

The Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 Year in Advance in The County.

SYLVA, N. C., THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1931

\$2.00 Year in Advance Outside The County.

WEEK BY WEEK

(By Del. Tompkins)

The Tradewind, another plane with a woman pilot and a man pilot, is lost in the Atlantic, trying to carry a "pry load" from here to Paris. Some people commit suicide by hanging themselves, while the real foolish try to fly across the ocean, and think they are being brave.

The Reynolds Tobacco Company earned 7 the arise of thirty four million dollars, last year, the largest in the history of the industry. And yet the farmers, in most cases had to take starvation prices for their tobacco. Wherein we see more evidence that something is decidedly out of joint in our economic system.

Things are looking up. There is a decidedly more cheerful tone to the press. The papers tell of thousands returning to work; and there is evidently a decided upward turn to conditions in general. However, we can not expect to see permanent prosperity until there are some needed changes effected, whereby a few people cannot hog the whole of the money and property of this country.

The movement among the veterans of the Great War to secure the immediate payment of their adjusted compensation certificates in cash, is gaining ground, and the veterans are almost a unit in favor of it. No only would this be an act of justice to those who served in the armed forces during the war, but it would perhaps revive all lines of business activity more rapidly than any single action that could be taken, as it would distribute huge sums of money throughout every nook and corner of the country.

Frank Kent, of the Baltimore Sun states that it is neither healthy nor Democratic for the party to be beholden to one man, financially, as much as it is to Raskob. And Mr. Kent is right. The Democratic party is the party of the common people of this country, and they should support it with their money, and it should operate solely for their benefit. The Democratic party should not allow any one rich man, no matter how thoroughly he may believe in its principles, nor how great may be his faith in it, to finance the party, as extensively as has Mr. Raskob.

The State senate has adopted a resolution asking the United States government to return to the State twenty per cent of the huge tobacco tax paid in from North Carolina to be used for the support of the public schools of the State. That would be fine, if the government would do it, which it probably won't. Anyway, it would be collecting money from almost every State for the use of North Carolina's public schools, as the tobacco tax paid in from the North Carolina factories, comes from the pockets of users of our tobaccos and cigarettes, in the four corners of America. I fear it is but a subterfuge on the part of somebody to dodge the issue of levying a sales tax on luxuries for the support of our schools. Anyway, it is the great old game of passing the buck. The State passed it down to the districts, the districts are passing it back to the counties, the counties want to pass it back to the State, where it belongs and now somebody was bright enough to think up the idea of passing it on to the federal government.

THE MOST AMERICAN CHARACTER' METHODIST PASTOR'S THEME

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the pastor of the Methodist church, Rev. George Clemmer, will use as the subject for discussion, "The Most American Character in the New Testament."

The Bible offers a very interesting variety of personality and talent. Some are wise, some are foolish, some are gifted and others are good for nothing. Some are quite primitive and others exceedingly modern. Sunday-morning Mr. Clemmer will present a character from the New Testament who is as modern as America.

Church schools of the charge on Jan. 17 at 10 a. m. promptly. The Epworth League meets in the evening at 6:45. The Sunday evening service in Dillsboro will be in the Baptist church. The public is cordially welcome.

ENGINEER TO LOOK OVER 106

The State Highway Commission is sending an engineer to look over the road from Cashier's Valley to the South Carolina line, preparatory to taking it over and adding it to the State Highway system as a part of No. 106, as it was originally intended to be.

This is believed to be a most important step toward the completion of this important highway, as it will link it up, as an important interstate highway from Jacksonville, through Augusta, Walhalla and Sylva to Knoxville and Chicago.

The matter was taken up directly with the State Highway Commission last week by Mrs. E. L. McKee, Mr. Thomas A. Cox and others, and the entire commission with two exceptions, is reported as having been entirely favorable to the matter.

