

The Jackson County Journal

ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, JAN. 31, 1935.

\$2.00 YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

ACT GUN LEVELT

The judges of the letter writing contest, which was conducted this month, Messrs Dan K. Moore and Hugh E. Monteith, have announced the following awards:

JOURNAL AWARDS ARE ANNOUNCED

First prize, \$6.25 permanent wave treatment Beauty Shop, Mrs. Walter Jones, Sylva.
Second prize, \$6.25 worth of dry cleaning, Moore's Cleaners, Eva L. Hooper of Speedwell.
Third prize, \$6.25 worth of photograph service at Eckenroed's Studio, Dan B. Cook, Webster.
Fourth prize, \$6.25 in laundry service, Sylva Laundry, Edith Cowan of Cullowhee.
Fifth prize, 532 piece dinner set, Jackson Furniture Company, Mrs. E. A. McCracken, Dillsboro.
Sixth prize, \$5.00 worth of theatre tickets, Lyric Theatre to Mrs. S. B. Hubbard of Webster.
Seventh prize, \$3 in shoe repair work, at Blue Ribbon Shoe Shop to Mrs. J. R. Cotler of Cullowhee.
Eighth prize, Two years subscription to the Jackson County Journal, Mrs. W. A. Hooper of Speedwell.
The Journal is grateful for the response to the contest, and to Mr. Moore and Mr. Monteith for their kindness in judging the letters.
If the winners will call at this office, we will be glad to deliver the orders for their prizes to them.

SELF RITES HELD TUESDAY

Many relatives and friends from here went to Asheville, Tuesday, to be present at the funeral of Joseph D. Self, who died at his home there, following an illness of two weeks.
Mr. Self, a son of the late Dr. Wm. and Mrs. Self, was a native of Webster, was educated at Western Carolina Teachers College, and spent all of his early years in this county.
He has a host of friends and relatives here.
At the time of his death he was director of public relations for the Greyhound Bus Company, and was widely known throughout the South.
He is survived by his widow, the former Miss Lady Ruth Whitaker, of Florence, Ala., three children; his mother and two brothers, R. O. Self, of Raleigh, George Self of Asheville, of Raleigh, George Self of Asheville, Asheville.

OWEN TO LEAD RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS AT W. C. T. C.

Religious Emphasis Week will be observed at Western Carolina Teachers College during the week Feb. 3-10. Miss Mabel Starnes, State B. Y. P. U. worker, will be on the campus teaching a course in "The Plan of Salvation". Prof. P. L. Elliott of the English Department has been asked to teach a course in "Pilgrim's Progress".
Dr. Jesse C. Owen will appear at the chapel services each day and will speak each evening in the college auditorium. Next Sunday he will speak at the Methodist church at the 11 o'clock hour, and at the Baptist church at 7:30.

Twenty-eight states now have old age pension laws, varying greatly in detail and amount of pensions paid. The average is \$19.34 a month, the highest, Iowa, \$30 a month. Nearly 11,500,000 old people received over 26 million dollars in 1933 under these state systems. Now states which want to participate must reform their old age plans if they want Federal aid, and as nearly all legislatures meet this year, it is expected that most of them will come in speedily.

This is not the first old-age pension plan under the present Administration. Last year, on August 1, the Railroad Retirement Act went into effect, providing compulsory retirement of all railroad workers at 65 or after 30 years of service, with pensions, out of funds contributed by the roads and the workers, up to as high as \$120 a month. But the Supreme Court of the United States declared this Act unconstitutional on October 24.

It is no secret that one of the compelling motives for the pressure behind the bill—the heaviest pressure the President has yet seen fit to exert upon Congress—is the desire to take the wind out of the sails of Senator Huey Long and his redistribution of wealth program, as well as to head off the menace of the great mass of votes behind the Townsend Plan.

Hauptmann Trial Witnesses from Germany



FLEMINGTON, N. J. . . . The above three witnesses were brought from Germany by the state in the trial of Bruno Hauptmann on the charge of murder of the Lindbergh baby. They are close kin of Isidor Fisch now dead but from whom Hauptmann stated he had received Lindbergh ransom money. Reading left to right they are Cerna Fisch and her husband, Pincus Fisch, brother of Isidor (deceased) and Hannah Fisch, sister of Pincus.

