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NEARING \$1,500 GOAL IN DRIVE TO SAVE MOUND

With \$1,398 Donated,
Only \$102 Remains
To Be Raised

The Nikwasi Indian Mound fund this week was within striking distance of the \$1,500 required to buy the Mound property so that it may be preserved.

The total stood at \$1,398—only \$102 short of the goal.

This is a gain of \$230 over the figure a week ago.

Among the donations was \$26.56 from the children and teachers of the Franklin school. That sum, collected by a volunteer committee of eighth grade girls—Elizabeth Jones, Freda Siler, and Kathleen Ray—was made up of half dollars, quarters, dimes, nickels, and 100 pennies, with a few one dollar bills in the collection.

This amount was in addition to the \$5 contributed by Mrs. Virginia Ramsey's room, which was reported last week.

Other donations received during the past seven days came from the following:

Mrs. W. W. McConnell, James M. Gray, of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Ben P. Grant, J. D. (Dee) Porter, Dr. Furman Angel, Furman Angel, Jr., Richard C. Holt, of Highlands, Potts Brothers, of Highlands, Mrs. George A. Jones, E. W. Long, and Mrs. R. F. Beck, of Olympia, Wash., Mrs. F. E. Mashburn, of Gneiss, J. R. Pendergrass, C. G. Moore, T. W. Angel, and Harry McConnell, of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Olson Is Transferred To Andrews Forest Job

John J. Olson, of the Nantahala National Forest service staff, who has been stationed in Franklin, has been appointed forest ranger of the Nantahala ranger district of the forest, with headquarters in Andrews, and he and Mrs. Olson will move to Andrews shortly. In that position, he succeeds John H. Stanley, who is being transferred to the Bienville National Forest in Mississippi.

Do You Remember ... ?

(Looking backward through
the files of The Press)

50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

We heard of a Republican a few days ago remarking that this election will prove who are honest and who are not, for all who vote for free silver will be dishonest. If that "old con" will only come in and pay us what he has been justly owing us for seven years past, we'll take it in 50 cent dollars and let him howl as much as he wishes about dishonesty. Yes, we'll take half dollars for dollars and give him a clear receipt, and let him howl on.

There are two more bicycles in town. H. G. Trotter and Otto Love put in a good portion of their time holding them down.

25 YEARS AGO

GNEISS—"The frost is almost on the pumpkin vines," and "the chestnuts are falling." Oh, the good old times we have in the country.

The McDowell Music club met with Mrs. Will Curtis and Mrs. T. W. Porter at the home of Mrs. Porter on September 16. It proved to be a very enjoyable affair, with several out-of-town guests and delicious refreshments.

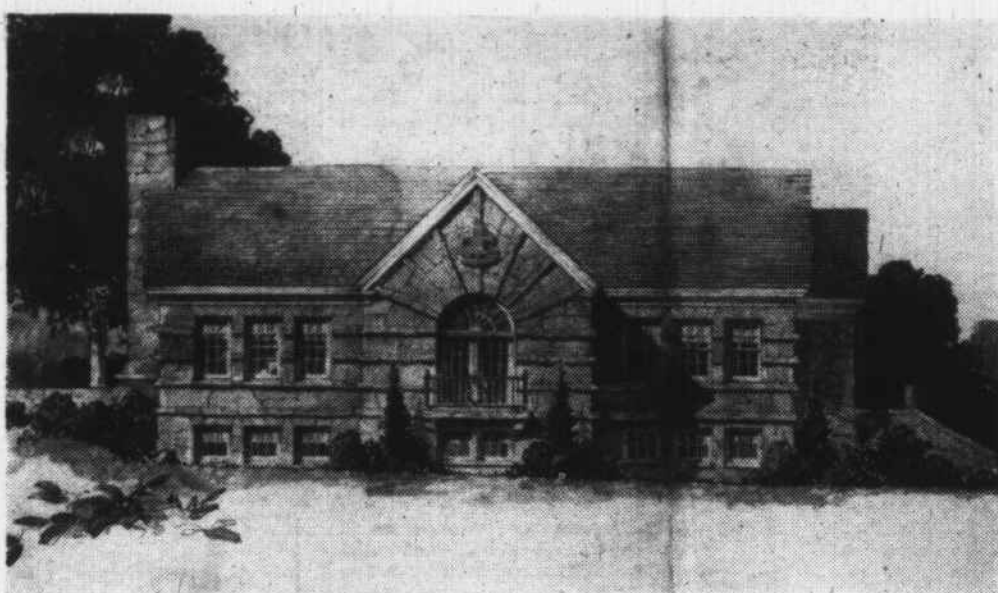
10 YEARS AGO

Miss Elda Ledford and Reid Womack were married in Clayton, Ga., on September 17.

