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INDEPENDENT

Main Street Being Widened ARMY CALLS Through Business District

Share Expense With Highway Dept.

WPA workmen Tuesday morning began ripping out present knowledged: curbs and gutters, removing trees, and otherwise making preparations for widening Main street here from the courthouse to the postoffice, following the town board night to cooperate with the state highway department on the pro-

Meeting in a special session called for the purpose, the board of aldermen passed the measure authorizing work to begin by a vote of four to one. Under the terms of the agreement, the town is responsible for all grading work and ack, Mrs. Frank Killian. for furnishing new curbs and gutters, while the state highway department is to surface the additional width.

New Equipment For Fire Dept.

The board also authorized the purchase of 500 feet of hose, six coats and 12 safety helmets for the city fire department.

According to Town Clerk George Dean, the project will provide an average increase of six feet in the width of Main street, leaving a one foot space for telephone poles, light poles and fire hydrants.

On the courthouse side of the street, the work will be carried out from the Macon theatre to the intersection of the one-way street leading into lotla street, and on the other side, from the post office to Phillips street. The town has just completed widening East Main up to the post office,

Diagonal Parking The increased width should relieve the congestion in the business district that has long been a menance to both local and through traffic, Mr. Dean said. The town also hopes to be able to provide diagonal parking spaces, in place of the present parallel system, which would make parking easier and at the same time accomodate a greater number of automobiles in the same area.

The town's part in the widening of the street will be financed through the town-sponsored WPA project that has been responsible for the rest of the street ments here. County WPA Superintendent P. L. Threlkeld estimated that the grading would be completed and the new curbs and gutters poured in approximately three weeks, if the weather continued

favorable. Mr. Dean said that the state highway department planned to apply a primary surfacing to the Miss Gladys Sellers, Mary H. Elgraded portions of Main street more, J. B. Elmore, L. H. Page, course of basic military training. this fall. Then next spring, they Mrs. L. H. Page, Mrs. R. W. are planning to re-surface Main Norton (donation), S. H. Lyle, street from the bridge to the Grover Jamison, J. E. Perry, Joe Georgia road, eliminating the rough Ashear, Frank Jamison, Elmer sections in the present paving.

Town Board Agrees To Red Cross Memberships Reported By Workers

The following memberships in the American Red Cross have been reported by roll call workers in Franklin, and are hereby ac-

Miss Lassie Kelly, Mrs. Miza Crawford, J. B. Pendergrass, C. L. Pendergrass, John Slagle, Miss Mary Willis, Judge J. B. Willis, Mrs. J. B. Willis, Burnette Dalton, of aldermen's decision Monday Roy Carpenter, Erwin Patton, Mrs. J. C. Horsley, Mrs. Joe Ashear, Frank Duncan, Willard Pendergrass, Red Henry, Mrs. J. A. Fowler, Miss Elizabeth McGuire, Howard Crunkleton, Mrs. J. Ward Long, Mrs. J. E. S. Thorpe, Fred Montony, C. E. Hyde, H. H. Plemons, Mrs. Lester Henderson, Lester Henderson, Mrs. Ralph Wom-

H. T. Sloan, Dr. Frank Killian, Mrs. J. W. Hall, Mrs. Ben Mc-Collum, Mrs. J. L. Averell, Mrs. Charlie Bradley, Mr. M. Blumen-thal, Mrs. H. E. Church, Mrs. John Wasilik, Mrs. J. S. Conley, Mrs. S. M. Mendenhall, H. H. Hirsch, Mrs. H. H. Hirsch, Mrs. E. K. Cunningham, Mrs. Carl Tysinger, M. D. Billings, Mrs. M. D. Billings, Manson L. Stiles, Miss Amy Harrison, Mrs. Mary Allman, John Harrison, Mrs. Ben Wood-ruff, Mrs. Derald Ashe, Mrs. Jim Perry, Mrs. Jack Weyman, J. Fred the interim. Bryson, C. T. Blaine, Jack Sanders, Mrs. Charles Melichar.