It is believed that this mileage will be added to Highway 106 at the February meeting. It is reported as being evident that the commission was not familiar with Highway 106, its history, its importance and the special claims that it has upon the commission, until the matters were called to the attention of the body last week. Chairman Doughton and Commissioner John Sprunt Hill are reported as having been especially interested and impressed with the case as presented by Senator McKee and Representative Cox.

The matter of repayment of interest on loans made by the Highway Commission by this county was also presented, it has been called to the attention of the members of the General Assembly, a large committee headed by Mr. Cox, is working on it and it is said to be creating much sympathetic interest both inside the highway commission, and from members of the assembly, all of whom see the justice of the claim that this and other counties have in the collection of this money.

The highway commission has no money with which to complete the paving of 106 to Cullowhee, at the present time and is frank to say so; but a local committee in Sylva, representing the Chamber of Commerce, is busy working from the Washington end of the line, to have it put on the map of the postoffice department as a post road, which it already is, in reality, in order to get federal aid money allotted to it.

The big fight for the completion of this and other roads that were a part of the original State Highway system, really centers about the plan, advocated by the Sylva Chamber of Commerce, and recommended by both the report of the Brookings Institute and Governor Gardner, to reorganize the State Highway Commission and to change the plan of allocation of funds, so that the system will be considered as a whole, instead of the allocation coming by districts. The plan has strong support in the State, aside from the Governor, and it is believed that it will be adopted. If this is done, it is the general opinion that 106 will be one of the first highways to be completed under the new system.

Other cases were: Roy Pickens, simple assault, prayer for judgment continued for 12 months.

Parley Kennedy, disorderly conduct, judgment suspended upon payment of the costs.

Parris Mull, larceny, continued to Jan. 26th.

Clay Clark, possession, remanded to juvenile court.

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Will Morris Loses Home By Fire

Fire, thought to have originated in the kitchen flue, completely destroyed the home of Will Morris on the old Dillsboro road Tuesday evening, between six and seven o'clock.

There was no one in the house at the time. Mr. Morris works at the Sylva Paperboard Company's plant, and was on the job, while Mrs. Morris had stepped over to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Zollie Fineannon, which is nearby. The fire had gained such headway before it was discovered, that it was impossible to extinguish it or to save any of the furnishings. The home and its entire contents were completely destroyed. The loss was only partially covered by insurance.

MRS. MCKEE GETS IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS

Mrs. E. L. McKee, senator from this district has received a number of important committee assignments in the State senate. She is chairman of the Welfare committee and a member of the Appropriations, Education, Highway, Elections, Conservation, Health and Finance Committees.

HOOVER BANISHES THREE WOMEN

Three women were banished from the community by order of Judge Hoover in Recorder's Court, this week. Mrs. M. P. Clements was charged with larceny. The bill was changed to forcible trespass, and she was sentenced to serve four months in jail, capias to issue January 19. Frances Clements and Mamie Raby, held since before Christmas on disorderly conduct charges were sentenced to 4 months each, capias for the Clements girl to issue on the 19th, and for the Raby girl on the 15th.

Richard Wike was convicted of manufacturing and of possession and transporting. He was sentenced to serve six months in each case, appealed to the superior court, and gave a five hundred dollar bond. In the beginning of the trial, when the case was first called, his attorney, Mr. Stillwell, stated that he was unprepared to make a defense at the time, as he had been unable to get witnesses here from South Carolina, from Transylvania county, and elsewhere, because of the condition of the weather. The only witness placed on the stand was a man named Jerry Kinsey who stated that he had been a tenant on Mr. Wike's farm until recently, and that there had been a verbal contract between them where by Mr. Wike had furnished him apparatus to make a still and materials for the manufacture of liquor, and that he had made some liquor and delivered it to Mr. Wike, who was to pay the witness half the proceeds. It was brought out on cross examination that Kinsey had moved from Mr. Wike's place to Mike Brown's, and had taken a crop of corn with him for which Mr. Wike had gotten claim and delivery papers. Kinsey swore that he had only secured the warrant for Mr. Wike in order to protect himself and force settlement, admitting that he had left the Wike place without making settlement with his landlord. He stated that he had served a six-month's sentence in Transylvania for bootlegging. Mr. Wike did not go on the stand, and offered no testimony except that which was brought out in the cross examination of Kinsey.

