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NEW OFFICIALS ARE SWORN IN

Board Reappoints Patton As Attorney at First Meeting

With a minimum of formality, Macon county's new board of commissioners assumed office Monday morning for a two-year term.

The old board, comprised of Walter Gibson, chairman, E. W. Long and Gus Leach, wound up the affairs of their administration last week and gracefully turned over the reins of government to the incoming members Monday. Frank I. Murray, clerk of court, swore in the new board—E. B. Byrd, chairman, F. H. Potts and C. L. Blaine.

Mr. Murray also swore in other county officers Monday—C. Tom Bryson, reelected as register of deeds; A. B. Slagle, reelected as sheriff; J. H. Dalton, reelected as surveyor, and C. M. Moore, reelected as coroner. Then Mr. Murray administered the oath to Harley R. Cabe, his former assistant, and automatically retired himself after serving the county as clerk of court for 14 years, seven months and ten days.

The board then proceeded to pass on bonds of various county officers. C. Tom Bryson made bond of \$5,000 as clerk of court and in an equal amount as county accountant, a position which goes with his office at a stipend of \$50 a month, under terms of a law enacted by the last general assembly. Sheriff Slagle posted a bond of \$5,000 as sheriff, \$25,000 as county treasurer and \$25,000 as tax collector. Harley R. Cabe supplied a bond of \$10,000 as clerk of court. The coroner and the county surveyor made bonds of \$2,000 each. C. P. Bradley of Smith's Bridge township qualified as a constable and made bond of \$1,000.

George Patton was reelected county attorney at a salary of \$24 a year, and Mr. Cabe was appointed juvenile judge at a salary of \$90 a year. The juvenile judgeship customarily goes to the clerk of court.

Members of the board are paid \$4 a day for each day they are in session, the amount, however, not to exceed \$12 a month.

The board adjourned to meet again Friday of this week.

To Reorganize

Legion To Elect Officers Saturday Night

A special meeting of the Macon county post of the American Legion, at which reorganization of the post and election of officers are scheduled to take place, has been called for 7:30 o'clock Saturday night, December 8, by Alf R. Higdon, post adjutant.

The reorganization, Mr. Higdon explained, is planned in preparation for a big membership drive. A membership contest is to be waged between the Macon county post and the Murphy post. Plans for the membership campaign and a big legion feed will be discussed at the meeting Saturday night.

Mr. Higdon said news about the bonus also would be discussed. He urged that all war veterans attend the meeting.

District B. Y. P. U. Meeting To Be Held

A district B. Y. P. U. meeting will be held at the Iotia Baptist church Sunday evening, December 9, at 7:30. This includes all B. Y. P. U.'s in the county north of Franklin.

Economic Balance between Agriculture and Industry One of TVA's Chief Goals

EDITOR'S NOTE—This is the third of a series of four articles on what the TVA is doing and plans to do, written by a staff correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor, international newspaper published in Boston. As Macon county is in a tributary area of the Tennessee Valley, these articles should prove especially interesting to readers of this newspaper.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Back of the whole TVA experiment is one basic problem. And in a solution of this problem the planners see a lesson that can be applied to the solving of a great national economic problem. That problem is the proper balancing of agriculture and industry.

In the Tennessee Valley the planners ran into the problem that affects the South much more than it does the rest of the nation although nation-wide in scope. There was a lack of balance between agriculture and industry. Wages were low, said men in industry, because the agriculture governed the economic set-up. Wages were low because basic prices in agriculture were low and without a

prosperous rural population industry could not pay high wages and give full time.

Planning a Balance

It is a fact that the southern industrial towns draw their help from surrounding hill country. The farmers will come down to the towns and work any number of hours for a mere pittance, will put up with poor living conditions and any kind of working arrangement in order to get a little cash.

Again the TVA experiment spreads to take in this problem with the others. The Bureau of Relations of Agriculture and Industry under W. R. Woolrich has set out to plan a balance between the farmer and the factory worker and to build up the standards of each.

