

# The Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 Year in Advance in The County.

SYLVA, N. C., THURSDAY, MARCH 5 1931

\$2.00 Year in Advance Outside The County.

## FORTY YEARS AGO

Tackson Democrat March 4, 1891

Mr. Lee Hooper went to Asheville yesterday.

Mr. Hosea Morrison of Hamburg, was in town Thursday.

Mr. P. P. Fletcher of Vermont is spending some time in our town.

Mr. A. E. Miller of Waynesville was on the west bound train Tuesday.

Mrs. Bacia and Miss Inez Erwin favored our office with a call last Monday.

Mr. R. Z. Mason, Manager of the Equitable Mfg. Co., returned from a trip to New York last Friday, accompanied by Mrs. Mason.

Mrs. Davies left Tuesday for a trip to Florida, accompanied by Mrs. Cox as far as Greenville, S. C. and by the Judge as far as Asheville.

Mr. D. L. Love returned yesterday from Madison court.

Rev. S. H. Harrington of Frank.lin will preach in Sylva on the third Sunday in the present month and on the Saturday before, both days at 11 o'clock A. M.

Married: At the residence of the bride's father on Jonathan's Creek, in Haywood County, N. C., on Sunday, February 22, 1891, J. Clarence Laack, formerly of Danville, Va., now the popular agent of the R. & R. R. Co. at Clyde, to Miss Lizzie, eldest daughter of Esquire W. R. Davis, Rev. W. O. Ballou officiating. The Democrat naturally feels an unusual interest in this marriage, as the groom is a nephew of the editor, and tenders to the happy couple its warmest congratulations and best wishes.

At the residence of the bride's mother on Scott's Creek on February 19, 1891 by A. J. Long Sr., Esq. W. R. Stiles to Miss Mary Ennsley all of this county.

By the same, at the residence of George Bamgarner, Esq., on Feb. 26, 1891, F. H. Evans to Miss Maggie, daughter of Logan Bamgarner, Esq.

Population of the Ninth Congressional District: The following is the population of the 9th district, by counties, according to the last census: Buncombe 35,256; Cherokee 9,976; Clay 1,497; Graham 3,313; Haywood 13,346; Henderson 12,598; Jackson 9,512; McDowell 10,939; Macon 10,192; Mitchell 15,897; Madison 17,805; Polk 9,592; Rutherford 18,770; Swain 6,577; Transylvania 5,997; Yancey 9,190; Total 186,588.

By the terms of the apportionment bill, which has passed the Legislature and is now a law, there is considerable change in the Senatorial districts. The 34th district is now composed of Buncombe, Madison and Haywood counties and elects two senators; 35th district, Henderson, Transylvania, Jackson and Swain, 1 Senator; 36th district, Macon, Clay, Cherokee and Graham, 1 Senator.

## Among the People:

We made a trip through Cullowhee, River, Canada and Hamburg townships last week, which in spite of mud and rain and cold had many pleasant features. A hopeful feeling prevails among the people and there is decidedly a more progressive spirit remote from the railroad than is visible nearer it. The people of Jackson are ever kind and hospitable and they know well how to make one feel comfortable and enjoy being with them. In River township we enjoyed the hospitality of Messrs. J. E. Moss, W. M. and Baxter Hooper. In Canada we had the good fortune to fall in at Mr. A. J. Wood's—family known to almost everybody in the county as "Uncle Andy", with whom we spent the night of the big rain which prevented our getting away till the afternoon of the following day. Uncle Andy is an interesting talker, however, and we much enjoyed the company of himself and estimable wife. We were sorry to find their son, Mr. J. C. Wood suffering from an attack of fever brought on by exposure in the logging business. A large number of logs have been cut in Canada and

## Mull Given 30 Years On Murder Charge

Deo Mull, convicted of murder in the second degree by the jury on Friday of last week, was immediately sentenced to serve a term of 30 years in the State prison by Judge Moore for the murder of Biley Parker at LaPorte on Christmas day.

