipated that there will be any material change in the present local officials.

The production of chestnut wood, and the marketing it is one of the big industries of Jackson County, and a large number of the people of the county are engaged in it, for at least part of the year. A great many of the farmers of the county utilize their off seasons and spare moments from their farms in cutting and preparing for the market the harvestable chestnut on their farms; and a number of people devote practically all their time to the chestnut forest products, and it is being pointed out in Sylva that the coming of the new plant, which insures the continuous operation of the extract plant, will greatly stabilize the chestnut wood industry, and assure a market for the product for a great many years.

QUEEN GOES WITH RADIO CO.

Mr. Theodore Queen has become associated with the Murray Radio Company within the past few days; and Mr. Miller, of Chicago has taken a position with the company. Mr. Miller is a radio expert, having recently completed a course in the Chicago School of Radio.

The Murray Radio Company will occupy its new quarters in the Lyric Theatre building within the next few days.

Sylva Shops Ready for Christmas Buyers

The merchants of Sylva have decorated their stores in holiday attire, and have placed the largest stocks of holiday goods ever shown in Sylva on display.

During the past week the trading spirit has risen considerably, and there is increasing activity in all lines of business in the town.

Not only have the merchants large assortments on display; but a comparison of the prices with those elsewhere shows conclusively that it is unnecessary to go outside of Jackson county to do the Christmas shopping.

People from other parts of North Carolina, and from other states coming to Sylva during the past few years have remarked upon the excellent shops of the town, their neatness, the character of the merchandise that they carry, and the progressive, forward looking spirit of the merchants of the town.

The merchants are ready for the Christmas rush, next week, and are sure that they can handle the business that comes to them with dispatch.

Before coming to town to do your shopping, it will pay you to look over the advertisements in the Journal.

CANTON GIRL BURNED BY ELECTRIC WIRES

Canton Enterprise, December 8.—Miss Helen Calvin, 16 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Calvin of Fiberville, is in the Merriwether Hospital, Asheville, suffering from severe burns and electric shock she sustained Saturday morning when a 4,400-volt power wire fell near her home.

The highly charged wire had fallen, due to the weight of snow on a house wire which led to the Calvin garage. The house wire of 110 volts was across the automobile and attached to a small heater. The power wire burned thru the house wire and the automobile became charged from the wire to the heater. It was at this time that Miss Calvin stepped on the running board of the car to get a spool of wire. She was thrown to the ground in an unconscious condition, suffering severe burns, and a gash on the head from the fall. She received first aid at the Champion Fibre Plant and was then rushed to the Merriwether Hospital in Asheville.

Latest reports are that she is resting as comfortably as could be expected, although it was necessary to remove three toes from her left foot and on from the right foot at the first joint, in addition to considerable flesh from her head and shoulders due to the severe burns. While her condition is still serious, hospital authorities think she will recover.

Miss Calvin is a High School student, a leading member of the basketball team and a teacher in the Sunday School at the Presbyterian Church. She is a popular member of the youngest set here, and her great misfortune has caused much anxiety among her friends.

COUNCIL BABY DIES

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Council, died Monday at the home of his parents, in Boone. The little fellow was taken suddenly ill, Saturday, and transfusions of blood from the father of the child, were resorted to, in an effort to save the baby, but they were unavailing.

Mrs. Council was, before her marriage, Miss Margaret Moore, of Sylva.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Hall and Mrs. J. J. Hooker were called to Boone, Sunday, to be with Mr. and Mrs. Council.

Thin out the weed trees from the farm woodlot instead of clearing new land when fire wood is needed advises one progressive farmer.

Sylva Looks Ahead

(From the Asheville Citizen Dec 13)

The people of Sylva and of Jackson County are setting a fine example for all Western North Carolina in the attitude they have adopted toward the great development, which they confidently expect as a result of the arrangement which has been worked out between the Parsons Tanning Company and Meade Paper Company under which the latter concern has purchased a large interest in the tanning company and will establish a paper mill at Sylva in the immediate future.

Fully appreciating the importance of this development to Sylva and to this section, THE JACKSON COUNTY JOURNAL declares that the last thing Sylva wants at the present time is a boom. Not that it has any doubts about Sylva's growing rapidly from now on. So far as that is concerned, they hope and believe that it is going to be the "largest town in Western North Carolina west of Asheville," the trading center of a prosperous territory and a manufacturing center of substantial importance; but THE JOURNAL insists that the best interests of its community depend upon seeing that this growth is orderly and that it is brought about by the energetic development of all Jackson County's resources.

