Excavation Starts Here For Palatial Theatre Building For Massies

Ferguson and Parks began the excavation, Monday morning, for the erection of one of Western North Carolina's finest motion picture theatres, which will soon be erected on the South side of Main street, opposite the Carolina Hotel.

J. E. Massie of Waynesville, and his son, Frank Massie of Sylva, will have the plans and specifications for the new theatre ready this week, Mr. Frank Massie stated, and the a short time, at least before the excavation work is completed.

and steel, sixty feet wide by 165 ing rooms, and a nursery. Mothnot disturb the audience.

be of special design, with two modern business shops on the sidewalk level. A unique idea is being worked out for the marquee and front which will be of Thomas Edgar Bishop. colorful structural glass.

The building is expected to be completed by about January first, and then will be equipped with the latest installations for comfort and convenience, including the most modern type of vapor heating and air conditioning for summer and winter comfort. The stage will be large enough to accommodate the best vaudeville troops, and will have special curtain arrangement. A screen of the largest and finest types will be installed, as will be the best of sound equipment.

Sylva will have the most upto-date theatre in the State, and one of the finest.

Mr. J. E. Massie owns and operates theatres in Waynesville and Canton, and Mr. Frank Massie has been owner and operator of the Lyric Theatre in Sylva for the past several years.

Broughton Appoints Mrs. E. L. McKee On Cullowhee Board tourists for the past few weeks.

Harry E. Buchanan, Hendersonville, Mrs. J. S. Silversteen, Breand Mrs. D. H. Tillet, Andrews.

The other appointees, or new members are, Mrs. E. L. McKee, Sylva, Frank Hyatt, Bryson City, E. E. Wheeler, Asheville, and Gilmer A. Jones, Franklin.

The board will serve until May 1, 1945, it is understood.

Former Commissioner

Passes In Asheville

Thomas H. Barrett, 68, died at an Asheville hospital at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Funeral services were conducted on Sun-

day afternoon at Whittier. Mr. Barrett, whose home was in Whittier, was formerly a member of the Board of County Commissioners of Jackson, when this county had three full time commissioners. He made his home in Sylva, during the term of his office, and for several

years thereafter. Mr. Barrett is survived by his widow, by one daughter, Mrs. grandchildren, one brother and Scott, R. C. Hunter, Ed Reed, lege celebrated his 100th birth- morning, and continue through the world, both during the pres-Thad Varner, of Whittier, a son, three sisters.

Twenty young men from this county left Monday morning for Fort Bragg, to begin their year's contract will be awarded within training in the United States Army. They boarded the bus in Sylva at 8 o'clock, and arrived The structure will be of brick at Fort Bragg the same day.

The young men are: Joseph feet deep, and will provide for a Alex Jones, Howard Joseph Revthirty foot lobby, lounging rooms is, Glenn Jack Allison, Oscar for ladies and gentlemen, smok- Howard Price, Arley Alexander Tilley, David Lem Guilliams, ers with young children can sit Joseph Coleman Thompson. in the nursery and see and hear Grady Lafayette Dills, Johnny the pictures, and at the same Odell Johnson, Charles Allen time the crying of babies will Barker, David Clemond Woodard, Emitt Hall Blanton, Clar-The front of the building will ence Eugene Fisher, James Paul Revis, Lawrence Albert Rogers, Lex D. Norton, Alvin Charlie Moore, Melvin James Henderson, Robert Hughie Revis, and

A large number of citizens of the county and members of the Chamber of Commerce were present at the Community House, Monday evening for a general meeting of the Chamber, called by John R. Jones, manager. Dan Tompkins, president, and the board of directors.

A review was made of the

work that the chamber has done so far this year in placing four large and attractive advertising bill boards, beyond Gatlinburg, beyond Waynesville, beyond Franklin, and in Cashier's Valley, inviting tourists to use the highways of the county Definite results are already being shown, Mr. Jones said, because the county had been crowded with of three people to answer ques-Five of the present trustees of tions and give information at Western Carolina Teachers Col- the information booth mainlege were retained on the new tained by, the chamber. Ten board appointed this week by thousand Jackson County fold-Governor J. M. Broughton. The ers have already been placed five who remain on the board in the hands of tourists this are the present chairman, D. year, Mr. Jones stated. Talks Hiden Ramsey of Asheville, were made at the meeting by Dr. H. T. Hunter, John B. Ensley, H. Gibson, Dr. W. P. McGuire, W. vard, and Glen C. Palmer, Clyde T. Martin, and J. A Gray of Bryson City, and others

> Announcement was made of the appointment of the following committees:

Highways and transportation, W. P. McGuire, E. L. McKee, M. B. Cannon, T Walter Ashe, and High Hampton Inn were Ralph Sutton

City Planning: M. D. Cowan, Mrs. D. M. Hall, H. Gibson, Mrs. H. E. Monteith, Mrs. C. Scott.