They recognize, say these men, that statement regarding the relation of agriculture and industry is true. But they deny that it is true in the somewhat hopeless sense that many have believed.

Already there is noticeable in the South the work of forces that are beginning to break down this barrier. Too many men have recognized the problem for it to remain the same. In fact, throughout the

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TIME EXTENDED FOR ROLL CALL

Red Cross Drive Still Far Short of Goal of 300 Memberships

The campaign for Red Cross memberships will be continued for a few days longer to give the workers a chance to make a clean-up canvass of their districts and to allow the workers in the county time to make a more thorough canvass, according to a statement by the Rev. J. A. Flanagan, chairman of the Roll Call for the county.

The Roll Call thus far has fallen far short of the expected goal of 300 memberships, the quota for the county. Only about one-half this number has been reported to the chairman as yet. Early indications were that this number would have been reached, but the campaign has lagged toward the close. As yet no report has been received from the canvass made in Highlands and from several of the workers in the rural districts. It is still hoped that with these reports the Macon County Chapter may make a more creditable showing.

The following memberships have been reported to the chairman since the last issue of The Press: Gus Leach, Miss Nora Leach, Mary Hayes, (col.), Mrs. J. P. Noland, Mrs. Len Sloan, Mrs. W. L. Keene, Mrs. Haag, Mrs. Jess Sloan, Earle Meacham, Mrs. F. S. Sloan, D. D. Rice.

North Macon Association To Meet Friday

The North Macon Betterment association is scheduled to hold an important meeting at 7:30 o'clock Friday night in the Cowee school. J. E. Lancaster has been invited to address the meeting. A. W. MacLean, president of the association, has requested that all members attend, as matters of interest to everyone living in Cowee township will be discussed.

SPECIAL OFFICER

Fred Blaine was sworn in Wednesday morning to serve as a special policeman in Franklin during the Christmas holidays.

Long Holiday Schools To Be Closed Three Weeks

Macon county school children and teachers this year will have three weeks Christmas vacation, instead of the customary two-weeks mid-term leave. Schools throughout the county will close Friday, December 21, to reopen on Monday, January 14, it was learned this week from M. D. Billings, county superintendent of education. He explained that this action was taken to conserve a rapidly diminishing supply of fuel for the schools. The longer Christmas holiday will make it necessary to extend the closing date in the spring from the last week in April until the first week in May.

DRYS TO HOLD MASS MEETING

Cale K. Burgess To Address Gathering Here Sunday

A mass meeting for the citizens of Cherokee, Clay, Jackson, Swain, Transylvania and Macon counties will be held in the First Baptist church, Franklin, at 2:30 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, according to an announcement by the Rev. J. A. Flanagan, secretary of the United Dry Forces in Macon county. The speaker for the afternoon will be Cale K. Burgess, of Raleigh, outstanding layman and aggressive leader of the temperance forces in the state, whose subject will be "Law Enforcement."

Accompanying Mr. Burgess will be Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Owen, of Asheville, recently elected directors of temperance in the 25 western counties of the state. Dr. Owen will be remembered in Macon county as a former pastor of the Franklin Baptist church and until recently the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Murfreesboro, N. C. Dr. and Mrs. Owen will be engaged in the work of organizing the dry forces in these counties and of promoting the educational work of the temperance movement in schools, churches and clubs.

Dry Program Mapped

Meeting in Raleigh on October 19, the board of trustees of the

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Lindbergh Nursemaid



TRENTON, N. J. . . . Betty Gow (above), nursemaid to the Lindbergh baby at the time of the kidnaping, is returning from Scotland to testify in the trial of Bruno Hauptmann for the child's murder.

1,347 PLACED IN EMPLOYMENT

Edwards Reports on Work Of Reemployment Service

Since establishment of the Macon county office of the National Reemployment Service here on August 30, 1933, with John W. Edwards as manager, 1,347 men and women have been placed in employment in various capacities, according to information obtained from Mr. Edwards this week.

