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OLD LANDMARK BEING WRECKED

Dobson House, 112 Years Old, To Be Replaced By Apartments

One of Franklin's landmarks, a house which has survived the storms and vicissitudes of more than a hundred years, is being torn down this week to make room for a modern apartment house.

Located at the corner of West Main street and Harrison avenue, the old house occupied one of the most desirable residential lots in Franklin, and the new apartment building will add a pleasing touch of modernity to that section of the town.

According to the best information available, it was built about 1826, the first frame house in Franklin. It was at first only four rooms, two downstairs and two upstairs, and was built by John F. Dobson. Later rooms were added as occasion demanded.

There were many occupants after Dobson—so many that it has been impossible to make a list of them—but it is known that it was once occupied by Dr. Woodfin, well known among early physicians. It later passed to the ownership of C. C. Smith, brother of Dr. F. T. Smith, of Franklin, and Dr. Smith and his mother lived there for a time. Later it was traded around and title was finally acquired by the town, and the town board sold it to the present owners.

The new apartment house to be erected by Judge and Mrs. John B. Willis, will consist of four units, each containing living room, two bedrooms, dining room, kitchen and bath. The kitchens will be electrically equipped, and the apartments will have all modern conveniences, including an up-to-date heating system.

The building will be of hollow tile and stucco and will be fire-proof. It is expected that the work will be completed by the middle of January. R. O. Young, of Asheville, is the contractor.

Skilled Labor

Wanted On \$600,000 Job At Cullowhee

John D. Odom, senior interviewer of the government employment service, announced Tuesday that his office had secured private employment for 18 men with the contractor who is wrecking the old house at the corner of West Main street and Harrison avenue, preparatory to the erection of an apartment house, and that some of the men would be used on construction of the new building.

Mr. Odom also stated that work started at Cullowhee Tuesday on a \$600,000 building and that the employment service had been called upon to furnish, so far as possible, skilled labor from this territory, as it is a PWA project. He can place on this work carpenters, masons, plumbers who can lay copper lines, electricians and steel workers. He urges all men in these lines who have not registered to register at once, and all who have previously registered to renew their cards. It is a long job and the wages will be good, and he is very anxious that the work be done by men from this territory.

Silver Tea Tomorrow For School Milk Fund

The combined missionary societies of Franklin will give a silver tea at Kelly's Tea Room tomorrow (Friday) afternoon for the benefit of the milk fund for needy children in the Franklin schools.

This is a most worthy cause, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Penn Elected

President Of Chamber Of Commerce

The board of directors of the Franklin Chamber of Commerce met Monday evening to reorganize the board, after the resignation of R. V. Miles.

Mr. Miles' place as president has been filled by the election of W. C. Penn, who is secretary-treasurer of the Nantahala Power and Light company.

Plans for the coming year were discussed and preparations made for continuing the excellent work of the board during the past year.

BRYSON CITY GAME FRIDAY

Franklin Eleven Hopes To Score Another Win Tomorrow

Franklin's Panthers have spent most of their time the past week in preparing a good offensive attack to down Bryson City Friday at Bryson City.

This game is expected to be one of the best of the season, and many of the Franklin fans are planning to go to help the Panthers rout Bryson City's eleven.

The Bryson City team has improved considerably since its encounter with the Panthers here three weeks ago, and it looks as though Franklin will have to put up a good fight to win over them a second time, especially since Franklin has suffered so many casualties in the backfield.

Coach Shuford has called out many of his reserves to fill the positions of the injured backs.

John Slagle, reliable tackle, has been placed at fullback and is showing up well at his new position. It is hoped that Slagle, with his mighty driving, will strengthen the backfield, and will rush the ball through to topple Bryson for another victory.

Entertainment At High School, Benefit of Library

Red and Raymond and their boys from "Ole Kentucky" will appear at the Franklin high school auditorium Friday, October 21, at 8 p. m. This is an all-star stage show with entertainment for young and old. The show is sponsored by the Franklin high school and all proceeds will be used to buy books for the library.

Admission fee will be 15 cents for children under 12 and 25 cents for adults.

John Willis Fox On Staff Of State College

John Willis Fox, who has been on the Asheville Citizen and Times staff for about six years, has received an appointment with the State college at Raleigh.

Mr. Fox, a grandson of Judge and Mrs. John B. Willis, of Franklin, made his home here for a number of years and made many friends here who will be delighted to hear of his promotion. He assumed his new duties at the State college Tuesday morning.

