

COUNTY OFFICERS BEGAN NEW TERM ON LAST MONDAY

The officers of Jackson county, elected on November 8, were inducted into office on Monday.

J. D. Cowan is again the chairman of the board of county commissioners. W. C. Newton and W. A. Hooper, both of Caldwells, are the other two members of the board.

John J. Stoney was again sworn as sheriff of Jackson county; W. T. Turpin is the new coroner and Vernon Lee Cope was sworn as his own successor as register of deeds.

Lycan Stewart was sworn in as county surveyor.

The commissioners again appointed John Sheppard as superintendent of the county home.

T. W. Ashe was again appointed as county accountant; and Dan K. Moore was re-elected as county attorney.

Grover Bishop succeeded Herbert Fowler as caretaker of the court house and grounds.

The oath of office was administered to the incoming officials by Dan Allison, clerk superior court.

LARGE NUMBER IS OUT FOR BASKET BALL AT W. C. T. C.

The Western Carolina basketball squads are taking daily workouts under the tutelage of Coach Poindexter in preparation for the coming season. A large group of boys and girls are working for positions on the two teams and more are expected after classes are over Saturday and the winter vacation starts Monday.

Western Carolina is a member of the North State Athletic Association this year and will meet some of the best teams in North Carolina. Other members of the association are Appalachian State Normal, Lenoir-Rhyne, Catawba, High Point, Guilford, Elon and Atlantic Christian. A meeting of coaches and managers will be held at Salisbury Saturday to make up the basketball schedule. Coach Poindexter will attend this meeting to arrange the Catawba schedule. Last year Western Carolina defeated Appalachian which was one of the best teams in the association.

A definite schedule for the girls has not yet been arranged but will be as soon as the boys schedule is arranged at the meeting Saturday.

Games are pending with Lenoir Rhyne, Appalachian, Young Harris, Hawkesville and Billmore.

In order to give a larger number of boys and girls an opportunity to play, Coach Poindexter is arranging to have a junior varsity schedule with 17th schools and junior colleges.

Letting men back from last year are Ray Watson, Alvin Fullbright, Walter Thomas and Paul Buchanan. From the way several of the new players have been showing up, these veterans will have to do some fast stepping to hold their places. Coach Poindexter stated that he intended to give everyone a thorough try-out before attempting to pick a starting line-up.

The regular schedule will not get under way until after Christmas, but there is a possibility of a practice game or so before.

CHILD DIES AT COWARTS

Cowarts, Dec. 7.—Kathleen Hooper, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Newell Hooper of the Moses Creek community, was taken by death late Thursday, December 1, following an illness of several days. Funeral services were on Friday. Interment was in a cemetery in the Moses Creek community.

The deceased was a student of the elementary school here and was greatly loved by all her schoolmates.

Surviving are the parents, one sister, and one brother.

HIGH SCHOOL SPONSORS PLAY

The senior class of the Sylva high school will sponsor the Shakespearean play, "Hamlet," to be given by the Avon Players, January 18, at the graded school auditorium. The Avon Players presented "Romeo and Juliet" last year at the school, and were very well received. Tickets will be placed on sale as soon as possible. Further announcements will be made in this paper.

TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

Travel . . . and metal mike

I am writing this just an hour or so before sailing on the Italian Liner Rex for my first visit to Europe. Sixty-two is still young enough for a man to go adventuring, if he has the spirit of adventure in him, and I never got over that.

I am very curious to see whether the foreign cities and peoples that I have read about and studied about all my life look anything like the way I have pictured them. I have knocked about the American Continent and up and down the coasts in ships a great deal but never before had both the time and the opportunity to cross the ocean.

What particularly interests me is the ship on which I am coming back, the Conte De Savoia. This is the first big ship to be equipped with gyroscopic stabilizers, invented by my old friend, the late Elmer Sperry. A gyroscope is a hard thing to explain in words. It is hard enough to understand it when you see it working. It is, in effect, a fly wheel suspended that the axle can tip in any direction. Sperry discovered that a gyroscope always tries to put itself in a position where the axle is pointing to the center of the earth. Out of that discovery came the gyroscopic compass, which always points to the North Pole instead of the magnetic pole as the ordinary compass points. Then came the automatic steering device in which the gyroscope keeps the ship's rudder true to the course. Every really important ship in the world is now steered by "metal mike" as the sailors call it.

