

FIRM HERE BUYS PHONE BUSINESS AT HAYESVILLE

Brings To Nine Number Of Units In Western Carolina System

The Western Carolina Telephone company, with headquarters in Franklin, has bought the Clay County Telephone company, at Hayesville, and took over operation of the Hayesville telephone service yesterday (November 1).

The announcement was made here this week by Russell E. McKelvey, general manager of the Western Carolina firm.

The deal, Mr. McKelvey said, has been approved by the N. C. Utilities commission. The consideration involved was not disclosed.

The purchase brings to nine the number of exchanges operated by the Western Carolina. It already had exchanges at Franklin, Highlands, Clayton, Ga., Cashiers, Sylva, Cullowhee, Bryson City, and Cherokee.

The Hayesville concern, which at present has 106 telephone subscribers, was owned and operated by L. E. Hollyfield, Jr. He has been employed by the Western Carolina firm to serve as Hayesville manager, Mr. McKelvey said.

Meanwhile, an announcement was received here from Lynn D. Garibaldi, of Charlotte, that the directors of the Western Carolina and the Carolina Mountain telephone companies are studying a proposal for a merger of those two concerns into one organization. Mr. Garibaldi is president of both companies.

If such a merger is approved by the directors of the two companies, Mr. Garibaldi said, the terms of the merger will be recommended by the directors to the stockholders, who will vote on the proposal at a special stockholders' meeting.

Should the merger be approved, the combined organization would be one of the largest independent telephone operating companies in the state.

VOCAL CONCERT PLANNED HERE

Miss Evangeline Collins, lyric soprano, will present a program of classical and light classical selections at the Methodist church Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

Miss Collins' appearance here is under the auspices of the Choral group at Franklin High school, the proceeds from the event will go to the music library fund at the school.

The lyric soprano, who sang the leading role in Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirate of Penzance" in Detroit under the direction of A. Gnau, will be accompanied at the piano by Richard Renfro.

The evening's program will include selections by Mozart, Handel, and R. Strauss. Mr. Renfro will play a number of piano solos.

Admission will be \$75 for adults and \$35 for school children.

W. R. Penland

Burial Rites To Be Held Here Today At 2

Graveside rites for William R. Penland, 63, a native of Macon county who had made his home in Cleveland, Ohio, for the past 35 years, will be held at the Franklin cemetery this (Thursday) afternoon at 2 o'clock, with the Rev. C. E. Murray officiating.

Mr. Penland, who was a railroad conductor, died last Friday at his home in Cleveland.

His widow is the former Miss Beulah Cabe, of this county.

Surviving, in addition to his widow, are two daughters, Mrs. Lucille Koenig, and Miss Mildred Penland, of Cleveland; two sisters, Mrs. Mae Lovelace, of Wilmington, and Mrs. W. H. Cabe, of Greenville, S. C.; two half-sisters, Mrs. George Rush, and Mrs. Bart Fulcher, of Franklin, Route 2; and two half-brothers, Laurence Penland, Franklin, Route 2, and Witham Penland, Nehalem, Ore.

Donald Brown State Winner At Raleigh Electric Meet

Donald Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Brown, of Franklin, is state winner in the 4-H club farm electrical contest. It was announced Monday night at the 4-H Electrical Congress in Raleigh.

Young Brown, who was Macon county and district winner in last year's contest, received the honor for the "best utilization of electricity on a farm" among 4-H members.

He was picked from a group representing more than 50 counties in the state, and won a free trip to Chicago to attend the 4-H Congress to be held there in December. He also will be given the opportunity to compete for one of six \$300 scholarships, it was announced. The

scholarships are given by the Westinghouse Educational foundation.

John M. Archer, Jr., president of Nantahala Power and Light company, presented the awards to the contest winners in Raleigh. The Nantahala company gave prizes to the winners in the five-county area the firm serves, and gave the contest winners a free trip to the meeting in Raleigh.

Others attending from here were, Carlene Sorrells and Dillard Morgan, Macon county winners in the contest. Miss Othella Cabe, district winner, T. H. Fagg, assistant county farm agent, and W. W. Sloan, Nantahala company director of rural service and personnel.

