

The Jackson County Journal

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SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, MAY 15, 1941

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Farm Agent Appeals To People For Greater Production Of Foods

In line with the program for production of more food and feed by the people, in the national defense effort, the county agent is appealing to the people for cooperation.

The following letter, which is a follow-up to one sent out some time ago, was mailed out on Monday to many farmers in the county:

"Some time ago you received a card from this office requesting that you fill out the card indicating your interest in the Food and Feed Program which is being conducted all over North Carolina as an effort in aiding in the National Defense Program.

I am sure that you realize that the present situation is very uncertain and that you further realize that an adequate supply of food and feed for home consumption would help to safeguard us in any emergency that might arise.

I am therefore appealing to you to produce adequate food and feed for home consumption as your part in the National Defense Program."

MANLEY APPOINTED AREA HEAD OF NYA

Establishment of an area office at Asheville and the appointment of Leo H. Manley as area director to coordinate the activities and program of the National Youth Administration in 10 counties in this section composing Area nine was announced here yesterday by State Administrator John A. Lang.

The area office, which will serve Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Macon, Graham, Jackson, Swain, Haywood, Transylvania and Madison counties, will be located in the City Hall.

Mr. Manley will organize and supervise the entire NYA program of activity in the area, which will be established with four principal departments in the same manner as the State NYA Office, including work projects, youth personnel, student work and finance departments.

The new area director is a native of Asheville. He attended the University of North Carolina and has been with WPA for the past six years. He serves at present as Assistant to Director of Employment and was formerly WPA Assignment and Labor Officer.

Mr. Manley is well known here having been with the Works Progress Administration in this area for several years.

LUMBER MILL BURNS AT QUALLA THURSDAY

Fire completely destroyed the lumber mill of the Marshall Lumber Company, near Whittier early tonight. The extent of the loss is not yet known. The mill, operated by Mr. Fisher, for the Marshall Lumber Company, of Marion, has been located at the Qualla site, for several years.

Woman's Society Will Have Study Course

Plans for a study course for the entire membership of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Sylva Methodist church, were perfected at the meeting of the afternoon circle, at the home of Mrs. A. D. Parker, yesterday afternoon. The members of the society will meet at the home of Mrs. C. Z. Candler, under whose direction the study course will be held, for three afternoons, at 2:30, beginning on Monday, May 26, and will study the book, "Uprooted America."

Mrs. D. M. Hall, president of the circle presided, and the program was led by Mrs. Dan Tompkins. Following the business meeting, Mrs. Parker served a delightful salad course.

American Legion Plans Jamboree For Amateurs

The American Legion is planning to entertain a large crowd at the Sylva Elementary School auditorium, next Friday night, May 23, when a congregation of amateurs, musicians, dancers, everything, will compete for prizes.

The first prize will be \$10.00; second, \$5.00; and third, \$2.50. Admission to the entertainment will be 25c for adults, and 10c for children.

Several fine amateur numbers have already been booked by the Post Adjutant, T. W. Ashe, at the court house, and others are invited to register with him.

The funds raised will be used to promote patriotism and love of country among the children of the county.

The Legion has stood foursquare for America and against all the isms that bedevil mankind, for nearly a quarter of a century, and it is today one of the strongest arms upon which America leans.

The Legion promises a great time for everybody, next Friday night. The whole county is invited. William E. Dillard Post American Legion, is a county-wide organization.

Rotarians See Motion Picture

"News in the Air", a moving picture dealing with the romance of news-gathering was shown to members of the Sylva Rotary club at their meeting Tuesday night.

The picture was shown under the auspices of Esso Marketers and G. F. Ball, of the public relations department of that company, was in charge of the showing. Prior to exhibiting the film, Mr. Ball compared the time which it took to get the election results in the election of 1878 with the last presidential election.

The movie traced the history of communication from primitive times on down to the present and went into detail to show how news is gathered and broadcast.

Clyde Blair, whose birthday occurred last week, was toasted by Jack Walters.

Besides Mr. Ball, the only other guest was W. E. Ensor, Sr., of Baltimore, father of the club's secretary.