Industries: S. W. Enloe, R L. Ariail, Dan K. Moore, J. Claude Allison, S. C. Cogdill, E. P. Still-

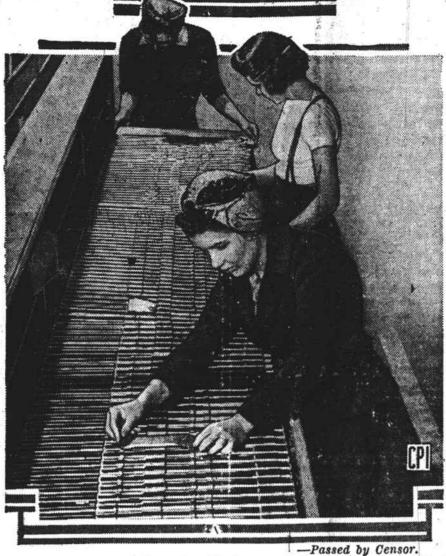
Tourist Accommodation and Welcome: J. C. Cannon, Mrs. John A. Parris, E. B. Lewis, Ed Bumgarner, E M. Lloyd.

Colleges, Schools and Churches: John B. Ensley, H. T. Hunter, A. C. Moses, Walter L. Lanier, Mrs. Mary Cowan, Louis Hair, Mrs. C. L. Allison, T. F. Deitz, A. P. Ratledge.

Advertising: T. N. Massie, Reg. Enloe, Sol Schulman, W. K. Chapman, R. U. Sutton, R. C.

W. G. Wilson, Denis Higdon.

SYMPHONY OF WAR



IT looks like a xylophone but it's a row of Bren gun barrels being gauged in a Toronto munitions plant. Canada which made no weapons of this kind before the war now possesses a factory that has the largest output of any automatic gun plant in the world. Many of the workers in the plant are women and they have proved themselves to be adept in this kind of employment. All the requirements of the Canadian armed forces are being met by this one factory and large numbers of Bren guns are being supplied to Great Britain. For these guns and many other munitions required by Great Britain, Canada is finding much of the money. During Canada's present fiscal year, the Dominion expects to finance British war purchases in Canada to the extent of \$1,500,000,000, which is equal to \$23,000,000,000 in terms of American population and income. The Canadian taxpayers are providing the cash.

BISHOP CANNON TO PREACH ON SUNDAY

onduct the services at the Methodist church in Sylva, Sunday, morning, according to a statement by Rev. A. P. Ratledge, preacher in charge.

Bishop Cannon, one of the older bishops of the Methodist church, is a well-known churchman, and a prominent figure in the Western Carolinian, died at American life.

Virginia's New Governor Was Here Two Weeks

Colgate W. Darden, recent Democratic nominees for Governor of the State of Virginia, quences at any time. However, has been spending the past two he had continued with his Sometimes it occupies the time weeks vacationing in Jackson studies and other activities at county, making his headquar- Cullowhee during the past year ters at High Hampton Inn in and at summer school, which Cashier's Valley.

Governor Darden, whose home is in Norfolk, was a Marine aviator during the World War, and has served four terms as a member of Congress from the Second Virginia District. He won the school. He was business the Democratic nomination for Governor of Virginia on August 3, over two opponents. A few days after the primary Govern- for the successful production of or Darden left Norfolk for Jackson county, for a much-needed vacation. Democratic nomination is tantamount to election in Virginia, and Jackson county flattered at being able to entertain the next Governor of Virginia for the past two weeks. In order to allow Governor Darden an opportunity to rest, little was said about his being here until after the end of his va-

NYA MEETING

Mr. William Watkins, supervisor NYA student aid, has asked that all pupils who are 16 years of age, enrolled in school and interested in the working Henderson, Transylvania, Maon NYA projects at school, report to the Court House, Monday, August 25, at 2 P. M.

The meeting will be held in the Court room.

Agriculture: G R. Lackey, C. ing graduate of Dartsmouth col- gin about ten o'clock in the the English speaking peoples of

Marion Arnold Bishop James Cannon will Died Friday, In Virginia Hospital

Marion Arnold, senior at Western Carolina Teachers College, and business manager of a hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia, last Saturday, according to information received at the college. The young man had been prepared for a serious operation on his brain, after having been ill for some ninety hours, but passed away before the operation could be begun. He had suffered with a clot on his brain for several months, and physicans had warned him that he might expect serious conseclosed a short time ago.

