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DEPOT STREET PAVING JOB IS LET BY TOWN

Asheville Firm Will Machine, Put Stone Down This Fall

The contract for the long-delayed paving of Depot street was awarded to the Asheville Paving company, only bidder for the job, by the Franklin board of aldermen at a called meeting Monday afternoon. A small section of Wayah street also is covered by the contract.

The company's bid was \$3 per cubic yard for laying the stone base, and 75 cents per square yard for hot asphaltic treatment one and one-half inches thick. Present plans call for the street, now graveled, to be machined this fall with a road grader and for the laying of additional stone to give a thickness of six inches of stone. Placing of the asphalt on the street will be postponed until next spring.

The board of aldermen has been negotiating for a year and a half with the State Highway commission for the paving of Depot street, and repeatedly has been given to understand that the state would do the job. The board's decision to let the contract followed repeated delays in action by the state, climaxed by the suggestion, some weeks ago, that the town would have to put up more than \$5,000 of the cost before the state could start the job.

The Asheville Paving company also had the contract for the recently completed water-sewer-street improvement program.

Leatherman Post Office Is To Be Discontinued

The Leatherman post office will be discontinued, effective September 30, according to an announcement received here. Persons who have received their mail through this post office will now get their mail addressed Route 3, Franklin, N. C. All patrons of the Leatherman post office are requested to provide themselves with government approved mail boxes conveniently located for the mail carrier and to inform their correspondents and periodical publishers of their change of address.

Do You Remember...?

(Looking backward through the files of The Press)

50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Lawyer J. J. Hooker completed the telephone lines to Franklin from Dillsboro and now improved phones have been installed and the line is better than ever before. It is only necessary to talk in a low tone to be understood.

F. T. Smith sold out his stock of goods Saturday to E. H. Franks.

(Advertisement)—Barnard will pay \$1.00 per bushel for good wheat and 25c per pound for wool.

25 YEARS AGO

On Sunday, September 10, a large crowd assembled in a grove on B. T. McConnell's farm near the Georgia road. This has been an expected occasion for many years for the children of Uncle Jess Sanders. The friends and relatives feel deeply indebted to the Pleasant Hill choir for its singing and to Mr. B. T. McConnell for the conveniences furnished for the date.

10 YEARS AGO

Dane Newell, sport writer for Field and Stream, Saturday Evening Post and Collier's, spent one day here last week as the guest of Dr. Edgar Angel. Mr. Newell, who is also an artist, plans to return to Franklin next summer.

The cattle sale held in Franklin Tuesday by R. A. Patton and D. Robert Davis was one of the most successful ever held here. Practically all the cattle brought in were sold and prices were good. About \$5,000 was paid for the 180 animals sold and prices ranged from 2 to 7½ cents.

Parking Meters Collect \$106 For Full Week

A total of \$106.40 was deposited by motorists in parking meters here during the first full week the meters were in operation, town officials announced, following a count of the pennies, nickles, and dimes collected from the meters Wednesday of last week.

During the five-day period from noon August 29, when the meters were placed in operation, to noon September 3, collections totaled \$85, but a Sunday and the Labor Day holiday occurred during that period.

At the present rate of collections, the installation charge of \$5 for each of the 115 meters will be paid in about four more weeks. After that, half the collections go to the town, the other half going to the manufacturers until the devices are paid for. They cost \$62.50 each.

MRS. S. CONLEY TAKEN BY DEATH

Mrs. Sallie B. Conley, 84, died in her sleep at her home on Iotla street early Monday morning. Although she had not been feeling well for several days, Mrs. Conley, who remained active despite her years, had not been ill.

Mrs. Conley, whose maiden name was Sallie Downs, was twice married. Her first husband was Thompson Allman. After his death, she married J. J. Conley, who died a number of years ago.

A native of West Virginia, Mrs. Conley was brought by her parents to Andrews when she was a girl. The family later moved to Franklin, and Mrs. Conley had lived here for more than 60 years. A number of years ago she was given a certificate of 50 years' membership in the Franklin Methodist church. She was a charter member of the Nequassa chapter of the Order of Eastern Star.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Methodist church here, with the Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, the pastor, the Rev. Charles E. Parker, the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, and the Rev. D. P. Grant officiating. Burial was in the Franklin cemetery. The body lay in state at the church for half an hour before the service.

