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TO CELEBRATE AT CULLOWHEE

Saturday Will Be 50th Anniversary Of Founding

Western Carolina Teachers' College, Cullowhee, celebrates on Saturday, October 28, the institution's golden anniversary with an elaborate program and the dedication of six new buildings.

Hundreds of alumni and friends of the college, and distinguished citizens are expected to attend the exercises, beginning at 10 a. m.

Speakers at this dedication program will be Governor Clyde R. Hoey, Clyde A. Erwin, state superintendent of public instruction; H. T. Hunter, president of the college, and D. Hiden Ramsey, president of the board of trustees.

Also on the program will be Professor R. L. Madison, founder and first president, who is now president-emeritus; and Professor A. C. Reynolds, president from 1912 to 1920.

A football game between the college team and Mars Hill will be the feature of the afternoon's entertainment, beginning at 2:30 o'clock.

At 6:30 in the evening there will be a banquet with, Dr. Graham, president of the Greater University of North Carolina, and Miss Harriet Elliot, dean of the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, as the principal speakers. A dance in the new gymnasium will complete the day's festivities.

The six new buildings are the new gymnasium, the boys' dormitory, the auditorium, the teachers' training school building, the infirmary, the student union building. These new additions represent an investment of about \$700,000.

The enrollment this term exceeds all previous years, 520 having registered as compared with 378 last year.

Presbyterian Auxiliary To Present Drama

Sunday evening, October 29, at 7:30 p. m. in the Franklin Presbyterian church, the ladies' auxiliary will present a dramatization of the study book, "Chapels". Seventeen characters are used in the presentation. A special offering will be received for assembly's home missions.

The characters taking parts include: The church, Miss Alice Davis; chapels, Mrs. Robert K. Gaines, Mrs. Hugh Leach, Mrs. Theo. Siler, Mrs. Don Shields, Mrs. Bennie McGlamery and Miss Margaret Slagle. Enemies: Mrs. Bradson Bulgin, Mrs. Thelma Zickgraf, Miss Evelyn Clement, Miss Ruby Calloway and Miss Rachel Slagle. Readers: Mrs. Nancy McCarty, and the Rev. J. A. Flanagan. Pianists, Mrs. John Hamer and Mrs. Helen Macon. Voices, James A. Sutton and Bennie McGlamery.

Iotla School To Have Halloween Carnival

The students of the Iotla school and members of the Iotla community, will hold a Halloween carnival at the school house on Tuesday night, October 31.

This carnival, which is anticipated to create an evening full of fun and merriment, will feature fortune telling, bingo, fishing pools and various other kinds of amusement. There will also be cakes, popcorn, candy and drinks sold during the evening.

Another feature of the evening's program will be the voting contest for the prettiest girl and the ugliest man. To these winners cakes will be awarded. Special string music will be rendered at intervals throughout the evening.

This carnival is being sponsored by the home demonstration club of the Iotla community, and the proceeds will be used toward the community building funds. The public is invited to attend.

Carl Goerch Visits Franklin Thursday

Carl Goerch, editor of The State enlivened this morning for the Franklin Press staff when he breezed in for a handshake about 9:30 o'clock, on his way to the Silver Fox Farm near Highlands. Mr. Goerch said he had just come from Robbinsville over the Winding Stairs and had also been to the top of Wayah Bald. All of which strengthened our previous impressions that "You have to get up soon in the morning to get ahead of Carl Goerch."

Sylva Lions

Attend Meeting Of Local Club Monday

On Monday, October 23, the local Lions Club held their regular meeting at Cagle's Cafe. With a fine chicken dinner as a background, the Sylva Lions Club presented four good Lions, Jennings Bryson, Jackson county accountant; J. P. Stovall, cafeman; Ralph Elkins, of the Coca Cola company, and Paul Womack, of Tom's Toasted Peanuts.

