

# The Jackson County Journal

SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, APRIL 7, 1938

ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

\$2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

## County Elections Board Organizes

With the organization of the County Board of Elections, by the election of Aaron Hooper as chairman, and R. Queen as secretary, and the appointment of W. E. Grindstaff as a member, politics in Jackson County, in this political year, has gotten off to a real start; candidates for various offices are appearing as fast as flies in August, although the democratic primary is almost two months away.

The first announcement that was made was that of Dan Tompkins, editor of the Journal, former Representative, and present Reading Clerk of the House of Representatives, that he will be a candidate for Representative in the General Assembly.

G. Dillard, of Beta, who was two months ago elected a member of the County Board of Education, has announced that he will be a candidate for the post. No formal announcement has been made by Representative T. J. Coburn, but it is rumored that he will also be a candidate to succeed Dan Tompkins.

A spirited race between Baxter C. Jones and Solicitor John M. Queen, for the solicitorship of this district, has developed.

C. H. Haywood it is said that he will be a candidate, and also a Solicitor, Canton attorney, James R. Boyd, Waynesville, and one who will be opposing candidates for the State Senate.

In the Register of Deeds race six candidates have developed. Mrs. J. S. Sherrill Roane, present incumbent, has announced that she will make the race, and Earl Reed, Lee Henson, Sylva; Roscoe Savannah; Doug Davis, Webster; and Glenna Hughes, Cullowhee, have entered the lists for this position.

At the Court Dan M. Allison will be a candidate, and Messrs. Moses, of Sylva; Frank C. Crawford, Sylva; Jennings Bryson, Beta; and Roy M. Cowan, Webster, are candidates for this position.

County Finance Commissioner J. C. Ann like will not be a candidate, and J. H. Long, of Mountain, and Vernon Cope, of Sylva, have announced that they are aspirants for important position.

While Sheriff C. C. Mason has made no formal announcement of his candidacy, it is generally understood that he will seek re-nomination; and F. A. Sutton, of Qualla, is opposing him.

R. C. Howell, of Qualla, and Cleve Fisher, of Hamburg are candidates to succeed themselves as county commissioners, and Ed Fisher, of Beta, also a candidate for commissioner.

## QUALLA

(By Mrs. J. K. Terrell)

Miss Susan Keener, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Keener, died Saturday night and was buried in the cemetery on Monday morning, the 28th. Besides her mother, she is survived by two sisters, Mrs. J. Franklin, of Bryson City, and Mrs. Chas. Sward, of New York, and three brothers, Messrs. James, Penn and Sever Keener of Qualla, also several nephews and nieces.

She had been afflicted for about three years, but bore her sufferings with patience and seemed resigned to the inevitable.

That she was a Christian was the comforting words spoken by the pastor at the funeral. She was a member of the Methodist church. The service was conducted by Rev. A. Crawford and Rev. C. W. Dyer, of Bryson City. Several visitors were present.

## BAPTISTS TO BUILD ADDITION TO CHURCH

A meeting held at the close of the preaching service, last Sunday morning, the Baptist church here decided to build an addition of six Sunday school rooms, to relieve the crowded condition of the Sunday school. The addition will be built of concrete blocks and will adjoin the church on the side next to Main Street, reaching from the back of the present Sunday school rooms to the first window in the side of the church auditorium. Besides the classrooms, the addition will contain a rest room for a heating plant and two rest rooms.

The church also made plans for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of its organization, the celebration to be held some time this summer.

