

The Jackson County Journal

\$2.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

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\$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE IN JACKSON COUNTY

Broughton, Weaver To Speak At Dedication Of Dam At Power Plant

With Governor J. M. Broughton and Congressman Zebulon Weaver as the chief speakers, the new Glenville Dam will be formally dedicated at appropriate exercises next Monday. The Governor will be introduced by D. Hiden Ramsey.

The exercises will begin at 1:15 p. m. Following the address by the Governor there will be an inspection of the power house and a trip to the dam and the lake. On returning to the power house the dedication will be concluded, and refreshments will be served at the power house and dam.

The ceremony will signalize the completion of the development which will furnish 30,000 horsepower from Jackson county's Tuckaseegee river to be transmitted to the aluminum works at Alcoa, Tennessee, and it is stated that this power will be used to add 11,000,000 pounds to the nation's annual production of aluminum.

Engineers, business men, and public officials will come from many parts of the nation to take part in the ceremonies. They will come from Asheville to Glenville by bus.

With a pressure of more than 500 pounds to the square inch, the water from the Glenville dam, with a gross head of 1,215, highest east of the Rockies, will pour to the turbine at the power house, three miles down the river from the dam. The turbine, with 257 revolutions a minute is connected with a 60 cycle, three phase generator, and will create electric energy to be transmitted over 37 miles of high tension lines to Nantahala, and Sanvictah, and from there to Alcoa.

The water pours through three and a half miles of steel pipe and tunnels through rock mountains. The dam creates a 1,400 acre lake in the very heart of the famous Hamburg Valley. The main dam is 150 feet high, with a base 800 feet thick, and is 900 feet in length, where it crosses the Tuckaseegee and empties into it, just below the mouth of Pine Creek.

Onion Skin Falls, just below the dam, has been destroyed, and only a trickle of water now drops from the rocks where the mighty High Falls of the Tuckaseegee roared their way to the sea, from countless generations.

OCHRE HILL IS HOST TO SUNDAY SCHOOL MEET

On Sunday the Baptist Sunday School Convention of the Tuckaseegee Association will meet with Ochre Hill Church, beginning at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The program committee has worked out the following tentative program according to W. G. Womack, the secretary:

Congregational song led by the choir leader of the Ochre Hill church.

Devotional conducted by Mr. Grandy Norman of the Ochre Hill church.

Special music by the Buff Creek quartet.

Roll Call of Sunday schools.

Special music by the Buff Creek quartet.

Address by Rev. Nando Stephens pastor of the Buff Creek church.

Special music by the Buff Creek quartet.

Short talks by all ministers present.

Announcements.

Congregational song led by the choir leader of the Ochre Hill church.

NEW FLAG RAISED AT EAST LAPORTE LAST FRIDAY AFTERNOON

A handsome, new United States flag was raised to the top of the new pole, in front of East LaPorte school, last Friday evening, with appropriate ceremonies by the American Legion and the Boy Scouts.

A group of school children led by Mrs. Crawford sang "America the Beautiful" and "America". Mr. Dan Tompkins, representing the American Legion, delivered an address on the meaning and proper uses of the flag and the courtesies due it. Then, as four Sylva Scouts raised the flag, everybody stood at attention, and the children sang, "God Bless America."

Mr. George Lee was in charge of the Scouts, and Mr. T. Walter Ashe and Mr. Dan Tompkins represented the Legion.

HOME AGENT GIVES SCHEDULE FOR WEEK

Miss Margaret Martin, Home Agent, has announced the following schedule for her work for the week beginning October 13:

Monday, October 13, Sylva Home Demonstration Club at the home of Mrs. Ed Grindstaff, 2 p. m.

Tuesday, October 14, Beta Home Demonstration Club, at the home of Mrs. Joe Sutton, 2 p. m.

Wednesday, October 15, John's Creek Home Demonstration Club at school, 2 p. m.

Thursday, October 16, Dillsboro Home Demonstration Club, at the home of Mrs. C. C. Mason, 2 p. m.

Friday, October 17, Pressley Creek Home Demonstration Club at the home of Mrs. John Wilks, 2 p. m.

Saturday, office.

CIRCLE TO MEET

The afternoon circle of the Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet next Wednesday, instead of Wednesday of this week. It is announced by officers. The place of meeting will be announced at the church service Sunday morning.

DEBUTANTE DOES HER BIT



THERE are no "play-girls" among Canadian debutantes these days. All young Canadian women are in war-work of some kind, many of them in industry. Typical of the debutante class is Miss Joan Holde, a young woman from the city of Montreal. Prominent in the social life of the younger set in that city, she gets out of bed at 6:30 o'clock each work-day morning and an hour later reports for duty in the shell-case manufacturing plant where she joins her fellow-workers, men and women, making, inspecting and stamping shell cases for beleaguered Britain. Canada is turning out ammunition of various types at the rate of millions of rounds per year.



F. S. SLOAN

Fred S. Sloan, Western district farm agent since 1936, has been promoted to State Agricultural Program Leader.

