

ABOUT OURSELVES

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ABOUT MACON COUNTY

Macon County has a population of 13,400. Its area is 328,320 acres. The forest area is approximately 243,732 acres, comprising 75 per cent of the total land area.

FRANKLIN, N. C., THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1932

\$1.50 PER YEAR

SENIORS HEAR BACCALAUREATE

Address Delivered by Rev. Dr. Melton Clark, of Decatur, Ga.

GRADUATION FRIDAY

57 Members in Senior Class; List of Graduates Not Announced

Graduation exercises of the Franklin high school began Wednesday night with delivery of the baccalaureate address at 8 o'clock.

There are 57 members of the senior class, 37 girls and 20 boys, but the names of those who had passed their examinations and are eligible for diplomas had not been made public Thursday afternoon.

Diplomas will be presented the graduates at simple exercises in the school auditorium at 8 o'clock Friday night.

No Graduation Speaker G. L. Houk, principal of the Franklin school, said that due to a hitch in arrangements, there would be no special graduation speaker.

Prizes recently awarded Ted Eaton and Norman West in a statewide essay contest on "The Relation of Forests to Our Fish and Game" will be presented by a representative of the State Department of Conservation and Development.

Dr. Clark's Address "That which comes to you out of the past has an inescapable influence upon you," Dr. Melton said in his baccalaureate address Wednesday night.

Taking for his theme, "The Debt We Owe the Past," Dr. Clark based his message on the text: "God, having provided some better things for us, that they, apart from us, should not be made perfect."

Picturing the sweep of human life back through the generations of lives that have entered into the making of the present, the speaker graphically presented the relation of past to present, and the responsibility of each life to pay its debt to the past that it may pass on something better to future generations.

Life's Responsibilities "Far back in the past, into which you may look but cannot influence, there is that which has made you what you are and has had an incalculable, inescapable influence over you. Men and women who have loved and labored and suffered, the glory and happiness and suffering of the past is united with us. Your life represents a little segment of the whole pattern that began behind you and that will go on after you.

Mail Carriers' Picnic To Be Held on May 30

The annual picnic of the rural letter carriers of the Western section of this state will be held at the Nantahala National Forest camp ground, at the foot of Wayah Bald, 9 miles from Franklin, on May 30.

Highway Commission Acts Favorably on Road Request

Prospects are good for the designation of a federal highway route from Knoxville through the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, via Bryson City, Franklin and Highlands, to Augusta, Ga., according to reports brought back by a delegation which appeared before the state highway commission at Raleigh Tuesday morning.

Woman's Auxiliary To Hold District Conference Here

The spring meeting of the second district of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal church in Western North Carolina will be held in St. Agnes church on Tuesday, May 31, beginning with the celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 a. m.

75 PASS 7TH GRADE EXAMS

Seventy-five pupils have passed the high school entrance examinations and will be admitted to the Franklin high school next fall, it was announced Wednesday by Professor M. D. Billings, county superintendent of schools.

The 75 who passed the tests given at the Franklin school came from the following schools: Franklin 33, Slagle 3, Holly Springs 2, Higdonville 6, Iota 6, Fairview 1, Salem 1, Oak Grove 1, Union 3, Rose Creek 2, Otto 4, Cowee 2, Liberty 2, Hickory Knoll 1, Walnut Creek 1, Pine Grove 2, Clarks Chapel 2, Rainbow Springs 1, Gold Mine 1 and Mulberry 1.

The pupils taking the examination were given key numbers and in announcing those who had passed Professor Billings gave a list of numbers instead of names. Following is a list of the numeral designations of those who passed:

2 - 4 - 5 - 8 - 11 - 14 - 15 16 - 18 - 21 - 22 - 23 - 24 - 27 30 - 31 - 33 - 34 - 37 - 41 - 42 43 - 44 - 45 - 48 - 52 - 53 - 54 63 - 65 - 66 - 67 - 75 - 76 - 83 84 - 86 - 90 - 99 - 102 - 103 105 - 107 - 108 - 109 - 114 - 117 131 - 133 - 135 - 143 - 152 - 153 158 - 159 - 162 - 165 - 166 - 167 176 - 177 - 181 - 188 - 193 - 194 196 - 199 - 200 - 201 - 202 - 205 207 - 208 - 211.