HIGHLANDS: Mr. Robert DuFree, a senior student at Columbia seminary, Decatur, Ga., has been called by the Highlands Presbyterian as stated supply for the next eight months.

REVIVAL IS UNDER WAY AT NEGRO CHURCH HERE

The Rev. J. B. Williams, pastor of the Green Street (negro) Methodist church, has announced that a series of revival services opened in his church Monday evening. Services are being held each evening at 8 o'clock, with Ethel Edna Graves Evangelist of Louisville, Ky., doing the preaching.



HOW MEMORIAL BUILDING WILL LOOK—Above is a reproduction of the architect's drawing of the Scout House and Community building which A. B. Slagle will build as a memorial to his son, Charlie Slagle. Note the Boy Scout insignia just above the portico (front center). The entrance to the structure is shown at the left. Work on the structure, to be constructed of native stone, already is under way. The building, which will be approximately 30 by 50 feet, will be situated on the wooded hill just back of the Nantahala Creamery.

Society To Preserve Local History Planned

Forest Meeting Livened By Visit Of Thieving Bear

It was an exciting moment for state forest wardens, holding their annual district meeting at the U. S. Forest service ranger station at Wilson Lick last Wednesday and Thursday, when a bear raided the camp and attempted to steal all the provisions.

Wardens from Cherokee, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Swain, and Transylvania counties attended the meeting. Also present were representatives from the state forest office in Raleigh, the U. S. Forest service, and the state general assembly.

Jobs To Be Sought For Handicapped

A campaign to place as many as possible of Macon County's estimated 100 physically handicapped veterans of World War 2 in jobs they can fill will be launched next week in connection with observance of National Employ-the-Physically-Handicapped Week, it was announced here Wednesday by John R. Ashe, veterans representative of the Bryson City office of the U. S. Employment service.

The service is interested, too, in handicapped persons other than veterans, Mr. Ashe said.

The Employment service, through job analysis and study of the handicapped person's physical capacities, seeks to place the physically handicapped in jobs can satisfactorily fill—jobs where their disability is no handicap. A handicapped man, placed in a job he is qualified to fill, is not handicapped, Mr. Ashe pointed out.

Representatives of the Employment service will be at the courthouse here next Wednesday to confer with employers who are interested in employing handicapped persons.

Local Methodists In Asheville For W. N. C. Conference

Methodist ministers of Macon County—including the Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, of the Franklin church, the Rev. Robert Hardee, of Highlands, the Rev. D. P. Grant, of the Franklin circuit, the Rev. V. N. Allen, of the Macon circuit, and the Rev. R. L. Poindexter, of Maiden's chapel—left Wednesday to attend the annual meeting of the Western North Carolina conference of the denomination in Asheville.

Lay delegates also will attend part, if not all, of the sessions. They include W. W. Sloan and W. S. Katenbrink, of the Franklin church, Wiley Brown, from Addington, of the Macon circuit, and the Franklin circuit and Jake Cuit.

A number of young people will go to Asheville Saturday for the young people's program that evening.

Organization Meeting To Be Held Next Monday Night

A movement has been started to organize a historical society here, with a view to preserving Macon County history, and an organization meeting has been called for 8 o'clock Monday night in Room 29 of the Bank of Franklin building.

The organization, under terms of the certificate of incorporation that has been filed with the Secretary of State at Raleigh, will be known as the Macon County Historical society. Gilmer A. Jones, who started the movement, and some eight or nine other local persons are listed as the incorporators.

Macon County, it is pointed out, has a rich, historical background, but little has been done—particularly in recent years—to preserve its history. Many of the older residents, whose recollections are invaluable from a historical viewpoint, soon will pass on, and it is felt that an effort should be made to get some of their store of information on the early days of this community on paper. Too, there are many historically valuable documents and books that will ultimately be lost or destroyed unless there is some agency set up to preserve them.

Membership in the non-stock corporation is open to all interested persons, upon payment of annual membership dues of \$1. Those persons, it is pointed out, who have made contributions to the fund to buy the Nikwasi Mound shall be deemed members, with those who have donated as much as \$25 entitled to life memberships.

All persons interested in the movement to collect and preserve historical matter about this community are invited to the society's organization meeting Monday evening.

