

# The Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 Year in Advance in The County.

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\$2.00 Year in Advance Outside The County.

## WEEK BY WEEK

(By Dan Tompkins)

W. Gaither Rhodes, 27 year old son of the defunct First Bank and Trust Company of Hendersonville, appeared in court, Tuesday, before his neighbor, Judge Michael Schenck, and entered a plea of guilty of embezzlement of \$3,000. He was sentenced to serve from 5 to 7 years in the state prison and left immediately to begin his sentence.

President Hoover is to be a speaker at the dedication of the Harding Memorial. He should. If you will refresh your memory, you will recollect that he was a member of Harding's cabinet; and it is very fitting that he should participate in the delicate services of the memorial to his one-time chief.

Niagara Falls has changed with the night, more than it has since the first white man set foot on this continent. Thousands of tons of rocks tumbled loose and fell making a 200 foot incision in the falls and changing the contour of the great natural wonder. This is a world and a universe of change. Nothing remains the same. The earth and all upon it is constantly moving onward to change.

Calvin Coolidge and Al. Smith have been named by President Hoover as the heads of a citizens' committee to secure an additional \$10,000,000 dollars for the Red Cross relief work in America. We have our differences in this country, but Democrat and Republican are all one when distress and suffering strike our people, even if that distress is usually brought about through our own folly.

Among other things that are getting attention in Raleigh, is the matter of redistricting the State to provide for North Carolina's new congressman. There is considerable support to the idea of a congressman at large, but Odus Mull, Democratic chairman opposes that. Of course the majority in the General Assembly, and it is practically unanimous this time, will seek to make the redistricting, if redistricting we shall have, so as to assure, as nearly as may be possible, a full Democratic delegation in congress from North Carolina.

A Greensboro Daily News Dispatch from its Washington bureau brings the tidings that Congressman George Pritchard will probably start a contest with Josiah William Bailey over his election to the United States Senate. The Daily News reporter asserts that men high in Republican councils are reported as favoring such a contest. Let's see. Wasn't Mr. Bailey's majority 112,000; or was it 133,000?

Many bills looking to the end have been introduced in the General Assembly, and it seems as if that body is determined upon a substantial reduction in land taxes. That is the plain mandate of the people. From Murphy to Manteo the people of North Carolina are insisting upon a reduction of the taxes paid by the farmer and the small home owner. The rub comes in finding a tax to take its place. Every move to tax something else is combatted by people especially interested in that particular line. The General Assembly will have to ignore special interests and find a tax that will be fair and just to all the people; but relieve the burdened land owner it must.

The question of postponing revaluation of property has come up in the General Assembly. Unquestionably the revaluation should be put off, as Governor Gardner recommended, until there is a stability in prices. No man nor set of men could fairly value property at this time, for the reason that they would have no rule by which to measure its value. If some folks are paying more tax in proportion to their neighbors than they should, they have their remedy in the present law, by applying to the Board of County Commissioners as a Board of Review. But a general revaluation at this time could even tuate into nothing except to make more of a mess of taxation from one end of the State to the other, than we already have.

## CULLOWHEE STUDENT WITH GEOGRAPHIC

Cullowhee, N. C., January 19, 1931  
Western North Carolina Teachers College is watching with interest and pride the scientific work of Lyndon H. Hargraves who graduated from the college in 1917.

Mr. Hargraves is engaged in archaeological work in Arizona. The National Geographic Magazine has been giving accounts of the research work of Mr. Hargraves in the line of tree ring dating. Since the spring of 1928 when Dr. A. E. Douglas of the Steward Observatory of the University of Arizona, selected Mr. Hargraves to conduct the first National Geographic Beam Expedition, he has lived with the Hopi Indians, learned their language, taken up their mode of living and was adopted by them. In this way he gained access to the rooms in the village where he eagerly examined and collected sections of beams of great antiquity.

In 1929 Mr. Hargraves was sent to conduct the second National Geographic Beam Expedition. The results of these expeditions are: (1) many of the pueblos of the southwest were assigned to absolute dates in our own calendar and to a continuous absolute chronology back to 700 A. D.; (2) sequences of culture traits of the pre-Spanish pueblo Indian were ascertained; (3) sunspot activities were traced into prehistoric time and their periodical occurrences were established more firmly.

At present Mr. Hargraves is head of the Archaeology Department of the Arizona State Teachers College at Flagstaff.

## COX ON IMPORTANT COMMITTEE

Thomas A. Cox, of Jackson, has been named as a member of the House committee to draft legislation to revise the State government. This committee will have as one of its duties the consideration of the matter of reorganization of the State Highway Commission. The full committee is Jeffress, chairman, of Guilford, Seawell, McLean, Tatham, Garibaldi, Burgin, Davis, Rogers, Cherry, Cox, Holmes, Ewing, Long, Johnson and McBeck.

