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MINERALS SHOW MUCH ACTIVITY

Developments at Thorn Mountain and Other Locations

There has been much activity in the mining business in Macon county during the past few months. Trading and development have been going on at a lively rate and several large deals have been made.

J. B. Ford has built a large boarding house on Thorn mountain about 20 miles southwest of Franklin on mining property his company has acquired, and is preparing to work a large force of men in getting out mica and other minerals.

Roy Cunningham, who has for some time been with Roy Carpenter at the Gulf filling station, has moved his family to Thorn mountain and will have charge of the boarding house.

Mr. Ford is also understood to be operating the mine at Lyle's Knob where considerable mica is being produced. It is said that more building is to be done and a road constructed at the Thorn mountain location.

The Development Corporation of New Jersey is another firm which is quite active in this section. Their holdings are in Macon and adjoining counties, and they are expected to figure largely in the development of the mineral interests of the western counties.

There are a large number of mica mines which have been in operation for a long time, and there is a great deal of talk going around in regard to further operations in the mineral field.

Dance at High School Saturday Night

On Saturday night, January 15, a square dance will be given at the high school building for the benefit of the President's birthday funds.

This is one among the various events given throughout Macon county, to help in fighting infantile paralysis, announced C. Tom Bryson and Lester Arnold, chairmen of the square dance committee. Music will be furnished by a local string band.

Shirley Moses Dies Of Pneumonia

Shirley Moses, 18-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Moses, died at their home at Ellijay Wednesday morning, January 5, at 7 o'clock. Death was caused by pneumonia.

The funeral services were held at the Sugarfork Baptist church Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. The Rev. R. F. Mayberry, of Sylva, was in charge.

Surviving, besides the parents, are one sister, Annie Louise, and two brothers, David B. and Francis.

Dr. Furr Moves Dental Offices

Dr. W. E. Furr, who has been located in the McCoy building, has moved to rooms 107 and 108 in the Asher building, where he now occupies bright and well equipped dental offices.

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
Eggs 20c
New corn (shelled) 65c
Potatoes, No. 1, bu. 70c
Potatoes, No. 2, bu. 60c

Quoted by Nantahala Creamery
Butterfat, lb. 30c

Mrs. W. Anderson Passes Sunday at Home On Cartoogechaye

Mrs. Wiley Anderson, 37, died at her home on Cartoogechaye Sunday morning at 8 o'clock following an illness of two years. Death was caused from tuberculosis.

Mrs. Anderson was a member of the Cartoogechaye Baptist church.

Funeral services were held at the Mt. Zion Methodist church on Cartoogechaye Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. Newton Dills, a Baptist minister of Cartoogechaye, was in charge of the final rites.

Mrs. Anderson is survived by her husband and one daughter, Willie Mae; one son, Lloyd, of Cartoogechaye; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reno Garland; two sisters, Mrs. Carl Greenwood and Miss Neta Garland, and one brother, Mack Garland, all of Waynesville.

DEATH CLAIMS R. B. BRADLEY

Well Known Citizen Of Coweta Section Passes Thursday

R. B. Bradley, 78, died at his home on Coweta Thursday morning at 6:15, following an illness of several months.

Funeral services were held at the Mulberry Methodist church Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Bradley, a farmer of the Coweta section, suffered a stroke of paralysis about six years ago from which he never recovered. He was a member of the Mulberry Methodist church.

Surviving are two daughters, Miss Ida Bradley and Mrs. Warren Castle, and one son, Howard Bradley, all of the Coweta section.

Cowee B. Y. P. U. Holds Quarterly Meeting

Cowee Baptist B. Y. P. U. held its quarterly business meeting last week in the home of "Uncle" Tom Raby. "Uncle" Tom, as he is lovingly called, is one of the oldest and most consecrated members. Being confined to his home this winter and thus unable to attend the regular Sunday night services, the union attempted to carry to him news of its various activities and hearty wishes that he might again be able to meet with them.

In the business meeting, officers were elected for the next quarter, committees were appointed and the union launched out into a new span of work. There are 42 members enrolled, over 75 per cent of these appearing on the active roll.

