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## 500 Locker Freezer Plant To Be Constructed Here

### Building To Be Erected For Adequate Supply Of Macon County

W. S. Bearden, of Clayton, Ga., R. S. O'mohundro and A. B. O'mohundro, both of Franklin, have purchased a lot from A. B. Slagle on highway 64, within the town limits and will begin construction of a 500 Locker Freezer Plant, within the coming two weeks, Mr. Bearden stated Wednesday.

The building will be built of brick and tile and will be 50 feet by 100 feet. It will be an up-to-date modern plant and will have enough lockers to supply the families in Macon county. However, in order to get priorities for building the plant, it will be necessary to rent at least 60 per cent of the lockers in advance.

In addition to the locker service, Mr. Bearden stated, there will also be a meat curing plant. This plant will be erected on a spacious lot with ample parking space for the customers.

The new plant will be known as the Macon County Frozen Foods Incorporated.

Mr. Bearden is agent for the Sinclair Refining Company in Clayton, Ga., and also in Franklin, and R. S. O'mohundro is owner and manager of the Variety Store and A. B. O'mohundro is owner and manager of the Western Auto Associate Store, both business places of Franklin.

## Fiction Books

### Wanted For Boys At Lake Lure Rest Camp

John M. Archer, Jr., chairman of the Camp and Hospital committee of the Macon County Chapter of American Red Cross, has received an urgent appeal for reading materials for the boys at the Lake Lure Rest Camp. They particularly request good fiction books, and if there is any one who have books they would like to send, please leave them at the Nantahala Power and Light Office with Mr. Archer and he will see that they are promptly delivered.

### Rev. R. F. Huneycutt, Gold Hill Pastor, Passes

Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, pastor of the Franklin Methodist church here received a message on last Friday morning stating that his father, the Rev. R. F. Huneycutt, pastor of the Gold Hill Methodist church at Gold Hill, had died very suddenly from a stroke of apoplexy suffered on the same date.

Mr. and Mrs. Huneycutt, and young son, Wylie, left immediately for Gold Hill and are remaining for a visit with relatives and friends.

### Final Rites For Mrs. Mary Shelton Sunday

Final rites for Mrs. Mary Brown Shelton, 85, were held on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Brush Creek Baptist church. The Rev. Miss Mary Elrod, the Rev. O. C. Nix and the Rev. F. Baumgartner, officiated, with burial following in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers included W. E. Miller, Kermit Rogers, Stanley Tilson, Ben Rogers, Dock Rogers and N. F. Rogers.

Mrs. Shelton, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, was born on September 23, 1860 in Jackson county. She had made her home in Macon county for the past several years. She was twice married. The first marriage was to T. H. Galloway, and following his death she was married to J. W. Shelton, who survives.

Mrs. Shelton, who had been married for the past three years, was a member of the Brush Creek Wesleyan Methodist church.

Surviving besides the husband, are three children, Mrs. John Lee Shook, of Jackson county, and Mrs. Nela Golden, of Hillsboro, Ore., and one son, Hexter Galloway, of Vernonia, Ore. Also a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

### Pvt. John C. Henry, Nazi Prisoner, Liberated

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henry, of the Ellijay section of Macon county, have recently had a letter from their son, John C. Henry, stating that he is a free man once more after being a prisoner of the German War since February 18, 1943.

A part of the letter is as follows: "I'm free mother. Can you possibly imagine what that means to me? I'm so excited I can't write properly. I'm a bit sick mother—from eating too much. I've been eating and eating every since I've been liberated. I'm coming home soon and I can't possibly tell you how excited I am. Maybe I'll get home sometime in June. There are two things I'll never forget. The greatest and most human are the American Red Cross and the louisiest and the most inhuman people—the Jerries."

Enlisting in the United States Army in 1938 at the age of 17 years, Pvt. Henry has had a colorful career in two armies—the United States and the Canadian army. After two years he reenlisted and was sent to a post in Minnesota.

Seeing no chance of the United States getting into the war in Europe at the time, he obtained a discharge and crossed into Canada where he enlisted immediately in the Royal Canadian forces and was soon sent to England.

Shortly after Pvt. Henry's arrival in England he wrote home describing a German air attack on three troop trains en route to Scotland. He told of being a passenger on the first train, which was unscratched, while the second and third trains were badly damaged with many casualties among the troops.