Pallbearers were Elijah Grant, Richard Conley, Ronald Conley, Eilmer Stevens, Lee Allman, and Raymond Jones. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Bryant funeral home. Surviving are four sons, Charles T. Allman of Baltimore, Md., George J. Conley, of Franklin and Macon, Ga., John D. Conley, of Winston-Salem, and Fred C. Conley, of Franklin; four daughters, Miss Charlotte Conley and Mrs. W. M. Officer, of Franklin, Mrs. W. S. Cook, of Greengburg, Ind., and Mrs. Robert Vedder, of Arcanum, Ohio.

Franklin, One Inch From Touchdown As Game Ends, Ties Murphy, 13 To 13

Led by a heavy, charging line, the Franklin Panthers fought the Murphy Bulldogs to a 13-13 tie before more than 600 spectators last Friday night on the local field. The game ended with Franklin in possession of the ball, one inch away from another touchdown, with three downs left to make the necessary yardage.

Stalwarts in the Franklin line, which kept the Murphy running attack bottled up through most of the game and opened nice holes in the Murphy defense on several occasions, were Bill Brown, substitute guard; Steve McConnell, who started at right guard, and Harley Stewart whose work at tackle stood out particularly on offense. Harmon, who played on defense only, was the defensive star of the Franklin backfield.

The game opened with Capt. Larry Cabe getting off a nice kick for Franklin, which Murphy returned to the 35.

After an exchange of punts, Franklin gained possession of the ball on their 35-yard line and drove deep into Murphy territory, but lost the ball on the Murphy 30-yard line when the Murphy defense stiffened. Outstanding in this drive were runs of 25 yards and 20 yards by Mason and Cabe, respectively. Murphy lost the ball on the first play on a fumble, and the Panthers took over on their opponents' 27-yard line.

On the first play of the second quarter, Henry found a hole over right tackle for nine yards, placing the ball on the Murphy 18. With Mason and Cabe alternating carrying the ball, Franklin drove to the two, and Flanagan carried over from there on a quarterback sneak. Capt. Cabe kicked the extra point and Franklin led 7-0.

Murphy received, with Alexander taking the kick on his own 25 and running behind excellent interference 75 yards for a touchdown for the most spectacular play of the game. Not a single Franklin player touched the runner and only two got close to him. It was a pretty exhibition of downfield blocking for a high school football team, and the Franklin line seemed slow getting down under the kick. Brendle, Murphy quarterback, then passed to

Thomas Becomes Macon Sanitarian Under New Set-Up

Two changes in the local health department administration have been announced by Dr. M. B. H. Michal, acting health officer for this district.

C. B. Thomas, who has his office in Sylva, will succeed W. F. Hart as district sanitarian. And Transylvania county, which has been included in this district, has been joined with Henderson county to form a new health district. Mr. Hart will be the sanitarian for the new district.

Christopher, right end, in the flat zone for the extra point, making the score 7-7. The half ended shortly thereafter.

Murphy again received. After an exchange of kicks, Franklin again drove about 60 yards for a touchdown with Cabe going over from the five through a large hole over his right tackle. Even though Murphy was off-sides on the first attempt, Franklin failed to make the extra point and the score was 13-7.

The score had been set up by a well executed play on the part of the Franklin team. Moses, right end, took a short forward pass from Flanagan and then lateraled to Mason who gained 30 yards on the play.

Murphy received and by mixing passing plays with their running game drove about 60 yards for a touchdown. Outstanding offensively for Murphy in this drive were Brendle, Murphy quarterback, who threw strikes for forward passes, and Alexander, shifty right half, who was the spark of the Bulldog running attack. When Brendle was smothered by the hard charging Panther line, Murphy failed to make the extra point, and the score was tied again at 13-13.

With about five minutes left to play, Franklin came tearing back down the field with Mason and Henry picking up nice gains inside and outside the tackles. As the Bulldog line began to stiffen, Capt. Cabe drove through the center to the two. Driving hard he went over the right side of his line only to be stopped on the one-inch line as time ran out and the game ended in a 13-13 tie.

A play by play description of the game was given over the public address system by G. L. Houk.

FRANKLIN		MURPHY	
Moses	RE	Christopher	RE
Welch	RT	Mgroney	RE
Leopard	RG	Birch	RE
Jacobs	C	Howell	RE
McConnell	LG	Fricks	RE
Moonney	LT	Hall	RE
Angel	LE	Horton	RE
Flanagan	QB	Brendle	RE
Henry	RHB	Alexander	RE
Mason	LHB	Hughes	RE
Cabe	FB	Davidson	RE

50 Expected To Attend Fire Training Meeting

About 50 persons are expected to attend next week's annual forest fire training meeting for personnel of the Nantahala National forest and its cooperating agencies, the State Forest Service and the adjoining national forests. The school, to be held at Wilson Lick ranger station September 22, 23, and 24, will be directed by H. C. Ericksson, assistant supervisor of the Nantahala forest.

