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MODERN BETSY ROSSES' AT WORK-With the approach of United Nations Day, October 24, home demonstration club women here are making United Nations flags. The photo above was made Friday at the meeting of the Macon Council of Ho me Demonstration clubs. The flag-making, in which the silk screen method is used, is an educational project of the clubs. One of the flags is to be presented to the board of county commissioners, to be flown, along with the United States flag, from the courthouse. Flags will be made for other organizations desiring them, the only charge being the cost of materials, it was explained. In the picture, left to right, are Mrs. Ralph Bradley, newly elected president of the council, Mrs. Dan Reynolds, county citizenship leader, Mrs. Homer Greene, clothing leader of the Carson's Chapel club, Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill, county home agent, and Mrs. Graham Grindstaff, county clothing leader.

#### SILER HEADS BOARD

The Board of Stewards of the Franklin Methodist church held its first meeting for the new conference year Monday night and elected officers for the year. A. A. Siler was elected chairman of the board, W. W. Sloan, vice-chairman; William Katenbrink, secretary; and Henry W. Cabe, treasurer.

## Do You Remember . . . (Looking backward through

the files of The Press)

50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK Next week is court here and all who oweth the Press anything, either on subscription or advertising, will please come in settle, as it takes money to run a newspaper in this part of the world as well as anywhere else. So come along brother and pay your share.

Sheriff Roane, who was shot on the 24th of last month, is improving, we are glad to state.

The mica business is on a boom in Macon now.

At a meeting of the Demo-Ray was elected sub elector for hold the senatorial primary were appointed, a list of which will be published later.

## 25 YEARS AGO

It is going to be pretty dif-ficult for any set of map makers to keep secret the existence of a concrete road from Franklin to Sylva. This road is now under construction and will be ing the total number to three finished within a year or less

An Oakland sedan parked at the top of Main Street hill last Sunday decided to test its speed capacity. Consequently, it quiet-ly moved off down the hill, gathering momentum as it proceeded. Near the bottom of the kill this shiny Sedan saw an electric light pole to its liking, knocked the pole down, jumped Palmer street and landed against a tree in the yard of Mr. W. C. Cunningham's residence. No one was hurt during the wild race.

Deputy Sheriff B. C. Munday is able to be on the street, after being wounded some days ago by an alleged whiskey runner.

## 10 YEARS AGO

Red Panthers as a stepping stone to their third straight win of the season here last Friday, decisively walloping Coach Hawkins' eleven to the tune of 24-0.

Mayor J. O. Harrison, honorary chairman, has announced the appointment of J. Horner Stockton and Mrs. J. W. C. school will be discontinued un-Johnson as co-chairmen of a til further notice, it has been Franklin committee for the an- announced. Cancellation was many trips into Korea on army nual nation-wide Bowl of Rice caused by the conflict with the business. Party campaign.

## State Asked To Take Over Road By Lake

The Macon county board of education, which met Monday morning, voted to send a letter to L. Dale Thrash, tenth division highway commissioner, requesting the State Highway commission to take over for maintenance the Nantahala lake road, after Guy L. Houk, school superintendent, told the board the road was "unsafe for school bus travel."

The road goes through Wayah Gap, skirts Nantahala lake passes through Kyle, to the Nantahala community. According to Mr. Houk, the road is being maintained at the pres-

ent time by the Forest Service. He told the board that he personally inspected the road and that wash-outs on the lake side of the road make it unsafe for travel, and he pointed out that, at some points, traffic is one-way because road fills have given way and fallen into the lake.

Mr. Houk said he could see no reason why the lives of "our cratic executive committee of this county Monday, Hon. J. F. school children should be in jeopardy" when traveling over jeopardy" when traveling over the road.

architect, to draw plans for the dist church, and was married proposed Iotla, Slagle, and Unto George Dowdle in 1898. Mr. on paper the recollections of The Indians never threatened ion schools, and submit them to the board for approval as soon as possible.

Mr. Houk announced that one additional teacher has been added to the faculty at the Chapel (Negro) school, bring-

## Divisional

#### Baptist Meeting Will Be Held Here

The Bryson City division of the Business woman's federation of the Baptist Woman's Missionary union will meet at the First Baptist church here tomorrow (Friday) evening at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced this week by Mrs. Hylda Shep-herd, general secretary of the Mary Tipton circles here.

