

The Jackson County Journal

SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1941

\$1.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE IN THE COUNTY

County Schools Again Headed By Adam Moses

The Board of Education of Jackson county reelected Adam C. Moses as County Superintendent, at its organization meeting, Monday. The new member of the board, D. H. Stephens, who was recently elected by the General Assembly to take the place of the late T. B. Cowan, assumed his office.

Charles E. Smith, of Sylva, was reelected as chairman of the board, and John H. Hooper was again elected vice-chairman.

Local committees for the several districts were appointed. The entire Sylva committee was reappointed, as were most of the committeemen in the county.

The Sylva committee is composed of Floyd Summer, Sylva; George T. Knight, Balsam; and Orvil Sherrill, Qualla. Other committees are: Qualla; J. C. Hayes, Jode Holcombe, and Crawford Shelton; Canada, John Watson, Willard Shook, and Elias Galloway; Cullowhee, Victor Brown, Thomas Wike, and Harry Nicholson; Webster, John Sheppard, James Cowan, Leonard Norton, Harley Buchanan, and Bragg Allison; Hamburg, John Long, Edward Fowler, Dallas Mills, Parker Blackburn, and Lewis Monteth.

The five member board of education is composed of C.E. Smith, John H. Hooper, John B. Deitz, D. H. Stephens, and J. H. Middleton.

Fourteen Men Go To Fort Jackson

Fourteen young Jackson county men left Sylva at 8 o'clock, Tuesday morning, by special bus, for Fort Jackson, South Carolina, to begin the one year's training in the United States army. The bus went from Sylva to Franklin, where men from Macon county were picked up. From there they went to Anderson, S. C., for dinner, and on to Fort Jackson.

The fourteen young men who went to Fort Jackson on Tuesday 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, Perry Clingman Green, Jack Vernon Hoyle, Homer Dillard, and Frank Crisp.

Beta Club Members Go To Charlotte Meeting

Twelve members of the Beta Club of Sylva High School will go to the state meeting of the club in Charlotte, to be held beginning April 11, and concluding on April 13. Mrs. Grover Wilkes will accompany the young people, and part of them will go with her in her automobile. The others will go to Charlotte by bus. Miss Mary Alma Wilkes will give a toast to all members of the Beta Club, at the dinner in Charlotte.

Members of the Club from Sylva High School who will go to Charlotte are: Maxine Reagan, Mary Katharine Monteith, Agnes Wilson, Mary Alma Wilkes, Jo Ann Barrett, Ethel Reed, Kate Harris, Billy Cope, J. R. Womack, Carroll Bryson, Kenneth Terrell, and Robert Hennessee.

On yesterday, the members of the Sylva Beta club were guests of the Bryson City club at a weller roast.

Sportsmen To Meet At Glenville School Building

Jackson County Hunters and Fishers Association will meet at Glenville school building at 7:30 Tuesday night, April 15. Three short motion pictures of fishing will be shown. There will be no admission charge and every man, woman and child is invited to be present. There will be short talks by J. H. Longshore, District Game Protector, of the Department of Conservation and Development and Dan Furr, President of the North Carolina Hunters and Fishers Association.

Trout Fishing To Start Thirteenth

The innumerable trout streams of Jackson county, and the other mountain counties of North Carolina will be open for fishing Sunday, according to an announcement made by the Department of Conservation and Development, under orders promulgated by the Division of Inland Fisheries. The regular opening date for trout fishing would be April 15, which is next Tuesday, and the department has opened it in order to give sportsmen the advantage of the Easter holidays. So, fishing will be legal on Easter Sunday and Easter Monday, and then clear on through, until the closing of the season, late in the summer.

County license for residents of the county costs \$1.10. State Carolina cost \$2.10, and for State non-residents, \$5.10. A daily license, for residents of North permit for a resident of North Carolina costs 60 cents; and for a non-resident of the State, \$1.10. License can be obtained from County Warden Mack Ashe, or from: Allison's Hardware Store, Sylva Supply Company's hardware department, or Bowers' Army Store, in Sylva; Weaver's Service Station, Dillsboro; Oscar Fisher's store, Whittier; W. L. Enloe, at his home in Qualla; W. O. Robinson's store, Willets; George Knight's store, Balsam; Post Office, Cullowhee; Wike and Parker, East La Porte; Erwin's Cafe, on the new highway 107, in Hamburg; J. C. Passmore's store, Cashier's; or Warren Alexander, Grimshawes.