## Looking Backward In Jackson County 49-30-20 years ago.

**Tuckasegee Democrat, 1889**

Major Finger, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has perfected a plan to carry out the act of the last Legislature, which abolished all the white normal schools, and provides that the sum set apart for them shall be expended for teachers' institutes. Major Finger says that these institutes will begin July 1st next, and that in a year from that date they will have been held in each of the ninety-six counties of the State for a term of at least one week each. They will cost ten thousand dollars, of which the counties will pay half. The State appropriates four thousand, and a thousand comes from the ready fund. Only North Carolina teachers will be employed to conduct these institutes. The State Board of Education has dismissed the "blue-jack speller" from the State list of school books. Oakland Institute an industrial and literary school for young ladies, will be opened next September. The property is situated in Victoria, a suburb of Asheville, and is under the auspices of the Presbyterian church. Mr. W. M. Burns, of this place, and Miss Laura Gibson, of Scott's Creek, were united in marriage on last Sunday, at the home of the bride's stepfather, Mr. A. W. Farmer, Rev. A. B. Thomas, of Dillsboro, officiating. Mr. Berry McDade, of Dillsboro, was married on Sunday, at the residence of Mr. J. M. Phillips. We are reliably informed that the Equitable Manufacturing Company will begin active operations at once. The foundation stone is now being prepared and the lumber for the buildings is now being sawed at Mr. Jarratt's saw mill. The new store at Wilmot, the Messrs. Hall & Fishers' is now complete and the goods to go into it. Mr. Jas. C. Fisher is to manage the business there and doubtless all will work well. At the hour of 10 A. M. Friday, March 30, the Sunday School Conference was called to order in Webster, and the exercises of the day were begun by a prayer meeting of one half hour's duration, conducted by Rev. Frank Siler. Capt. J. W. Ferrell being absent, Mr. W. E. Moore kindly consented to take his place and delivered a very cordial address of welcome. Rev. Frank Siler was elected permanent president and R. L. Madison permanent secretary. The following members and delegates were present at some or all of the business sessions: from Webster, Revs. Frank Siler and B. G. Wild; Prof. W. H. H. Hughes and Messrs. W. A. Enloe, W. E. Moore, A. J. Long, Sr., A. S. Bryson, David Bigham, J. E. McLain; Cullowhee, Messrs. Henry J. Rees, David Brown and Fidel Pressley; East LaPorte, Dr. J. K. Case, Messrs. P. C. Allen, and Javan Davis; Double Springs, Messrs. Thomas and J. S. Leopard; Dillsboro, Maj. J. H. Bryson and Mrs. F. Merckel; Wesleyanna, Mr. Nathan Cabe; Cashiers, Rev. H. M. Bennett; from Jamburg and Highlands, Rev. A. W. Jacobs; from Sylva, R. L. Madison. The following visitors were in attendance: Rev. J. C. Orr, of Waynesville, Rev. John Burnett, of this county, Rev. J. F. Austin, editor of the Asheville Methodist, and Rev. Dr. LeFevre, of the Franklin circuit. At the first session on Saturday the committee reported as follows: "We find, from the reports furnished us that there are in the bounds of Webster Circuit and Hamburg Mission 9 Sunday Schools under the guidance of the M. E. Church, South, and that in the schools there are 432 scholars enrolled, with an average attendance of 294. In these schools we find 59 officers and teachers engaged. Only three of these are kept open during the whole year, the balance going into Winter Quarters." Last Friday evening being the occasion for the election of officers in the Sylva Literary Club, the election was entered upon and resulted as follows: President, Mr. S. A. Davis; Vice-President, Mr. S. Waidrop; Secretary, Miss Ella Potts; Treasurer, F. A. Luck, Jr.; Sergeant-at-Arms, Gen. E. R. Hampton.

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Dillsboro locals: Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Holmes Bryson, a little son. Another Democratic ticket by and by—Master Will Cathey is home from (Please turn to page two)

## Parent-Teachers Elects Officers

Mrs. Raymond U. Sutton was elected president of the Sylva Parent-Teachers Association, at the meeting held Tuesday afternoon. The new vice-president of Mrs. M. B. Madison; secretary, Miss Bertha Cunningham, and treasurer, Mrs. Dan Tompkins.

This was the last meeting of the school year, and the new officers expected to have all committees appointed and the organization ready to function when school opens again, next fall.

Rev. A. P. Ratledge, pastor of the Methodist church in Sylva, was the speaker for the afternoon, and used as his subject, "The Home, The School and The Church".

Miss Mayme Long's room won the banner for parent attendance.

