

# The Jackson County Journal

SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 1941

\$1.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

## NYA Makes Furniture For County Schools At Considerable Saving

The National Youth Administration, in addition to training a host of boys and girls for useful and gainful occupations, has saved the county of Jackson, its sponsor, the sum of \$3,074.85 since July 1, 1940, according to a statement released by Mrs. Louise Parker Davis, director of the NYA in this county. The saving is in making and repairing equipment in the schools of the county and county offices.

The Sylva NYA woodworking shop has produced, for the co-sponsor, Supt. A. C. Moses, 320 arm chairs, at a cost of 85 cents each. They would have retailed at \$4.75 each. Six storage cabinets that would have cost \$50.00 each, were made at a cost of \$15 each. Twelve filing cabinets, retail price \$8.50, were made at a cost of \$2.50. Twelve desks, retail price \$12.50, retail price \$4.75. One speaker's stand, cost 50c, retail price, \$2.00. Show case, cost \$5, retail price \$10.00. Sixty-two 3 by 7 tables, cost \$4.00, retail price \$10.00. Three science desks cost \$9.25, retail price, \$37.50. 104 science chairs, cost \$1.00, retail price \$6.00, 20 science tables, cost \$2.50, retail price \$8.00. One map stand, cost 50c, retail price, \$2.00. Eleven easels cost 25c, retail price \$2.50. Two basketball goals, cost \$1.50, retail price \$3.00. The total cost to the sponsor at the retail price would have been \$4,060.10 for these articles. They were produced for \$985.25, with a saving to the county of \$3,074.85. In addition three hundred fifty seats were repaired at the low cost of \$25.60.

Anyone who has seen any of this furniture is pleased with its appearance, and its workmanship. It is as good furniture as any school could obtain for the retail prices quoted.

Forty girls are employed on the NYA Girls project in Sylva. These girls are taught every phase of sewing and home making. They also receive one hour of Related Training each day, taught by Miss Louise Henson, Home Economics teacher, Sylva High School, sponsored by the Educational Defense Program No. 5.

The NYA girls have produced 2700 mattress ticks for the County Agent's department; 250 garments and costumes for the county commissioners and the board of education; 200 comforters for the Farm Security Administration, and 1207 mattresses for the County Agent's department. They worked in supervisory capacities in the mattress project.

## Sunday School Meet To Be At Balsam April 13th

The meeting of the Tuckasee Baptist Sunday School Convention will be held with the Balsam church, on Sunday, April 13. The program, as announced by the chairman of the program committee, Mr. W. G. Womack, follows:

2:30—Congregational song, led by the choir leader of the Balsam church.

2:35—Devotional, by Leonard Bryson, of the Balsam church.

2:45—Minutes and roll call of the Sunday Schools.

2:55—Special music, by the Golden Key Quartet.

Announcements and reports, by president.

3:00—Easter—The Climax of Forty Days of Celebrations, by the secretary.

3:10—Special music, by the Golden Key Quartet.

3:15—Our Sunday Schools, by Rev. Dave Norman.

3:25—Address, by Rev. T. F. Deitz, of the Scott's Creek Church: "Christianity Reaches Out."

3:55—Special music, by the Golden Key Quartet.

4:00—Congregational singing, led by the leader of the Balsam church.

Prayer. Adjournment.

## Plans Are Made At Teachers Meeting For Annual Banquet

Miss Julia Weatherington, of the State department of public instruction, was heard at the regular monthly county-wide teachers meeting held here Saturday in the Sylva elementary school auditorium. Miss Weatherington's topic was "Science in the Schools."

Another speaker was Paul Buchanan, principal of the Webster schools, who spoke on "High School Science."

Miss Weatherington announced that the Cullowhee and Webster elementary schools are now eligible to be placed on the state accredited list. These two will make 3 Jackson county schools which are standard, the Sylva elementary school having been standardized last year.

Miss Leanna Gaddis, who is connected with the John C. Winston Publishing Company, gave a demonstration in the teaching of reading in the primary grades.

