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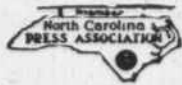
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## They Want To Stay

It has been repeatedly stated in this column that most Macon County veterans of World War 2 want to stay at home, that these G. I.'s, given half a chance, will remain in Macon County to provide the all-important vision and energy that only youth can bring to a community.

How strong is the pull of home on these young men is illustrated by some figures recently given the Franklin Rotary club by E. J. Whitmire, who heads the G. I. on-the-job farm training program in this county.

There are now 108 men on this program. They will testify that it is no "grave train"; it means work. But nearly 100 are on the waiting list, hoping to enroll the first of January.

Another indication of how seriously these men are trying to make good on the farm is the fact that a group of 12 rides 45 miles to attend classes.

These boys are doing things for this county, too.

Eighty-seven own farms, and 40 of these 87 have built or are building new homes. Sixty-six, or well over half, of the 108 have electricity in their homes, and most of the remainder are prepared to light their homes when electricity becomes available in their neighborhoods.

How little we have done for them is indicated by the fact that their formal education averages about the fifth grade.

So much for the young men on the farm.

What about the others, equipped by choice and training for other work? Are we going to do something to keep them here in Macon County, or are we going to let circumstances force them to take their talents elsewhere?

## The President Jokes

Even the President of the United States finds himself a bit shaky when he "has to talk to a banker".

At least that's what President Truman laughingly told a group of bank commissioners last week when they took time out from their convention to call on him. And after their tour of the White House he told them that they had just seen "the finest prison in the world".

All of which seems to indicate that Mr. Truman is blessed with that saving sense of humor without which, as he said, a President would be in a bad fix. (Which one of the rest of us wouldn't?) For a good sense of humor, more than anything else perhaps, tends to keep us sane. Furthermore, the quantity and quality of our sense of humor largely determines whether we are of big or small bore.

Mr. Truman explained his description of the White House as a prison by remarking that a President is a prisoner of the public. And then he added a remark that indicates that he has that naive honesty that usually goes along with a sense of humor. But most Presidents, he said, like it.

The President has been criticized for not seeming to take the present world situation seriously enough. But, recalling Lincoln, a lot of people are inclined to be thankful that the man who is our chief executive in this critical hour is one who has a sense of humor.

## Using What We Have

"Usefulness of native atmosphere in attracting people is illustrated in the success story of Penland School of Handicrafts, Mitchell county"; remarks the N. C. State News Bureau.

"Miss Morgan", it continues, "reports registrations this season from 35 states, Canada, India. Last season 68 applications were rejected for lack of space. This year, between 300 and 400 were turned away."

The "Miss Morgan" referred to is Miss Lucy Morgan, native of Macon County, and sister of the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan and of Mrs. H. E. Freas, of Franklin.

Miss Morgan long has done just what the News Bureau urges other North Carolina communities to do—"use the interesting things we have to make North Carolina a more attractive state". And it might well be added that, by so doing, we will make it more attractive and interesting for us at home as well as for our visitors.

## Others' Opinions

## MUSSOLINI'S SON

Mussolini's son, who once wrote how beautiful it was to drop bombs on Abyssinians, may soon have a chance to take up his art career again in an American plane.

He is currently being driven around Argentina in a government car and hailed with Fascist salutes in Peronland, to which the U. S. proposes to supply free arms and military instruction.—New Haven (Conn.) Union Times.

## BACK IN BUSINESS

It looks like the Young Democrats are getting set for the next general election. Activity of the organization was limited during the war years, but now there is a comeback with lots of determination on the part of the group.

An active organization does more than just get votes during an election. Such a group stimulates interest all during the year, keeps the personal contacts, and becomes united on general policies.

From here it looks like the group is getting ready to keep the cause of the Democrat party constantly before the people of this county.—Waynesville Mountaineer.

## WASHING WEALTH AWAY

The latest of the annual inundations of the Mississippi River, which has perpetrated damage calculated in excess of \$500,000,000 to the soil, crops, highways, railroads and cities in Illinois, Missouri and Iowa, as well as the loss of some lives, once more brings to focus the need for an over-all regional program to save the most valuable of our national resources, the top soil of the nation, which is being washed down the rivers to the sea at a tremendous rate.

This requires an integrated program of dams, hydro-electric power projects, irrigation, soil conservation and reforestation.—St. Louis Labor Tribune.

## STARTING ROAD FROM THE DAM

For years the people of Bryson City have been looking forward to the construction of the road from Bryson City direct to the Fontana Dam, as promised by the government when they took over the lands for the Great Smoky Mountains National park.

