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FEDERATION TO BUY CHICKENS

Wednesday Made Poultry Day at Franklin Warehouse

Poultry buying day each Wednesday at the Franklin warehouse of the Farmers Federation has been started, according to announcement received by the Franklin warehouse manager, Lawrence Ramsey, from James G. K. McClure, Jr., president and general manager of the cooperative.

This new outlet for Macon county poultry will tie in with the marketing department of the Farmers Federation. A truck of the marketing department is to call once a week for poultry at the Franklin warehouse. This will be taken to the marketing department's poultry dressing station at Asheville to be prepared for sale to retail stores and institutions in Western North Carolina and adjoining territory.

L. M. BRADLEY LAID TO REST

L. M. Bradley, 85, died at his home in the Oak Grove community at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning. He had been in declining health for several years and on Wednesday of last week became critically ill.

The funeral was held at the Oak Grove Baptist church at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, with burial in the Oak Grove cemetery. The last rites were conducted by the Rev. A. S. Solesbee and the Rev. D. C. McCoy.

Mr. Bradley was a charter member and a deacon of the Oak Grove Baptist church.

On May 15, 1879, Mr. Bradley was married to Miss Lucy Morrison, who died on November 10, 1935.

The deceased is survived by a brother, the Rev. W. L. Bradley, of Etna; two sisters, Mrs. J. B. Duvall, of Iotla, and Mrs. T. B. Shepherd, of Franklin; four daughters, Mrs. Julia Shuler, of Franklin Route 4; Mrs. D. A. Hall, Mrs. Harley R. Breedlove and Mrs. Frank Browning, all of Etna; four sons, Everett Bradley, of Etna; Jud, Fred and Claud Bradley, who live near Los Angeles, Calif.; 28 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Baptist Ministers To Meet in Waynesville

The Western North Carolina Baptist Ministers' Conference will be held in Waynesville Thursday and Friday of next week. The Rev. W. M. Burns, pastor of the Franklin Baptist church, is scheduled to conduct the devotions of the opening session Thursday morning. The Rev. Nane Starnes, of Asheville, is to preach. The program calls for a discussion Thursday afternoon of "The Pastor and his Objectives."

At the evening session Thursday E. Gibson Davis, of Asheville, is to make a talk on "Travels Abroad," and the Rev. Hoyt Blackwell, of Mars Hill, is to preach a missionary sermon.

At Friday morning's session the Rev. W. R. Burrell, of Biltmore, is scheduled to preach and there will be several addresses by various pastors of the district.

Mrs. John W. Murray Critically Ill

Mrs. John W. Murray, who developed pneumonia last week after an illness of pleurisy, was reported this morning to be in critical condition at her home in Cowee community.

Meetings Held To Spread Soil Conservation Gospel

So much interest was engendered in the Tennessee Valley soil conservation program as the result of a meeting in the courthouse Saturday that a series of community meetings was arranged the first of this week by S. W. Mendenhall, county farm agent, and S. D. Alexander, assistant farm agent, with view to spreading the gospel of soil conservation throughout the entire county.

In spite of heavy rains, the meeting in the courthouse Saturday was attended by about 100 farmers and members of the agricultural class of the Franklin high school. The work of the TVA in promoting better farming through soil improvement was explained in an address by W. M. Landess, assistant TVA agricultural director.

Illustrates Address

Mr. Landess illustrated his talk with large photographs and stereopticon slides showing the advantage of soil conservation and demonstrating how erosion can be checked. He touched on one of the principal purposes of the TVA when he pointed out that only through prevention of erosion in the upper reaches of tributary streams can the flood problem in the Mississippi valley, which has cost the government millions of dollars, be permanently solved.

Messrs Mendenhall and Alexander were well pleased with the

interest manifested in the meeting in the face of severe weather conditions, and expressed the belief that it would pave the way for the selection of more demonstration farms in the county. Owners of demonstration farms are given fertilizer by the TVA for their cooperation in soil conservation work. There are now 55 such farms in this county.

Community Meetings

The first of the community meetings planned by the county farm agents was held this morning at Otto school and another was held in the afternoon at Union school. The TVA program was outlined and the method of applying for demonstration farms explained.

Following is the schedule for other community meetings:

Friday, Jan. 24—9:30 a. m., Oak Grove school; 2 p. m. Cartoogechaye Baptist church.

Monday, Jan. 27—9:30 a. m., Patton's school; 2 p. m. Higdonville school.

Tuesday, Jan. 28—9:30 a. m., Cowee school; 2 p. m. Holly Springs.

