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Western Union To Open Office Here

Will Greatly Reduce Wire Rate Here; Office To Be At Angel's

The Western Union Telegraph company is opening a Franklin office this week, and officials said Thursday that service probably would start sometime Friday.

The office will be situated in Angel's Drug store.

The coming of Western Union will mean a reduction in telegraph rates for this community. In some cases, the rate will be cut in half.

Since the coming of the Talulah Falls Railroad to Franklin about 35 years ago, telegrams have been handled by the railroad, which charged 30 cents for its service, in addition to the Western Union rate, for a 10-word telegram, with a proportionate extra charge for each additional word. To send a 10-word telegram to Asheville, for example, the rate was 66 cents, when the Western Union service starts, it will be 33 cents.

An uptown office also will prove a definite convenience.

The Western Union has leased a telephone wire from the Western Carolina Telephone company and the Southern Bell, between Franklin and Sylva, and telegrams will be sent by teletype. A wire from Franklin to Asheville, for example, will be teletyped to Sylva, and relayed from there.

V. Williams, of Asheville, has been here this week installing the teletype in Angel's Drug store, and Thursday morning the equipment was being tested.

J. Hamilton Slagle, manager of the Asheville Western Union office, will be in Franklin Friday to explain the set-up to local people. He will be accompanied by a technician from the Asheville office, who will instruct one or more members of the drug store staff in the operation of the teletype and other Western Union duties.

All Macon farmers who have grown tobacco for market for the first time this year must report to the AAA office at once the number of acres or tenths of acres grown this year, so that the tobacco fields may be measured, according to Robert Fulton, county chairman of the A. C. A. This information is required before a tobacco marketing card can be issued to a farmer for selling his tobacco on the market, it was explained.

Do You Remember ...?

(Looking backward through the files of The Press)

50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK
A convention of the People's party of Macon County is called to meet in Franklin Saturday, 22nd day of August, for the purpose of electing delegates, to the Convention in Waynesville, August 25.

Don't be a DNMMY! Subscribe for the PRESS, pay for it, read it and be a MAN.

Indigo blue calico, a nickle a yard at Wright's.
White sugar, 15 pounds for a dollar at Wright's.

25 YEARS AGO
ELLJAY: The boys of this community have purchased a baseball outfit. After practicing twice, they tried a game with Holly Springs. Our boys got five tallies, but the other side was not willing to stop with any small number.

IOTLA: The boys and girls are enthusiastic over the Athletic Association for the county. The teams of Holly Springs, Cowee, Mulberry and other places will have splendid competitors in them.

10 YEARS AGO
The sixth annual farm tour and picnic will be sponsored by the Franklin Rotary club and will be held next Wednesday. A large attendance is expected.

Boise Hall, commander-elect of the American Legion, announced this week that the Legion is planning to sponsor a Labor Day celebration for the entire county in Franklin on Monday, September 7.

T. A. Kinsland

Taken By Death; Funeral Held At Watauga

Tom A. Kinsland, 60, a resident of the Watauga section of Macon county, died in the C. J. Harris community hospital, Sylva, Wednesday morning at 5 o'clock, following an illness of two weeks. He had been in ill health for several months.

Mr. Kinsland, who had spent most of his life on construction works and in farming, was born in the Watauga community and had lived there all his life. In 1922 he was married to Miss Gertrude Crawford, of Cullowhee, who survives. He was a member of the Watauga Baptist church.

Funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Watauga Baptist church, with the Rev. Frank Reid, pastor, officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers were Clarence E. Henry, Frank L. Henry, Jr., Claude Hooper, Ben Norton, Frank Crawford and Carl Phillips.

Surviving, in addition to his widow, are four sons, Tommie, Fred, Clyde and Grady Kinsland; two sisters, Mrs. Frank L. Henry, Sr., and Mrs. Charlie Robinson, of Biltmore; and one brother, Fred Kinsland, of Cresswell, Ore.

Potts funeral home was in charge of the arrangements.

Death Takes

J. E. Parrish At Age Of 77

John E. Parrish, 77, a life-long resident of the Rose Creek section of Macon county, Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, following an illness of several weeks.

Mr. Parrish, a son of the late Nathaniel Parrish and Sallie Jane Vanhook Parrish, was a farmer and a member of the Rose Creek Baptist church. He married Miss Mary Lakey, of the Oak Grove community, who died a number of years ago.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Oak Grove Baptist church, with the Rev. Mr. Brooks, pastor of the Church of God, and the Rev. Arvil Swafford, pastor of the Rose Creek Baptist church, officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers were Floyd Roper, Arthur Moore, Wymer Hall, Arthur Holden, Ralph Ammons and Frank Burnett.