General Assembly Unlikely To Alter Prohibition Law

(By Dan Tompkins)
Despite newspaper talk, at the beginning of the session, and the resolution adopted last summer by the Young Democrats of the State, at the Asheville convention, there seems, at this time, to be little likelihood that the General Assembly will tamper to any great extent with the State's bone-dry laws, or that any serious effort to do so will develop.

It has been pointed out that there has been a marked increase in the arrests for drunkenness in North Carolina, since the 18th Amendment was repealed, and it is believed in some informed quarters, that this is due largely to trickling across the border of legal liquor from Virginia, to add to our own home-grown bootleg varieties, from pop-shill moonshine clear through bath-tub gin to home brew. There are those in the State who are casting somewhat longing eyes at the estimated four millions of dollars in revenue that it is said North Carolina might get with a repeal or modification of the Tarrington Act, and four million is not to be sneezed at. On the other hand, it is pointed out that the people meant what they said when they voted 185,000 majority strong against repeal, that conditions in this State are not and have not grown worse, from a standpoint of drunkenness and drunken driving, as they have in repeal States, and that many observers of matters and things, especially newspaper and magazine writers, who before repeal were strongly and militantly anti-prohibition, are beginning to repeat themselves that they helped to do what was done in repealing the 18th Amendment, and to talk and write with increasing boldness on the other side, and that repeal elsewhere has been a disappointment from a revenue producing standpoint, and that bootlegging, speakeasies and drinking parties with the young folks have not diminished, as was predicted and believed by many repeal advocates. Even the revenue that North Carolina was to get from 3.2 beer, about which there was so much pother in the last General Assembly, has proved to have been greatly overestimated. So, taking it by and large, with the results elsewhere as the "by", and the 185,000 majority as the "large", it is not believed that the present General Assembly will do any major tampering with the North Carolina Sahara laws.

Senator A. Hall Johnston, of Bucombe, who has been seriously ill at his hotel room, is recovering, and is expected to be able to attend Senate and committee meetings by next week.

The Committee on Health approved a bill to appropriate \$500,000 for the establishment of a tuberculosis sanatorium in Western North Carolina. It is stated that there are now 200 people on the waiting list for admission for treatment.

The revenue bill has come out of the committee, and is ready for the House of Representatives to resolve itself into a committee of the whole and go to work on it. That is a long step toward getting the Assembly away from Raleigh and back home before corn planting time.
Bills introduced:

CHILD IS KILLED; DRIVER HELD HERE

Bulletin
Little Mitzie Ruth Bumgarner died in the C. J. Harris Community Hospital, tonight, of injuries

Mitzie Ruth Bumgarner, 5 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bumgarner, is in the hospital suffering from a fractured skull and other critical injuries, and a man giving his name as Hubert Moller, of Atlanta, is being held in jail here without bond, as a hit and run driver.

The accident occurred in front of the Bumgarner home, on Highway No. 10, just East of the city limits, at near noon yesterday. It is stated that Mrs. Bumgarner and her daughter went down to the mail box, which is across the road from their home, and after getting the mail, were awaiting the passing of an automobile, which they saw approaching from the East, and that Mrs. Bumgarner was standing beside the mail box with the child near her, about a foot on the pavement, on the opposite side of the highway from where the car should have passed, and that the driver swerved to the left, striking the child with the side of his car. According to witnesses to the tragedy, the driver, who was some 300 feet, stopped and backed up. Mr. Bumgarner states that his wife requested the man to take the child to a hospital, which he is said to have refused to do. He then, according to Mr. Bumgarner, left the scene. He was later arrested at Cherokee by Highway Patrolman Allison, and returned to Sylva, where he was lodged in jail.

A Negro, who arrived on the scene with an automobile, rushed the child to the hospital, where she is receiving medical and surgical attention; but her condition is described as being "extremely critical".

TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)
ENTERTAINERS . . . rich field
Young men and women sometimes ask me for advice in shaping their careers. That is always a compliment but I am not always sure that I can give them any advice of real value.
If the inquiring youngster has any talent for public entertainment, however, I always advise him to follow that line. The big money flows into the pockets of those who can stir people's emotions, not to those who try to stimulate their minds. If you can make people laugh or make them cry, stir them to sentimental blissfulness or arouse them to anger, you have something for which they will pay you more than they pay presidents or heads of big corporations.