Wednesday, Jan. 29—9:30 a. m., Burntown school; 2 p. m. Pine Grove school.

Thursday, Jan. 30—9:30 a. m.—Otter Creek school; 2 p. m., Watanga school.

Friday, Jan. 31—9:30 a. m.—Highlands school; 2 p. m., Scaly school.

New Fixtures

Improve Appearance of Sanders' Store

Sanders' store this week presents a brighter and more spacious appearance as the result of installation of modern lighting fixtures and new display racks for ready-to-wear garments.

Two rows of new electric lights, with diffusive prismatic globes, extended the length of the store, lighting up every corner of the large room.

Jack Sanders, proprietor of the store, replaced open racks and tables in the rear of the store, where the ready-to-wear department is situated, with built-in wall racks. These not only display the merchandise to better advantage, placing it in full view of the customer, but they also are designed to keep the display clean.

The effect of the new lights and display racks together is that the store is far more spacious than hitherto.

5 Franklin Men on Fishing Trip in Florida

Five Franklin business men left Sunday morning for Crystal River, Fla., where they planned to spend a week or 10 days fishing in the famed Crystal River, near the west coast. The river is said to be so clear that one can drop a coin into it and watch it sink to the bottom forty or fifty feet below.

In the party leaving Franklin were W. T. Moore, Henry W. Cabe, Lyman Higdon, T. W. Angel, Jr., and Cecil L. Pendergrass. The group took a colored man to cook for them and planned on their arrival to rent a house for the duration of their stay.

Prof. A. M. Norton, 61, Dies at Boone

A. M. Norton, 61, professor of English literature at Appalachian State Teachers college, Boone, died of a sudden attack of heart disease while teaching a class at the college Monday morning. Prof. Norton, formerly president of Weaver college, now closed, was a native of Macon county and a brother of Charles and T.M. Norton and Mrs. J. M. Cabe, of this county.

CRAWFORD LOT WILL BE SOLD

The large lot at the corner of west Main street and Harrison avenue, formerly known as the Bulgin shop lot, will be sold at auction at 2 p. m. Friday Jan. 31, for the Lee Crawford estate, according to an announcement by R. A. Patton of the Home Realty and Auction company.

The property has been subdivided, Mr. Patton said, and will be offered on terms of one-third down payment with the balance to be paid in six to 18 months.

Mr. Patton pointed out that the lot is strategically suited, from a business viewpoint, because it is in the Franklin business district and also because it is on two state highways, No. 285, known as the Asheville-Atlanta short route, and No. 286, one of the principal southern feeders to the Smoky Mountain Park area.

Mrs. Laura A. Elmore, 73, Dies in Hendersonville

Mrs. Laura A. Elmore, 73, widow of Jesse Smith Elmore, native of Macon county, died of pneumonia on January 18 at the home of a sister, Mrs. T. L. Durham, on Buncombe street, Hendersonville, N. C. The funeral was conducted at 2 o'clock Sunday at the Tom Shepard funeral home in Hendersonville and burial was in the Oakdale cemetery. The Rev. James I. Justice officiated.

In addition to Mrs. Durham, Mrs. Elmore is survived by another sister, Mrs. Belle Randall, of Bryson City; an adopted son, Frank; his wife, Mary Helen, and their two children, Elaine and Frank Welch, Jr.

Macon County Club Formed at Cullowhee

A Macon County club was organized at Western North Carolina Teachers College at Cullowhee on January 16 by students at the college who live in this county or who have lived here in the past. E. R. White was elected president of the club; Norman West, vice president; Alice Rickman, secretary-treasurer; Leila Gray, reporter, and Eula Mae Potts, historian.

Cold Wave Sends Local Thermometer Tobogganing

What was believed to be the bitterest cold wave of the winter swept into Franklin Wednesday night and Thursday from the middle western states after a week of the most freakish weather experienced here in years.

The lowest thermometer reading reported in Franklin today was 8 above zero at 7 a. m.; but the mercury, it is thought, sank considerable lower in some sections of the county. Still colder weather was predicted for the entire region Thursday night, but the weather man in Asheville forecasted cloudiness and some relief from the cold Friday.

Saturday morning Macon county folks experienced a real thunder storm. Lightning twice struck the home of Mrs. W. G. Wilkie on the outskirts of town, doing considerable damage. Mrs. Wilkie reported that her bathroom had been torn up, 44 window panes and a number of dishes smashed. Members of the family were terrified, but no one was injured.