Mr. Cox is also a member of other important committees in the house. It is generally conceded that the most important legislative committee is the one for revision of the State government.

## ALLPRESS CONCERT AT W.C.T.C.

Cullowhee, N. C., January 18—The Allpress All Star Artists will give a musical concert in the auditorium of Western Carolina Teachers College on Tuesday, January 27, at 7:30. This trio of artist will be the fourth group for this season to give lyceum numbers.

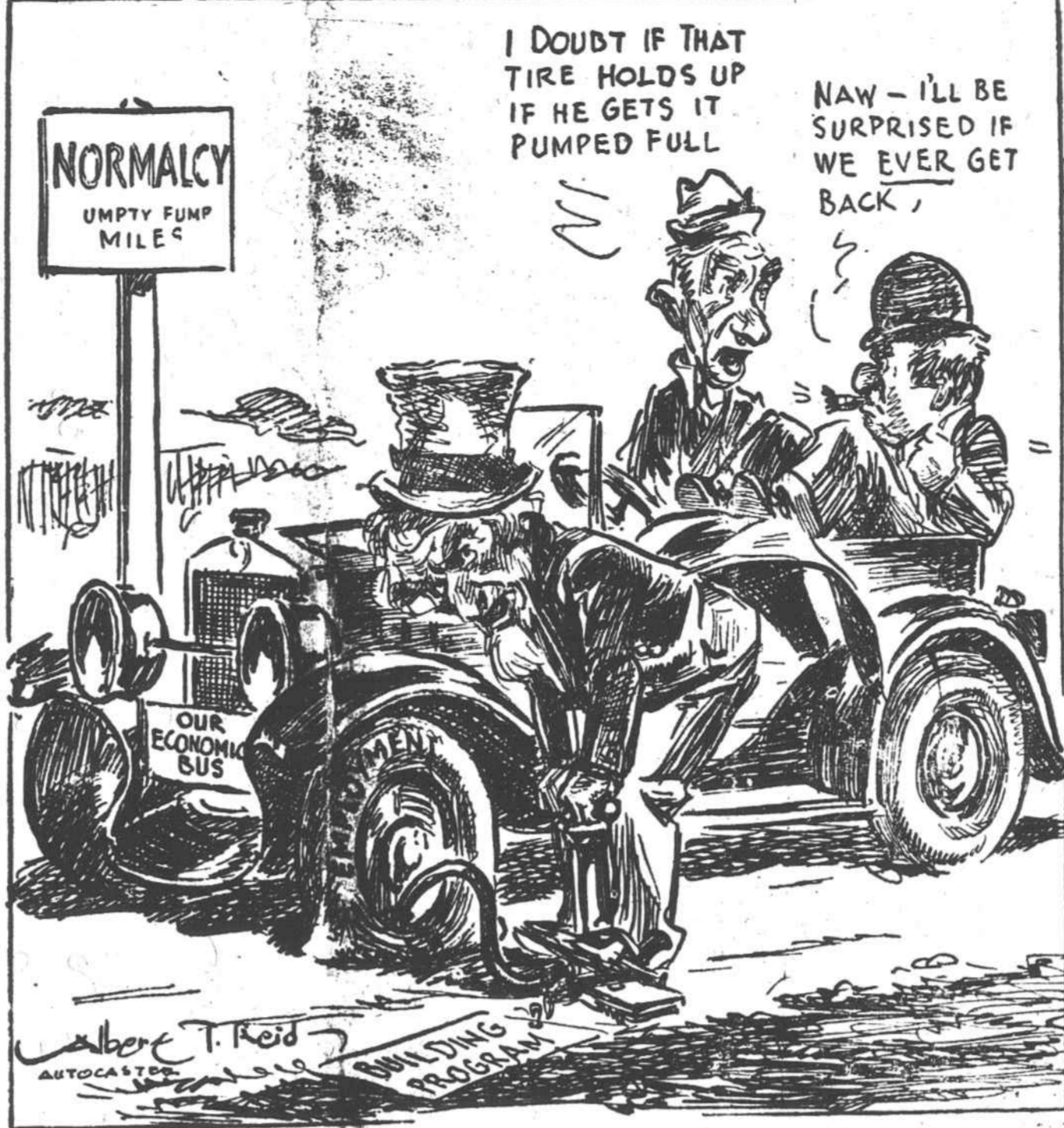
The company is led by Thomas Allpress, violinist, who has studied in America, England and Germany. He is an exponent of the newer school of American Music. While Mr. Allpress admits that full credit should be given the older masters in music, he also thinks that the newer music, which expresses the spirit of America, should be given its place in the artistic life of a country.

