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GEO. T. STILES PASSES FRIDAY

Well Known Citizen Had Been Helpless For Several Months

George T. Stiles, 80, died at his home last Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock after an illness of several months. He suffered a stroke of paralysis last February 27 and had been helpless since that time; and on Wednesday of last week bronchial pneumonia developed.

Mr. Stiles, a son of the late David W. and Aveline Stiles, was born and reared on a Macon county farm. He began his business career as a merchant at Prentiss, Macon county, and later moved to Franklin, where he owned and operated the Franklin Coca-Cola bottling works until 1930 when he retired. He joined the Coweta Baptist church when a young man, later moving his membership to the Franklin Baptist church which he served as trustee. He was active in the erection of the church building and was a member of the men's Bible class.

Funeral services were held at the Franklin Baptist church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. B. Underwood, pastor, officiated, assisted by Rev. C. C. Herbert, Jr., and Rev. J. A. Flanagan, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church. Interment was in the Franklin cemetery.

The following nephews were active pallbearers: Thomas, Claude, George, and Verill Stiles, all of Prentiss, and Paul and Roy Carpenter, of Franklin.

Honorary pallbearers were R. M. Ledford, C. T. Blaine, C. A. Setser, E. E. Sypher, George Carpenter, and John E. Rickman.

Surviving are three children, Mrs. C. E. Cooper, of Franklin, Mrs. T. L. Neu, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and N. H. Stiles, of Haines City, Fla., and four grandchildren.

Corbin Reunion To Be Held Sunday, Sept. 26

The annual Corbin reunion will be held on Sunday, Sept. 26, at the home of Dewey Corbin in the Rabbit creek section.

All descendants of the Corbin family are invited to attend and bring basket lunches.

Beginning at 10 a. m., Rev. J. F. Brendle will deliver the opening address, followed by talks from several other speakers.

The afternoon will be largely devoted to singing and string music.

Auction Sale Called Off Tuesday

On account of the revival now in progress the auction sale of the George M. Bulgin farm was called off Tuesday by R. A. Patton, manager of the Home Realty & Auction company.

This property will be sold on Saturday, September 25, at 11 a. m., and Mr. Patton announces that there will be a barbecue dinner served free to the crowd on that day.

Franklin Produce Market LATEST QUOTATIONS

(Prices listed below are subject to change without notice.)
Quoted by Farmers Federation, Inc.
Chickens, heavy breed, hens 12c
Chickens, light weight, lb. . . . 9c
Fryers, heavy, lb. 16c
Fryers, light, lb. 13c
Eggs, doz. 20c
Corn \$1.00
Wheat 90
Rye 95c
New Potatoes, No. 1, bu. . . 50c

Quoted by Nantahala Creamery
Butterfat, lb. 29c

Motor Backfire

Injures J. F. Cunningham Wednesday

John F. Cunningham, of Franklin Route 1, road foreman in the forest service, stationed at Camp 10, at Aquone, received a broken nose, a broken right jaw and superficial injuries, Wednesday morning when he was cranking a crusher motor. The motor backfired and the crank struck him in the face with great force.

Mr. Cunningham is now in Angel hospital, and while he was seriously hurt, his condition is not considered by hospital authorities to be critical.

AIR ACCIDENT REPORT ISSUED

Bureau Of Air Commerce Gives Findings In Franklin Crash

The director of the bureau of air commerce of the commerce department of the United States has forwarded to The Press the following copy of his official report concerning the fatal plane crash in Franklin on May 17 of this year, which claimed the lives of Harve Shiddles and the pilot, Robert Earl Williams:

Report of Director
To the Secretary of Commerce:
On May 17, 1937, at approximately 6:30 p. m., at Franklin, North Carolina, a privately owned aircraft met with an accident with resultant death to the pilot and passenger and the complete destruction of the aircraft.

The pilot, Robert Earl Williams, was unlicensed. He had formerly held a Federal student pilot's license which was cancelled at his own request on July 1, 1936. The passenger was Harve Shiddles. The aircraft, an Eaglerock, model A-1, was unlicensed but bore Federal identification No. 6393. It was the property of William L. Ward of Durham, N. C.