Surviving are eight children; Mrs. Essie Fisher, of Newport, Tenn.; Mrs. Nancy Rowland, of Franklin, Route 1; Mrs. Iona Baird, of Winston-Salem; Mrs. Ina Houston, of Brevard; Mrs. Alice Queen, of Washington, D. C.; Carr and Vance Parrish of Franklin, Route 3; and Frank Parrish, of Winston-Salem; five brothers, Will Parrish, of Bryson City, George, Edd and James R. Parrish, of Franklin, Route 3, and Wade Parrish, of Ibabah, Utah; three sisters, Mrs. J. E. Calloway, Franklin, Mrs. Daniel Lyle, of Peck, Idaho, and Mrs. Robert DeHart, of Winston-Salem; and a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Potts funeral home was in charge of the arrangements.

Revival Series To Open Sunday Night At Asbury

A series of revival services will begin at the Asbury Methodist church at Otto Sunday night at 8 o'clock, it has been announced by the pastor, the Rev. V. N. Allen.

The Rev. J. C. Swain, of Reidsville, former pastor for five years, will do the preaching. Services will be held each evening for the two weeks.

Mrs. Edgar Angel, Ill In Atlanta, Improved

Mrs. Edgar Angel, who recently underwent a serious operation at the Angel hospital, became seriously ill Friday afternoon of last week and was rushed to the Grady hospital, Atlanta. Her condition is now reported to be much improved.

Excavation for the Van Raalte textile plant in East Franklin will start this week.

The L. L. Merchant Construction company, of Asheville, which has the contract for construction of the plant, has sub-let the excavation job to Howard Stewart, of Franklin, and it was understood he would start operations late Thursday or Friday morning. About 8,000 yards of dirt is to be moved.

It is anticipated that, with good weather, the excavation work can be completed in three weeks.

Work on the plant's foundations will start just as soon as the excavation work is finished, F. F. Dodd, of the Merchant Construction company, who will be in charge of the job in Franklin, said.

Meanwhile, the Van Raalte firm started its small operation in the Leach building on Main street Monday.

J. H. STOCKTON HEADS BAPTISTS

Association Appropriates \$500 For Youth Work In County

Moving to stimulate work among the Baptist youth of this county, the Macon County Baptist association, at its 43rd annual meeting at Mt. Hope church last week, appropriated \$500 to be allocated by the executive committee for county-wide B. T. U. and Sunday school work, and to meet the expenses of the association. It was the first time the association had made such an appropriation.

The funds are to be paid into the treasury by the various churches in the organization.

The meeting, held Thursday and Friday at the Mt. Hope church, drew about 200 visitors, in addition to the some 200 messengers (delegates), representing every church in the association. The number of churches in the association was increased to 39 with the admission of the recently organized Kettle Creek Baptist church, near Highlands.

J. H. Stockton was reelected moderator for his third term, and the following other officers were chosen: Thomas Rickman, of the Cowee church, vice-moderator; Mrs. C. C. Welch, also of the Cowee church, clerk; Miss Ann Carter, of the Highlands church, assistant clerk; and Mrs. J. C. Higdon, of the Ridge Crest church, reelected historian.

Upon authorization of the association, the moderator appointed the following on the executive committee: The Rev. C. E. Parker, the Rev. W. L. Sorrells, H. S. Talley, of Highlands, J. H. Brookshire, of the Mt. Hope church, and Frank Browning, of Cowee. The moderator and clerk are members of the committee ex officio.

Featuring the program were the doctrinal sermon, by Mr. Sorrells, and addresses by a number of out-of-county speakers. Those included Earl Bradley, representing the State Baptist convention; Mr. McMillan, of the State Baptist orphanage at Thomasville; R. M. Hauss, a Methodist minister present to represent the Allied Church League of North Carolina; L. L. Carpenter, editor of the Biblical Recorder; and Mr. Parker, chaplain of the State Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem before coming to the Franklin church, who spoke on the hospital and world relief. Also in attendance with the Rev. J. C. Pipes of Asheville, representing the mission work in this region.

The Cowee church was selected as the place for the next meeting.

The Rev. J. W. Brents, of Nashville, Tenn., evangelist of the Church of Christ, is conducting a series of revival services at the Higdonville school house. The meeting, which opened Monday, will continue through next Tuesday evening.

Heaviest Criminal Docket In Years Faces Court Here

One of the heaviest criminal dockets in years will face Macon superior court officials when the August court term opens here next Monday morning.

A total of 51 new cases—including one manslaughter case—in addition to 34 continued from the April term, are on the docket. The new cases for this court are greater in number than for any previous year during his tenure of office, Clerk A. R. Higdon commented. The total compares with only 10 new cases at the last court term.