Achievement Day Prizes Are Awarded

The Cartoogechay home demonstration club craft exhibit won first prize at the annual Achievement day of the Macon county council of home demonstration clubs held at the Slagle Memorial building Tuesday.

A prize of \$15 was awarded the club, which was formed in 1934, and is the oldest club in the county. Mrs. T. H. McNish is president.

A second prize of \$10 was awarded to the Holly Springs club for an exhibit entitled "Live at Home Abundantly". The president of the club is Mrs. George R. Pattillo.

The Carson Chapel club, headed by Mrs. Frank Reece, won \$5 for third place with a craft exhibit.

The Cullasaja club won the club achievement score with 325 points, and was awarded a gavel. The Cowee club was second with 307 points. It was explained that points are earned by the clubs for participation in community activities, project leadership, and holding demonstrations in the absence of the home agent.

Judging the exhibits were Miss Anne Benson Priest, home agent of Transylvania county; Miss Pansy Deal, home agent of Swain county; and Miss Dorothy Green, home agent of Rabun county, Ga. The prize money was given to the winners by the Bank of Franklin.

Approximately 250 women attended the all-day program which began at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Dr. Carl Jonowski, district health officer, delivered an illustrated lecture on "Guidelines for Mental Health", and Miss Roberta Enloe, Franklin High school teacher, spoke on "United Nations, Our Hope for World Peace".

Charter members of the clubs were honored and 24 women were awarded prizes for perfect attendance at club meetings. Forty reading certificates also were awarded.

A covered dish lunch was served to the group. Mrs. Harold Cabe, of the Holly Springs club, was in charge.

The meeting was presided over by the new county council officers, who were officially installed at the morning session. They are Mrs. Ralph Bradley, president; Mrs. Jack Cabe, vice-president; Mrs. Dan Reynolds, secretary; and Mrs. Charles Houston, treasurer.

Davis To Hold Baptists' Revival Here Next Week

The Rev. Wendell G. Davis, pastor of the Western Avenue Baptist church, Statesville, will conduct revival services at the First Baptist church, Franklin, every night at 7:30, next Monday through Sunday, it has been announced.

Mr. Davis is a native of Salisbury and is a graduate of the Southern Baptist seminary, Louisville, Ky. He has served in pastorates in Grundy, Va., and Bluefield, W. Va.

Mrs. Clarence Henry will be in charge of the music for the services.

WILL GIVE PLAY

The seniors of Highlands High school will present "Take Your Medicine", a farce in three acts, at the school theatre Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

PANTHERS LICK LAVONIA, 26-0

Will Play Murphy High At Murphy Friday Night

A peppy Panther eleven, hustling with the opening kick-off, shifted into high gear and steamrolled a Lavonia, Ga., eleven, 26-0, for a non-conference win last Friday night on the home field.

It was the Panther's fifth win against one tie.

The next conference games comes tomorrow night at Murphy.

The locals, who have been suffering a mid-season slump, Friday night romped out on the field, slightly rejuvenated, and showed fans they could still play the band of football they displayed at the beginning of the season.

The Panthers received the kickoff and moved to pay dirt in the opening seconds of the game and completely dominated the ball the first quarter. Lavonia "touched" the ball only twice in the first quarter, once on a kickoff, which was fumbled and Franklin recovered, and again in the dying seconds of the first half, with not enough time left to run a play.

The opening kickoff was tucked in by Jack Norton on the 32-yard line, and Ker Norton carried to the 37. Bermit Dehart plunged through center for two yards, Jack Norton moved the ball to the 42, and Dehart humped to the 47 for a first down. John (Bardy) Archer shoved his way to the Lavonia 47 and then hit the center of the line to the 39.

A pitch-out to Back Bobby Potts chalked up three more yards for the Panthers. An Archer-to-Jack Norton pass connected on the 11-yard marker, and Potts skirted right end for the tally. Archer's kick for the extra point split the poles.