This same power of the gyroscope is now being used to keep the ship from rolling in rough water. It works well on small craft, and I will tell you later how it works on the first big ship to which it has been applied.

Money . . . and prices

Thirty years ago W. J. Bryan nearly captured the Presidency with his economic theory that farmers would get more for their products if there was more money in circulation. In a new book published by the Century Company of New York, F. M. Huntington-Wilson, who was Under Secretary of State in the Wilson Administration, handles the same theme, although along different lines. The book is called, "Money and the Price Level."

The author points out exactly what President Hoover meant when he suggested that the European debts to this country might be settled in the currencies of the debtor nations, clearing up that point so that any layman can comprehend the subject. Briefly, Mr. Huntington-Wilson argues that the alarmingly low price level of wheat and cotton, and all other farm products, are now being caused by the American dollar as compared with the low values of other countries.

The book has been written after consultation with many of the leading experts on finance in both Occidental countries, among them being Mr. Rene Leon, widely regarded as the leading foreign exchange and metallic money expert in this country.

Movies . . . and Moe Mark

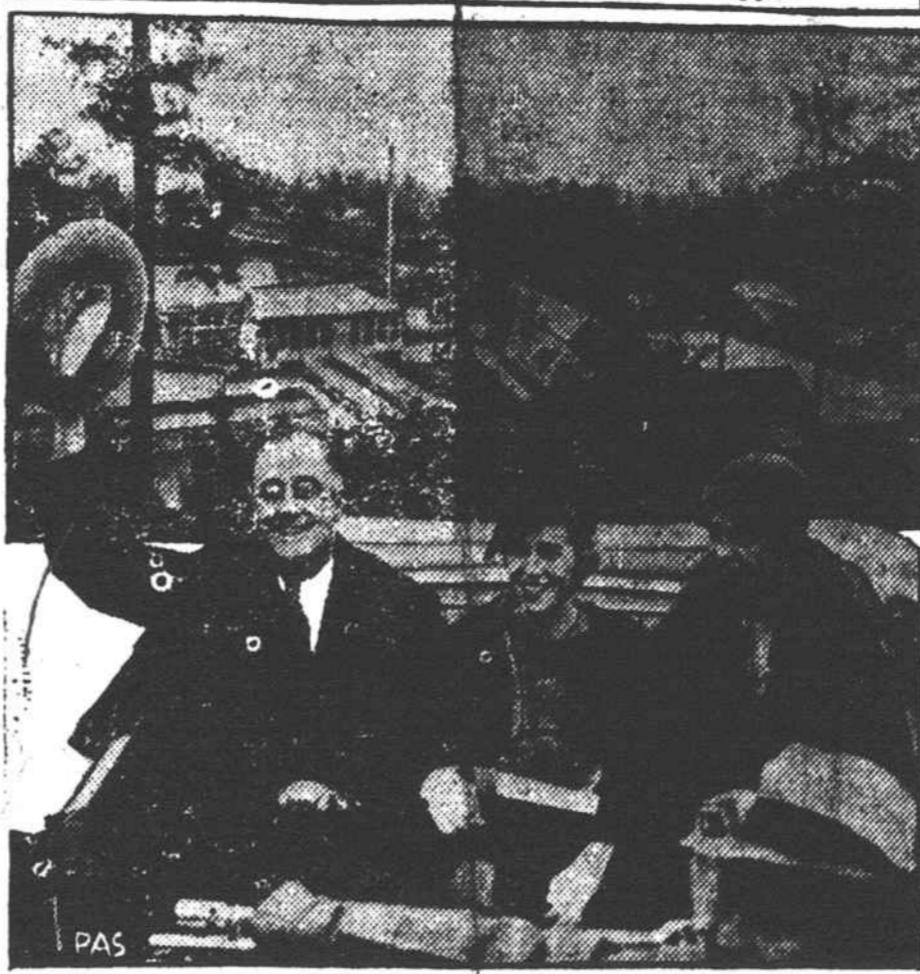
An old friend of mine named Moe Mark died the other day at the age of sixty. When I first knew Moe he was running a little nickelodeon in Buffalo, the kind of a show where you could put your eye up against a peep hole and see Mr. Edison's first attempt at motion pictures.