While still a member of the Canadian army he became engaged to a Welch girl, Rita Tanner. A German bomb killed her while she was sitting at his side and he escaped uninjured. In 1942 he obtained a transfer back to the United States and was sent to North Africa in December. He was in active duty there until he was reported missing in action in February.

## American Legion

### Benefit Show Enjoyed By Large Crowd

Franklin American Legion Post No. 108 sponsored a good show at the Court House, Saturday night, June 9. The "Crazy Tennesseans" put on a good performance worthy of praise in or out of their own pasture. They are well known for their programs over station WROL, Knoxville.

Lon Dalton, Post commander, is to be thanked for bringing this excellent entertainment here. He and Frank Reese handled the affair with cooperation of other Legionnaires.

A total of \$181.00 was taken in by the Legion, which after deduction of Federal tax, will be put into the fund for local emergency aid to veterans of World War I and II and their families.

The Legion hopes to have "The Crazy Tennesseans" back for a return engagement. If they live up to Saturday night's performance in their new show we'll have to build a new court house to accommodate the crowd.

### Last Year's Pumpkin In Perfect Condition

Samuel J. Murray, of Iotia street, brought into the Press office last week a pumpkin that he raised last year that was sound and in perfect eating condition.

Mr. Murray states that he finds no trouble in keeping pumpkins through the winter months provided they do not get chilled or overheated. He kept this one in an up-stairs room through the winter.

Members of the Press force are looking forward to the delicious pies that will be made from this pumpkin, and we hope that Mr. Murray will have the same good luck with his pumpkins next year.

## NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM

### PFC. PENLAND AWARDED BRONZE STAR MEDAL



Pfc. Edwin H. Penland of Sealy, while serving with the army of the United States has distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services.

Pfc. Penland was driving a 1/2-ton 4x4 truck carrying Lts. T. W. Bull, J. J. Brady and T. A. Donohue. The vehicle was fired upon from concealment and Lts. Bull and Brady, who were seated in the rear seat of the vehicle, were each shot through the leg. Another shot deeply indented the back of the seat on which Pfc. Penland was sitting. Exhibiting extreme coolness under fire, Pfc. Penland, who had noted the location of the Air Station in Pagny-Sur-Moselle, turned his vehicle and again passed the same location from which fired upon. The wounded officers were undergoing treatment within five minutes after having been shot, and it is considered that the prompt and fearless action of Pfc. Penland, and his carefully cultivated habit of observation, saved the life of Lt. Bull who would have died to death in a very few minutes.

Pfc. Penland was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious and heroic service in aiding a wounded officer at Pagny-Sur-Moselle, France.

Pfc. Penland, the son of Mrs. Effie Penland, had previously been awarded the Good Conduct Medal. He entered the service in December 1943 and was sent overseas in April 1944.

### Mrs. George Guest Died At Home, Funeral Sunday

Mrs. Martha Ann Guest, 64, wife of George Guest, of East Franklin, died at her home on Saturday morning at 12:30 o'clock following a lingering illness of several months.

Mrs. Guest was a life-long resident of Macon county. She was a daughter of the late John and Sarah Ann Kinsland, of the Watauga section of the county. She was born on April 1, 1881 and was a member of the Holly Springs Baptist church. On April 14, 1901 she was married to George Guest, who survives.

Funeral services were held at the Holly Springs Baptist church on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Rev. W. C. Pipes, pastor, officiated, assisted by the Rev. J. F. Marchman, pastor of the Franklin Baptist church. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers included Paul Kinsland, John Pennington, Roy Kinsland, John Franks, G. S. Kates and Curley Pennington.

Surviving are the husband and eight children, five sons, Frank and Jack Guest, of Detroit, Mich., Coley and Carl Guest, of Franklin, and Richard Guest, who is serving in the armed forces in Italy, and three daughters, Mrs. Norman Guest, Mrs. Lyman Gregory and Mrs. Bert Gibson, all of Franklin. Three brothers, Sam, A. G. and C. B. Kinsland, all of Franklin route 4, and two sisters, Mrs. India Pennington, of Franklin, and Mrs. Cora Sanders, of Canton. Also a number of grandchildren.

### CLYDE TALLENT



Pfc. Clyde Talient has been "Presumed dead", according to a War Department letter of June 2 received by his wife, Mrs. Anita B. Talient.