Mr. Bryson, president of the Sylva Lions, told of the interesting work done by their club on sight conservation and aid to the blind. Dozens of pairs of glasses have been purchased by the Lions and given to needy children who otherwise would be unable to own them.

Bob Gaines was appointed by President Tom Angel as chairman of a committee to look into the status of such need in Macon county, as a possible field for Lions help by the Franklin club.

Fred Montony, of the Nantahala Power & Light company, was welcomed as a new member.

The Sylva club has 30 members and has been organized for three years.

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. TAYLOR, 94

Old Resident Dies In House Where She Was Born

Mrs. Laura Jane Taylor, 94, died at her home in the Mountain Grove community, about 10 miles from Franklin, early Monday morning after an illness of three months. Death was caused from an infected foot.

Mrs. Taylor was a daughter of the late L. A. and Matilda Postell Berry. She was born on December 29, 1856. She was born, lived her entire life and died in the same house. On November 8, 1883, she was married to Jesse Z. Taylor, and to this union were born 10 children, nine of whom survive.

Mrs. Taylor joined the Mountain Grove Baptist church on October 30, 1911, and was the second person to be baptized by the Rev. K. P. McCracken, who was a young Macon county minister at that time. She has since that time been a very loyal and devout member of the church.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Peter Moses, of Ellijay, and Mrs. Ben Gregory, of Bryson City; seven sons, John Taylor, of Mountain Grove; Henry Taylor, of Ellijay; Alex Taylor, of Hazelwood; Fred Taylor, of Otto; James Taylor, of Mountain Grove; Zeb and Walter Taylor, of Franklin Route 4; one sister, Mrs. Margaret Higdon, of Higdonville, and a number of grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Mountain Grove Baptist church on Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, with the Rev. R. P. McCracken, of Waynesville, in charge of the services. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Lyman Higdon, Curley Kinsland, Ad Kinsland, Bill Elliott, T. W. Angel, Jr., and Dr. Edgar Angel.

Fifth Sunday Singing At Courthouse Sunday

The fifth Sunday singing convention will meet at the Macon county courthouse on Sunday morning, October 29, beginning at 10 o'clock, it has been announced by James M. Raby, president.

Mr. Raby states that he expects a number of good singers from adjoining counties, as well as from Georgia and South Carolina to be present Sunday and that he wants all singers in Macon county to come out and make it a day worth while.

The public is invited to attend.

Serious Automobile Accident Last Sunday

Mrs. R. S. Holder, of Easley, S. C., is a patient in Angel hospital as the result of an automobile accident on the Franklin-Highlands highway, just outside of Highlands, last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Holder and their daughter were on their way up when they had a head-on collision with a car driven by G. L. Jacobs of Franklin. Both cars were badly damaged, holding up traffic for some time. The Rev. Frank Bloxham carried the injured to the hospital for treatment. Miss Holder sustained minor scalp injuries and Mrs. Holder had a fractured arm and laceration of the scalp.

Turks Sign With Western Powers

Three-Power Pact Provides for Mutual Assistance—Rain Slows Action on Western Front—Russia Denies Armed Aid to Germany—Action Speeded on Neutrality Bill.

BRITAIN, FRANCE, TURKEY SIGN MUTUAL AID PACT

The most important development in the European situation since last week was the signing of a mutual assistance agreement between Great Britain, France and Turkey. This treaty was signed immediately after the refusal of Turkey to accede to Russian demands in regard to the closing of the Dardanelles to all but Russian warships and the partition of Rumania.

The effect of the agreement will be to put a stop to Russian and German efforts to dominate the Balkan nations, and also may cause Italy to take the lead in forming a bloc of Balkan powers strong enough to resist German pressure to force those powers into the war. Italian distrust of Russia is said to be so deep-seated that Italy is drawing away from Germany because of the Russo-German accord.

