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ROLL CALL OFF TO GOOD START

Workers Report To Date Turned In To Chairman \$268.25

The Red Cross Roll Call which opened in Macon county on November 13 is going forward with splendid success, according to the chairman, Rev. Philip Green, and Mrs. H. E. Church, Franklin chairman.

The National membership dues are fifty cents, which are sent to national headquarters to help support the worldwide program of the American Red Cross, out of every membership received. The balance of all subscriptions remains in the county for the local program. Many business firms have subscribed 100 per cent.

The committees of workers and the chairmen have expressed their appreciation of the ready response they have received. Those who were not at home, or, who for any reason have not been approached for their memberships, may pay any one of the workers who will supply them with a button, calendar receipt and window sticker. Or memberships may be left at the office of the Franklin Press.

The following chairmen and workers are serving:

Harley Cabe, chapter chairman; Rev. Philip Green, Roll Call chairman; Mrs. Herbert E. Church, Franklin chairman; Rev. H. G. Wardlaw, county roll call chairman; Miss Nora Moody, school teacher's chairman; Mrs. Lola P. Barrington, Junior Red Cross chairman; Mrs. Hubert Wardlaw, Junior roll call chairman; Andrew Ray, chairman for colored roll call.

Workers are: Mrs. T. D. Bryson, Jr., Mrs. J. A. Sutton, Mrs. Lester Henderson, Mrs. D. A. Stewart, Mrs. Ray Swanson, Mrs. Geo. Brown, Mrs. A. B. Omohundro, Mrs. Bill Swan, Mrs. J. Ward Long, Mr. and Mrs. Ben McGlamery, Mrs. Pearl Wright, Mrs. Harry Higgins, Mrs. H. T. Horsley, J. E. Perry, T. W. Angel, Jr.

Memberships Reported

Five dollar memberships—A. B. Slagle, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Perry, J. S. Conley, W. C. Burrell, Lester Conley, Joseph Asher, S. & L. Store, Dr. Frank M. Killian, Zickgraf Hardwood company.

Three dollar memberships—Macon County Supply, John Cunningham; \$2.50 memberships, L. E. English, Roy Mashburn; \$2.00, Mrs. J. W. Hall, Miss Elizabeth Slagle, Bank of Franklin, donation, Mrs. Frank Reece.

One dollar memberships reported to date from six of the 16 workers are as follows:

Manson L. Styles, Mrs. S. Watkins, M. Blumenthal, Mrs. M. Blumenthal, Mrs. St. Clair Anderson, Mrs. Fred Arnold, Mrs. Lola Kiser, Mrs. Charles Bradley, Charles Bradley, Mrs. Ben McCollum, Mrs. Frank Higdon, Phil Hoyt, Mrs. H. E. Church, Rev. A. R. Morgan, Miss Caroline Nolen, T. H. Fagg, Mrs. Ben Woodruff, Mrs. Mary Landis, Mrs. E. K. Cunningham, Mrs. Margaret Tysinger, Mrs. H. H. Hurst, H. H. Hurst, Mrs. Sam Mendenhall, Mrs. J. S. Conley, Mrs. John Wasilik, Mrs. Hattie Waldrop, Mrs. J. W. C. Johnson, M. D. Billings, Mrs. Lester Conley, Carl Tharolsen, T. D. Bryson, Mrs. Lester Henderson, Mrs. Rosa Deana, Mrs. Frank Killian, Mrs. Howard Stewart, Mrs. W. E. Furr, Mrs. H. O. Cozad, Mrs. Jim Carpenter, Mrs. Jess Sloan, Mrs. Pascal Nor-

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Mrs. Leila A. Lowery's Funeral In Waynesville

Mrs. Leila A. Lowery, 73, for 40 years a resident of this county, died in a Morganton hospital on Tuesday morning, November 18, after an illness of several years. Mrs. Lowery lived on her farm on the Georgia road a short distance from Franklin until her last illness.

The remains were taken to Waynesville, to the home of a sister, Mrs. I. G. Brown.

The funeral services were conducted in the Presbyterian church of that place and interment was in Green Hill cemetery on Wednesday afternoon. The Rev. Malcolm R. Williamson, pastor of the church, officiated.

