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LINER, BRYSON BUY AMERICAN LEGION REALTY

Western Half Of Porter
Building On Main
Street Sold

Title to the American Legion property on West Main street has passed to Lawrence B. Liner and Dan T. Bryson. The deed was put on record the latter part of last week.

The property is the western half of the two-story brick structure on the north side of the street known as the Johnston or Porter building.

Prelo Dryman recently entered into a contract with the Legion to buy the property for \$9,000, but Mr. Dryman sold it to Mr. Liner and Mr. Bryson before he obtained a deed from the Legion, and, the deed, as put on record, was direct from Post No. 108, American Legion, to L. B. Liner and wife, Tressie Liner, and Dan T. Bryson and wife, Helen Bryson.

Revenue stamps on the deed indicated that the buyers paid \$10,000 for the property.

The new owners, it is understood, have leased the lower floor to Mr. Dryman, who is now in business next door.

The eastern half of the structure recently was purchased by Henry D. West from Baldwin and Liner.

J. M. Holbrooks, 71, Of Route 2, Is Claimed By Death

Jerry Milas Holbrooks, 71, died Wednesday at 5 p. m. at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Sarah Holbrooks Dowdle, of Franklin, Route 2, following a week's illness.

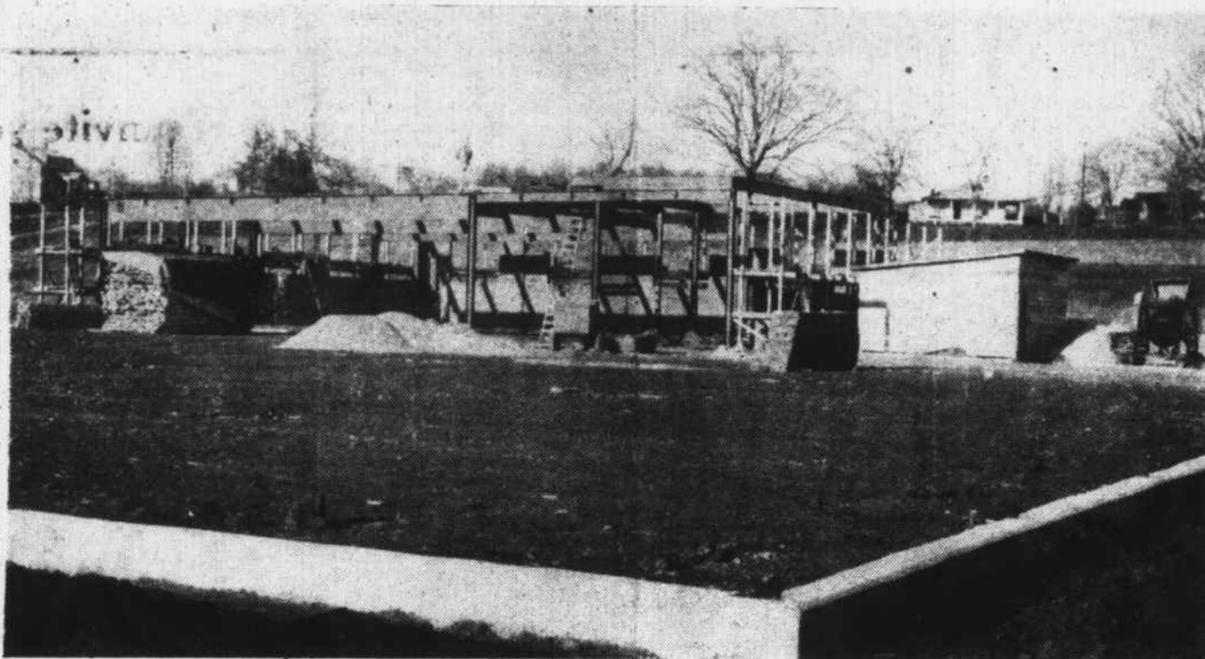
A farmer and a native of Macon County, he had been a member of the Prentiss Baptist church for 38 years. His wife, Mrs. Arie Mason Holbrooks, died in 1930.

Funeral services were arranged for 3 p. m. today (Thursday) at the Union Methodist church, with the Rev. V. N. Allen, pastor, officiating. Sloan, Grady, and Frank Holbrooks, Floyd Mason, Frank Jones, and Fred Jones were asked to serve as pallbearers.