Although no eye-witnesses to the actual accident could be found, the statements of residents of the town and the vicinity near the field indicate that the airplane was taken off and flown in a series of dangerous maneuvers over the city proper at approximately 6:15 p. m. Following this, the airplane was seen to return to the field and proceed over it in a power dive. In recovering from this power dive, the aircraft was pulled practically straight up and then dropped with the left wing low and fell out of sight behind the hills.

Investigation of the wreckage failed to disclose any evidence of structural failure as a contributing cause. Engine failure, if any could not be determined. It is evident, however, that the pilot did fly over the airport in a power dive and pulled sharply up. It is believed that the pilot did not realize the height of the mountain to the left at the end of the valley beyond the airport and so stalled the airplane in an effort to clear this mountain.

It is the opinion of the Bureau of Air Commerce that the probable cause of this accident was a willful and reckless disregard for safety for attempting acrobatic maneuvers at a low altitude over mountainous country.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred D. Fagg, Jr.,
Director.

Box Supper Saturday At Maple Springs

There will be a box supper and cake walk at the Maple Springs school house Saturday night, September 18.

The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school lunch room. The public is cordially invited.

REPORT OF NYA WORK IN MACON

Many Improvements Made By Boys and Girls In This Area

We who are a part of the National Youth Administration in Macon county welcome the request to make this report to The Press, because our work is so scattered, scarcely anyone is cognizant of the contribution NYA is making to this area.

Begun in March, 1936, and limited to young people who were certified for employment through the welfare office, we reached a peak of 131; curtailment of all alphabet activities has reduced our quota to 85, but Macon is still close to the top in western Carolina.

No youth may work more than 60 hours per month. A unit is formed wherever workers are available—from Sealy to Aquone and Kyle; from Brindletown to the Georgia line. Under the direction of Mr. Flemmons, sanitary engineer, 5,000 feet of 3/4 inch pipe has been laid, bringing water to seven rural schools; each has a drinking fountain. Ten springs have been enclosed. Excavation and backfill amount to about 1,100 cubic yards, all hand work. In immediate prospect is the laying of 3,000 feet pipe to serve Watauga and Liberty schools.

Fills for play grounds, rock walls to beautify, and to check erosion; underpinning and other improvements on school buildings, keep a number of boys employed. Our road units, at Buck Creek Gap, Walnut Creek and Middle Skeenah, have made very great improvements. Residents have given generously of their own time, plus the use of oxen, horses, and an occasional truck.

Twenty-seven girls have been given instruction in sewing, and became quite efficient. Four have learned to knit sweaters. Examples of this handiwork will go to the state fair, along with the woven rugs. Five looms have been built, and more will be constructed. Weaving is to be a feature of the winter's program.

Over one hundred pre-school children have been made happy by the visits of nursery school aids, each of whom walks long distances to reach the more isolated homes, carrying pictures, paste, crayons, and whatever else we can get.

Last year we had NYA workers making a card index of the Franklin library. At present three stenographers and seven clerical assistants provide 600 hours service per month for the state and county offices. Franklin receives 180 hours of labor per month on the town streets.

The kindness and cooperation of many people about the county, and of the WPA supervisors, has been of very great assistance. Just now we are in need of donations for our pre-school children: magazines and pictures, toys that can be mended, blocks, etc. For our rug weaving, old clothing, (including stockings), and rags of any size. Anything left at The Press office will be gratefully collected and put to immediate use.

Old Folks Day At Pleasant Hill Church

Old Folks Day will be observed at the Pleasant Hill church on North Skeenah, Sunday, September 19. All old people in the county have a special invitation to attend. The general public is cordially invited to come and bring basket lunch, announced E. B. DeHart, chairman of the program committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Clarke Soper are spending this week with Mr. Soper's sister, Mrs. Richard Hardy, at her home on Lookout Mountain, Chattanooga, Tenn.

88 Next Monday



B. M. ANGEL

Birthday

To Be Celebrated Next Monday

Mr. B. M. Angel, of Higdonville, will celebrate his 88th birthday next Monday, September 20th.

Notwithstanding his advanced age, Mr. Angel looks as young as many men of 50, stands erect and moves briskly about the streets when he comes to town.

