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## Macon Highway Safety

Record for 1948 to Date

(From State Highway Patrol records)

KILLED ..... 2  
INJURED ..... 9

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## MANY HUNTERS OUT FOR 3-DAY DEER SEASON

Other Open Periods Set This Month and Next

Scores of Macon County hunters took to the woods early Monday morning, and other scores were out Tuesday and Wednesday, as the state opened Macon and Clay Counties and part of Cherokee to deer hunting for three days.

No definite figures were available yesterday on the number killed, but reports indicated that between one and two dozen hunters had brought in deer, while many other animals were said to have been wounded, but escaped.

A second three-day open season is set for December 6, 7, and 8.

Meanwhile the U. S. Forest Service Standing Indian area will be open for deer hunting the last three days of each of the next three weeks—November 18, 19, and 20, 25, and 27, and December 2, 3, and 4, and the Fires Creek area for the first six of those days.

There still are openings for those hunts, it was said at the Nantahala National Forest headquarters. Applications should be forwarded to the N. C. Wildlife Resources commission, Raleigh. The fee is \$7.50 for three days, or until the hunter gets his buck.

An unlimited hog hunt will be held in the Fires Creek area December 2, 3, and 4. Packs of dogs, not exceeding six to the pack, may be used. The fee for the hog hunt is \$1.

## Miss Elliott

And Brother Die Within 2 Days. Joint Rites

Miss Charlotte Barnwell Elliott, well known Highlands resident, died Monday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Warren Cunningham, on Scarsdale, N. Y.

A brother, Huger Elliott, had died only two days before at his home in Philadelphia, the plans called for joint funeral services at Sewanee, Tenn., yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon.

Both were to be buried in the Elliott family plot in Sewanee.

## LANG TRANSFERRED

Harold Lang left Sunday for Columbia, S. C., where he and his family will make their home in future. Mr. Lang, who has been active in church and community affairs while stationed with the Nantahala National Forest, has been transferred to Columbia.

## Do You Remember ... ?

(Looking backward through the files of The Press)

### 50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

The election in North Carolina was more than most Democrats expected and was a complete surprise to Republicans and Fusionists. Seven of the nine congressmen are Democrats. White was elected in the second district and Linney in the eighth, giving the Republicans two congressmen. Both houses of the legislature will be Democratic by large majorities.

The senate will be: Democrats 94, Republicans 24, Populists, 1. The house will be Democratic 84, Republicans 24, Populists 2.

### 25 YEARS AGO

On behalf of the people of Otter Creek school district, it is a pleasure to announce the completion of our new school building, which has been under construction since August. We wish to thank Prof. Billings for his aid in securing funds to erect the building of which we are all proud and for other assistance he rendered.

### 10 YEARS AGO

As a result of the book drive by the grades of the high school and the elementary school during National Book Week, 1,418 new books were added to the school library.

## 82 Counties In N. C. Spend More For Health Services Than Macon, Figures Show

RALEIGH—Eighty-two other North Carolina counties spent more per person than Macon for public health service last year, records of the State Board of Health show.

The county's total budget for public health service for the 1947-48 fiscal year was \$7,321, or 47.4 cents per capita. Of the total, the county contributed \$4,000 the state \$1,969, and the federal government, \$1,352.

Ninety-six of the state's 100 counties spent money for public health, and Macon ranked 87th among those 96 in the amount spent per person.

Another indication of Macon's health rating can be found in the fact that from 1940 to January 1, 1945 the county had a total draft rejection rate of 33.51 per cent, according to the Institute for Research in Social Science of the state university. Among the counties Macon ranked 4th in per cent

of total rejections. In percentage of white rejections, the county ranked 13th with a rate of 32.62 per cent. In Negro rejections, in ranked 2nd with a rate of 45.45 per cent.

Still another aspect of the Macon County health picture is provided by figures on the number of births in hospitals.

Out of a total of 459 live births in Macon County in 1947, records of the State Board of Health show that 188 occurred in hospitals, and 271 occurred outside a hospital, or in circumstances not known. This means that 59.04 per cent of the county's live births last year occurred without benefit of hospital facilities for mother and child.

