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## LEGION OFFERS ESSAY CONTEST

### Macon County Post Adds Prizes In School Competition

The North Carolina department of the American Legion is sponsoring a statewide essay contest among the high school students of North Carolina it was announced by the department commander, Hector Blackwell, Fayetteville, and department officer, Bulgin Pennal, Asheville.

Clyde A. Erwin, of Raleigh, state superintendent of public instruction, has promised his cooperation. M. D. Billings, superintendent of schools, Macon county, has consented to make the contest known to the high school students of the county.

The department will offer cash prizes of \$25, \$15, and \$10 for the three best essays submitted in the state contest. The local post of the legion is offering additional prizes of \$3, \$2, and \$1 for the three best essays submitted in the county. The winning essay for the state will be read at the department convention in Winston-Salem next June.

#### Subject for the Contest

The subject for the essay contest is "The Advantages of American Citizenship," and all high school students are eligible.

The rules of the contest are:

1. All essays shall be limited to 1,000 words.
2. Each essay shall be submitted by the pupil (typewritten and not signed) who will attach to the essay his slip of paper on which will be the pupil's school, name and address. Essays in each high school shall be submitted prior to April 5, 1938, to the county superintendent of schools, who shall submit same to a board of judges to be appointed by him.
3. The county superintendent of schools shall forward at once the winning essays in his county direct to Clyde A. Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction, Raleigh, who will submit such essays to a final board of judges to be selected by Mr. Erwin and Department Commander Blackwell, which board of judges will announce the prize winners prior to April 30. The decision of the board of judges will be final.

### Singers To Meet At Courthouse Sunday

The fifth Sunday singing convention will meet at the Macon county courthouse next Sunday, January 30, for an all-day singing, announced James M. Raby, president.

There will be a number of classes, quartets and singers from all sections of the county, as well as adjoining counties. The singers will include Seben's quartet from Asheville, and Sisk quartet from Toccoa, Ga. A general invitation is extended to the public.

#### Correction

In a story printed in The Press last week concerning an old letter written by C. D. Smith to Jack Johnston, of Franklin, it was stated that a son of Jack Johnston, F. S. Johnston, was living in Tampa, Fla. The paragraph should have read grandson instead of son.

### Franklin Produce Market LATEST QUOTATIONS

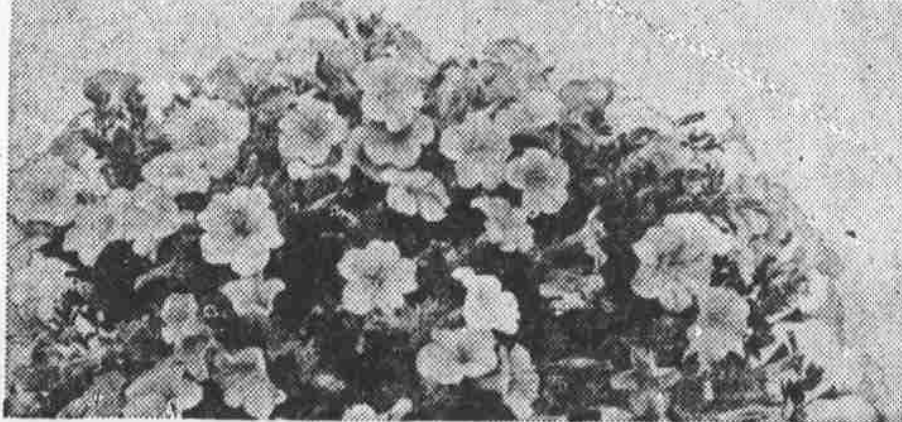
(Prices listed below are subject to change without notice.)

Quoted by Farmers Federation, Inc.  
Chickens, heavy breed, hens 14c  
Chickens, light weight, lb. . . . 10  
Eggs . . . . . 20c  
New corn (shelled) . . . . . 65c  
Potatoes, No. 1, bu. . . . . 70c

Quoted by Nantahala Creamery  
Butterfat, lb. . . . . 29c

## They're All-America Flowers for 1938

Winners of high awards in the All-America selections of prize flowers for 1938 are: left, Orange Fantasy Crested Calendula, which received award of merit; center, Golden West Marigold, which received special mention, and extreme right, Navajo Zinnias, which also received special mention. The Navajo Zinnias are a unique type, with flowers of medium size, double and semi-double and composed of long, narrow petals some of which are fluted. Each petal is heavily tipped with white, or creamy yellow.



