

# The Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 Year in Advance in The County.

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\$2.00 Year in Advance outside the County

## MUCH PROGRESS MADE ON FARMS IN PAST YEAR

That Jackson county has made considerable progress along the lines of agricultural development, as planned by the County Board of Agriculture, a year ago, is disclosed in the annual report of County Agent C. W. Wilson, just released.

The work was planned largely with the development of dairy and beef, cattle, sheep, hogs, poultry, with tobacco, potatoes, as cash crops along with definite work in building up the soils, in mind.

The results of efforts along these lines are shown in the report.

### Dairy Cattle

Thirty five to forty non-profitable cows were replaced by much better ones.

Seven good purebred dairy bulls have replaced old, or grade bulls in existing communities.

Five demonstrations in pasture, housing, and management of dairy bulls, were held.

Through the co-operation of the progressive folks, scrub bulls have been almost entirely kept out of the existing communities.

Farmers sowed largest acreage of soy beans for hay, ever known in the county. Lots of good clover has been harvested or sown on limed land. The hay crop was good.

Five cows and a cream separator were established on three additional farms during the year.

Cream marketing has continued, with \$12,500 worth sold as against \$9,700.00 the previous year. Cream stations were established at Cullowhee, East Laporte, Tuckaseegee, Addie, Willits and Balsam during the year.

Four standard community dairy demonstrations were held, with 30 cows entered. The facts and figures show that 26 of the cows paid an average return of \$75.12 above feed cost, average test for ten months.

### Poultry

Several farms have completely replaced their mixed chickens with purebred Barred Rocks or Rhode Island Reds, raised this year or last year.

35 Standard flocks were mated, and eggs furnished the local hatchery at 40c to 50c per dozen. Twenty two thousand good chicks went on the farms from this one hatchery.

Eight standard community poultry demonstrations were held, and some excellent pullets, now in lay, were produced at a cost, at five and one half cents, of \$1.10 for the heavy breeds and 90c for the Leghorns.

The sales at the car, on cooperative shipments of poultry and eggs climbed from \$22,000.00 last year to \$32,000.00 this year. Eggs were marketed satisfactorily for the first time.

Turkey raising as a cash crop is making reasonable increases over last year. A good sale was held the week before Thanksgiving, and a Christmas sale will be held the week before Christmas.

### HOGS

Approximately 20 choice sow pigs or gilts were started on farms for brood sows.

Pigs from purebred hogs placed on the farms, last year, have been added to the boars already here, until there is a purebred boar in reach of everybody, so far as is practical, and practically no scrub boars are used.

Six standard community demonstrations in housing, pasturing and the care of brood sows were held, very successfully. Two litters from one sow weighed 4,675 pounds when they were 180 days old and brought \$162.47 above feed cost.

The farmers are fast learning to have sows farrow in March and September, and to market the pigs at 6 or 7 months old, during those months. Two hog sales for live hogs were held in the spring, and one in September, moving out all the surplus fat hogs in the county at a fair price.

### Sheep

Nine small farm flocks of sheep, headed with a purebred ram, were established, making thirty new flocks in the past three years.

Most all of the good ewe lambs produced in the county this year were saved for new flocks or to increase old flocks.

## 40 Years Ago

(Tuckasee Democrat, Dec., 11, 1889)

The Democrat had all its column rules turned upside down, placing the paper in mourning, because of the death of Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederate States of America, which occurred in New Orleans, La., Friday December 6, 1889.

Register of Deeds W. H. H. Hughes is here today from Webster.

County Treasurer J. H. Moody was in town yesterday.

The following teachers were present at the meeting of the Teachers' Council, at Hamburg, the Educational center of Jackson county: J. C. Buchanan, Supt. C. C. Cowan, H. House, C. L. Harris, J. M. Moss, R. L. Madison, A. E. Pinekard, D. M. Pressley, H. R. Queen, Miss Sue Robinson, Messrs. J. F. and Franklin Watson, J. M. Wilson, and Misses Addie, Darthula, Henrietta and Henrietta Wilson.

Died, Saturday, November 30, 1889 Uncle Silas Green, of Savannah, a well known citizen of Jackson county. He was 84 years of age, and has 227 children, grand-children, and great-grand-children.