Pretty soon Moe Mark had a theatre showing the early primitive motion picture plays. Before long he had a number of theatres in different Up State New York towns. They weren't theatres really, they were merely stores with chairs in them.

Moe Mark got the idea that a real theatre built especially to run motion pictures would be profitable. He found it difficult to make anyone else believe it, but he finally raised money to build the very first theatre in the world for themselves. It is called the Strand and is on Broadway in New York.

Moe Mark was one of the real pioneers of the motion picture industry, and if anybody ever asks you who built the first movie theatre, of which there are some thirty thousand now, just remember his name.

President-Elect Roosevelt in Georgia



Back again at Warm Springs, Ga., where he fought to regain his health several years ago, President-elect Roosevelt was the center of activities such as the little colony had never known, during his vacation stay there. Upper photo shows the Warm Springs settlement; lower, the President-elect, Mrs. Roosevelt and their daughter Mrs. Anna Curt's Dall, greeting friends and admirers at Warm Springs.

MARKET FOR BLACK WALNUTS

(By E. V. Vestal, County Agent)

We have just completed an agreement with the Farmers Federation of Asheville to pay us cash for nice hulled walnuts. Although the market is not high, due to other nuts on the market, at a low price, 35c per bushel will be paid for dry walnuts in the shell, at the Co-operative Poultry Sale held in the Love warehouse, next door to the J. B. Ensley Feed Co. The next poultry shipment will be on December 16, from 8 to 12 o'clock. If you have any dry walnuts in the shell (hull removed) that you want to "cash-in," have them at the poultry sale on that date. For further information, see the county agent.

METHODISTS HAVE DINNER

The members of the congregation of the Sylva Methodist church are meeting around the dinner table in the dining room of the church, this evening, to discuss the various phases of the church work, and for social intercourse. The pastor and Mrs. L. Wolfe, Presiding Elder and Mrs. L. B. Hayes, Rev. and Mrs. J. Gray Murray, Rev. and Mrs. S. H. Hilliard, and Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Reed are the guests of honor.

Mr. R. C. Allison, chairman of the board of stewards will preside as toastmaster.

SCHOOL MASTERS CLUB MEETS

The monthly meeting of the Jackson County School Masters' Club was held in the dining room of the New Jackson Hotel on Friday evening, Nov. 18, with a good attendance.

After a sumptuous dinner and a social hour the meeting attended to special and regular business. At this time the constitution and by-laws were adopted. It was the consensus of opinion that their adoption is a splendid step toward the perfection and permanency of the organization.

The club will meet again on the evening of December 1.

LITTLE CHILD DIES

The three months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sumner, died at their home here on Tuesday. The funeral is today.

W. A. Morgan Dies At Webster Home

W. A. Morgan, prominent citizen of Webster township, died at his home, Sunday, following a long illness. Mr. Morgan is survived by his widow, three daughters, Mrs. Joe Deitz of Savannah, and Misses Margaret and Mary Sue Morgan, one son, J. D. Morgan, and other relatives.

A native of Jackson county, Mr. Morgan had a host of friends here. For several years he was an employe of the State Highway Commission as patrolman on Highway 285.

WILL SHOW "GRAND HOTEL" AT LYRIC NEXT WEEK

Five stars instead of one shine in "Grand Hotel," spectacular picturization of the celebrated Vicki Baum novel and play, which will be at the Lyric Theatre Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week.

Probably no film in recent years has attracted as much advance attention as this unusual screen drama which is described as a symbolical study of human nature in startling realism. The play ran in New York for more than a year with similar success accorded its presentation in other American cities as well as the capitals of Europe.