Lee Poindexter, V. E. Swafford, Mrs. John M. Archer, Mrs. 1. T. Peek, R. G. Beshears, R. R. Swan-son, W. C. Zickgraf, Walter Dean, Glenn Ray, J. L. Averell, John Ansel, John Hamer, H. E. Church, Claude Bolton, Winton Perry, J. Ward Long, John Cory, W. Metcalf, Robert Ward, Lewis Manning, Mrs. Lucy Sue Crawford, Mrs. Hyldah Shepherd, Mrs. J. B. Stalcup,

Mrs. Annie Laurie Welch, J. A. Sutton, Ralph Welch, J. E. Whit-aker, Joel Tompkins, W. C. Penn, J. E. S. Thorpe, John M. Archer, Mrs. A. B. Omohundro, Mrs. J. L. Barnard, Fred Sloan, Mrs. Fred Sloan, Mrs. Joel Tompkins, Mrs. Harley Dunbar, Dr. Furman Angel, Miss Clyde Berry, Miss MayBelle Bryant, B. L. McGlamery, Mrs. Eloise Franks, Ralph Womack, R.

M. Rimmer, David Sutton. Bill Bryant, N. G. Williams, T. W. Angel, Ir., Allen I. Green, Sam Roane, Greensboro; O. C. Bryant, C. B. Wickliffe, John Will obey the orders of the presi-Hauser, J. H. Stockton, A. R. Hig-dent of the United States and the don Paul Carpenter, Bill Johnson, Mrs. J. W. C. Johnson, Fred Arnold, Thad Patton, Dan Bryson, Woodrow Reeves, Frank Higdon Jr., Hugh Leach, W. T. Moore, Dr. Ben Grant, Mrs. W. H. Sellers,

Crawford, Mrs. E. C. Soper. As The World Turns

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

THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN

ain by Germany continues in intensity while London, Coventry, plots her destruction. Birmingham suffer new destruction of property and civilian lives.

Few sections of England have escaped the visitation of Nazi planes during the last few weeks, as Hitler and Mussolini swear total destruction to the Empire.

BRITAIN INTENSIFIES AIR RAID

Britain's RAF continues relentless bombings of Germany's military supply and transportation centers. These raids have halved production of the great Krupp arms and munitions works, and destroyed or badly damaged oil plants, depots, and industrial centers, including Berlin, say news Bources.

THE AXIS

Hitler's increased activity in the diplomatic front to hasten the "new order in Europe" may signify uneasiness on account of failures of the axis in Britain and Greece, but Britain's anxieties are down as chairman of CIO, accordincreased as Hitler extends his ing to his promise when he anpower over the Balkans to close in on Turkey, Greece and Suez.

THE WAR IN GREECE

The Italians are fleeing in complete route before the Greeks into Greece ... !"

However, Greece has appealed to of "Teutonic efficiency."

"the free countries" for aid, Total War loosed on Great Brit- "Planes, more planes . . . epic victories are misleading" as the axis

Hungary signed up Wednesday with the German-Italian-Japanese-Russian-alliance. The failure of Italy gives Hitler more complete domination over Mussolini.

FLYING FORTRESSES FOR BRITAIN

This government disclosed vesterday that 26 giant four-engined insure his good behavior. bombers ordered for the U. S. Army had been released for sale to the British.

CONGRESS STAYS

Congress will remain in session by a vote of 191 to 148 in the House.

CIO AND AFL

Little hope for peace between the rival forces of AFL and CIO is held out after John L. Lewis large until last Saturday night. defiantly announced in his speech to the CIO convention that peace was impossible now. Lewis is expected to keep his promise to step nounced that he would resign if Roosevelt was elected for a third have escaped from the jail here

Explosions occurring last week Albania. Mussolini thunders in in three different plants almost Rome "We will break the back of simultaneously, two in New Jersey and one in Pennsylvania, were

FIRST QUOTA

Volunteers And Draftees Will Be Sworn In This Week

North Carolina's first-call quota announced from the Raleigh headquarters is 513, only 71 of which represent the number to be called from 21 western counties. It is probable that there will be enough volunteers in each of the draft board areas to fill the first call requirements, it is stated.