Enroute to Hamburg to the Teachers' Council, we stopped, by special request, at the hospitable mountain home of G. A. Hughes, situated at Double Springs. On ten acres of his land (which is new ground and was ploughed but once) Mr. Hughes raised, this year, 300 bu. of corn, 750 pumpkins, 150 bu of turnips, 50 bu. of potatoes. An average turnip from this field weighed three pounds. This farm, which Mr. Hughes is so successfully cultivating, and which so generously responds to a little tillage, cost \$1.00 per acre.

A graceful tribute of respect and veneration for virtuous old age was paid by the good people of Love's Chapel neighborhood, to the venerable Samuel Parris, by tendering him a complimentary dinner on Monday, the 9, the anniversary of his 86th birthday. Quite a large crowd gathered at the chapel, and the programme was inaugurated by singing "How Firm A Foundation". This was followed by a few remarks as to the purpose of the gathering, and prayer by A. J. Long, Sr., Esq., who then introduced Gen. E. R. Hampton, who made a brief address. He was followed by Mr. D. L. Love. Then Uncle Sammy himself spoke of how he had seen a railroad built down Scott's Creek where it had never seemed to him one could be built. Much regret was expressed at the absence of Maj. W. H. Bryson.

Twenty new purebred rams have gone into use this fall, and some old ones have been exchanged.

Cooperative wool sale was held, with nearly all wool selling this way. Jackson county wool, with some from Haywood and Macon, sold at Sylva at \$5.792.00. Two cooperative cars of lambs were sold at excellent prices.

A number of meetings were held where docking, castration, drenching, and general care of sheep were taught. Interest was good.

Five community demonstrations, in which sheep care, management, and lamb standardization were taught, were maintained. One such flock of 26 ewes, raised 39 lambs and the flock returned their owner \$293.00 above feed costs.

### Beef Cattle

The work of promoting beef cattle only with farmers who have sufficient mountain pasture, and who will arrange winter pasture, is taking well with the beef cattle men, and they are using more winter pasture, and providing more home grown hay than heretofore.

Beef cattle men are using more and better beef bulls, and are experiencing no trouble in cross breeding with dairy cattle. Ten excellent Hereford bulls and thirteen choice females all of extra good purebred breeding, and mostly Polled, have been secured by farmers during the year. Beef cattle breeders were aided and advised about selling early on contract, which is nearly always best when prices were high.

An effort was made to produce uniform beef cattle for the market, and practically all bulls bought are

## Commander Byrd's Route from Little America to the South Pole

The map shows the route of Commander Byrd in his trip to the South Pole from Little America, Antarctica, and back, a distance of 1,600 miles. The huge gray plane mounted the fair skies at Little America with Commander Richard E. Byrd, Bernt Balchen (flying the plane), Radioman June at the wireless and Captain Ashley C. McKinley, photographer, surveyor and general utility man. "Good flying weather" made a fine, speedy start possible.

Commander Byrd Bernt Balchen Capt. A. C. McKinley

### WILL COMPLETE ROAD FRIDAY

If the good weather holds on until tomorrow night, it is reasonably certain that, barring accidents, the paving contract on highway 106 will have been completed.

Just how long the State Highway officials will require traffic kept off the road, and whether a detour at the 100 foot stretch, yet to be paved, will be provided and kept up at the big culvert, near the river, are questions that are yet to be answered; but it is hoped that arrangements can be made to let the traffic into Sylva by at most the Monday before Christmas.

### BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION, SUNDAY AT WESTER

The Tuckasee Baptist Sunday School Conventio will meet in the Webster Baptist church, Sunday afternoon, December 15, at 2:30.

The following program has been arranged by the officers of the convention:

- 2:30 Devotional, Rev. Geo. Snyder
- 2:45, The Superintendent and His Sunday Morning Program, A. J. Dills
- 3:00 Preparing the Program, Rev. W. N. Cook.
- 3:15 Rendering the Program, T. C. Bryson,
- 3:30, Helpful Literature, A. V. Washburn.
- 3:35, Business Session.
- R. R. Fisher, Associational Supt.
- F. I. Watson, Group Supt.

### BALSAM

Dr. E. E. Smith of Asheville was here professionally, Monday.

Miss Agnes Queen is visiting her grandfather, Mr. W. M. Quiett, in Whitfield.