Numerous comments have been sent to the office of President H. T. Hunter which give high praise to the type of concert given by this same group of artist at other places in this and adjoining states.

The mountain labored and brought forth a mouse. The Wickersham Crime Commission, appointed by Mr. Hoover, 19 months ago, has made its report on prohibition. It has heard evidence and drawn deductions for nearly these two years and when, at last the report is made, it is so full of contradictions, conflicting opinions, and confusions, that, aside from the factual findings, it is of little or no value. Instead of settling the prohibition argument, it will but add fuel to the flames of the raging conflict. If one is honestly seeking a solution of the prohibition muddle, seriously looking for the light, he must go elsewhere than the report of the much heralded report of the commission. The man in the street can get nothing from it, and I seriously doubt Mr. Hoover's ability, great mining engineer that he is, to find any thought nuggets in the new vein.

## Don't Leave All the Work to Uncle Sam

By Albert T Reid



## BRING LIVE AT HOME CAMPAIGN TO JACKSON

Raleigh, Jan. 21—North Carolina's great "Live at Home" Campaign will be brought to Jackson County on January 28 when a team of extension workers will come here to urge farmers, bankers and merchants at the county seat for the purpose of urging the people of the county to be self supporting and to outline to them the necessity in these times of stress of growing not only a year round ration for the farm family but also for livestock.

The speakers in Jackson county will be John W. Goodman and Miss Pauline Smith.

"Farm to Make a Living in 1931" is the slogan of the 1931 campaign, which is being conducted on a larger scale than ever before attempted by Dean I. O. Schaub, head of the extension service at N. C. State College. Dean Schaub is being assisted by C. A. Sheffield, assistant director and numerous specialists in all lines of farming and livestock enterprises.

As a result of last year's "Live at Home" campaign \$19,000.00 was actually added to the value of the food and feed crops in the State. This year Governor Gardner has called up on the farm counties of the State to increase the value of food and feed crops by \$40,000,000 as a long step toward averting economic disaster.

Five teams of extension workers are taking part in the campaign and they started their tours of duty from the far eastern counties on January 6, covering five counties each day.

It is the most ambitious campaign of its kind that has ever been attempted in North Carolina. Each extension team is composed of at least two speakers and those attending the meetings are being given an elaborate picture of the 1931 situation, said to be a critical farm period in the history of the State, and what is to be done if the serious problems are to be successfully met.

The speakers at the meetings are armed with facts on needed production, shortage where it exists and a wealth of other information for presentation to the people of the counties. All this data has been carefully worked out in detail as it applies to the individual counties says Dean Schaub, and guess work has been eliminated in arriving at conclusions. Not only the county needs are being given attention, but the information is brought down to the family and livestock units and the amount of food and feed that they will find necessary for consumption during a period of months.

Charts and tables showing the production of the important food and feed crops in the counties were pre-

pared by Mr. Sheffield and his associates and these are being presented at the meetings and explained to those attending.

The charts also graphically reveal the amounts which farmers are forced to spend outside on food, staples and feeds and also the surpluses and their value in dollars and cents. These charts show in no uncertain terms what the counties must do if they are to feed themselves, and keep thousands of dollars from going outside their own domains.

The stage is set for a far reaching campaign that will continue even after the four weeks of meetings have been concluded. Dean Schaub and the extension service expect the effort to make 1931 the real turning point in the unfolding of a brighter picture for the farm business of the 100 counties of the State. With the farmers aware of what is necessary to bring an improvement in the situation and alert to the dangers of their delay in action it is believed that Governor Gardner's appeal for \$40,000,000 additional in food and feed will be realized.

## QUALLA

Qualla Sunday Schools held a Union session Sunday morning. Rev. R. L. Bass preached in the afternoon.

On Jan. 11th Mr. Miller Hall was united in marriage to Miss Lucy McCracken of Cullowhee. She has been teaching at Olivet for the past three years.

Also on Jan. 11th Mr. Oscar Conner and Miss Ella Cooper, both of Qualla, were united in marriage. Rev. J. L. Hyatt officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Ferguson and Mr. Wayne Ferguson motored to Waynesville last week.

Mr. D. C. Hughes visited at Cherokee.

Mr. D. J. Oxner and Mr. Jess Blanton visited Mr. Bedford Raby of Olivet, who is seriously ill.

Miss Mary Battle was guest of her sister, Mrs. D. C. Hughes.

Miss Winnie Cooper who has been spending a while at Asheville spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. Jane Ward and Miss Etta Oxner.

