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Water Resources of Macon County

IN the series of editorials on the resources of Macon county, The Franklin Press is indebted for the following to Charles R. Hursh, in charge of forest influence investigations, Appalachian forest experiment station, U. S. forest service:

Only a few counties in the United States have a higher annual rainfall than Macon county, North Carolina, however these counties lie in the Puget Sound area of the Pacific Northwest and are not strategically located to serve important industrial and municipal uses. This fact places Macon county with the highest yearly rainfall recorded for the eastern United States as probably the most favored county in the country for usable water resources.

In actual amount, Macon county receives an average of between 60 and 70 inches of rainfall yearly. The northeastern section of the county receives the lowest rainfall, amounting to somewhat over 50 inches, while the southeastern section of the county receives well over 80 inches. Individual locations on the Nantahala mountains and near Highlands have recorded well over 100 inches of rainfall per year.

Best of all the many desirable features of Macon county's abundant water resources, is that in spite of the exceptionally high yield, the streams flow with remarkable uniformity. This is due in part to the Government's far-sighted policy in the establishment of the Nantahala national forest to protect the headwaters of valuable streams. Uniform streamflow and the absence of repeated floods has a direct relation to fishing conditions. Research conducted by the Bureau of Fisheries in the Appalachian region has shown that there exists a relationship between stream runoff and the food content, productivity and trout carrying capacity of the streams. Drainage areas of sparse vegetation that produce tremendous flood flows cause gouging of the stream bed, fluctuating water levels, shifting stream bottoms, and silting of the pools. These conditions are highly detrimental to fish production. Even the stream bottomland that is the favored wintering grounds for deer and other wild life are destroyed in some sections due to flood flows. Macon county is favored both in having a high rainfall and in having the protected watersheds that permit these water resources to serve their maximum for recreational purposes.

The three principal rivers arising in Macon county are the Cullasagee, the Little Tennessee and the Nantahala. In 1932, three hydroelectric generating stations with a capacity of 209,000 horse power were operating on the Little Tennessee. The two largest of these stations are located at Cheoah, with capacities of 107,200 h. p. and 100,000 h. p. each. The third station is located at Franklin and had a generating capacity in 1932 of 1,390 h. p. These installations do not begin to exhaust the opportunities for power development along the streams arising in Macon county. Abundant water resources of Macon county contribute more to municipal and industrial demands than is shown by the three hydroelectric generating stations mentioned above. The exceptional water yields of the county serve an important part in the whole development of the greater Tennessee Valley, inasmuch as they are an integral part of the water that will be utilized in the many useful developments now in progress by the Tennessee Valley authority.

There also remains almost unlimited opportunity in Macon county for small hydroelectric developments, generating power for private homes and work shops. It is believed that as the cost for small

generators and equipment is reduced that many private homes and camps will avail themselves of the local opportunities for installing small generating plants.

Amelia Earhart—Afterthoughts

FOR a fortnight the world has waited in vain for news of the world's most famous—and best beloved aviatrix. Amelia Earhart and her navigator, Fred Noonan, have vanished from human knowledge in the wastes of the mid-Pacific. When Miss Earhart set out on her round-the-world flight "just for fun," fellow Americans shared her confidence. With unmatched record of achievement in the scientific field of aeronautics as well as successful experience in ocean flights, every honor that an admiring nation could bestow was hers. Her intelligent daring captured the imagination of the public and won the confidence of serious minded aviation experts.

When her SOS call came "the greatest rescue expedition in flying history got under way at huge expense." It appears that we will never know the fate of this intrepid pair save that the ocean claimed them for its own.

There are those who will agree with the Bureau of Air Commerce that a flight like this injures the cause of aviation and who will approve the action of the Bureau in placing a ban on such flights.

Others have emphasized the vast expense of the Navy's search for the flyers.

Through some eyes there are those who can see only the disastrous end of a publicity stunt.

We wonder. While the disciplinarians forbid, the cautious count the cost and the security-loving fail to comprehend, we are moved to indulge in these afterthoughts.

While an idle navy with potential powers of destruction guards our shores is it altogether waste to sweep an ocean for two brave lives?

While many, content to live in small, safe compass—not very high, not very deep—seek length of days, dare we gauge the depth and height of such lives by the measure of our minds?

While so many supinely sit and wait for the sunset, may not a few rare souls go out to meet the dawn?

We look forward to the poet who will understand and immortalize, and we believe we shall not look in vain. Edna St. Vincent Millay once flashed something like this:

I burn my candle at both ends,
It will not last the night,
But ah, my foes and oh, my friends,—
It gives a lovely light!

A. B. J.

Series of Meetings To Begin At Iotla

On Monday, July 26, a two weeks series of services will begin at the Iotla Baptist church, announced Rev. R. F. Mayberry, pastor, this week.

Mr. Mayberry will be assisted by Rev. R. W. Williams, of Ridgeway, S. C. The morning services will be held at 10 o'clock and the night services at 8 o'clock.

Rickman Reunion To Be Held Aug. 1

The Rickman reunion will be held at the home of Robert Rickman, at West's Mill Sunday, August 1.

All the descendants of the late Rev. Merritt Rickman are invited to attend.

A picnic dinner will be served on the lawn.