There is also a Junior Union for younger members. This group is composed of 20 or more intelligent boys and girls. They elect their own president, group captains, and other officers, meeting in a separate room and carrying out their own program. Each Sunday night they call on some visitor or parent to meet with them. Not only does this give them an adult audience but furnishes an adult instructor. In their meeting they receive valuable training, such as self reliance and public speaking, together with the Christian training offered.

All visitors are welcomed and their advice is appreciated, or any suggestions they have to offer toward making the B. Y. P. U. a stronger power for God.

Roy Cunningham, who has been working at the Gulf filling station for sometime, left this week for Thorn Mountain, where he will work for the Ford Mining company.

BANK OFFICERS ARE REELECTED

Same Men Will Direct Institution During The Coming Year

At a meeting of the stockholders of The Bank of Franklin held on Wednesday, January 5, all officers and directors were re-elected, and the condition of the bank, as reported, showed that 1937 was a most satisfactory year.

The officers and directors elected are as follows:

W. A. Rogers, president; M. D. Billings, vice-president, H. W. Cabe, cashier; L. B. Liner, assistant cashier. Directors—C. F. Moody, chairman; M. L. Dowdle, H. W. Cabe, W. A. Rogers, M. D. Billings, Grover Jamison, R. S. Jones.

A dividend of 8 per cent was paid on the common stock, and the bank officials are looking forward to 1938 being a better year than 1937.

Bragg Fouts, of Iotla Passes Wednesday

Bragg Fouts, 70, a farmer of the Iotla section, died Wednesday afternoon at the home of his brother, D. C. Fouts. He had been ill several months. Death was due to a heart ailment and complications.

Mr. Fouts was a son of the late John and Rebecca Ray Fouts and was well known in this county.

The funeral services were held at the D. C. Fouts home Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock with burial in the family cemetery.

Surviving are five brothers, D. C., H. C., C. H., and P. K., all of Iotla, and Noah, of Andrews.

Silver Tea to Be Given By W. M. S.

A silver tea will be given on Tuesday, afternoon, January 18, from 3 to 5 o'clock at the Kelly Tea Room, by the social relations committee of the Woman's Missionary society of the Franklin Methodist church.

The proceeds from this entertainment will be given to the school lunch room of the P.-T. A. The following members will have charge: Mrs. S. L. Rogers, chairman; Mrs. H. E. Church, Mrs. E. B. McCullum, Mrs. E. K. Cunningham, Mrs. Reba Tessier, Mrs. Zeb Conley.

The public is cordially invited to attend and help the good cause.

Eastern Star To Give Social January 20

Nequassa Chapter, No. 43, Order of the Eastern Star, is planning at its next regular meeting, Thursday, January 20, to honor the Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons of the Chapter with a social.

All Past Worthy Matrons and Patrons from other Chapters who are now making their home in Franklin are cordially invited to attend.

The meeting will convene at 7:30 p. m.

Carolina Hardware Sales Show Increase

Carolina retail hardware store sales for the eleven month period ending November 30, averaged 14 per cent higher than for the same period of 1936, according to stores reporting to the national retail hardware association.

The U. S. average for the eleven month period was equal to the eleven months ending November 30, 1936.

Average Carolina hardware sales gain for November, 1937, over the 1934-35-36 three-year average was 10 per cent.

Youth Escapes From Macon County Jail Wednesday Night

In juvenile court, before Harley R. Cabe, clerk superior court, Thursday morning, January 6, Virgil Burrell, 15, and Edwin Moore, 14, were found guilty of breaking and entering Lake Ledford's grocery store on Palmer street and taking \$12.00 out of the cash register.

Entrance into the store is said to have been gained through a window in the rear of the building between 8 and 12 o'clock Tuesday night, January 4.

Deputy Sheriff John Dills made the arrest at the home of the boys in the Prentiss section Wednesday night, January 5. The boys were sentenced to the Stonewall Jackson training school at Concord.

Edwin Moore was later released under bond and Virgil Burrell was placed in jail pending transfer to the training school.

Wednesday night Burrell, who had managed by some means to secure a saw, made his escape by sawing through bars and lifting the trapdoor, which had been left unlocked as the boy was the only prisoner. After escaping from the cell the boy walked down stairs and out the front door.

He is still at large, though officers are making efforts to locate him.

MRS. BLAINE, 65, PASSES JAN. 7

Well Known Lady Dies at Cartoogechaye Home Thursday, Jan. 6

Mrs. Jeff Blaine, 65, died at her home on Cartoogechaye Friday, January 7, at 10 o'clock p. m., following a lingering illness.