The Macon county draft board reports that 126 questionnaires have been sent out from the Franklin office, 21 to volunteers and 105 to the first names holding order numbers, all of which have been returned. On Tuesday this office had not received notice from Raleigh of the number to be called at this time from Macon county.

The army began receiving draftees last Monday, two months and two days after President Roosevelt signed the nation's first peacetime conscription bill.

The army originally expected to call about 30,000 men under the selective service program by December 1 but officials said this Bound Over To Court On number had been reduced, largely because of the number of volunteers who had been accepted in

Draft officials said almost the entire number of men taken on the first call under the draft program would be registrants who volunteered.

A poll of state selective service officials showed, they said, that approximately 71,000 of the men already classified and found eligible for immediate service had volun-

Physical Examination

The men called this week will get their first contact with the arms at the induction stations. There they will undergo a second physical examination - in which the army doctors will check the findings of the examining physicians-of the local draft boards.

Those accepted will be fingerprinted, start their service records, get an army serial number and then swear:

"That I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America; that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all enemies whomsoever; and that I orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the rules and

articles of war." Before being assigned to regular units the draftees will go to an army reception center to receive uniforms, vaccination and a short

Howard Gibson

Back In County Jail Here After Two Escapes

Howard Gibson, 21 year-old Macon youth wso has twice escaped from the county jail within the space of eight months, was back behind the bars again last Saturday

Acting on a tip, Deputy Sheriff John Dills, State Highway Patrolman Ed C. Guy and Deputy Sheriff Frank Allen of Jackson county encircled the home of Willie Passmore near Cashiers and caught Gibson as he was dashing out the

kitchen door. Gibson received a 90 day sentence for chicken stealing at the April term of superior court and Judge J. A. Rousseau added a one year's suspended sentence to

The night of the day that he was jail. He was recaptured within a week and served his 90 day sentence in the state prison camp in

Cherokee county. Afterwards he was returned to the county jail here to await trial for violating his suspended sentence, but the week before the August term of court convened, he again broke jail and remained at

Deputy Dills is placing Gibson in the jail's cage instead of an ordinary cell every night to insure his appearance before Judge Wilson Warlick at the December term of superior court here.

Gibson is the first of seven who since April to be recaptured.

WASHINGTON .- The American Red Cross has cabled \$10,000 through the American Minister at Athens to be given to the Greek Red Cross to aid victims of air said by Secretary Stimson to smack raids and other wounded civilians, it was announced here.

New Pastor



REV. J. L. STOKES II Who Succeeds Rev. I. L. Roberts
. As Pastor of the Franklin Methodist Church

Patrolman Guy

Assault Charged After waiving a preliminary

hearing, State Highway Patrolman Ed C. Guy was bound over to the December term of superior court this week on a warrant charging "assault with a deadly weapon; to wit, an automobile."

The warrant, sworn out by W. T. Tippett, local contractor and carpenter, was the result of an affair last month in which Guy was alleged to have attempted to knock Tippett's automobile out of the highway by striking it from behind with the patrol car.

Monday, Guy served two warrants on Tippett, charging failure to stop upon signal from the patrol car, and driving with improper lights. Tippett made bond before Justice of the Peace George Carpenter in the sum of \$100 for each charge. His hearing was set for November 28.

According to Tippett's story, he was returning home from work at drove up behind him and followed (him for some distance. He stated that he was driving from 20 to 25 miles an hour.

Hearing a siren behind him and not knowing what it was, he said alternate, Ray Dryman. that he pulled over on the shoulder of the highway and continued driving at a reduced rate of speed until the patrol car "whammed" into him from the rear. Guy failed to drive up beside him so that he could indentify the patrol car, he

After stopping, Tippett continued, the patrolman came up to him, smelled his breath and searched his automobile for whiskey. He was allowed to continue after being warned to have one of his headlights, which was not burning at the time, repaired in the morn-

Franklin Churches Unite For Thanksgiving Service

The Franklin churches will unite for Thanksgiving service in the Methodist church at 10 o'clock next Thursday morning. The Baptist, Episcopal and Presbyterian congregations will join in the serv-

Rev. J. L. Stokes II announces that Rev. C. F. Rogers has been invited to preach the sermon.

