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ROBBERS LOOT 'T. F.' STATION

Jack Rabbit Motor Express Driver Held up Same Night

Robbers broke into the Franklin depot of the Tallulah Falls railroad early Tuesday morning and escaped with merchandise valued at \$200 to \$250. It was the fourth time in the past year the station had been robbed. The same night, about 2:30 a. m., three masked men stopped a Jack Rabbit motor express truck just this side of the Georgia line on highway No. 285 and held up the driver, E. E. Austin, of Asheville.

Thursday afternoon no arrests had been made, but officers had uncovered a clue as to the robbery of the depot. A quantity of goods, said to have been part of the merchandise stolen from the "T. F." station, was found near a C. C. camp in Swain county. Sheriff Slagle immediately went to Swain county to investigate.

Reports varied as to the Jack Rabbit hold-up, and definite information was not available here whether the robbers made away with any loot. One report was that they examined the driver's papers and looked over the contents of the truck, but found nothing which they regarded of value and left. Another report was they took some money from the driver and stole a quantity of merchandise.

Opinion prevailed in Franklin that the same gang of robbers broke into the railroad station and held up the Jack Rabbit express. It was also thought that thieves were either from this section or had some local source of information. A night watchman had been employed at the depot until a few nights before Tuesday and it is believed the robbers had learned in some manner that the places was no longer guarded. They entered the building through a window and then opened a door, through which they hauled their stolen goods.

Baptist Sunday School Association Meets Sunday

The Macon County Baptist Sunday school association will meet at Ridgecrest Baptist church on Sunday, September 2, beginning at 2 o'clock.

All the churches in Macon county are urged to send delegates, as this is to be an important meeting in behalf of the Sunday school work in every church in the county.

WORK FOUND FOR 1,187

The Macon county National Re-employment service office in Franklin has placed a total of 1,187 men and women since the office was opened August 30, 1933. During this period a total of 2,616 persons have registered for work. John W. Edwards, manager, said all persons wishing to be considered for employment must have their cards re-dated every three months.

JOE GISH



THERE'S MUCH
MORE GOOD BLOOD IN MANY
AMERICAN FAMILIES NOW—
SINCE TRANSFUSIONS HAVE
BECOME SO POPULAR.

EXTRA! EXTRA!



NEW FEATURES IN THIS ISSUE

Many Prominent Writers Now Contributing To Press

The Press-Maconian takes pleasure this week in inaugurating a bigger and better county newspaper, carrying a wide variety of the best weekly newspaper features on the market in addition to a concise and thorough coverage of local news. An advertising illustration and idea service, designed especially to meet the needs of merchants and business men in the smaller towns, also has been added.

The new features include a column, "The Book," by Bruce Barton, author of "The Man Nobody Knows," a medical department, "The Family Doctor," by Dr. John Joseph Gaines, eminent physician; Washington correspondence, in addition to Bess Hinton Silver's lively column from Raleigh; an unusually interesting column of comment and reminiscences by Frank Parker Stockbridge, renowned journalist and editor of The American Press.

An editorial page cartoon and a comic comment feature, "Joe Gish," also have been added. Watch for them every week; you'll enjoy them thoroughly. Our feminine readers will be especially interested in a pattern service which also makes its first appearance this week. All of these features have been carefully selected with view to pleasing the readers of The Press-Maconian. We hope you will like them. The price of the paper will remain the same, -1.50 a year.

Classes Start For Midwives

A series of instructional classes for midwives was scheduled to start in Macon county Thursday under the direction of Miss B. Dunn, state nurse.

All practicing midwives, Miss Dunn said, are required to attend at least one of these classes. She arranged the following schedule of meetings so that midwives in all sections of the county could be present at one of the meetings with a minimum of inconvenience:

West's Mill, Cowee school, 3 p. m., Thursday, Aug. 30; Highlands school, 2 p. m. Friday, Aug. 31; Franklin courthouse, 9 a. m. Saturday, Sept. 1; Gneiss, Pine Grove school, 3 p. m. Monday, Sept. 3; Otto school, 3 p. m. Tuesday, Sept. 4; Aquone school, 2 p. m. Wednesday, Sept. 5.