RAIN SLOWS CAMPAIGN ON WESTERN FRONT

The terrible rains which all American World War veterans remember so well, have started on the western front and have made the country a sea of mud where it is impossible to move heavy army equipment except on paved roads, and the action on both sides is confined to artillery and patrol activity. There are persistent stories that the underground works of the German line are flooded and that pumps are kept going all the time. The French who are occupying the Maginot line are said to be dry and comfortable in their air-conditioned quarters, and are well clothed and well fed.

Some observers believe that there will be no major engagements on the western front before spring. The English and French will wait for the Germans to attack, knowing that every week's delay is equivalent to a battle won, the reason being that German reserves of food, clothing, oil, and many other necessities are limited while Great Britain and France are prepared to continue indefinitely.

GERMANS INTENSIFY SEA AND AIR ACTIVITY

The activity of German sea and air raiders continues. Two German warships, the Dutchland and Emden, are said to be scouting the North Sea and the North Atlantic in addition to the submarine fleet. Several British merchant ships have been sunk since last week, and there have been air raids over British naval bases, but the raiders have been driven off and some planes brought down.

The German cruiser Emden captured the American steamer City of Flint bound for the British Isles with cargo but no passengers. The

steamer was taken into the Russian port of Murmansk by a German prize crew. It is claimed that the City of Flint carried contraband, and if so, the seizure was justifiable under international law. Washington authorities are investigating and may demand the release of the ship and crew.

STALIN DENIES ARMED AID TO GERMANY

French news sources state that Stalin has refused the request of Adolf Hitler to furnish armed forces and warplanes for use against Great Britain and France. Russia is also said to be unable to furnish food stuffs and raw materials in any great quantity, owing to the need at home for practically everything the nation can produce. The Russians are reported to be demanding gold in payment for most of the goods bought by Germany.

Rumanian oil exports to Germany have dropped more than 50 per cent, it is said, owing to the British and French blockade and also because of Germany's lack of gold. Great Britain has largely increased her purchases of oil from Rumania and is paying in gold. This is to the advantage of both countries, as Rumania owes Britain much money which is being repaid by government royalties on oil production.

NEUTRALITY BILL MOVES TOWARD PASSAGE

The United States senate has speeded action this week toward a final vote on the neutrality bill. Amendments have been adopted killing the proposed 90-day credit clause and liberalizing the regulations in regard to American ships carrying goods to belligerent powers. Vice President Garner is pushing the measure forward as rapidly as possible, and it is thought a vote will be reached today (Thursday). Administration forces have a safe majority, pledged for the bill, and this majority has voted down all amendments which were considered as tending to weaken the act. The bill is expected to be ready for consideration by the lower house Monday and speedy action is forecast.

NAZI PRESS URGES UNLIMITED BOMBING

The controlled German press asserted Wednesday that the time has come for merciless aerial bombardment of the British Isles, but no direct statement has been made to that effect by Hitler or the high command, and it may be that the newspaper blasts were made in the hope of causing fright and weakening the morale of the British civilian population. English comment indicates, however, that the threats have had the opposite effect.

As The World Turns

A Brief Survey of Current Events In State, Nation and Abroad.

MOON ECLIPSE FRIDAY NIGHT

A total eclipse of the moon will occur tomorrow (Friday) night, October 27, beginning at 11:50 p. m. and last three hours. Old Luna will show her full face again at 3:30 a. m., October 28, that is, if it is not cloudy.

GRANGE CONVENTION

The N. C. State Grange annual convention is meeting in Asheville. Wheeler McMillan, editor of "Farm Journal" Philadelphia, told the grange that the economic state of the nation is directly dependent on agriculture. Clarence Poe, Gov. Hoey and Harry B. Caldwell were also speakers.

CAROLINA AND TULANE TIE

The Carolina football team's 14-14 score with Tulane's team last Saturday in New Orleans was rated a signal achievement for the North Carolinians.