Surviving besides her sister, Mrs. Brown, are four grandchildren, Walter Shierl Brown, Helen Allison Brown, Mildred Josephine Brown, and Clarence Brown, and a son-in-law, Walter Brown, of Wyoming. Mrs. Lowery's daughter, Mrs. Brown, mother of the grandchildren, died about 10 years ago. Mr. Brown was visiting in Macon county and attended the funeral.

Thanksgiving In Franklin

This issue of The Franklin Press and The Highlands Maconian is issued a day earlier so that the staff can enjoy a Thanksgiving holiday. Although no special festivities of a public nature are planned, the day promises to be one that will be enjoyed by family groups with members coming from other places to spend the day or weekend at home, or, on the other hand, many are going away to visit relatives.

The community Thanksgiving service will be held in the Baptist church at 8 a. m., and the Rev. Hubert Wardlaw, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church, will preach the sermon.

All schools will have Thursday and Friday as a holiday, and most of the Franklin places of business will be closed all day.

Knitters Wanted

Mrs. Perry Appeals For More Red Cross Workers

Mrs. J. E. Perry, Red Cross production chairman, is issuing an urgent appeal for volunteers to make baby blankets and to knit sweaters and socks for the Red Cross for British relief.

She has requested too that all those who are making garments get them made as quickly as possible. They can be returned to the Episcopal Rectory or to Perry's Drug Store.

P. T. A.

Hears Sherrill And Fagg And Pupils On Health

"Are We Well Fed?" was the subject of the program of the November meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association last Monday afternoon, following the chosen topic for the year, "The Needs of Our Children." Complete outlines furnished by the state organization are being followed in the series that will be carried out in a progressive way by the program committee headed by Mrs. R. S. Jones.

Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill, home demonstration leader, and T. H. Fagg, assistant farm agent, were the principal speakers at the meeting. Mrs. Sherrill emphasized the necessity for proper diet to be taught both parents and children, and also that they be taught to raise and can the food.

Pupils Take Part

Mr. Fagg called attention to the fact that 50 per cent of the men examined for the army in the South were found to be undernourished. The nation's average was 40 per cent, which goes to show that while half of the southern draftees were undernourished, 30 per cent was the average of the rest of the country. Food For Defense programs are striving to correct this alarming condition in the Southern states.

Emma Lou Hurst, state Health Queen of the 4-H clubs, told of the examinations and trips that she had experienced in connection with this contest. Roy Smith gave a fine talk about the Higdonville school, reporting that 65 per cent were undernourished in 1940, and that hot lunches and the health program had brought this figure down to 35 per cent in 1941.

A health kit was given by a group of pupils, and a Thanksgiving devotional with songs was presented by the second grades from the rooms of Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Elsie Franks.

The committee that appeared before the school board reported \$50 obtained to pay for a thorough cleaning of the school, including window washing and rest rooms. It was voted to write a letter to the board in regard to the lack of proper seating for all students.

The President, Mrs. John Wasilik, appointed the following committees: Mrs. Emory Hunnicutt, Mrs. Gus Leach and Mrs. Allan Brooks to superintend the cleaning of the building. The Scout committee is composed of Mrs. W. E. Furr, Mrs. Henderson Calloway, Mrs. Charlie Bradley, Mrs. Tom McCollum and Mrs. Zeb Conley.

Box Supper, Cake Walk At Mountain Grove

On Wednesday night, November 20, there will be a box supper and cake walk at Mountain Grove schoolhouse. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school. The public is cordially invited.

Y. D. C. TO HEAR GREGG CHERRY

Democratic Leaders Will Speak At Asheville Rally Dec. 16

The fall rally of the Young Democrats of Western North Carolina will be held Saturday night, December 6, at The Langren hotel, Asheville.

A. Leonidas Hux, state president of the Young Democrats, has called a meeting of the state executive committee here for December 6, and the state officers and the committee members will be guests at the rally.

R. Gregg Cherry, Democratic leader of Gastonia, will be the principal speaker at the banquet which will feature the rally. He is past chairman of the Democratic party of North Carolina, former speaker of the state house of representatives, former commander of the American Legion, and for many years has been a political leader in North Carolina.