Mrs. Blaine, who before marriage was Miss Myra Sue Potts, was highly esteemed by all with whom she came in contact. She was a member of the Mt. Zion Methodist church.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at Mt. Zion church, the pastor, Rev. J. C. Swain and Rev. Ray Bowman, pastor of Louisa Chapel Northern Methodist church, were in charge of the services. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were her six nephews, Arthur, Harry and Ted Blaine, and Frank, George and Sam Reece, of Cartoogechaye.

Mrs. Blaine is survived by her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Bert Childers; one son, Paul P. Blaine, and one daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Greene, all of Cartoogechaye; two sisters, Mrs. W. D. Reece and Mrs. Cordelia Waldrop, of Cartoogechaye, and one brother Henley Potts, of Franklin.

St. Agnes Church Elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the congregation of St. Agnes church held at the American Legion hall on Wednesday night, the following officers were elected to serve in 1938:

Treasurer, Miss Helen Sellers; warden, B. W. Woodruff; clerk, Richard R. Johnson.

The Rev. Frank Bloxham, rector, reported the year's work, with all obligations to parish and to the church's missionary quota and assessments met in full.

The Woman's Auxiliary reported gifts in the fields of community and parish, and to the church's missions and schools in Western North Carolina, in Alaska and Africa, and program of study, prayer and work carried out through the year.

Supper was served and music and recitations furnished entertainment.

CCC BOY DIES AFTER WRECK

Enrollee at Otto Camp Fatally Injured In Accident Saturday

Claude Calhoun, 23, of Kibbee, Ga., an enrollee in the CCC camp at Otto, died in Angel hospital at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon of injuries suffered Saturday morning at 2 o'clock when the automobile in which he was riding plunged 12 feet off the bridge over Skeenah creek on the Georgia road six miles south of Franklin.

Calhoun suffered 21 rib fractures, injuries to his heart, and a rupture of the spleen. He was given two blood transfusions and underwent an operation.

The body was shipped Tuesday afternoon to the home of the boy's grandfather, Charles Blaxton, at Kibbee, Ga.

Three other CCC enrollees were in the car at the time of the accident. Only one, Ralph Phillips, 20, of Charleston, W. Va., said to have been driving, escaped without injury. Ottis Guardian, 20, of Mississippi, suffered a fractured hip and Terry Bolick, 27, of Highlands, suffered rib fractures. Both are reported to be improving at Angel hospital.

Dance at Slagle School Friday Night

On Friday night, January 14, beginning at 8 o'clock, there will be held at the Slagle school house on Cartoogechaye, a party and square dance. Music will be furnished by the local string band. Refreshments will be served.

There will be a small entrance fee and the proceeds will be used to buy window shades for the school building.

Mrs. J. W. Messer Dies In Waynesville

Mrs. J. W. Messer, of Waynesville, died suddenly Tuesday night about 8 o'clock, at the home of her daughter, Miss Hattie B. Messer. Her death was attributed to a sudden heart attack.

Funeral services were held at the Pigeon Baptist church, where she was a member, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Messer had visited her son, Medford, in Franklin a number of times and had many friends in Macon county who will regret to learn of her passing.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. C. W. Russell, of Clyde; Miss Hattie B. Messer, of Waynesville, and Mrs. Faye Leatherwood, of Cove Creek; four sons, Brown, Carl and Wilson Messer, all of Cove Creek, and Medford Messer, of Franklin.

P.-T. A. Ball

To Be Given Friday Night At High School Gym

A ball will be given Friday evening, January 14, from 8 to 12, in the high school gymnasium, sponsored by the finance committee of the Parent-Teacher Association; for the purpose of raising funds to purchase equipment for the school lunch room.

A first-class seven-piece orchestra, the Western Carolinians from Cullowhee, has been engaged to come to Franklin especially for this ball, which promises to be one of the most brilliant social events of the season.

The committee consists of Mrs. R. V. Miles, chairman; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Werner, Mrs. J. C. Barrington, Mrs. H. T. Horsley, Miss Olivia Patton, Mrs. Walton R. Smith, Miss Margaret Slagle, Mrs. Zeb Conley and Mrs. J. B. Case.