

The Jackson County Journal

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Sylva, N. C. Thursday, April 18, 1929

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BANK OPENS IN NEW BUILDING

With a large number of visitors and well-wishers from all over Western North Carolina paying their calls the Tuckasee Bank formally opened its new building, Tuesday evening, carefully decorated with cut flowers, many of them with the emblems of other banking institutions of the region, the interior of the bank's splendid new home presented a lovely and pleasing sight.

Punch, Neopolitan ice cream, and cakes were served each caller. The visitors were greeted by the officers of the institution; and music was furnished by Aldrich's Imperial Hawaiians, who have been playing at the local theatres, this week.

The building is of fire proof construction with a front of Georgia marble. The steel door and window casements were manufactured by the International Casement Company of Jamestown, N. Y. The building is heated by steam vapor and outfitted with shower bath and ladies rest room of the most attractive appointments. The rails and desks are all marble, low English type fixtures.

Beauty and convenience as well as security and safety have been emphasized in the construction of the building. The vaults are reinforced concrete construction with 18 inch walls, one on the main floor and one on the basement floor. Ample provision has been made on the mezzanine floor for directors' room and additional office space in the event the present working space should become inadequate.

The Tuckasee Bank was opened April 26, 1909 at Webster. It had an original capital stock of but \$5,000. The first officers were Joseph J. Hooker, president; J. L. Broyles, cashier; Dr. A. A. Nichols, vice president; W. J. Davis, assistant cashier; and the service of Houston Merrimon, experienced Asheville banker, were secured for the first month of the bank's existence.

The first board of directors was composed of Joseph J. Hooker, Dr. A. A. Nichols, J. L. Broyles, A. B. Allison, Walter E. Moore, O. B. Coward, C. B. Zachary, J. N. Wilson and J. S. Adams.

The first home of the bank was a small frame building on the south side of Main Street in Webster. The first furniture and fixtures used by the bank was a handsome set of maple which had been used in the senate chamber at Washington, D. C. In Nov. 13, 1910, Webster was visited by a disastrous fire and the bank was burned to the ground. The bank then moved into the small side room of a frame store building and the following year Mr. Broyles resigned as cashier and Mr. Davis was named to succeed him, a post he still holds.

After the historic Jackson county courthouse fight was finally settled by a special election in May, 1913, and the county seat of Jackson county was moved to Sylva, the board of directors of the bank decided to follow the county seat, and moved to Sylva. The first building moved into the north side of Main Street on November 15, 1913, remained the home of the bank until 1916 when the bank erected what was considered at that time a modern structure. This building was occupied as a home for the bank until March 31, of this year, upon which date the business of the bank was moved into the more modern structure just completed.

In 1920 Mr. Hooker, who had served as president of the institution since its organization, severed his official connection with the bank through resignation. He was succeeded as president by D. G. Bryson, who served as president until last year when illness forced him to resign. W. N. Howard was then elected president, and died of heart failure that same month, to be succeeded by A. B. Allison, the present head of the bank.

The bank has had only three vice presidents, Dr. Nichols, J. N. Wilson and the Rev. George C. Snyder. Having outgrown its quarters last year Mrs. J. Baldwin, of Asheville, was secured to prepare plans for one of the most modern bank buildings in Western North Carolina. W. Mike Brown, Sylva contractor, was secured, together with Jerry Liner, also of Asheville, to erect the structure.

The present officers of the bank are: A. B. Allison, president; George C. Snyder, vice president; Billy Davis, cashier; Blaine Nicholson and Claude Jones, assistant cashiers; Mrs. Cyrus Nicholson, bookkeeper and stenographer. The directors are as follows: A. B. Allison, G. C. Snyder, Billy Davis, D. G. Bryson, J. N. Wilson, J. R. Bryson and Harry E. Buchanan.

