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## FRANKLIN MAY GET NYA CENTER

### Commissioners Offer Use Of Harrison Avenue Lot

Plans are being drawn this week for a proposed community center for the young people of Macon county, which the national youth administration has tentatively offered to erect.

A site, the lot on Harrison avenue known as the Alva Pierce property, which adjoins the Methodist church, was offered Monday by the county commissioners.

Franklin has been chosen as one of three communities in the state in which to build workshops and community centers for young people, under the supervision of the NYA. Choice of Franklin, The Press-Maconian learned, was attributed to the fine record of NYA work in the county under the supervision of Mrs. J. A. Ordway.

Plans for the proposed center are being drawn by Herman Plemmons, county sanitary supervisor. They have not been completed, but Mrs. Ordway said they contemplated a long, one story, tile structure, providing space for workshops and meeting rooms for boy scouts and girl scouts.

She was optimistic that the NYA would approve the project and that work on it would start this spring.

## PARKING LIMIT TO BE PRESSED

### Strict Enforcement of 1-Hour Law Ordered By Council

Rigid enforcement of Franklin's one-hour parking ordinance on Main street was ordered by the town council Monday night after it had received a petition signed by 30 individuals and business concerns requesting that something be done about congested traffic conditions.

The petition, which had been circulated by W. T. Moore of E. K. Cunningham and company, also requested the board to take action looking toward the widening of Main street. The council took this part of the request under advisement with the intention of investigating the possibility of obtaining aid from the state highway commission or from the works progress administration.

The town parking ordinance prohibits parking for more than one hour between 7 a. m. and 7 p. m. on Main street, from the Post Office to a point near Harrison avenue.

## Franklin Produce Market LATEST QUOTATIONS

(Prices listed below are subject to change without notice.)  
Quoted by Farmers Federation, Inc.  
Chickens, heavy breed, hens 13c  
Chickens, light weight, lb. 11c  
Eggs, doz. 17c  
Corn, bu. 95c  
Wheat, bu. \$1.15  
Potatoes, No. 1 \$1.20  
Field peas, bu. \$1.50  
Crowder peas, bu. \$2.50  
Yellow Mammoth Soy Beans, bu. \$1.50  
Lorida Beans, bu. \$1.65  
Onions, bu. 60c  
Quoted by Nantahala Creamery  
Butterfat, lb. 30c

## School Board

### Likely To Remain Same For Next 2 Years

Reports from Raleigh indicate that Macon county's board of education will continue the same for the next two years.

The names of W. D. Barnard, C. W. Dowdle and Frank Hill, present members of the board, have been recommended for reappointment in a list of nominees submitted to an education sub-committee in the lower house of the general assembly. This committee is preparing an omnibus bill, providing for boards of education in the 100 counties, which is expected to be introduced sometime this month.

## JULE G. SILER IS FOUND DEAD

### Funeral To Be Held In Franklin Friday Afternoon

Jule G. Siler, a native of Franklin and formerly cashier of the Bank of Franklin, was found dead in a small ravine four or five miles from his home in Lavonia, Ga., at 6 o'clock Wednesday night. He had disappeared from his home Tuesday afternoon and wandered into the country. Death, it was reported, was due to three possible causes: an attack of heart disease, exposure, or a blow on the head in falling into the ravine.

Mr. Siler's body will be brought to Franklin tomorrow, Friday, for burial. A funeral service will be held at the Franklin Presbyterian church at 2 o'clock in the afternoon with burial following in the Franklin cemetery. Members of the family and the Rev. Boyce Nelson, Presbyterian minister of Hartwell, Ga., will accompany the body. The funeral is to be conducted by Rev. Mr. Nelson and the Rev. J. A. Flanagan, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church.

Mr. Siler, who was in his seventies, left Franklin about 20 years ago. At Lavonia he was in the wholesale grocery business and later became an automobile dealer.

He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Leon F. Siler, of Franklin, and a grandson of Jesse Siler, one of the early settlers of this county. His father was a Methodist minister. He married Miss Ella Rankin, of Franklin.

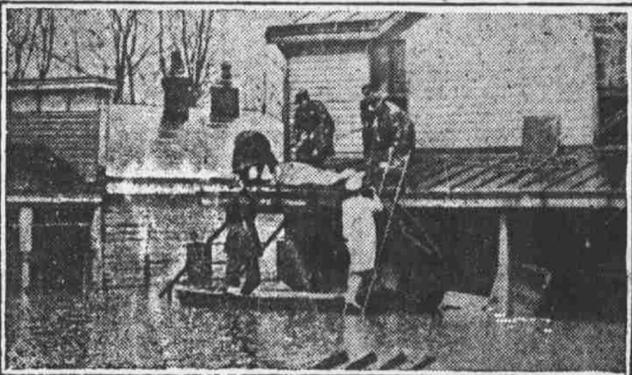
Surviving Mr. Siler are his widow, eight children, Turner Siler, of Lavonia; Mrs. Mary Siler Higdon, of Franklin; Mrs. Ella Siler Freeman, of Lavonia; Grady Siler, of Athens, Tenn.; C. K. Siler, of Asheville; J. R. and Robert Siler, of Gastonia, and Mrs. Linda Siler Adams, of Savannah, Ga.; and a brother, Dr. Eugene Siler, of Montreat.

## 'The Holy Terror' Coming Monday-Tuesday

Macon Theatre presents "Ginger" Jane Withers in her very latest picture, "The Holy Terror," Monday-Tuesday. Jane, the little Southern Girl, seems to be setting the pace in Hollywood at the present. In this story Jane is the daughter of Commander Wallace, in charge of a naval aviation station. Jane saves the station by her mischievous pranks on the spies who are trying to steal plans for a new plane.

