

The Jackson County Journal

SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, JULY 29

\$2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

County Schools Will Open Next Monday

The schools in Jackson county, with the exception of those at Sylva and Dillsboro, will open Monday, August 2, for the fall term. This is the first time in the history of the county that school books will be distributed to all students in the primary and secondary grades of the county. This is done by the State Department of Education. The books are issued from the office of the superintendent of schools to the principals of the several schools, and they, in turn, will supply the students.

- WAGERS** near 1929 peak
- The average weekly wages of workers in American industries have increased by more than 16 percent in the past year, although the length of the average work week has been reduced by 15 percent, the National Industrial Conference Board reports. That means that the average hourly wage of industrial workers has gone up much more than the weekly wage. The weekly earnings of factory hands are now almost exactly where they were at the peak of the "boom" in 1929, while the number now employed in industry is higher than it was then. This would mean real prosperity if the buying power of wages were as great as it was in 1929, and on that point the Board's report is equally optimistic. The "real" weekly wage, adjusted to actual living costs, is 12 percent above the 1929 average.
- Some will attribute this improvement in the American worker's condition to politics. Personally, I regard it as something which was inevitable, which would have come about fast if there had been less political interference.
- NEGROES** Southern boon.
- A few weeks ago I visited a typical Southern plantation and had a chance to learn how the Negro employees were treated. There are thirty families employed the year 'round on this ten-thousand acre tract, with extra help at cotton-picking and harvest time. The head of each family is paid \$30 a month. They get living quarters and fuel free, and all they want of the food-stuffs grown on the place. Most of the cabins have gardens and flocks of poultry. The Negroes have their own community center or "jook" where they have their dances and social affairs. In case of illness, they get free medical care.
- How many Northern white workers wonder, have \$30 a month left after paying rent, food and doctor's bill? Not many. In addition, the women and older children are given first chance on this plantation to earn extra money at picking time. The Negro foreman get \$30 a month and better quarters.
- I was reminded of what Booker T. Washington, the great Negro educator, said to me years ago. "The best friend of the Southern Negro is the Southern white man."
- JERUSALEM** The Moslems
- To every Christian, as to every Jew, there is something so sacred about the Holy City that it seems almost a sacrilege to abandon Jerusalem to the Mohammedans, as is proposed by the British commission which has drawn up plans for the new Jewish State of Palestine. "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning," sang the writer of the 137th Psalm. "If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth, if I prefer not Jerusalem to my chief joy."
- But while it is a sentimental shock to abandon Jerusalem to the Moslems, when one remembers the blood spilled in the crusades and the World War to recapture it from them, the practical fact is that the experience of the past twenty years has proved that the Jews and the Arabs can't occupy the same territory peacefully. So the new Jewish state will go back to the ancient home of the race, Samaria and Galilee, leaving most of Judea to the Arabs.
- After all, the Ark of the Covenant was brought to Jerusalem by David from Shiloh, in Samaria.
- BOOZE** gasoline
- I note one liquor advertiser is warning people not to drive if they drink, nor drink if they drive. It is eternally true that liquor and gasoline in combination make a deadly mixture.
- Not long ago I attended a convention to which a hundred or so men had come from long distances, mostly in automobiles, a few in airplanes. There was a drinking party in a hotel room, across from mine. I heard one man refuse a drink, because he had to start to drive home that night. "I'm going to fly my own plane home," said another, "and I suppose I ought to lay off, but I'll take just one more drink."
- The flyer crashed the next day trying to land at the airport in his

TODAY and TOMORROW

WAGERS near 1929 peak

NO SCHOOL WILL BE HELD AT CHARLEY'S CREEK

MRS. MAGGIE LINDSEY DIED AT BALSAM, MONDAY

REVIVAL IN PROGRESS AT CULLOWHEE BAPTIST

QUALLA

Things That Burn Me Up

THE POSTAL CARD FUND

THE TRAILER TRAIL

THE HOT WEATHER CRAPS WANSER

THE IMMAGINE QUARRER

THE RADIO DEMON

THE GREEN YOUNG THING

Jackson's Leading 4 H's Are Now At Raleigh Camp

Two Jackson county boys and three girls, all leaders in the 4-H club work in the county, are attending the 4-H encampment at State College in Raleigh, this week.

They are Joe Hedden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hedden of Sylva, winner of the district health contest; Homer Bryson, son of Mrs. Boon Bryson, Glenville; Helen Higdon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Higdon, Webster, Thelma Ashe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Ashe, Sylva; and Geraldine Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Price, Sylva.

County Agent G. R. Luckey, and Home Demonstrator, Mrs. Harry Evans, accompanied the young people to Raleigh.

