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## Cowee School Hearing In Murphy April 10th

### Restraining Order Signed By Judge Alley Delays Building

A restraining order was granted on March 26 by Judge Felix E. Alley of the 20th Judicial District to a group of citizens of Cowee township versus the Board of Education of Macon county in connection with the building of the proposed consolidated school on the lot that has been purchased by the school board.

A hearing has been called before Judge Alley on April 10, in Murphy, at 10 a. m., when the defendant is required to appear to show cause "why this order shall not be continued to the final hearing."

The plaintiffs, who claim to represent 120 citizens of Cowee township who have signed a petition to change the location of the proposed school building, petition the judge in the complaint that the Board of Education be restrained from any further proceeding towards the erection of the school house until the matter can be placed before the incoming school board. The term of office of the members of the present board will expire on the first Monday in April, 1941.

Among the contentions of the plaintiff set forth in the order, are the claims that the site purchased by the school board is not a suitable or central location for the purpose, and that four other sites are offered, any one of which would be donated for the purpose. It is also claimed that there are certain defects in the title of the site secured.

It has been learned that the site in question is a tract of 6.73 acres on C. S. Highway 28, including part of the property formerly occupied by the CCC camp that was located near the West's Mill community. A prominent citizen of West's Mill stated to a representative of the Press that an answer would be filed answering the complaint on every count.

It is stated that the site in question has been approved by Harry Allison, construction engineer of Asheville district of WPA. The proposed building, which is to be constructed by WPA, has been estimated to cost around the sum of \$40,000.

It was learned that there is considerable difference of opinion among citizens and school patrons in regard to the location of the school.

### Franklin Terrace Enlarges Capacity

Franklin Terrace is making extensive improvements and additions in preparation for the coming season, according to H. H. Hirsch, owner.

"We are building four two-room cottages on the grounds, equipped with electric water heaters, the interior finished with worm-eaten chestnut," said Mr. Hirsch when interviewed yesterday. Two rooms in the small cottage will be made serviceable, through adding baths and refinishing, adding 16 beds in all to the hotel's capacity. The dining room, pantry and kitchen facilities are being enlarged to accommodate the extra number of guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Hirsch purchased the Franklin Terrace three years ago, making extensive improvements to buildings and grounds at that time. They find that their increased patronage demands additional accommodations for guests. The large grounds admit the building of separate cottages so much in demand by many summer visitors.

### Holy Week Services At St. Agnes Church

Holy week services at St. Agnes Episcopal church will be as follows: Palm Sunday, April 6, 11 a. m. Holy Communion and sermon; Monday through Thursday, 5:30 p. m., litany and meditation; Good Friday, 12 to 3 p. m. Meditations on the seven words from the cross, with prayers and hymns. All are invited to attend the whole or part of this service. Any may feel free to come or leave during the three hours.

The Easter sunrise Communion service will begin at 6:30 a. m., April 13.

### Methodist Ministers Will Meet In Highlands

Methodist ministers of Macon county will meet at the Highlands Methodist church on Monday, April 7, at 11 o'clock. Rev. J. C. Swain will bring a special message to the group.

### 12 Selectees

#### Will Leave Tuesday For Camp Jackson

The following men will leave on Call No. 6, Tuesday, April 8, for Camp Jackson, according to the announcement of the oial draft board today:

Volunteers, Roy Lee Lewis, John Brendle, Luther Warren Rice, Jr., Patrick Theodore Rogers.

Draftees, Charles Avery Clouse, Corman Carroll Kilpatrick, Venice Alexander Ramey, Joseph Lee McMahan, Jr., John Arnold Duvall, Charles John Phillips, Floyd B. Bradley, Adam James Dills.

Mrs. G. A. Jones, clerk of the board, states that the board has been informed from state headquarters that calls will be made every 10 days. The next call is for 11 men to leave on April 14. Two of these will be volunteers.

## MRS. BILLINGS PASSES MONDAY

### Funeral Services Tuesday At Methodist Church Attended by Many

Mrs. M. D. Billings died at her home on Harrison avenue Monday morning, March 31, at 9 o'clock, following an illness of several months.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Franklin Methodist church, of which Mrs. Billings was a devoted member. A large congregation of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Billings filled the church. Most of the schools in the county closed as an expression of sympathy to the former superintendent of education of Macon county. The pastor, Rev. Dr. J. L. Stokes, II, assisted by Rev. C. F. Rogers, of the Franklin Baptist church, conducted the services. Interment was in the Franklin cemetery. Pallbearers were Henry W. Cabe, Gilmer Jones, M. L. Dowdle, Robert A. Patton, A. B. Slagle and Harold T. Sloan.