Three other speakers will be heard at the rally. They will be C. O. Kidding, solicitor of the 18th judicial district, Thomas L. Johnson, solicitor of the 19th judicial district, and John Queen, solicitor of the 20th judicial district.

Following the banquet and talks, there will be a floor show and dance on The Langren roof. Miss Henrietta Price of Asheville, vice-president of the Young Democratic Clubs of North Carolina; Miss Mary Leslie Thomas, Buncombe county club vice-president; and James C. Smathers, secretary of the Buncombe county club, have charge of arrangements for the rally.

Tickets to the rally will go on sale early this week, and committees will be appointed throughout this section.

Jr. Red Cross

Report Made by Mrs. Lola Barrington, Chairman

At the meeting of the Roll Call workers last week, Mrs. Lola P. Barrington made a comprehensive report of donations and activities of the Junior Red Cross in the Macon county schools. Mrs. Barrington has served the schools and the Red Cross alike for a number of years by her efficient work and interest in all phases of the program of education provided for school children.

County Children's Gift

The enrollment for last year numbered 3,300 children of the 4,000 children enrolled in the schools. The special drive in the summer for war sufferers brought the county's total of children's contributions to \$359.

"The Junior Red Cross is the child of the adult Red Cross," said Mrs. Barrington; our theme for the year was "Junior Red Cross Responsibilities for National Projects—Contributing to National Unity"—a big subject for little folk.

It was explained that enrollment is by rooms, each child contributing a penny or more, and every room, on 100 per cent enrollment receiving a copy of the Junior magazine, also posters and other material for teachers use. The children are guided in writing letters to children of other countries and learning and giving help to those of other lands, creating good will and understanding among the youth of all nations.

Fund For War Victims

Ever since the last World War, when the National Children's Fund was started, the children of the United States have continued to contribute to this fund to help children all over the world. The fund is now at work helping the victims of the greatest of all disasters—the victims of war. With its transportation of 100,000 gift boxes to children in Europe, Asia and the islands of the sea will be paid. At the end of March the Junior Red Cross had raised \$213,000 for war relief for children in Great Britain, Finland, Poland, France, Greece and China. This included evaporated milk, cocoa, baby foods, food, clothing, vitamin tablets and medicines from the frozen Arctic highway to the Burma Road. The fund sent \$3,000 to Greece which helped the Junior Red Cross children there in their war relief work for soldiers and undernourished children. A ship sailing around the Cape of Good Hope carried \$10,000 worth of cocoa for Greek children left fatherless; and \$70,000 went to aid children in England whose homes and

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Men In The Service



CAPT. GERALD LEDBETTER

A former Macon county boy Capt. Gerald Ledbetter who served 18 months in service overseas with the ambulance division of the First North Carolina Regiment is again taking an active part in the service of his country. Capt. Ledbetter is Commanding Officer of the 1108th Quartermaster Detachment stationed at Fort Adams, R. I., and is also acting as Sales Officer of the Labor defense of Narragansett Bay.

Among his many duties is the task of supplying all food to the 4,500 soldiers and officers located at the five forts in that area.

Capt. Ledbetter is the son of W. C. Ledbetter of Franklin Route 2.

MASHBURN BROTHERS IN CANAL ZONE

Pvt. 1st Class Johnnie Mashburn, Btry. Q. 72nd C. A., Anti-Aircraft, is stationed at Ft. Randolph, Canal Zone. He entered the service nine months ago, and has been in Panama seven months. He was 21 years old in September.

Pvt. Ben Lee Mashburn, Btry. F, 1st C. A. C., is stationed at Fort Sherman, Canal Zone. He is 19 years old. These young soldiers are brothers, sons of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Mashburn of this county. Both are volunteers, and they have been in Panama the same length of time.

WM. P. ANGEL IN AIR CORPS

William Proileau Angel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Angel, is in the Army Air Corps, stationed at Barksdale, La. He entered the service August 20.

WM. RICKMAN AT PARRIS ISLAND

Pvt. William R. Rickman of the U. S. Marines Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Rickman, has been transferred from Quantico, Va., to Parris Island, S. C. While stationed at Quantico he took a six weeks course of study at the field telephone school. He is now back at Parris Island to take up his duties for Uncle Sam.