On the civil docket are 14 divorces and 10 other cases. Court, which usually adjourns here on Wednesday of the first week, this time will go well into the second weeks, attorneys

have predicted. The offense listed oftenest among the criminal cases is driving while under the influence of liquor. Other offenses for which defendants face trial include assault, abandonment, reckless driving, larceny, etc.

Of considerable public interest will be the trial of Ted Cabe on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Newton Crunkleton. Mr. Crunkleton, 27-year old veteran of World War 2, was fatally injured when struck by an automobile driven by Mr. Cabe. The accident occurred on the Thomas curve, near the Franklin airport, July 17. Mr. Cabe, of Franklin, Route 4, also is a war veteran.

Judge Franklin Armstrong, of Troy, is scheduled to preside.

The Weather

	High	Low	Prec.
Thursday	90	60	
Friday	91	65	.10
Saturday	89	62	.05
Sunday	85	60	
Monday	84	55	
Tuesday	83	52	
Wednesday	79	57	.02

Total rainfall for the seven-day period ending Wednesday, .17 of an inch.

Total rainfall for month to date, .17 of an inch.

Henry

Given Star Rank At Scout Court

Frank Henry, III, of Franklin Boy Scout Troop 1, became a Star Scout—the third highest rating in scouting—at the district court of honor held at Cliffside Thursday night of last week.

Richard Jones, Bobby Tysinger, and Kenneth Carpenter were given the tenderfoot investiture. Merit badges were presented to Jimmy Rogers, Burgin Hall, and Manuel Holland.

The awards were made by James Hauser, Frank Neely, of Cherokee, and the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, Francis V. Smith, assistant scout executive, presided.

An interesting feature of the program was the presentation of several awards, including the camporee emblem and the camporee citation, to Mr. Morgan. They were presented by Scoutmaster John W. Edwards.

Heart Attack

Is Fatal To Mrs. Carnes Of Tellico

Mrs. Jennie Carnes, wife of Tom Carnes of the Tellico section, died of a heart attack at 12:45 o'clock a. m., Thursday. She was apparently as well as usual when she retired.

Funeral services will be held at the Tellico Baptist church Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with the Rev. Judson Smith, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers will be J. M. Allen, J. V. Smith, Henry Cole, Carl Morgan, Harley Mason, and Roscoe Cole.

Mrs. Carnes, the former Miss Jennie Duvall, daughter of the late Joe K. Duvall and of Mrs. Susie Buckner Duvall, had lived in the Tellico community all her life. She was married to Tom Carnes of Tellico. She was a member of the Tellico Baptist church.

Surviving, in addition to the husband, are 10 children: Mrs. Cleo McCall, of Gneiss, Mrs. Mary Armstrong and Mrs. Estelita Armstrong, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Leo Owenby, of Franklin, Route 3; Mrs. Leona Welch, of Winston-Salem; Mrs. Thelma Moffitt, of Atlanta, Ga.; and Fred, Harley, Harvey and Charlie Carnes, of Franklin, Route 3; one brother, Carroll Duvall, of Franklin, Route 3; and a number of grandchildren.

Bryant funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

Bryson Family To Hold Annual Reunion Aug. 25

The Bryson family will hold its annual reunion at the home of Mrs. J. L. Bryson, near the Cowee Baptist church, Sunday, August 25. All descendants of the Bryson forebears are urged to attend, bringing lunch for the picnic dinner.

\$273 DONATED TO FUND TO BUY INDIAN MOUND

More Than \$1,200 Must Be Raised To Accept \$1,500 Offer

A total of \$273 has been contributed so far to the fund to buy the property on which the Nikwasi Indian Mound stands, with a view to its preservation and perpetuation.

The purchase price is \$1,500, so that \$1,227 remains to be raised.

Among the first contributors were Don S. Elias, vice-president of the Asheville Citizen-Times company, a native of Franklin, who made a personal donation of \$50, and the Citizen-Times company, which sent a check for a similar amount. Accompanying each check was a letter to Mr. Morgan, congratulating the group backing the movement, and wishing it success.

The remaining \$173 raised came from 28 other contributors, with the exception of \$5 that was made up of small contributions.

A move to buy the Mound and deed it to the Town of Franklin, with the stipulation that it be preserved and not be excavated, was started about three weeks ago, when Gilmer A. Jones called a meeting of interested persons for July 29. It was explained that the owner of the property, W. Roy Carpenter, had agreed to sell the Mound for \$1,500—just half the amount he had been offered for it—provided it were bought before September 1.