Plans were made for a banquet to be held by the local unit of the N. C. E. A. Superintendent A. C. Moses appointed a time and place committee composed of Mrs. Dan Tompkins, Miss Evelyn Sherrill and Mrs. O. E. Monteith and an entertainment committee composed of Mrs. Kate Bryson, Miss Nimmo Geisler and Miss Marguerite Greene to complete details for the banquet.

## Markers For Soldiers

Mrs. D. M. Hall, president of W. A. Enloe Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, stated today that the Chapter has heretofore been responsible for the erection of a number of markers at the graves of Confederate soldiers in this county, acting as intermediary between the soldier's family and the United States Government. The law has been changed, Mrs. Hall stated, so that the Government will pay the full expense of the stone marker, and the State will pay other costs including transportation to the cemeteries and erection. These markers will be erected upon application, at the grave of any person who served in the armed forces of either the United States or the Confederate States, during any war in which the country has been engaged.

## Church Plans For Memorial Lillies

It is planned to have a large number of memorial lillies at the Methodist church, Easter Sunday morning. All persons who wish to memorialize deceased friends or relatives are requested to communicate the names of the persons they wish to remember in this way to Mrs. H. Gibson, not later than next Sunday, so that their names may appear in the church bulletin for Easter Sunday.

## Sylva Wins Trophy

Reposing in the window of Velt's Cafe is the trophy won by the Sylva All Stars, when they defeated Clyde, the runner-up, in the Waynesville-Hazelwood Athletic Association gold medal basketball tournament, on last Saturday night. The Sylva lineup was Cowan, Watson, Brown, Green, and Fullbright.

## PRE-SCHOOL DAY 14th

The date of the pre-school day at Sylva Elementary school is April 14, instead of April 4, as announced in The Journal last week. Mrs. Harry Hastings is chairman of the PTA committee in charge of this work.

## Glenville School To Remain At Present Location

Glenville High School will not be moved to another location, as was proposed a few months ago by some citizens, but will remain at its present beautiful location. This was definitely settled a few days ago by an agreement between the Nantahala Power and Light Company and the Board of Education of Jackson County. It is understood that the agreement provides that the Nantahala Power Company provide a larger and suitable athletic field for the school, make provisions for the sewage disposal, and pay the Board of Education a monetary consideration.

In fact, the work on the athletic field, leveling it, and making it suitable for that purpose is already under way, the Nantahala Power and Light Company doing the work, on a field that it has deeded to the county.

The Glenville Lake, now rapidly filling up, will cover a small portion of the present school grounds and upset present arrangements for sewage disposal. The power company will erect a woven wire fence, like that surrounding the Sylva High School. This will prevent children approaching the lake from the school grounds.

## Selectees Will Go To Fort Jackson Tuesday Morning

Fourteen young men from this county have been chosen by the Selective Service Board for training of one year in the United States Army, and will leave on next Tuesday, April 8, for Fort Jackson.

The young men chosen are Mack Hensley, Daniel Frank Bishop, Charlie Corsie Hooper, Avery Marcellus Cowan, Jake Alvin Parris, Charlie T. Woodring, R. O. Watson, Robert William Queen, John Robert Nations, Ralph Lincoln Beaver, Ferry Clingman Green, Jack Vernon Hoyle, Wroe Haney Brown, and Homer Dilard. Frank Crisp and Carl Denver Dills have been chosen as alternates.

The men will leave at 7 o'clock in the morning by bus for Fort Jackson.

Another call for twelve white men and two Negroes to go to camp on April 14, has been issued; and an additional call for the 28th is anticipated.

## P. T. A. To Hear Guest Speakers

The W. P. A. Council will have charge of the program at the Sylva Parent-Teacher meeting Tuesday afternoon, April 8, Miss Mary Paschal, head of the Women's Division of the W. P. A., and Dr. H. T. Hunter, president of Western Carolina Teachers College, will be the principal speakers.

Miss Paschal's topic will be "W. P. A. Program objectives", and Dr. Hunter will speak on "A Layman's Observation of the W. P. A."