PARKER VISITS PARENTS

Arrivelle Parker stationed at Norfolk, Va., with Unit D at the U. S. Naval Training Station, is now visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Parker, Franklin Route 4.

JOHNSON TRANSFERRED TO WEATHER BASE

Pvt. William S. Johnson has been transferred to the Weather Base Station of the Air Corps at Luke Field, Phoenix, Ariz.

CHAPEL SCHOOL TEACHER JOINS AIR CORPS

Wilson Jones, who has been a teacher at the Chapel school, and who enlisted for service in the air corps, has passed his examinations at Fort McPherson and has been transferred to Tuskegee, Ala., for training.

Don Cabe Has Role In W. C. T. C. Production

Don Cabe, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cabe, of Franklin is taking part in the Western Carolina Play-er's first production of the year, "He Who Gets Slapped." The play will be presented at the Western Carolina Teacher's college auditorium at Cullowhee, Tuesday evening, November 25.

Don, who is a freshman at the college this year and is making his first appearance with the Players, will play the part of Jackson, the chief clown. He is a graduate of Franklin high school.

BOX SUPPER AT SALEM SCHOOL

A box supper will be given at the Salem school Saturday night, November 22, for the benefit of a lunch room. The public is cordially invited to attend.

4-H Clubs Make Reports On Year's Achievements

"Men In Service" Column Launched In This Issue

In this week's issue a column, entitled "Men In Service" carries items of news and changes of location of Macon county men who are enlisted in the military or defense service of the country.

We hope to make this a regular weekly feature of this newspaper, and we request relatives and friends to send us news of Macon boys and men as they receive it. This office receives some items from time to time from Camp publicity services, but this is not regular or frequent. Macon men are now scattered wherever the flag flies, from Iceland and the Aleutian Isles to the Philippines and the Canal Zone. Many are receiving the Press and Maconian, and this news from home and of the whereabouts of their friends is most welcome. This service of their home paper may sometimes result in meetings in faraway places.

First Aid

Classes Attended By 50 Men And Women

First Aid classes of the American Red Cross, which began on November 3, received certificates at the final session on Friday, November 14. The course was conducted in the Agricultural building, and lasted two weeks.

Hanford W. Wilson, qualified instructor of Adult Education, conducted the classes, using the American Red Cross text book. The course is that prescribed by the North Carolina Industrial Commission under the department of public instruction.

Two classes a day were held, one in the afternoon and one in the evening, the latter for the benefit of foremen and time keepers on WPA projects in the county. The total number attending both classes was 50, 30 men and 20 women.

Those receiving certificates were as follows: Claude Cabe, P. H. Threlkeld, Bill Bryson, George R. Pattillo, Proileau Shope, Harley E. Baldwin, James C. Myers, Robert S. Vanhook, George R. Hinson, Carl V. Dalton, Wilson P. Smart, Sanford Mann, William R. Gibson, James L. Potts, Zeb W. Conley, Lake B. Shope, Frank R. Leach, Robert Parrish, W. E. Baldwin, Woodrow W. Parker, Herbert McGlamery.

The women receiving certificates were Alma Cabe, Esther May Childers, Ethel Hurst, Nora Moody, Mrs. Zeb Conley, Mrs. T. W. Porter, Mrs. Esther Freas, Mrs. Allan Brooks, Mrs. W. C. Penn, Mrs. J. E. S. Thorpe, Mrs. T. W. Angel, Jr., Mrs. Joe Dowdle, Mrs. R. M. Rimmer, Mrs. W. A. Rogers, Miss Lassie Kelly, Mrs. Frank Tal-ent, Mrs. R. G. Beshears.

Contents Of Course

Mr. Wilson said he was much pleased with the response in Franklin and with the number attending. On the strength of the interest shown he stated that he expected to return at an early date, when he expects to conduct a class for the colored people also.

Mr. Wilson outlined the course as covering instruction in emergency injuries—all kinds of wounds, fractures, stopping flow of blood and transportation of injured persons. Resuscitation from asphyxiation, drowning and first aid for poison, dog and snake bite, shock and sunstroke were included in the course. Instruction to relieve common emergencies, such as blisters, colds, hives and hiccoughs, poison ivy and insect bites, was also given. What should be in a first aid kit and how to use it was taught.