The records further show that in 43 counties of the state last year a majority of the live births occurred outside a hospital. In the state as a whole

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## GREER TO SPEAK AT C. C. DINNER

Annual Meet January 14 Will Give New Board Time To Plan

Dr. I. G. Greer, widely known after dinner speaker, will address the annual dinner meeting of the Franklin chamber of commerce January 14, it was announced this week by B. W. McGlamery, president of the organization.

Dr. Greer is executive vice-president of the Business Foundation of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Tentative plans are to hold the meeting at the Slagle Memorial.

This year's annual meeting, Mr. McGlamery pointed out, is being held several weeks earlier than usual, in order to give the newly elected officers time to plan the year's work, hold the membership campaign, and get the tourist advertising program under way early.

In the past, it usually has been time to start the advertising for summer tourists before the annual meeting was held. Thus the new officers had little time to plan an advertising campaign, and either had to start it without knowing what funds would be available for the year's work, or defer it until too late to get the most effective results.

Election of directors and reports of the past year's work will be features of the meeting.

## Encouraging Early Reports Received On Symphony Drive

While no exact figures are available, preliminary reports on the canvass for members of the N. C. Symphony Society are encouraging, Miss Laura M. Jones, county chairman, said yesterday.

As an indication of progress, Miss Jones cited the case of one worker in a rural section who earlier this week had obtained 17 memberships.

The purpose of the campaign is to bring the N. C. Little Symphony orchestra to Franklin again this season, to give a free concert for school children in the afternoon, and an evening performance for members.

## Bryson Wins

The Bryson City High school eleven defeated Franklin here yesterday afternoon by a score of 7 to 6.

## P. T. A. TO MEET

The Slagle P. T. A. will meet at the school Wednesday afternoon of next week at 2:30 o'clock.

Archie D. Smith is here from the Atlanta regional office of the Forest Service working with Charles Pettit, district forester of the N. C. Forest Service.

Mrs. Mercer Lowrey and children, of Youngstown, Ohio, are making an extended visit to Mrs. Lowrey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Alsup.

## Philpott, Wanted In Robberies Here, Caught In Arkansas

Floyd L. Phillips, alias James Floyd Philpott, wanted here in connection with the robbery of three Highlands business houses, has been picked up at Little Rock, Ark., Highway Patrolman Pritchard Smith, Jr., was notified Tuesday night.

Philpott and Bern Garland escaped from the Bryson City jail August 21 while awaiting trial in Macon Superior court. Garland, arrested sometime ago in Cincinnati, is now held in the Waynesville jail, and will go on trial at next month's term of court here.

Mr. Smith said he had no details about Philpott's arrest, and could not say whether he will be brought back here for trial. He is wanted by the federal authorities to complete a term in the Levenworth penitentiary, from which he was paroled several years ago, and faces a number of post office robbery charges.

The two men's wives, arrested with them here last July 27, are out on bond.

## PTA Event Draws 150, Nets \$187

Approximately 150 parents, teachers, children, and friends of the school attended last Friday evening's "Family Supper" benefit program of the Franklin Parent-Teacher association, held in the attractively decorated school auditorium.

The event netted the organization \$187, which will be used in P. T. A. activities, Mrs. C. N. Dowdle, president, reported.

Approximately \$100 was made from the cafeteria-style supper, food for which was made and contributed by women of the community. Contests, cake walks, and sale of door prize tickets accounted for the remainder.

Little Nancy Siler won the prettiest girl contest cake, and the cake offered to the ugliest man went to C. N. Dowdle after a spirited contest. The door prizes—a cake and a sack of flour—were won by Mrs. Roy M. Biddle and Principal W. H. Finley.

Following the contests, for which B. W. McGlamery served as master of ceremonies, square dances were held, with Furman Corbin and Ras Penland providing string music.

Major committee chairmen for the event were Mrs. Frank M. Killian, food; Mrs. Carl Tyng, publicity; Mrs. Ross Zachary, door prizes; and Mrs. J. Ward Long, decorations.

In announcing the financial results of the benefit, Mrs. Dowdle expressed appreciation for the "generous cooperation of everybody."

## 127 AT MEETING

A total of 127 persons attended Monday evening's meet-

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H. H. GNUSE

## GNUSE AGAIN IS RED CROSS HEAD

Proposed Blood Program For Area Explained At Annual Meet

Harmon H. Gnuse was re-elected chairman on the Macon County chapter of the American Red Cross at the chapter's annual meeting last Thursday evening.