Lake Emory

By MRS. J. R. BERRY

Miss Ellen Smith gave a weiner roast Saturday night. Her many friends who were present reported a jolly time.

Charlie B. Clouse, of Gastonia, is here visiting his sister, Mrs. Lee Crawford.

Roy Anderson, an operator at Lake Emory power plant, was in Asheville Sunday.

Dorothy Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Reid, spent the first part of last week with her grandfather, Mr. Jones, of Savannah.

Hickory Knoll

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Long and two small children, of Washington, Gr.; Johnny Young, of Athens, Ga., and Mrs. Allen Phillips, of Tallulah Falls, Ga., were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Young

Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham, of near Miami, Fla., who have a summer home near the residence of Mrs. Chas. McGuire, were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Young Sunday afternoon.

The Rev. John Brendle, who is pastor of Cqweta Baptist church was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Young Sunday.

Letter-Press

WANTS ARTICLE ON INDIANS OF MACON

Dear Editor:

Your editorials in recent issue of The Press have been quite worth while. I have been saving them to sent to pen pals in distant states. Miss Crosby, of Highlands, told me she had cut out the editorials on the "Minerals of Macon" and given them to Mr. Wheeler, who is curator of the Highlands museum, as perhaps you know.

I wish you would continue the good work by having a worthwhile article about the Indians of Macon years ago. Then I would like to read an article on "Our School." Perhaps Mr. B. M. Angel could, and would write an article on the subject.

Pardon me if I intrude. Your paper is splendid.

Respectfully yours,
MRS. F. E. MASHBURN

LEGAL ADVERTISING

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Macon.
Macon County, Plaintiff

vs.
Eva V. Fleming and husband, J. G. Fleming, et al, Defendants

Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Macon County entered in the above entitled action on the 21st day of

LEGAL ADVERTISING

June, 1937, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 10th day of August, 1937, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Courthouse door in Macon County, North Carolina, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate:

Adjoining the lands of J. J. Mann, A. C. Story and others, bounded as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING at a stake on the West bank of the Georgia Road, A. C. Story's S. E. corner, and runs N 70 W 346 feet to a stake; then S 81 W 50 feet to a stake; then S 70 E 346 feet to a stake on the West bank of the Georgia Road No. 285; then in a north direction with said road 50 feet to the BEGINNING.

2nd Tract: Adjoining the lands of J. J. Mann and others, bounded as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING at a stake on the West bank of the Georgia Road No. 285, and runs N 70 W 346 feet to a stake on the bank of branch that flows from the direction of Mica Knob; then S 81 W 150 feet to a stake; then S 70 E 346 feet to the Georgia Road; then with said road in a northern direction 150 feet to the BEGINNING.

3rd Tract: Adjoining the lands of J. J. Mann and others, bounded as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING on a stake on the bank of branch, J. G. Fleming's N. W. corner; runs N 77 1/4 W 405 feet to a stake; then S 17 W 275 feet to a stake; then S 39 E 307 feet to a stake in H. D. West's line; then East with his line 700 feet to State Highway No. 285; then parallel with said road N 6 W 292 feet to a stake, J. G. Fleming's S. E. corner; then N 78 W 346 feet to a stake; then N 6 W 200 feet to a stake; the BEGINNING corner, containing 7 1/2 acres, more or less.

This, the 13th day of July, 1937.
R. S. JONES, Commissioner.
J22-4tc-A12

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY COMMISSIONER

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in a certain judgment rendered in a civil action, wherein D. G. Stewart and wife, Goldie Stewart, plaintiffs and Anthony Redmond, substituted trustee, et al, defendants (default having been made by the plaintiffs in the payment of the amount required to be paid by such judgment) the undersigned Commissioner of the Court will on Monday, the 2nd day of August, 1937, at 12 o'clock noon at the Courthouse door in the town of Franklin, N. C., offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to-wit:

A certain lot or parcel of land in or near the city or town of Franklin, County of Macon, State of North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stone on the north side of White Oak St., and West side of Riverview St., at the intersection of said Streets, the same point being 650 feet from the intersection of Riverview Street and Main Street, and runs thence with the West side of Riverview Street N. 4 E. 70 feet to a stone; thence north 86 West 144 feet to a stone in J. M. Moore's line; thence with said line S. 4 W. 70 feet to a stone on north side of White Oak Street; thence with the North side of said street S. 86 E. 144 feet to the beginning being lot No. 9 and part of lot No. 8 of the J. M. Moore division.

Notice is further given that the successful bidder at said sale will be required to make deposit in case of 10 per cent of his bid; and upon failure or refusal to make said deposit immediately, the said premises will be re-sold at the same time and place.

This the 24th day of June, 1937.
JOHNSON AND UZZELL,
Attorneys

T. A. UZZELL,
Commissioner.

J8-4tc-J29

COUNTY SCHOOLS OPEN AUGUST 2

All county public schools except Franklin and Highlands, will begin Monday, August 2. Teachers and principals are requested to call at my office for registers and other supplies between now and the last of July. The first county-wide teachers meeting will be held at the Franklin graded school building at 10 o'clock, a. m., Saturday July 31.—M. D. Billings, Supt.
J8-3tc-J22