Farmer Has Big Place In National Defense Plans

"During the present world crisis each true American citizen has a very definite obligation to fill, and even though the farmer may not be called upon to serve actively in military service or to work in plants that manufacture articles needed in the defense program, he still has a most important task and part in our program," said Mr. S. R. Griffin, Jr., Field Supervisor of the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan Office of the Farm Credit Administration. "It is a recognized fact that the armed forces and those engaged in the manufacture of defense weapons, etc., must be fed and clothed. Therefore, the farmer should put forth his best efforts by producing sufficient food, feed, and other crops to meet the these needs, as well as those of his own. At the same time, his activities and his program should be so planned as to conserve and build up his lands, which is one of greatest heritages.

"In agriculture, as well as in every field of our National Defense Program, the Government is lending every assistance possible. The Extension Service through the County Agents is to assist the farmer in planning a balanced farming program, and the Farm Credit Administration, through its agencies, is assisting in financing the farmer's program."

We are informed by Mr. Griffin that his organization stands ready to be of financial assistance to all farmers who are eligible and in need of production loans. Applications may be placed at the office of the Clerk of the Court at any time. Mr. Griffin can be contacted every Wednesday, from one to three p. at Charlie Jennings' Store, in Glenville, April 15, 22, and 29, from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m., and will have complete forms for making applications for Crop Loans. Farmers in need of this assistance should see Mr. Griffin on the above dates.

An office is now located in Franklin for this county, while applications, are also available at the office of the Clerk of the Court, in Sylva.

The Message Of Easter

(By Dan Tompkins—Reprinted by request)

From out the dim distance of antiquity comes the voice of Job, inquiring: "If a man die, shall he live again?" And then the mind of faith asserts: "I know that my Redeemer liveth."

The avowed followers of the Nazarene have often made a sorry mess of things in this sorry world, with their eternal bickering, division of creed, attempted enforced conformity, and lack of understanding of the heart of the Master, and have carried the sword where the olive branch would have been the better weapon. But there are three homely shrines of humility about which every sect of trinitarian Christians can meet on common ground and worship a common God—the Manger-Cradle in Bethlehem, the Cross of Golgotha, and the Empty Tomb in the Garden of Joseph of Arimathea.

Another year is passed, and once more we come to the Easter season. More of our friends and those we love have gone on with the innumerable caravan of the sons of men, that is journeying into the Somewhere. They sleep beneath the storm-tossed seas, in the frozen northland, under the wind-swept prairies, amid the dusty ruins of ravished cities, beneath the poppies of France, under the sands of the desert, and upon the peaceful hilltops of the pleasant countryside. We, too, are one year nearer our fast-approaching dissolution.

There is is no reasonable explanation of the miracle of life and death. We know not, by the light of reason, but that our bodies shall return forever to the dust from which they came, and that we shall nevermore behold the forms and faces of those we have loved and lost.

We have no hope but in the Tomb in the garden of Joseph of Arimathea but looking upon that Empty Tomb, from which the Nazarene, by the power of His own might, raised Himself from the dead, we know, by faith in the Lion of the tribe of Judah, that our bodies shall be raised incorruptible, and we can say, with Job: "Yet in my flesh shall I see God."

The Land of Promise is ahead of us, where our frustrated hopes will find fruition, where our puny efforts will become mighty works, where we shall again greet those we love, where the scars upon our hearts shall be obliterated, where our wounded spirits shall be healed by the Balm that is in Gilead, where all tears shall be wiped from our eyes, and where there shall be no more restraining sea to bind us to the island of our exile.

This is the message of Easter. These glad tidings proclaimed by the silence of the Empty Tomb. Once again all Christendom gathers about its sacred precincts to worship, to wonder, and to hope. In His own good time, the Christ who arose from the tomb and cast off the body of death, can and will command the earth and the sea to give up their dead. All nature proclaims the return of the eternal Spring, summoning the dead things to life again, and hails the Mighty Conqueror. Hosts of angelic choirs chant His praise, and the dying and distraught race of men find in Him their only hope.

Baptist Ministers To Meet In Waynesville Monday

The Western North Carolina Ministers' Conference, comprising the Macon, Tennessee River, Tuckasee, and Haywood Baptist Associations will meet at the First Baptist Church of Waynesville, on April 14, next Monday. The meeting will begin at 10:00 o'clock in the morning and continue through the day.