## Jury Drawn For May Term

The Jury Commission, composed of R. U. Sutton, H. H. Bryson, and Dillard Coward, met on Monday and drew the jury for the May term of Superior Court. The court will be for the trial of both civil and criminal cases, and the grand jury will be drawn from the list of jurors for the first week. The citizens drawn to serve as jurors are:

**FIRST WEEK**

Robert M. Bryson, Cullowhee; T. F. Dillard, Sylva; John B. Battle, Qualla; Ralph Ashe, Canada; L. T. Queen, Webster; Milt Bryson, Cullowhee; Jesse Brown, Sylva; Sam C. Buchanan, Gay; A. D. Parker, Sylva; Frank T. Fugate, Cashier; J. D. Bentley, Glenville; R. W. Williams, Sylva; Howard Wood, Cowarts; W. L. Fisher, Sylva; M. M. Galloway, Wolf Mountain; P. E. Dean, Sylva; Paul Warren, Sylva; Ed Fisher, Sylva; L. D. Hall, Gay; P. L. Henson, Glenville; T. A. Dillard, Cashier; Charlie Brooks, Barker's Creek; J. T. Gribble, Sylva; Dock Harris, Sylva; Grady Saunders, Qualla; B. R. Morgan, Sylva; Fred Beasley, Sylva; Ben Hooper, Cullowhee; Lloyd Hooper, Tuckasegee; Jude Buchanan, Barker's Creek; Dave Shuler, Dillsboro; C. E. Smith, Sylva; Cling Taylor, Cullowhee; R. F. Hall, Qualla; Geo. Rogers, Webster; Ralph Tatham, Dillsboro; L. Claude Allison, Sylva; H. S. Queen, Qualla; L. H. Cannon, Webster; Hubert Potts, Dillsboro; C. W. Deitz, Gay; E. P. Wike, East La Porte.

## SECOND WEEK

John C. Morris, Sylva; Bragg Allison, Green's Creek; Walter Melton, Wolf Mtn.; M. M. Hoxit, Wolf Mtn.; M. V. Breedlove, Glenville; J. B. Breedlove, Glenville; Lynch Dillard, Cashier; R. G. Snyder, Williets; Fred Barron, G a y; J. R. Bryson, Cullowhee; Ascue Hooper, Tuckasegee; G. W. Cook, Barker's Creek; J. E. Keener, Sylva; Alvin Crawford, Cullowhee; John W. Buchanan, Gay; Jack Warren, Sylva; Lambert Melton, Canada; R. F. Jarratt, Dillsboro; Paul Fugate, Cashier; Gene Henderson, Mountain; Worley Wilkie, Barker's Creek; Walter Jackson, East LaPorte; Charles McCall, Wolf Mtn.; Ed Norton, Cullowhee.

## Specialists Aiding Mrs. Evans

Mrs. Sallie Brooks, assistant nutrition specialist of State College, was in the county this week, assisting Mrs. Harry Evans in her work. Miss Brooks spoke Tuesday at Cullowhee, and on Wednesday at Gay.

Miss Rosel Elwood Bryan, Home Demonstration Agent at Large, will be here next week and will assist with the program in the county. All members of the Home Demonstration clubs are urged by Mrs. Evans to attend the meetings next week, and visitors will be welcome.

## 27 At Pre-School Clinic

Twenty-seven children were present at the elementary school building, last Wednesday, for the pre-school clinic. Medical and dental examinations were made by Dr. C. N. Sisk, Mrs. Howard Clapp, and Dr. W. P. McGuire.

Mrs. Harry Hastings was chairman of the committee from the P. T. A., in charge of the arrangements. Refreshments were served to the youngsters, and each of them was presented with marbles, tops, or dolls.

Dr. Sisk expressed himself as being gratified at the health conditions of the group of children who will enter Sylva school next fall. (Please turn to page two)

## THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, April 7. (Autocaster) —The Japanese cherry blossoms bloomed early this year around the Tidal Basin, coming into full flower just as Congress voted to appropriate more than a billion dollars to build the largest Navy in the world, with a couple of battleships of 45,000 tons, thousands of tons larger than the top limit agreed on by England, Japan and the United States a few years ago. Japan broke its treaty agreement first, by laying the keels of two giant warships. England followed suit and now the United States falls into line. Congress also added \$85,000,000 to the Army appropriations.

## Conservative Coalition in 1940?

More and more talk is heard in the anterooms of both houses of Congress of Cordell Hull as a possible coalition candidate for the Presidency in 1940. The belief grows among experienced political observers that the 1940 contest must be along a new line-up, not Republicans against Democrats but between Conservatives and the New Deal, with the anti-New Deal candidate as likely to be an old-line Democrat as to be a Republican. Those who are opposed to the whole philosophy of the New Deal include a great and growing number of Democratic leaders, especially in the South. Mr. Hull is from Tennessee. The eyes of many of those who believe that a real coalition of the anti-New Deal elements is politically feasible are turning from the still badly disorganized Republican party toward the Southern Democracy for leadership, and more and more resting on Mr. Hull.