Venison Supper At Methodist Church

The ladies of the Methodist church will give a venison supper on Tuesday evening, November 25, at 6:30 o'clock, in the basement of the church. The proceeds will go to the Woman's Society for Christian Service.

The deer was bagged by T. W. Porter while on the Pisgah Forest hunt with a group of Franklin hunters, on Armistice Day.

AT LAST

Watermelons without seeds have finally been achieved, the work being done by a Chinese scientist, Dr. S. T. Wong of Langnan University, now at Chi Toe, Kwantung, China.

Nine Clubs Represented At Saturday's Meeting, Prizes Awarded

The 4-H clubs of Macon county held their annual Achievement Day Saturday, November 15, with the club members conducting the program.

Emma Lou Hurst, president of the county council presided. The Rev. Hubert Wardlaw conducted the devotions.

Each club in the county was represented. West's Mill led the group with 19 present. Cartoogchaye, Lotla and Higdonville each had 16 present. The other clubs were as follows: Oak Grove 10; Holly Springs 6; Pine Grove 7; Otter Creek 4; and Burningtown 3.

A special health program similar to the one given at a recent Rotary club meeting was led by Clayton Ramsey. Doris Dalrymple and Ruth Bryson gave a team demonstration which was preparing an emergency meal from canned foods. Roy Smith of Pine Grove told of health activities conducted at Higdonville school last year. Emma Lou Hurst, elected last summer at the state meeting as North Carolina Health Queen, reported on the State health examination and honors won at the 4-H Short Course.

Reports on last year's activities were given as follows: Camp—Grace Long and Freddie West; 4-H Short Course—Leroy Roper and Myra Slagle; District and State Dress Revue—Barbara Hurst; State Fair—Betty Jane Waldrop. Elizabeth DeHart reported on her poultry project from which she made a profit of \$26.83 for the year 1941.

The afternoon program consisted of food preservation contest for the girls and a cattle judging contest for the boys.

Prizes Awarded

Cash prizes were awarded with Doris Dalrymple winning first prize with a group of five jars. Betty Bryson won second place with a group of five jars.

Clothing prizes were awarded for the dress revue given recently at the Home Demonstration Achievement Day. Myra Slagle and Jeanette Harrison, and Mattie Pearl Bryson won prizes on school dresses. Emma Lou Hurst, Betty Jane Waldrop, and Jane Setser won prizes on general wear costumes.

The prizes awarded to the boys who kept the best records were won by Leroy Roper, Roy Smith and Bobby Parrish. Four boys tied for first place in the cattle judging contest. They were Leroy Roper, Thomas Cabe, Bruce Rickman and Edwin Conley.

Franklin Loses Close Game To Robbinsville

In the closest and hardest fought game of the season Franklin high school lost to Robbinsville high 12 to 6 on the local athletic field November 14.

Robbinsville pushed across two touchdowns in the first half, but were held scoreless in the last half by a fighting Franklin eleven.

With a series of reverses and fake reverses the local club drove 60 yards down the field to score in last quarter. Franklin, a few plays later, recovered a Robbinsville fumble on their 35 yard line and drove to 7 yard line where they were held for downs by the visiting club.

Murray, Peacock, Hunnicutt, and Jacobs turned in a good game for the local team.

On November 20 Franklin journeyed to Brevard to play Brevard high in a Thanksgiving event. In preparation for this and their encounter with the Macon "Make-shifters" to be played a week later the local club is being drilled hard this week by Coach Newton.

Macon Red Cross Production Report

The following report of production for war relief to date by the Macon county chapter was made by the chairman, Mrs. James E. Perry, at the Red Cross dinner last week:

Fifty layettes, 113 hospital bed shirts, 54 operating gowns, 26 boys' shirts, 24 women's dresses, 48 girls' dresses, 33 women's wool skirts, 20 girls' skirts, 24 crocheted wool shawls, 8 men's wool sweaters, 17 women's sweaters, 77 children's sweaters, 42 pairs of men's socks, 19 children's knit caps, and 1 knit scarf.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Porter, Jr., in Nashville, Tenn., a son, Thomas William III, on November 12.