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Calendar Of The Week's EVENTS

Data for this column should reach The Press by not later than noon Tuesday. In order to keep the calendar accurate, secretaries of organizations are requested to notify the newspaper promptly of changes in the time or place of meetings.

THURSDAY

7:15 p. m.—Board of stewards of Franklin and Carson's Chapel Methodist churches at Slagle Memorial building for dinner meeting.

SATURDAY

7:30 p. m.—Teen Age club party at Hotel Hearn.
8 p. m.—Dance (American Legion benefit) at Memorial Building.

MONDAY

10 a. m.—Board of county commissioners at courthouse.
10 a. m.—County board of education at courthouse.
7 p. m.—Troop No. 1, Boy Scouts, at Memorial building.
7:30 p. m.—Franklin board of aldermen in town office.

TUESDAY

7:30 p. m.—Junaluska Lodge No. 145, A. F. and A. M., and Masonic hall.

WEDNESDAY

7 p. m.—Franklin Rotary club at Memorial building.

Reece Freed At Inquest Truck Death

Grady Reece, Cartoogechaye farmer, was released Tuesday, following an inquest into the death of William Brand, 82-year old pedestrian, who was fatally injured Monday when hit by a truck driven by Mr. Reece. The accident occurred between Norcross and Duluth, Ga., north of Atlanta.

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Driving a produce truck for J. E. Bradley of this county, who accompanied him, Mr. Reece was heading north at the time, according to the testimony at the inquest. A tractor pulled into the highway from a side road at the right, and an automobile directly in front of the Reece truck slowed down and swerved to the left. Mr. Reece, in an effort to avoid colliding with either the tractor or the car in front of him pulled sharply to the left. In so doing, his truck struck Mr. Brand, who was walking on the left side of the highway, off the pavement. The truck overturned.

Neither Mr. Reece nor Mr. Bradley was injured, but the truck was badly damaged.

Mr. Reece was represented at the inquest by his attorney, R. S. Jones.

Miss Stockton Named To Student Group Post

Miss Barbara Stockton, law student at the University of Carolina, Chapel Hill, last week was elected treasurer of Student Law association at University. Miss Stockton is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stockton, of Franklin.

Smokey Says: LET'S ROAST OUR HOTDOGS NOT OUR WOODS



—Photo by Crisp Studi

LANDMARK PASSES — Work men this week began to demolish the old Johnston home on West Main street, for many years the home of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jackson (Uncle Jack and Aunt Gene) Johnston, and later of their son, the late T. J. Johnston and family. The house was built in 1860, according to a date on the old guttering. Frank B. Duncan, owner of the property, sold the building to Jim S. Gray and Vernon Cunningham, with the understanding it would be torn down and removed. Mr. Duncan said the house had so deteriorated that it did not warrant repairs. The building was believed to be one of the oldest in Franklin.

Macon's Teachers Getting \$17,000 Extra This Month

Teachers and other public school employes in Macon County this week are receiving monthly pay checks totaling approximately \$17,000 more than usual, figures compiled in the county superintendent's office show.

The reason is the 20 per cent salary increase voted by the current legislature, to be retroactive for about three and a half months. The monthly payroll for the 110 teachers, 25 bus drivers, five janitors, and three administration employes in this county has been about \$25,000. The 20 per cent increase will boost it to approximately \$30,000 monthly. But this month's checks, covering one month's salary, plus about three and a half month's increase, total in the neighborhood of \$42,000.

RED CROSS FAR BEYOND QUOTA

Macon Folk Give Nearly \$1,000 More Than Amount Asked

Macon County people donated over \$1,000 more than the quota in the recent Red Cross fund campaign, it was announced this week by E. G. Crawford, county fund drive chairman.

The overage probably will reach—and possibly will pass—the \$1,000-mark, he added, since reports are yet to be received from workers in 10 communities.

The figure this week stood at \$2,740.77, or \$944.77 above this county's 1949 quota of \$1,796. In terms of percentage, the county has raised about 60 per cent more than was asked of it. Workers who have not reported and turned in their funds were asked to do so at once.

County workers: Mrs. Effie Hunt, Tesenta, \$17; Mrs. Nat Phillips, airport and Palmer street, \$24.45; Mrs. Ed Henson, Otto, \$13; Mrs. H. C. —Continued on Page Five

Mid-Year Stewards' Meet Is Set For 7:15 Tonight

The 36-member board of stewards of the Franklin and Carson's Chapel Methodist churches will hold its mid-year dinner meeting at the Slagle Memorial building tonight (Thursday) at 7:15 o'clock. The meal will be prepared and served by members of the Wesleyan Service guild. Important business is to be done before the board at tonight's meeting. Chairman James Hauser said.