The purchase of the extract plant and the establishing of the paper company assure the full-time operation of the former and the employment of three or four hundred more men in the paper plant. Moreover,

STATE NORMAL GLEE CLUBS TO GIVE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Cullowhee State Normal School will present an attractive musical program in keeping with the Christmas season Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock in the Methodist church at Cullowhee. The choir loft which has recently been reconstructed will accommodate the fifty members of the club, who will be assisted by the Faculty Quartette.

The hour of song will take place of the regular Sunday night service.

The following program is under the direction of Miss Mary Rose Feagans: "Prelude" from "The Christ Child" Nolte Professional "Hark! The Herald Angels' Sing" Mendelssohn "Joy To the World" Handel Invocation. "Send Out Thy Light" Gounod "Silent Night" (in pantomime), Gruber "Lift Thine Eyes" Mendelssohn "When Jesus Was Born In Bethlehem" Ashford "Who Are These?" Ashford "Cantique de Noel" Adams "The Birthday of a King" Noidlinger Offertory "Nocturne in E flat" Chopin "O My Savior" Davis "The Heavens Resound" Beethoven "O, Come All Ye Faithful" Reading "Choral Sanctus" Gaul "Postlude Marche" Beethoven Benediction.

the chestnut chips which in the past have been burned after the tannic acid was boiled out of them will be transferred to the new mill hereafter and manufactured into boxing and carton paper. Thus the new mill marks the beginning of a new industry in this section.

Sylva, however, is looking also to an increase in the number of its tourists following the completion of the State's highway program in Jackson County, coupled with the establishment of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. It is looking also to a further expansion of its agricultural interests, continuing the fine work which is being done now and which has already shown most excellent results. THE JOURNAL rightly points out that the paper mill and other industrial plants that may be located at Sylva "will in no wise injure the farming and tourist business, but on the contrary will strengthen both." Prosperous industry in a county like Jackson and a region like this should be the greatest possible stimulus to prosperous agriculture.

Hence THE JOURNAL wisely warns its public that Sylva's only danger "is in allowing the phenomenal growth which is just ahead to assume boom proportions and to send prices skyrocketing at too great a rate." Its future, undoubtedly is assured, as is that of all Western North Carolina, if the people will keep their heads and earn the progress which will be theirs if they go after it intelligently, sanely and aggressively.

WEBSTER HIGH DEFEATS INDIANS 29 TO 23

The Webster High School boys won from the Cherokee Indians in a hard fought contest on the Webster court, Friday night. Allison lead the scoring of the local team while G. Washington lead the Indian boys.

The lineups follow: Cherokee (23) Pos. Webster (29) G. Washington F Cowan Smith F Moore Hornbuckle C Bryson Squirrel G Allison J. Washington G Jones Substitutions: Webster, Collins for Jones. Referee: Cabe.

"HOME TIES" TO BE GIVEN AT BETA SATURDAY NIGHT

The teachers and community boys and girls of Cowarts will give the play, "Home Ties" at the Beta School house next Saturday, Dec. 17th, at 7:30 P. M., in interest of the John's Creek School. "Home Ties" is a rural comedy in four acts. Admission charges will be 15c and 25c.

LOCAL BASKET BALL TEAMS MEET TOMORROW

Sylva Collegiate Institute and Sylva High School basketball teams will meet on the Sylva High Court tomorrow, Friday evening, at 7:45, for what promises to be the most exciting game of the season in Sylva, according to local fans; and a great deal of interest is being shown in sport circles over the meeting of Sylva's two great teams.

Jackson Folks Broadcast Program

An hour's program advertising Sylva and Jackson county was broadcast from station WWNC in Asheville, Monday night, by representatives of Sylva, Sylva Collegiate Institute, and Cullowhee Normal School, under direction of a Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, composed of C. W. Denning, Miss Mattie Bell Jones and Miss Daisy Franklin.

Beginning at 8:45 the program was continued until 9:45, and the telephone at WWNC was kept busy with complimentary messages from all parts of Asheville and Western North Carolina.

The program was opened with a five minute address by Mr. Dan Tompkins, representing the town of Sylva and the Chamber of Commerce. Prof. E. H. Stillwell, of the chair of History of Cullowhee State Normal delivered a most interesting address on the history of Jackson county, and President H. T. Hunter spoke on the school, its accomplishments and its prospects.

The glee club of Sylva Collegiate Institute sang two numbers; Miss Margaret Candler presented a piano solo, Mrs. C. A. Bales read, Miss Mattie Belle Jones sang, Miss Daisy Franklin gave two numbers on the piano and the faculty quartet from Cullowhee, composed of Mr. Hunter, Mr. Bird, Miss Feagans and Miss Graves, closed the program with two numbers.