NO SCHOOL WILL BE HELD AT CHARLEY'S CREEK

School will not open at Charley's Creek, in Casada township, on next Monday, by reason of the fact that no allotment for a teacher was made. Superintendent M. B. Madison stated that his office is urging upon the State School Commission that it allot a teacher for this school, and that whether or not school will be held there during the year will rest with the decision of the commission.

MRS. MAGGIE LINDSEY DIED AT BALSAM, MONDAY

(By Mrs. D. T. Knight)

Mrs. Maggie Lindsey passed away early Monday morning at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Beck. She had been sick for some time and her death was not unexpected. She leaves three daughters and one son: Mrs. O. J. Beck of Balsam, Mrs. Dock Tappin, Miss Virginia and Mr. Lawrence Lindsey of Iowa. Funeral service was held in the Baptist church, Tuesday afternoon, and the body was laid to rest in the Crawford cemetery by the side of her husband, who preceded her several years ago. Floral offerings were many and beautiful.

Many friends and relatives were attended the burial service of Mrs. Divola Huffman at Wilets Sunday afternoon. She was a niece of Mrs. Martin Hoyle.

Mrs. Beulah Beck Pott underwent an appendix operation in the Haywood County Hospital last week, and is doing as well as could be expected. Mr. Charles Perry and son, Joe, spent last week end with relatives in Wilkesboro.

Little Bettie Jones had her tonsils removed, in Sylva, last week.

Many tourists and others here attended the Indian Pageant at Cherokee, Sunday afternoon.

(Please Turn to Page 3)

Jackson's White Pines Threatened By Blister Rust

The beautiful white pine forests of the southern end of the county are threatened with destruction by a new blight, coming down from the north, as did the chestnut blight.

And the United States Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, has entered this county in the program that is being carried on throughout the State to protect the white pine from this blight known as White Pine Blister Rust. It is a fungus disease similar to the chestnut blight which has destroyed practically the entire chestnut forests in many parts of the country.

Unlike chestnut blight, the white pine blister rust cannot spread from tree to tree, but it must be carried through a host plant—current and gooseberry bushes—from diseased pines to healthy ones. This cycle takes place every summer, and has spread the disease from the northern states as far south as Virginia and West Virginia.

When currant or gooseberry bushes are found growing within 1000 feet of any white pines, which is the distance the spores will carry from the bushes to the pines, they must be destroyed. This is the only known method of checking the spread of the rust, as well as of controlling it when already established.

A crew of 19 men under the direction of H. A. Whitman, Jr., from the Asheville headquarters at 604 County Building, Asheville, is working at present in the pine stands of Jackson county. They are mapping all white pine, paying special attention to the stands of 5 per cent or over, and eradicating gooseberry and currant bushes within 1000 feet of all white pine found. The work is being carried on now in sections south of Cashiers, where the air is abundant in both large trees and seedlings.

Every citizen of the county is asked to give his full cooperation in allowing these men to carry on their work. If any owner desires to pull his own gooseberries or currants, the Asheville office will be glad to have a record of the names and addresses of such owners, and of the number of bushes pulled.

The Asheville headquarters or Wm. B. Crawford of Cullowhee will gladly give additional information to interested persons.

REVIVAL IN PROGRESS AT CULLOWHEE BAPTIST

Reports from Cullowhee are to the effect that the revival at the Cullowhee Baptist church is gaining in power. There have been a number of

(Please Turn To Page 2)

Escaped Convict Caught In Home Of Sylva Woman

Robinson Died Martyr To Party

Washington, July 28—The sudden death of Senator Joe Robinson of Arkansas, leader of the Administration forces in the factual battle over the President's Supreme Court project, resulted in intensifying the differences between the opponents of the plan and the adherents of Mr. Roosevelt. Now that the battle is over, Majority Leader Barkley and others are bending their efforts to heal the breaches, to save the wounds and erase the scars.

Senator Robinson had chosen the course of political loyalty. Those closest in his confidence say that he did not like the President's court plan, and particularly disliked the President's failure to consult with him and other Congressional leaders before proposing it. But he viewed his obligation as leader of the President's party in the Senate in the traditional American manner, and set out to do the best he could for the measure.

He did succeed in getting the President to accept the Logan-Hatch substitute bill, but that did not lessen the vigor of the opposition. So Joe Robinson died fighting for the head of his party—a loyal party man to the end.

There is little doubt that Senator Robinson's death can be attributed in some measure to the deadly Washington climate, which has killed scores of statesmen in the past. The direct cause of his death was heart failure, brought on by his untiring labors in behalf of the Court Bill. Senator Copeland of New York, who practiced medicine for many years, and is a sort of consulting physician to the Senate, warned Senator Robinson a week before he died that he was flirting with death.

Mr. Robinson was on the verge of collapse when he finished his first speech, opening the debate on the bill. He complained to friends on several occasions that the heat of Washington's summers nearly overcame him, especially the abrupt change from autumn coolness of the air-conditioned Senate to the stifling atmosphere outside.