In bringing it to the screen Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer placed five of its major stars in the central characterizations. The remarkable cast is headed by Greta Garbo with John Barrymore, Joan Crawford, Wallace Beery and Lionel Barrymore playing outstanding roles. Lewis Stone and Jean Hersholt are featured in the large supporting cast.

The story, which takes place entirely within the confines of a fashionable Berlin hotel, entwines the lives of a varied group of persons, including an exotic Russian dancer whose romantic interlude with a reckless baron saves her from suicide but results in her lover's murder. Involved in the drama are a scheming business man, a seductive stenographer, a consumptive clerk spending his savings on one last fling in life, a shell-shocked doctor and the hotel's head porter. How these people are all brought together and how their various intrigues and adventures change the course of their entire lives forms the theme of the plot.

NO BOUNTY FOR BIRDS OR WILD ANIMALS THIS YEAR

Mack Ashe, county game warden, has received information from Raleigh, that there will not be any money available this year to pay bounty on any wild animals or birds.

FARM RELIEF ONE OF MAJOR ISSUES BEFORE CONGRESS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—Now that Congress is again in session, political forecasters have been driven into the post of mere observers in stead of prophets. The present "lame duck" Congress it is expected will enact a lot of legislation that the voters showed last month that they wanted. Foremost of these questions are liquor and farm relief. Although the resolution for outright repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment failed to carry the necessary two-thirds majority, it is thought an attempt will be made to legalize beer during the present session.

While it is admitted on all sides that both Houses possess a Democratic majority big enough to pass any legislation they desire, yet it is equally certain that the Senate lacks the required two-thirds majority to override the President's veto should it pass laws Mr. Hoover fails to approve. Close observers say that the President will block any attempts to change the sumptuary laws while he is in office. They say, however, that he is not unlikely to sign a bill providing for a referendum by the States on the proposition of repealing the Eighteenth Amendment. That would be in line with his own campaign promises and would steal some of the thunder away from the incoming Administration. In addition it would be pleasing to practically all the voters of both major parties, judging by the sentiment shown during the campaign.

Regarding farm relief, Congress is likely to require long deliberations before taking any definite steps. This is shown by President-elect Roosevelt's recent action in calling into consultation the farm leaders of the country. Practical y the first delegation to be seen by him since his election was one from the National Grange, headed by Louis J. Taber, of Columbus, O., national grand master.

Governor Roosevelt has never tried to dodge the fact that he owes his election to the farmers of the country and, now that the time has come when he has to fulfill his pledges, his action in calling in the Grange leaders show that he is anxious to keep his promises. While he made no positive promises to Mr. Taber and the other members of the delegation which called on him at Warm Springs, Ga., yet he definitely asked his callers to set down in black and white what they consider a workable program. He asked the Grange leaders to formulate, if possible, a program based upon his Des Moines speech.

To Formulate Program

What this program is to be will probably become known after a meeting is held of the big farm organizations, including the National Grange, the Farmers Union, American Union and the Co-operatives. At that meeting, if it follows Mr. Roosevelt's suggestion, the delegates will prepare a bill for submission to Congress next Spring that will have the President-to-be's approval, along with the support of leaders of both Houses of Congress, making its passage practically certain.

One promise that Governor Roosevelt indicates will not be allowed to string along without fulfillment, is financial relief for those farmers whose mortgages have not yet been foreclosed. It is said that he feels the shortest way out of the present impasse is to extend all such loans by means of Federal aid, and to lower the interest rate to the point where the loans can be carried without privation. This will be done, it is expected, by broadening the powers of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and speeding up the work of the Farm Loan Bureau.

G. M. COLE SERIOUSLY ILL

Geo. M. Cole, one of the best known men in Jackson county, is seriously ill in an Asheville hospital, following an operation, which he underwent on Monday.

Mr. Cole has long been a leading merchant of the county, having been in the mercantile business in Cashier's Valley for many years before coming to Sylva. He served two terms as sheriff of the county. His daughter, Mrs. A. S. Nichols, left yesterday morning for Asheville to be with her father.

Right On His Front Porch

By Albert T. Reid



now, just remember his name.