The hour's entertainment was arranged by the Sylva Chamber of Commerce, through the courtesy and cooperation of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce, the owner of WWNC

LINDBERGH PASSES OVER COUNTY

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, and his gray plane, The Spirit of St Louis, passed over Jackson county, in his flight from Washington to Mexico city, between five and six o'clock, Tuesday afternoon. Very few people in this county saw the gray plane, as it passed along the tops of the Balsam range, flying from Waynesville, where it was sighted at 5:30.

SOUTHERN WILL SELL HOLIDAY TICKETS

The Southern Railway System has announced that tickets will be sold from all stations on the Southern to all stations on the Southern at fare and a half fare rates for the round trip. The tickets will go on sale the 23, and continue on sale until January Second, with expiration dates of January Third.

WILSON OPENS MARKET

Mr. T. O. Wilson has opened a grocery store and meat market in the Buchanan Building on Main street and expects to do a thriving business. Mr. Wilson states that he will carry a first class line of groceries and fresh meats.

The use of tonics for dairy cattle is a waste of money say dairy experts. If the cow is healthy and fed the right kind of roughage and grain there is no need for giving her patent medicine.

Mrs. Youngbride: "I don't want to have any trouble with you, Bridget." Cook: "Then bedad, ma'am, let me hear no complaints."

Doctor: "You had better be X-rayed."

Patient: "There's no need. Get my wife; she's always been able to see through me."

The Bore: "I feel thoroughly wound up tonight."

Hostess: "How strange! And yet you don't seem to go."

Fathers and Sons Have Great Party

What is said to have been one of the most enjoyable events in all the history of Sylva was the father and son banquet, at the Sylva Chamber of Commerce hall, last Thursday evening, when about two hundred men and boys gathered for the occasion, which was arranged by committees from the Baptist and Methodist churches of Sylva and sponsored by Rev. Geo. C. Clemmer, pastor of the Sylva Methodist church, and Rev. J. G. Murray, pastor of the First Baptist church, of Sylva. Rev. J. S. Hiatt, pastor of the West Asheville Methodist Church was the principal speaker of the evening, and pleased the large gathering with a 30-minute address on "Building Bridges."

The dinner, composed of roast turkey and all the trimmings, was served by the women of the missionary societies of the two churches, who had also decorated the hall, with red and green crepe paper and evergreens, with large red candles on the tables.

The complete program for the evening follows:

M. D. Cowan, toastmaster; Blessing Rev. J. G. Murray; dinner; toasts; "To Mother" John Parris, Jr.; Songs 1, 2, 3, led by Prof. W. C. Reed; toast, "To Our Dads," Edwin Allison; toast, "To Our Sons," C. C. Buchanan; songs 1, 5; introduction of speaker, Rev. George Clemmer; address, Rev. J. S. Hiatt, of West Asheville; song, "Home Sweet Home" benediction, Rev. T. F. Deits.

GEORGIA TO COMPLETE ATLANTA SHORT ROUTE

Of great interest of Sylva, Jackson county, and Western North Carolina is the announcement carried in the Atlanta Constitution that the Georgia Highway Commission will let the contract, on December 21, for the construction of the highway from Tiger to Clarksville. It is especially interesting to Jackson county folks because the road, which is a part of the Asheville-Atlanta Short Route, leaves Highway No. 10 at Dillsboro, and will shorten the distance from Asheville and Sylva to Atlanta by approximately 40 miles.

The state of Georgia proposes to spend about \$200,000 on the link, which will complete the highway the entire distance from Asheville to Atlanta. It is now paved from Asheville to the Georgia line, and from Clarksville to Atlanta, and the Georgia people have been building splendid road. The gap that it is to be let next Wednesday will complete the route with paved road all the way into Atlanta from Sylva and Asheville.

FUNERAL OF MRS. S. W. ENSLEY

Funeral services for Mrs. S. W. Ensley were conducted, Wednesday morning at Scott's Creek Baptist church, Beta, by the pastor, Rev. Thad F. Deitz, and interment followed in the Old Field Cemetery.

Mrs. Ensley passed on at her home, at 4 o'clock, Monday afternoon. She had been in ill health for several months, and had been growing steadily worse for the past few weeks.

She is survived by her husband, and the following children: Mrs. Doc Harris, Mrs. Will Cook and Mr. Haynes Ensley, of Beta, Mrs. Arthur Hooper, and Mrs. S. C. Ensley, of Montezano, Wash., Mrs. Harlowe Kitchen of Long View, Wash, and Mr. Smyth Ensley, of Olympia, Wa. Surviving also is one sister, Mrs. Thomas Monteath, Beta, two brothers, Mr. John Queen and Mr. Welch Queen, of Swain county, and several grandchildren.

Three cars of beef steers have been purchased for fattening by farmers of Halifax County.