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## CONTEST CLOSE AS END NEARS

### Work This Week Likely To Decide Winner of Big Prize

"Unless someone steps out and gets a big bunch of extension subscriptions this week and thus turns the tide in their direction, this will be one of the closest finishes I have seen in twelve years of running campaigns," declared the manager of The Press-Maconian circulation campaign today.

The campaign manager, interviewed this morning, admitted that this one had him just a little bit jittery.

"I don't like these closely contested campaigns," he declared. "I always feel that it is not quite as hard a blow for a member to lose by a wide margin as it is to lose by just a nose, realizing that by a little more effort they could have overcome the slight lead. I know that if I were in a campaign race, I would not feel half so bad at being handed a full sized licking as I would if someone nosed me out at the last minute by the narrow margin of just a few subscriptions."

#### 4 Leaders Close

"Unless present conditions are materially changed by this week's results," he continued, "there will be several mighty sick people when the judges count the votes and announce the winners on the night of September 28th. There are at least four members, any one of whom could win the first prize by the right sort of effort from now until the finish; but the fact remains that one of that number will have to be content with a \$25 prize instead of five hundred dollars."

The prize ballots, of which due notice has been mailed all active workers, will probably do something to clarify the situation. The member who can have a lead if only one dollar next Saturday night will automatically be credited with 300,000 extra votes. The second highest will get 200,000 and the third 100,000 free votes. So this week it isn't just a matter of trying for the \$500; it develops into a race as to who among the four leaders is going to be the "goat" and get one of the smallest prizes, while the others, with only a slight margin ahead, will get the three larger prizes.

#### Public Cooperation Asked

Subscribers should most certainly do what they can to help these earnest workers during this week. They are working for a bigger stake—and working harder than ordinary commission collectors who represented the paper before the campaign started. They deserve the unstinted cooperation and help of every subscriber in their earnest efforts to win a big prize in this campaign. Your subscription may mean several hundred dollars to any of them; it can only mean a few cents commission if one persists in holding it up to give to a mere commission collector after the campaign.

The management has tried to be lenient in enforcing the rules which were plainly printed at the beginning of the campaign. But in fairness to those who have worked every week during the campaign, no one who fails to make a report next Saturday with at least enough to make up the weeks they have missed will be considered eligible for either prize or commission. And it is at the discretion of the campaign manager whether they can now be reinstated or not. The rules were printed and given to every member when they joined and they must be enforced.

## Jamboree

### Outing at Golf Club Proves Big Success

Although visitors were not as numerous as anticipated, the jamboree at the Franklin golf course last Thursday turned out to be such a success that officials of the course are planning to make it an annual event. By staging the all-day sports event earlier in the season they hope, in the future, to attract more people from out of town.

Major Carmack, of Tampa, Fla., who has been spending the summer here, scored a 78 to win the handicap golf tournament in the morning. Winton Perry turned in an 84 for second place and J. E. Perry was third with 86. Eighteen golfers teed off.

In the afternoon R. D. Sisk carried off the honors in a "Goofy" golf tournament, which can be described only as "goofy," by turning in a score of 49 for seven holes. One of the unique features of this event was a hole, the seventh, on which everyone was awarded a hole-in-one certificate. No one could miss making it, for a grooved channel led the ball right into the cup over a course 220 inches long.

Honors in a tennis match in the afternoon between employes of the Nantahala National Forest and employes of the Pisgah Forest went to the visitors. The local tennis players split with the visitors in four single matches; but the Pisgah men won one doubles set-to-while another one was called on account of darkness.

A feature of the swimming demonstration during the afternoon was a demonstration of life-saving by local scouts in which a scout, fully dressed, "rescued" another scout. Winners of the swimming events were:

Relay race: Harold Baldwin and Charles Hunnicutt. Two-lap race, Andrew Jones. One-lap race for boys, Charles Hunnicutt. One-lap race for girls, Lillian Jones. One-lap under water race, Andrew Jones. Half lap under water, Harold Baldwin. Diving, C. S. Brown. One-lap race for boys under 12 years old, Victor Perry.

## LOCAL ELEVEN TO PLAY SYLVA

### First Encounter of Season Is Scheduled for Tomorrow

With W. C. Reeves, new mathematics teacher, as coach, the Franklin high school football squad is being whipped into shape for what promises to be its best gridiron season in several years. The eleven's first game of the season is scheduled with Sylva high at Sylva tomorrow afternoon.

When Coach Reeves issued a call for recruits Monday a week ago more than 30 boys reported. Although a number of the boys had not had previous football experience, the coach was well pleased with the interest shown and thinks he has sufficient material to produce a good team.

The season's schedule is not yet complete, but five games have been definitely carded and several others are pending. The schedule, as it now stands, follows:

September 20—at Sylva; September 27—open; October 4—Sylva at Franklin; October 11—open; October 18—at Bryson City; October 25—at Brevard (tentative); November 1—at Andrews; November 8—open; November 15 — Bryson City at Franklin.

Negotiations also are under way for a game with Hayesville and one with Asheville School. Grover Jamison is manager of the team.

# Press-Maconian Launches Presidential Straw Vote

## OUR NEXT PRESIDENT - POLL

This newspaper is cooperating with 2000 other newspapers in making this nation-wide poll.