Featuring the program was a discussion of the proposed Red Cross blood program for Western North Carolina, committee reports on the past year's work, and election of officers. Miss Elizabeth Anne Phillips gave a humorous reading.

About 40 persons attended the dinner session, held at the Slagle Memorial, and unanimously adopted the nominating committee's report, submitted by the chairman, James Hauser.

Officers for the coming year, in addition to Mr. Gnuse, are: S. C. Russell, of the Highlands branch, vice-chairman; Mrs. Mary Jo Sloan, secretary; and J. C. Jacobs, treasurer.

Committee chairman will be: Mrs. Gladys Kinsland, Junior Red Cross; Mrs. Josephine Gaines, home nursing; Miss Lassie Kelly, production; Ed Whitaker, disaster; Mrs. Carl S. Slagle, nutrition; Mrs. Velma Conley, publicity; J. H. Stockton, finance; R. E. McKelvey, home service; and James Hauser, water safety.

W. D. Dibrell, Red Cross general field representative, out-

## Sanders Youth

Is Fatally Injured In Auto Mishap

Robert Pearson Sanders, 22-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Sanders, of Franklin, died at Angel hospital at 3 p. m. last Saturday, as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident earlier that day on the Highlands-Dillard road, just across the state line in Georgia.

Young Mr. Sanders apparently lost control of the car, Highway Patrolman Pritchard Smith, Jr., said. The vehicle started to overturn, he reported, but struck a tree and was knocked back on its wheels.

Grady Sanders, his brother, a passenger in the car, suffered minor injuries and was taken to the hospital, but was discharged Sunday.

The brothers were on their way home for the week-end from Hawkinsville, Ga., where they had been doing carpentry work.

Funeral services for young Mr. Sanders were held at the Pleasant Hill Baptist church, of which he was a member, Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. Claude Ledford, pastor, officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

The following uncles served as pallbearers: B. T. Sanders, Silas Ledford, Charles Stockton, Ray Sanders, Paul Ledford, and Lawrence Carpenter.

Bryant funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are two sisters, Mrs. Anne Lee Radford and Miss Captola Mae Sanders; four brothers, Grady, Wylie, Charles Edward, and Victor Sanders; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Sanders and the Rev. and Mrs. Lester Ledford.

## Standing Indian Is Closed To Grazing After December 31

### Town Buys

Flusher For Washing Streets

The Town of Franklin, which long has lacked adequate facilities for washing the street, has purchased a street flusher, and it arrived here last Friday.

Early this week the new equipment was used to wash most of the major streets in town.

The flusher, which is said to retail for about \$4,000, was bought by the town in Atlanta for \$950. It is almost new, having been driven only 1,200 miles.

## Jurors Drawn For December Court Term

The board of county commissioners, at its meeting Monday, drew the jury list for the term of superior court which will open here Monday, December 6. The actual drawing of the names from the box was done by four-year old Ann McCoy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. McCoy.

Only one woman—Mrs. Herman Dean, of Franklin—was drawn on this jury list.

The jurors drawn for the first week are:

Robert Morgan, of Franklin, Route 3, J. E. Root, of Highlands, John W. Edwards, of Highlands, W. R. Cochran, of Flats, Robert T. Bryson, of Route 3, W. M. Angel, of Route 3, Harold Cabe, of Route 4, Cecil Crawford, of Route 1, Walter Bryson, of Highlands, James L. Hauser, of Franklin, Grady Coffey, of Highlands, Arthur Rogers, of Highlands, Sherman Ledford, of Route 1, L. P. Roper, of Route 3, Charles Bradley, of Franklin, Walter Tippet, of Route 3, T. H. Callahan, of Franklin, F. B. Duncan, of Franklin.