CUBAN COUPLE PLAN RANCH IN WHITESIDE COVE

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Aman of Havana, Cuba, are planning a large cattle ranch on land recently purchased by them from Warren S. Alexander, in the Whiteside Cove. A part of the 800 acre tract sold by Mr. Alexander, lies directly beneath the Devil's Court House in one of the most picturesque spots in Western North Carolina.

Mr. Aman is in the sugar refinery machinery business in Havana. He expects to make his summer home on the property he has just bought, and upon his retirement from Cuba, to make it his permanent home.

Mr. and Mrs. Aman and their daughter, Miss Katherine Aman are spending several months in Highlands.

M. BUCHANAN IMPROVING

Mrs. M. Buchanan, Jr., who has been with her husband, who has been seriously ill at the Veterans' Hospital in Lexington, Ky., returned to Sylva, Tuesday, and reports that Mr. Buchanan is considerably improved. Mrs. Buchanan will return to Lexington Friday.

DISTRICT FARM AGENT IS GIVEN NEW POSITION

Fred S. Sloan of Franklin, Western district farm agent since 1936, has been appointed State Program Leader of the N. C. State College Extension Service, and J. C. "Jack" Lynn, Haywood County farm agent, has been named to succeed Sloan as Western district agent. It was announced today by Dr. I. O. Schaub, Extension director.

John W. Goodman, assistant Extension director, said that Wayne A. Corpening, assistant agent in Haywood for several years, will take over Lynn's post as Haywood agent. The changes will become effective immediately.

Dr. Schaub also announced that J. P. Leagans, a former farm agent in Alexander County, will assume direction of the State Agricultural Planning work, formerly called Land Use Planning. Leagans will have the title of Extension specialist in agricultural planning. J. F. Criswell, recently resigned as the leader of this Planning project to accept the position of Bureau of Agricultural Economics leader, in his native State of Texas. While in North Carolina Criswell helped with the program development work.

However, rapidly changing conditions in agriculture necessitate the full time services of a program planning and development leader, Dean Schaub explained, and Sloan has been assigned that job.

Sloan is a native of Macon County, where he was reared on a farm and attended the public schools of Franklin. He was graduated from N. C. State College in 1928 with a B. S. degree in agriculture. While in college, he was elected to membership in Alpha Zeta, honorary agricultural fraternity, and Lambda Gamma Delta, honorary judging fraternity. He was editor of "The Agriculturist", student magazine his senior year, and was president of the Student Fair in the fall of 1927.

Upon his graduation, Sloan worked in the Fruit and Vegetable Inspection Service in Eastern North Carolina in the summer and fall of 1928. In March, 1929, he was named farm agent in Macon County. In January, 1936 he was appointed assistant Extension specialist in horticulture, working in Western North Carolina. He was made district farm agent in May, 1936.

Lynn was born at Tigerville, Greenville County, South Carolina, only 12 miles from the North Carolina line. He was graduated from Clemson College in 1933 with a B. S. degree in agricultural education. While in college he was elected a member of Alpha Tau Alpha, honorary fraternity.

During the 1933-34 school year Lynn taught vocational agriculture at Madison, S. C. He was appointed assistant farm agent in Yancey County, N. C., in 1935. The next year he went to Mitchell County as farm agent, in July, 1939.

Both Sloan and Lynn are married, and Mr. and Mrs. Sloan have a daughter. Sloan will move his office from Franklin to the State College campus in Raleigh. The site of Lynn's office as Western district agent has not been decided upon.

BILL MOODY PLANS NEW FUNERAL HOME

Bill Moody, mayor of Bryson City, is planning a new and modern funeral home at Bryson City, according to the Bryson City Times. The building will be erected on the north side of Myers street, and will be constructed of brick, 30 by 48 feet, two stories. The first floor is to contain an office, and a reception room and chapel, with capacity for 100 people, back of the reception room.



J. C. LYNN

J. C. "Jack" Lynn, Haywood County farm agent since 1939, will succeed Sloan as Western district agent.

JIMMY SUTTON IS MANAGER OF NANTAHALA JOB

J. A. Sutton has been made office and plant manager for Bryson City, by the Nantahala Power Company, which recently completed negotiations for the purchase of the Bryson City Municipal Electric Power Plant from the Smoky Mountain Power Company. The Nantahala Power Company, a subsidiary of the Aluminum Company of America, has headquarters at Franklin. Mr. Sutton, is a Jackson county man, who has been with the Nantahala people in Franklin for several years.

YOUNG FOLKS HAVE HAY RIDE MONDAY

The Senior League of the Sylva Methodist church went on a hay ride Monday evening in Freddy McLain's wagon. They drove to the outdoor picnic ground, established last year by the Jackson County Recreation Unit, on the old road between Sylva and the river. There they enjoyed a weiner roast, and returned to Sylva about 10:30.

Twenty one young people enjoyed the occasion.

RETURNS FROM DUKE

Mr. Kenyon Moody, who recently underwent a serious operation at Duke hospital has returned to his home here, where he is convalescing.