The rain continued through Saturday night and most of Sunday, sending the Little Tennessee river on a rampage. Fred Cabe, who lives in a house near the residence of T. W. Angel, Sr., found it necessary to remove his family when the swollen river threatened to come above the floor boards of his home.

4 Franklin Boys Are Made Star Scouts

The monthly court of honor of the Smoky Mountain district of the Boy Scouts of America was held Monday night in the Methodist church at Sylva. The attendance was larger and the promotions more numerous than has been the case for some months.

At this meeting the Culowhee troop received its charter and their first recruits were made tenderfoot scouts. Boys from Sylva, Cherokee, Bryson City and Franklin received promotions. The local troop, as usual, was very well represented. Five boys were given tenderfoot rank—Vergil Watkins, Wilburn Conley, Cecil Poindexter, D. L. Johnson and John Andrew Setser. Second class rank was conferred on J. C. Cunningham and the rank of first class scout on Kenneth Cabe. A total of 18 merit badges were awarded to nine members of the troop and four boys—Charles Palmer, Bert Hall, Allen Ordway and Harry Higgins—were raised to the rank of star scout. These promotions and awards represent much work on the part of the local boys and show that scouting is going forward in the community. The next meeting of the court of honor will be held in the Presbyterian church in Franklin on Monday, February 17, when it is hoped that Franklin people will turn out and see for themselves what scouting is all about.

Bank of Franklin Officers Reelected

The same officers and directors will direct the affairs of the Bank of Franklin this year as last.

Dr. W. A. Rogers was reelected president of the institution at a meeting of the board of directors Saturday, and other officers were renamed as follows: M. D. Billings, vice president; H. W. Cabe, cashier, and L. B. Liner, assistant cashier.

Earlier in the month the stockholders had reelected the following directors: C. F. Moody, chairman; W. A. Rogers, M. L. Dowdle, H. W. Cabe, M. D. Billings, Grover Jamison and R. S. Jones.

WELFARE WORK IS DISCUSSED

Social Service Activities Outlined at Community Meeting

"I have never received more cordial cooperation than in Macon county," stated Mrs. Thomas O'Neil, county home demonstration agent, in an address before a community meeting of social service workers and others on Tuesday evening at Trimont Inn. "All the women need is someone to point the way," continued Mrs. O'Neil who gave a comprehensive and vivid account of the many angles of her work.

Home demonstration clubs have a larger membership than any woman's organization in the United States, Mrs. O'Neil said. Five clubs were reported in Macon county with a membership of about 160, and three more clubs to be started immediately.

TVA Work Outlined

Sam Alexander explained the aim of the soil conservation work being carried on through the TVA, sometimes referred to as Soil Conservation and Water Control Association. Mr. Alexander is directing this important work as assistant to the county agent which cooperates with the TVA demonstration farms. Twelve farms were originally selected as models last spring; now 55 are under direction in Macon county.

S. W. Mendenhall, county agent, put the question: "What is the object of the county farm agency?" The speaker explained the work as "a clearing house for farmers' problems," continuing with a statement of the government's long time planning program which aims to help the farmer in what he knows how to do but lacks cash to accomplish. Announcing a nationwide survey of farm conditions, Mr. Mendenhall said that one purpose was to forestall the movement of young people to the towns by so improving conditions that they may live well at home and raise a surplus to sell.

Faison Speaks

John R. Faison, of the Resettlement and Rehabilitation administration, announced that loans were being made to those farmers who needed them in the purchase of seeds, fertilizers, machinery and livestock, repayments to cover a period of five years. He said 100 families in Macon and Clay counties had availed themselves of this opportunity and that more than double this number would be on the list in the spring.

Miss Pauline Powers outlined her part of the work with the farm women in the rehabilitation program.

Tells of Sewing Rooms

Mrs. Gilmer Jones, WPA director of women's work, divided those applying for aid into two classes, the employable and unemployable, the county department of welfare taking charge of the latter group where there is no wage earner in the family.

"In Macon county there are 118 women who are the sole supporters of their families, for whose benefit seven sewing rooms have been established at convenient locations, work being limited to 128 hours per month," Mrs. Jones said. She explained that the garments made were collected in a store room for distribution to unemployed in need. The women's payroll for the past six weeks totalled \$1,200 in Macon county.

Mrs. Sam Franks, county welfare agent, gave an interesting statement of her work among unemployables, juvenile court children, and inmates of the jail and county home, and of the difficulty to take care of these demands adequately for lack of funds.

Mrs. John Trotter, project super-

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