About 100 persons from business women's circles in the division, which embraces Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Swain, Jack-son, and Macon counties, are expected to attend. Miss Helen Gibson, of Bryson City, is di-Brevard High used Franklin's visional president and will pre-

Miss Ruth Province, of State Baptist headquarters in Raleigh, will be the guest speaker.

## SQUARE DANCES CANCELED

The benefit square dances which the Otto Parent-Teacher association has been sponsoring each Friday night at the Otto football games Friday nights.

#### Boy Falls From Kin's Tombstone, Is In Hospital

Billy Fink, of Gastonia, three-year old grandson of Will Rogers, of Highlands, suffered a broken leg and a crushed chest Sunday when he climbed on his grand-mother's tombstone at the Buck Creek cemetery, and the stone, loosened from its base, fell on him.

He was brought to Angel clinic, where his condition yesterday was reported as serious. He is expected to re-cover, it was added.

## Mrs. Dowdle

## Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. Sallie Lorena Dowdle, 70, who died Saturday night following a short illness, were held Monday at 2 p. m. at the Asbury Methodist church. Burial was in Rush cemetery.
The Rev. L. C. Stevens, pastor,

and the Rev. Robert L. Poindexter, officiated.
Mrs. Dowdle, a native and

lifelong resident of Macon Coun-Dowdle died 13 years ago.

Surviving are four sons, Ralph Dowdle, of Sedro Woolley, Wash. Arthur Dowdle, of Dillard, Ga.,

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## Says History Will Create Love Of Land

"Instill in your young people the history of your county, of their heritage. If they knew the County, they would have a greater love for their county" D. L. Corbitt declared at Tuesday night's annual meeting of Macon County Historical society at the courthouse.

Mr. Corbitt, head of the division of publications of the N. C. Department of Archives and History, was guest speaker at Dies; Funeral Held the meeting, attended by about 40 persons

Following the public meeting, members of the society, at a business session, reelected all the organization's officers for the coming year. The officers are Miss Laura M. Jones, president, Ed McNish, vice-president, E. W. Long, treasurer, Miss Cecile Gibson, secretary, and Robert Fulton and Miss Lassie Kelly, directors.

Mr. Corbitt told the society that the greater the variety of ty, was born February 22, 1830, its objectives, the wider would Panthers massed an impressive man and American leaders in and a half-brother, Jimmy ty, was born February 22, 1880, its objectives, the wide wide in the Iotla community, the daughter of John and Mrs. Ellien Byrd Campbell. She was a points in the county, the collected the remaining 14 points in the county, the collected the remaining 14 points in the county, the collected the remaining 14 points in the county, the collected the remaining 14 points in the final half with Board members also agreed to len Byrd Campbell. She was a points in the county, the col-notify Ronald Green, Asheville member of the Asbury Metho-lection and preservation of old the second string playing most on paper the recollections of older persons in the community.

of the pleas and quarter sessions court, which he said were Route 1, Fred Dowdle, of Frank-lin, and Howard S. Dowdle, of back to the early 1800's, and although many fans predicted the U.S. Navy; six daughters, later of the county commission-Mrs. Floyd Brooks, of Harrimon, ers, the tax records, the cen-Tenn.; Mrs. Fred Vinson, of sus records, the laws, and sta-Scaly, Mrs. Clarence Thurmond, tistics contain much of the hisof Rabun Gap, Ga., Mrs. Lewis tory of the county, but, in addi-B. Hargett, of Richmond, Va., tion, information about the Miss Georgia Dowdle, of Atlanta, churches, the schools, the roads, Ga., and Miss Ellen Dowdle, of and, most of all, the people also

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# N. C. SYMPHONY CAMPAIGN WILL

Annual Members' Drive To Bring Orchestra Here Planned

The sixth annual membership campaign of the North Carolina Symphony Society in Macon County will be launched Tuesday.

Memberships finance the appearance here each spring of the N. C. Little Symphony orchest: a for two concerts, an evening performance for members, and a free matinee for Macon County school children

E. J. Carpenter is president of the Macon chapter of the so-ciety, and Miss Laura M. Jones is membership campaign chair-

In announcing that this year'. membership campaign will start Tuesday, Miss Jones asked that a'l workers meet at her home on the Georgia road Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Those who find they cannot attend the evening meeting are asked to come to Mr. Carpenter's office in the Bank of Franklin building Monday afternoon between the hours of 2 and 5 to obtain their materials and instructions.