Buck Creek School

Miss Mary Elmore, teacher of school has joined 100 per cent.

AAA ELECTION RESULTS GIVEN

C. S. Slagle Is Names Chairman Of County Committee

The results of an election to determine county and township committeemen to serve in the Macon county Agricultural Conservation association for next year were released last week by Sam Mendenhall, county farm agent.

C. S. Slagle heads the county committee, with B. W. Justice, vice-chairman; Robert Fulton, regular member, C. W. Henderson, first alternate; and W. C. Ledbetter, second alternate

1,850 Take Part In Election

Approximately 1,850 members of the County Agricultural Conserva- men and automobiles being thrown tion association took part in the election, which was conducted by mail. Members of the committees act as representatives of the farm agent in each community, to help farmers secure maximum benefits under the conservation program. The community committeemen

for each township are as follows: Franklin township: Chairman, Paul Patton; vice-chairman, W. L. Ramsey; regular member, C. D. Garner; first alternate, J. Ned Teague; second alternate, W. B.

Millshoal township: Chairman, E. V. Ammons; vice-chairman, Gordon Smith; regular member, J. E. Taylor; first alternate, John C. Ferguson; second alternate, C. B. Kinsland.

Cartoogechaye townhsip, Chair man, R. C. Enloe; vice-chairman, J H. Brookshire; regular member, I E. Crawford; first alternate, Roy Southards; second alternate, Harold Enloe. Ellijay township: Chairman, J

L. Clark; vice-chairman, Wordrow Teague; regular member, Howard Shook; first alternate, Elbert Bryson; second alternate, J. A. Taylor. Sugarfork township: Chairman, D. M. Rogers; vice-chairman, C. W. Henderson; regular member, W. A. Keener; first alternate, W.

T. Tilson; second alternate, John

Highlands township: Chairman, A. M. Wilson; vice-chairman, R. J. Cobb; regular member, A. C the Angel hospital around 1:30 Holt; first alternate, E. P. Picklea, m., October 14, when a car simer; second alternate, Wiley Mc-

C. Dills.

Flats township: Chairman, I. N. Fisher; vice-chairman, H. C. Miller; regular member, Paul Grist; first alternate, M. S. Burnette; second

Smithbridge township: Chairman, W. C. Ledbetter; vice-chairman, Bob Wiggins; regular member, J. K. Brown; first alternate, T. V. Vinson; second alternate, Robert Stewart.

Burningtown township: Chairman, Carl Morgan; vice-chairman, Jud Wild; regular member, Rufus McGaha; first alternate, H. H. Cole; seconh alternate, Bill Parrish.

Nantahala township: Chairman, Sam Waters; vice-chairman, G. W. Owenby; regular member, D. L. Owenby; first alternate, Jim Shields; second alternate, Clifton Morgan.

Cowee township: Chairman, D. A. Hall; vice-chairman, J. R. Holbrooks; regular member, Fred Mc-Gaha; first alternate, Charley Downs; second alternate, Floyd

Raymond Tallent Hurt In Truck Accident

Raymond Tallent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ell Tallent, of Franklin, who has been working at the Glenville Dam project, received a broken back Monday when the truck in which he was riding overturned. the Buck Creek school, announces He is being treated at Angel hossentenced, Gibson escaped from the that the Junior Red Cross of this pital and his condition is reported

Season Opens On Rabbit, **Quail, Grouse November 28**

No Open Season On Wild Turkey In Western N. C. This Year

grouse will begin next Thursday, November 28, County Game Ward-

Bag limits for rabbit are 10 a day, no season limit; for quail, 10 grouse, two a day, 10 a season. The season on quail and grouse

February 15. Western North Carolina, Mr. Bry- sportsmanship and courtesy.

son said. The state is attempting to increase the number of wild turkeys in this section both by a for treatment. This hospital has closed season and by stocking wooded areas with turkeys. Several were turned loose in the Open season on rabbit, quail and county here recently.