Singing At Gold Mine Next Sunday

The fourth Sunday all-day singing convention of the Southern division of Macon county will meet at Gold Mine Sunday, October 23. All choirs, duets, quartets, soloists and all interested in Gospel singing are urged to attend.

Sanford Smith, President

New Credit Manager At Burrell Motor Co.

Floyd Owens, formerly with the Jackson Motor Co., at Sylva, has accepted the position of bookkeeper and credit manager with the Burrell Motor Co. in Franklin.

P.-T. A. PLANS YEAR'S WORK

Interesting Meeting Held Monday With Large Attendance

The Franklin Parent-Teacher Association met in the high school auditorium on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. There were approximately 75 members and visitors present.

Mrs. John Wasilik, Jr., presided over the meeting and the minutes and secretary's report were given, after which Mrs. Wasilik read an article by Clyde R. Hoey, Governor of North Carolina, in regard to the parent-teacher increase in membership of more than 10 per cent last year. Governor Hoey also congratulated Mrs. Doyle D. Alley, of Waynesville, together with the other active officers, who have been cooperating so splendidly in bringing up this membership, and of the parents and teachers working so harmoniously together in developing a public interest in schools and education.

The Rev. J. A. Flanagan stressed the importance of a serious consideration of "Mental Hygiene" as it pertains to the children of our nation. Citing the facts that of the 25 million youth in our schools probably some asylum for the insane and almost another million would be committed to some institution for the feeble minded, and noting also that from 20 to 25 per cent of the criminals have some mental disorder, and that 50 per cent of the clients of the social relief agencies are mentally deranged, Mr. Flanagan urged teachers and parents to give individual attention to problem cases at the earliest possible moment that some corrective measures might be applied.

Mr. Flanagan suggested that some of the factors having a vital part in mental health were heredity, environment, physical conditions, and alcohol. He closed his message with an appeal to discover the needs, teach good habits of living, cultivate right attitudes of mind, and give the children themselves a larger vision of the possibilities and attainments in life.

Mrs. Frank Bloxham sang two beautiful numbers, "Kash Firi" and "A Slumber Boat," accompanied by Mrs. Ben W. Woodruff at the piano.

Mrs. James L. Averill read an article on "Alibis and Answers" that the president of an association gets when she finds it difficult to get some member to assume a share of the work involved.

After the meeting adjourned the program committee composed of Mrs. Herbert E. Church, chairman; Mrs. Ben W. Woodruff, Mrs. James L. Averill, Mrs. Marie Palmer Stewart, Mrs. John Wasilik, Jr., and R. D. Wells, principal of the Franklin school, met and planned the programs for the coming year:

November, "Reading Interests" by Mrs. J. W. C. Johnson and Mrs. Frank I. Murray.

December, "Social Activities for the Young People," the Rev. Frank Bloxham.

January, "Legislation for Child Welfare," Mrs. Helen Macon.

February, "Training for Home and Family Life," by Mrs. Hugh Leach.

March, "Motion Pictures," Clyde Gailey.

April, "Health Protection," by Dr. P. G. Padgett, county health officer, and Miss Josephine Dixon, county health nurse.

At each meeting a short program will be given by some grade of the school. Also musical numbers will be given each time.

Mrs. Frank H. Jones, of Akron, Ohio, came in Tuesday for a two weeks' visit with her mother, Mrs. J. B. Stalcup, and her sister, Mrs. Hyldah Shepherd, at their home on Iotla street.

Baptist

S. S. Convention To Meet At Liberty Sunday

The Macon County Sunday School convention will be held next Sunday, October 23, at Liberty church, beginning at 2:30 p. m.

Following is the program:

Song and special music by Liberty Sunday school.

Devotional—Sanford Smith.

Roll call and report from the Sunday schools.

Discussion—"The Need for Trained Workers in the Sunday School", Thad D. Smith, Highlands.

Offering.

Message—Vance Browning, Bryson City.

Song and benediction.

WILL BEAUTIFY FOREST ROADS

Party On Tour To Lay Foundation For Work On Roadsides

An inspection tour to lay foundations for possible extensive work in roadside beautification in the national forests is being conducted in this section by six officials of the United States forest service.

Included in the inspection party are Joseph C. Kircher, southern regional forester; A. C. Shaw and E. L. Bishop, assistant regional foresters, and R. E. Pidgeon, regional engineer, all of Atlanta, Ga., and T. W. Norcross, chief engineer of the forest service; L. F. Kneipp, in charge of land purchases, and C. M. Granger, in charge of timber management, all from Washington, D. C.