Presbyterians To Open Evangelistic Series On Sunday

A week's series evangelistic services will open Sunday at the Franklin Presbyterian church, it has been announced by the pastor, the Rev. B. Hoyt Evans. The Rev. R. E. McClure, executive secretary of the Asheville Presbytery, will conduct the services.

Services will be held this Sunday and next at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; nightly during the week at 8 p. m.; and in the mornings, Monday through Friday, at 10:30 o'clock.

Jack Frost, Rushing Season, On Job Again

Rushing the season a bit, Jack Frost put in his appearance here Tuesday and Wednesday mornings.

It was the first real frost of the season for Franklin and most of the country, although Highlands had frost a fortnight or so ago.

The temperature here dropped to 31 degrees—one below the freezing point—during Tuesday night. The night before the low thermometer reading was 32. The low Wednesday night was 34 in Franklin, although frost was reported in some rural areas.

E. T. CALLOWAY TAKEN BY DEATH

Lumber Inspector, Former Alderman Succumbs To Long Illness

E. T. Calloway, 65-year old lumber inspector and former member of the Franklin board of aldermen, died at his home on Bonny Crest last Sunday night at 11:30 o'clock, following a long illness. His condition had been critical since he suffered a stroke of apoplexy September 26, after which he never regained consciousness.

A life-long resident of this county, Mr. Calloway was well known. In his capacity as lumber inspector, he had served successively the Gennett Lumber company, Ritter Lumber company, and the Zickgraf Hardwood company. He had been with the latter firm for aldermen for six years.

He was a member of the Franklin Presbyterian church, and for several years had served the church as a deacon. He also was a member of the Masonic Junaluske lodge. He served on the Franklin board of aldermen for six years.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Nellie O. Keener; three sons, N. A. Calloway, of New Castle, Del., M. Sgt. James E. Calloway, of Tampa, Fla., and Lyman T. Calloway, of Franklin; two daughters, Mrs. A. L. Wooten of Bradenton, Fla., and Mrs. Joe Lassiter, of Franklin; four brothers, Tom, Sam, Claude, and John Calloway, all of Highlands; three sisters, Mrs. Walter Turner, of Covington, Ga., Mrs. Leonard Langston, of Anderson, S. C., and Mrs. Robert Houston, of Highlands; and nine grandchildren.

The funeral services were held at the Franklin Presbyterian church at 4 p. m. Tuesday, with the pastor, the Rev. B. Hoyt Evans, assisted by the Rev. C. E. Parker, of the First Baptist church, officiating. Interment was in the Franklin cemetery, with the Masons in charge of the graveside rites.

Palbearers were Rufus Snyder, Benny McGlamery, Gordon Moore, J. C. Crisp, James Hauser, and R. S. O'Mohundro.

Arrangements were directed by Bryant Funeral home.

Cagle

Donates School Safety Traffic Signs

For the protection of the children of the Franklin school, A. G. Cagle is donating to the school two large metal road signs, warning motorists to drive carefully.

The signs, which have been ordered, will be placed, one near the traffic light on the approach to the school, and the other near Ralph Womack's service station, beyond the school.

School boys, it is understood, will be made responsible for seeing that the signs are put out well before school time in the morning, and late in the afternoon are placed in service stations or elsewhere for safekeeping.

James L. Huggins, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Huggins, of Franklin, Route 4, is attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill this year.

Griffis Discusses Van Raalte Plans For Local Plant

State X-Ray Body To Hold Meeting Here

Franklin will be host to the semi-annual meeting of the North Carolina Society of X-Ray Technicians Saturday, October 12, it was announced this week by Furman Corbin, an associate of the Angel hospital. It is believed that this is the first time a medical meeting of this type and size has been held here.

Society members from Gastonia, Lexington, East Flat Rock, Chapel Hill, Raleigh, Durham, Sanford, Greensboro, Greenville, Statesville, Asheville, Charlotte, Goldsboro, Winston-Salem, Spencer, Wilmington, Jamestown, Wilson, and Alexis already have made reservations, it was announced.

Registration, starting at 10 a. m., will be followed by a business session at Hotel Hearn. A scientific session will be held in the afternoon at the hotel, with Mr. Corbin presiding, and the invocation will be given by the Rev. Charles E. Parker, pastor of the Franklin Baptist church. In the evening, a banquet and an entertainment program are planned at Panorama Courts.

The visitors will be welcomed to Franklin by Dr. Edgar Angel and Guy L. Houk.