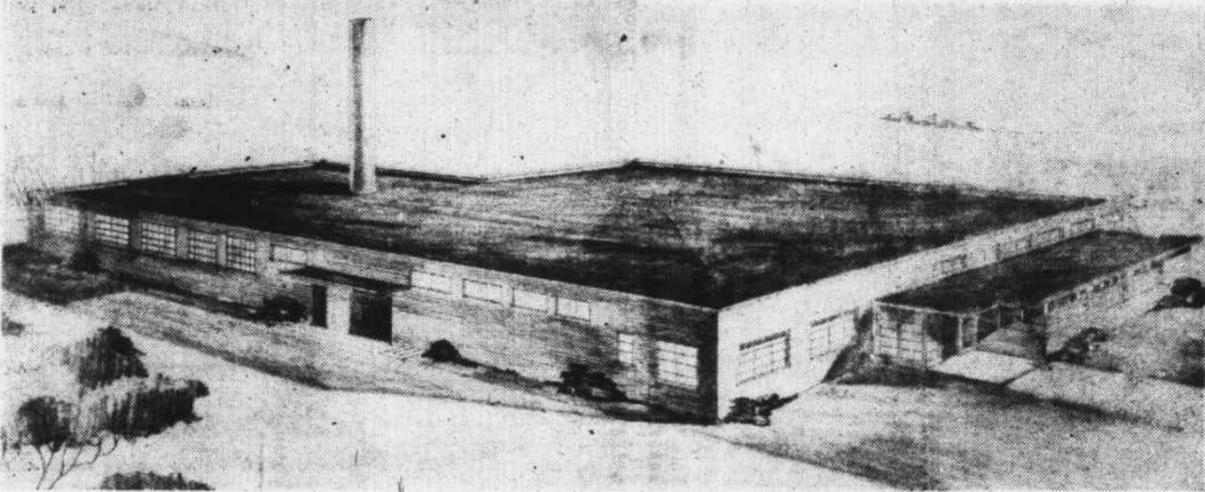
Surviving include three children, Mrs. Dowdle, Wiley Holbrooks, and Mrs. Laura Holbrooks Stockton; a sister, Mrs. Betty Dills, of Etowah, Tenn.; seven grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Bryant Funeral home.

Steel Goes Up For \$150,000 Van Raalte Plant



Rapid progress is being made, as shown in the photograph above, in construction of a section of the Van Raalte textile plant in East Franklin. This part of the mill, which will be at the northeast corner of the completed plant, is expected to be finished about January 1, when approximately 70 persons will be put to work. Due to inability to obtain enough materials now for the entire structure, the firm decided to build a section immediately. It hopes to be able to have the entire plant in operation by next fall. In the foreground may be seen the southwest corner of the foundations for the 140 x 170-foot, one-story structure.



Here's how the Van Raalte textile plant in East Franklin will look when completed. In the architect's drawing above, the entrance and cafeteria are shown at the extreme right. The offices will be just back of the cafeteria, and the remainder of the plant will be an open working space. The mill will face west, toward Franklin; the north wall of the plant is shown in the foreground and at the left. Henry Irven Gaines, of Asheville, is the architect, and Merchant Construction company, of Asheville, has the construction contract.

OFFICIAL COUNT SHOWS '46 VOTE SET NEW RECORD

Most Ballots Cast For
Register; Bradley's
Margin Is 247

The total vote cast in Macon County in last week's general election was 5,724—the heaviest in the county's history—the official canvass, made by the board of elections Thursday, revealed.

The total compares with an official count of 5,365 cast in the Presidential election of two years ago; 4,071 in 1942; 5,253 in 1940; and 3,972 in 1938.

The canvass, although making minor changes in the totals received by various candidates, altered none of the results as shown by the unofficial count.

Although major interest appeared to center in the sheriff's race, the canvass revealed that the heaviest vote was cast for register of deeds. The total in the latter contest was three greater than in the race for sheriff Lake V. Shope, the present register, won over Ralph M. Henson, his Republican opponent, by a margin of 1,110 votes.

The board found that Sheriff J. P. Bradley was reelected over L. B. Phillips by a margin of 247, instead of the 256-vote margin indicated by the unofficial report.