WCTC Will Have Term For Children

Cullowhee, May 15 (Special) — Any student in Jackson county, either in the elementary or high school grades, who wishes to take courses for extra credit or to make up work in various fields will have the opportunity of attending a six week's summer school for children sponsored by Western Carolina Teachers College, at the college training school from June 14 to July 22, according to an announcement made today by Dean W. E. Bird, director of the college summer school.

Arrangements have been made with Jackson county authorities to run buses to Sylva, Webster, East LaPorte, Tuckasee, and other places where there may be demand on the part of students.

The high school work is under direction of Mr. C. A. Hoyle, principal of the training school. Mrs. James Parker will have charge of the grammar grade students, and Miss Anne Rabe will be teacher for the first three grades.

High school courses will be given in typing, mathematics, history, English, and possibly others, if the demand sustains the expectation of the director.

Students may attend this summer school for a nominal registration fee.

Head Of Nazi Party Flees Germany In Spectacular Flight

The strangest story that has come out of the war—the most sensational news of the year, so far—and one of the most spectacular episodes of all human history dropped down out of the sky the other night into the back field of a Scottish farmer.

Hearing a German plane overhead, the farmer came to alert, and saw a parachute bail out, as the plane crashed to the ground in flames. The Scotchman, looked for arms, but found none except a pitch-fork. With that weapon, he rushed to the fray, and found a smiling German, with a broken ankle, speaking to him in excellent and cultured English. He took the German into custody and notified the authorities. It transpired that his capture was none other than Rudolf Hess, head of the Nazi party, third in line for succession to the Nazi empire, and confidant and long-relied upon friend and adviser of Adolf Hitler.

That was a tale, strange as any fiction ever dreamed in the mind of Jules Verne, Edgar Allan Poe, or Rider Haggard, that set the tongues of the world to wagging. Consternation came to German, Japanese and Italian peoples. The British seized their opportunity and filled the air with messages in German and Italian, intimating that all was not well in the inner circles, the very sanctum sanctorum of the Nazi chiefs. Yet, the English cautioned their people and the people their leaders, not to trust Hess as far as one could push Gibraltar with a tooth-pick. The German news agencies sent out statements that Hess is suffering with a disordered mind, and has hallucinations. At any event they admitted that he has disobeyed the orders of the all-powerful Englishmen said that he had been crazy for years and was just coming to his senses. The world wondered and questioned itself and its neighbors. Is Hess a new kind of Trojan horse? It is all a German trick? Did Hess fear another blood purge and therefore fled for his life? Has this man one of the arch-fiends of the Nazi terror, one of its builders and propellers, seen the awful effects of this monstrous thing he has helped create, and fled to Great Britain to help, as he said, "save humanity"? Has one of the world's most misguided seen the error of his ways and had a change of heart? Is the story that he came with peace proposals to the Duke of Hamilton, without the consent and against the wish of Hitler, the truth? Or was he really headed for neutral Ireland and came down in Scotland, by reason of a forced landing? Will he soon launch a verbal attack upon his former associates and disclose the innermost secrets of the Nazi council and plans to the British, either in atonement for his past sins, and in an effort to save the world from the blight of Nazism, or in revenge against Hitler, from whom he fled; or will events prove that his presence in Great Britain is of value to Germany? All these questions and more have been repeatedly asked by the people of the world.

Only one deduction seems sure, and that is that he didn't intend to break his leg when he landed.

Hess has always recognized opposition to communism as one of the principle tenets of the Nazi party. He and Hitler are said to have been moving further and further apart, as Hitler and Stalin have drawn closer together. That may be the explanation. On the other hand, Hitler may be entirely informed of Hess' plans, and they may have his approval.

One thing can't be denied, and that is that Hess' hands are as red with the blood of the innocent as those of Hitler himself. But there is a merciful God, who can and will forgive to the ut-

Ten Will Leave For Fort Bragg Wednesday, 29

Ten young men from Jackson county have been selected by the Selective Service Board to go to Fort Bragg for one year's training in the United States Army. The ten are, Paul Kilpatrick, Joe Phillip Hardy, Thurman Alfred Brown, Walter Talmadge Middleton, George Chandler Potts, Daniel James Mathis, James Davis Bryson, Bridger Taylor Maples, Robert Lee Sutton, and John Arkelus Sutton. Dee Pentlion Ashe is the alternate, in case any of the ten should fail to report.