The program which follows has been arranged for the meeting: 10:00—Praise and Prayer. 10:00-12:30 The Preacher and Modern Problems.

10:15—The Preacher's Program in a Busy World—Rev. Fred Forester, Cullowhee.

11:00—The Preacher and Disgruntled Church Members—Rev. F. H. Leatherwood, Waynesville.

11:45—The Preacher Meeting Moral Issues—Rev. C. F. Rogers, Franklin. 12:30 Fellowship, Fun and Lunch.

1:30—Praise and Prayer. The Laymen Advise The Preacher.

1:45—The Preacher and Publicity—Editor Curtis Russ. 2:15 The Preacher as the Layman Sees Him—Mr. R. E. Sentelle.

2:45 Dedication. 3:00 Adjournment. Lunch will be served by the host church.

All Baptist ministers in Western North Carolina are expected to attend this meeting.

QUALLA

(By Mrs. J. K. Terrell)

Rev. J. L. Hyatt preached an interesting sermon at the Baptist church, on the fifth Sunday.

Rev. W. E. Andrews preached at the Methodist church, Sunday morning, and administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Mrs. A. J. Franklin, of Bryson City, visited her mother, Mrs. E. S. Keener, who was seriously injured by a fall, Tuesday.

Miss Gertrude Ferguson is at home since finishing her school at Almond. She was reelected to her position for another year.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hoyle attend singing at Brevard, Sunday. Among those who have been seriously sick for the past two weeks are Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Mr. J. R. Messer, Mrs. D. C. Hughes, Miss Wilma Hughes, Mrs. G. A. Kinsland, Mr. Dallas Howell and Barbara Beck, and Messrs. John and Penn Keener.

Among Qualla visitors Sunday were Mrs. R. F. Hall, Mrs. Olive Norton, Mrs. C. P. Kitchen, Mr. Reeves Kitchen, Mrs. Bud Hyatt, and Miss Annie Ruth McLaughlin, of Whittier.

Mrs. Annie Lizzie Hoyle attended Teachers' Meeting, in Asheville, Friday.

Mrs. Frank Owen, of Olivet, visited her sister, Mrs. Oscar Gibson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Shuler called at Mr. Jess Blanton's, Sunday. Rev. W. E. Andrews called at Mr. J. K. Terrell's, Thursday.

Dr. D. D. Hooper Is Rotary Speaker

A talk by Dr. Delos D. Hooper, and moving pictures depicting the scenic beauties of Colorado constituted the program at the Sylva Rotary Club meeting Tuesday night. Dr. Hooper's subject was "Rotary Attendance." He enumerated the many advantages of being a Rotarian, and pointed out the various reasons why the members should put forth every effort to be present at all meetings.

The moving picture program was arranged by Program Chairman Sam Gilliam, who is also chairman of the "On to Denver" Committee. Denver, Colorado, is the city in which the meeting of Rotary International will be held. The club voted to meet with the Waynesville and Asheville clubs at an inter-city meeting to be held at the Gordon hotel in Waynesville on Friday night, April 18.

A. K. Hinds, chairman of the "On to Camden" committee, gave additional information about the district meeting to be held in Camden, S. C., the last of April.

Jack Walters, whose duty it is to recognize all those members whose birthdays occur within a week of each meeting, toasted Dr. Charles Candler and John Seymour.

Guests at the meeting were Frank West, of Alamogordo, N. Mex., Dr. Will French, who is connected with the teaches connected with teachers' column. W. J. Fisher, of Sylva.

Entire Welfare Board Elected For New Term

Plan Celebration For Centenarian

Mrs. Saphronia Huffman Jones Page was 100 years old on Wednesday, and a celebration of her centennial will be held at the home of her son, Lee Jones, on Caney Fork, Sunday. A birthday dinner, which will be attended by a large number of her descendants and friends, is being prepared. Born Saphronia Huffman, in Burke county, on April 9, 1841, Mrs. Page came to Caney Fork when she was two years of age, and has spent the other 98 years of her life in that community.