Elijah Owen Sentenced To Serve Thirty Years For Slaying His Brother

Elijah Owen was sentenced to serve thirty years in the State Prison, in superior court here, Tuesday, after he had entered a plea of guilty of second degree murder in the death of his brother, Wiley Owen, at their home in Canada township on the twenty-sixth of last July.

The grand jury brought in a bill of indictment at 2:15 charging Owen with the murder. He was arraigned by Solicitor John M. Queen, and his council, Hayes Alley, immediately tendered the plea of guilty of second degree murder which the State promptly accepted; and before 3:30 Elijah Owen had been sentenced to the thirty year term in State prison.

His sister, Miss Selina Owen was the only witness except Sheriff Leonard Holden, and she told how Elijah had been drinking and had tried to force Wiley to go and get a gallon of liquor which had been hidden, and then had got a single-barreled shot-gun, loaded it with buckshot, and fired the load into the body of Wiley as he sat in a chair on the porch of their mountain home, forty-five miles

Chamber Of Commerce Moves To Secure Power For Magnesium Plant

SYLVA TEAM TO PLAY WAYNESVILLE FRIDAY

(By Orvil Coward)

The victorious Golden Hurricane of Sylva High, fresh from defeating Brevard last Friday night with a 7 to 0 score, will go over to Waynesville Friday to engage the Mountaineers.

The Hurricane has had a successful season, defeating Mars Hill High 10 to 0, losing to Murphy 12 to 14, and defeating Brevard 7 to 0. Sylva has high hopes and good chances of winning the Blue Ridge Conference championship this season. Eight lettermen are playing with the Hurricane. The line-up is heavier than it has been for the last two or three years. The backfield is small but fairly speedy. Morgan is the best punter seen on the home field in the last few seasons.

The Hurricane will tangle with Candler, Friday, October 17. The Candler team is coached by Clyde Peek, a graduate of W. C. T. C. This will be a good game. Sylvans, come out and watch the Hurricane blow 'em away.

The starting lineups for the games have been: Aiken, l. e.; Chester, l. t.; Shepherd, l. g.; Phelp, c.; Ensley, r. g.; Cope, r. t.; Arrowood, r. e.; Morgan, fb; Rector, qb; Cagle, r. hb; Womack, l. hb.

QUALLA P. T. A. MEETS ON FRIDAY EVENING

The Qualla Parent Teacher Association met last Friday evening, with Mrs. Lawrence Cordell, the president in the chair, and Mrs. Frank Hall as secretary.

The president appointed the following to serve on committees: publicity, Mrs. Kinsland; hospitality, Mrs. Jim Hughes; lunch room, Mrs. Bob Howell. They were appointed to replace members who could not serve.

The president gave a few high lights of the district meeting in Canton. Mrs. Cordell and Mrs. Frank Hall represented Qualla at the meeting.

Miss Glydn Callahan sang, "God Bless America", after which Mrs. Fraank Hall presented Mr. Dan Tompkins, who gave a most interesting and enlightening talk on "International Relations."

The Chamber of Commerce of Jackson County is moving to work out the power situation in order that the conditions may be met whereby the magnesium plant can be brought into being at or near Webster.

A group of interested members of the chamber met last evening and made plans of procedure in Raleigh and Washington.

It has been authoritatively reported that the only thing that now stands between financial backing of the OPM and the magnesium plant for Jackson County is the fact that most of the power from this area has already been ear-marked for aluminum production at the mills at Alcoa, Tennessee. The government wants and needs magnesium, and there is little doubt that we have it here and can produce it at perhaps less cost than any of the other plants that have either been authorized or are contemplated. In fact, it is believed that the best bet the government has for substantial increase in magnesium output is from the Jackson county mines. It is also admitted that magnesium is as vital as aluminum in the National Defense, and is needed as badly.

One thing that makes the proposal more attractive than the ordinary emergency defense plant is that magnesium is recognized as the coming metal, and that means that the plant, if established would be a permanent industry for Jackson county and Western North Carolina, and not one that will close when the emergency is over. Magnesium, in its various forms has many commercial and agricultural uses. The sulphate of magnesium now being produced at Webster is being sold profitably as fast as it is produced at the test plant. The mill that is contemplated with OPM help, if power can be secured, would employ approximately 3,000 men permanently.

REPORTS GIVEN ON SCHOOLS BY GRAND JURY

A committee of the grand jury, investigating the schools, made a most favorable report of the physical condition of the county's school property. The report was signed by A. F. Arrington, C. D. Carres, David H. Rogers, and G. E. Bumgarner.

The report is as follows: We the undersigned committee members of the Jackson County Grand Jury after an investigation, have found that all recommendations of the former Grand Jury have been duly met.

We also find that two new school buses have been added each year for the past two years and that bus drivers have been examined by the State Highway Patrol and licensed to drive school buses as required by law. All school bus drivers are adult drivers. All buses are in good mechanical condition.

Considerable improvements have been made in the Webster school building to care for the home economics department.

A new brick building, which is nearing completion, is being constructed at Balsam to replace the building which has been in a deplorable condition for a good many years.

There is also a new school building which is almost complete and is now being used in the Savannah section of the Webster District.

Plans are under way to begin a new building at Barker's Creek

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