That the Administration is well aware of the growing disaffection toward it of what was once the "Solid South" is evidenced by numerous signs of the times. The President's open espousal of Florida Senator Claude Pepper's candidacy for renomination at the May 3rd primaries is one of those signs. Mr. Pepper is an out-and-out New Dealer. He faces opposition from two powerful opponents, neither of them committed to the New Deal. One is Congressman Mark Wilcox, the other is former Governor Dav Scholtz. The defeat of Senator Pepper by either of those would be a slap in the face of the Administration which Mr. Roosevelt wants to avoid at all hazards.

**Bid for Southern Vote**  
The political strategy behind the President's Gainesville, Georgia, speech is interpreted here as an effort to build up pro-New Deal sentiment among the rank and file of Georgia and other Southern voters. Mr. Roosevelt came out flatly with the declaration that the workers of the South are being exploited by Southern employers and that what he called the "feudal" system under which Negroes live and work should be abolished and southern wages increased materially.

Along with such efforts to hold the South in line politically in the 1938 elections and with the 1940 Presidential election in view is the announcement by the A.A.A. that half of the \$500,000,000 which is to be distributed to farmers in the next three months from the Federal Treasury, under the Soil Control Act and the Crop Control law, will go to the South.

The total amount to be distributed to farmers under the new law may be half as much again as the five hundred millions now available. The bills which have been introduced for new processing taxes are calculated to raise \$212,000,000. The purpose of these new processing taxes, to provide additional subsidies for farmers, is not stated in the bills as introduced. That is supposed to make the tax constitutional, by keeping it a legislative secret that it is levied upon the whole people for the benefit of a single class. That was the ground upon which the Supreme Court declared the old A.A.A. Act unconstitutional.

**No Balanced Budget**  
It is generally recognized here that there is no chance of balancing the budget for the next fiscal year, no matter how much the new tax bill may yield. Nor is it likely that the Government will ever take in as much as it spends so long as expenditures for relief, farm aid and other purposes outside of the actual operating expenses of the government continue to run at high figures. Increased expenditures for the Army and Navy and the need of building up an auxiliary Merchant Marine by (Please turn to page two)

## TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)  
**CHESS** —mental stimulus  
My favorite game, when I can get anybody to play it with me, is chess. To the onlooker who is not a chess enthusiast there is nothing quite so boring as watching two chess players staring at a chess board for sometimes an hour or more without making a move. To the chess devotee there is nothing more stimulating to the mind than figuring out the tenth move ahead and calculating what his opponent will do.

Nobody knows how old the game of chess is, but it originated in Asia thousands of years ago. An exploring party in Iraq recently unearthed a set of terracotta chessmen in a stratum of ancient relics at least 6,000 years old. And there is evidence that the Hindus played chess before the Arabs did. It is probably the oldest game invented by men that has come down through the ages in anything like its original form.

Chess is fascinating because it is solely a battle of wits. The player who can outthink the other wins. I know of nothing so effective to keep one's mental processes polished up and working.

## JEFFERSON — no New Dealer

Nobody has any more admiration for Thomas Jefferson than I have. But I can't see him as a statesman of Washington's caliber, and particularly I can't see him as the patron saint of the political movement which is called "The New Deal."

The President has proclaimed Jefferson's birthday as a date calling for national commemoration. The Bureau of the Mint is bringing out a new five-cent coin bearing Jefferson's head instead of the head of head of the buffalo on the current nickel. The Post Office Department is putting Jefferson's face on the new three-cent stamp instead of Washington's. A great memorial to Jefferson is planned close to those of Washington and Lincoln near the White House.

I have no objections to honoring Jefferson, but I wonder if those who are trying to make him a popular national hero realize that he was elected President because he stood for the exact opposite of what is now going on. His "Republican" principals were opposed to those of the Federalists. He feared above all things the centralization of power in the Federal government and the restrictions of individual rights and liberties.

**WHISKERS** — in Congress  
I have been a more or less frequent visitor in the galleries of both Houses of Congress for more than fifty years. When I was young most Senators and Representatives wore either full beards or luxuriant mustaches. Only Southern members were clean shaven, and most of them wore plain black "string" bow neckties. The Southern members generally still adhere to that particular badge of the statesman but full beards are also conspicuous by their absence among members from the North and West.