Caney Fork was in Haywood county then, it being nine years before Jackson county was formed from Haywood and Macon, by the General Assembly of North Carolina. The Tuckasee river was the line between Haywood and Macon. She has lived in two counties without moving from the community. She was a young lady of nineteen when the first soldiers from Jackson county went into the service of North Carolina to defend the South against the Northern invaders. She can't remember the removal of the Cherokee Nation to the reservation west of the Mississippi, though she lived near enough to the Meigs and Freeman Line, and was old enough to remember hearing much about the removal from people who witnessed it, and had first-hand information about it, and soon enough thereafter to have a clear picture in her mind of that tragic uprooting of a people, that were then recognized as a separate nation. The removal was in 1838. Mrs. Page, a constant reader, or was until her eyesight began to fail, following an illness about a year ago, remembers at least five wars in which the United States has been engaged—the War Between the States, the Indian Wars of the West (grouped as one), including the massacre of General Custe and his men on the Little Big Horn, by Sitting Bull, the Spanish War, the Philippine Insurrection, the Boxer Rebellion, and the World War. She has no suitable spectacles, and is deprived of her favorite pastime, of reading everything she can get her hands upon. She has read the entire Bible through innumerable times; and when she has nothing else to read, she borrows the school books of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and reads them with perhaps more interest than do the children. While she can tell us much about the past, she does not live in the past, but rather has the modern viewpoint, and is keenly interested in the events of the world and the trends of the times.

Mrs. Page first married Nelson Jones, and after his death, married John Henry Page. She has mothered seven children, three of whom are still living. She has 31 living grand children, 39 great-grand-children, and six great-great-grand-children. It is expected that five generations of the family will be present at her birthday celebration, on Sunday. It is believed that Mrs. Page is the oldest person now living in Jackson county.

Soft Ball Planning Meet At Sylva School Tuesday

The Smoky Mountains Athletic Association will hold its first meeting of the year on April 14, at the High school, in Sylva, 7:30 in the evening, for the purpose of arranging soft ball schedules. All persons interested in the sport are invited to the meeting.

W. R. Sherrill In Hospital

Attorney W. R. Sherrill is recovering in the Mission Hospital, in Asheville, from an operation he underwent, last week. Friends of Mr. Sherrill will be glad to learn that he is improving.

The present Board of Public Welfare for Jackson County has been reappointed and has re-assumed its duties. No changes were made in the board, although the method of appointment was changed by the last General Assembly. Under the law, the State appoints one member, the county a second, and those meet and elect the third member.

The State Board of Charities and Public Welfare appointed Mrs. E. L. McKee. The county commissioners appointed G. C. Turpin, and they reelected the other member of the present board, A. J. Dills. Mrs. McKee was reelected chairman of the board.

Two New Schools Planned For County

Balsam and Barker's Creek will have new school buildings, to be erected this year, according to plans of the County Board of Education, agreed upon at the meeting on Monday.

The new buildings will house the primary and elementary grades at the two schools in the communities. The high school students are transported to the Central High School, at Sylva.

Both the buildings to be replaced are old, dilapidated, and inadequate to meet the needs of the communities. This fact has been recognized for several years and the county has been planning for a long time to replace them, as soon as the Board of Education was able to finance the projects.

Call For Twelve Men For Army

The Local Board of Selective Service has announced that a call has been made for twelve selectees to be sent to Fort Jackson on next Monday, April 14.

The twelve who have been selected and who have passed the examinations are Ralph William Hensley, Woodrow Green, Samuel Reed, Wroe Haney Brown, Arthur Linden Blackburn, Carl Denver Dills, Robert Marshall Bumgarner, Alvis Bords McCall, John Curtis Owen, J. D. Franks, Marshall Sutton and Calvin Coolidge Queen. The first two are volunteers. If other volunteers present themselves to the Board before noon today, they will be substituted for the selectees, beginning with the highest order number and going down.

Cherokee C. C. C. To Celebrate Founding

The eighth anniversary of the establishment of the Civilian Conservation Corps will be celebrated by the Cherokee Indian Civilian Conservation Corps, on Saturday of this week, April 12, at the fair grounds at Cherokee.

Entertainment for the day, all of which is free, includes two tours of the Reservation, with guide service. The first tour starts at 9 in the morning, and the second at 11. There will be a picnic on the grounds, and a ball game, between local teams at Cherokee. A free square dance will be held in the evening, beginning at 7:30.

W. E. Reed is Seriously Ill

Friends of W. E. Reed will regret to learn that he is seriously ill at his home in Sylva. Mr. Reed, who suffered an attack of influenza and pneumonia, several weeks ago, was taken to an Asheville hospital, last week, suffering from complications arising from those diseases. He was brought home from Asheville in an ambulance, Saturday, and is said to be slightly improved, though still critically ill.