Seventh grade certificates will be presented at the high school graduation exercises Friday night.

LEE VISITS FRANKLIN

W. T. Lee, chairman of the North Carolina corporation commission, was among the visitors here last week.

\$732 FOR CHICKENS

The poultry sale of last Tuesday, at Franklin, and Wednesday at Otto, netted the farmers of Macon county \$732 through the sale of a total of 5,985 pounds of poultry.

Tubercular Tests Being Given Macon County Cattle

N. B. Tyler, veterinary for the state department of agriculture, has been working for several days in Macon county to see if any tuberculosis cases exist among the cattle of the county.

DEATH CLAIMS NISSAR ASHEAR

Father of Jos. and Mitchel Ashear; Native of Syria

Nissar Ashear, 76, died at the home of his son, Joe Ashear, Saturday morning about 8 o'clock from a sudden heart attack. Although he had been in ill health for about three months, his death was very sudden and unexpected.

Meeting To Open Tuesday Morning at St. Agnes Church

The afternoon session will continue until 3 p. m. Guests from more distant points are expected to arrive on Monday afternoon, and will be entertained by members of the Auxiliary of St. Agnes church.

Democratic Township Meetings Are Called

Albert Ramsey, county chairman of the Democratic party for Macon county, has been asked by O. M. Mull, Democratic chairman for the state, to call a precinct meeting in each precinct, on the day of the primary, June 4.

Press Late This Week; "Aunt Bertha" Contrary

"Aunt Bertha" got contrary this week and almost refused to work. She takes spells that way once in a while. That's why The Press is late in coming out this week. "Aunt Bertha," by the way, is the press which has been burning out this newspaper for the past 26 years and no one knows how many other papers in other communities before she came to Franklin.

Franklin Boy Heads Duke Bar Association

William S. McGuire, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McGuire, of Franklin, has been elected president of the bar association of Duke University. The association, the second of its kind in the United States, is composed of students of the law school.

Box Supper To Be Given At Cowee School, June 3

A box supper for the benefit of the Cowee baseball team will be given at 8 o'clock in the evening, Friday, June 3, at the Cowee school house. Music will be furnished by the Cowee Ramblers.

Lyman Higdon Catches Season's Largest Trout

Lyman Higdon, manager of the Macon County Supply company, is the champion trout fisherman of Macon. He caught a rainbow trout near Higdonville May 22 which measured 17 1/2 inches and tipped the scales at one pound and eleven ounces.

The four largest milk herds in the county, which are used as dairy herds, the people of Franklin who buy milk may rest assured that the following dairymen's herds are tuberculosis free: A. B. Slagle, Jake Addington, Gilmer Crawford and Sam L. Franks.

Bowie Scheduled To Speak At Courthouse Monday Night

Tam C. Bowie, of West Jefferson, candidate for United States Senator, is scheduled to speak at 8 o'clock Monday night in the Macon county courthouse.

J. N. Lowe Has 'Father Goard' 116 Years Old

Mr. J. N. Lowe, of Iota, had a goard in town Tuesday which he said is 116 years old and holds one and a half bushels. This goard was raised on Macon branch, about five miles from Franklin on the Bryson City road, by Mr. Lowe's grandfather, Bill Mason.

NO. 28 OPENED TO HIGHLANDS

Highway No. 28 between Highlands and Franklin, which has been treated with an asphalt oil binder during the last few weeks, was opened to traffic Tuesday.

SEEK FUNDS TO REBUILD CHURCH

The building committee of the Pine Grove Baptist church, which was burned to the ground during the winter, is endeavoring to raise funds with which to reconstruct the church building in time for the Macon county Baptist convention, which is scheduled to meet there in August.

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Meeting Called To Form County Baseball League

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Life Abundant Center Now Open For Guests

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Sam Kelly Greenwood Back from South America

Mr. Sam Kelly Greenwood arrived here last Thursday for a two-months visit with his grandmother, Mrs. Mark Kelly. Mr. Greenwood for the past two years has been employed by the United Fruit company at Santa Montia, Columbia, South America.

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