The party was joined in Asheville by Dr. C. A. Hirsch, of the Appalachian experiment station, who accompanied them through the Pisgah forest and will continue with them on the tour.

The Coweeta experiment station near Otto was inspected Wednesday and a trip through the Nantahala forest was made Thursday. Friday the party went on to the Cherokee forest, with headquarters at Cleveland, Tenn., and from there will go on through the South, ending the tour at Houston, Texas.

St. Agnes Church Supper October 24

A parish supper for the congregation of St. Agnes church will be given on Tuesday evening, October 24, at 7 o'clock, at the rectory. This is the first of the monthly suppers to be had during the fall and winter. There will be a meeting after supper when matters of interest and importance will be discussed. All members are urged to attend.

Raleigh Holland Dies In California

Raleigh Holland died October 5, in Pixley, Calif., after a lingering illness of several months with tuberculosis.

Mr. Holland, a former Macon county man, has made his home in California for a good many years. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Radford Holland, of the Cullasaja section.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Pearl Shook, of Macon county, his parents, and several brothers and sisters.

John Rush Passes In Mascot, Tenn.

John Rush died at his home in Mascot, Tenn., on Monday, October 3.

Funeral services were held at the Bethel Methodist church, Macon county, with interment in the Bethel cemetery.

Mr. Rush, a native of Macon county, is survived by his widow, the former Miss Lilly Corbin, and one brother, George Rush.

BULLET KILLS

J. CANSLER, 34

Accidental Discharge Of Rifle Causes Death Of Iotla Farmer

James Cansler, 34, farmer, died in Angel hospital here Thursday night at 9 o'clock from a .22 calibre rifle bullet wound in the head which he received about 5:30 o'clock last Thursday afternoon, when the rifle which he was carrying was accidentally discharged.

Cansler left his home in the Iotla section to return a rifle he had borrowed for squirrel hunting from Bartlett Bennett, who resides a half mile from the Cansler home. In some manner the rifle was discharged as Cansler was near a three-strand barbed wire fence not far from the Bennett place. The bullet struck him in the center of the forehead and lodged in the back of the head.

Cansler, unconscious, was found by Miss Fannie Burr Bennett, daughter of Bartlett Bennett, who saw him as she was walking along the road. It is believed he was found 10 minutes after the accident occurred. The gun was at his feet when he was found.

Miss Bennett summoned aid and Cansler was brought to Angel hospital.

Mr. Cansler was a farmer of the Iotla section and a member of the Iotla Methodist church. He was the son of the late Mrs. Jack Cansler, of Iotla.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Iotla Methodist church. The Rev. H. S. Williams, pastor, was in charge. Interment was in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers were: W. B. Bennett, Don Shields, Robert H. Bennett, Earl E. Ward, Fred McGaha, and George Gibson.

Mr. Cansler is survived by his widow, the former Miss Bertie Roper; four sisters, Mrs. Charles Mallonee, of Darrington, Wash., Mrs. Crude Meadows, of Franklin Route 3, Mrs. Harley Mallonee and Mrs. Lucy Hodgins, of Winston-Salem, and four brothers, Robert and Furman Cansler, of Brevard, Zeb Cansler, of Franklin, and Jack Cansler, of Franklin Route 3.

Franklin School Starts Publication Of Paper

"Mountain Echo" is the name of a new publication issued by the Franklin school, the first issue appearing last week.

The paper is neatly mimeographed and contains a variety of interesting matter pertaining to school activities and several neatly arranged advertisements.

The publication will be issued semi-monthly during the school year.

Candler Dance Team To Appear Here

The Candler Dance Team, champions of the Western North Carolina folk festival, will be presented in Franklin by Bascomb Lunsford on Saturday evening, October 22, from 8 to 12 o'clock, in the high school auditorium.

Ralph Case is the manager of the Candler Folk dancers, of eight couples, who won the championship at the last festival in Asheville.

Every one is invited to join in the square dances following the exhibition.

The admission is 50 cents, the proceeds going to the free lunch fund of the Franklin school.

Colored Nines To Play Here Sunday

A red hot baseball game between two colored teams is scheduled for next Sunday afternoon on the Franklin high school field.

The Franklin Black Panthers will meet the Sylva Smoky Mountain Cubs, and a battle royal is expected. The game will begin at 2 o'clock.