Parker was wounded in the back of the left knee from a discharge from a shot gun, the lead severing the arteries of the leg. He was rushed to the hospital in Sylva and died there from shock and loss of blood.

Mull contended that he had no intention of killing Parker, and that he shot in self defense. He stated that Parker advanced upon him in a threatening manner and that he fired, just as Parker turned, thus explaining the fact that Parker was shot from behind.

A large number of eye witnesses both for the defense and for the State, were examined, and there was little disparity in their testimony.

Mull was taken to Raleigh Monday morning, by Sheriff John Maney, to begin serving his 30 year term. He is 23 years old, and is unmarried.

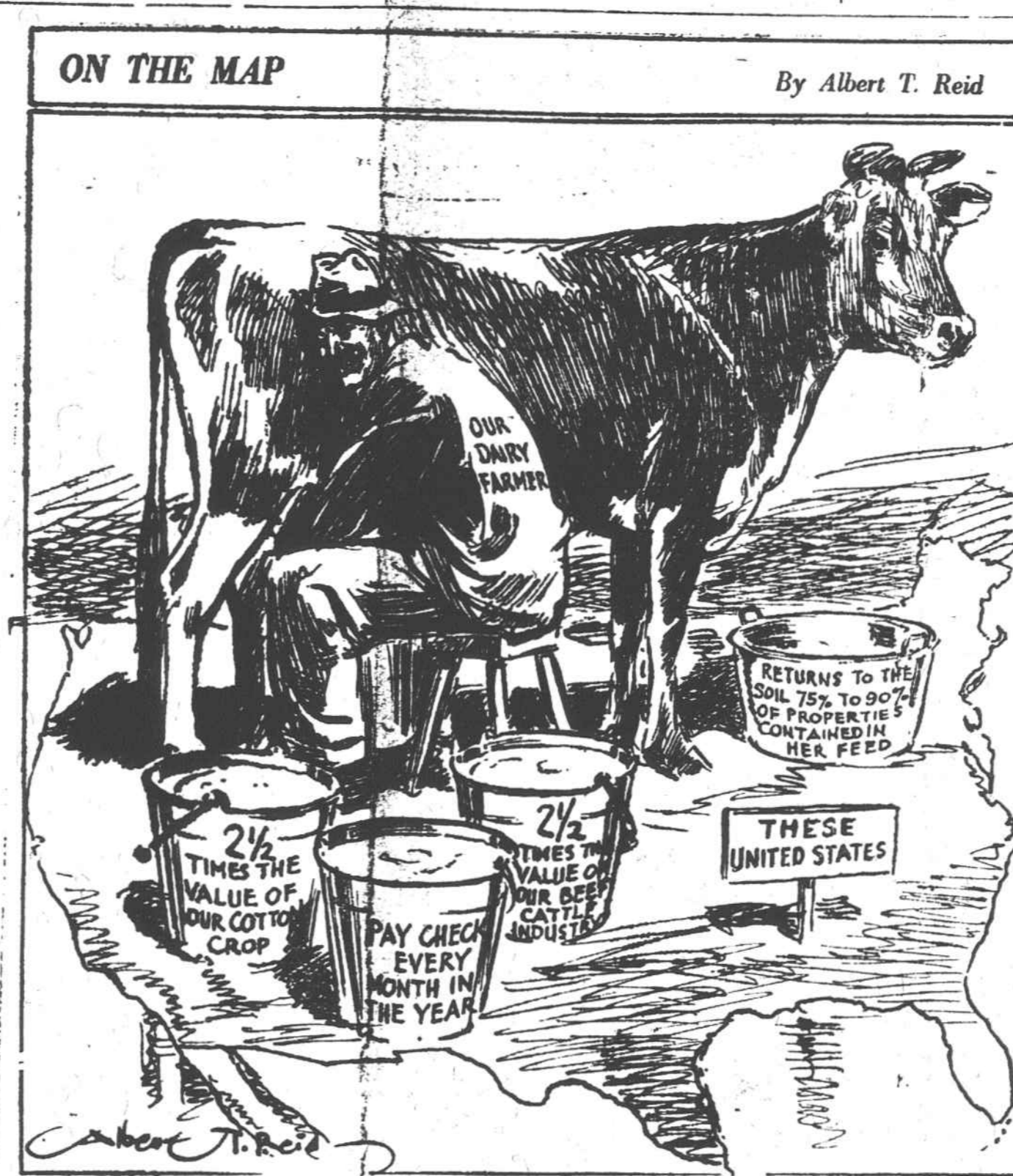
## COUNTRY CLUB MEETING

There will be a meeting of officers, directors, members and other persons interested in the Sylva Country Club, in the offices of the Chamber of Commerce tomorrow, Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Matters of importance to the Club will be under consideration.

flooded down the river, but they can't be missed. Mile after mile of almost unbroken forest meets the eye in every direction. We learned what we had never heard before—that Jackson county can boast a natural stone bridge, spanning the Tuckasegee river where its width is about sixty feet. The width of the bridge is thirty two feet and it hangs so low to the water that when the river is very much swollen the water runs over the top of it. It is composed of one solid rock, both ends of which are firmly and immovably planted in the cliffs on either side. Compelled to return by the forks of the river to cross on the bridge, we spent the following night with Mr. W. M. Hooper, about whose beautifully situated and well arranged house we expect to have something to say in future issues of the Democrat. Wending our way towards Hamburg we left the main road, and with the help of a guide climbed up and up till we reached the top of "Big Ridge", which is certainly very appropriately, if not poetically, named. Here at an altitude of 3,800 feet the hospitable doors of Commissioner Wilson opened to receive us, to whom and his hospitable family we are indebted for their kind entertainment, not the least of which was the music furnished by his charming daughters.