The outstanding set of whiskers in the House is the facial adornment of Representative Finkham of Massachusetts, who looks as if he never patronized a barber. Of the same species, but neatly trimmed and curled to harmonize with the wearer's rather dandified clothing is the full beard of Senator James Hamilton Lewis of Illinois. Once brilliant red, his beard is now only slightly pinkish.

"Jim Ham" is the only man who has sat in Congress from two different states. A native of Virginia, he was elected to Congress from the State of Washington and resigned to fight in the Spanish War. Then he went to Illinois and has been elected there that state three times. Whiskers are no handicap to him.

**BEAUTY** — in notes  
Sitting in the press gallery of the House of Representative today I mentally awarded a first prize to Mrs. Edith Nourse Rogers, Representative from the Fifth Massachusetts District. That goes for Mrs. Rogers' ankles as well as her smiling face with its aureole of blonde hair. They (the ankles) are visible from the galleries, since Mrs. Rogers' seat is in the front row.

The Blue Ribbon for masculine pulchritude I awarded to Bruce Barton, New York advertising man turned politician. "He's too good-looking to get far in politics," re-

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## Republicans To Meet Here On April 16th

A County Republican Convention will be held here on Saturday, April 16, beginning at 2:00 o'clock P. M. The call for the convention follows:

A convention of the Republican party of Jackson County is hereby called to convene at the Court House at Sylva on SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 1938, AT 2:00 O'CLOCK P. M. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a County Chairman, Secretary, and effect a county organization. The convention will also consider the selection and endorsement of candidates for the Republican ticket to be voted on at the ensuing general election.

The Honorable Jake F. Newell, of Charlotte, Republican candidate for the United States Senate, and the Honorable Vonno L. Gudger, Asheville, Republican candidate for Congress, will be present to address the convention. We urge that every Republican in the county be present and especially are we anxious that the ladies attend this meeting.

J. B. ENSLEY,  
Chairman Republican Exec. Com.  
Attest:  
C. H. NICHOLSON,  
Secretary Jackson Co., Republican Executive Committee.

## G. N. Cowan Moves To Rocky Mount

Friends of Rev. G. N. Cowan will be interested to learn that Mr. Cowan and his family have recently moved from Apex to Rocky Mount, where he will be pastor one of the Baptist churches. Mr. Cowan, who is a native of this county, has been pastor of the Baptist church at Apex for about twenty years.

## Recovering From Appendectomy

Miss Virginia Gustafson, violin teacher at Western Carolina Teachers College, is recovering from an appendix operation, at the Harris Community hospital.

## Correcting An Advertisement

The Journal wishes to apologize to its readers and the advertiser for the condition and appearance of the advertisement of the Sylva Supply Company, appearing in the Silver Anniversary Edition. The advertisement was not set up in our own shop, owing to rush of work in getting out the special, and we, therefore could not avoid the error, which we did not know about until the paper was printed.

## Sylva To Have Flower Shop

Mrs. Lucile Painter will open a flower and gift shop in the Coward House, on Friday and Saturday of this week.

Mrs. Painter, who has taken a course in the florist business in Greenville, S. C., will carry cut flowers, potted plants, corsages and funeral designs, as well as a line of gift shop articles.

## Baptists Will Have Association Study Course

Beginning next Monday night, April 11, the officers and teachers of the Sunday schools in the Tuckasegee Association will come together at the Sylva Baptist church for five nights of study dealing with Sunday school work.

The following classes will be taught: The adult workers, by Mr. McKinley Hooper; Young People, by Mr. Henry Simpson; Intermediate workers, by Miss Mildred Cowan; Junior workers, by Mrs. H. M. Hocutt; Primary workers, by Miss Sadie Queen; and a general class, by H. M. Hocutt.

The teachers and officers from a number of churches are expected to come and have a part in the work.

## Methodist To Hold Meeting In Webster

A series of revival services will begin at the Methodist church, in Webster, Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock, according to announcement made by the preacher in charge, Rev. G. A. Hovis. Rev. M. T. Hinchaw, of Rutherford College, will preach at each service. Rev. Mr. Hinchaw supplied for Rev. A. P. Raladge, preacher in charge of the church here, during his recent absence in Florida.