

The Jackson County Journal

ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, JUNE 16, 1938

\$3.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

SHERIFF MASON KILLED BY CRAZY MAN

Democrats Show Big Vote in Nominating Candidates

Sheriff C. C. Mason led in the vote in Jackson County's Democratic primary Saturday, with 2728 votes to his opponent, Fred J. Suttell. Qualla, polled up the splendid vote of 961.

Dan Tompkins, with 1532 votes, a plurality of 71 for Representative over R. F. Hall, the runner whose vote was 1461. Representative T. C. Ledbetter received 408 votes and W. G. Dillard, 312.

Mr. Cowan secured a plurality over Adam Moses, for Clerk Superior Court. The vote was, Moses 1266; Frank Jennings, 849; Jennings Bryson, 313.

Register of Deeds, Glenn Hughs, rolled up 206 votes, with a plurality of 206 over the race. The vote was, Hughs 1292, Reed, 1086, Mrs. Roan, 442, Roscoe Higdon, 442.

Walter Ashe, for Commissioner Finance secured a plurality of 1597 votes; J. H. Howell and Cleve Fisher were nominated for County Commissioner. The vote was Cleve Fisher, 1853; Ed Fisher, 1250.

John H. Hooper, Charles E. Smith, B. Deitz, T. B. Cowan and J. Middleton, were nominated as a Board of Education. The vote: H. Hooper, 1536; Fred R. Bryson, 1049; Charles E. Smith, 1544; Evans, 1232; Sam Fullbright, 741; Ransome Buchanan, 741; Ransome Buchanan, 564; D. H. Stephens, 938; John Deitz, 2002; T. B. Cowan, 1387; G. Brown, 1308; John Bumgarner, 1095; J. H. Middleton, 1836.

Robert R. Reynolds carried the rank for United States Senator over Frank Hancock by a majority of 604. Reynolds polled 3034 and Hancock 600. Zeb Weaver secured a majority of 811 over R. L. Whitmire. Weaver's vote was 2233 and Whitmire's 1422.

John M. Queen received the slight majority of 37 over Baxter C. Jones, for Auditor in this county. Queen's vote was 1900 and Jones, 1863.

Stanley Winborn, for Utilities Commissioner polled 2220 votes in the county, to 1087 for Jaul Grady.

QUALLA

By MRS. J. K. TERRELL

On Friday, May 27, in Sylva, Miss Battle and Mr. Burton Bumgarner were united in marriage. They left for Charlotte and Wilmington for a short wedding trip. Miss Raby accompanied them to the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Beck, of San Pedro, Calif., are spending awhile with Qualla relatives.

Miss Edna Freeman, of Highland Hospital, and Miss Bonnie Freeman, of Cashier, spent the week-end with Qualla relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Shuler spent the week-end with relatives at Deep Creek and attended the decoration at the cemetery while there.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cooper, Mrs. Wynne Caldwell and Mrs. Richard Spaulding called at Mr. J. K. Terrell's home.

Mrs. R. F. Hall, of Whittier, called on Mr. J. E. Battle's.

Mrs. Don Cogdill and children, of Asheville, visited Mrs. J. G. Raby and Mrs. J. E. Battle.

Miss Ruth Turpin, of Sylva, was Qualla visitor Sunday.

Miss Annie Lizzie Terrell was guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cooper, at West Beach, Fla., Tuesday. They returned to Asheville in the afternoon for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. W. W. Anthony visited relatives at Bushnell.

Mrs. S. M. Crisp and Mrs. J. P. Crisp called on Mrs. W. H. Hoyle.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rome Cooper was buried at Qualla on May 4th.

A linen household shower was given for Mrs. Mary Emma Ferguson Trull. Many nice gifts were brought by about twenty ladies, who assembled at Mr. H. G. Ferguson's on Monday afternoon. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Ferguson and Mrs. Frank

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THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, June 16, (Autocaster) —The situation in Washington as the last regular session of the 75th Congress comes to an end can best be described as one of utter confusion, with both Administration forces and those of the Opposition torn by internal dissensions and divided counsels. Politically there exists a state of chaos out of which there is little chance of order emerging until after the November elections.

By their votes for Senators, Representatives, Governors, and other state officials on November first the American people, in theory at least, will chart the course which they desire their Federal Government to follow. How for this Fall's elections will be a clear-cut cross-section of public opinion is, of course unpredictable.

PRESENT DAY VOTING

If everyone who is entitled to vote actually went to the polls and voted on election day there would be no question about the will of the people which is, in fact as well as in theory, the only basis upon which this Government is based. But even in the more than two-thirds of the eligible voters have ever taken the trouble to register their personal choices on men and issues, and in the mid-term binnial elections it is a very rare occurrence indeed for as many as half of the voters to turn out.