Pfc. Talient entered the Army May 30, 1943 and received training at Camp Wheeler, Ga., and at Ft. Meade, Md., before sailing the last of October, 1943 for the Mediterranean theatre of war. He was reported missing in action June 1, 1944 after having been wounded by enemy fire while his company was attacking near Lanuvino, Italy and had to be left behind on the battlefield as his comrades advanced.

Pfc. Talient was the son of the late A. D. Talient and Mrs. Florence L. Talient of Iotia. In 1940 he married Miss Anita Willis of Hatteras, N. C., whom he met when he was principal of Hatteras school. One son, Ray Talient, was born in March, 1944. There are three brothers: Hiram Talient, Cpl. Darrell Talient and Howard Talient and one sister, Anna Lois Talient, all of Iotia. Cpl. Darrell Talient is recently reported in the Marianas where he is serving with the Army Air Corps.

## George Patton

### Named As Council For Highway Board

The appointment of George B. Patton, former assistant attorney general and legislator, to succeed Charles Ross as general counsel for the state highway commission has been recommended by Governor R. Gregg Cherry.

The recommendation probably will be acted upon at the next meeting of the commission. The \$6,000-a-year appointment would become effective July 1.

Ross, counsel for the commission for 22 years and himself a former assistant attorney general, has been acting as chairman of the commission since the resignation last year of D. B. McCrary of Asheboro. Ross has continued to act as counsel while serving as chairman.

Patton, 47, served in the 1939 general assembly as representative from Macon county. He became an assistant attorney general the same year and served for five years. He resigned last fall to return to private law practice at Franklin.

He is a former mayor of Franklin, is president of the Macon Bar association, a member of the executive committee of the 20th Judicial District bar, attorney for the town of Highlands and Macon county, and is a civic and church leader.

Governor Cherry did not indicate whether Patton had agreed to accept the appointment, but it was assumed Patton at least had been offered the post.

Action on the Patton recommendation is expected to take place at the same time decisions in the filling of other commission-appointive offices probably will be made. Jobs expected to be filled at the next meeting include those of state penal director, now held by H.

## Dig Out Those Hidden Dollars And Invest Them In E Bonds

### Final Rites For Mrs. Pauline Tallent Saturday

Final rites for Mrs. Pauline Tallent, 68, were held on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the Aquone Baptist church. The Rev. T. D. Dendy, officiated, and burial followed in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Tallent, a life-long resident of this county, was the daughter of the late Mitchell and Menta Wood Hicks. She was married to Charlie Tallent, who preceded her in death a few years ago. She was a member of the Kyle Baptist church.

Mrs. Tallent died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harley Pendergrass at Nantahala on Tuesday evening at 9 o'clock following a lingering illness of five years.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Harley Pendergrass, of Nantahala, Mrs. Ida Younce, and Mrs. Etta Pendergrass, of Aquone, Mrs. Maude Lunsford and Mrs. Pearl Moore, of Peachtree. Also two brothers, James Hicks, of Lake Junaluskee, and Arthur Hicks, of Aquone, and 20 grandchildren, and 1 great-grandchild.

### William Elbert Battles Died Sunday Morning

William Elbert Battles, 68, died at the home of his son, Wylie Battles, in the Otto community on Sunday morning at 4 o'clock following a stroke of apoplexy suffered one year ago.

Mr. Battles, born on May 19, 1877 in the Cartoogechaye section of Macon county, had lived in the county all his life. He was married to Miss Callie Guffey, of Cartoogechaye, who preceded him in death a few years ago. He was a member of the Maidens Chapel Methodist church on Cartoogechaye, and his life's work was in farming. Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Asbury Methodist church at Otto. The Rev. V. N. Allen, pastor, officiated and interment followed in the church cemetery.

Mr. Battles is survived by two sons, Wylie Battles, of Otto, and Charlie Battles, of Fontana. Also two sisters, Mrs. Mary Hastings, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1, and Mrs. Annie Southards, of Cartoogechaye, and six grandchildren.

### Funeral Services For Mrs. Beulah Parrish

Funeral services for Mrs. Beulah E. Parrish, 69, wife of George T. Parrish, of Franklin route 3, were held at the Burningtown Baptist church on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with the Rev. J. F. Marchman, pastor of the Franklin Baptist church and the Rev. George A. Cloer, of the Leatherman community, officiating. Interment was in the Franklin cemetery.

Mrs. Parrish died at her home on Burningtown on Thursday afternoon about 6 o'clock following a lingering illness of one year, although she had only been critically ill for the past week.