Well, the contract was let for the first short spot of something more than a mile starting at the dam and coming this way. Work has actually been started on construction and it is sincerely hoped it will be steadily carried on and other sections added to the program.

It is generally believed that the next move will be to start construction at the Bryson City end and gradually extend it to meet the oncoming effort. Even if it takes two or three years to carry this project to completion it will be worth waiting for and encouraged by the start it will incite further interest in securing a road direct into the center of the park from Bryson City.—Smoky Mountain Times.

## REPAIRING AN OLD HOUSE

Did you ever try to repair an old house and make a modern one out of it, and find that when you get one thing done there are two more things that need doing worse than the one you did. I have an old house over at Five Points which I had planned to do a little work on and modernize it a little, but I find that before I get through with it I will have become old fashioned, down and out and run down at the heel. Webster's old Blue Back Speller said that when an old house was torn down that it was no small job to remove the rubbish, but I believe that I could remove the rubbish easier than I can repair one. There is just one advantage about working over there—I can sort of keep the Burrells and the darkies out of my turnip patch. You remember that last winter they ate up my turnips and all the time kept promising me that they would bring me a mess of meat so that I could have a mess of greens but they never did bring the meat and the first thing I knew I had no turnips or meat either.—L. P. Cross in Clayton Tribune.

## A PLANETARIUM FOR N. C.

People who passed through the campus this week saw the beginning of the Morehead Planetarium, the gift to the University of John Motley Morehead of the class of 1891. The J. A. Jones Construction company of Charlotte has the contract. The time needed for the completion of the job is estimated at a year and a half.

The building will sit opposite, and a little way east of, the opening between the Alumni building and the Graham Memorial and will face the central square of the campus. It will cross the Senior Walk that runs west from the rear of the Episcopal church.

The first thing done, in preparation for the construction, was the removal of several trees from the site. Stout framing was placed around nearby trees to protect them from damage during the building operations.

Then a force of post hole diggers and carpenters went to work on the erection of a high board fence to enclose a large triangular area around the site. This fence runs along the west edge of the walk down the Old East to the Episcopal church, along the south side of the old Barbee place and the grounds of the Graham Memorial, and south along the rear of the Alumni building to complete the triangle. The only campus walk that is blocked by the fence is the Senior Walk.

Material is to be stored in the enclosure. An office and a supply house for the contractor, temporary wooden buildings, will be put up on the Graham Memorial lot. The stone wall running parallel with the Senior Walk is being removed and the stones are being used for the repair of the wall between the Battle-Vance-Pettigrew dormitory group and the Hill Music hall.—Chapel Hill Weekly.

## UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

It looks like the war-jingoes can't get it through their thick skulls that we are now living in the Atomic Age and that all their previous military plans and methods are as out-of-date as the proverbial dodo. If war is to continue, it will be Atomic War in spite of all anybody can say or do. Men have always used the latest and most powerful weapon, and if another war comes they will do it again. So why bother to train and equip a few thousand or a few million foot soldiers when one atomic boom dropped right in the middle of such an army would wipe it out so completely that you couldn't find a grease spot?

We are still strutting and bragging about having the atomic bomb as our own exclusive secret, and we tell the world that we are now turning out bombs a thousand times more destructive than any that have yet been used. Some of our top scientists tell us that two bombs such as we have now, if set off simultaneously, could make the whole United States uninhabitable.

Now what in the heck would an army of a million men do with a think like that? Just get wiped out. That's all. A million men with rifles and machine guns would be just as helpless as one man with a bow-and-arrow.

Oh, but they say WE'VE got the bomb, and no other nation has it. Who in the dickens knows what other nations have? Would they be likely to broadcast it to the world the very minute they got it? We didn't, as you can well remember. The first anybody knew of it was when we hit Hiroshima. So any one of a half-dozen nations may this very minute be piling up atomic bombs just like we are.

We won't have any more use for big armies than a hog has for saddle-pockets. We will only need a small number of well-trained flyers to drop our super-bombs on the enemy country. And, mind you, we will have to drop them FIRST. If we don't we will not drop them at all.

Now ain't that a purty dickens of a mess for this well-known ball of mud to get itself into? And yet that's exactly where we stand if the war-jingoes are allowed to have their way.

Universal military training!  
Nothing more utterly insane has ever been imagined.  
—Guilford College Lucky Dog.

## LEGAL ADVERTISING

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, AS AMENDED BY THE ACTS OF MARCH 3, 1933 AND JULY 2, 1946, OF THE FRANKLIN PRESS AND THE HIGHLANDS MACONIAN PUBLISHED WEEKLY AT FRANKLIN, N. C., FOR OCTOBER 1, 1947.