Wednesday and Thursday Paramount's great musical comedy, "The Big Broadcast of 1937." Music, dancing, romance, wisecracks, laughs all while the broadcast is on the air. Jack Benny's wisecracks, Bob Burns' story-telling and "Bazooka" playing, songs by Benny Fields, Shirley Ross and Martha Raye. Laughs from George Burns and Gracie Allen.

## Million Homeless in Flood's Wake



News pictures of flood scenes, Pittsburgh to New Orleans, down the Ohio and Mississippi river basins, all tell the same story of record flood peaks, loss of lives and great property damage. Recent reports indicated that approximately a million persons were homeless and property loss was beyond estimating. Top photo shows raging fires, caused by oil and gasoline spreading over the flood water from bursted tanks in Cincinnati. Second photo—a crew of coast guardsmen leaving Chicago for flood duty. At bottom, a thrilling rescue of a critically ill citizen from a flooded home.

## More than \$100 Raised for Infantile Paralysis Fund

### Square Dance Parties In Franklin, Highlands Well Attended

More than a hundred persons attended the "President's Birthday Party" at Kelly's Tea Room Saturday night, raising \$70 for the fund to fight infantile paralysis.

Another party at Helen's Barn in Highlands netted \$18, half of which went into the president's fund. The other half was contributed for flood relief.

The infantile paralysis fund was swelled to more than \$100 by \$40 raised by Harley R. Cabe in selling advertisements for a full page display contributed by The Franklin Press and The Highlands Maconian.

Dr. W. A. Rogers was county chairman of the birthday ball committee and Mr. Cabe was in charge of arrangements for the Franklin party. The party at Highlands was arranged by C. C. Potts and Henry Cleveland.

Square dances to local music were the vogue at each party.

## VETERAN SCOUT HONORED

Xenia, O.—Sgt. H. L. Chapman, a member of the first Boy Scout troop in the world, has been elected commissioner of the Scout movement in Green county. Chapman joined 15 other boys in England under the leadership of Sir Robert Baden-Powell to launch the Boy Scout movement.

## BURRELL PLANS NEW BUILDING

### Work Started on Grading Main Street Lot For Garage

W. C. Burrell, local Chevrolet automobile dealer, started work Tuesday grading a site on East Main street preparatory to construction of a new garage and automobile showroom. The property, a double lot between the Nantahala Inn and the Watkins Hotel, was recently purchased by Mr. Burrell from the Berry heirs at a price reported in the neighborhood of \$3,000.

The lot will be graded to street level. Mr. Burrell said he had not completed plans for the new building but that he intended to erect a large modern fireproof structure. He also said he was planning to build a new filling station on part of the property.

## PLANE OUSTS DOG TEAMS

San Francisco.—In the same manner that the automobile has replaced the horse in the United States, the airplane is replacing dog teams of Alaska, according to Victor Ross, Alaskan aviator. He already has more than 300,000 miles of flying in the frozen north to his credit.

## HOUSE VOTES LOCAL OPTION

### Representative R. A. Patton Votes Favorably On Liquor Bill

After defeating the Hutchins bill providing for a statewide referendum to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicants in North Carolina, the lower house of the general assembly voted 67 to 43 Wednesday to permit county option on liquor, according to press dispatches from Raleigh.

Representative R. A. Patton of Macon was reported to have voted against the Hutchins bill and for the local option measure, which had been introduced less than 24 hours before.

The local option proposal largely carries out the recommendations of a liquor-study commission appointed by the governor. It would allow counties at their own discretion to operate liquor stores, the profits from such stores to be retained by the counties, with the state deriving revenue from a gross sales tax on liquor to be established by the finance committee.

General supervision over county liquor stores would be under a three-man commission. The chairman of the commission would receive \$6,000 a year and the other members would be paid on a per diem basis.

Eighteen North Carolina counties already are permitted to operate liquor stores under an act of the 1935 assembly.

## JAILOR BILL PASSES

The senate Saturday passed Representative Patton's bill to abolish turnkey fees for the Macon county jailor and limiting to 15 cents a meal and 45 cents a day the amount to be paid the jailor for boarding a prisoner. The measure previously had been passed in the lower house. Ratification was expected this week.

The jailor, John Dills, formerly has received a turnkey's fee of 60 cents for each prisoner admitted to the jail and board of 75 cents a day per prisoner.

Enactment of the Patton bill was protested in a letter to Senator Kelly E. Bennett signed by a number of prominent residents, who attributed its introduction to "a personal feeling Patton has against the present jailor."

## WOULD ABOLISH HOOD'S JOB

One new bill introduced by Representative Patton would abolish the office of the state commissioner of banks. A similar measure was defeated at the last session of the legislature. Gurney P. Hood holds the position.

Mr. Patton and Representative Ledbetter of Jackson county are joint sponsors of a bill to require the state highway and public works commission to provide for the transportation of prisoners from the county in which they are sentenced to the state prison or prison camp.

## Mission Groups To Hold Zone Meeting

A zone meeting of the Woman's Missionary societies of Macon county Methodist churches is to be held Wednesday, February 10, starting at 10 o'clock in the morning, at the Franklin Methodist church.

Mrs. F. E. Branson, of Canton, conference secretary of the Waynesville district, is expected to attend, bringing an interesting message for the group.

Mrs. Sallie E. Penland is confined to her bed at her home on Palmer street with influenza.