To Have Mother And Daughter Service Sunday

"Mother and Daughter" service is to be held at the Methodist church in Sylva Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Every mother who is a member of the church who has one or more daughters, is invited to be present with her, or them, at this service. Mothers who have daughters and are not members of this church are also invited to come to this special service. Mothers who have no daughters, have the privilege of adopting one to bring to this service. The public generally is invited to attend.

The pastor, Rev. George Clemmer, will speak on this subject, "A Winning Team." A toast, "To Our Daughters" will be given by Mrs. David Hall. Another, "To Our Mothers" will be given in response by Margaret Hall. A duet will be rendered by Mrs. C. Z. Candler and daughter, Miss Margaret Candler.

There will be no service in the evening in the Methodist church in Dillsboro. Sunday schools of the charge convene at 10 a. m. Junior and Hi-Leagues in the evening at 6:30. The Senior League meets at 7 p. m.

MRS. SHERRILL BURIED AT BETA MONDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Susan Sherrill were held at Scott's Creek Baptist church, Monday afternoon, Rev. Thad F. Deitz officiating.

Mrs. Sherrill, who would have been 90 years old on Cape Creek, Sunday, from effects of an attack of influenza, last winter. She is survived by two sons, W. R. Sherrill, of Sylva and George D. Sherrill, of Waynesville, two daughters, Mrs. A. L. Ennsley and Mrs. Ben Crisp, both of whom live on Cape Creek, and by a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mrs. Sherrill, who was prior to her marriage, Miss Susanna Conner, was the widow of the late W. A. Sherrill, a pioneer citizen of the county.

BALSAM.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lindsey, Mrs. Cora Beck and other relatives from Willits and Balsam attended the funeral of Mr. William Lindsey in Asheville, Wednesday of last week. Mr. Lindsey was a native of Jackson county and until a few years ago resided in Balsam and Willits. He has many friends throughout the county who mourn his death.

Mrs. Carrie Queen and family have returned from a visit to her father, Mrs. W. M. Quiett, in Whitier.

Mr. R. J. Bryson has moved his saw mill from Buff creek, near Addie to Balsam, and will begin sawing lumber here soon.

Hon. W. T. Lee and Mr. R. L. Lee of Waynesville were here Monday.

Mr. John P. Knight of Greenville, S. C., and Mr. John Andrews, of Tampa, Fla., were guests of Mr. Knight's mother, Mrs. D. T. Knight, last week end.

Mr. J. K. Kenney of Asheville was here the past week.

The young people enjoyed an old fashion dance Thursday night of last week.

THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT OF S. C. I.

The music department of S. C. I. is one of its greatest assets. It has done much for training real talent. It has developed much under the direction of Miss Wallace, the head of the department, who attended Mississippi State College for Women, and has had much experience since finishing there. She is building up the department to a high standard. She is giving the graded school lessons in public school music and the children are deriving both pleasure and profit from them. One of the most outstanding classes of the music department is the class of

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Facts Regarding Sylva Collegiate Institute

(By Students and Faculty of S. C. I.)

SYLVA COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

Sylva Collegiate Institute wishes to take advantage of this opportunity to express her thanks and appreciation to her loyal friends and patrons. Every kind word, every expression of sympathy, every contribution of any sort, every manifestation of interest on the part of the public has meant much to us—much more than we are able to say. In recognition of this we say a warm, heart-felt "Thank you!"

We feel that we should offer a special word of thanks and appreciation to our alumni-ae. They have meant much to us; their achievements while here, their loyalty to high ideals since leaving here has been an inspiration to those of us whose hands the torch has fallen. There is much that we would like to say, but realizing our inability to say it all, we merely pause long enough to say "Thank you!" and breathe a prayer for the Master's blessing in your lives.

If there are those who do not quite understand "what it is all about," we take advantage of this opportunity for an explanation. Sylva Collegiate Institute is a small Baptist Mountain School, located at Sylva, N. C. This town has a population of some two thousand, and is located in the heart of Western North Carolina. We attribute much of the high ideals, morals and characters of the people of Sylva to the fact that they are so beautifully situated in the heart of these magnificent Carolina mountains.