VOTE IN ONE BLOCK ONLY

Do you favor the re-election of President Roosevelt?

(yes) (no)

Or, do you favor the nomination, by the Democratic party, of some Democrat other than President Roosevelt?

(FIRST CHOICE)

(SECOND CHOICE)

(THIRD CHOICE)

Do you favor the election of a Republican?

(yes) (no)

If you are in favor of a Republican, whom do you wish nominated?

(FIRST CHOICE)

(SECOND CHOICE)

(THIRD CHOICE)

Or, if you favor the organization of a third party, whom would you want this new party to nominate?

(FIRST CHOICE)

(SECOND CHOICE)

(THIRD CHOICE)

Every reader of this newspaper may vote. No reader is required to sign his name. Vote now and mail the ballot to this newspaper.

## Plans To Improve Forest Playgrounds Announced

### Small Lakes To Be Built At Vanhook Glade And Arrowood

Plans for further expansion of the recreational facilities of the Nantahala National Forest, embracing the construction of two small lakes, were outlined by John Herbert Stone, forest supervisor, on a "show-me" tour conducted in the Macon county area of the reservation last Friday.

At the public camp site at Vanhook Glade on state highway No. 28 between Franklin and Highlands Mr. Stone revealed to those going on the tour that the forest service intended not only to improve and enlarge camping facilities, but also to establish there a home site development and to erect an eight-foot dam across the Cullasaja river. This dam, to be built with CCC labor, will back water up the river 2,000 feet, making an ideal small lake for water sports. A beach and bathing house also will be constructed. Use of the lake will be entirely free to the public, in accordance with the forest service policy of making no charges for its recreational facilities.

#### Popular Camp Ground

The Vanhook Glade camp ground, situated in a beautiful white pine grove, already has been admirably developed. The Civilian Conservation Corps has constructed there 14 stone fireplaces, an incinerator for the disposal of refuse and modern, sanitary latrines. Water is piped to the grounds from a tested mountain spring. More than 500

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## ACCEPTS CALL TO PASTORATE

The Rev. W. M. Burns, pastor of a Baptist church at Cave City, Ky., has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Franklin, it was announced this week by the church's board of deacons. He is expected to assume his new charge the first Sunday in October.

Mr. Burns, a native of Barnesville, Ga., is a graduate of Mercer University, Macon, Ga., and of Louisville Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He attended Mercer at the same time the Rev. E. R. Eller, whom he succeeds as pastor of the Franklin church, was a student there. He received his degree from Louisville Seminary last spring.

Mr. Burns has been in the Baptist ministry for fourteen years and has served as pastor of the Cave City, Ky., church for three years. He is 35 years old.

Mrs. Burns is a native of Macon, Ga., and also has studied at the Louisville Seminary. They have one child, a daughter about 10 years of age.

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## Joins 2,000 Other Weeklies In National Pre- Convention Poll

Months earlier than ever before in this generation, our national pre-convention political pot is boiling.

Even though the national conventions of the major political parties are still some nine or ten months away, citizens of the United States, north, south, east and west, are giving attention to the political outlook for 1936 when presidential candidates will be nominated, party platforms drawn and, what promises to be, intensive campaigns waged.

Who those candidates will be and what kind of platform of government they will stand upon is the subject already tantalizing the minds of voters of all political faiths and beliefs. Such discussions are heard at every hand with preferences in candidates and opinions on government freely expressed.

The situation is brought about, no doubt, through the fact that the people of the United States are today more government-minded than we have ever known. This is as a result of the last half dozen years of struggle through a national economic upheaval and consequent attempts at re-adjustment.

Be that as it may, in the language of the street, the questions of the hour and heard at every turn are: "What do you think of the political outlook for 1936? and who do you think will be our next President?"

In the wide variance of replies offered to that question comes the opportunity to conduct a nationwide pre-convention poll, the results of which will no doubt be of great interest to voters everywhere.

#### We Are Joining In

To the end, that the publishers of The Franklin Press and The Highlands Maconian are of the opinion that such a poll will be of great interest to its subscribers, this newspaper has agreed to help conduct the poll. The poll is nationwide, with some 2,000 newspapers throughout the United States cooperating.

Every attempt is being made by all of the cooperating newspapers to conduct the poll along non-partisan lines. Voters are not asked to sign their names. They are asked only to express a preference for candidate and party; to express a choice which will help show the political leanings of voters throughout the country at this time.

No matter what your party preference may be, wouldn't you like to know how your fellow-citizens throughout the country are viewing the 1936 political situation? As citizens and voters we would like to know and that is why this newspaper has agreed to cooperate with the 2,000 other newspaper publishers, who are of like opinion, in conducting the poll.

In an adjoining column will be found a ballot which we are of-

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## George Bulgin's New Shop Now Open for Business

George Bulgin has completed construction of his new machine and blacksmith shop and is now open for business. The new shop, equipped for welding, general machine repairing and blacksmith work, is located on highway No. 28 near its intersection with the old Georgia road. Mr. Bulgin was able to salvage very little of the equipment from his old shop, near the Nantahala Creamery, which was burned about two months ago.