We found the town of Greenville, recently incorporated, showing unmistakable signs of enterprise, a new and roomy hotel now nearing completion, being one of the most prominent features. We learned that the excellent institution, the Glenville High School is flourishing. Leaving Hamburg Mr. Hosea Morrison and his kindly wife "found us hungry and fed us" and sent us on our way rejoicing. At Cullowhee we found a resting place with Mr. L. J. Smith, who with his family, seem never so happy as when they are contributing to the comfort and pleasure of others. Through the kindness of Prof. R. L. Madison we had the pleasure of examining some beautiful specimens of the work of Miss Ella V. Richards, Music and Art teacher in the Cullowhee High School, in drawing and painting, which stamp her as an artist of talent. Specimens of the work of several of her pupils prove her capacity for imparting her knowledge and skill to others. Upon a commanding eminence in the Cullowhee valley stands the beautiful residence of Judge D. D. Davies. Taking into consideration beauty of appearance and comfort and convenience Judge Davies has the handsomest and most complete house in the county. Included in Mrs. Davies' large collection of rare flowers is the greatest variety of the cactus family we have ever seen, there being sixty or seventy different kinds.



## W. C. T. C. News Letter

Cullowhee, N. C., March 2—Spirit was running high on the campus of Western Carolina Teachers College Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week when basketball teams from various sections of Western North Carolina met to determine, by the process of elimination, the high school game winners. Saturday evening beginning at 8:00 the final games were played between the Webster-Bethel girls and Almond-Hayesville boys, the Bethel girls and Almond boys winning in the tournament. According to Coach Plemons, director of athletics at the college, better playing was done in the tournament than since it was instituted seven years ago. Very few players fouled out. Many of the games were hard fought, some of the scores being even until in the last few seconds one of the teams by sheer luck would shoot a goal. Practically all teams scheduled to play each other were nearly evenly matched. Entertainment was furnished by the college for the visiting teams.

Improvements are being made on the grounds surrounding the new Reuben Robertson Hall at Western Carolina Teachers College. Grounds have been prepared for sowing grass seed, new tennis courts are being made, and preparation is being completed preparatory to building a new driveway that will lie back of the dormitory.

