

# The Jackson County Journal

\$1.00 YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, FEB. 7, 1935

\$2.00 YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

## IN DISPUTE OVER WHO WILL SPEND MONEY FOR RELIEF

## TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

CHANGE . . . constant

No human institution ever stands still. Nothing else, much, does, either. Even the solid earth has sixteen different motions, pulling it every way at once.

All that any individual human being can do about it, when he finds social, economic, moral and political conditions changing in ways he does not like is to either change with them, doing his best to direct the line of movement along paths which he considers more likely to lead to the general good in the long run, or else sit tight and let the world go by.

It is more trouble to keep up with the world, after a man reaches a certain age, than to pull himself into his shell and refuse to have anything to do with the new things about him. But the only way an intelligent person can get much satisfaction out of life is to be a part of it, and to try to find what good he can in its constant changes.

Some fundamental truths never change. It is possible to hold fast to the elemental virtues of personal honor and integrity, to hold one's self-respect, in short, and still achieve a fair degree of contentment, if not happiness, in the midst of a changing social order.

"I have been young and now I am old," wrote the Psalmist, "but I have not seen the righteous forsaken nor his seed, begging bread." That is as true now as it was when it was written.

DISTRIBUTION . . . faulty

I tried to buy some Northern Spy apples in a neighborhood grocery the other day. All I could find were fine-looking but—to me—tasteless western apples, shipped from 2,500 miles away. Northern Spies grow only 250 miles from the New York market.

The same day my wife wanted some Florida oranges. None of the nearby stores had any but Californias, which we hold inferior. They had come 3,000 miles; Florida is only a thousand miles away.

Organized distribution versus unorganized marketing is the answer. Uncle Sam is paying a lot of attention these days to agricultural production. It would be of far greater public service to reorganize the distribution methods of food products.

HONESTY . . . on labels

Senator Copeland of New York has rewritten the so-called "Tugwell Bill" regulating the labeling and advertising of food and drugs. All that the proposed law does, in its present form, is to insist upon honest labels of package foods and drugs, telling exactly what is inside of them, and making no professions that they will "cure" certain diseases for which medical science knows no cure.

In other words, all that the law would require, if enacted in its present form, is common honesty on the part of the makers of packaged products.

I think that a lot of ballyhoo has been raised over the presumed danger to public health under present conditions. With the Government promoting the sale of alcoholic liquor for the sake of revenue, it doesn't seem to have much of a leg to stand on in the matter of "protecting" people against the effects of what they put in their stomachs.

GARNER . . . speaks up

I hear from Washington that "Jack" Garner has advised the President to tell some of his New Dealers to keep their mouths shut. The Vice-President has plenty of sound common sense.

"Some of these bright young men remind me of Christopher Columbus," my informant reports him as saying. "When Columbus started out he didn't know where he was, and when he got back he didn't know where he had been."

Not mentioning any names, the Vice-President left.

MRS. EMMA FERGUSON PASSES

Mrs. Emma Ferguson, relict of the late John L. Ferguson, died Monday in Qualla, at the age of 81, at the home of her son, Glenn Ferguson.

Funeral services were conducted yesterday at 2 o'clock at the Shoal Creek Methodist church, by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Clay. Interment was in the Thomas cemetery.

Mrs. Ferguson is survived by her two sons, Glenn and Paul Ferguson, and by 10 grandchildren.

## Bill Calls For Referendum On State Prohibition Law; Introduced By Senator Hill

(By DAN TOMPKINS)

The thing that is calculated to stir up the biggest row of the present General Assembly, a row that will reverberate throughout the State from the Great Smokies to the Sandhills, is a bill that Senator John Sprunt Hill has prepared, calling for a referendum on whether or no North Carolina will enter the liquor business, set up a system of warehouses, and grab off some revenue from the sale of wines, brandies, whiskies, and all the rest of the list of intoxicants.