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FORM COUNTY RELIEF COMMITTEE

At a meeting held in Sylva on Jan. 6, at the call of Mrs. Mary Camp Sprinkle, from the governor's council on unemployment and relief, a permanent central committee for Jackson county was organized, with Dr. W. P. McGuire as chairman. Mr. Crawford Shelton, Mrs. H. T. Hunter, Mrs. C. B. Robinson, Mr. M. B. Madison, Mr. J. N. Wilson and Mrs. Jno. R. Jones, as the committee.

It was stated at the meeting that considerable work has already been done in various communities of the county, by different organizations.

So far as is possible, the committee seeks to work with local communities in securing employment for the unemployed, and where this is impossible, relief work will be done by the committee and the county welfare officer. Mr. Madison is secretary of the committee and Mrs. John R. Jones is in charge of publicity.

E. O. Robinson, assault, 1 cent and the costs, and appeal.

T. B. Ensley, drunk, prayer for judgment continued.

A. C. Edwards, drunk, prayer for judgment continued.

Lush Wilson, possession and transporting, prayer for judgment continued to Jan. 26th.

George Hoyle, Odell Barnes and Ed Smith, petty larceny. Hoyle and Barnes were found not guilty. Smith given three months sentence.

Lawrence Gates, assault, not guilty.

Harney Franks, drunk, \$10 and the costs.

Ruel Franks, drunk, not pros with leave.

Jim Harper (colored) drunk, 30 days suspended upon payment of the costs and upon good behavior.

Paul Thompson, possession and transporting, not guilty.

Tom Cunningham, reckless driving, judgment suspended upon payment of the costs.

Ben Dillard, drunk, judgment suspended upon payment of the costs.

Vernon Harris, attempt to defraud, action dismissed.

Moutrie Dillard, assault, not guilty.

Bert Sutton, drunk, \$10.00 and the costs.

Aus Jones, drunk, \$10.00 and the costs.

Jess Womaek, drunk, 30 days, to be worked on the county farm.

J. B. Stanberry, assault. Pay the costs.

A. M. Dillard, assault, pay the costs.

James Gibbs and Clyde Gibbs, larceny, changed to trespass and judgment suspended upon payment of the costs.

Joc Connor, fraud, not guilty.

HATCHERY NOW IN OPERATION

The Farmers' Federation Hatchery, located on Highway 106, opened yesterday with the first setting for eggs for spring chicks. The capacity of the hatchery is 16,200 eggs, and it is believed that it will run at full capacity through the entire season.

The hatchery is said to be paying the highest possible price for eggs and present plans are to reduce the price of baby chicks, with the thought in mind of placing as much poultry as possible on the farms, during this spring.

Mr. George Evans, of the Farmers' Federation was in town Monday, making plans for the opening of the hatchery and discussing the prospects and general conditions, with farmers and business men.

MADISON PROFILE ON RINGS

Cullowhee, Jan. 12—A standard ring has been accepted by the students at Western Carolina Teachers College. The ring is gold in antique design, the stone being garnet. On one side of the ring is the profile of Professor R. L. Madison, the founder of the college. On either side of the profile is a true Cullowhee Lily. On the other side is the Western Carolina Teachers College seal and the letters "B. S." which means that the wearer has a B. S. Degree from the college.

The library at Western Carolina Teachers College has been enlarged to meet the demands of an increased enrollment. Instead of the one room that was formerly used there are now two being used. The library will be a much more ideal place in which to read and study.

Orchestra and Glee Club work at Western Carolina Teachers College is making splendid progress. The Glee Club has several new members added to the roll, and the orchestra has two new members. Miss Mary Rose Feagan, voice teacher at the college, is in charge of the Glee Club and Miss Lona Bill Braswell, piano teacher, is director of the orchestra.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

Lonnie Pressnell (Yancey county) to Mabel Wiseman.