Speakers at the scientific session will include Dr. William S. Judy, of Greenville, S. C., who will discuss "Protection Against Radiant Energy"; F. L. Driver, of Durham, whose topic will be "Little Things That Matter in Making Good Radiographs";

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Panthers To Play Here Again Friday

The Franklin High Red Panthers out-scored the Murphy Bulldogs in last Friday night's football game here, 19 to 14, marking their initial win of the season.

Tomorrow (Friday) night at 7:30 the local team plays Bryson City here.

In last week's clash, the home town boys got off to an early start when Gregory took a reverse 40 yards to the Murphy 20. Two plays later, Horsley flipped a beautiful pass to Cabe for the first tally, and Horsley bucked over for the point. Franklin again scored late in the first period when Horsley shook loose for 32 yards. The try for the extra point failed, and the first quarter ended with Franklin leading, 13 to 0.

Murphy hit back in the second stanza on a 75-yard drive, climaxed by Davidson's 29-yard off tackle slant. He made the extra point through center. Murphy dominated the play throughout the second period, and the visitors were nearing pay dirt again as the half ended.

Early in the third quarter, the Panthers boosted their lead when Cabe went off tackle for 49 yards and a touchdown. The attempted conversion again failed, and Franklin led, 19 to 7.

It was Murphy again in the fourth period. Greene and Davidson worked the ball on sheer power down to the Panthers' 39-yard line, when Davidson made another Bulldog tally. Again he bucked over center for the point.

Murphy showed more offensive power than the Panthers, rolling up 12 first downs to six for the Franklin team. The elusive running of such backs as Gregory, Cabe, and Horsley, however, proved to be the deciding factor.

Coach Bill Crawford, in commenting on the game, expressed appreciation of the large turnout, and voiced the hope that another big crowd will see this week's contest. He also expressed gratitude to members of the Lions club for handling the gate.

\$150,000 Structure In East Franklin To Be Completely Modern

"We are building for 50 years", L. W. Griffis, official of the Van Raalte company, said here Wednesday, in discussing the type of structure his firm is erecting in East Franklin for its textile operation here.

Mr. Griffis, in Franklin for a brief visit this week, is the Van Raalte company's vice-president in charge of production. His headquarters are in Tonawanda, N. Y.

The branch here, he said, will be known as the Franklin Mills of the Van Raalte company.

The plant, to be 140 by 170 feet, will cost between \$100,000 and \$150,000, it is understood.

The one-story building will be constructed of red brick, with salt glazed tile lining, and both walls and roof will be fully insulated. The floor will be of concrete, with Kahlman finish. Hardwood insets will be placed in the concrete for the working platforms.

All the wiring will be beneath the floor.

The plant will be air-conditioned.

The building will face west, with the offices at the front. The big working space, occupying most of the building, will be unpartitioned.

There will be plenty of parking space, it was explained, for workers' automobiles between the plant and First street (the street that turns east off the Highlands road).

In addition to the plant itself, the firm plans to build two houses for supervisory personnel on lots it has acquired on Rogers hill and two near the plant.

The foundations, of concrete, will be finished in about two weeks. The next step will be erection of the steel frame, but Mr. Griffis said he did not know when the steel can be obtained.

Because of the uncertainties of today, the firm has made no decision, Mr. Griffis said, as to which of the Van Raalte products will be manufactured here. He cannot say, he explained, what machinery will be available, and so the building has been so planned as to make possible its use for the making of any one of the Van Raalte firm's five lines—gloves, Nylon hosiery, underwear, dress fabrics, and laces, nets, and veils.

Mr. Griffis also was unable, he said, to state now how many persons the plant will employ. Ultimately, however, it will use all the female labor available that can qualify under the Van Raalte standards, he said, adding that something like 20 to 25 per cent of the labor will be male. The firm plans to cooperate in the government's G. I. apprentice program, and will give preference to veterans.

A minimum of 100 workers is anticipated, as soon as that many can be trained. The training period for workers, he explained, is from three months up, depending upon the skill the job requires and the aptitude, etc., of the individual worker.

Persons who registered last fall for possible employment in the plant are now being interviewed.

Once operations are under way, the plant may operate on two shifts, Mr. Griffis said, but that will depend upon the type of product manufactured and other factors.

When the structure has been

—Continued on Page Six The Weather

Below are the official temperature readings and amount of rainfall for the seven days ending Thursday morning at 8 o'clock.

	High	Low	Prec.
Thursday	81	46	...
Friday	80	50	...
Saturday	80	49	T
Sunday	80	59	18
Monday	66	51	...
Tuesday	65	32	...
Wednesday	73	31	...
Rainfall for September 3.47"			
Rainfall for year to date 47.00"			