Memberships this year are \$2, was pointed out that a mem-bership not only entitles the holder to attend the evening concert here and helps make possible the free concert for children, but that it also entitles the holder to attend regular concerts of the orchestra anywhere in the state.

Letters are going out this requested to work in the camhistory of the people of Macon paign, and in making the list

## Panthers Lick Indian Team **34-0** Tally

sparkled by Backs Henry and Shields, scalped the Cherokee Indians 34-0, on the local field last Friday night before an estimated 2,000 football fans.

The versatile Atkins boys surprised fans by playing the first half of the game running out of a single-wing formation, instead of the usual "T" formation, and then converted back General Lucius D. Clay, and has to the "T" the second half. The the support of President Tru-

to move the Panthers out of He remarked that the minutes of the pleas and quarter ses-"Nink" Henry-Charles Shields combination proved to be too that the Panthers were due for an upset.

Henry picked up 109 yards in n'ne trys with the ball, and same number of carries.

Franklin kicked off to the In-Franklin; two sisters, Mrs. Nellie is needed to fill in the history plays without picking up a first Continued On Page Eight-



KILLED IN KOREA

ROBERT L. ROGERS, JR.

Macon People Are Given Chance To Help Break Down Iron Curtain

Crusade for Freedom scrolls are being put at leading business places and in the schools the same as last season, and it clubs, and persons who wish to and are being given to civic help in this effort to break down the Iron Curtain are invited to do so at once, Henry W. Cabe, county chairman, said this week

Interested persons may back both of two things: By signing the scrolls as a token of their faith in democracy and freeweek to those who are being dom; and by contributing money, from one cent up, to aid in the operation and expansion workers public. Miss Jones of the campaign to get across Continued On Page Eight- the truth to the people under Soviet domination.

The campaign in Highlands time in June. will be handled by the High-lands Rotary club.

In connection with the appeal for cash donations, Mr. Cabe, pointed out that if people all over the United States contribute, even though their dona-A high-riding Panther eleven, be used chiefly for the operation of Radio Free Europe, a privately-sponsored radio de-signed to "meet the big lie (of the Soviets) with the bigger truth". It seeks to supplement the work of the State department's Voice of America.

The nation-wide Crusade for Freedom, which will end Saturday, October 14, is headed by

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# Franklin P. T. A.

Wins Attendance Prize At District Meet The Franklin Parent-Teacher

association won the \$5 prize for having the largest percentage of membership from the greatest distance present at Tues-Shields totaled 105 yards in the day's district P. T. A. meeting in Asheville. Franklin had six representa-

tives, Mrs. Allen Siler, president Mrs. C. N. Dowdle, Mrs. R. S. Jones, Mrs. Roy M. Biddle, Mrs. Emory Hunnicutt, Mrs. Edgar Angel, and Mrs. Weimar Jones.

Two of the Franklin delegation were appointed to district committees. Mrs. Siler was named on the invitation committee. and Mrs. Weimar Jones was appointed chairman of the minutes approval committee.

## Start Work

#### On Cross Street Between Main And Palmer

A new street is being cut and graded from East Main street, beside the post office, through to Palmer street (U. S. 23).

E. J. Whitmire, Jr., chairman of the town board street comfirst visit to the "land of morn- hotel, but for the most part mittee, said the street will be 17 feet wide after paving, and will be one-way, from East Main to Palmer.

The State Highway commis- (As recorded by Masson Selles for TVA) sion is doing the work and the

## ROBERT ROGERS **IS FIRST MACON** DEAD IN KOREA

#### Body Of Franklin Youth To Be Brought Back Home For Burial

Pfc. Robert L. Rogers, Jr., 18, son of Mrs. Thomas H. Moore, of Franklin, died in Japan September 19 of wounds received in action in Korea. He was the first Macon County serviceman to lose his life in the Korean conflict.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore received a telegram from the Defense department Satu day night, no-tifying them of their son's death

They were notified September 23 that Pfc. Rogers had been "slightly wounded" in action in Korea on September 12, and a week later they received the message that he had died September 19. They have received no information about the nature of his wounds. He presumably was taken from Korea

o a hospital in Japan. Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Moore were informed by the Defense department that the body will be returned to the States as soon as transportation is available. No definite funeral plans will be made, Mr. Moore said, until more detailed information is received about when the body will arrive in this country.

