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ALL-STARS BEAT SYLVA 2 GAMES

To Play Isabella Sunday In First Game Of Final Series

Needing both games to enter the finals of the Tri-State league play off, the desperately fighting Franklin All-Stars played heads up baseball to win a double header from Sylva by the scores of 1 to 0 and 5 to 2.

Big Dan Reynolds, pitching to win all the way, turned in a five hit performance in the first encounter. This, coupled with some of the finest fielding ever seen here in both infield and outfield enabled Franklin to hold Sylva scoreless throughout the nine innings. The All-Stars scored one run in the third inning, which proved to be the winning tally, on two consecutive hits and a pass ball.

Russ Sumner, Sylvas ace moundsman, limited Franklin to five hits, but the fine defensive play Arday, Melton, Newton, Gentry, and Swanson, stars for Franklin, proved to be the margin of victory.

In the second game Doug Holsanback, who lost to Sylva last Sunday in the first games of the series, turned on the steam and set the visitors down with four hits in a seven inning affair. In addition he cracked a double with two men on base to score two men in the second inning. The All-Stars continued the same sparkling play afield that marked the first game and won easily by the score of 5 to 2.

Sunday, local fans will have their last chance this year to see one of the best baseball teams ever to represent Franklin when the Copper Basin boys from Isabella, Tenn. come here for the first game in a three game series for the championship of the Tri-State League. The game will start at 3 p. m. daylight saving time.

Following is a summary of last Sunday's game:

First Game:	R	H	E
Sylva	0	5	3
Franklin	1	5	2

Sumner and Brown; Reynolds and Arday.

Second Game:	R	H	E
Sylva	0	2	1
Franklin	5	5	0

Rhodes and Brown; Holsanback and Arday.

Mrs. J. A. Flanagan Accepts Position

Mrs. John A. Flanagan of Whitmire, S. C., has accepted the position of matron for young girls at the Thornwell Orphanage, an institution of the Southern Presbyterian church located at Clinton, S. C. Mrs. Flanagan who visited friends in Franklin over the past weekend, states that she and her children, Ann and John, will move to Clinton and she will begin her duties October 1. She will have about 30 young girls in their early teens under her guidance.

Mrs. Flanagan states that she is much gratified to take up this work and that she looks forward to returning to Franklin for her summer vacations.

Shoot-On-Sight Orders Given Navy By President

U. S. Historic Policy Of Freedom Of Seas To Be Defended

The President announced to the nation and the world in a broadcast last Thursday night that the army and the navy patrol had been ordered to shoot on sight—shooting first. He said we wanted peace but not at the price of permitting Hitler to "attack our naval and merchant ships while they are on legitimate business. He explained that the shooting order means that in our defensive area—extending at least to Iceland—we would not only protect our own ships but merchant ships of any flag. He promised that a bridge of ships with supplies would keep rolling across the Atlantic to "help destroy" Hitler and all his works, and that henceforth axis ships would enter our defensive waters "at their peril."

In the course of his speech, he made the following assertions: "The orders which I have given as commander-in-chief to the United States army and navy are to carry out that policy—at once."

"It is time for all Americans of all the Americas," he added, "to stop being deluded by the romantic notion that the Americas can go on living happily and peacefully in a Nazi-dominated world."

He termed freedom of the seas, a "basic and fundamental" policy for which generation after generation of Americans had battled. "Unrestricted submarine warfare in 1941 constitutes a defiance—an act of aggression—against that historic American policy."

"It was not 'an act of war,' he said, 'when we decide to protect the seas which are vital to American defense,' for 'the aggression is not ours; ours is solely defense.'

"That is my obvious duty in this crisis," he said.

"I have no illusions about the gravity of this step. I have not taken it hurriedly or lightly. It is the result of months of constant thought and anxiety and prayer. In the protection of your nation and mine it cannot be avoided. . . .

School Courses

In Carpentry, Mechanics To Be Given Free

Mr. E. J. Whitmire, vocational agriculture teacher of the Franklin High School, announced today that courses in carpentry and mechanics would be given at the Franklin High school this year. The courses are being given because of the large demand for men trained in these trades, said Mr. Whitmire, and are free.

All boys between the ages of 17 and 25 who are interested in these courses should see or write E. J. Whitmire, Franklin.

Besides being of value to those persons seeking employment of this type, the courses will be of aid to boys who may be called in the draft.

N. C. E. A. Conference At Franklin School

Mrs. J. C. Horsley, president of the local unit of the North Carolina Educational Association has announced a leadership conference to be held at the Franklin High School on Monday, September 22, at 3:30 p. m. (EDT). All teachers and principals and heads of committees are urged to be present.