Senator Hill has been a life-long prohibitionist, though the most staunch of the dries felt an inkling during the last General Assembly that he might be weakening in his position, and could see signs of dampening of his ardor for the cause. His bill, or one like it, is the only kind of one that looks to the modification of the dry laws, that is believed to have a ghost of a show of passing, in the face of the 185,000 anti-repeal majority, rolled up by the State. It is said to be modeled after the system existing in Virginia, and set forth an elaborate plan of liquor control and sale through warehouse, or as the old-timers familiarly know them, dispensaries. But the system would not go into effect until after the people had set their stamp of approval upon it in an election called, soon after the adjournment of the General Assembly, and not at all, if the folks should find themselves of the same mind toward the liquor business as they were when they voted dry, back in 1908, and as when they voted 185,000 majority against the repeal of the 18th Amendment in 1933.

Since Senator Hill's bill came to light, the mails of the members of the General Assembly have greatly increased. They are hearing from the people back home, and it is stated that the majority of the letters are from dries protesting against any such legislation.

A bill has been introduced to raise the tax on gasoline 1c on the gallon and to require the State Highway and Public Works Commission to assume all county indebtedness in the State incurred in road construction. This is a bill of far-reaching import, which, if enacted, would reduce the tax rate in many counties to an undreamed of minimum. In Jackson county, for instance, it is calculated that the bill would cut the tax rate by nearly \$1 on the \$100

valuation of property, levying the property owners paying something less than 40c on the \$100 for all purposes.

Bills introduced:

To provide a uniform system for the election and compensation of justices of the peace, providing that one be elected for each township of less than 10,000 population, and an additional one allowed for each 10,000 people, and the county commissioners given the duty of fixing the salaries of the 'squires.

To regulate the kinds of paper and inks used for public records.

To transfer the control of the Highway Patrol to the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

To make the statute of limitations so that judgments will expire in ten years.

To provide \$500 a year to transport sick and indigent veterans to hospitals.

To prohibit counties and municipalities from preventing the circulation of advertising matter not unlawful, in the manner that newspapers are distributed.

To extend all teachers' contracts to 1939 without summer school attendance.

To appropriate \$1,000,000 annually to be applied on principal and interest of county road debts.

To tax stocks in foreign corporations.

To require vaccination against rabies for all dogs in the State.

To remove from tax lists the duty of gathering agricultural statistics.

To require solicitors to file lists of all State's witnesses discharged and entitled to prove attendance.

To allow life-tenants of property to redeem lands sold for taxes at any time before foreclosure.

To prohibit justices of the peace from soliciting business.

To provide uniform fees for justices of the peace.

To provide for election for three justices in each township.

To require all executors to give bond, unless the testator requests otherwise.

A substitute for a house bill would prohibit the possession and use of fireworks, including cap pistols, in all counties in the State except Graham, Gaston, Rowan, Cherokee, Franklin, Ashe, Pamlico, Burke, Guilford and Macon.

## Credit Association In First Annual Meeting

Members of the Franklin Production Association which serves the counties of Macon, Jackson, Swain, Graham, Clay and Cherokee, held its first annual stockholders meeting at Franklin on January 30. Heard complete reports on the first year's operations of the association and elected directors for the coming year.

The meeting was largely attended, not only by the members but also by farmers who desire to acquaint themselves with the credit facilities which the association is offering.

After the annual report for the year's operations had been made by E. W. Long, Secretary-Treasurer of the association, the meeting was addressed by Ernest Graham, of the Production Credit Corporation of Columbia, which serves the states of South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida, and made a thorough explanation of the local association's financial statement.

Mr. Graham said that the procedure for obtaining loans for the coming year had been greatly simplified and that the loans could be handled a great deal more quickly than in the past year. He urged farmers, however, to make their applications early and get their commitment approved as they do not begin paying interest until they get their money.

The directors elected for the coming year are: R. L. Anderson, Brantown; R. R. Beal, Murphy; J. W. Crisp, Robbinsville; M. S. Burnette; Sealy; and A. J. Dills, Sylva.

The Franklin Production Credit Association makes loans for agricultural purposes. The interest is 5 per cent per year at present, payable when the loan matures and interest is charged only for the time the money is used.