The business session will start promptly at three o'clock with Mrs. E. J. Duckett, president, presiding.

## CARD OF THANKS

We, the children, wish to express our sincere thanks to those showing sympathy and kindness during the sickness and at the death of our father, Joseph Ensley. We thank all who had a part in the floral offering and the ones who dug the grave.

## THE CHILDREN

G. T. NICHOLSON III

G. T. Nicholson, prominent citizen of Caney Fork, is seriously ill at his home on John's Creek.

## B. T. U. To Hold Conference At Cullowhee 11th

On Friday, April 11, there will be a special Training Union Conference held at the Cullowhee Baptist church. This is one of 70 such meetings to be held in North Carolina in April. This meeting is being promoted by the Baptist Training Union Department of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Training Union Department of the North Carolina Baptist Convention. Rev. Nathan C. Brooks, Raleigh, Secretary, and the Associational B. T. U. Convention of the Tuckasee Association, Lyle M. Ensley, of Sylva, director.

The purpose of this meeting is to review the work in the Association and to make plans for expansion of the Training Union work for 1941. The program will begin at 2:30 P. M. There will be conferences for all departments. Visiting speakers will be Miss Maxine Slaughter, State Intermediate Leader, Raleigh, and Rev. H. M. Hocutt, pastor of the Reed Memorial Baptist church, Asheville. Those taking parts on the program from this association are Rev. T. F. Deitz, moderator and Lyle M. Ensley, B. T. U. director. Other State workers and local workers and pastors will appear on the program.

The Association officers are expecting a group from every church in the association. The churches that have Training Unions are urged to bring all their B. T. U. members, pastor and leaders. Everybody will bring supper and all will eat together.

## NEW TYPE SUMMER SCHOOL WORK FOR W. C. T. C. IS PLANNED

Dean W. E. Bird, director of the '41 summer school session from June 14 through July 24, has announced features of the session's work. A number of hobby shops which have been designed not only for principals, supervisors, teachers and college students, but for community people and high school students as well, will be conducted.

These hobby shops will include the collecting of flowering and woody plants and native minerals, outdoor sketching, and such handicrafts as metal, basketry, chair bottoming, leather work, wood carving, pottery and shuckery. The hobby classes under the direction of specialists will be largely independent of class periods and will run throughout the whole six weeks. The hobby shops as a supplement to regular academic work will carry two semester or three quarter hours' credit for teachers' certificates and requirements for the bachelor of arts degree.

The class in collecting and classifying of flowering plants will be directed by Professor C. F. Dodson, head of the science department; collecting and classifying of woody plants by E. V. Deens Jr., demonstration science teacher; mineral classification by W. Newton Turner, professor of geology; outdoor sketching by Miss Laura Jean McAdam. The craft work hobbies will be sponsored by the North Carolina National Youth Administration, under the direction of an expert in each craft.

Miss Carmen Nicholson, a student of Western Carolina and a winner of a national award in shuckery, will direct the shuckery hobby shop.

Miss Maud Ketchem, of the college faculty, will be coordinator for all the hobby shop courses.

The college administration believes that these hobby shops will prove recreational and worthwhile in vitalizing classroom instruction.

In addition to the hobby shops the college is sponsoring work shops in such phases as audio-visual education, reading, and teaching poetry with lectures by specialists in the field and demonstration work under supervision.

## Funeral Services Conducted For Joseph W. Ensley

Funeral services for J. W. Ensley were conducted Monday morning at Scott's Creek Baptist church by Rev. T. F. Deitz, Rev. W. C. Reed, and Rev. W. N. Cook, and interment was in Old Field cemetery.

Mr. Ensley, who was 82 years of age, was a native and lifelong resident of Jackson county. He was a well-known farmer and citizen of Sylva township.