The school was first launched in 1898 as one of the mountain schools of the Home Mission Board. The founding of the institution was made possible by the cooperation of the Tuckasee River Association, which at that time embraced Macon county, and the Tennessee River Association. The far seeing men and women of that association, realizing that they had been handicapped by a lack of educational facilities, determined that their children should have better opportunities. The result was this institution, which had for its purpose the training of the mountain boy and girl so that they may be more fully prepared to cope with the problems of life, and better equipped for living the overcoming life.

To the casual observer our buildings may look poor and meager; perhaps they are that—unless one takes into consideration the fact that they are all monumental to the love and sacrifice of great, farseeing men and women, who, out of much self denial, were able to contribute toward making these buildings possible; believing, as they did so, that they were building for the master. There are four of these buildings. Hard times and money shortage has made it impossible for the newest (the administration building) to be completed. The oldest of them, which was once the administration building is now used for a kitchen and dining room. There are two dormitories—the girls home, which was named "Brown Home" in loving recognition of Dr. A. E. Brown, and the "Cowan Home" for boys, named in memory of our late friend and benefactor, Coleman C. Cowan. The girls' home will accommodate about forty girls; and there is room for about the same number of boys in their dormitory.

practical knowledge. In this they get Harmony, Theory, and History of Music. There are about twenty-five in the music department, five of which are voice students. The department gave a very successful musical recital last fall and one of the seniors plans to give a graduating recital the last of April. The glee club is also doing good work. There are about fifteen members, among these there are some of the very best of voices. They have worked up many good choruses this year, some of which were given in chapel very successfully and greatly appreciated.

The department certainly has the support of the school. It has done much work which has been praised and plans to do even more worthy work in the future.

40 YEARS AGO

From TUCKASEE DEMOCRAT APRIL 17, 1889

(This is to be a regular weekly feature in the Jackson County Journal).

The correct number of stars on the United States Flag today is 38

Elison Hatfield, one of the participants in the Hatfield-McCoy feud, who is in the Pike County jail in Kentucky, has made a confession to State Attorney Ferguson "I was present and participated in the murder of the three McCoy brothers"

The World's Conference of Latter Day Saints, which has been held in St. Joseph, Mo. was the largest assembly of Mormons ever held

Almost the entire town of Smithfield Johnston county, was consumed by fire

General James Longstreet's mansion at Gainesville, Ga, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday All his war relics and souvenirs were burned

The Negro exodus from North Carolina is more active than heretofore Every train carries hundreds away

The North Carolina Farmers' Alliance representing seventy thousand farmers will boycott the Cotton Bagging Trust

"We feed too many lazy hounds and do not raise enough sheep and hogs. We tinker too much with tobacco and do not pay enough attention to necessary crops"

Asheville is making preparations for the erection of a handsome three-story granite building for the Y. M. C. A. Structure to cost \$15,000.

A fire broke out and destroyed 250 panels of fence on Senator Vance's place, North Park of Swannanoa.

The Spring term of Jackson Academy will close May 24, 1889.

Mr. John Long, of Webster, was here Thursday.

Miss Kansas Ennsley complimented us with a pleasant call at our office Monday.

Mr. C. B. Zachary, wife and child of East LaPorte drove to town yesterday.

Miss Laura Belle Long, of has been visiting in town for the past few days.

Mr. James R. Thomas was on the west bound train returning to his home at Quallatown, Monday.

Prof. House of Dillsboro attended the exercises of the literary society, Friday night.

Dr. W. F. Tompkins drove over from Webster Saturday and while here he dropped in to our office. The Dr. is a gentleman of very sunny disposition and dispels gloom wherever he goes.

Mr. Charles Vance, of Washington City, son of Senator Vance, who has been out of this section for some time in connection with certain mineral properties near Webster was on the east bound train Saturday.

Hon. Lee S. Overman, of Salisbury well and favorably known throughout the state as an able lawyer and legislator, passed through Sylva last Saturday.