Debaters at Western Carolina Teachers College chosen to participate in the coming forensic contests are busily engaged in final preparations before meeting the opposing teams at the college and on other campuses. The debaters are: Misses Flora Gilbert of Columbus; Dorothy Burnette of Swannanoa; Ethel Calhoun of Hillsdale; and Ora E. Jones of Burlington.

Wednesday, February 26, the class in Western North Carolina history gave interesting reports on various phases of life in North Carolina as portrayed in the Western Carolina History, a book by Professor E. H. Stillwell, head of the history department at the college, that will soon be released from press. The book deals with Western Carolina during the period from the days of the frontier to the Civil War. Proof read copies are being used by the class.

Rev. Mr. Tuttle, pastor of the Cullowhee Methodist church, and Miss Ada Veile, primary supervisor, are to conduct chapel at Western Carolina Teachers College this week. Mr. Tuttle having charge Wednesday and Miss Veile Friday.

Francis Ewing of Halifax; Kathleen Davis, of Shelby; Martha Lou

## QUALLA

Sunday morning Rev. J. L. Hyatt delivered an impressive message from the text "Sirs what must I do to be saved." After the sermon he gave an earnest exhortation. He preached at eleven in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hoyle and Mr. Will Freeman made a trip to the States.

Mr. J. K. Terrell visited Mr. Bedford Raby of Olivet, who has been declining health for several months.

Mrs. J. E. Battle, Mrs. G. C. Styles and Mrs. D. C. Hughes and children called on Mrs. Dan Gass.

Misses Ruby and Hettie Cooper, Mary Gunter and Messrs. Richard Crisp and Troy Gunter called at Mr. E. L. Oxner's.

Mr. Oscar Gibson visited Mr. Woodrow Cooper who is slowly improving after an illness of several weeks.

Miss Louise Hyatt was guest of Miss Polly Hoyle.

Mrs. Oscar Gibson and son Geno visited Mrs. D. C. Hughes.

Mr. Carl Hoyle returned to his school after a visit at home.

Mr. Herman Cooper called at Mr. I. K. Terrell's.

## CULLOWHEE CLUB MEETS

Cullowhee, N. C., March 1.—The Junior Study Club held its February meeting Feb. 25 at the home of Mrs. H. Baek.

After a business session presided over by the President, the meeting was turned over to the chairman for the evening who presented an interesting program on "Famous Folks born in February."

A sweet course was served at the conclusion of the program.

Stillwell of Cullowhee; Margaret Rowland of Dunn; Flora Gilbert of Columbus; and Norval Rogers of Crabtree represented Western Carolina Teachers College at the North Carolina Student Volunteers' Mission Conference held at Chapel Hill February 27 to March 4.

The members of the Woman's Missionary Society at the Methodist church have decided to adopt, so to speak, students at Western Carolina Teachers College who attend the Methodist church. Each member of the society has adopted two or three girls, showing them any favor or consideration they can to make their stay at college more delightful. Very often the "church mothers" have adopted children out for dinner or to take them in to Sylva.

## Town Audit is Completed

The audit of the Town of Sylva has been completed, and the auditors, George L. Dombart and Company of Charlotte, made their report to the Board of Aldermen, Tuesday evening.

"The town is in good shape" the auditor stated to the aldermen, "in fact its financial condition is much better than most of the towns."

The audit, which is made as of December 1, discloses that there are large amounts due the town on street assessments. If these could be collected at the present time, the town would be able to meet all its obligations without difficulty and have a considerable surplus in the treasury.

The aldermen are having the essential parts of the audit published in this issue of this paper. Copies of the complete audit are on exhibit at the Town Hall, and any interested citizens are invited, by the officials, to visit the offices of the Mayor and the Clerk and inspect the audit.