Mr. Ensley is survived by six sons, Charles Ensley, Bryson City, Fred Ensley, Norfolk, Va., and James Ensley, John Ensley and Dewey Ensley, all of Sylva; by four daughters, Mrs. Sallie Freeman, Mrs. Cole Thompson, and Miss Gertrude Ensley, of Sylva; by five brothers, Cole Bob and Wilson Ensley, of Belmont; by four sisters, Mrs. Martha Snyder, Sylva; Mrs. Georgia Rogers, Webster, Mrs. Dicie Burgess, Canton, and Mrs. Mary Henson, of South Carolina; by fourteen grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and a number of other relatives and friends.

## Drive For Greek Relief Is Planned In Jackson County

With Mrs. Dan K. Moore as chairman, the Committee of Greek Relief in Jackson County met with Mr. Chrest George of Waynesville, at Hotel Carolina, Tuesday evening and made plans for a drive for funds for caring for the families of Greek soldiers who are at the front. The date of the drive and the committees for solicitation of funds will be announced later.

Mr. R. L. Arial was elected treasurer of the fund. The members of the county committee are Mrs. Dan K. Moore, R. U. Sutton, Roscoe Poteet, S. W. Enloe, H. Gibson, Mrs. D. M. Hall, Dan Moore, Dan Tompkins, John Worth McDevitt, H. T. Hunter, Dr. W. K. Chapman, Rev. A. P. Ratledge, Paul Ellis, R. L. Arial, J. L. Hair, W. T. Wise, Claud Allison, T. N. Massie and W. R. Enloe.

## CLYDE BLAIR HEADS SYLVA ROTARY CLUB

Officers were elected by the Sylva Rotary club at its meeting Tuesday night. They are: Clyde Blair, president; Phil Elliott, vice president; Bill Ensor, secretary-treasurer; Roscoe Poteet, sergeant-at-arms; and Paul Ellis, Harold McGuire, Ralph Sutton, Jack Walters, and Cole Cannon, directors.

Mr. Blair as president succeeds Raymond Sutton, Mr. Elliott as vice president succeeds Mr. Blair, Bill Ensor succeeds himself as secretary-treasurer, and Mr. Poteet succeeds Lewis Cannon as sergeant-at-arms. The new officers will be installed next July.

The guest speaker was Charles Ray, of Waynesville, who is a member of the North Carolina Board of Conservation and Development. Mr. Ray spoke on "Conservation in Western North Carolina." He pointed out the necessity for conservation in this as well as other sections and listed several ways in which we might help to carry out an efficient conservation program. Mr. Ray recalled the days when people thought our forests, rich soil and other natural resources were inexhaustible and compared that era with the present time when such valuable resources are sorely depleted.

Thomas Cox read a list of the signers of the application for a charter for the Rotary club on April 5, 1928.

Besides Mr. Ray, other guests were E. D. Burchard, of Asheville, who is connected with the U. S. Geological Survey, his son, Preston Burchard, and Winton Phelps, of Spruce Pine.

## Teachers Of County Will Attend Meeting In Asheville Tomorrow

### Were Caney Fork Methodists First Unificationists?

Was John's Creek church in this county the first of the Methodist denomination to unite? That interesting question was raised the other day by R. S. Green of Caney Fork. The three principal branches of Methodism in the United States have united in one church, and Mr. Green believes that John's Creek began the movement, back in 1914.

On September 16, 1914, a group of citizens of Caney Fork township, members of the Southern and Northern Methodist churches, met and organized for the purpose of "commencing the erection of a church house at John's Creek, to be owned and controlled by the two branches of the Methodist church, as they do now or may in the future exist at that place." At the meeting were Rev. T. H. Stamey, Northern Methodist minister, W. A. Brown, R. A. Nicholson, R. N. Nicholson, J. S. Prince, J. W. Swayngin, W. J. Nicholson, L. P. Duncan, G. W. Nicholson, and R. S. Green.