400 TAKE PART IN FARM TOUR

Luncheon Served by Ladies Of Holly Springs Church

A crowd estimated at 400, including farmers, farm women and business men, went on the fourth annual farm tour Wednesday sponsored by the Franklin Rotary club. It was declared the most successful tour the club has ever conducted; certainly the attendance was the largest.

The motorcade began at the courthouse here at 9 o'clock and the first stop made was in the Patton settlement at the home of Paul Patton, where a demonstration in the building of a trench silo was given. From there the motorcade went to the home of Albert Ramsey, in the Iotla section, for a lespedeza demonstration. At the home of Will Berry, in the Higdonville section, a demonstration of the value of purebred Hereford beef cattle was given. At the home of Fred S. Sloan, county farm agent, in east Franklin, a field of Kobe lespedeza was inspected.

At the home of Wayne McCracken, in the Rabbit Creek section, luncheon was served by the ladies of the Holly Springs Baptist church. Talks were made after lunch by S. C. Clapp, superintendent of the State Test Farm at Swannanoa; F. H. Farnham, dairy extension specialist, Raleigh; J. S. Porter and R. A. Patton, of Franklin, and Fred S. Sloan.

The last place visited was the farm of E. V. Ammons where there was a demonstration in seed corn selection.

Counties, besides Macon, represented in the motorcade included Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Rabun, the latter in Georgia, and the Cherokee Indian reservation.

HIGH SCHOOLS OPEN MONDAY

With indications of a large enrollment, the Franklin and Highlands consolidated schools will open Monday morning for the 1934-35 term. The rural schools of the county opened on August 6.

Several changes have been made in the faculties of both the Franklin and Highlands schools.

Following is a list of the teachers in each school:

Franklin high school are: G. L. Houk, Miss Jennie Gilliam, Mrs. B. W. Johnson, Mrs. Helen Macon, Mrs. Eloise G. Franks, Paul Carpenter, Miss Florence Stalcup, Miss Irma Seagle, Miss Helen Burch, Mrs. B. W. Lefler, Miss Hughes, and E. H. Meacham, vocational agriculture teacher.

Elementary teachers are: Mrs. Kathleen Hudson, Mrs. Pearl Hunter, Miss Mayberl Moody, Miss Helen Patton, Miss Elizabeth Cabe, Miss Sarah Hicks Hines, Mrs. Olive B. Eaton, Mrs. Elsie W. Franks, Miss Katherine Porter, and Miss Margaret Slagle. Andy Gribble has been re-appointed as janitor.

Highlands high school: O. F. Summer, F. C. Hentz, and Miss Kate Moore; grades, Mrs. Annie W. Pierson, Miss Edwina Dalrymple, Miss Beatrice Mosley, Miss Eva Potts, and Miss Vonnie West.

A meeting of the elementary teachers has been called by Professor Billings for Saturday morning, at which time the rural teachers will receive pay checks for their first month's duty.

STANLEY APPOINTED

James W. Stanley has been appointed acting postmaster at Rainbow Springs, it has been learned here.

330 Head Western Cattle Unloaded; More Are Coming

400 See Match

Bobby Jones Plays Brilliant Game at Highlands

A gallery estimated at 400 persons watched Crawford Rainwater and Scott Hudson, Jr., both of Atlanta, defeat Bobby Jones, famous golfer, and Miss Mary Rogers, of Jacksonville, Fla., 2 and 1, in an exhibition match at the Highlands country club Saturday afternoon. The match was arranged for the benefit of the Highlands public library.

Jones, as usual, played a bang-up game, scoring a 68, two under par; but his partner was at a disadvantage on account of a wet course and her score of 81 brought the team record down. Hudson netted a 73 and Rainwater a 74, but their best ball score was 66. The pair gained a two-up lead on the first nine and maintained the advantage on the last nine in face of a 33 scored by Jones.

A heavy rain fell shortly before the match, but this did not deter the crowds from turning out to see Bobby Jones in action.