Mr. J. W. Porter went to Sylva, Monday on business. He will leave this week for his winter home in Hypoluxo, Fla.

Miss Faye Bryson spent week-end before last here. Her sister, Miss Pauline, returned with her to Qualla, and spent a week, which she enjoyed very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Ensley, Masters Louis and Robert Winston, have returned from a visit to Mrs. Ensley's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mehaffey in Hendersonville.

Mr. J. K. Kenney of Asheville, is here this week.

Hon. W. T. Lee of Raleigh, was here Friday.

Mrs. Maybel Perry went to Canton Monday.

### HARRY BUCHANAN HEADS THEATRE MERGER BOARD

The Theatre Owners Associations of North and South Carolina merged into one organization, at the Pinehurst meeting, this week; and Harry Buchanan, of Sylva was elected as chairman of the board of directors of the combined organization.

Herefords. This seems to be the main breed in the county.

### Pastures

The farmers have interested themselves in more and better pastures,

### FREE PICTURE SHOW FOR FARMERS, SATURDAY

As a part of the program of cooperative movement for the development of the agricultural interests of Jackson county, and of fostering a cordial and friendly relationship between the town and the country, merchants of Sylva are giving a free motion picture show at the Lyric theatre, Saturday, December 14 beginning at 10 o'clock, and closing at 4 in the afternoon. This gives ample time for everybody to see his show.

Two reels of comedy on sheep breeds, one on poultry, one on alfalfa, one on making steel, one on cream separators, one on hog health, and one on the business hen, will be shown.

The reels are said to be high class photography, with lots of action, and lovely scenes, which will be enjoyed by children as well as grown people.

Free tickets can be had for the asking at the Sylva Supply Company, The Paris, The Leader, Hale's, The Man Store, Buchanan Pharmacy or the Jackson Hardware Company.

The Lyric is one of the best theatres in the State, and every effort will be made, on the part of the management to make the farmers' show an occasion of enjoyment. The theatre is always comfortable, in all kinds of weather, and a cordial welcome awaits the farmers there.

### QUALLA

Rev. J. R. Church of King's Mountain stopped with Messrs H. G. and P. H. Ferguson, enroute to the Indian Methodist church near Cherokee where he preached, last week.

Mrs. J. H. Hughes returned Thursday from a few week's visit with relatives in Alabama and Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bird returned to Cullowhee after spending a while at their Qualla home.

Mrs. Charlotte Ferguson visited her sister, Mrs. Annie Owen at Olivet.

Mr. and Mrs. York Howell are visiting relatives in Haywood.

Mrs. J. E. Battle was guest of her daughter, Mrs. D. C. Hughes.

Mrs. J. E. Hoyle is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles Ward.

Mr. Luther Hoyle and Misses Polly and Edna Hoyle motored to Sylva. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoyle called at Mr. Oscar Gibson's.

Miss Mary Emma Ferguson was guest of Miss Edna Hoyle.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hooper called on Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Shuler.

Mr. Miller Hall was guest of Mr. Carl Hoyle.

Mr. J. E. Hoyle made a business trip to Waynesville and other points.

Mrs. L. W. Cooper and Miss Sarah Jane Gibson are on the sick list for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Golman Kinsland, Mr. H. G. Ferguson, and Rev. J. R. Church were callers at Mr. J. K. Terrell's.

The Whittier girls came to Qualla to play Basket Ball with the Qualla girls.

and at least one third of the farmers of the county have done pasture improvement.

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### ROBBERS ENTER STOVALL'S

On Monday night, robbers entered Stovall's Fruit Store, breaking a window in the rear of the building, on Mill street, and escaped with near \$50.00 in money, and a revolver, taken from the cash register. No arrest has been made, although officers are working on the case.

The same night, the little, new store of Oscar Robinson, on Highway No. 10, below Dillsboro, was entered, and about \$30.00 worth of merchandise removed.

Officers are of the opinion that the work of amateurs, as there were different persons, and that both were the work of amateurs, as there were none of the earmarks of the professional yegg about either job.

### SYLVA SHOPS READY FOR BIG HOLIDAY TRADING

Within the past few days, the Shops of Sylva have changed to a veritable Fairyland, as the Yuletide decorations, varicolored lights, tissue paper, and tinsel, and as great displays of Christmas merchandise have been opened and placed on display, showing a multitude of attractive things for grown people, and a great abundance of dolls, toys, and the like for children.