Rev. Mr. Thomas was unable, owing to ill health to fill his appointments at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Dillsboro - The locust pin business is assuming giant proportions. During the week Mr. S. W. Cooper has shipped two car loads, and up to the present Mr. J. C. Watkins alone has bought over 100,000.—Miss Jane Potts has been appointed post mistress.—Dillsboro is making preparations for a large influx of summer visitors. The Alleghany House, kept by Maj. J. H. Bryson is one of the most popular hotels on the road.

FOUR INJURED IN AUTO SMASH

Miss Mary Alma Wilson, of Sylva, Miss Sarah Sue Sherrill of Sylva and Asheville, Mr. Howard Covington, of Waynesville, and Mr. Jack Cobb, of Durham are all recovering in the Angel Hospital in Franklin, from severe injuries received in an automobile smash, near the North Carolina-Georgia state line, on Highway 285, Sunday evening. The condition of all the young people is said to be good, at this time.

Miss Wilson suffered severe cuts about the head and face, and injuries to one eye, the sight of which, it was at first feared she would lose, but information now is that the injuries to her eye are not permanent. She suffered severely from loss of blood and shock.

Miss Sherrill suffered a broken arm, a dislocated elbow on the same arm, and bruises. The car, which turned over two or three times was lying across her when aid reached the party, it is understood, and she was pinned beneath it in a small stream.

Mr. Cobb, former University of North Carolina star athlete, and all-Southern Basketball player, suffered the loss of one foot, and other serious injuries.

Mr. Covington sustained two broken ribs and cuts and bruises. It is understood that the young people in the wrecked car were members of a party that had been visiting Lake Rabun, and were returning to Sylva, when they were crowded off the highway by a car going toward Georgia; their car smashing into a telephone pole and turning over into the branch, about eight o'clock Sunday evening. The driver of the other car, it is said, did not stop, but other autoists coming in the direction of Sylva arrived upon the scene almost immediately, gave first aid and brought the injured to Franklin.

Miss Wilson is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wilson, of Sylva, and Miss Sherrill a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Sherrill.

QUALLA

The Sunday School Convention met at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon. Devotional was led by Rev. J. E. Brown.

The speakers for the occasion were Rev. W. C. Reed, Mr. R. F. Jarrett, Mr. J. W. Smith, Mr. F. I. Watson, Mr. R. R. Fisher, Mr. J. L. Hyatt, and Mr. David Norman. Each address was very interesting and instructive. We were glad to have these visitors instruct and encourage us along the line of Sunday School work. Hope they will come again.

Other visitors present were Mrs. W. C. Reed and son Olin, Mrs. F. I. Watson and children, Mr. Joe Golden and others whose names we did not learn.

Mrs. J. E. Battle has returned from a visit with her daughter Miss Mary Battle of Asheville Normal. Mrs. Faye Varner of Whittier, spent the week-end with her sister Mrs. C. P. Shelton.

Rev. J. M. Ormond and Rev. R. L. Bass stopped at the Methodist church looking after its financial interests.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shelton and Mrs. Thomas Varner motored to Sylva, Saturday.

Mr. J. A. Hipps, of Olivet, was a Qualla visitor, Sunday.

Mrs. S. M. Crisp and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. House called at Mr. J. E. Hoyle's.

Miss Edna Freeman is visiting relatives at Almond.

Dark clouds and chilling winds are again casting a gloomy mantle over the green leaves and beautiful flowers, but the brave little birds still tell us in song, the song of hope, "Twill be better bye and bye"

Married at the bride's home, in Cullowhee township, Mr. John Dills and Miss Laura Wilson, Esq., Andrew Wilson officiating. The ceremony was performed at 11 o'clock, and in the afternoon the wedding party came down to Sylva, where they were given a reception at the home of Mrs. T. M. Frizzell, a sister of the groom. Misses Lora and Etta Wilson and Messrs James and Webb Fisher, Joe Davis and John Wilson accompanied the happy couple.