The score jumped to 13-0 after Richard Jones' kickoff was bobbled on the Lavonia 31 and Franklin recovered the elusive pig skin. The Panthers moved down to the Lavonia 12 in two plays and were set back 15 yards for illegal use of the hands. Archer tossed a looper to Pat Pattillo who romped across the goal line standing up.

The Panthers pawed again in the second quarter after End Jack Norton reached up and intercepted a pass deep in Lavonia territory. Archer flipped from the 12 to J. Norton in the end zone for the score. Archer split the stays for the extra.

The final tally came in the fourth quarter with three minutes left in the game. Charlie Shields blasted to the Lavonia 22, and a penalty against Lavonia for unnecessary roughness moved the ball to the seven. Shields plowed over for the touchdown and Archer missed for the extra.

Mr. Huneycutt then handed Dewey Hopper, chairman of the Highlands board of stewards and superintendent of construction, a new shovel. In turn Mr. Hopper, Mr. Huneycutt, Dr. Miller, and all others present, and finally Mr. Early, each turned a shovel of new earth under the place of the new sanctuary with the pastoral blessing, and Mr. Huneycutt pronounced the benediction.

Start Pouring East Franklin School Concrete Footings

Workers began pouring concrete footings at the new East Franklin school last Friday. Guy L. Houk, county school superintendent, announced this week. Work will start soon on the new Franklin high school, he added.

PLAN CHAMBER AND MERCHANTS MEMBERS' MEET

Will Discuss Tourists, Annual Dinner At Session Nov. 9

The Franklin Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants Association will hold a members' quarterly meeting at the Agricultural building November 9 at 7:30 p. m., it has been announced.

Heading the joint business meeting will be a discussion on how to create more tourist trade, as well as local activity. In this area. Members of both organizations are urged to attend the meeting and have some project in mind that the Chamber of Commerce can undertake in order to be of more service to the community, and to local merchants.

It also was announced that plans for a completely new folder, advertising Franklin, are being completed. The folders will feature new copy and pictures, it was explained, and may be purchased by businessmen and tourist home operators who are members of the Chamber of Commerce.

It was suggested at a recent board of directors meeting that the folders be sold to members of the organization in order to help cover the cost of having them printed.

The organizations will lay plans for the annual dinner in January, and will discuss obtaining a guest speaker for that occasion.

Break Ground At Highlands Church Site

A ground-breaking ceremony took place at the site of the new Highlands Methodist church at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon.

The opportunity was offered by the special visit that day of Dr. Walter J. Miller, of Charlotte, president of the Western North Carolina Methodist Board of Missions and Church of Extension, and of the new district superintendent, the Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, of Waynesville, who spent the evening at Highlands discussing the next steps in the church building program there.

After the arrival of Dr. and Mrs. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Huneycutt, following an earlier meeting at Cherokee, members of the local building committee met with them at the church to review progress and plan further ways and means. Following this meeting, the group adjourned to the new building lay-out, where the pastor, the Rev. Robert E. Early, led a service of ground-breaking for a new church.

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Change In Social Security Law Means More Insurance, Not Bigger Pensions

All this talk about liberalization of the social security law doesn't mean that the so-called "old age pension" has been increased. It hasn't.

But the change in the law does mean that a lot of people, who have been living off the form of social security that is a kind of public charity, can shift now to the form that is insurance; the kind they helped pay for, and therefore are entitled to by right, rather than because of need.

The confusion has arisen because there are several forms of social security, and most people aren't clear about the differences.

There is aid to the blind. Then there is aid to dependent

VOTERS TO FILL COUNTY, STATE OFFICES NOV. 7

Fate Of Five Amendments To Constitution To Be Decided

PERTINENT VOTE FACTS
Election Date: Tuesday, November 7.

Voting hours: 6:30 a. m. to 6:30 p. m.

Voting place: The polling places in the 11 precincts in this county.

To Be Elected: Nine county officials, a congressman, two associate justices of the state supreme court, and two U. S. senators.

Other Issues: Voters to decide on five constitutional amendments.

In Tuesday's general election, Macon county voters will choose between Democratic and Republican nominees for nine county, one district, and from state offices, and will ballot on five proposed amendments to the North Carolina constitution.