## COUNTY AGENT ADVISES

### POULTRY RAISING

Although poultry and eggs have been selling rather low during the past several months, it looks as if we should get a fair price for broilers and fryers this spring. Then too, by so many farmers selling down their flocks it seems that we will be somewhat short of laying hens this next winter. Mr. C. F. Parish, State Extension Poultry Specialist, feels that this is a good time for us to stick to our chickens. Therefore every farmer in Jackson county should have from 50 to 100 good hens this coming year. Poultry and eggs will help pay for the things we have to pay cash for this spring and fall.

The United States Department of Agriculture says, "The South offers to local poultrymen the benefit of a good home market for practically all of the eggs that can be produced of such a quality and at such a price that they can compete with imported eggs."

As you know, the summer season will be on by June and then we may expect our local market to take our eggs at a fair price. Last year the egg market did not fall below 35c, and will not be likely to fall below 30c per dozen this spring. Then another thing, the local Hatchery has priced chicks very reasonably. If you will see me personally, I can get you a reduction on your chicks as the Hatchery offers us the opportunity of pooling our orders and getting the advantage of a 1000 rate.

Get some chicks this spring and stay in the poultry business. The person who sticks is the person who wins.

F. V. VESTAL County Agent.

## WEEK BY WEEK

(By Dan Tompkins)

An agreement between the Indian Nationalists and The English government has brought peace of the great land of India.

Music Shows is still a mooted question. President Hoover vetoed the bill to operate it, and sell power to municipalities, and the Senate sustained the veto. Maybe Uncle Andy will smile again now.

It is now Senator Josiah William Bailey. Our prediction is that Bailey will make a splendid record in the Senate.

President Hoover has rounded out his second year in the White House, and we are as far from the millennium and the abolition of poverty as we were.

At midnight Tuesday the Seventy-first Congress expired and went into history. One distinction it has is of having spent more money out of the public treasury than any peace time congress. The congress and the President have been at cross purposes most of the time, even though both were of the same political party.

When congress expired, some of the most picturesque figures in Washington retired. Senator Simmons of North Carolina, and the dean of the Senate, Tom Heflin of Alabama, the fiery anti Catholic and Senator Cole Blease of South Carolina, have all retired, or rather were retired by the primary elections, when the tide of regular democracy swept back over the South and buried the opponents of Al. Smith.

Mr. Hoover vetoed the bill to pay the veterans half their compensation certificates in cash on a basis of a loan at 1.2 per cent; but both houses of congress overrode him by smashing majorities, set down here upon the "greatest secretary of the Treasury since Alexander Hamilton," and thousands of the veterans have already drawn money and are paying it to the butcher, the baker and candlestick maker.

There is a great pother about the meeting of the Democratic National Committee, called by Chairman Raskob. The general opinion appears to be that the chairman will try to get the committee to commit the party to a position of opposing the 18th Amendment. Everybody is agreed that it can form no policies, which is the sole province of the National Convention. Al Smith says so, and so does everybody else. Maybe Raskob had no such notion in his head. Perhaps he only wanted to get his committee together to think about ways and means of carrying on the fight to win the 1931 election.

Mr. Jonas is out of a federal job. His term as congressman expired Tuesday night. His appointment as district attorney was not confirmed by the Senate, at the suggestion of Senator Morrison. However, the chances are that President Hoover will give him a recess appointment, and he will serve as district attorney until the Senate meets again in December. How much longer will depend upon how the Senate feels toward Mr. Hoover and his appointees at that time.

Ten thousand people thronged the church, the streets, the cemetery in West Asheville, Sunday afternoon for the funeral of Gallatin Roberts. Seven ministers of the gospel conducted the service and paid high tribute to the man. Large sums of money were lavished upon flowers to cover the grave, and fill the church.

Such is man. Political enemies, seeking power, groups of self appointed guardians of the people's rights hark barked reformers drove Roberts' fine brain to the point of desperation, and broke his tender heart. He could stand no more and took his own life. Then Sunday it seemed as if the whole world loved him. Could he but have known the real heart of all people, he could have stood it all, and would be alive today. If you have any flowers to give, send them along now while your friends are alive.