Cancer Fund Campaign To Be Launched

The annual campaign for funds to fight cancer will be launched in this county Saturday, it was announced this week by Mrs. Lester Conley.

Mrs. Conley recently was appointed for the second successive year as county campaign chairman by the American Cancer society. Other members of the society's county committee are Mrs. Robert R. Gaines, county commander; Henry W. Cabe, treasurer; and Dr. H. T. Hordley, chairman of the Macon county executive committee.

This year's quota for this county is the same as that last year, \$300, Mrs. Conley said, adding that O. F. Sumner, who raised more than a fourth of the county's 1948 quota in Highlands, will again direct the campaign there.

Recalling that Macon County people last year responded promptly and generously to the appeal for funds to fight cancer, most dreaded of all common diseases, Mrs. Conley expressed confidence that the \$300 asked this year will be raised quickly.

The leaders in each home demonstration club, civic club, or other organization, are asked to serve as members of the committee, to raise funds from among members of their organizations, while teachers are requested to organize the work in the schools, she said.

The funds are sought for the Cancer society's program of research into the causes and cure of cancer, and Mrs. Conley remarked that, because "cancer is no respecter of persons, this is a fight that concerns everyone; for cancer can strike anywhere".

Baptist Pastors Will Meet Here On Monday

The Macon County Baptist Pastors' conference will be held at the First church here Monday at 10 a. m. The Rev. N. E. Holden will be the chief speaker, and the Rev. W. L. Sorrells will conduct the devotional. The organization is headed by the Rev. C. E. Parker, president, while the Rev. Willis is secretary, and the Rev. Arvil Swafford is program committee chairman.

Sgt. Cabe Transferred To Embarkation Port

S. Sgt. Carter A. Cabe, whose home is Cullasaja, is being transferred from Fort Bragg, where he has been with the 10th Reconnaissance wing, to the port of embarkation at Camp Kilmer, N. J., according to an army announcement received here. The announcement said Sgt. Cabe would spend a 29-day leave at home before reporting at the Port of embarkation.

MACON SCHOOLS SHOW UP WELL AT CULLOWHEE

Franklin Wins Third Place; Highlands Has 8 Winners

Competing against 15 other Western North Carolina high schools, Franklin High won third place in the annual Literary and Athletic Field day competition at Western Carolina Teachers college, Cullowhee, last Friday. Approximately 1,000 students participated.

First place went to Waynesville, with 105 points for the second successive year, and Murphy was second, with 94 points. Franklin's points total was 74.

Students from Highlands high school, entered in 15 events, captured three first places, one second place, and four thirds.

Franklin students returned home with 18 first places to their credit, eight seconds, and six thirds. Home economics students took first place in total points.

The Franklin first place winners were:

Iris Cabe, shorthand; Barbara Guffey, bookkeeping; Lattie Mae Corbin, Spanish (senior reading); Pauline Anderson, Spanish I; Pat Pattillo, general science; Mariann Sherrill, world history; Una Crawford, Algebra; Boyce White, softball throw; Doris Gribble, volleyball; Phyllis Moses, volleyball; Una Crawford, home economics (second year dress); Kitty Webb, home economics (fourth year skirt and blouse); Kathryn Long, home economics (fourth year cotton dress); Mariann Sherrill, home economics (second year cake); Mary Ellen Staudemire, home economics (second year candy); Margaret Berry, home economics (second year luncheon set); and Louise Bryson, home economics (fourth year handkerchief).

Second place winners:

Nancy Calloway, Spanish (senior grammar); Max Corbin, senior survey in mathematics; Ethel Waldrop, U. S. history; Mariann Killian, home economics (first year dress); Dot Dean, swimming; Elizabeth Phillips, swimming; Louise Bryson, home economics (fourth year crocheted table scarf); and Doris Dalrymple, home economics (fourth year crocheted rug).

Third place winners: Doris Dalrymple, typing I; Jimmy Conley, geometry; Connee Nolen, biology; Phyllis Moses, chemistry; Georgia Nell McDonald, civics; and Carrie Lee Blaine, broad jump.

The eight students from Highlands, one of the smaller schools entered, who won places were: Joyce Burnette, first in French grammar and vocabulary; Mary Deas Anderson, first place in piano solo; Mary Phillips, second place in French reading; Dolores Vinson, third place in second year algebra; Audrey Hays, third place in general science; James Keener, third place in biology; Maxine Talley, third place in physics; and Martha Holt, first place in softball throw for accuracy.