Mrs. Parrish, who was the former Miss Beulah Emile Porter, was a life-long resident of Macon county.

She was a member of the Burningtown Baptist church. Fifty-five years ago she was married to George T. Parrish, who survives.

The pallbearers included Dover Duvall, Fred Parrish and Ralph Baldwin, grandsons, and Bronce Roper, Terrell Parrish, and Ernest Huggins.

Surviving besides the widower are four daughters, Mrs. W. E. Baldwin, of Franklin, Mrs. Hallie Duvall, Mrs. Buren Pruett, and Miss Bertie Parrish, all of Franklin route 3, and two sons, Ralph Parrish, of Brevard, and R. P. Parrish, of Johnday, Ore. Also three half-sisters, Mrs. Nat Gennett, Mrs. Hallie Bass and Mrs. Worth McKinney, all of Asheville, and one half-brother, J. D. Porter, of Emporia, Va., 22 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

H. Honeycutt as acting director, and that of warden of Central prison, now being held by Acting Warden Hugh Wilson.

### Less Than Half Of Macon 7th War Loan Quota Sold To Date

A report from the Federal Reserve Bank in Richmond, Va., shows that Macon county has to-date sold a total of \$70,687.50 in the E bond sales and that the overall total has reached \$96,731.50, according to a report made by Gilmer A. Jones, co-chairman of the Seventh War Loan Drive Thursday.

This is a considerable pick-up over the report of last week, however, we are far short of reaching our quota of \$164,000.00 in the E series of the overall quota of \$218,000.00, and with only four more weeks to raise OUR VICTORY E BOND FLAG.

Citizens of Macon county, dig out those hidden dollars and convert them into E Bonds. We realize this is a long and tedious drive and a lot of bonds are to be sold, but it can be done and it must be done. Our boys in the Pacific can't quit—and we can't stop either.

Members of the Junior Civil Air Patrol will have charge of the bond sales at the Bank of Franklin on Saturday morning, it has been announced by Mrs. J. E. S. Thorpe, chairman of the Woman's Division of the county. The girls include Misses Ruth Angel, Ann Lyle, Freda Mae Arnold, Jane McCracken, Bobetta Dean and Barbara Conley.

## Selective Service

### Macon County Men Leave For Induction

The following men were recently classified in IA, according to figures from the Local Board of Selective Service, on June 7, 1945:

Henry Pierson Keener, Jr., Charlie Francis Kenney, Arch Harold Dills, Oscar Logan Hedden, James Sanders, Rufus Butler Justice, Goley Vincent, DeWitt Waldroop, Claude Ellis McCoy.

### Sent To Induction Station

The following men have been sent to the Induction Station and are now in the Army: George Robert Chavis, Robert Willard Hall, Robert Lee Alexander Gibson, colored, Duane Clayton Wilson, Howard Thomas Swafford, George Louis Webb, William Shirley Keener, Lewis Eugene Gibson, Albert Lee Poindexter, Major Laurel Woods, James Clarence Crisp, Jasper Benjamin Green, Silas James Ledford, Corbin A. Talley, Harry William Baty, James Randolph Hall was transferred to Waynesville for induction, Leo Mack Meece was transferred to Seneca, S. C., for induction, and Charles John Ferguson was transferred to Los Angeles, Calif., for induction.

### New Registrants

New registrants with this Local Board during the month of May are: Joe David Evans, Wiley Howard Jones, Henry Pierson Keener, Jr., Jim Hogged, Harley Hyman Seagle, Allen Bunyan Barnes, John Thomas Chrisawn, Kelly Gordon Jones, Lee Oliver, Nathaniel Patterson, colored, Dover Cochran, William Richard Bingham, Manuel Lee McMahan, Billie Thomas Bateman, Floyd Ernest Cruse, Roy Lawrence Pendergrass, Virgil Taylor Holland, Charlie Francis Kenney, Samuel Moses Mashburn.

### Azalea In Full Bloom On Wayah Bald

John Wasilik, Jr., district forest ranger for the Nantahala National Forest Service, Franklin, has announced that the flaming azalea is now in full bloom along the road from Wayah Gap to Wayah Bald Lookout Tower.

The white azalea at the Lookout Tower is just beginning to bloom and should reach its peak about June 20, Mr. Wasilik stated.

This drive, with the flaming azalea blending in with the softer hues of yellow makes one of the most beautiful drives in the county during this season of the year.

Buy more War Bonds now