At that meeting, the Nikwasi Indian Mound association was formed, headed by the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan. Miss Lassie Kelly is vice-president; Bob S. Sloan, secretary; and J. C. Jacobs, treasurer. It was decided to conduct a campaign to raise the money by private subscription, with the understanding that, in the event the Mound were not purchased, the donations would be returned to the donors. Since that time the \$273 has been given.

It is believed that many persons would consider it a loss to the community to have the Mound leveled for commercial purposes, and wish to contribute to the fund, but so far have failed to do so purely through neglect. Such persons are asked to hand, or mail, their checks to Mr. Jacobs, as treasurer, at the Bank of Franklin. In this connection, Mr. Morgan pointed out that the people of the community must act quickly, since half of August is gone.

Contributors to date, in addition to Mr. Elias and the Citizen-Times company, are:

Mrs. H. E. Freas, Mrs. Margaret D'Onofrio, Mrs. W. W. Sloan, G. L. Houk, Jones and Jones, Miss Lassie Kelly, J. L. West, Jr., Lester Arnold, A. R. Higdon, the Franklin Laundry, M. Blumenthal, T. W. Porter, Sr., the Franklin Press, James Hauser, Stewart's Electrical Appliance store, Miss Jess Angel, Lester Henderson, Angel's Drug store, Miss Daisy Caldwell, Miss Nina Ray Waldroop, Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill, Mrs. Sarah Belle Dean, Miss Mary Justice, Miss Bernice McDowell, James Ordway, Miss Maude Norton, Mrs. W. D. Hobart, and Miss Evelyn Hope Daniels.

In his personal letter, Mr. Elias wrote Mr. Morgan:

"The plan to purchase and perpetuate the Indian Mound at Franklin stimulates some intriguingly happy memories for me.

"When I was a boy I would read Fennimore Cooper, G. A. Henty and other exciting books (one novel for each Abbott's history laboriously read was Mother's stern requirement). Then on some Sunday afternoons Mother and Father would give us boys a much appreciated opportunity for a walk. On occasions we were allowed for a short spell to climb over the Indian Mound. My imagination would be stirred with some fascinating and fanciful pictures of Indian incidents, which undoubtedly never happened.

"Just the same there is a genuine historical significance attached to the Mound which should be preserved. I congratulate you and the group who have undertaken this program. Continued On Page Ten—

PLAN MASONIC MEETING HERE

Grand Officers To Attend District Session On Thursday

Masons of the 42nd Masonic district will meet at the Masonic hall on church street next Thursday night at 8 o'clock, C. Gordon Moore, district grand master, announced this week.

The district comprises the lodges at Franklin, Highlands, Bryson City, Dillsboro, East LaPorte, and Glenville.

William J. Bundy, of Greenville, grand master of the grand lodge of North Carolina, Wilbur L. McIver, of Raleigh, grand secretary, and Clyde H. Jarrett, of Andrews, past grand master, will be in attendance.

Preceding the evening meeting, Grand Master Bundy and Grand Secretary McIver will meet with masters and secretaries of all lodges in the district at 4 p. m. All Master Masons are invited to the afternoon conference.

At the evening session, the Master Mason's degree will be conferred upon a class of candidates by the Junaluskee (Franklin) degree team.

Miss Dryman

Taken By Death At Home In Smith Bridge

Miss Mary E. Dryman, 72, died at her home in Smith Bridge township Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, following an illness of several weeks.

Miss Dryman, a life-long resident of Macon county, was a daughter of the late George Dryman and Eliza Bingham. She was a member of the Asbury Methodist church at Otto. She and a sister, Miss Lillie E. Dryman, had lived alone at the Dryman home place for the past several years.

Funeral services were held at the Asbury Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, with the Rev. V. N. Allen, pastor, officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers were Prelo Dryman, Claude Cabe, Foy Dryman, J. D. Keener, Joe Keener and Bruce Keener.

Surviving is her sister, Miss Lillie E. Dryman.

Bryant funeral home was in charge of the arrangements.

Absentee Ballots Now Available For General Election

Official material now is available for those who wish to apply for absentee ballots to the November 5 general election, J. J. Mann, chairman of the county board of elections, announced this week.

Only those who are in the armed forces may vote absentee, Mr. Mann explained.

Application should be made to Mr. Mann on Wednesdays or Fridays, after 3 p. m., or to Miss Kate McGee, clerk of the board, at the register of deeds office in the courthouse.

"Only those who can qualify need apply", the board chairman emphasized.

Belk's Employees Hold Anniversary Banquet

Employees of Belk's Department store here celebrated the store's first anniversary with a banquet at Kelly's Tea Room last Saturday night.

About 20 were in attendance.