Amendments Carry Here

The official count showed that both proposed amendments to the state constitution carried in this county, and that Democrat Monroe M. Redden, elected congressman from this district, received a Macon County vote of 3,008, as compared with 2,428 cast for Republican Guy Weaver.

Final, but unofficial, returns for the state showed that the legislators' expense amendment was defeated by a margin of 916 votes, it was reported from Raleigh.

The amendment to give women the right to serve on juries was approved by an overwhelming vote.

This county, the election board's figures showed, gave Baxter C. Jones, Democrat, of Bryson City, a vote of 3,043 for state senator, as compared with 2,389 cast here for his Republican opponent, F. Herbert. Mr. Jones was elected by the voters of the five counties—Macon, Swain, Clay, Cherokee, and Graham—making up the thirty-third senatorial district.

Official Macon Vote

The complete, official vote in Macon County is given below. Unless otherwise noted, the first candidate named in each case is the Democrat; the second, the Republican.

Constitutional amendments: For making the constitution equally applicable to men and women (to permit women to serve on juries), 1,824; against, 1,644.

For allowing limited necessary expenses (\$600) of members of the general assembly, 1,549; against, 1,351.

District Officers: Solicitor; Dan K. Moore, 3-135. (No Republican opposition.)

State Senate Race

State senator; Baxter C. Jones, 3,043; F. Herbert, 2,389.

County Officers:

Representative; Herbert A. McGlamery, 3,105; Sanford Smith, 2,476.

Clerk of Superior Court; J. Clinton Brookshire, 3,041; A. R.

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J. D. Mallonee, Native Of Iotla, Dies In Murphy

James David Mallonee, prominent Murphy attorney and native of Macon County, died in a Murphy hospital early Sunday morning at the age of 71.

Mr. Mallonee, who was a brother of George Mallonee, of Franklin, was reared in the Iotla community, the eldest son of Elbert Sevier and Mary Jane Mallonee.

Mr. Mallonee had served as mayor of Murphy, county attorney, and chairman of the county school board, and recently had been elected president of the Twelfth District Bar association.

Yule Gifts Sought For Ill, Disabled Veterans

Persons who wish to cheer the sick and disabled war veterans this Christmas are asked to leave their gifts at the Nantahala Power and Light company.

OFFER ORATORS \$2,000 PRIZES

Boys and girls attending the high schools at Franklin and Highlands have an opportunity to win \$500 college scholarships offered by the North Carolina Good Health association.

Four such scholarships will be given the four winners in an oratorical contest sponsored by the association. The contest is open to all students attending accredited high schools in the state.

The contest will be conducted through the schools, in cooperation with the N. C. Dept. of Public Instruction, it was explained by J. H. Stockton, Macon County Good Health chairman.

Separate contests will be staged for white and negro students with the winning boy and girl in each division receiving a \$500 college scholarship.

Students participating will deliver 10-minute orations on the subject "North Carolina's Number One Need—Good Health."

Fact Sheets describing the need for a program of better health in North Carolina and listing rules of the oratorical contest have been prepared by the Good Health association and are being circulated to all city and county school superintendents and to all high school principals in the state.

Try-outs will get under way in all high schools immediately, with a winning boy and a winning girl in each of the state's 100 counties to be chosen not later than November 27.

MARVIN GARNER IMPROVES

Marvin Garner, of Franklin, Route 1, who has been critically ill at the Angel hospital for several days, was reported to be slightly improved Thursday.

W.P. Rickman, West's Mill Native, Dies

William P. Rickman, 56, died at his home in the West's Mill community last Saturday night at 8 o'clock, following an illness of two years.

Mr. Rickman, a life-long resident of the West's Mill community, was a farmer. He was a member of the Cowee Baptist church, and of the Loyal Order of Moose. In 1918 he married Miss Inez Bryson, of the West's Mill section, who survives.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Cowee Baptist church. The Rev. C. C. Welch, pastor, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Judson Medlin and the Rev. Norman E. Holden, both of the Cowee community. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers were Otto Arvey, Lee Allen, Bill Elmore, Grover Arvey, Theodore Elmore and Lawrence Brendle.