## Jones Bound To Court On Burglary Charge

Johnny Jones was held for trial at the February term of superior court, and Olivéanne Arch, Indian woman, was released, by 'esquire John H. Morris, of a charge of burglarizing the new home of Velt Wilson, on Highway No. 10 just inside the western limits of Sylva, a couple of weeks ago.

Jones stated that the woman had nothing whatever to do with the robbery or the receiving of the stolen goods, that he alone was guilty. "I am the guilty man," Jones stated to the court.

The two were held by Mr. Morris on a statutory charge, after the hearing on the one for burglary.

## CHARLES DAVIS DIES IN RYDERWOOD, WASH. TON

Ryderwood, Wash., Jan. 2.—Funeral services for Charles V. Hittfield Davis were held in the Community church Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. A. T. Goodwin.

Davis was born in Jackson County, North Carolina, May 12, 1872. He lived in Cowlitz county about 30 years and in Ryderwood over 10 years, and had been engaged in the woods work, as long as his health permitted. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Tom Phyllips and three brothers, R. C. John and Mayden in Ryderwood, and a sister, Mrs. Ollie Adams, in North Carolina. He was buried in the Little Falls cemetery.

tural purposes. The interest is 5 per cent per year at present, payable when the loan matures and interest is charged only for the time the money is used.

## He Got A Job



WASHINGTON . . . Walter W. Walters (above), 1932 Bonus Army Chief, has been put to work in the War Department, upon recommendation of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, whose soldiers drove the veterans from their Washington camp ten years ago.

## 40 YEARS AGO

TUCKASEIGE DEMOCRAT  
January 24, 1895

Mr. John Wike, of East La Porte was here Friday.

Prof. W. H. H. Hughes has been out two days this week.

Mrs. M. Buchanan visited her parents, at Webster, this week.

Miss Gertrude Buchanan, of Webster, is visiting her brother's family here.

Messrs. J. B. Sherrill and Postmaster Long, of Webster, were over Friday.

Miss Lola Fleming, late of Asheville, is now a member of Mr. M. Buchanan's household.

Misses Lela and Florence Enloe and Lola Sherrill and Mr. Jack Sherrill are up from Dillsboro, this afternoon.

Mr. A. E. Baum returned Friday, from Hayesville, where he has been for several days putting up some of his work.

Mr. A. J. Galloway is here today. He has purchased land in Qualla township and will remove there some time next month.

Dr. Wolff has another pet. This time it is a large eagle, with hooked beak and powerful claws, captured amongst the rocky cliffs of Cullo-whoe.

Jackson Union Meeting: Owing to the coldness of the weather, the union failed to meet with the Webster church on Friday before the fifth Sunday in December. It will meet with the Webster church on Friday before the first Sunday in February. Introductory sermon by Rev. H. D. Welch, at ten o'clock a. m. Alternate, Rev. J. P. Painter.

What are the best methods of conducting a prayer meeting? To be opened by Rev. J. P. Painter. How can we get the churches more interested in church work? To be opened by Rev. A. C. Queen; How can we get the churches more awakened to the interest of missions? To be opened by Rev. G. N. Cowan; Should ministers devote their entire time to the ministry? To be opened by Rev. A. H. Sims; What is the faith once delivered unto the saints? To be opened by Rev. A. B. Thomas; Ministerial and Deacon's council to be at Bro. James Cowan's Saturday evening of the meeting.

The ground was thinly covered with snow, Monday morning.

Mr. John R. Crawford and son Woodrow Wilson, or "Billie", as he is more often called, of Washington, arrived in W. N. C. several weeks ago and were visiting relatives around Balsam last week. This is Mr. Crawford's first visit "back home" since he left here with his family about sixteen years ago, for the West.

## Society Holds Service At The County Home

A religious service sponsored by the Baptist Woman's Missionary Society was held at the county home near Webster, Sunday afternoon, January 27.

Mr. W. C. Reed conducted the devotional and made a talk. Several songs—favorite hymns of the inmates of the home—were sung. One of the members of the society, who attended the service said: "It is hoped that the different churches and church organizations in town can arrange to hold services for the people in our county home. Surely this would be a blessing to those who participate, as well as to those for whom the services are given."