PRAISE FOR NAVY

Charles Edison, acting secretary of the Navy, said in a statement on the observance of Navy Day, October 27, that never before had the morale, material condition and

state of training of the navy been better. "Obstacles encountered in the ship building program and the new ships are a tribute to all who have contributed to their building," Mr. Edison said. Navy Day is being celebrated throughout this week.

PELLEY RECORDS SEIZED

Federal and local investigators are examining records seized last week by the sheriff of Buncombe county from the office of Wm. D. Pelley, publisher of Nazi propaganda.

NEW LIGHT ON ATHENIA

It was announced this morning that the Department of Justice has "impressive evidence" that the Athenia was sunk by the Germans because they had information that she carried a treasure of 59 million in gold and securities to underwrite British war purchases.

AID TO DROUGHT AREAS

President Roosevelt has announced that the 115,000 farm families in drought and flood areas will be assisted with funds available from three federal agencies without call.

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Pastor Returns



REV. IVON L. ROBERTS

Pastor of the Franklin Methodist Church, Who Has Been Returned by the Conference for Another Year.

Officials

Of Forest Service Visit Nantahala Forest

The following officials of the United States Forest Service inspected improvements on the Nantahala last Friday and Saturday: T. W. Norcross, chief engineer; W. E. Corben, architect; H. R. Jones, C. A. Betts, assistant engineers, Washington, D. C.; J. C. Dorr, regional engineer, region 7; D. Burks, J. R. McDermott, assistant engineers, Washington, D. C.; Holland Coleman, regional engineer, region 9; Clyde T. Sullivan, assistant engineer, Milwaukee, Wis.; G. R. Root, G. T. Pettay, assistant regional engineers, region 8, Atlanta, Ga.; A. R. Kinney, forest engineer, Cherokee National Forest, Cleveland, Tennessee.

They had been on a tour of the southeast during the week and ended the tour here Saturday afternoon. They expressed much interest in the construction of improvements on the Nantahala and were especially pleased with the development of the Wayah depot, Arrowwood Glade and swimming pool, Dry falls, Cliffside lake, and the John Byrne memorial tower.

The party was accompanied on the forest by James Averell, assistant forest supervisor; T. T. Hall, administrative assistant, and Harley Dunbar, forest engineer.

MRS. SANDERS DIES MONDAY

Well Known Resident Of Bethel Community Passes At Home

Mrs. Sallie Bryson Sanders, 48, died at her home in the Bethel community Monday evening at 7 o'clock after an illness of only two days. She had been unwell for several months, but her condition was not considered serious until two days before her passing. Death was caused from ulcerated stomach.

Mrs. Sanders was the daughter of the late William and Alice Woodring Bryson. She was born and raised in Jackson county and was the wife of Thomas Sanders. She was a member of the Bethel Methodist church and an active member of the Bethel Missionary society. She was greatly interested in all church activities.

Surviving are the husband, Thomas Sanders, of Franklin Route 4, and one daughter, Mrs. William McCoy, of Canton.

Funeral services were held at 4 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon at the Bethel Methodist church on the Franklin-Highlands highway. The Rev. Harry S. Williams, pastor, assisted by the Rev. J. A. Flanagan, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church, and the Rev. I. L. Roberts, pastor of the Franklin Methodist church, conducted the services. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Glenn Robinson, Raleigh Shook, Henry Cabe, Robert Fulton, Howard Shook, Boice Hall, Charlie Fulton and Leonard Horne.

The flower girls included Mrs. Pritchard Peek, Mrs. Fred Palmer, Mrs. Robert Fulton, Mrs. Leonard Horne, Mrs. George Scott and Mrs. Glenn Robinson.

ONE CHANGE IN MACON PASTORS

All Return For Another Year Except Rev. W. F. Beadle

Assigned to the tasks and trials of another year, the ministers of the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist church received their appointments from Bishop Clare Purcell, of Charlotte, at noon Monday at the West Market Street church in Greensboro.