There is no escaping the heat in Washington. It is seldom tempered by dry winds, such as make the life of the midwestern prairies bearable, and the nation's capital is too far inland to get the sea-breezes which temper the nights, at least, of coastal cities and make Florida a more comfortable place in summer than Chicago.

(Please Turn To Page 2)

Alvin Mansfield, one of the ten convicts who escaped from the Jackson County Prison Camp, Saturday night was taken into custody in Sylva, Tuesday morning, by Leonard Holden, Chief of Police of Sylva.

Mrs. Ollie Banks, who with her family, occupies one of the dormitories at Sylva Collegiate Institute, heard someone enter the building and move about in it, during the night. She remained awake until she saw Mr. Alvin Buchanan passing along the street. She summoned him and they made a search of the building, and found Mansfield asleep on the floor of one of the rooms. Chief Holden was called and he took the prisoner to jail. Mansfield, whose home, he stated, is in Edenton, was returned to the prison camp later in the day. He had had nothing to eat since he escaped, Saturday night, but had managed to exchange his prison stripes for other clothing.

Police are positive that Mansfield is another of the escapees attempted to steal an automobile on Mill street, at the rear of the Moody Funeral Home, earlier in the night.

Ralph Ladd, another fugitive from the prison camp, was taken into custody by Sheriff C. C. Mason, Tuesday night, between Sylva and Dillsboro. The Sheriff saw Ladd coming out of the woods near the Parris cemetery, and brought him in. Ladd, like Mansfield, stated that he had had nothing to eat since the escape, Saturday night.

Only four of the ten escapees are still at large, and it is believed that they also will soon be returned to the camp.

The ten made their escape when S. A. Ashe, a guard, went to a cage containing 49 prisoners, to take medicine for a sick convict. The jobvets rushed and overpowered Mr. Ashe, when he opened the door.

All convicts in this camp, which is about 10 miles west of Sylva, are long-termers, sent up for serious offenses. Those retained had been convicted and sentenced for such offenses as highway robbery, robbery with fire-arms, bank robbery and the like. Mansfield's sentence was for receiving stolen property, knowing it to have been stolen.

Prompt and vigorous denial came after the publication in an Asheville paper of a news item from Bryson City stating that the hands of the recaptured prisoners were chained to steel rail above their heads for a period of 72 hours, as punishment for escaping. Officials of the camp, which is located in this county, and not in Swain, as repeatedly stated by Asheville newspapers, declare that there is no foundation in fact for the statement, and that discipline is regulated from Raleigh.

QUALLA

(By Mrs. J. K. Terrell)

Rev. J. L. Rogers preached Sunday morning on the text "And I, if I be lifted up will draw all men unto me." It was his last sermon for the year. He resigned as pastor of the Shoal Creek Baptist church, of which he has been a popular and highly esteemed pastor for several years. Qualla folks regret that he cannot preach longer in our community. He was accompanied to the service by Mrs. Rogers and two sons.

Mrs. Ras Chambers, of Winston-Salem, is conducting revival services at the Baptist church this week. Mrs. Chambers was formerly Miss Velma Matthews, of Qualla.

Married, on July 24, in Clayton, Ga. Miss Louise Callahan to Mr. Frank Kinland, both of Qualla. Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Cathey accompanied the bridal party and attended the ceremony.

Mrs. May Harris, of St. Petersburg, Fla. is a guest of Mrs. C. P. Shelton. Mrs. Bonnie Blye, of Rochester, N. Y., and Mrs. Hazel Colcord and children, of Jacksonville, Fla., are visiting relatives at Qualla and Whittier.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Shuler of Norfolk, Va., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Shuler. Misses Alice Thompson, of Des Moines, Iowa, and Laura Lorenzi, of Puerto Rico, are spending awhile with Mr. Allen Ward.

Mrs. C. M. Martin spent the week end with Mrs. Homer Turpin, in Sylva.

Mr. Frank Owen and family were guests at Mr. Frank Shuler's, Sunday.

(Please Turn To Page 1)

Things That Burn Me Up — by A. B. CHAPIN



WHO MAKES MY SWELTERING NIGHTS MORE UNBEARABLE

AIN'T TH' HEAT TERRIBLE? IT'S OVER HUNDRED IN TH' SHADE, AN' TH' WEATHER MAN SAYS IT'S GOIN' T' GIT HOTTER! MORE'N TWO HUNDRED PEOPLE DIED O' SUNSTROKE YESTERDAY! GOSH! IT'S AWFUL—ETC., ETC.



WHO MAKES MY STAY-AT-HOME-JOB HARDER TO ENDURE



WHO BRAGS ABOUT HIS COOL MENTALITY



WHO MAKES IT TOUGH FOR ME TO KEEP FROM COMMITTING MURDER



WHO BAWLS ME OUT FOR BEING A SUMMER SISY