DEATH CLAIMS

MRS. DOWDLE

Funeral for Well Known Macon Woman Held Tuesday

Mrs. C. W. Dowdle, well known Macon county woman, died at the age of 72 at her home at Prentiss at 1 o'clock Tuesday morning. She had been in declining health for ten years and her condition had been critical for the past six weeks.

The funeral was held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Union Methodist church. The Rev. J. B. Tabor, pastor of the church, the Rev. John Teague and the Rev. L. B. Hayes, of Waynesville, conducted the rites.

Mrs. Dowdle, nee Ida Patton, was born April 20, 1862, daughter of Andrew J. and Jane Patton. She was married to Charles Wellington Dowdle on March 26, 1884. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last March 26 at a family gathering at the old home place at Prentiss.

Mr. and Mrs. Dowdle had seven children, all of whom are living, except one son, Ervin Patton, who gave his life in the service during the World War. The surviving children are: Mrs. Roy Beshears, Mrs. E. W. Long, Mrs. Pearl Hunter and Thad, Zeke and M. L. Dowdle. Mrs. Hunter and Thad and Zeke Dowdle live in Prentiss, and the other children make their homes in Franklin.

Mrs. Dowdle joined the Methodist church in early life and was looked upon by her friends as a woman of devout Christian character. She was a devoted mother and neighbor and was ever ready to serve others in time of need.

Benefit Supper Planned At Louisa Chapel

The Ladies Aid society of Louisa Chapel, Methodist Episcopal, plans to give a benefit supper at the chapel at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, September 8. The proceeds will be used toward defraying the expense of putting a new roof on the church.

Grazing Fees To Increase County's Farm Income \$500 a Month

Three hundred and thirty head of cattle, brought east by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration from the drought stricken areas of the northwest, were unloaded at the Franklin depot Tuesday and distributed to farmers for pasturage on Macon county grass lands.

Another shipment of 10 car loads, expected to comprise approximately 350 head, is scheduled to arrive here Saturday, according to the Rev. S. R. Crockett, emergency relief farm agent who has supervision over the distribution of the cattle. Farmers will be paid 50 cents to a dollar a head per month for grazing the cattle. It is estimated that this will mean an added income to Macon county farmers of approximately \$500.

Present indications, Mr. Crockett said, are that the cattle will be wintered here. The allowance for feeding during the winter months, he added, probably will be greater than the grazing fees. Besides the increased farm income, it was pointed out, the county also will benefit by a greater supply of manure for fertilizing next year's crops.

Tuesday's shipment of cattle came from Asheville, to where they had been shipped from St. Paul. The cattle due here Saturday, Mr. Crockett said, are now at Clyde awaiting shipment.

Several hundred persons visited the Franklin depot Tuesday to have a look at the cattle, which were of mixed breeds and weights, but mostly one and two-year olds. There were about two car loads of steers. It was a good clean lot of stock and cattlemen expressed satisfaction in their quality.

The shipment was distributed to owners of grazing lands as follows:

Alex Moore, 50 head; R. S. Jones, 20; Wade Arvey, 46; Lyman Higdon, 25; W. L. Ramsey, 36; Long and Mann, 50; D. C. Fouts, 20; A. L. McLean, 34; Allen Adams, 30; L. J. Moody, 20.

Some of those who received cattle Tuesday will receive additional quotas Saturday and allocations also will be made to a number of other farmers. Mr. Crockett asked that anyone interested in grazing cattle under the emergency relief plan get in touch with him.

Better Times

Former Governor of Georgia Is Optimistic

Economic conditions are definitely on the up-grade, in the opinion of former Governor Hardwick of Georgia, who has been a guest at The Terrace, Franklin resort hotel.

"I think things are going to keep on improving steadily," he told the Press-Maconian editor. "The better times we are experiencing now are not just temporary or local. Of course, the recovery cannot be brought about overnight. It will have to be gradual. A sick man can't get well in a day.

"With the restoration of normal banking conditions, the country again ought to enjoy normal business conditions."

He expressed the opinion that Franklin and Macon county would enjoy an era of development with the return of more stable conditions, pointing out that when money conditions become easier tourist traffic should increase, especially in this region.