Salmon Supreme Petunia, shown at left, was adjudged winner of the highest award in the All-America selections for 1938. Selected from a wide variety of other flowers entered in the competitions, the petunia was regarded by the judges as the finest of its type they had ever seen. Garden experts who assisted in making the selections pointed out that petunias are increasing in popularity among amateur and professional gardeners.

## STOPS SUNDAY HUNTING FEB. 6

### State Board Rule Applies Over Entire State; Fishing Allowed

At a meeting of the North Carolina board of conservation and development held on Wednesday, January 19, a regulation was adopted prohibiting Sunday hunting anywhere in the state. After being published, as required by law, the regulation will become effective on Sunday, February 6.

Violation of this regulation will be a misdemeanor, as provided by section 25 of the game laws, and it is also a violation of section 2122 of the consolidated statutes of 1919.

This regulation refers only to hunting, according to J. D. Chalk, game and fish commissioner, and Sunday fishing will be permitted the same as in the past.

All protectors and deputies are being notified of the provisions of the new regulation.

### New Home

#### To Be Built By Dr. Angel Near Golf Course

Dr. Furman Angel let the contract last Friday for the construction of a handsome new residence on his property adjoining the golf course.

Zeb W. Conley is the contractor, and the construction cost of the building will be \$5,000. Work is to begin at once.

Dr. Angel also purchased last week the D. G. Stewart residence on Hospital street, near Angel hospital. The purchase price was said to be \$3,500.

### Charles A. Bird Dies At Cullowhee

News was received here Tuesday night of the death of Charles A. Bird, 84, who died at the home of his son, W. E. Bird, dean of Western Carolina Teachers' college.

Although Mr. Bird had been making his home in Jackson county for a number of years, he was a native of Macon county, and a son of a former Macon county Methodist minister. He also had a number of relatives throughout Macon county.

Funeral services were held at the Shoal Creek Methodist church in Jackson county Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

### Rare Disease

#### Kills Mrs. Constance At Hospital January 20

Mrs. Ethel Constance, 32, died at Angel hospital Thursday afternoon, January 20, at 4:15 o'clock from leukemia, a rare disease. Mrs. Constance, who had been in ill health for several years, was admitted to the hospital Tuesday night.

The body was taken to Montford Cove, near Rutherfordton, Saturday where funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Montford Cove Baptist church. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Constance was the daughter of the late W. P. Ledbetter and Mrs. Ledbetter, of Rutherfordton. She had made her home on Wayah creek, three miles west of Franklin, for four years.

She is survived by her husband, Ezra Constance; four children, Mary, Marjorie, W. P., and Betty Lou, of Franklin; her mother, Mrs. W. P. Ledbetter; five brothers, Waldo, Molo, Jonathan, Noland, and Roland Ledbetter, and one half-sister.

### D. S. Abbott, Mortician To Leave Franklin

D. S. Abbott, Jr., mortician for the Bryant Funeral Home for the past 15 months, will leave the first of February for South Carolina, where he will be connected with the Abbott Funeral Homes in Seneca and Liberty.

Mr. Abbott, in making the announcement, spoke in the highest terms of the people of Macon county and of the appreciation and courtesy they had shown him during his stay in Franklin.

### How Many Golden Weddings? How Many Twins?

How many couples in Macon county are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary during the year of 1938? How many couples have lived together for a longer period than 50 years?

The names of all these couples are desired by Mrs. Lester Conley, society editor of The Franklin Press, so that she may interview each and everyone personally and get pictures and notices of the anniversaries to be published in The Press.

How many sets of twins does Macon county boast of? All names, birthday anniversaries and addresses are also desired so that you, too, may be interviewed.

## BIRTHDAY BALL AT HIGHLANDS

### Affair Will Be Held At Helen's Barn; No Ball In Franklin

The entertainments in Macon county given to raise money for the President's birthday fund, which goes to the National Foundation for prevention and cure of infantile paralysis, will come to a close Saturday night with a ball at Helen's Barn, Highlands.