## RHINEHART PLACED UNDER BOND FOR DAMAGES TO AUTO

An attack was made upon the automobile of Chief of Police James A. Turpin, Tuesday of last week, by Frank Rhinehart, at the latter's home near Webster, according to Leonard Holden, Deputy Sheriff, who placed Rhinehart under arrest and brought him to Sylva, where he made bond to answer to a charge of malicious injury to personal property.

According to the deputy sheriff, he went to the home of Rhinehart, to serve an execution, under a judgment rendered by the Superior Court of Haywood County, against Rhinehart, in a case brought by Alley, Warfield and D. H. Turpin, in which they were awarded damages because of alleged false arrest, in the case of more than a year ago, in which Rhinehart accused the three Turpin men, and others unknown to him, of having kidnapped and mistreated him. The justice's court in Sylva failed to find probable cause against the three, and released them. Later they brought suit against Rhinehart in Haywood, and were recently awarded a judgment. It was to serve the execution of this judgment that Holden went to the home of Rhinehart.

According to the officer, he served his paper and Rhinehart asked leave to accompany him back to Sylva. He decided, however, that he had better take his own automobile, and got license tags to put on it, which Holden was doing, when Rhinehart went to get water to put in his radiator. Holden had made the trip in Chief J. A. Turpin's car, and according to Holden he heard a crash, and turned to find Rhinehart smashing headlights, windshield, and windows of Turpin's car, with an axe. Chief Turpin is a brother of Warfield and Alley Turpin.

Rhinehart, when approached later by a representative of this paper, stated that he had nothing to say for publication.

## BALSAM

(By Mrs. D. T. Knight)

Miss Harriett Long of Addie spent Thursday night with the Knights.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Bryson and baby came down from New York last week to visit his parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Bryson. Mr. Bryson has a position in the U. S. Army.

Mrs. J. E. Long of Addie came up to attend the Methodist Sunday school Sunday afternoon, after which she visited Mrs. Sara Bryson and the Knights.

Miss Helen Blanton and Miss Winnie Parris of Addie are guests of Mrs. Sara Bryson.

The writer and others here had a perfect view of the partial eclipse of the sun Sunday morning at 10:20. Nearly one-fourth of the sun was obscured by the moon. This eclipse was different from any I had ever seen, as the sun looked like a white mass and showed several small black cracks or lines on it.

The ground was thinly covered with snow, Monday morning.

Mr. John R. Crawford and son Woodrow Wilson, or "Billie", as he is more often called, of Washington, arrived in W. N. C. several weeks ago and were visiting relatives around Balsam last week. This is Mr. Crawford's first visit "back home" since he left here with his family about sixteen years ago, for the West.

## Driver Of Death Car Bound Over To Court

Paul Moeller, Atlanta man, was held under \$2000 bond, and remanded to jail in default of bond, for the death of Mäzie Ruth Bumgarner, Sylva child, who died Thursday night in the Community hospital, following injuries received when she was allegedly struck by an automobile driven by him earlier in the day, by John H. Morris, Justice of the Peace, before whom Moeller was brought for a preliminary hearing.

The case was cited for trial at the February term of Jackson county superior court, which starts Monday the 18th.

## COMMUNION SERVICE SUNDAY

At the eleven o'clock hour Sunday, a communion service will be held following the regular sermon and service at the Methodist church here.

## Teacher Is Honored At P. T. A. Meeting

The Parent-Teacher Association met Tuesday afternoon, celebrating its 35th anniversary of the organization, traced to the history of the organization, and honored Mrs. Burney, the retiring president.

The meeting was opened with quotations from the Bible by members, and a prayer by Mrs. W. C. Reed.

Mrs. E. L. McKee gave the second of her series of talks on Parent Education, being as a subject, "Foods."

She stressed the fact that variety is necessary in the diet of growing children, not only as to the variety of foods, but that variety in selection and preparation should be exercised.

Mrs. Scott, adviser of high school girls, and her committee, announced plans for having Miss Brackett, Dean of Women of Western Carolina Teachers College, talk to the girls in the near future.

Mr. Crawford's room won the prize box of candy for having the largest number of parents present.