With the election only five days away, the candidates, and leaders of both parties, this week were making their last-minute canvasses in a two-way effort—to convince undecided voters, and to get the vote out.

Of the five proposed amendments to the constitution, one would increase the pay of legislators; one seeks to safeguard the teachers' and state employees' retirement fund; one would change the constitutional provision relating to grand jury action; and two deal with superior court judges.

Interest appears keenest in two local races—for sheriff and for representative.

In the sheriff's race, the voters will choose between J. Harry Thomas, former Farmers Federation manager here, the Democratic nominee, and J. Perry Bradley, Republican, who has held the office for the past eight years.

The race for representative is between C. Tom Bryson, Cullasaja merchant and former registrar of deeds, Democrat, and the Rev. C. C. Welch, widely known Baptist minister, the nominee of the Republicans.

For chairman of the county board of commissioners: Democrat W. E. (Gene) Baldwin, Franklin business man who has held the post for about five years; and Republican F. E. Hastings, farmer and timberman of Franklin, Route 2.

Two members of the board of commissioners: Democrats W. W. Edwards, Highlands hotel man, and John A. Roane, Cartoogechay farmer, the incumbents; and Republicans J. D. Burnette, Highlands merchant, and L. M. Henson, Otto farmer and wood buyer.

Clerk of superior court: Democrat Miss Kate McGee, of Franklin, for several years employed in the register of deeds office; and Republican Paul B. Carpenter, Franklin laundryman.

Register of Deeds: Democrat Lake V. Shope, who has held the two terms; and Republican Sam W. Higdon, of East Franklin, employe of the Macon County Supply company.

Coroner: Democrat G. R. Henson, retired farmer of Bonny Crest; and Republican Furman Corbin, of Franklin, hospital employe.

Surveyor: Democrat Lake R. Ledford, Skenah farmer and surveyor; and Republican James Denman, surveyor of Franklin.

Except for the representative and the surveyor, the terms of all county officials to be elected are for four years.

Two district Democratic nominees are without Republican opposition. They are R. S. Jones, Franklin attorney, who will be

Pasteurized Milk Here Gets Top State Rating Of 99.29

Pasteurized milk sold in Macon county received a grade of 99.29 per cent, in a milk sanitation survey completed in August, and the rating is believed to be the highest in the state, according to C. B. Thomas, supervising sanitarian of the district health department.

He said the same rating was also given to two other Western North Carolina counties, Jackson, and Swain.

"Certainly, if anybody beats the score of 99.29 per cent, they will have to have a perfect grade," Mr. Thomas declared, "under the high demands of the United States Public Health Service survey sheet, would be next to impossible to receive."

The results of the survey and the ratings given the counties have been filed with the U. S. Public Health Service and the North Carolina State Board of Health, he said.

Praising the counties' dairy farmers, the pasteurization plant here employs, and the Milk Producers' association, Mr. Thomas, said that the excellent ratings were obtained only after five years of effort on the part of all concerned.

The Health department, he said, "wishes to commend all persons who were responsible

for the excellent showing", and pointed out that it proves that "cooperation between owners and managers of any establishments with the Health department can produce almost unbelievable results".

Mr. Thomas cited A. B. Slagle's Nantahala Pasteurization plant, on the Murphy road, as being one of the most modern little plants in North Carolina. Improvements there, he said include, a new building to house the plant, new machinery and equipment for processing milk, and a homogenizer.

The Nantahala Creamery, he said, is selling milk to educational institutions operating lunch rooms in Jackson, Macon, and Swain, at a special school lunch room price, that saves the institutions thousands of dollars each year.

The money saved by the schools under the program, he said, is being used for school lunch room improvements.

The grade given the Slagle plant was 99.85 per cent, that given the dairies selling milk to the plant was 98.16, and given the pasteurized milk 99.29.

The Macon dairies listed are J. W. Addington, Harold Enloe, A. B. Slagle, Siler Slagle, and Harley Stewart.

certified after the election as the state senator from this, the thirty-third, district, and Thad D. Bryson, Jr., of Franklin and Bryson City, for his second term as solicitor of this, the twentieth, judicial district.