Mr. Edwards has been in continuous charge of the office since its establishment. The reemployment service is an emergency organization launched by the administration, under the supervision of the department of labor, to aid in restoring normal conditions.

Citing that the local reemployment office has been open 385 working days—from August 30, 1933, to December 1, 1934—Mr. Edwards estimated that its daily average for finding jobs for men and women was three and a half.

352 Vets Employed

Of the total number of individuals placed in work by the office, the reemployment manager continued, 352 were war veterans, 975 men without service records, and 20 women.

The term "temporary job," as used by the service, means a job that will last less than a month, and a "regular job" is one that lasts for a month or longer. The Macon county office has found regular jobs for far more men and women than temporary ones. The records of the office show that 883 of the jobs given to applicants were regular and 464 were temporary. About 20 of the temporary jobs were of two days and less in duration, while many of the remaining 444 jobs lasted for one week to three weeks. A large number of the regular jobs have run from four to six months and a number longer.

During the life of the Macon county office many different sources of employment have been found. The National Recovery Act has been the means of furnishing the majority of placements. The following agencies have furnished the number of jobs as listed: Nantahala National Forest, 376 men; Civil Works Administration, 328 men and women; Public Works Administration, 411 men; the Tennessee Valley Authority, working through the CWA, 39 men on three projects in Macon county; and gainful employment has been secured for 193 men and women through private firms and individuals.

Veterans are given preference on PWA work and they drew approx-

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BOND ELECTION DATE NOT SET

Preliminary Steps Toward Calling Vote Taken By Council

Preliminary action was taken by the town council at its regular meeting Monday night toward calling an election on the issuance of bonds to finance the construction of a new water supply system, street improvements, extension of the sewerage mains and installation of a sewage disposal plant.

Approval has been given by the Public Works Commission to an application filed by the town more than a year ago requesting a grant and loan of \$122,000 for these public improvements. Before the work can commence, however, the bonds and improvement plans must be passed upon by the state local government commission and the department of health, and the voters of Franklin must authorize the issue in a special election. Notice of the election must be advertised for 30 days before the election can be held.

Election Date Not Set

As it requires a majority of the registered voters for approval of a new issue of bonds, the town council is planning to call a new registration for the special election. Pending the settlement of various preliminary routine matters, the date for the election has not been determined; but it is thought likely it will be not earlier than the middle of January and possibly not until the early part of February.

Ordinances setting forth the purpose of the town council to call an election for approval of the bonds and the proposed projects were introduced at the council meeting Monday night, but the council can take no action on them until later. First it will be necessary for the local government commission to pass on the bonds and the state board of health to approve plans for the water and sewage disposal systems. George Dean, town clerk, and R. S. Jones, town attorney, were authorized to prepare the necessary information and send it to the local government commission. Another committee, consisting of Broadus Pendergrass, a member of the council, and Mr. Dean, was appointed to make a statement of the town's indebtedness and financial status, which, in accordance with the law, will be kept on file in the town hall for public inspection.

Meet Again Monday

The council adjourned until next Monday night, when it hopes it will have heard from the local government commission and will be able to act on the ordinances introduced.

No opposition to the bond issue was voiced at the council meeting.

The basis for issuance of the bonds is the offer of the Public Works Administration to make an outright grant amounting to 30 per cent of the cost of labor and materials for approved projects and to purchase bonds issued by the municipality for the balance of the necessary funds, the bonds to bear interest at four per cent and to be payable over a period of 30 years.

Cost of Projects

The Harwood Beebe Engineering company of Spartanburg, S. C., has estimated that the proposed improvements for Franklin would cost approximately \$122,000 and it is figured that a federal grant for the project would amount to about \$34,000, leaving a balance of \$88,000 to be financed through the issuance of town bonds.

The work would be let to contract with wages and hours of labor specified by the Public Works Administration. The basic PWA wage for common labor has formerly been 45 cents, but it has not been learned here whether this has been changed.