

# Macon Cabbage Growers Busy Marketing \$150,000 Crop

## Northern Division Of Singing Group Plans 2-Day Meet

The northern division of the Macon County Singing convention will meet with the Tellico Baptist church September 13 and 14, beginning at 10 a. m., according to an announcement by Harley B. Mason, president. A picnic lunch will be served on the grounds, and singing classes will be held throughout the day.

## COMMERCIALLY GROWN BY 50 LOCAL FARMERS

Annual Total Of 2,000 Tons Marketed In Three States

Lester Reed, of the Hamburg section of Macon County, was in Franklin last Saturday, en route to Atlanta with a truckload of cabbage.

And thereby hangs a tale. For if Mr. Reed were the only farmer in this county who was hauling cabbage to market by the truck load, this would be a personal mention column item instead of a news story.

But he isn't. Scores of other commercial growers have been busy recently marketing their crops.

This county's annual cabbage crop, as a matter of fact, sells for approximately \$150,000.

Cabbage is grown commercially in the Hamburg, Gold Mine, Sealy, and other nearby communities, and is marketed in Asheville, Knoxville, South Carolina cities, and Atlanta. Macon County cabbage often is flown from Atlanta to the New York market.

W. J. (Bill) Blaine, of Blaine's Seed store, said this week that at least 50 of his seed customers buy cabbage seed in the spring in sufficient quantities to put out cabbage plants by the acre.

On a basis of his seed sales to commercial growers, he estimates that between 3,000,000 and 5,000,000 pounds—that is, some 2,000 tons—of cabbage is grown commercially in this county each year.

This year, he said, the price has ranged from three to four cents per pound.

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## A BIKE WITH A PAST



ROCK HILL, S. C.—Frank Giles, a textile mill worker here, has been riding the same ancient, old-style bicycle for 38 years and hopes to use it for a few years more.

Why, you ask, with cotton mill wages having doubled in the last five years, doesn't he go down to the store and get a new one?

The answer is simple. . . . Mr. Giles can't ride a more modern bike which has a "coaster" brake because he has no feet—that is, real feet. But he has a couple of awfully good artificial ones. In fact, since he bought his bike he's worn out three pair of artificial feet.

Nearly fifty years ago Mr. Giles lost his two extremities in a railroad accident. Refusing to let the

handicap down him, he acquired and learned to use a pair of artificial feet. Daily commutation to his job at the Highland Park mill posed a problem for a while until he learned to operate his bicycle. . . . the "Old Faithful" he's still using today.

The manager of the mill, W. B. Shannon, says Giles is a very capable and efficient worker, and one is fully conscious of his handicap.

## Manuel Holland Picked To Attend National Meeting

Manuel Holland was chosen a delegate from the Methodist churches of Macon county to the National Methodist Youth Conference, to be held in Cleveland, Ohio December 30 to January 2, at a sub-district Youth

Fellowship meeting held at the Snow Hill Methodist church Monday night.

Young Holland is a member of the Franklin Methodist church Fellowship group.

During the worship service, which followed the business session, a film dealing with community recreation work sponsored by churches was shown by W. W. Sloan.

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## Minister's Auto Is Stolen From In Front Of His Home

An automobile belonging to the Rev. D. P. Grant was stolen from in front his house on Bidwell street sometime last Saturday night. The car was a two-door 1941 Pontiac sedan.

The thief or thieves were believed to have wired the switch on the car, as Mr. Grant had not left the keys in the car but kept them in his pants pocket during the night.

Police say they have received no word concerning the car since it was stolen.

## V. F. W. Post Acquires Another Lot; Will Plan Building

All the land necessary for building a post home has now been acquired by the local Veterans of Foreign Wars organization, according to Lester Arnold, post commander.

Following the donation by the Home Realty and Auction company of two lots in the Franklin golf course subdivision, the local VFW post purchased an adjoining lot, which Mr. Arnold said will furnish enough room for a post building and ample parking space.

Commander Arnold added that building plans will be discussed at the next meeting, to be held in the Agricultural building, Wednesday evening, and he urged all members to be present.

## News Received Here Of Death Of Will Moody

Word has been received here of the death of Will Moody, 83, formerly of Franklin. Mr. Moody died at his home at Hiwassee, Ga., August 24, following an illness of several months.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Molly Russell Moody; a son, Reuben; and one brother.

## Cherokee Football Was Ancient Sport When DeSoto Came

CHEROKEE — Cherokee Indians smile politely at "hoary" football traditions which have pitted teams against each other, at the longest count, for only two generations.

Before DeSoto came through this country in 1540, the clans of the Nation for centuries had been competing in stickball, and it was a competition so honored in time and custom and so intent in purpose, that the annual games were surrounded by secret rites and ceremonies.

The annual games held here in September are renewals of a rivalry hundreds of years old.

## Attend Meet On Future Of Park And Forests

Russell E. McKelvey, president of the Franklin chamber of commerce, and Weimar Jones attended a special meeting in Asheville Saturday night of the Western North Carolina Press association. Guests at the newspaper meeting, at which the potentialities and development of the Great Smoky Mountains National park, the Blue Ridge Parkway, and the Nantahala and Pisgah National forests were discussed, were civic leaders of the various Western North Carolina communities.

## Future Health Clinics To Be Held On Mondays

Starting next week, the health department's general health clinic here will be held on Mondays instead of Tuesdays, as in the past, it has been announced by Dr. M. B. H. Michal, acting district health officer. In future, this general clinic will be conducted each Monday from 10:30 a. m. to 3:30 p. m.

## Bradley Reunion To Be Held At Bingham Home

The Bradley reunion will be held at the home of Lawrence Bingham, about three miles south of Otto, Sunday, September 14. Mr. Bingham urged all members of the family to attend and to bring basket lunches.

## Donaldson Family Holds Reunion Near Prentiss

The Donaldson family held a reunion last Sunday at the home of Mrs. S. E. Donaldson, in the Prentiss community. Many of the large number who gathered to enjoy the day together came from out of town. Mrs. R. N. Donaldson is president of the reunion.

## Stiles Family Reunion Will Be Held Sept. 14

The annual reunion of the Stiles family will be held Sunday, September 14, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Stiles, in the Hickory Knoll community. Usually about 100 members of the family connection attend the reunion, bringing well filled baskets of good things to eat for the picnic lunch at

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