State of North Carolina  
County of Macon ss.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Weimar Jones, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the publisher of The Franklin Press and The Highlands Maconian and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily, weekly, semi-weekly or tri-weekly newspaper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the acts of March 3, 1933, and July 2, 1946 (section 537, Postal Laws and Regulations), printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the name and address of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business manager is Weimar Jones, Franklin, N. C.

2. That the owner is Weimar Jones, Franklin, N. C.

3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are William S. Johnson, Charlotte, N. C., and the estate of Mrs. J. W. C. Johnson, Madison, N. C.

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security holders, if any, contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholders or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting, is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner; and this affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds, or other securities than as so stated by him.

5. That the average number of copies of each issue of this publication sold or distributed, through the mails or otherwise, to paid subscribers during the twelve months preceding the date shown above is 2,191.

WEIMAR JONES.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of September, 1947.

CECILE GIBSON,

Notary Public

(My commission expires December 22, 1947.)

## TRUSTEE'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that under the power of sale given in a deed in trust executed by D. E. Worley to the undersigned Trustee, Dated July 24, 1942, and recorded in Book of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust 34, page 575 in the office of the Register of Deeds for Macon County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the debt secured thereby, and the holder of said debt having demanded that the undersigned Trustee exercise said power of sale, and sell the property thereby conveyed, as provided in said deed in trust.

THEREFORE, on Saturday, October 25, 1947, at Twelve o'clock Noon at the Court House door of Macon County, North Carolina, the undersigned will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash, that certain lot of land in the County of Macon, State of North Carolina, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

All those certain pieces, parcels or tracts of land situate, lying and being in Macon County, North Carolina, fully described in a deed of conveyance made by Universal Liquidating Company to the said Gay Green dated July 1, 1936, and duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Macon County, North Carolina in Deed Book A-5 page 349, but EXCEPTING HOWEVER, from this conveyance all lands conveyed by the above mentioned deed, located in Jackson County, North Carolina, and EXCEPTING ALSO from this conveyance that certain tract located in Macon County, North Carolina, fully described in a conveyance from William Browning, to Cowee Mountain School, Inc. by deed dated May 30, 1917, and

duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Macon County, North Carolina in Book X-3, page 585, and EXCEPTING FURTHER all portions of said lands so located in Macon County, North Carolina awarded to William Browning by Judgment of the Superior Court of said County in a suit wherein William Browning was plaintiff and Gay Green and Rocky Face Mining Company were defendants entered on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 1941. Reference is hereby made to the above deeds and to the above mentioned Judgment for full particulars.

And being the same property conveyed by Gay Green and wife to the said D. E. Worley, this conveyance being made to secure balance of purchase money.

This sale as above set forth will be made subject to any and all liens and encumbrances against said property and to any and all taxes or assessments which are a lien against the same, and the highest bidder will be required to deposit five per cent of the amount bid with the Trustee on the date of sale.

This, the 22nd day of September, 1947.

EUGENE C. WARD,  
Trustee.

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## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of Sheridan N. Reed, deceased, late of Macon County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 5th day of September, 1948, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 5th day of September, 1947.

W. L. REED,  
Administrator.

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## ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of Mrs. Emma Childers, deceased, late of Macon County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 13th day of September, 1948 or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 13th day of September, 1947.

J. R. CHILDERS,  
Administrator

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## National Forest Timber For Sale

Sealed bids will be received by the Forest Supervisor, Franklin, North Carolina, up to and not later than 2:00 p. m. November 3, 1947 and opened immediately thereafter for all live timber marked or designated for cutting, located on an area embracing about 360 acres within the Brushy Fork Unit, Greens Creek watershed, Jackson County, Nantahala National Forest, North Carolina, estimated to be 226 M feet B. M. more or less of hardwoods and softwoods. No bid of less than \$17.00 per M for white oak; \$15.00 per M for northern red oak; \$14.00 per M for white ash, \$9.00 per M for red maple; \$7.00 per M for black oak and chestnut oak; \$5.00 per M for pitch pine and scarlet oak and \$3.00 per M for hickory and black gum will be considered. In addition to prices bid for stumpage, a deposit of \$1.00 per M feet for all timber cut will be required for sale area betterment. \$500 must be deposited with each bid, to be applied on the purchase price, refunded, or retained in part as liquidated damages, according to conditions of sale. The right to reject any and all bids reserved. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale and the submission of bids should be obtained from the Forest Supervisor, Franklin, North Carolina. O2 and O16-2tc

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