Nine town and county units including Jackson, W. C. T. C., Swain, Graham, Cherokee, Andrews, Murphy, Clay and Macon, will attend the meeting, and state leaders will be guests.

The hospitality committee includes Miss Nora Moody, Mrs. Mollie Bolton and J. J. Mann. The registration committee to register all present is:

Mrs. Lola R. Howard, Mrs. Paul Carpenter and Mrs. Katherine P. Matthews. These are requested to be at the school at 3 o'clock.

Franklin Baptists To Clean Old Cemetery

Thursday and Friday, September 25th and 26th have been designated by a committee representing the Franklin Baptist church, of which John M. Moore is chairman, for cleaning and beautifying the old Baptist cemetery on White Oak street in Franklin. The committee wishes to obtain the cooperation of everyone interested in this cemetery in making it attractive and in asking those who can to come, or send someone, with tools to work at least one of these days. Or a cash donation may be sent which the committee will use to hire someone to work under their supervision.

Allen Davis, Jr. At Missouri Post

Allen Davis, Jr., of Cullasaja, and Janeth Z. Coates of Weaver-ville have just arrived at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., to be attached to the air corps replacement training center, according to information received from the Missouri army post. They enlisted in the army August 19 at Charlotte.

Private Davis, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Davis of Cullasaja, is a graduate of the Franklin high school, was a dry cleaner at Canton, and has had a course in mechanics at the technical school at Chasute Field, Ill., since entering the army.

Health Officer

Orders Schools Closed In District No. 1

An order was issued Saturday, September 12, by Dr. C. N. Sisk, district health officer, closing the schools in District No. 1, and other public gatherings to children under 16 years of age until October 6, as a precautionary measure against infantile paralysis.

The action was taken following the diagnosis by Dr. Furman Angel of a second case of the disease in the county. On Friday the illness of the 16-month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Denver Morgan of Kyle, who had been brought earlier in the week to the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Luellen Morgan of the Iotla community, was pronounced to be a case of polio, and the home was quarantined by the health department. The child died on Monday.

The following is the text of the order posted throughout the 1st school district.

Notice

Pursuant to an order of the County Board of Health of Macon County, North Carolina, the attendance of all persons under the age of 16 years at school, Sunday school, church service and all public gatherings, in Franklin, Cartoogechaye, Millshoal, Ellijay, Sugarfork, Cowee, Burningtown and Smithbridge Townships, is hereby prohibited until October 6, 1941.

It is further ordered that all soda fountains shall, during this period, use individual paper cups. The purpose of the foregoing order is to prevent the spread of Infantile Paralysis.

This 13th day of September, 1941.

C. N. SISK,

County Health Officer

Precautionary Measure

Dr. Angel stated that the measure was precautionary in view of the prevalence of the disease in epidemic form in Georgia, Tennessee, Ohio and other nearby states. The disease occurs most frequently in crowded cities and in hot weather, and tends to disappear with the arrival of cool weather, he said. Dr. Angel also stated that the county had been unusually free from any contagious diseases or epidemics during the past summer.

At a meeting of the county Board of Health and the physicians of the county held on September 3, following the development of the first case of poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) Dr. Sisk was authorized to take the action as stated in the above order if other cases developed. To date no other case besides the two above mentioned has been reported. Prior to the issuance of the order, Dr. Sisk, whose residence is in Waynesville, came to Franklin and held a conference with a group of ministers, Clyde Gailey of the Macon Theatre, physicians and members of the Board of Health whose cooperation and approval were given.

W. H. Finley, principal of the Franklin schools requested all teachers and parents to cooperate in the ruling to prevent any spread of the disease.

Schools embraced in District No. 1 besides the Franklin schools are Otto, Union, Clark's Chapel, Maple Springs, Watauga, Oak Ridge, Mashburn Branch, Higdonville, Mountain Grove, Salem, Walnut Creek, Buck Creek, Gold Mine, Oak Grove, Cowee, Liberty, Iotla, Burningtown, Oak Dale, Slagle, Pine Grove, Allison-Watts and Chapel Negro school.

The order does not affect Districts No. 2 and 3, which include the Highlands school and the Otter Creek and Nantahala schools.

Tom Franks Shot By Unknown Assailant

Tom Franks, well known Macon farmer, was shot last Saturday night at his home near Lake Emory about 12 o'clock. The shot struck him in the right arm just below the shoulder, causing minor injuries. No arrests have been made in connection with the affair, but local officers are continuing to investigate the case.