Vernon Shook to Mary B. Brown. Richard Bennett to Ida Collins.

Ed Walls to Ida Rogers, both of Haywood.

Cas Galloway to Bessie Owen. Robert Holden to Edith Daves. Howard Phillips to Ruby Dairymple.

Colored

Charles Knox to Gertrude Allen.

40 YEARS AGO

(Turkeseize Democrat Jan. 21, 1891)

Snow in Hamburg Monday morning sixteen inches deep.

Corn is selling here at 75c. per bushel.

A harness shop is one of Sylva's new enterprises.

Travel between here and Webster has perceptibly increased since the mail has been coming and going this way.

Mr. Davis of Haywood introduced a bill to incorporate the Hot Springs, Webster and Savannah railroad.

H. A. Gudger of Asheville was elected Grand Master of Masons at the Grand Lodge in Raleigh.

Rev. T. C. Buchanan spent a few hours here Monday. He intended leaving for the Seminary at Louisville, Ky., yesterday.

Gen. E. R. Hampton came home Friday on a short visit, returning to his duties as assistant clerk of the Senate at Raleigh Monday.

It seems as if Cashier's Valley friends have determined on leaving us and setting up for themselves. Application is to be made to the Legislature to form a new county.

Mr. Cowan introduced a bill to incorporate Glenville, which is the name our friends at Hillsboro have adopted for their town. It is very pretty name; but what is the matter with Hamburg?

We are sorry to hear that our friend Cecil Buchanan was taken very ill Sunday night with something like brain fever. His father has gone to Vallejo, Cal., to see him, as has Dr. J. E. Battle.

We had four or five inches of snow last Thursday night and Friday morning. We have had no extremely cold weather so far, the thermometer rarely registering lower than fifteen degrees.

We learn that Messrs. J. M. Smith and Z. W. Watson have leased the hotel property recently purchased by Mr. A. J. Long, Jr., and will take possession Feb. 1.

DRAW JURY FOR FEBRUARY COURT

The jury for the February term of Superior Court, has been drawn by the Jury Commission and the sheriff's officers have summons for the following citizens to serve in that capacity:

First Week

E. M. Hawkins, Dave O. Green, J. B. Ensley, Thomas C. Buchanan, Frank Henson, W. F. Battle, J. Madison Nicholson, O. B. Coward, T. L. Owen, Oscar Easley, G. K. Bess, W. A. Hooper, L. L. Buchanan, Richard H. Hill, George L. Crawford, R. Dills, E. Wilson, J. D. Bentley, B. H. Hooper, W. H. Jackson, John A. Parris, J. M. Leatherwood, J. C. Hooper, C. W. Bryson, R. B. Shuler, Buck Harris, W. E. Cook, McKinley Henry, J. E. Dillard, A. J. Monteith, E. G. Lombard, F. M. Alley, C. M. McCulley, Royston Cowan, Wes Harris.

Second Week

Sam F. Bryson, A. C. Dillard, T. L. Wike, John D. Norton, J. C. Henderson, R. B. Long, Mack Ashe, Dexter Lusk, D. A. Gass, L. B. Moody, John H. Hooper, J. L. Phillips, H. U. Gowers, J. B. Long, J. E. Battle.

BALSAM

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Ashe announce the birth of a fine son, Randy. He arrived Sunday morning. Mr. E. O. Queen and Mrs. Tom Harris are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Quitt at Whitler.

Mr. Henderson Jones went to Waynesville Monday.

Several Balsamites attended funeral service of Dr. R. L. Allen in Waynesville Saturday.



The Fatted Calf is Waiting for the Prodigal

By Albert T. Reid

INDICATIONS OF NATIONAL BUSINESS REVIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Burgess motored up from New Smyrna, Fla. last week and spent several days in Balsam. They came up to bring their son, Walter B. Jr., and daughter Henriett to resume their studies in their respective schools, Robert E. Lee Hall and Fenimore.