Mr. Angel attends at practically every term of superior court and is in Franklin at many other times during the year. He has a host of friends in this and adjoining counties who wish him many more happy birthdays.

PLANS MADE TO OPEN LIBRARY

Could be Opened as WPA Project With \$150 Appropriation

For some months the Franklin library has remained closed, to the regret of the many who used the books and magazines for study, reference or pleasure.

The Franklin Press has reported recent efforts made to re-open the library as a WPA project, with the prerequisite of public ownership—by town or county, or both—and the initial sum of \$150 to provide material for mending, re-binding and cataloging the books.

Mrs. Gilmer Jones, WPA supervisor of women's work, states that workers would be supplied and paid from WPA funds, until the library is set up in good condition. A committee of six persons, appointed by the public authority looking after the library, would direct the affairs of the library which then would be eligible for assistance from the State library association, also for loans of books and papers from the State library and the TVA Hiwassee Dam library.

Expressions of interest from many citizens would indicate that the deprivation of library facilities constitute a real detriment to the wholesome life of the community, and that a movement to open the library—either under benefit of public funds or through community cooperation—would meet with wholehearted support.

Post Office Employees Have Annual Picnic

The employees of the Franklin postoffice and their families met at Vanhook Glade Monday evening for their annual picnic, with 51 present.

J. Horner Stockton, chairman, presided over the meeting.

The visiting ex-employees were John E. Rickman, postmaster, and C. A. Setser, ex-rural carrier, and Mrs. Setser.

REVIVAL NOW IN PROGRESS

Gipsy Smith, Jr., Preaches To 900 At Opening Service Sunday

The Gipsy Smith, Jr., evangelistic campaign, which has been looked forward to for several weeks by the people of Macon county, started with the evening service Sunday and about 900 people were in attendance.

The singing is being led by J. Dale Stentz, of Waynesville, who is well known here, having led the singing in several revivals in Macon county. The choir is composed of singers from the various churches.

The revival services will continue through Sunday, September 26, and the meeting is expected to grow in interest and attendance until the close.

The morning services are held Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at the Baptist church, at 10:30 o'clock, and evening services are at 8 o'clock at the Angel tabernacle on Wayah street.

James Hauser, scoutmaster, is in charge of parking at the tabernacle, assisted by police officers and the local troop of Boy Scouts.

All the people of the county are invited to attend this meeting. Gipsy Smith is internationally known as an evangelist, and his sermons are simple, direct and powerful. The music is good and there is plenty of room in the tabernacle, which can seat 1,000 people. Go out tonight and every night.

Hospital Care Association To Use Angel Hospital

Representatives of the Hospital Care Association, Inc., a non-profit organization which provides for single, family or group hospitalization at small cost, were in Franklin Tuesday and completed arrangements with the Angel hospital so that that hospital may be used by those in this section who hold certificates in the association.

Mrs. R. L. Coin, of Waynesville, will represent the association in Macon county, and will be in Franklin the last week in this month to contact all those who desire to join.

The home office of the Hospital Care Association is in Durham and there are eight other offices in the state, one of them being in Asheville, 212 Miles Building, in charge of W. E. Ferrell, Jr.

W. N. C. Group To Broadcast From Del Rio

Eleven Western North Carolina mountaineers left September 5 for Del Rio, Texas, where they will broadcast over radio station EXER for a period of four weeks, with a possibility of another month's work.

Dr. John R. Brinkley, a native of Jackson county, operates the station.

Those making the trip to Del Rio are: Samantha Bumgarner and her string band, which consists of Jim Corbin, of Franklin; Seiber Cope, of Sylva, and Ernest Helton and O. H. Helton, of Asheville; the Smoky Mountain quartet, consisting of Spurgeon Shelton, Mitchell Shelton, Charlie Duckett, and Woodrow Rowland, of Waynesville, and Alvin Nicholson and Wallace Wood, of Wolf Mountain.

Watson-Roane Reunion Sunday, September 26

The annual Watson-Roane reunion will be held Sunday, September 26, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Shields on Iotla, formerly the old Watson home. All relatives are urged to be present and bring basket lunch.

An interesting program has been planned for the day.