Where are the largest salaries paid? In Hollywood, to the great screen stars. Who gets the big money for writing? not the serious thinker whose books contain, sometimes, the distilled essence of wisdom, but the humorists, the romantic novelists, the story-tellers—in other words, the entertainers. In music in all the arts, in the theater—even in the pulpit—the ones who get the money are the ones who are most skilful in playing upon the human heartstrings.

I know a Negro tap-dancer who earns more money every year than any bank president I know. He has the essential quality of showmanship. So if I see signs of showmanship in any youngster, I always advise them to cultivate it. It is worth more than diamonds.

DICKENS . . . on the screen
At last the greatest novel of Chas. Dickens—who was essentially a showman—has been put on the screen in a manner which preserves all of its comedy, its pathos, and its essential humanity. If you who read this haven't yet seen the new film, "David Copperfield", by all means go to see it. Whether you have ever read any of Dickens' immortal stories or not, you will realize what a wonderful insight he had into the wellsprings of human conduct, and how keen an understanding of the comic spirit which pervades all life.

I am beginning to believe that the movie magnates have really seen a great light. The realization that there is more to life than crime and sensuality, and that there is a great public which is truly appreciative of the very best that it can get, seems to be coming home to them.
I hope we have more pictures of

JONES IS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH ROBBERY OF HOME

Johnny Jones, who has been in the toils of the law before, in fact for a considerable part of his young life, when he has not escaped from said toils and run at large until picked up, has been arrested by Sheriff Mason and Chief James A. Turpin, at the home of George Rich, on Socco, and lodged in jail to await trial on a charge of having entered and robbed the new home of Velt Wilson, on Highway No. 10, near the Western limits of Sylva, last week.

Jones is said by officers to have been wearing Wilson's hat and belt, at the time he was arrested, and to have had other property of Mr. Wilson in his possession; though he denied having entered and robbed the home. Johnny was first arrested, when just a young boy, several years ago, and sent to a term in State prison, for having shot and killed Gilmer Grey, a Negro boy, at Dillsboro. While there he escaped several times, before finally serving out his term. He was later sentenced to a term on a charge of having robbed John A. Paris' jewelry store in Sylva. Completing this term, he has successfully kept clear of court trouble, until the present case was lodged against him.

He will probably be placed on trial when Judge Rosseau, Solicitor Queen, and the grand jury begin the court term in Sylva, next month.

AGED WEBSTER MAN PASSES

Robert Ashe, 79, life-long respected citizen of Webster township, died at his home last night, following an illness of 15 days.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 11 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Price, and interment will be in the Stillwell cemetery.

Mr. Ashe is survived by the following sons and daughters, Mrs. J. C. Collins, Sylva, Roy and Donaldson Ashe, Webster, Otis Ashe, Eastman, Ga., Perry Ashe, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Mrs. Thad Pressley, Speedwell, and by a large number of other relatives and friends.

BURKE EVANS BURIED TODAY

Funeral services for Burke Evans, who died last week in Darrington, Wash., were conducted this afternoon from Love's Chapel, with the pastor, Rev. Mr. Price, and Rev. W. C. Reed conducting the service. Interment followed in the Henson cemetery, with Masonic honors.

Mr. Evans, a son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Evans, of the Love's Chapel community, was a native of this county, and lived here until about 10 years ago, when he went to Washington. He has many relatives and a host of friends in this county. He volunteered at the beginning of American participation in the World War and was a veteran of the 105th Field Signal Battalion, of the famous 39th Division.

DEYS TO HOLD RALLY SUNDAY

The United Dry Forces of Jackson County will hold a rally at Cullowhee, Sunday, Feb. 3, at 2:30, at the Cullowhee Methodist church.

Dr. J. C. Owen, leader of the United Dry Forces of Western North Carolina will speak. All who are interested in temperance and prohibition are urged to attend.

NEW RECTOR COMES HERE

The Reverend George Leonard Granger is the new rector for St. John's chapel in Sylva, St. David's at Cullowhee, and the Episcopal church in Murphy. Mr. Granger will make his home in Sylva.

His church announcement for Sunday is: St. John's Episcopal church, Sylva, Fourth Sunday after Epiphany 11 A. M. Holy Communion and sermon.

4 P. M. St. David's, Cullowhee, evening prayer and sermon.
All are most cordially invited to these services.

the quality of "David Copperfield".
Crime . . . too much
I think I can see signs that the public mind is becoming aroused over the prevalence of crime. The enthusiasm over the successful work of Federal agents in "getting" Dillies
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