Marion Arnold, a student from Florida, worked his way through college, was a good student, made many friends, and engaged in numerous activities at manager of the Western Carolina Players, and as such, was in a large degree responsible the plays given by that organization during the past year.

His popularity and his sucessful management of the players brought about his election by his fellow students to the position of manager of their publication, The Western Carolinian, for the current year.

Ten-County Singing To Be Held Fifth Sunday

Singers from ten counties of Western North Carolina will hold an all day singing convention at the Sylva school on Sunday, August 31.

The fifth Sunday sings of the counties of Buncombe, Haywood, con, Jackson, Swain, Cherokee, Clay, and Graham will not be held and choirs, quartets, and minds and wills of the heads soloists from all of them will of the American and British foregather at the Sylva school governments in the Atlantic for a general Western North can hope be found. Only in Carolina singing, which will be-

AS WORLD EVENTS UNFOLD

By DAN TOMPKINS

WITH ODESSA, principal Russian port on the Black sea, under seige by the German armies, and with the Northern German armies approaching Leningrad, we at last have something tangible out of the Eastern Front, something upon which we can base our ideas as to how the nine-weeks old war is going, and the results so far give us little encouragement upon which to base our hopes that the Axis has at last met an enemy that can withstand the shocks of the German massed mechanical armies. The Russians are reported to have carried the scorched earth policy to a fine point. Houses are burned, fields destroyed, nothing left in the path of the invaders which can be used to further the ends of the conquerors. Even the great power dam on the Dnieper, one of the world's largest, has been utterly destroyed, so the reports have it, in order that there will be a total paralyzation of the industries in the Ukraine; and every factory razed that might fall into the hands of the in-

TITANIC has been the strug-

gle. Millions of men have been

in mortal combat. Russia has

held back the invader from Leningrad, and the rich Ukraine longer than military observers believed possible. The Germans must have suffered huge human ie Mae Bryson, and Mrs Luther losses; but human beings have been the cheapest munitions of war in Germany for generations. The commanders of the Germans have ever been prodigal in their expenditure of human flesh and human blood. They have but to order their women to produce and within a few years there are millions more of men to feed the greedy maw of Mars for the Fatherland. Strong as have the Russians withstood the mighty and unprovoked attack upon their country, the tide seems to be turning against them. Germany seems to be destined to be the first enemy ever to occupy the old Czarist capital of St. Petersburg. The Ukraine, vast storehouses of munitions, of foods, of oil, of metals, appears destined to offer up her treasures to aid the Axis in its program of the enslavement of mankind. The scorched earth policy will delay the fruits of the victory, but Germany can rebuild dams, reconstruct factories, reopen mines and oil wells, reestablish refineries, and plant other crops with the multitude of slave labor she can import from coun-

tries already conquered. JAPAN appears but awaiting the propitious time, when the fortunes of Russia are at the ebb, to strike a blow in her back enter her territory from the east, and become America's closest old world neighbor in Siberia, scarce a score of miles from the continental territories of the United States, in Alaska. If and when Japan moves northward, she is expected to also move toward Singapore through Siam, and into the Dutch Indies, another vast storehouse of needed commodities and munitions. That, coupled with the treachery of the Vichy government, put the United States definitely on the spot, and a tough spot, the toughest she has ever been called upon to occu-

TURKEY nervously watches the massing of troops and planes in Bulgaria, warily fearing that Turkey will be the next victim, as the Germans move toward the Dardanelles.

DEFINITELY the world has little comfort to gather from the reports that have come out of Europe this week. Only in the meeting and agreement of meeting of minds and wills of ent crisis and following it, can of rational human beings, in their human dignity.

Jackson County Schools Will Be Open Thursday; List Of Teachers Given

Twenty year old William Bryon was fatally injured this afternoon, when the truck he was driving left the road and turned over down an embankment, near Speedwell. He died enroute to the hospital in Sylva. His mother, Mrs. Walter Bryson, was riding with him and received painful, though not serious injuries, and was brought to the hospital.

A coronor's jury empanelled by Coronor C. W. Dills, found that the death of the young man was due to accident, caused by speeding. Funeral services will be held at Pine Creek cemetery at 11 o'clock Saturday morning.

The young man is survived by his parents, three brothers, Elmer, Fred, and Lawrence Bryson, all of Speedwell, and five sisters, Mrs. Iva Crisp, Franklin, Mrs. R. L. Mashburn, Mrs. Martha Ellen Bryson, Miss Bert-Coggins.