Keith Gregory Will Do Research At U. Of Missouri

Keith Edward Gregory, son of Mr. and Mrs. Parker Gregory, of Franklin, Route 4, has joined the animal genetics staff of the University of Missouri college of agriculture, Columbia, Mo., where he will serve as a research assistant, it has been learned here.

Mr. Gregory, who will work with Dr. Gordon E. Dickerson, associate professor in charge of animal breeding at the university, holds a B. S. degree from N. C. State college, and a master's degree from the University of Nebraska, where he was graduated with honors.

West Macon Conference To Be Held Sunday At 3

The second quarterly conference of the West Macon Methodist circuit will be held at Mt. Zion Methodist church, Sunday at 3 p. m. Dr. C. N. Clark, superintendent of the Waynesville district will preside.

Franklin School To Have 2 Valedictorians; Girls Are Tied For Top Honor

For what is believed to be the first time in its history, the Franklin High school this year will have not one, but two valedictorians.

Two students — both girls — are tied for the school's highest scholastic honor, Principal R. G. Sutton announced yesterday. As a result, each will deliver a valedictory address at the 1949 graduation exercises.

The valedictorians will be Miss Mary Alice Archer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Archer, Jr., and Miss Elizabeth Ann

Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Phillips.

The salutatorian will be Miss Iris Hazel Cabe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Weaver Cabe, of Franklin, Route 4.

During their entire four high school years, Mr. Sutton said, Miss Phillips and Miss Archer have made straight "A's" on all subjects, except that each made a single "B."

Miss Cabe was a close second, having made all "A's" during her four years, with the exception of two "B's".

VAN RAALTE IS HOST AT PARTY

Firm Officials Stress Quality In Talks At Dinner

Approximately 275 Van Raalte workers, officials, and guests attended the "house warming" held at the Franklin Van Raalte Saturday night.

The event, besides providing an opportunity for inspection of the plant and its facilities, offered officials of the company a chance to become acquainted with a large number of townpeople.

Frank Risenberger, president of Van Raalte, was here for his first visit since the completion of the plant.

In a short after-dinner talk Mr. Risenberger gave a brief sketch of the size of the organization, which now operates 15 plants in six states with a total personnel of 4,100.

He stressed to the 115 Franklin employes that the real boss of the Van Raalte company is Mrs. and Miss America and that the major concern of the management of the company is to keep pleasing them. To illustrate to what length the management of the company goes to keep up with the whims of the buying public, he pointed out that Van Raalte is constantly in touch with manufacturers of shoes and dresses, because changes in styles in these products cause changes in the styles of hosiery, gloves and underwear.

In closing, he declared that only by quality production can there be an increase in sales, which means an increase in jobs for the workers.

This same theme of quality production was stressed by L. W. Griffis, vice-president, and Joe Crawford, hosiery production manager. Mr. Griffis said that Van Raalte has built a modern, attractive plant here in keeping with the quality of the surroundings. He expressed his appreciation for "the fine cooperation" that has been received by the Van Raalte company, and singled out for special praise Merchant Construction company, of Asheville, Henry I. Gaines, of Asheville, and T. W. Angel, Jr., mayor of Franklin, for their help.

Mr. E. W. Maebert, southern plants manager, awarded pins to 14 local employes who have been with the company for more than two years, and to 43 local employes who have more than one year's service at the Franklin plant. Fifty-five other local workers were present at the dinner.

Those who received the two-year pins are Jeannette Elliott, Nell Welch, Hallie Dotson, Lola Fouts, Thelma Morrison, P. M. Duncan, Grace Rogers, Shirley Houston, Betty Peek, Bernice McCracken, Dolie Angel, Beulah Cunningham, Margaret Neal, J. N. Blaine.

One-year pin awards were made to Aileen Angel, Esther Guest, Mertis Brown, Dorothy Finney, Maxine Price, Martha Gregory, Viola Mann, Hazel Fouts, Elizabeth Campbell, Ellen Dowdie, Hazel Sellers, Beatrice DeWeese, Stella Higdon, Gladys Bowers, Pearl Stewart, Jessie Scott, Mae Stanfield, Lila Dills, Ina, Moss, Mary Jo Gibson, Deane Bowers, Katherine Pendgrass, Virginia Ray, Dorothy Moore, Bertha Bryson, Anna Ledford, Palle LaBoone, Isabella Duvall, Alma Bollick, Amy Hall, Viola Hayle, Lacy Gregory.