"Possession of a hunting license does not mean that the hunter can en J. Fred Bryson announced this hunt where he pleases," the game warden emphasized. "Always be courteous enough to ask permission before hunting over anyone's a day, 150 a season; and for land and take care to treat the property as if it were your own."

Mr. Bryson added that game law closes January 15, and on rabbit, violations in the county were considerably less thus far than last physician. There will be no open season fall, and that as a whole Macon this year on turkey anywhere in hunters were above average in ers left their jobs on account of

ALL OUIET ON DAM PROJECT

Trouble At Nantahala Dam Results In Closing Down Job

Work had not been resumed on the Nantabala dam project Thursday morning, although everything had been quiet since disturbances last Monday, according to Sheriff A. B. Slagle.

The Utah Construction company, contractors building the dam for the Nantahala Power and Light company, ceased operations when trouble developed out of efforts of labor leaders to disperse a meeting held last Monday morning.

Fighting that resulted in cuts and bruises to many and in some into the Nantahala river followed. Sheriff Slagle said that although some Macon county men were involved, most of the western North Carolina persons involved in the trouble live in Swain, Cherokee and Graham counties. Some from Copper Hill, Tenn., are also said to have taken part.

Six state highway patrolmen were requested by Sheriff Slagle Tuesday as a matter of precaution to prevent any further disorder.

Labor Difficulties

It is reported that workers from Utah and California who had "fallen out with the group from New York state" started the movement to dislodge the northern workers. These united with western North Carolina and Tennessee men, and handbills were distributed "to drive the Northerners out" by "We, the Southern and Western People."

Resentment was said to have centered around James C. Turner, alleged to have sent wires to bring in the outside workers, and R. E. Lee, collector of dues from the local men for the newly organized union of outside men, with the promise of giving them jobs on the project. Some who had not been hired and others who had been replaced by the New York men were joined by outside sympathizers in the concerted effort to drive out the men brought in by Turner and Lee. Turner was thrown in the river when he attempted to talk to the picketers, and Lee, it seems, was beaten up on general principles. Most of the New York men are reported to have left as soon as they were paid off.

One carload who were reported to have driven through Camp No. I at a dangerous speed were followed by a car of local men. When overtaken, all hands got out and there was a free-for-all fist fight, resulting in minor bruises for

No "Armed Mob"

Several men and automobiles were reported thrown in the river, but Sheriff Slagle and Deputy Sheriff Dills emphatically denied a statement published in the daily press quoting Turner as saying there was "an armed mob of 500 men." The officers found no evidence of weapons and no armed men, and stated that the number engaged in the disturbance was nearer 50 than 500.

Many of the crowd assembled were onlookers, and there was evidence that the presence of liquor in the crowd on Monday night contributed to the disorder, it was

The sheriff remained on the scene until late Tuesday night when all was reported quiet, as was also the report on Wednesday.

Sheriff Slagle states that warrants have been issued for alleged offenders and left with the officers on duty at the project to be served, and that some arrests are expected. He explained that no arrests were made Monday and Tuesday for lack of evidence against any individual, All the New York workers allegedly injured in the fighting left immediately without preferring charges.

Angel hospital authorities reported that no injuries to men on the project had been brought there the contract to treat casualties occurring on the dam project. It has been reported that Lee was treated for minor injuries in a Knoxville, Tenn. hospital, One man was said to have suffered a broken arm, but this could not be confirmed, or his name learned.

Among those hurt in the fray were R. E. Lee, Arthur Wallace, labor union leaders, Richard and W. Bingham and Blackie Blythe, M. C. Namara of Andrews was reported treated by an Andrews

It is not known how many work-(Continued on Page Six)