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## UTES HELD FOR HOMICIDE VICTIM

Funeral services and interment of Adam Cope, who was shot and killed, early Monday morning at the home of Carter Bryson, at Balsam, were held, Tuesday afternoon, at two o'clock, at Addie, by Rev. David Dean.

The details of the tragedy have not been learned; but Carter Bryson, at whose home young Cope met his death went to Waynesville and surrendered himself to the officers of Haywood county, leaving word for Sheriff Cannon, of this county, that such was his intention.

Young Cope was killed by the entire load from a single barrelled shotgun striking him above the heart, and ranging almost directly downward, indicating that the person who pulled the trigger was above him, officials stated. When officers arrived, his body was lying on the front porch of Bryson's house.

The preliminary hearing was to have been held in Sylva on yesterday, before Esquire R. A. Painter; but was postponed for a short time the date not yet being fixed. It is understood that Bryson will enter a plea of self-defense, and perhaps another ground for the slaying.

Both Bryson and Cope are well known in this part of Jackson county. Cope is married, and is a son of L. L. Cope, of Willits. His home is near Addie. Bryson is also married and has one child.

So far as has been learned, there were but two other persons present at the time of the fatal shot, the wife of Carter Bryson, and Hebron Bryson.

## 4H CLUBS ACCOMPLISH MUCH GOOD WORK DURING YEAR

(By E. V. VESTAL, Asst. Co. Agt)

This year has been another successful one for the 4H Club in Jackson county.

One of the outstanding things was the winning of first prize at the North Carolina State Fair by the 4H Club Demonstration team. The demonstration was given in poultry by John Sharpe of Scott's Creek 4H Club and Ned Tucker of Cullowhee Valley 4H Club. These two boys won out in the county-wide contest and, after plenty of hard work, did likewise against three other Sectional teams at the State Fair. To these hard-working boys the members have expressed their appreciation, and are proud of what they did for the county.

Wayne Ferguson of Qualla 4H Club has just completed a fine piece of work this year with his Poland China brood sow and her two litters of pigs. The spring litter of 12 pigs averaged 204 1-4 pounds at 6 months of age and made Wayne a profit of \$88.56 above feed cost. Wayne is a pioneer in the ton-litter work in the county, this being his second ton-litter feed out. The present litter of 10 fine pigs won second prize at the county Livestock and Poultry Show, this fall, and Wayne now has them on a self-feeder headed towards another ton-litter.

Fred Brown of the Cullowhee Valley 4H Club has a grade Guernsey heifer, he raised to a fine year old just on good pasture, soy bean hay, corn silage, and corn and cob meal. His records show that his total cost including labor was \$35.00. The present value of the heifer is \$75.00.

Wilma Monteith of the Hamburg 4H Club is in partnership with her father in sheep club work. The eighteen fine, grade Hampshire ewes and the pure-bred buck cost a total of \$28.00. Wool and lambs sold and ewe lambs on hand amount to \$188.00. This leaves them a profit of \$84.00.

John H. Ferguson of Qualla 4H Club has made a good record in White Wyandotte chickens. Last spring he ordered fifty chicks and raised them for \$47.92. He won first prize in the breed at the county Livestock and Poultry Show. From prize money, eggs sold, broilers sold, and pullets and cockerels on hand he has total returns of \$93.34. This leaves him a profit of \$46.02 for his labor.

Dorothy Wilson of the Hamburg 4H Club had a half acre of cabbage for her project. Her total expense was \$20.00, and she sold 8865 pounds of cabbage at 1 cent a pound for a total of \$88.65.

These examples and many others that are similar show that Jackson

## NEXT JOURNAL MONDAY

Next week's issue of The Journal will appear on Monday morning, December 23. This is done for two reasons; first for the benefit of the advertisers in Jackson county's paper, and the late Christmas shoppers; and second, in order to give the faithful force a holiday on Christmas Day, which would be impossible, if the paper were published on Thursday, the usual publication day. All advertisers and correspondents will please take notice of this change in the publication date, and have copy in the office not later than 3 o'clock, Saturday afternoon.