Only when there are sharply-defined local issues and hard fought local campaigns, either for state offices or for representatives in Congress, do most voters bother to go to the polls except in Presidential years. That is one of the differences between a democratic form of government and an authoritarian government. In the lands of the dictators voters are compelled, under penalty to go to the polls on election day and cast their votes.

To make certain that they vote "right" the ballots in Italy under Mussolini, give the voters no choice. They contain the names of Fascist candidates and no others, and no place to write in other names of opponents. By that method a 99 percent vote for the Administration is assured, and the result is heralded to the world as evidence of the practically unanimous acceptance and endorsement of the party in power and its leader.

EFFECT OF "VOTE TAX"

No one has yet suggested such a method of "getting out the vote" in America, but President Roosevelt made a suggestion a couple of weeks ago which is beginning to attract more or less serious attention in political circles.

The President's idea is to impose a Federal tax of \$5 every two years upon every citizen eligible to vote at elections for Federal officers, and to refund the tax at election time to every voter who casts his or her ballot for Presidential electors Senator or Representative in Congress.

That this plan would be effective in bringing to the polls a very much larger proportion of voters than now exercise their rights of suffrage is considered certain. No one could refuse to pay such a tax, if levied by Federal authority, but the certainty of getting the \$5 back by merely going to the polls and voting would be a strong inducement, especially if it is held to the eligible women voters, who are not yet taking as active a part in public affairs as are the men.

That Congress has power under the Constitution to levy such a tax and to authorize its refund under such conditions is believed by most of those in Congress who have given consideration to the subject. The Constitution forbids any "capitation or other direct tax" except in proportion to the decennial census enumeration. A tax on all persons over 21 would be, it is held, in direct proportion to the Census count, and so Constitutional.

INFLUENCING THE VOTER

The cost on the basis of the present voting strength of the nation, would be less than 400 million dollars every two years. And that

COURT OF HONOR HELD LAST WEEK

The regular monthly Boy Scout Court of Honor for the Smoky Mountains District of the Daniel Boone Council was held Monday night in the Auditorium of the Sylva Methodist church. M. A. Adams, of Cherokee chairman of the court, presided.

The invocation was made by Rev. H. M. Hocutt, followed by the presentation of the awards.

Scout Executive A. W. Allen, of Asheville, made the tenderfoot awards to Mark Rattler and Howard Tiger, of Cherokee, and Howard Angel, of Franklin.

Claude Evans, of Troop 1, Franklin, was promoted to second class. The award was made by H. Gibson. Wilburn Conley, of the Franklin troop, was advanced to the rank of Star Scout. The Rev. H. M. Hocutt made the award.

Those receiving merit badges were: Adam Lossiah, Allen Adams, Jr., John Wasilich, Jack Davis, George Going, Harrell Winkler, and John Jordan, of Cherokee, Tom Underwood and Philip Alford, of Bryson City, and George Tessier and Henry Cabe, Jr., of the Franklin troop. W. E. Ensor, of Cherokee, made these awards.

Following the adjournment of the court, the district committee met in session with W. E. Ensor, of Cherokee, chairman, presiding. Due to the fact that the next regular meeting for the court falls on July 4, it was decided that the meeting be postponed until July 5. The place of meeting will be at Cherokee.

Montague Rites Held Here

Funeral services for Mrs. K. F. Montague, who died suddenly at the home of her father, Mr. J. F. Freeze, early last Sunday morning, were held Tuesday at the Methodist church, and interment was in the Keener cemetery. Mrs. Montague retired Saturday night, in her usual health, but death came while she was asleep. Her mother, Mrs. J. F. Freeze, who was visiting a sister in Los Angeles, Calif., flew to Nashville, where she was met by Howard Clapp and J. D. Cowan, and came on to Sylva by motor.

Mrs. Montague, who was Miss Margaret Freeze, is survived by her husband, one young son; her father and mother, and one brother, J. Frank Freeze, Jr., of Raleigh.

Parris Going to Cuba

John Parris, Jr., of the Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel, will leave on Saturday for a trip to Cuba. He goes as United Press reporter for the North Carolina Bankers' Association and will probably spend about ten days or two weeks on the trip.

Dr. Conner To Preach

Dr. W. T. Conner of the Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, will preach at both services of the Sylva Baptist church next Sunday, June 19. He preached during the meeting here in May. We are happy to have him with us, and the public is cordially invited to the services.

many commentators hold, would be a small price to pay for a full and complete expression of the collective will of the people of the United States, in the only way by which that will can be expressed, which is by actual voting. There would be nothing in this system of paying every voter \$5 for voting, without regard to how he voted, which would enable the Government in power to influence his vote, one way or the other.