Surviving, in addition to his widow, are one son, Roger Rickman, a student at N. C. State college; his mother, Mrs. Alice Rickman, of West's Mill; two brothers, Robert C. Rickman, of West's Mill, and Carey, of Gastonia; four sisters, Mrs. Omer Elmore, of Leatherman, Mrs. Nell Sanders, of Prentiss, and Mrs. Frank Roper and Mrs. Lee Hurst, of West's Mill.

Potts funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

U. D. C. TO MEET

The Macon County chapter of the United Daughters of Confederacy will meet at the home of Mrs. Lester S. Conley on Harrison avenue tomorrow night (Friday) at 7:30 o'clock.

PLAN RED CROSS MEETING NOV. 18

Members of the Macon County chapter of the American Red Cross will gather at the Agricultural building next Monday night at 7:30 o'clock for their annual meeting.

The election of officers for the coming year will be a feature of the meeting. In addition, a program of general interest has been planned, it was announced by Mrs. Mary Jo Sloan, home service secretary. George B. Patton will be the chief speaker.

Contrary to custom, the session will not be a dinner meeting. It was explained that it was found impossible to obtain a place where the crowd expected could be accommodated for a meal.

The chapter's officials, in urging all 1946 contributors to attend the meeting, emphasized the thought that the Red Cross still has a big job to do.

P. T. A. To Hear

Mrs. Kittrell At Meet
Monday Night

A program in observance of National Book week will be presented at the November meeting of the Franklin Parent-Teacher association on November 18. The Monday night meeting, to be held in the school auditorium, is set for 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Helen Kittrell, of Bryson City, in charge of the bookmobile that serves the Fontana region, will be the guest speaker. "Books Are Bridges" will be her topic.

Mrs. Weimar Jones, president of the association, announced that a prize will be awarded to the room having the largest percentage of parents present.

Death Claims J. P. Conley At Age Of 83

James P. Conley, 83, died at his home, Franklin, Route 1, last Friday morning at 2:15 o'clock. Though he had been in ill health for several months, he became seriously ill only a few days before his death.

Mr. Conley was a life-long resident of Macon county. He was born on May 23, 1863, a son of the late Charles and Elizabeth Patton Conley. He was a farmer and a member of the Carson Chapel Methodist church.

Funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Carson Chapel Methodist church. The Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, pastor, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Hoyt Evans, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church and the Rev. Charles E. Parker, pastor of the Franklin Baptist church, officiated. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

The pallbearers, all grandsons, were Robert, John and Charles Vinson, and J. L. Edwin and Ellis Conley.

Surviving are four sons, George R. Conley, J. K. Conley, and J. P. Conley, of Franklin, Route 1, and Charles A. Conley, Franklin; three daughters, Mrs. John Vinson, of Franklin; Mrs. Turner Vinson, of Clayton, N. C.; and Mrs. Harold Moore, of Franklin, Route 1; three brothers, J. A. Conley and Lester S. Conley, of Franklin, and W. L. Conley, of Franklin, Route 1; two sisters, Mrs. Ellen Crawford, of Franklin, Route 1, and Mrs. Frank Calloway, of Franklin; and 26 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren.

Bryant funeral home was in charge of the arrangements.

Do You Remember ... ? (Looking backward through the files of The Press)

50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK
Uncle John on the Pop wagon failed to "git thar." If he had received 780 more votes, he might have been chairman of the Board of Commissioners two years longer.

Dr. S. H. Lyle, who is elected to the legislature from Macon County, bore himself finely in the canvass. At each precinct he impressed the people with the honesty of his purpose and his loyalty to his party and silver.

25 YEARS AGO
The glad hand was extended to Rev. H. G. Allen, the new pastor of the Franklin Methodist church, at the morning services last Sunday. The new pastor succeeds Rev. L. B. Hayes, who left last week for his new charge at Greensboro.

All our farmers and business men are invited to be at the courthouse in Franklin on Wednesday, November 16th, at 7 p. m., when Mr. Roland Turner, farm demonstrator, and Mr. R. L. Butt, general freight agent of the Southern Railway system, will be here to discuss matters of importance to all our citizens.

10 YEARS AGO
RABBIT CREEK NEWS — Do not be misled by the name Rabbit Creek, or by the name of its tributary, Cat creek. This area is not overrun by rabbits or cats. These names were given by the Indians who resided here in honor of two prominent braves of the tribe, one named Rabbit, the other Cat, who lived on these two respective creeks.