In the state races, two U. S. senators are to be elected. Clyde R. Hoyer, of Shelby, North Carolina's senior senator, who was unopposed for renomination in last spring's primary, seeks reelection to his second six-year term. His Republican opponent is Halsey B. Leavitt, Asheville insurance man.

The nominees for election as senator to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator J. Melville Broughton are Willis Smith, of Raleigh, Democrat, and E. L. Gavin, of Sanford. Mr. Smith won the Democratic nomination by defeating Senator Frank P. Graham in the second primary in June. Dr. Graham had been appointed to the post, pending an election, by Governor Kerr Scott upon the death of Senator Broughton, in March 1949.

Rep. Monroe M. Redden, of Hendersonville, Democrat seeking his third term in the lower house of congress, is opposed by Republican John A. Wagner, of Asheville. Col. Wagner is a retired army officer. Mr. Redden was unopposed for renomination in the Democratic primary.

The only other two contests are for seats on the N. C. supreme court. Justice Sam J. Ervin, Jr., of Morgantown, is opposed by Robert H. McNeill, of Statesville, while Jeff D. Johnson, Jr., Democrat, of Clinton, and Guy Weaver, Republican, of Asheville, are the nominees of their parties state executive committees for the vacancy on the bench created by the death of October 15 of Justice A. A. F. Seawell. In nominating Johnson last Saturday, the state Democratic committee ignored the recommendation of Governor Scott, who had given an interim appointment to Murray G. James, of Wilmington, and urged Mr. James' nomination.

Because the state ballots already had been printed, special ballots will be used for the Johnson-Weaver supreme court justice election.

One of the proposed amendment seeks to raise the pay of members of the general assembly. Present compensation for legislators is \$600 per member, regardless of the length of the regular session, plus \$8 per day for a special session, not exceeding 20 days. The proposed amendment, if passed, would give each member \$15 per day for a regular session, not exceeding 90 days, and the same rate for special sessions, not exceeding 25 days.

The presiding officers of both houses would be paid \$20 per day for regular and special sessions.

Another proposed amendment deals with the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System, and proposes a provision whereby retirement funds may be used only for Retirement System purposes. At present, there is no provision pro-

Crowd Of 300 Hears Hodges, Judge Alley

A crowd of men and women estimated at 300 heard Brandon P. Hodges, treasurer of North Carolina, and Judge Felix E. Alley, of Waynesville, speak at a county-wide Democratic rally at the courthouse Tuesday night.

Mr. Hodges drew vigorous applause when, in the course of his address, he referred to "that great leader, Franklin D. Roosevelt", and in concluding his remarks he referred to the local situation, urging united support for the entire Democratic ticket.

Judge Alley, in his inimitable style, kept the crowd either laughing or applauding throughout his talk.

Bob Sloan, president of the Macon County Young Democrat club, which sponsored the gathering, presided and introduced the local party nominees. R. S. Jones, nominee for state senator, introduced Mr. Hodges, and Judge Alley was presented by Mr. Sloan.

Music was provided by a string band.

19 Macon Boys

Take 25 Calves To Start Stock Show

Nineteen 4-H and Future Farmers of America club members of Macon county took 25 calves they raised to the annual Fat Stock Show and sale in Asheville this week.

The boys left Monday morning, accompanied by Wayne Proffit, vocational agricultural teacher at Franklin high, and T. H. Fagg, assistant county farm agent.

A fat stock showing was held yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon, and the sale of the stock will begin today at 1 p. m.

hibiting the funds from being used for other purposes.

At the present, no person may waive an indictment by a grand jury in a felony case. This is said to result in the detention in jail of defendants awaiting action by a grand jury.

A proposed amendment would permit a person, charged with a felony, to waive action by a grand jury, providing he is represented by counsel. In no case, however, could grand jury action be waived in a capital case.

Two proposed amendments deal with superior court judges. One would permit the general assembly to provide for the election of more than one superior court judge in a judicial district if needed. The other would transfer from the governor to the chief justice of the state supreme court the authority to assign superior court judges, and give the general assembly the authority to define the jurisdiction of the special and emergency superior court judges.

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