R. H. Bennett, of Route 3, John L. Cunningham, of Prentiss, Joe Reese, of Highlands, John Cabe, of Route 2, Frank J. Crane, of Highlands, J. R. Ramsey, of Stiles, H. M. Wright, of Highlands, Lex Angel, of Franklin, Robert R. Estes, of Cullasaja, Dalton Smith, of Prentiss, W. Roy Carpenter, of Franklin, W. C. Sheffield, of Route 3, L. W. Ashe, of Route 3, Vance Vanhook, of Route 2, Frank C. Cunningham, of Route 3, Mrs. Herman Dean, of Franklin, Fred M. Slagle, of Route 1, Joe Tallent, of Route 3.

The panel for the second week follows:

Fred R. Jones, of Route 2, Harry Holt, of Highlands, Jesse Shope, of Route 1, Wiley Guest, of Route 4, Carter Henson, of Franklin, Grady Bradley, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1, T. H. Barnes, of Highlands, Fred Henson, of Gneiss, Lon J. Dalton, of Route 3, Parker Raby, of Route 4, J. H. Brookshire, of Route 1, Reid Womack, of Franklin, D. N. Fouts, of Route 3, Ralph Bradley, of Route 3, J. C. Buchanan, of Highlands, S. J. Dean, of Route 3, Cline Evans, of Flats, and Floyd Martin, of Route 3.

## New P. T. A.

At Otto To Hold Next Meeting Nov. 29

The recently organized Otto school Parent-Teacher association will hold its next meeting at the school Monday, November 29.

At the organization meeting, held last month, Mrs. Ed Henson was elected president.

Other officers are Mrs. Carl Howard, vice-president; Mrs. J. B. Moore, secretary; and Mrs. Herschel Cabe, treasurer.

## INSPECTS FOREST

J. F. Brooks, assistant regional forester, of Atlanta, is here this week inspecting the Nantahala National Forest.

## Forest Service Ruling On Wildlife Area Is Announced

All grazing of domestic livestock on the Standing Indian wildlife management area will be prohibited after December 31, it was announced here this week.

The decision of the Atlanta regional office of the U. S. Forest Service has been communicated to grazers and others interested by E. W. Renshaw, supervisor of the Nantahala National Forest, within which the 14,000-acre Standing Indian area lies.

The N. C. Wildlife Resources commission recently adopted a resolution favoring a decision along the line of that reached by the Forest Service.

The whole question of ranging livestock on the area was discussed in a two-hour conference of farmers of Macon and Clay counties with Forest Service and state fish and game authorities at the courthouse here last June, and the decision is in response to the questions raised at that time.

At that time, Lester Waldrop, who presided apparently voiced the attitude of most of the 60 to 75 farmers present when he said that the Standing Indian area is the only section suitable as a range, and urged that that area be abandoned as a wildlife management area.

Mr. Renshaw explained to the gathering that, when the management area was established about 10 years ago, a policy was adopted aimed at ultimately eliminating all grazing. Under that policy, a farmer who grazed one year might graze the same number of stock (up to 10) the next, but if he missed a year, he lost his grazing rights.

In his letter to the grazers, Mr. Renshaw explained that a careful study of the situation has been made since the June meeting, and that it has been decided to continue the Standing Indian section as a management area, and to prohibit further grazing there, as being in conflict with use of the area as a game and fish refuge.

The letter cited these reasons:

The area "is publically owned and belongs to all the people. To permit grazing . . . to a few would be unfair to others who have an interest in the forest" and "would benefit only a handful of people. To open the area to all . . . would destroy the management area as a fish and wildlife refuge . . . The only alternative is for the Forest Service to discontinue all grazing."

"We believe", the letter continued, "that the upper Nantahala River is an excellent habitat for deer, game birds and fish. Wildlife specialists of the Forest Service and of the North Carolina Wildlife Resources commission are agreed that wild turkey have made a remarkable come back on this area under the protection given to it for the past 10 years."

"In response to local sentiment for such a game management area, this site was chosen and established in 1937. A considerable amount of money has been spent in developing the area, stocking it with deer and in building the game protector's station at White Oak Bottom. The public has an investment which is expected to commence paying off soon. The trout fish-

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## The Weather

Temperatures and precipitation for the past seven days, and the low temperature yesterday, as recorded at the Coweeta Experiment station.

	High	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	64	33	.33
Thursday	60	24	.18
Friday	62	26	.00
Saturday	64	44	.12
Sunday	62	29	.00
Monday	66	24	.00
Tuesday	62	26	.00
Wednesday	64	44	.30