A casual tour of inspection of the high class merchandise shown, the reasonable prices, and the great variety from which to make selections, convinces one that it is needless to go elsewhere to buy for Christmas, and makes one feel a great deal of pride in the Shops of Sylva.

They have fully merited your patronage.

### ROYAL ARCANUM PLANS BIG TIME EVENING, 20TH

The members of Rhododendron Council, Royal Arcanum and planning a big time for their friends, wives and sweethearts, at an open meeting to be held Friday night, Dec. 20. Cyrus Nicholson, secretary of the Council, has announced that Hugh Montieth, the newly elected orator, has consented to act as master of ceremonies, assuring that all possible will be done to give everyone a good time. There will be plenty of refreshments, and good music to help the spirit of the occasion.

Plans are under way to inaugurate a huge membership campaign, and every member has pledged himself to help. C. S. Bartlett, field representative, carry the plans to success.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Hreman F. Baler, Ilchester, Md. to Sarah Fisher, of Addie.

Frank Shelton to Ida Shelton, Haywood county.

Fred Bryson to Allie McCall.

### LITTLE CHILD DIES

Hamilton, the 18 months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse F. Brown, died Tuesday night, at their home in East Sylva.

## CAR OF COPPER SHIPPED FROM JACKSON COUNTY

The first car load of copper ore to be shipped from Jackson county in the past quarter of a century, left East Laporte, last Friday for the Tennessee Copper Company's smelter at Ducktown, Tennessee, coming from the Cullowhee Copper Mine, now being opened and operated by the North Carolina Flux Company. A second car of copper ore was loaded and shipped on last Saturday coming from the same mine, and being placed on the cars at East Laporte.

Last summer the North Carolina Flux Company leased the Cullowhee property from the Trustees, and began preparations for mining operations, placing Mr. W. E. Ellis in charge. A great deal of work has been done in cleaning out the old shafts and building roads.

Last week, Mr. Ellis moved his family here from Blue Ridge, Ga., and expects to make his home in Sylva for some time.

It is generally believed that there are other copper properties of great value in Jackson county, as the lead crosses the county, north-east and south-west, with outcroppings at various places. And it is thought that the operation of the Cullowhee property is but a good beginning of the copper industry in Jackson.

Two or more mines have been operated with success, in Swain, for several years.

Back in the pioneer days of Jackson county, copper was mined, the ore hauled in wagons to Charleston, and shipped across the Atlantic to smelters in Wales. Since then, no serious attempts have been made to operate the mines of the county; but recently "scouts" for some of the biggest mining companies in America have been investigating the deposits here. The success of the Swain county mines has stimulated interest, and it is known that the engineers and mining experts are watching the outcome of the Cullowhee operation with a great deal of interest.

### TAKES HACK SAWS TO JAIL

It was evidently not the intention of Carey Hensley to sojourn for a long time in the Jackson county jail, regardless of the ruling of the court, for he took three hack saw blades to the prison with him, Monday morning.

He was convicted of an assault, and of possession and transportation of liquor, and was sentenced to serve 6 months on the Buncombe county roads, on the two charges. He appealed to the superior court, and was remanded to jail, pending making bond. Officers went through his clothing, as is the usual procedure, and removed three hack-saw blades from high top shoes, Hensley was wearing.

### METHODISTS TO INSTALL OFFICIALS, SUNDAY AT 11

An important and impressive service will be conducted at the Methodist church in Sylva, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, when all officials and teachers are to be inducted into office and commissioned for the year. The entire membership of the church is urged to be present for this ceremony.

The pastor, Rev. George Clemmer, has prepared a special sermon on the subject, "Our First Responsibility", which will be addressed directly to the leaders of the church and its auxiliaries. In discussing this subject the preacher will endeavor to brush aside the more non-essential aspects and present the heart of the matter.

Special music will be offered by the choir. The church schools convene at 10 a. m. Epworth Hi-League meets at 6.30. The services at Dillsboro in the evening will be in the Baptist church, Rev. W. C. Reed preaching at 7.30.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend to our friends and neighbors of Sylva and East Sylva our sincere appreciation for their kindness during the sickness and death of our little son.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse F. Brown