The first three, Paul Kilpatrick, Joe Phillip Hardy, and Thurman Alfred Brown are volunteers.

The men will leave Sylva by bus at 9 o'clock, Wednesday morning, May 28, and will arrive at Fort Bragg the same day.

Arthur D. Cowan Passes At Home

Friday morning, Arthur D. Cowan, well-known farmer of Webster, died last night. Mr. Cowan became ill, Thursday afternoon, and death came within a few hours.

Mr. Cowan, the last surviving child of the late Mr. and Mrs. William R. Cowan was a member of one of the county's prominent families. He was unmarried, and lived on his farm on Little Savannah, in Webster township. Mr. Cowan was well-known in the county. For several years he lived in Sylva and operated the Gulf filling station. Later, he was with the circulation department of the Asheville Citizen-Times. He is survived by two nieces, and other relatives.

Funeral services will be held on Sunday. It is understood, though arrangement have not been completed, pending the arrival of relatives.

Cullowhee Juniors Fete Seniors Here Friday Evening

The Juniors of Western Carolina Teachers College will be hosts to the seniors, at the annual Junior-Senior Banquet, tomorrow (Friday) night, at the Sylva Community House.

David Meredith will preside and will give the toast to the Class of 1941. The response will be made by John Henry Gesser, for the seniors. Mrs. E. L. McKee will deliver the address; and Miss Dorothy Moore will favor the assembled company with a solo.

The Twentieth Century Club will prepare and serve the dinner for the juniors. The menu will be:

Creamed chicken in patty shells, stuffed potatoes, peas and carrots, slaw, hot rolls, butter ice cream and cookies, mints and nuts, and iced tea. A committee of the junior class is busy today decorating the community house with the colors of the seniors.

ATTENDS CONVENTION

Dr. W. Kermit Chapman attended the annual convention of the North Carolina Dental Society at Pinehurst, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

termest. Hess may have become nauseated with the Nazi plans, the Nazi concepts, and the Nazi blight, and is determined to help save the world from it. He may know of some new horror that the Nazis have cooked up for the rest of the world in general, and for England in particular, and have gone to Britain to try to avert it. In any event it is the most spectacular piece of news in all profane history.

Great Mass Meeting Sends Greetings To President Roosevelt

Mrs. E. J. Duckett Again Heads P T A Organization Here

Upon recommendation of the nominating committee, Mrs. E. J. Duckett was unanimously re-elected president of the Sylva Parent-Teachers Association, at its meeting, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Harry Hastings was unanimously chosen as secretary, and Mrs. Herbert Gibson, Jr., treasurer. Mrs. David M. Hall was chairman of the nominating committee.

Mrs. Raymond Sutton, district president, gave a comprehensive report of the state meeting, which was held in Asheville, last month; and presented a certificate to the association showing that the Sylva P. T. A. has met the requirements of a standard association.

The minutes and by laws of the association were read by Miss Bertha Cunningham.

The treasurer's report showed that \$1,518 has been raised this year by the Association.

Byers Resigns Because Of Failing Health

Canton Enterprise, May 8—Hugh Leatherwood of Waynesville has been appointed by Judge F. E. Alley to fill out the unexpired term of W. G. Byers, clerk of the superior court of Haywood county, who resigned from his post on April 25th because of ill health.

Mr. Leatherwood has been prominently identified with county and state politics for the past ten years. He was with the state highway commission from 1931 to 1937. In the latter year he was appointed assistant sergeant-at-arms in the North Carolina general assembly.

Quits Post As Inspector

In July 1937 he was appointed state gasoline and oil inspector with the state department of revenue. This position he resigned during the past week to accept the appointment as court clerk.