A building committee composed of T. H. Stamey, chairman, R. S. Green, treasurer, and R. A. Nicholson, C. B. Zachary, J. W. Swayngin, and R. N. Henson, was appointed. A deed to the Southern and Northern Methodist churches as joint owners, or tenants in common, was made by R. S. Green, for a site upon which to erect the building, and the work of building a church house was begun. Many citizens of the community contributed money and work, or both. Mr. Green kept an itemized account of all money received and work contributed, and of expenditures. He still has the little book in which the accounts were kept. Ten cents an hour wage was allowed every person who contributed work to the building; and the total cost of the structure was \$1557.53, in money and work.

The building was completed in June, 1915, and was dedicated soon thereafter. It was used by the two Methodist churches as a common place of worship, until the unification of the three branches of Methodism in the United States, recently consummated, merged them into one; and now is used by the united Methodists at John's Creek.

## Boys Win First Amateur Honors

Two small boys, Perry and Kenneth Rhodes, won the \$15 first prize at the amateur night, staged Friday evening at the Sylva school, by the Lion's Club. A large crowd of people witnessed the performance, and entries were made from nearly every community in the county. The proceeds go to the work with the blind in this county.

Maggie Dillard and Tom Maljone won second place with a character impersonation and song. The Wood sisters took third place. The Four Lost Chords were awarded fourth honors, and Jean Barrett, Golden Key Quartet, Peggy Ramsey, Presley Quartet, and Jones and Higdon were given the \$1.00 prizes.

## Methodists Plan For Holy Week Services

There will be services at the Methodist church each evening at 7:30 during next week, with Rev. A. P. Ratledge conducting. The public is invited to these services.

Practically all the teachers in Jackson County will be absent from the county during the week end, for attendance upon the North Carolina Education Association meeting in Asheville, which begins tonight and continues through Saturday.

Teachers and pupils in the grades have been busy making small and attractive favors for the members of the Association from other parts of North Carolina, and teachers in this county will have a large part in the activities of the Association.

Miss Cordelia Camp will preside at the meeting of supervisors and directors of instruction. Miss Camp will present a bulletin prepared by members of the department and introduce Miss Fanny Goodman, Mrs. Evelyn Coward, and Miss Edythe Walker, contributors to the bulletin who will give five minute talks.

Mr. James Howell will act as vice-president for the English teachers group meeting.

At the forum meeting for the state music teachers, Mrs. Charles Gulley will preside and will present a child's choir, a symphonic band, and dramatizations by children from the primary grades of the Training School at Cullowhee.

Ralph J. Andrews, head of the physical education department, of W. C. Teachers College, will discuss "Physical Education in Colleges" at the meeting of the Physical Education Teachers.

At the meeting of the Dramatics Art Teachers, Mrs. C. D. Killian, teacher of English in the Training School, will speak on the subject "Teaching of Literature from the Dramatic Approach", and she will also give demonstrations of approach with dramatic recordings, film strips, and radio transcriptions.

## Wants President To Read The Journal's Editorials

The Journal is in receipt of a copy of a letter from Mr. Charles James Metz of Atlanta to Mr. Stephen Early, Secretary to President Roosevelt, in which he states The Journal speaks for the heart of America, and expresses the belief that President Roosevelt will appreciate the editorials in last week's Journal. The letter is dated in Atlanta on March thirty-first, and says:

"Mr. Stephen Early, Secretary to the President, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Early: "The real heart and spirit of America is expressed most succinctly and sincerely by the editors of the county newspapers. You will be interested in the enclosed editorials from the Jackson County Journal of March 27th, published in Sylva, North Carolina, and owned and edited by my good friend Mr. Dan Tompkins.

"When you read these editorials on 'What's The Matter With Labor', 'Who Will Pay The Piper', and 'Bob Isolated Himself' you will get a very clear understanding of the heart of America.

"I am sure the President will appreciate these editorials.

"With high regards, Sincerely and cordially yours, Charles J. Metz."

## NEW BAPTIST PASTOR TO PREACH SUNDAY

Rev. G. C. Teague, the new pastor of the Sylva Baptist church will arrive from his home at Granite Falls the last of the week, and will begin his pastorate by conducting the regular services at the church, Sunday morning.

Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Hocutt will leave tomorrow, Friday, for their new work, with Reed Memorial church in Asheville.