Pfc. Rogers entered the service September 8, 1949, and went overseas in July. Mr. and Mrs. Interested persons may back Moore received a letter from the campaign by doing either or him postmarked September 10, saying that he was back from the Korean front lines for a two-day rest.

A member of the First Calvary division, he received his train-ing at Fort Jackson, S. C., and Fort Benning, Ga. While at Fort Benning, he several times visited his parents here, the last

Born August 17, 1932, at Biltmore, he was the son of Robert L. Rogers, a veteran of World War 1, who died in 1934. Young Rogers came to Macon County as a child, and attended school at Iotla, Franklin, and Oak tions are small the total raised Ridge, Tenn. He was a member will be great. The money will of the Baptist church at Laurens, S. C., and was active in the young people's organizations

of the Baptist church here, when he was in Franklin.

Survivors include his mother and step-father; two brothers, C. Richard Rogers, of Westchester, Penna., and Gerald L. Rogers, of the Naval Air Base at Monterey, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Charles E. Morrow, of Woodruff, S. C., and Mrs. Joe Moore, of Franklin.

## 20 From Macon

## Attend Democratic Rally At Sylva

Twenty persons from Macon County attended the twelfth district rally of the Democratic party in Sylva Tuesday afternoon

Highlighting the rally were speeches by Gov. Kerr Scott, Congressman Monroe Redden, and Willis Smith, Democratic nominee for the U.S. senate.

Those attending from this county were W. E. Baldwin, Harry Thomas, E. J. Whitmire, Jr., Harold Enloe, R. S. Jones, Miss Kate McGee, Lake V. Shope, E. W. Long, M. L. Dow-dle, Clyde West, Jake Waldroop, Frank I. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Siler Slagle, Mrs. Lester Conley, Lester Waldroop, Jess Shope, Charlie Sutton, Lloyd Waldroop, and Erwin Patton.

## The Weather

Temperatures and precipitation for the past seven days, and the low temperature yesterday, as recorded at the Cowecta Ex-periment station.

	High	Low	Pct.
Wednesday	69	37	00
Thursday	61	44	trace
Friday	72	50	- 00
Saturday	75	51	00
Sunday	75	54	00
Monday	79	50	00
Tuesday	75	39	00
Wednesday	****	40	00
Franklin	Rainf	all.	

Wednesday, none; Thursday, cost will be charged to the Town none; Friday, none; Saturday, vessels," Mr. Townsend said, housed concessions and eating said should begin around Ocof Franklin account. Paving, he none; Sunday, none; Monday, day, none.

## Townsend, Who Served In Korea, Describes That Land As 'Mountainous As Nantahalas'

"Korea is as mountainous as still on the inactive list, strikes facilities, he pointed out, were the Nantahalas.

Korea.

playing the role of "arm chair analysist". Mr. Townsend knows first hand. He has the "Mr." on his name now, but up until January of this year, he was Cap-tain Townsend, with a hitch of Pusan, which today is the main 20 years under his belt in the regular army, which included occupation duty in Japan, and

he Nantahalas." one as being a veritable "Inserveral years behind the rest of That comparison, on a Macon formation Please" on the Orient. the world, and large vessels County level, suggests why the He was stationed with the army United Nations experienced dif-ficulty in gaining grounds in supervisor of the Kyushu divi-could move up to the piers and the first phases of the war in sion of the Third Mi'itary Rail-Korea. way Service, and had occasion to visit Korea many times, be-William B. Townsend, Franklin fore the North Korean Com- he said, "was the lack of any restaurant owner, and he wasn't munists moved across the 38th form of sanitary facilities just talking through his hat, or parallel and started the war now in progress.

ing calm" was in October, 1946 and he entered the port of port of entry for United Nation troops and supplies.

"As a harbor for ocean going The ex-army captain, who is "Pusan wasn't very good." Port

weren't able to enter the harcould move up to the piers and unload cargo. "The first thing that impressed me about the city of Pusan,'

nothing modern." There were modern facilities, he declared, Mr., or Captain, Townsend's at the railroad station and the people didn't know what a modern bathroom was. Pusan was extremely congest-

ed, he said, with narrow paved streets, dotted with hovels and "holes in the wall" which

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