Following the usual custom of this and all other first class weekly papers, there will be no paper published the week following Christmas.

## FORMER SYLVA MAN DIES

Mr. C. C. Hawkins, jeweler of Canton, died at the Norburn hospital in Asheville, of an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Hawkins moved from Sylva to Canton, a few years ago, after coming here from Hendersonville. While living here, Mr. Hawkins operated a jewelry store, and made many friends.

## SYLVA COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE CLOSES FOR HOLIDAYS FRIDAY

Sylva Collegiate Institute will close tomorrow for the Christmas holidays, and will reopen for the spring term on January 2.

The fall term, which closes tomorrow, has been very successful, in many respects, according to Mr. B. L. Mullinax, the principal. While the enrollment has not been quite as large as in previous years, the work of both teachers and students has been of a high order. The sincerity and earnestness with which the students have entered into the spirit of the institution has been very commendable, says the principal.

About twenty new boarding students are expected at the beginning of the spring term, which will begin January 2, 1930, instead of Dec. 31, as stated in the current calendar. Prof. Mullinax states that the spirit of cooperation on the part of the patrons has been beautiful, as well as sacrificial, in some instances. He wishes to publicly commend the women of Scott's Creek Baptist church, as well as other good friends in the community, for the very generous gifts of canned foods and other gifts during the Thanksgiving season. A list of these will be published in the Journal of next week.

He also wishes to thank Prof. J. E. Brown and his school children, who arrived recently, on foot, about 75 strong, each little one as well as older ones carrying a package of canned fruits or food of some description.

Dr. R. L. Creal and the Bryson City Baptist church have recently made very generous contributions, which are too numerous to mention.

Dr. W. M. Lee and his church at Franklin have also shown a fine spirit of cooperation and have donated liberally in a material way.

Then, the ladies of Sylva Baptist church are due credit for two fine turkeys, and three cakes, which added materially to the Thanksgiving dinner; and Mrs. Harry Evans for 7 gallons of canned fruit.

Prof. Mullinax will spend part of the holiday season at his home in Asheville. Part of the time he will be in the field in the interest of the school.

Mr. Glenn Travis will be at his home in Asheville.

Miss Agnes Brown and Miss Rose Cox will spend the holidays in Asheville, while Miss Eleanor Moncrief will visit friends in Atlanta.

Mrs. A. S. Keener and her two daughters, Miss Maude and Miss Lois, will spend the holidays in Macon county.

Miss Edna Wallace will remain in Sylva except for a few days, which will be spent visiting friends in nearby towns.

County Club Members are making progress in their work, and that they are not only making money, but are gaining experience that will be of untold value in later life.

## WILL HOWELL IS TAKEN IN EAST

Will Howell, fourth of the quartet of Howell brothers, charged with a felonious assault upon George Shuford and William Pearce, near Lake Fairfield, last fall, has been taken by officers in New Jersey and is being held for Jackson county authorities, according to information from the office of Sheriff Cannon.

The three brothers of the man who has just been taken, Guy, Frank and Carl Howell, were convicted of the charge, by a jury at the October term of Jackson county superior court, and are now serving terms of from 6 to 10 years, imposed by Judge Michael Schenck. Will Howell escaped at the time his brothers were taken, at the home of their father, on Jonathan's creek, in Haywood county, and, hence, was not tried along with his brothers.

The three were convicted of having made a most brutal and dangerous assault upon the two Transylvania men, with knives, tire tools, and a car jack, following an altercation concerning the right of way on Highway 28. Will Howell is charged with having been present and taken part in the assault.

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES SUNDAY AT THE METHODIST CHURCHES

The services at the Methodist churches of Sylva and Dillsboro will be in commemoration of the anniversary of the birth of Jesus, the Savior of the world. A Christmas message will be given from the pulpit by the pastor, Rev. George Clemmer, on the subject, "The Revelation of Christmas and Calvary."