W. G. Byers, retiring official has been actively associated with Haywood county politics for the past 20 years. He taught in the county schools for several years. At one time he served for a period as judge of the Clyde police court.

In 1927 he was elected superintendent of public welfare of Haywood county and held this position for two years. In 1930 he was elected clerk of the superior court and has been elected three consecutive terms.

Mr. Byers has been actively associated with the religious life of the county having served at one time as moderator of the Haywood County Baptist association.

Prominent In Party Work

Both Mr. Byers and Mr. Leatherwood have taken prominent parts in the work of the Young Democrats clubs of the state. Mr. Byers one occasion made the keynote speech at the state meeting of the clubs.

During the past two months Mr. Byers has undergone two major operations and has been confined to his bed for periods of several weeks. It was upon the advice of his physician that he has resigned from office. He plans to retire to his former home in Clyde, where he has recently built a new residence.

HOME BEING COMPLETED

The new home of Dr. and Mrs. Harold McGuire, on the heights overlooking Jackson and Spring Streets, is nearing completion. This is one of the best locations in the residential part of Sylva.

Resolutions endorsing the stand of the Administration upon foreign affairs, condemning strikes, and other un-American activities that might hinder the preparedness effort, and urging all-out aid to Britain as she stands upon the ramparts of civilization, were adopted at a mass meeting at Cullowhee, Tuesday night, and forwarded to President Roosevelt, Secretary of State Hull, and the leaders of House and Senate. The resolutions were presented by Prof. E. H. Stillwell of the chair of history at Western Carolina, and upon motion of Dan Tompkins, seconded by Thomas A. Cox, were unanimously adopted.

The meeting, called by the Committee For the Defense of America by Aiding the Allies, was opened with the chorus marching in behind an American flag and singing "Onward Christian Soldiers". With the general theme, "The Battle For Freedom", Mrs. E. L. McKee spoke on "The Battle of the American Home"; B. C. Moses, representing the students at the college, on "The Battle of Youth", and Dr. Willis Parker, on "The Battle of Christianity."

In the afternoon, a street meeting was held in Sylva, with the band and the glee club from the college furnishing the music and short talks were made by Mayor Gibson, President Hunter, and Dr. Parker. The danger that if Britain falls, America will be utterly isolated in a world of totalitarian darkness, and a second recurrence of the dark ages, with freedom, the arts, and Christianity practically blotted out, was presented; and the nation urged to give every aid to Britain, "Lest We Regret."

QUALLA

(By Mrs. J. K. Terrell)

An interesting Mother's Day program, consisting of recitations by the Sunday School children, several talks by persons present, presenting flowers to the mothers and other friends and music by the Smoky Mountain Quartet, was given at the Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Several Qualla folks attended services at Olivet Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Jim Keener, Mildred Cunningham of Chattanooga, Tenn and Mrs. Gentry Hall and Miss Betty Hall of Bryson City, were guests of Mrs. P. H. Ferguson last week.

Mrs. Rufus Johnson, Mr. Alonzo Johnson, Miss Nettie May Johnson, Mrs. William Johnson of Bryson City and Mrs. Tyler Buchanan, Mr. Frank Buchanan Misses Mildred and Hilda Buchanan, of Webster and Mrs. McKinney and children of Sylva called at Mr. D. M. Shuler's Sunday afternoon.

Messers Ray Snyder and Fred Clement are making a business trip to Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Terrell of Woodfin are visiting at Mr. J. K. Terrell's.

Mr. Thad Beck spent the week end with his father, Mr. Jake Beck, who is seriously ill at his home in Tennessee.

Mrs. A. C. Hoyle, Mr. Carl Hoyle and Mrs. Thad Beck motored to Franklin Monday.

Mrs. Thomas Massey of Hazelwood spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Crisp.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Marcus of Clyde, and Mrs. P. V. McLaughlin of Canton, were Qualla visitors Sunday.

Mrs. J. R. Messer visited Mrs. D. M. Shuler Sunday.

Mrs. Estes Hoyle and children of Thomasville spent the week end with relatives.

Several new mattresses were brought to Qualla from Sylva last week.