Highlands has so far raised \$37.95 for the fund and the committee, headed by C. C. Potts, hopes to have \$100 on hand by the time the campaign closes.

In Franklin several events have been sponsored by the various committees. A square dance, two basketball games and a benefit show at the Macon Theatre have added to the Franklin fund, but the exact amount is not known. There will be no birthday ball in Franklin, as many are expected to go from here to the dance at Highlands.

The two pages of advertising carried in this issue by the officials and business people netted a substantial sum for the Franklin committee. Credit for the splendid showing made on these pages goes to Miss Olivia Patton, Miss Nora Moody and Lester Arnold, who put in much hard work for three days canvassing the town.

It is thought that the Macon county quota of \$125 will be reached by Saturday night.

### New Feature At Local Theatre

Beginning Friday night of this week the Macon Theatre will inaugurate a new feature which will be a part of the program each Friday night thereafter.

The new feature is called "Profit Sharing Night," and is somewhat similar to Bank Night. There will be a grand prize of \$5.00 and a consolation prize of \$2.50 each week.

Patrons are asked to register at the theatre. Particulars will be given at the box office.

### Cagle and Angel Buy Sutton Cafe

A. G. Cagle and Zeb Angel purchased the Sutton Cafe Tuesday and will operate it under the name of Cagle's Cafe.

Mr. Cagle, who has been connected with Arnold's cafe for the past three years, took over the management Tuesday afternoon and expects to operate the place as a first-class restaurant.

## RED CROSS TO AID CHINESE

### Funds Being Raised For Civilian Sufferers In War Area

A letter from the National Red Cross has been received by the Rev. J. A. Flanagan, chairman of the Macon County Chapter, stating that a letter had been received from the President as follows: My Dear Admiral Grayson:

There is, I am confident, a widespread desire on the part of our citizens in every section of the county to contribute to a fund to aid in meeting the extreme distress of millions of civilian people in China. I feel that our people are deeply sympathetic with those in need in this situation and will wish by their voluntary contributions to take some larger part in aiding in this humanitarian task in which the people of many countries are participating. The need of the Chinese is evidenced by the fact that when the International Red Cross committee made inquiry of both the Japanese and Chinese Red Cross societies, the Japanese society replied that their resources were adequate to deal with the situation and the Chinese stated that they very much needed outside assistance.

"In order to give effect to this desire to aid the people of China it is necessary that some organization be designated to supervise the collection and distribution of the funds and for such a task we naturally turn to the Red Cross.

"I should like to request, therefore, that the Red Cross take such steps as it may deem appropriate to afford the American people an opportunity to respond by their contributions to the need of our suffering fellow-beings and I trust that their response will result in a good will offering of as much as perhaps, one million dollars. In response to such an appeal I urge that all our citizens give promptly and generously.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) Franklin D. Roosevelt

No quota has been given for the chapters, but any contributions sent in to the officers of the chapter, or left at Perry's Drug Store, the Bank of Franklin, or with the Rev. Frank Bloxham in Highlands, will be forwarded to the National Red Cross promptly.

### Franklin Bible Class Will Aid Orphanage

The F. S. Johnston bible class of the Franklin Methodist church met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. H. Page on Rogers Hill for its regular monthly business and social meeting.

Each year the class takes some project or goal to work toward during the year's church work. Again, as has been customary for several years, the Children's orphanage at Winston-Salem was taken. In order to raise money to meet this obligation, the class was divided into two groups, with Mrs. Lon Campbell as captain of Group No. 1 and Mrs. Reba Tessier as captain of No. 2. The captains are to plan ways and means for raising money, with the groups working cooperatively. The group raising the most money during the first quarter of the year will be entertained by the losing group.

After the business hour was over, the class enjoyed a cake contest with Mrs. W. A. Rogers winning the prize.

Mrs. Page, who was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Sam L. Rogers, served delicious hot punch, cakes and sandwiches.

Sam D. Alexander, assistant county agent for Macon county, returned to his home here Sunday after spending a week in Little Rock and Lonoke, Ark., on business. He was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. D. T. Alexander, of Swanannoa.