Music special for Christmas has been prepared by the Sylva choir under direction of Mrs. Ernest Monteith, and will be offered at the morning service.

Sunday schools convene promptly at 10 a. m. There will be a Christmas program with tree and treat for the little people of the Beginner-Primary department in the basement. Mrs. M. Cowan is the superintendent, and will be in charge.

The Junior-Intermediate department is sponsoring a Christmas tree project which is to be given in the "Rhodes" room, Tuesday afternoon, for the benefit of the children of that community under fourteen years of age. Well over one hundred children will benefit by this effort to spread Christmas cheer. Mrs. C. Z. Candler is superintendent of this department, and solicits community cooperation in this undertaking.

The Epworth Hi-League meets in the evening at 6:30. Evening services at Dillsboro at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to attend any services of the charge.

## GET GOOD PRICE FOR TOBACCO

A number of the burley tobacco growers of Jackson county took their tobacco to the Greenville, Tenn., market, the first of the week, and found the market favorable and the price good. The buyers were so busy that they could not get to the grading and weighing of the Jackson county burley until today; but the price ranged between 25 and 30 cents for most of the crop from this county, and checks will be mailed to the growers today, it is understood.

This is the first year that the farmers of this county have tried the burley tobacco game, although Jackson was a great tobacco county, years ago. This year the burley was tried by several farmers, as an experiment, and most of them are well pleased with their efforts and the price paid.

About 15 of the growers went to the Greenville market, taking from 12000 to 15000 pounds of burley, which showed up better than the Tennessee crop.

Much of the Jackson county tobacco was not ready for the market, and is still in the home barns, but will be ready within the next two or three weeks.

## THE MEANEST MAN

About this time every year, we notice great car loads of holly going by, headed for the cities. Much of it is taken from along the roadside, and the folks who have it in possession had no more right to enter the premises of a farmer and take his holly, than the farmer would have to go to the city and break and carry away the shrubbery in somebody's yard.

At the least that can be said of it, this practice of taking so much holly from near the highways, is a most selfish one, and should be stopped.

Ever since last year, we have been thinking about the Brevard News' nominee for the meanest man. Somebody cut down, and carried away a holly bush that somebody else had carefully planted near the grave of a loved one, in a country cemetery in Transylvania. The person who did it may not be the world's champion mean man of all time; but it was the sorriest trick we ever heard of being committed in Western North Carolina, and we will take a chance on being right in seconding the News' nomination.

## TOMORROW NIGHT IS LADIES' NIGHT WITH ROYAL ARCANUM.

Tomorrow night is Ladies' Night with Rhododendron Council, Royal Arcanum. At eight o'clock the hall will be opened to the ladies and their escorts, the huge oyster supper be-

## WILL OPEN 106 DEC. 28

Information received by officials of the Sylva Chamber of Commerce is to the effect that the State Highway Commission does not think it advisable to suspend its rules regarding the fourteen day period that green concrete is allowed to set before traffic is allowed on a roadway. This is official information, and means that the Cullowhee road must remain closed until after Christmas, and will be opened on December 28.

The detour should be in good condition, however, for the few remaining days before Christmas, as it is receiving the entire attention of Patrolman Bob Cotter and an increased force of men.

## CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT BAPTIST CHURCH, SUNDAY

A Christmas pageant, "Follow the Lead of the Star", will be presented instead of the regular evening service, at the First Baptist church, Sunday, by a large cast, including a number of the young people and older members of the Sunday school and church.

The pageant begins with the prophecy of Isaiah concerning the birth of Christ, and the story of the visit of the Shepherds and the Wise Men to the Babe of Bethlehem is given, followed by the portrayal of the blessings incident to the Christian era. The cast will be augmented by a choir composed of women's voices.

On Monday evening a program of music and recitations by the children of the Sunday school will be given, with a treat for the younger children.

Christmas music is being arranged by the choir for the Sunday morning service.

Guests as soon as the guests have arrived.