Mr. Franks was building a fire in the stove when his unknown assailant thrust a gun through a window which had a broken pane and fired, the shot striking Franks in the right shoulder. The wounded man was quoted as having told police that he did not know that he had an enemy in the world and could give no clue as to the identity of his assailant.

Macon's Farm Agent



S. W. Mendenhall Directs County's Defense Program

Bank Building Almost Completed

Progress on the Bank building is going forward after some delay through difficulty in getting prompt delivery of material. The heavy, fireproof steel doors for the vaults have been placed, and the interior wood work and wall board are being installed. Electric wiring with all fire prevention devices is complete, and the concrete and tile floor will soon be laid, according to Henry Cabe, cashier.

The store building adjoining the bank will be occupied by Jack Sanders Department store, as before the fire, and Harve Bryant's building by the Macon County Supply Co.

It is expected that the entire building will be ready for occupancy by the last of October.

Haywood Fair

To Be Attended By Large Crowd Sept. 19-20

More than 10,000 are expected to attend the second annual Haywood County Livestock and Home Arts show which will open Friday for two days at the high school stadium in Waynesville.

The fair is unique in that there will be no charge whatsoever or any carnivals. The show is intended by its sponsors, the Chamber of Commerce, the First National Bank, and Haywood county to be an educational program.

The stock show with more than 125 animals on display and the Home Arts exhibits will be one of the main features of the fair.

Franklin Man On Ship In Bombed Harbor

The following United Press dispatch, gives news of five of the 40 U. S. merchant ships that sailed in the Spring with war supplies for Great Britain to Red Sea ports. Richard R. Johnson, son of Mrs. J. W. C. Johnson, is one of the crew of the steamship Bienville, of Mobile, Ala. mentioned in the article.

SINGAPORE, Straits Settlements, Sept. 13.—(UP)—Crew members of the American freight steamship Bienville, 5,491 tons, of Mobile, Ala., said today that German or Italian planes repeatedly bombed a Suez canal harbor in which five American ships lay, but failed to hit any of them, though many foreign ships were struck. The ships hit included tankers, the Bienville men said.

The Bienville crew said the Axis planes bombed the harbor every other night for two weeks. "They were rotten shots," one crew member commented. "I'd sooner dodge German bombs than get caught in the draft."

Informants said a South African port at which the Bienville called was crowded with ships carrying lend-lease materials, and it was difficult to find anchorage or get fuel.

Rev. J. C. Swaim To Start Revival Sept. 22

Rev. J. C. Swaim will hold a revival at Gillispie's Chapel beginning Monday night, September 21, and continuing for about ten days. Rev. Mr. Swaim cordially invites all those who are able to attend the meeting.

PRIORITY

As a stimulus to better inter-American relations, some South American countries will have higher steel and chemical priority ratings than some U. S. civilian industries.

Macon Exhibits At Fair To Be Many and Varied

Farm Security

To Plan Cooperative Buying Association

Members of Farm Security families throughout Macon county will meet at the Agricultural building in Franklin for the purpose of organizing a county-wide cooperative buying association on Saturday morning, Sept. 25, at ten o'clock.

The meeting will be conducted by Albert Ramsey, farm security supervisor. Mr. Ramsey stated that Mr. C. R. Curtis, farm security cooperative specialist, has been asked to attend the meeting and address the group concerning the purpose and organization of a purchasing cooperative.

The purpose of this organization will be to aid its members to obtain their farm needs through cooperative buying. This will be the first county-wide cooperative of this type to be organized here. The members of the association will select their own officers and purchasing agents, and will conduct their own business affairs.

Cattle Sale

To Be Held At Dowdle Barn Sept. 24

A cattle sale will be held at the Mark Dowdle barn on the Georgia highway on Wednesday, September 24. Mr. Dowdle stated that there would be at least 100 nice steers and nearly the same number of heifers on hand for sale.

Mr. R. A. Patton, of Franklin will be the auctioneer in charge of the sale. All are requested to bring their cattle to the yards early Wednesday morning to be weighed as the sale will begin promptly at 11 a. m.

A large number of buyers will be on hand and it is expected that the cattle will bring a good price.

Methodist Planning Church Loyalty Campaign

The Franklin Methodist church is planning a church loyalty campaign for the week of September 28, which will end with participation in the communion service observed by the Methodists throughout the world on October 5.

Charles A. Fulton Of Cullasaja, Passes

Charles A. Fulton, 68, well-known farmer of the Cullasaja section, died in Angel clinic here at noon Monday following an illness of 10 days.

He was the son of the late Robert K. and Mary C. Fulton. Unmarried, he made his home with a niece, Mrs. Pritchard Peek.

The funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Bethel Methodist church with the pastor, the Rev. Philip L. Green, officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are two brothers, John, of Gneiss, and Robert, of Cullasaja; one sister, Mrs. Ed Horn, of Cullasaja; two nephews and three nieces.

Morgan Child Buried At Iotla

The burial of Mack E. Morgan, 16-month-old son of Denver and Herma Duvall Morgan, of Kyle, who died Monday at 2 a. m. took place Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Iotla Baptist cemetery. The child had been brought from the home in Kyle to the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Luellen Morgan in the Iotla community last week, in an ill condition. On Friday, the case was diagnosed as infantile paralysis. For this reason the funeral was private.

Besides the parents, a sister and a brother survive.

Potato Oddity Raised By Ledbetter

Big potatoes are no novelty in Macon county where the crop can stand up with the next one, but when all the potatoes in a hill stick together, this is news. Such a vegetable—which looks something like an animal—was raised by J. Harley Ledbetter, of Iotla, and is exhibited in the window of the Franklin Press.

Home Demonstration and 4-H Clubs and Stock Entries

Macon County Home Demonstration women and 4-H club girls will have a large exhibit at the Western North Carolina Agricultural and Industrial Fair which will be held during the week of September 23-27 at the fair grounds near Hendersonville. This is the largest fair to be held in Western North Carolina with 22 counties taking part in the various displays and exhibits. There will also be a number of stock entries.

The booth sponsored by the Macon county demonstration clubs and arranged by Mrs. Florence Sherrill will have an exhibit of 84 home grown and locally made articles. The central theme of the booth will be, "Food for Defense" stressing the daily food essentials and urging that a surplus be grown for the market. A complete display of local products which meet the demand of home needs consisting of meats, dairy products, canned foods, jellies, preserves, jams, kindling, eighteen different vegetables, fruits, cereals, cakes, cookies, pies, molasses, honey, flowers, crafts, and miscellaneous articles.

Home demonstration club women who will have articles on display at the fair are Mrs. Jim Gray, Miss Nellie Deal, Mrs. B. W. Justice, Mrs. Ed Byrd, Mrs. A. F. Kimsey, Mrs. Aaron Cunningham, Miss Homer Justice, Mrs. Fred Slagle, Mrs. Eldridge Bennett, Mrs. Kate Moore, Mrs. L. A. Berry, Mrs. Robert Corbin, Mrs. Emma Smart, Mrs. Esther Freas, Mrs. Bertha Kinsland, Miss Hallie Cabe, Mrs. Effie Deal, Mrs. F. F. Mashburn, Miss Callie Deal, Mrs. J. W. Addington, Mrs. Carl Slagle, Miss Maggie Holbrooks, Mrs. Robert Hyatt, Mrs. W. N. Keener, Mrs. S. R. Crockett, Mrs. Alice Ray, Mrs. Richard Cobb, and Mrs. Miza Crawford.

A bus will leave the Agricultural building on Wednesday morning, Sept. 24, at 8 a. m. (DST) which will accommodate 30 women.

Myra Slagle, Jane Setser, Barbara Jane Waldrup, Macon 4-H club girls will have, articles in the 4-H craft exhibit.

S. W. Mendenhall, county agent, has announced that the number of stock entries from this county has been greatly reduced due to the fact that several of the boys who planned to take their stock are under the quarantine age limit. However, there will be several entries from this county.

Much interest has been shown here in the local exhibits and a large crowd is expected to attend the fair throughout the week.

Information Booth To Close Saturday

The Chamber of Commerce Information booth will close Saturday, September 20, according to an announcement by Tillery Love, secretary of the Board.

The greatest number of tourists that have ever been known in the history of Franklin have been served during the past season since the Chamber of Commerce furnished this service. The number of inquiries answered and variety of services rendered has exceeded by well over a thousand the reports of last year.

Temperance Speaker Appointments Recalled

Owing to the order of the health department closing the schools and Sunday Schools; the appointments of the Hon. Wm. D. Upshaw, noted temperance lecturer, which were announced last week, have been called off. The rally that had been planned for Sunday at the Franklin Baptist church with Mr. Upshaw as special speaker, will not be held, according to an announcement by Rev. C. F. Rogers, pastor.

Draft Board Receives Call For 16 Men

The local draft board announces that a call for 16 men from Macon county—five of these to be negroes—has been received. The names will be published next week. The white selectees will leave on October 10 and the negroes on October 27.

John Calvin Esmland, a colored citizen of Macon county who was drafted from Asheboro, left for camp this week.