PFC. J. D. SUTTON

Final Rites Planned For Pfc. Sutton

Funeral services for Pfc. Joseph D. Sutton, who was killed at Brest, France, September 5, 1944, will be held at the First Baptist church here Sunday afternoon, and are tentatively set for 2:30 o'clock. The pastor, the Rev. C. E. Parker, will officiate.

Military rites will follow at the graveside in the Franklin cemetery.

Pfc. Sutton, who was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sutton, of Franklin, enlisted in the army in September, 1940, just prior to his eighteenth birthday. He had served in the 13th Infantry four years, lacking only a few days, at the time of his death.

Born here November 17, 1921, he attended the Franklin school, and was a member of the First Baptist church.

Survivors, in addition to his parents, include two sisters, Mrs. H. B. Ellis, of Murfreesboro, N. C., and Miss Georgia Sutton, of Franklin; three brothers, W. M. Sutton, Jr., of Conway, N. H., Bob F., of Franklin and Trenton, N. J., and Glenn, of Franklin, and the paternal grandmother, Mrs. D. G. Sutton, of Barker's Creek, Jackson county.

The body, which is expected to arrive here Friday, will be at the Bryant funeral home until time for the services.

Paul West Obtains Patent On His Oil Filter Invention

H. Paul West, of Franklin, has obtained a patent for an oil filter and renewable cartridge, for use on combustion engines, according to an announcement received here from Washington.

The invention of Mr. West, who is a Nantahala Power and light company employe, is said to be an improvement over anything on the market in taking smudge and moisture out of the oil used in gasoline engines.

Mr. West also filed application for patent rights in Canada.

Burrell Company Named Oldsmobile Automobile Agent

Burrell Motor Company, Inc., has been appointed agent for Oldsmobile automobiles, it was announced this week by the Oldsmobile company.

The Burrell company, which also is Chevrolet agent, takes over the Oldsmobile agency at once.

Prior to this time, Franklin has had no Oldsmobile agent.

5 NOMINATED APPOINTED TO SCHOOL BOARD

New Macon Education Body Due To Meet April 11

The five persons who were nominated for the posts, in last spring's Democratic primary, are named as members of the Macon County board of education in the omnibus school board bill introduced in the lower house of the general assembly Tuesday.

The five are the three present members who were renominated—C. Gordon Moore, the present chairman, Bob S. Sloan, and Walter Gibson — and two new members, Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill and Fred Edwards.

The new board which will hold office for two years, normally would meet, organize, and elect a county superintendent at a meeting on the first Monday in April. It probably will not be called into session, however, until the second Monday—April 11—County Supt. Guy L. Houk said yesterday. As secretary to the board, Mr. Houk has the responsibility for calling a new board to its first session.

Since the bill appointing the boards throughout the state was not introduced until Tuesday Mr. Houk explained, it is improbable that it can be ratified in time for the board members to receive formal notice of their appointments prior to the first Monday in April.

Meanwhile, the present board presumably will meet next Monday for its final session.

When the new board meets, its first action is expected to be the election of a chairman, and its second, the election of a county superintendent for a two-year term.

Under state law, members of the Macon County board are nominated in the Democratic primary but actually are appointed by the general assembly. The usual procedure is for the assembly to accept the names presented to it by the county's representative—in this session, Rep. Carl S. Slaele.

Mr. Edwards and Mrs. Sherrill will succeed Ed Byrd and Frank Browning, when the new board takes office.

Weaver Shoppe Chosen Head Of V. F. W.

Z. Weaver Shoppe is the new commander of Macon County Memorial Post No. 7339, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Mr. Shoppe, who is principal of Higdonville school, was elected at a dinner meeting of the post, held at Norton's cafe Wednesday evening of last week.

Other officers chosen are: Carl M. Faircloth, senior vice-commander; Norton Holbrooks, junior vice-commander; Robert R. Gaines, quartermaster; and Edwin W. Shope, adjutant. Named as trustees are George Byrd, for a three-year term; Paschal Norton, two years; and Woodrow Reeves, one year.

Appointive officials will be named by the new commander at the next meeting, which is set for April 13.

In discussion of plans for increasing the membership during the coming year, it was pointed out that the local post's enrollment is the largest west of Hayward county.

R. R. Gaines, recalling that it was the V. F. W. which started the movement to build a stadium at the school athletic field, and that the post made an unsecured loan to get the work started, suggested that organization select a civic project to sponsor during the coming year.

The Weather

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

Wednesday	72	40	.00
Thursday	75	35	.00
Friday	73	49	.35
Saturday	74	51	.24
Sunday	73	63	.01
Monday	61	48	.00
Tuesday	65	30	.24
Wednesday	—	40	.00