Ward Wilnot visited Mrs. D. C. Mrs. Ruth Gibson called on Mrs. Ella Shuler.

Mrs. Claud Hughes and children called on Mrs. W. H. Hoyle.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Shuler called at Mr. J. K. Terrell's Sunday afternoon.

## ANNOUNCING THE METHODIST PASTOR'S THEMES FOR SUNDAY

"Left Handed" will be the subject which Rev. George Clemmer, pastor of the Methodist church, will discuss Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. A special invitation is extended to Left Handed people to hear this topic discussed by the pastor who is himself, left handed.

In the evening at 7:30 Mr. Clemmer will preach at Dillsboro in the Methodist church on the "Most American Character in the New Testament."

Church schools of the charge convene promptly at 10 a. m. The Epworth League meets in the evening at 6:45. Visitors and strangers are welcome to all services.

## BALSAM

The Angel of Death took from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bryson their little daughter Evalina, Wednesday the 14th. She was about one month old.

Mr. Thurman Potts of near Hendersonville is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Potts.

Mrs. Walter Bryson went to Waynesville Friday to see her sister, Hester Queen, who is a patient in the Haywood County Hospital. Miss Queen underwent a serious operation but is recovering nicely.

Messrs. Jimmie and Bill Baiges have returned to their home in Hendersonville after a visit to their brother, Mr. Walter Baiges.

## Major Gene Tunney



One of the last acts of Connecticut's new governor was to appoint Gene Tunney a Major in the Marine Corps, branch of the state's naval militia, and designate him as personal aide to the governor. Gene was a U. S. Marine before he became world's champion heavyweight boxer.

## 40 YEARS AGO

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Mrs. Evans, wife of Jerry Evans, died last Saturday night and was buried Monday.

Mrs. Julia Strong of Minneapolis, arrived here last Wednesday, and will spend some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baum.

Prof. R. L. Madison of the Cullowhee High School, has been very sick, but we are pleased to hear is very much better and will soon be out again.

Mr. Sam Rhea has been housed up for the last two weeks, in consequence of an ugly, self inflicted wound in his foot, caused by a glancing axe as he was cutting firewood.

Mr. E. B. Madison of Knoxville, Tenn., who was called to the sick bed of his brother, arrived Monday. Bolling has many friends here who are glad to see him again.

Rev. A. B. Thomas has sold his house and lot at Dillsboro to Mr. Harris, of the Carolina Clay Company, and will remove to Transylvania county where he will engage in farming. The best wishes of many friends, who are loth to give him up will follow Mr. Thomas to his new home.

A Committee appointed at the last meeting of the County Alliance, held a meeting here yesterday, to perfect arrangements to make permanent the Alliance exchange at this point. The committee succeeded in obtaining control of the house and lot belonging to Maj. W. H. Bryson and appointed a building committee who will proceed at once to enlarge the house and put it in shape for the purposes of the exchange. T. C. Bryson and Company, of which firm Mr. A. M. Parker is a member, have been and will continue to be the managers of the business of the exchange, which has already been found to be of great benefit to the members of the Alliance.

Died, Friday night, January 23rd, in the 23rd year of his age, Walter R. Buchanan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Buchanan of Webster after a short illness. He was the agent for the R. & D. R. R., at Andrews Station and died there. His father, mother and twin brother, Neil, were with him at the time of his death. His remains were taken to Webster awaiting the arrival from Florida of his brother, Mr. Marcellus Buchanan of our town, who was away on a business trip. Cecil was one of the most promising young men of our acquaintance. Gentle and kind hearted and amiable, he was popular with all who knew him and his death has cast a shadow of gloom over our community. His body was buried with Masonic ceremonies by Unaka Lodge of which he was a member.

## W. C. T. C. NEWS LETTER

Cullowhee, N. C., January 19, 1931. The staff of the Annual at Western Carolina Teachers College is requesting that all students who were at the college in the fall or who plan to attend the spring quarter be represented in the annual. If this is to be done, those students are asked to communicate with Mrs. Rowe Henry, Editor in Chief. This should be done immediately as the annual will go to press about March 1st.

Six girls have been chosen from the twenty two who are in the debating Club at Western Carolina Teachers College to present debates to three judges from the faculty, P. L. Elliott, Dean W. E. Bird, and J. M. Plenum, next week. This elimination process is for the purpose of selecting the three best debaters at Western Carolina Teachers College among the girls.

A class composed of those teachers at Western Carolina Teachers College who are primarily interested in literature has been conducted for the last three months by Dean W. E. Bird. The class meets once a week, and each member contributes to the interest of the class.

The next course to be offered to the faculty will probably be the study of Milton.