That is exactly what is being done now, through pressure and favoritism in the distribution of W. P. A. funds and other relief disbursements, is now being charged bursements s now being charged with increasing openness in Washington. Those making such charges are mainly members of the President's own political party.

From the same sources come charges that the President's "left wing" advisers are working toward (Please turn to page three)

92 Graduate At Western Carolina

The first complete group of four year graduates, composed of 92 young men and young women, were handed diplomas at Western Carolina Teachers College, Tuesday, as the high spot of the commencement exercises. The 92 members of the class were awarded the degree of Bachelor of Science. Honor graduates from this county were Genella Barton Allison, Annie Brown Felts, Davie Coward Sutton, and Clara McGuire Wendt.

Charles Holloman, June Burleson and Dot Ormsby were chosen as the best college citizens.

Mr. E. H. Stillwell's \$50 scholarship went to Charles Holloman. Dr. Wilkes' two scholarships to Jackson county students were awarded to Edna Allen and Jessie Pressley. The Leah Jones Stevens scholarship to a senior taking training as a primary teacher was awarded to Mary Elizabeth Preston. Lovely gifts were made by Prof. Madison to each graduate whose father or mother has been a student at Cullowhee. They were Evelyn Parker, Nell McLaughlin, Clara McGuire Wendt, Ernest Wilson, George T. Henderson, Awyer Tilley, Claude Henson, and Kathleen Henson.

Annual Asso. Baptist Training Union Convention to Meet Next Sunday

The Tuckasee Baptist Training Union will hold its annual meeting at Lovedale Baptist church next Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 P. M.

The following program will be given:

Music in charge of Dan Cooke, Cullowhee

Devotional, by Lovedale Union

Roll Call of Churches and Business

Report of Committees on Place of next meeting and officers for the coming year

Special music

Address, by Mr. E. B. Whitaker of Bryson City

Installation of Officers, by Rev. T. F. Deitz, Scotts Creek

Congregational singing

Benediction.

BALSAM

Mrs. George Bryson left Monday to visit Mrs. Georgia Swansey in Biloxi, Miss. Mrs. Bryson and Mrs. Swansey were school-mates when children at the Episcopal Mission school here.

Mrs. W. S. Christy and Miss Dorothy Bryson have returned from a visit with Mr. Henry Christy and family in Franklin.

The Knights and many others here have enjoyed seeing the movie, "Snow White and the Dwarfs" in Sylva and Waynesville.

Mrs. J. R. Rork and son, Mr. Robert Rork, and granddaughter, Miss Catherine Rork, of Paducah, Ky., arrived Friday to spend the summer in their cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turner have arrived from Florida and are occupying their summer cottage in Ballough Hills.

Mr. Edwin Sneed and five of his Boy Scout friends are here to spend their vacation in Mr. Sneed's summer home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Jones, of Jacksonville, Florida, are occupying the Milton cottage in Ballough Hills.

Everybody is hustling around now. Hotels are open, guests coming in and soon we hope to have a "blue million" people here, enjoying our good water, fresh air and good eats, etc.

The election passed off quietly here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turner have returned from Florida to spend the summer in their cottage here.

Miss Allie Hoyle, who has been living in Waynesville for some time, is now spending a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hoyle.

Mrs. Emma Braren spent Monday in Waynesville.

Announcement has been received here of the graduation of Miss Helen Queen from Senior High School in Orlando, Fla.

Funeral Will Be Held At 2 O'Clock Saturday

TODAY and TOMORROW

(By Frank Parker Stockbridge)

WAR Then and now Maine and New Brunswick are going to join this year in peacefully celebrating the 100th anniversary of what I used to hear old people in Maine refer to as "The Third War with Great Britain," or oftener as "The Great Madawaska war." No blood was spilled, but thousands of militiamen from Maine and Massachusetts were marched to the border, over a 140-mile road cut through the forests from Bangor to Houlton, and for more than two years were encamped on the banks of the Madawaska River, facing Canadian militia on the opposite bank.

Before the "war" was ended by territorial concessions on both sides and the fixing of the international boundary line, Washington had appropriated ten million dollars and sent General Winfield Scott to the border to take command of 50,000 Federal troops which were promised, if needed.

My grandfather, John Calvin Stockbridge, a captain in the Maine militia, was one of those encamped on the Madawaska front. He and the other officers received bounties of quarter-sections of Government land west of the Mississippi. My grandfather sold his free land to a speculator named Briggs, who bought up most of what is now the site of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, from the militiamen.