The hall over the post office will be arranged in banquet style and decorated in colors appropriate to the Yuletide season. Music will be furnished by Madison's trio; and efforts are being made to obtain the services of the Ukelele Quartet, from Sylva Collegiate Institute, as an extra feature of the entertainment.

Several members of French Broad Council of Asheville, have planned to motor to Sylva and join in the celebration. S. P. Mears, Regent of the Asheville Council, has consented to make a short talk, as have one or two members of the local council.

All wives and sweethearts of members are especially invited to be present. Hugh Monteith, Council orator and toastmaster deluxe, has promised an entertainment that the ladies will remember for many months.

## IMPROVE DETOUR FOR HOLIDAYS

Patrolman J. Robert Cotter, with a force of men, trucks, drags, and a caterpillar tractor, is busy in hurried attempts to place the Sylva - Cullowhee detour in good condition for the heavy holiday trading traffic, that it will be obliged to carry on Friday, Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, if Santa Claus is to visit the homes of the greater part of Jackson county.

Already the inaccessibility of Sylva to its greatest trade territory, has worked a great hardship both to the country people, and Sylva. However, there are but two really bad places on the detour, a short distance on the north side of River Hill, and a very short distance near the Endoe mill, on Savannah creek.

The efforts of the repair force are being concentrated at these places, and it is believed that the detour will be in good condition by Friday morning. On Tuesday, Mr. Cotter secured the use of the county's caterpillar tractor, and trucks are busy hauling cinders, while the tractor and scrapers are dragging the road.

Tuesday night Mr. Cotter received authority from the district office of the Highway Commission to expend whatever money is necessary to put the detour in travelable condition, by employing additional men for his force.

The paving on the highway was completed on Friday of last week, and representatives from the Sylva Chamber of Commerce approached Highway Commissioner Stikeleather, hoping to get it opened for light traffic by Monday morning December 23; but were informed by Mr. Stikeleather that he has no authority to change the commission's ruling which requires that green concrete must remain closed to traffic for a period of 14 days. Mr. Stikeleather stated, however, that he would write the commission and try to secure the authority.

## BEGIN NEW DORMITORY AT TEACHERS' COLLEGE

The work of constructing the new dormitory at Western Carolina Teachers' College, at Cullowhee is under way in real earnest. The excavation work has been completed, and the contractor is now pouring the concrete for the foundation walls.

It is hoped to have the new dormitory ready for occupancy at the beginning of the Spring quarter of the college, or at the latest, by the first session of the summer school.

The building will be a handsome one, and will be one of the best dormitories owned by the State, being modern in every respect.

## AGED QUALLA WOMAN PASSES

Miss Sarah Jane Gibson died at the home of her brother, Mr. Thomas Gibson, Dec 10th. Her body was interred in the Ward cemetery, Thursday morning. She was 76 years of age. She professed faith in Christ early in life, joined the Baptist church lived a faithful, consistent life, expressed herself as being "Willing to die, it was the Lord's will". Her's was a quiet, industrious, home life. We never heard a harsh word spoken of "Aunt Sarah". Funeral services were conducted by Rev. George Snyder.

Rev. R. L. Bass preached an interesting sermon at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Norman Turpin and family of Newport, Tenn. are visiting relatives.

Mr. Carl Hoyle is attending school at Cullowhee.

Misses Clem Hall, Etta Kinsland, and Annie Lizzie Terrell returned to their schools after a week end visit with homefolks.

Mrs. J. O. Howell made a trip to Sylva.

Messrs J. M. Hughes and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Kinsland and Miss Jessie Martin of Cherokee were Qualla visitors, Sunday.

Mrs. J. R. Martin visited Mrs. J. H. Hughes.

Misses Grace Hoyle and Winnie Cooper and Mr. Luther Hoyle motored to Beta.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoyle visited Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Crisp.

Messrs J. K. Terrell and D. C. Hughes made a business trip to Sylva.

Miss Polly Hoyle was guest of Miss Phyllis Moody.

## All In The Same Boat

By Albert T. Reid