Mrs. Billings was Miss Kate Clark of Tennessee. She was born at Hiwassee College, Minnow county, in that state, the daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Ed Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Billings moved to Franklin in 1899, the year they were married, and for 20 years she taught school with her husband in the Franklin high school, which was then located in the brick building of the Franklin Terrace. Although in ill health for some time, Mrs. Billings' ready wit and bright smile always greeted her friends, who did not realize that she was not as well as she seemed.

She is survived by her husband; two brothers, Oscar Clark of Summerton, Ariz.; and Edward Clark of Knoxville, Tenn.; and several nieces.

### Death Claims

**Mrs. J. A. Waldroop**  
Mrs. J. A. Waldroop, 76, of Potts Branch community, died at her home on Wednesday night at 11:30 o'clock, after an illness of several weeks.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at the Mt. Zion church at 3 o'clock. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Waldroop is survived by the following children: Ralph, of Franklin Route 2; Mrs. J. R. Blaine of Great Falls, Mont.; Mrs. J. P. Rickman of Canton; Miss Myrtle Waldroop of Franklin Route 1; Mrs. Walter Swanson, Franklin Route 1; one sister, Mrs. W. D. Reece and one brother, W. H. Potts of Franklin Route 1.

Pallbearers will be nephews; George McGee, Carl Harrison, George Wade, Sam Reece and Paul Blaine.

### Baptist Conference Meets Monday

The Southern Baptist Convention through its Sunday school board, located in Nashville, Tenn., is sending workers into every one of the 110 Baptist associations of the conventions in 17 southern states. Seventy of these conferences will be held in North Carolina and one in Macon county.

This convention will meet at the Franklin Baptist church on Monday, April 7, beginning at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. H. M. Hocutt, of Sylva, will preside and Miss Maxine Slaughter, of Raleigh, intermediate Baptist Training Union leader and others will be on the program.

### Candidate For Mayor



John Harrison, acting mayor of Franklin, appointed to serve the remainder of the term of Mayor Frank Ray, who removed to Washington, D. C. has filed for mayor in the coming election.

### Honor Student



**KATHERINE LONG**  
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Long is salutatorian of the graduating class of the Franklin High School. She has sustained a high average throughout her school work. (Through an error the wrong cut was sent us last week under Katherine's name.)

### O. C. Bryant

#### Places Large Clock On His Building

Oscar C. Bryant has installed a large electric clock on the front of the Bryant Furniture company and Funeral Home building on the square.

He states that he is placing the clock at this conspicuous point for the convenience of the public, where the correct Eastern Standard time may be seen day and night. New and improved neon lighting illuminates the clock face, giving a time piece to a large part of the business section. The community will appreciate this evidence of Mr. Bryant's public spirit as "Time Marches On."

### Student Council

#### Of Franklin High Elects New Officers

The student body of the Franklin High School held election on Monday of officers for the student council for the coming year. The following were elected: president, Helen Edwards, West's Mill; vice-president, Sam Ramsey, Tellico; secretary, Hunter Anderson, Cartoogechaye; treasurer, Barbara Hurst, Cartoogechaye.

Two booths were set up in the hall and the voting continued throughout the day. The Australian ballot was used.

The officers serving this year are: president, John H. Wasilik; vice-president, Roy Fouts; secretary, Jessie Barnard; treasurer, Lewis Patton.

Since 1934, CCC camps have carried on erosion control work in 758 areas in 42 states, according to Dr. Hugh Bennett, chief of the Soil Conservation Service.

## TWO FILE FOR TOWN BOARD

### E. T. Calloway And John Bingham Announce As Candidates

E. T. Calloway, member of the present board of aldermen of Franklin, has announced himself as a candidate for re-election. John Bingham, who was a member of the town board from 1937 to 1939, has also filed for election. Mayor John Harrison filed last week.

The election of a mayor and six aldermen for the town board has been ordered for Tuesday, May 6. No new registration has been ordered. Registration books will be open in the town office in the Ashear building on Saturdays, April 12, 19 and 26.