That the Fontana Dam will be speedily constructed was practically assured by the announcement from Washington that the Tennessee Valley Auhority and the Aluminum Company of America have signed a contract, whereby TVA will take over the power of the Aluminum Company and its subsidiaries in his area and operate the plants for a twenty year period, furnshing the Aluminum Company specified amount of power for he operation of the aluminum lant at Alcoa. Under the agreement, the

Contana Dam is to be constructed by the TVA at a cost of approximately fifty million dollars. At the same time the present levelopments of the Nantahala Power in Jackson, Macon, and Graham counties pass over to he TVA for operation for the next twenty years. Included in his transfer are the Glenville Project, now about completed in his county, and the Nantahala project under rapid construcion in Macon. The agreement brings to a

limax a series of negotiations between TVA and Aluminum Company officials, and means that the two, one a private enterprise and the other a government agency, will work side by side and together in the business of National Defense. Observers believe that this is a most important example of how private enterprise and government can be brought together in harmony for the benefit of he country as a whole. There has been much criticism of one of these by the other, and reations have at times been strained. But, it is generally unlerstood that the agreement means the burying of the hatch-

It also brings the TVA into Jackson and adjoining counties as an active producer and seller of power. Just what the for a \$100 bond, \$75; for \$500 implications here are is not yet bond, \$375; and for a \$1,000 known.

e find any reason for believing that this will again become which men can pursue their and remain a safe, sane world peaceful pursuits and maintain

All the schools in Jackson county will open for the fall term on next Thursday, August 28, and the largest enrollment of students in the history of the county is expected. The teachers in the several schools are:

Sylva High: Louis Hair, Mrs. Chester Scott, Edith Buchanan, Mary Henson, Mrs. Cicero Bryson, Louise Henson, Leonard Huff, Mrs. W. K. Chapman, Mrs. Claude Campbell, Roy G. Watson, Osa Belle Middleton, John F. Corbin.

Sylva Elementary: F M. Crawford, Mrs. J. F. Freeze, Annie Louise Madison, Mrs. John Watson, Mrs. Charles Thomas, Nimmo Geisler, Belzora Holden, Mrs. George Lee, Evelyn Parker, Mrs. Dan Tompkins, Bertha Cunningham.

Barker's Creek: Mrs. Kathleen F. Jones, Jennie Cathey.

Dix Creek: Lucille Dills, Dillsboro: Alliney Bryosn, Mrs. Evelyn J. Sutton, Virginia Cannon Terrell, Mrs. Elma M. Donnahoe, Mrs. Dorothy B. Higdon. Beta: W. V. Cope, Ruby Phillips, Mrs. Annie Lizzie Hoyle,

Mrs. W. G. Dillard. Addie: John Crawford, Mrs. Louise H. Edwards, Mrs Clem H. Cogdill.

Willets: S. J. Phillips, Hicks Wilson, Kathlyn Sutton.

Balsam: Cornelius Deitz, Mrs. Sarah Crawford, Mrs. Alberta Monteith.

Cane Creek: Mrs. Geraldine S.

Green Mountain: J. L, Smith. Wilmot: Alvin Fullbright, Mrs. Lucy M. Hall, Mrs. Harriet H.

Qualla: W. H. Crawford, Edith Alley, Mrs. Selma B. Middleton, Mrs. Elizabeth D. Cope, Evelyn

Cullowhee: C. A. Hoyle, A. L. Bramlett, E. V. Deans, Jr., Winnie A. Killian, Maud Ketchem, Nell Bond, Fannie E. Goodman, Trixie Jenkins, Edythe Walker, Mrs. James Whatley, Mrs. W. N. Coward, Mrs. Miriam S. Allen, Anne Rabe

Tuckaseigee: Fannie M. Brown, Mrs. Inez Wachob, Mrs. Lessie R. Pell.

East LaPorte: D. M. Hooper, Mrs. Carma Crawford, Mrs. Gertrude A. Fisher.

John Creek's: G. C. Cooper, Mrs. Marie D. Smith, Janie Hooper, Mrs. Lenoir N. Stack, T. Herry Middleton, Marguerite Green.

Rocky Hollow: Homer Wike, (Continued on page 3)

PLANS SALE OF DEFENSE BONDS

With R. L. Ariail, executive vice president of the Jackson County Bank, as county chairman, plans for bringing Defense Bonds Savings advantages to the attention of all the people of Jackson County are rapidly being put into shape.

A group of citizens met this morning in the directors' room at the bank, with Mr. Ariail presiding, and heard the plan explained by Judge Forest G. Miles of Winston-Salem, deputy administrator for North Carolina.

There are three different bonds of the Defense series. Series E are appreciation bonds in the amounts of \$25, \$50, \$100, \$500, and \$1,000. For a \$25 bond the investor pays \$18.75, and the bond, when held for ten years is worth \$25. For a \$50 bond, the investor pays \$37.50; bond, \$750. This figures 2.9 per

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