

THIS COUNTY'S 2 LEGISLATORS LEAVE SUNDAY

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the published statement he made during the Democratic race—a pledge to recommend the appointment by the assembly of the five men nominated in the Democratic primary for the county board of education. The five are Bob Sloan, Walter Gibson, T. T. Love, J. C. Sorrells, and Charles W. Noien.

He also discussed taxes, automobile inspection, and the pay of school bus drivers. On the latter point, Mr. Bryson suggested that school bus drivers, now paid jointly by the state and the county, should be state employees, just as the teachers are, and should be better paid. The combined pay in Macon County, he said is \$50 per month, probably the lowest in the state. Emphasizing the drivers' responsibility for the safety of the children, he said their pay should be materially increased.

The Macon representative-elect believes present revenues should take care of the state's needs, and is opposed to any tax increase, he said. He anticipates that the issue of the state's taking over the maintenance of

Harold Roper To Open New Drug Store

A new drug store, to open about the middle of January, is Franklin's newest business enterprise.

Plans for the store were announced by Harold Roper, who will be the proprietor.

The store will be situated in the Herman Dean building, just east of the Western Auto Associate store, on downtown Main street. The location has been sub-leased from Townsend's cafe, which will continue to operate next door.

The new store, to be known as the Carolina Pharmacy, will be an independent enterprise, Mr. Roper said, and will offer both fountain and prescription service. The fixtures are now being installed.

Mr. Roper, son of the late John Roper, of the West's Mill community, and of Mrs. Roper, who now makes her home in Brevard, is a graduate of Franklin High school and was graduated from the University of North Carolina in June, 1949, with the B. S. degree in pharmacy.

Prior to entering the University, he served 38 months in the U. S. Coast guard, during World War 2.

Since completing his education, he has been manager and pharmacist for the Madison Drug company, at Madison, N. C.

He and Mrs. Roper, the former Miss Helen DeHart, are making their home in the Lee Wood apartment on Palmer street.

Mother Of 2

Highlands Women Taken By Death

Mrs. Shelle Miller Picklesimer, 70, a native of Jackson county, died Thursday afternoon at a local hospital following an illness of several days.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete, and will be handled by Moody's Funeral home in Sylva, members of the family here said.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Ed. F. Edwards, and Mrs. Fred A. Edwards, of Highlands, and Mrs. J. C. Passmore, of Cashiers; four sons, Deroy N. Picklesimer, of Elko, Nev., Harry M. Picklesimer, of Douglas, Wyo., Edison A. Picklesimer, of Verona, N. J., and Wilbur T. Picklesimer, of Charlotte; a brother, N. A. Miller, of Brevard; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

town and city streets will come up, and said he will oppose an increase in the gasoline tax to pay the bill. "The automobile is the highest taxed thing we have in the state today," he declared.

Mr. Bryson favors an automobile inspection law, but feels it will have to differ considerably from the law repealed by the 1949 legislature. "There should be an inspection lane in every county, at all times," he commented.

Sub-District

Watch Night Service Planned Sunday

A meeting of the Macon County Methodist sub-district will be held at the Franklin Methodist church Sunday evening at 10:30 o'clock.

It will be a watch night service, and the Holy Communion will be administered by the pastors of the various churches represented.

Auto Is Damaged When Policeman, At Wheel, Dozes

An estimated \$200 damage was done to Franklin's police car early Wednesday morning.

The vehicle, being driven by Homer Cochran, night policeman, uprooted a parking meter, bent another, and ran into a tree across from the county's lot on Main street.

It is understood that Ma. Cochran fell asleep at the wheel. It was said that he was driving at only about 10 miles per hour when the accident occurred.

PHONE RATES WILL GO UP HERE MONDAY

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Franklin and Sylva: Business phones, one-party, two-party, four-party, and multi-party; from \$3.50, \$3, \$2.50, and \$2.50 to \$4.25, \$3.75, \$3.25, \$3.25.

Residence phones for the two towns, one-party, two-party, four-party, multi-party; from \$2.50, \$2.25, \$2, \$2 to \$3, \$2.50, \$2.25, \$2.25.

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In addition to Franklin, Highlands, and Sylva, the other communities affected by the rate increase are Cullowhee, Cashiers, Bryson City, Cherokee, and Hayesville rates remain unchanged.

The company also serves Clayton, Ga., and has filed a request with Georgia authorities to increase rates at Clayton to bring in an additional \$3,358.

MRS. JONES PRESENTS HER PUPILS IN RECITAL

Mrs. R. S. Jones presented her expression pupils in recital at the Agricultural building Thursday of last week.

Those on the program were Robert and Nancy Siler, Charles Blaine, Gary Crawford, Jimmy Gnuse, Waynette Higdon, Susie Matthews, Rebecca Reeves, Gayle Abercrombie, and Margaret and Richard Jones.

Following the individual readings, the group presented a one-act Christmas play.

About 40 persons were in attendance. The Rev. and Mrs. Hoyt Evans and infant spent Christmas with relatives in Weaverville and Kingsport, Tenn.

ORDER 10 MEN FOR INDUCTION

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quest for armed forces of 3,500,000 men "as soon as possible".

MISS JONES HONORS 2 NIECES WITH TEA

Miss Laura M. Jones entertained with a "neighborhood tea" last Sunday afternoon at her home on the Georgia road, honoring her nieces, Mrs. G. A. Jones, Jr., of Raleigh, and Miss Lillian Jones, of Atlanta.

The Christmas motif was carried out in the decorations. About 20 guests—members of the family and close neighbors—called during the afternoon.

Better sanitation is one of the many advantages of using Lardino clover pasture for hogs.

J. J. Norris Dies; Rites At Horse Cove

John J. Norris, electrical engineer who had the distinction of building the first hydro-electric plant in the South, at High Shoals, S. C., died in Atlanta December 26.

Mr. Norris, who was 80 years of age, made his home at Horse Cove.

Funeral services were held at the home in Horse Cove Thursday, with the Rev. R. B. Dufree, Highlands Presbyterian pastor, officiating. Burial was in the family plot at Horse Cove.

A native of Anderson, S. C., Mr. Norris was the son of Capt. P. K. and Mrs. Caroline Sanders Norris, who originally were



Gone up in Smoke!

developed the Fortman Shoals, S. C., plant, and his association with Mr. Whitner continued in the development of the Southern Power company, from which Mr. Norris retired some years ago.

Survivors include the widow, the former Miss Helen Hill, of Highlands; four children, Mrs. John C. Flippin, of Memphis, Tenn., Mrs. Luther S. Tupper, of Gadsden, Ala., J. J. Norris, Jr., of Atlanta, and Frank Norris, of Greenville, Miss.; and five grandchildren.

Student Recognition Day Service Planned

"Student Recognition Day" will be observed at the Franklin Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Neil Mooney, Franklin youth who is studying for the ministry, will preach the sermon.

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