### Jim Perry

#### Again Chairman Easter Seal Sale

Jim Perry has been appointed as chairman of the Easter Seal Sale for the county. Mr. Perry, whose interest in this good cause has led to his appointment as chairman for the past several years, states that the school children will again serve as salesmen for the seals.

Half of the proceeds of the sale will remain in the hands of the county committee for the aid of our own children, and half will be sent to the state office for assisting those whom a county committee cannot serve.

Mr. Perry appeals to all to help the crippled children of this county through purchase of the seals. They may be bought at Perry's drug store if anyone should be missed by the children who are selling seals.

The following figures of the county health department give an idea of the number of children helped through this fund: Twenty-one crippled children attended the clinic held in Bryson City. One received treatment at Gastonia hospital. Five received treatment at Asheville Orthopedic home.

The crippled children clinic is held monthly in Bryson City. An average of three children attend this clinic monthly.

### N. C. Law Requires Diphtheria Inoculation

Since the North Carolina Law requires that every baby have the first dose of diphtheria toxoid when six months of age, this will remind you to have your children between six months and six years of age inoculated at once against diphtheria.

Consult your family doctor, or call at the Health Department office in the Ashear Building, on Tuesdays 10 to 12 a. m., or on Thursdays 3 to 4 p. m.

### Fatal Accident On Nantahala Job

Boone C. Crisp, 29 of Robinsville was killed Thursday morning while working on the Nantahala project. It was reported that he lost control of a dump truck he was driving and jumped then the truck turned over on him.

The deceased is the son of Marmon C. Crisp of Robinsville.

### Sewing And Cooking Center To Open

Equipment for the vocational center for girls has arrived and Chairman of Commissioners Gus Leach has stated that the house will be available to begin operation of the school next week. The county commissioners have assigned the house on Main street adjoining the Macon Theatre property for this purpose.

The state office of the National Youth Administration has allotted funds for the support of the school, which is a federal appropriation to this county of a sum exceeding \$700 a month. The project will receive additional sponsorship from individuals and church organizations in Franklin and Macon county.

The young women who will learn sewing and cooking, and also earn \$16 a month towards the support of their families, will be certified through the regular channels in relation to their need. The financial aid combined with educational opportunity thus extended to young women is in line with the employment that CCC camps give to young men and their dependents. This project will train 40 girls at a time to care for their families or to earn a living.

### Baptist Ministers Meet Monday

The Macon County Baptist Ministerial conference will meet on Monday morning, April 7, at 10:30 o'clock at the Franklin Baptist church. All Baptist ministers in the county are urged to attend.

Rev. B. G. Benfield, moderator and Rev. Robert Williams, secretary.

### Officers

#### Of Teachers Association Elected Saturday

The Macon county unit of the N. C. Educational Association met last Saturday morning and elected the following officers to serve for the coming year: Mrs. Jessie B. Horsley, president; J. J. Mann, vice-president; Mrs. Lola R. Howard, secretary and treasurer. Miss Nora Moody, who has successfully served as president for the past year declined a unanimous re-election.

The body voted on nominations for state officers as follows: K. G. Phillips, for president, 91 votes; for vice-president, John C. Lockhart, 79 votes; R. W. Carver, 12 votes.

The following teachers are members of the N. C. E. A.:

Mary Ann Angel, Fannie Mae Arnold, Ralph Angel, Mrs. Tom Alley, Lucy B. Bradley, Mattie Brendle, Christine Browning, Ruth Byrd, Sam A. Bryson, Virginia T. Baker, Frances Barringer, J. B. Brendle, Annie Bailey, Kate R. Bradley, Mildred U. Blossom, Dora Lee Carpenter, Pauline F. Cabe, Katherine Crawford, William Crawford, Joyce J. Cagle, Onnie Cabe, Grace Carpenter, Emma H. Croom, Emerson G. Crawford, Edd J. Carpenter, Jack Carpenter, Ethel Calloway, Lolita Dean, Selma H. Dalton, Maurine Davis, Ina H. Duvall, Virginia Edwards, Mary Elmore, Frank Fleming, Elsie W. Franks, W. H. Finley, Elizabeth C. Guffey, Mrs. Phillip Green, Mrs. Pearl Hunter, Jessie Hurst, Jessie B. Horsley, Lola R. Howard, Nina Howard, Veva Howard, Amy Henderson, Blanche V. Howard, Pauline C. Holland, F. C. Hentz, Edna Jamison, Myrtle Keener, Lola S. Kiser, Lois Keener, T. T. Love, Mildred Moffitt, J. J. Mann, Katherine P. Mathews, Nora Moody, Fleta G. Mason, Carl D. Moses, Gertie W. Moss, Nina T. McCoy, Mayberl Moody, Elizabeth Meadows, Cynthia Mortz, Lovicia J. Moses, May McCoy, Ray Moses, Myrtle Norton, Mayburr H. Norton, Annie S. Neil, Katherine M. O'Neil, Gladys Pannell, Annie W. Pierson, Dorothy Plonk, Jessie Ramsey, Virginia B. Ramsey, Gloria Reagan, Mrs. Albert Ramsey, Marie G. Roper, Mrs. Austin Russell, Mary J. Sutton, Kate Shope, Margaret Slagle, Martha C. Shields, O. F. Sumner, Pearl Stewart, Bess N. Stewart, Esther Seay, Eunice C. Siler, Catherine Sherrill, Gay B. Teague, Gladys B. Vinson, Grace Wilkes, Norman West, Lucile K. Wurst, Kate Williams, Genevieve White, E. J. Whitmire, Elizabeth Whiteside, Charlotte Young.

## C. OF C. MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

### To Plan Campaign And Elect Directors For This Year

The directors of the Chamber of Commerce are planning for a big meeting next Tuesday night, April 8, in the courthouse at 8 p. m. as announced by Secretary Love last week.

All members as well as all citizens who wish to join in this cooperative work for the progress of Franklin are urged to be present.

Twelve names will be suggested to the meeting by the nominating committee for the board of directors for the coming year, and nominations from the floor will be called, says Vice-President Ben Woodruff, who will preside in the absence of the president, J. E. S. Thorpe.

**A Democratic Gathering**  
"This is going to be a democratic meeting, open to all for free discussion, suggestion and criticism," says Vice-President Woodruff.

The directors hope that every enterprise, business and organization will be represented in this meeting.

### Macon Farmers

#### Advised That Seed Prices Will Advance

By SAM MENDENHALL  
County Farm Agent

Due to the unsettled conditions of our country and the world, it is anticipated that some of our grass and legume seeds will advance in price. Some seeds have already made a decided advance. With this in mind, farmers of Macon county should plan now to save their own seed. Now is the time to seed lespedeza. Part of the land that you intend to seed to lespedeza should be seeded at a rate of 40 to 50 pounds per acre so that enough seed will be produced to make it pay to go over this land with a combine or seed pan. It is not necessary to plan to save seed from the best land because it has been found that the average land will produce more seed than the better land.

Farmers who intend to buy lespedeza seed this spring should do so as soon as possible for when the present supply that the stores have is exhausted the price may advance. Lespedeza has increased the average yield of corn in the county approximately three bushels per acre. It will continue to improve our crop yields if it is seeded and left on the land.

### Junior Class Sponsors Radio Artists

Members of the Junior Class of the Franklin high school will sponsor the radio performers, Wade Mainer and Sons of the Mountaineers, of WWNC, Asheville. They will appear at the Courthouse on Wednesday evening, April 9, at 7:30 o'clock. A small admission will be charged and the public is invited to attend.

### Topics For Pre-Easter Series At Baptist And Methodist Churches

Topics for a series of pre-Easter services to be held at the Baptist and Methodist churches, beginning Sunday, April 6, are as follows:  
1. A Christian and his Church, Sunday, April 6.  
2. Two Kinds of Christians, Monday, April 7.  
3. What It Takes to Become a Christian, Tuesday, April 8.  
4. Marks of a Growing Christian, Wednesday, April 9.  
5. Youth and Personal Religion, Thursday, April 10.  
6. Christian Responsibility, Friday, April 11.  
7. The Gospel of Another Chance, Saturday, April 12.  
8. What It Costs Not to be a Christian, Sunday, April 13.

The following services will be in the Baptist church with the Rev. J. L. Stokes II preaching: Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday. The services of Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday nights will be at the Methodist church with the Rev. C. F. Rogers preaching. A feature of the opening service Sunday night at the Baptist church will be the singing of the Franklin Choral Society. Thursday night will be Young People's night. All services will begin promptly at 8 o'clock.

A cordial invitation to attend is extended all people of Franklin and vicinity.