Grover Jamison is confined to his home by illness.

Gold Mine School To Open Monday; Smith Is Teacher

The Gold Mine school will open Monday morning, with Judson Smith as teacher, County Supt. G. L. Houk announced Tuesday.

Mr. Houk and the county board of education decided several weeks ago to close the school and transport the children by bus to Higdonville. It was explained at the time that it had not been possible to find anyone to take this one-teacher school.

A delegation of Gold Mine citizens appeared before the board September 1 to protest closing the school, explaining that small children would have to leave home long before daylight in order to catch the school bus. When the county school authorities stuck to their decision, the delegation flatly stated that, unless a teacher were sent to Gold Mine, the people there would not send their children to school.

Mr. Smith, who has studied at the University of North Carolina, formerly taught in the Macon school system.

TALKS, REPORTS MARK PTA MEET

Talks by County Supt. G. L. Houk and Principal W. H. Finley, the appointment of chairmen of standing committees for the year, and reports featured the year's initial meeting of the Franklin Parent-Teacher association, held at the school auditorium Monday night. About 80 persons attended.

Mrs. Weimar Jones, president, announced standing committee chairmen for the year as follows: Mrs. Emory Hunnicutt, membership; Mrs. Allen Siler, program; Emory Hunnicutt, finance and budget; Mrs. Frank Killian, hospitality; Mrs. C. E. Parker, parent education; Mrs. Carl Cabe, publicity; Mrs. R. S. Jones, parent-teacher magazine; Mrs. Lester Henderson, grade mothers; and Mrs. S. H. Lyle, Jr., music.

The Rev. C. E. Parker, reporting for a committee named during the summer to confer with the county superintendent and school board, said that everything possible has been done to obtain a qualified teacher of public school music; that the janitor service has been improved; and that the school board agreed to pay for the telephone at the school, previously paid for by the P. T. A. He referred the item of cafeteria equipment to Mr. Houk for report. In closing, he suggested that a light in front of the school is seriously needed.

Mr. Finley, discussing the school's policies and needs, said the policy is to get the best teacher obtainable and then leave the details of instruction to them. He emphasized that "the Franklin High school is going to establish and maintain very high scholastic standards."

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REPORTS PUMP IN TOWN WELL WORN, CLOGGED

New Parts Are Ordered, Shipment Promised This Week

New parts and piping for the pump at the Franklin municipal well near the Nantahala creamery, on West Main street, were ordered by town officials by telegraph last week, after it was found that parts of the pump were worn badly and clogged with sediment.

Tuesday Mayor T. W. Angel, Jr., in a telephone conversation with the manufacturers, was told that the parts will be shipped by express from St. Louis Friday.

The well is out of operation, pending arrival and installation of the parts. Meanwhile, the water system is drawing heavily on the temporary supply of creek water, filtered and chlorinated, obtained at the western end of the town.

The pump, which was taken out and examined last by employees of the Nantahala Power and Light company, was found to contain large amounts of mineral deposits and sediment on all interior surfaces of the pump unit. These deposits were found to be particularly heavy throughout the bowl assembly, where it obstructed the passages, thus reducing the output of the water, according to Harmon Gnuse, power company engineer. He added that the pump shaft was scored at most of the bearing surfaces and that the impeller units were badly worn. The inspection was made by the power company without charge.

Mayor Angel said that similar inspections of the other two town wells are planned.

In discussing the well situation, Mr. Gnuse said that, when taken out, the pump was producing 42 gallons per minute, which is much lower than the manufacturer's performance rating for this pump, with the head of water that was found in the well.

Mrs. Ella Bidwell Dies At Pennsylvania Home Of Daughter

Mrs. Ella Enloe Bidwell, 81, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Wynne Weston, of Ridley Park, Penn., Wednesday of last week, following a long illness.

Mrs. Bidwell, who was a native of Macon County, was born here August 31, 1866. She had long made her home with her daughter.

Funeral services were held in Atlanta Monday, with the Rev. Dr. Owen, pastor of St. Mark's Methodist church, officiating. Interment followed in Westview cemetery.