The conference this year was a new body, formed from three conferences which have been united—the Methodist Episcopal church, South, the Methodist Protestant church and the Methodist Episcopal church. The work of uniting the three denominations is being completed by Bishop Purcell, of Charlotte; Bishop Stranglin and Bishop Wallace E. Brown, of Portland, Ore.

Macon Pastors Return

Only one change was made in Macon county pastors by the conference. The Rev. W. F. Beadle, who has been pastor at Highlands was transferred to the Rockwood church in this district and will be succeeded by the Rev. J. S. Higgins.

The Rev. Ivon L. Roberts returns as pastor of the Franklin Methodist church, and the Rev. H. S. Williams, pastor of the Franklin circuit, and the Rev. J. C. Swain, pastor of the Macon circuit, were also returned to these charges.

The Rev. C. C. Herbert, formerly pastor in Franklin, and who has been with the Walkertown church, goes to the Forest Hill church in the Salisbury district.

The Rev. J. E. Abernethy, former pastor of the Franklin church, who was assigned to Valdese last year, and was later compelled to give up the work on account of ill health, has been placed on the supernumerated roll and will hereafter make his home at Rutherford College.

District Appointments

Following will be found the full list of appointments for the Waynesville district:

- W. L. Hutchins, district superintendent. Andrews: G. N. Dulin; Bethel, J. W. Blitch; Bryson City, A. L. Kayle; Central Canton, W. R. Kelly; First Canton, J. F. Wyatt; Clyde, G. E. Price; Crabtree, W. H. Neese; Cullowhee, W. L. Lanier; Dellwood, C. O. Newell; Fines Creek, G. L. Lovett; supply; Franklin, I. L. Roberts; Hayesville, J. G. Henry; Highlands, J. S. Higgins; Jonathan, J. D. Fyatt; supply; Junaluska, C. D. Brown; Louisa, L. W. Hall; supply; Macon, J. C. Swain; Morning Star, W. H. Pless; Murphy, W. R. Jenkins; Murphy circuit, G. W. Bunnard; Peachtree, to be supplied; Robbinsville, H. L. Lefevers; Rockwood, W. F. Beadle; Shooting Creek, D. H. Dennis; Sylva, A. P. Ratledge; Waynesville, J. G. Higgins, Jr.; Webster, G. A. Hovis; Whittier, G. L. Fisher, supply.

Many Contributions For Community Building

The campaign being made at this time to raise funds for completing the community building for Negroes has met with ready response from those who have been solicited. The limited time that members of the committee can give to this work has delayed their reaching many citizens. The committee will continue the campaign until all have been reached. However, should anyone not be asked who is interested in helping in this undertaking, contributions will be received at The Franklin Press office.

The following contributions are hereby acknowledged:

- Gifts of \$5—Macon Furniture company, Reeves Hardware company, The Franklin Press; \$3, Sanders Store; \$2.50, Sloan's Market; \$2, Roy Cunningham, Dr. J. E. Perry; \$1.50, D. W. Long; \$1, O. C. Bryant, Patton Service Station, S & L Store, Macon County Supply company, Blumenthal Store, Western Auto Supply, Paul Carpenter, Ralph Womack, Miss Lillie Rankin, Mrs. J. E. Perry, Mrs. W. H. Sellers, Dr. Frank Killian, Miss Annie Slagle, Henry West, James L. Averell; \$0.75, Fred Grant; \$0.50, Mrs. Victor G. Catway, Joe Ashcar; \$0.25, Horace Nolen, Mrs. Reba Tessier, Pendergrass' Store, Walter Dean, John Bingham, J. E. Wyman, Mrs. J. H. Stockton, Mrs. Hattie S. Shope, Mrs. Gordon Moore, Mrs. Lola Kiser, Mrs. Fred Arnold, Lawrence Liner, Grover Jamison, Jr., Brabson Bulgin, Troy Horn.