TEETH decay causes American dentists are the best in the world because the American teeth are the worst in the world and need more attention than those of other people. Too much sugar, not enough vitamins, calories, calcium and phosphorus, in our national diet is the cause of our bad teeth, says Dr. Russell W. Bunting, of the University of Michigan's school of dentistry. America consumes two thousand million pounds of candy a year, besides the sugar we eat in other foods. That is more than fifteen pounds of candy a year for every man, woman, and child white, black, or Indian.

Dr. Bunting tried an experiment in which he kept 300 children on a diet containing no sugar for a period of months. They maintained perfect health and showed no signs of tooth decay, while another group, allowed to eat what they pleased, suffered bad general health and all had decayed teeth.

Lactic acid, which develops a germ that attacks the roots of the teeth, is responsible not only for dental ills but for many cases of heart, kidney, and joint diseases.

STEAM motive power Thirty-six years ago, on June 15, 1902, the New York Central and the Pennsylvania railroads inaugurated their famous fast trains between New York and Chicago, the "Twentieth Century Limited" and the "Broadway Limited". The twenty-hour schedule of both trains, 960 miles on the Central and 908 miles on the Pennsy, was the fastest long distance time-table in the world at that time.

Since then "Streamlined" trains, drawn by Diesel-powered locomotives, have been introduced on long runs on several western railroads. Some eastern roads have put on fast, streamlined trains, using steam for motive power. On June 15, this year, both the Twentieth Century and the Broadway Limited will start new streamlined trains between New York and Chicago, on a 16-hour schedule. With six stops on each line, that will call for speed between stations of 100 miles an hour or faster.

These new trains will be hauled by steam locomotives. Most railroad men still pin their faith on steam as the most economic motive power and contend that on a perfect roadbeds with heavy enough rails, steam engines can beat Diesels over any distance. The new Chicago-New York trains are the chal-

To Be Held At Dillsboro Church

Charles C. Mason, sheriff of Jackson County, was shot and instantly killed this morning, at the home of Donald Ashe, on the Ashe Branch, in Webster township. Donald Ashe, who is believed to have been insane, fired upon the sheriff with a shotgun, through the window, and then committed suicide.

Ashe, it is said, had been acting queerly for several days, and members of his family had secured papers to have his sanity tested. The papers were placed in the hands of the sheriff, and he and deputy sheriff Homer Turpin went to Ashe's home to serve them. They drove up into the yard, got out of the car and started toward the house, when a gun-shot was fired from the window. The load struck Sheriff Mason in the shoulder and chest, and he fell to the ground, and died almost instantly.

Turpin spread the alarm, and when Mr. Doanhoe, a son-in-law of the sheriff, and Chief of Police Leonard Holden arrived, they entered the house, and found Ashe dead on his bed, with a pistol wound in his head and a revolver with one empty chamber beside him.

The body of the sheriff was brought to a funeral home in Sylva. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Charles C. Mason, a native of Jackson County, was one of the best known and best loved men in the county. He had been prominent in political circles for many years, had served as United States Deputy Marshal, during the Wilson Administration, and only last week was renominated for a third term as sheriff of Jackson County.

He would have completed his second term as sheriff on the first Monday in next December.

Sheriff Mason is survived by his widow, one son, James Mason, two daughters, Miss Louise Mason and Mrs. Donahoe, by his father, J. J. Mason, and by numerous other relatives and friends. He was a Methodist, and a member of Dillsboro Lodge, A. F. and A. M.

Father of Sylva Man Passes

Funeral services for Edgar Thrash Duckett, 62, who died at his home in Waynesville, Monday, were held at the Waynesville Methodist church, Tuesday afternoon. Interment was at Green Hill cemetery, in Waynesville. Mr. Duckett was the father of Mr. E. J. Duckett, of Sylva.

Hyatt Wins In Scotts Creek

In the township primary in Scotts Creek, A. W. Hyatt defeated A. C. Bryson for township constable, with a vote of 291 for Hyatt and 89 for Bryson. R. L. Pearson running for Justice of the Peace without opposition, polled 253 votes.

Republican Primary

John H. Painter defeated Wilson, for Coroner in the Republican primary on Saturday. Painter received 10 votes to 6 for Wilson.

lence of the Iron Horse to its modern rival.

CARS redesigned Far years, ever since motor vehicles began to appear on the highways, engineers have been saying that their design was all wrong. The engine ought to work over the rear axle, where its weight would add tractive power to the rear wheels, and it could be geared direct to the differential instead of having to transmit power through a long drive shaft.

American automobile makers have experimented with rear-engined cars but none has been produced commercially. Now two European car builders, Wenner-Gren of Sweden and Mathis of France, announce that they are going to begin shortly to make such a car in America. (Please turn to page two)