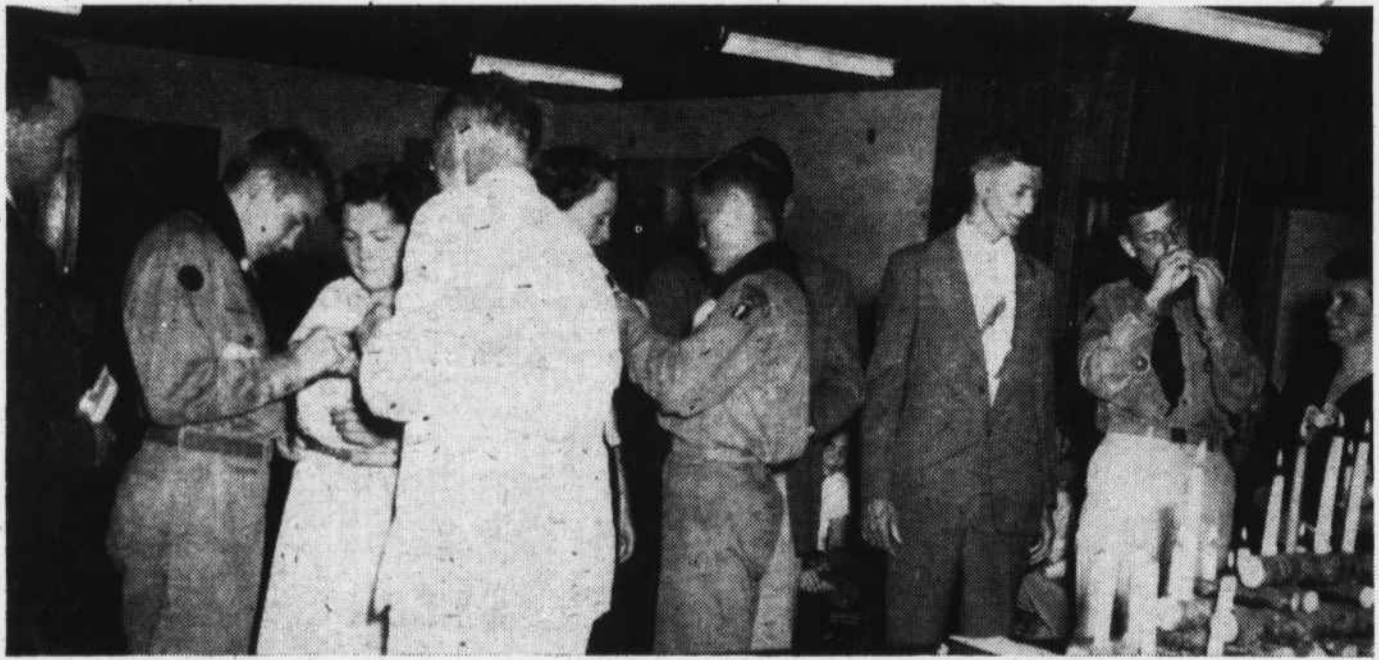
In addition to her daughter, Mrs. Bidwell is survived by four sisters, the Misses Lula, Cora, Nan, and Ida Enloe; three brothers, Jeff Enloe, of Franklin, and William and Charles Enloe; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Blaine, Hurt In Mishap, Is Improving

Mrs. W. J. (Bill) Blaine, who was critically injured in a motor bike accident last Wednesday, yesterday was steadily improving, Dr. Edgar Angel said. Mrs. Blaine received a fractured skull when she fell from the motor bike which she was riding last Wednesday afternoon on Harrison avenue, near her home. The accident occurred when the pedal of the bike caught on the curb as Mrs. Blaine was turning into her driveway. Taken to Angel hospital, she remained unconscious for several days. She has now regained consciousness and is resting well, according to members of the family and physicians.

Forest Service Official Visits Post At Coweeta

Dr. Charles R. Hursh, of Asheville, in charge of water resource management of the southeastern Forest Experiment station, was here Saturday to confer with M. D. Hoover, forester at the Coweeta Experiment station, near Franklin.



—Photo by Crisp's Studio

AS 3 BOYS BECAME EAGLE SCOUTS—Three Franklin boys, who had just had their Eagle Scout badges pinned on them by their mothers, are shown here attempting—not too successfully—to pin miniature replicas on their mothers. Note intent faces of Eagle Scouts Charles Thomas (left) and Frank L. Henry, III (center), while Eagle Scout John M. Alsop, II, uses his teeth in an effort to open the clasp. Left to right are Harry Thomas, his son Charles, Mrs. Thomas, the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, who presented the Eagle awards, Mrs. Frank L. Henry, Jr., Frank, III, John M. Alsop, his son, and Mrs. Alsop. Frank L. Henry, Jr., is standing just behind his son. (Story on Page 5.)