

## POWELL FUNDS FOR MACON'S 2 TOWNS LISTED

Will Receive \$14,387.32; Aid Checks Coming In September

Macon County's two towns—Franklin and Highlands—will receive a total of \$14,387.32 from this year's Powell Bill funds, according to figures announced by the State Highway and Public Works commission.

Franklin's share is \$9,830.37—an increase of \$654.97 over last year. Highlands gets \$4,556.95.

An act of the 1951 general assembly, the Powell Bill sets aside one-half cent of the state tax collected on each gallon of gasoline for paving and maintaining municipal streets that are not listed on the state highway system.

Allocations are based on 1950 census figures and non-state street mileage within the city limits of each eligible municipality.

Franklin's allocation was based on a population figure of 1,975 and 14.54 miles; Highlands on a population of 515 and mileage of 8.19.

Checks will be mailed in September, according to highway officials.

## HOME NURSING COURSE SLATED

First For County; 16 Sign For Training; School Starts Wednesday

A 30-hour training course for home nursing instructors—the first of its kind to be offered in Macon County—will get under way Wednesday morning at the Agricultural building, according to an announcement by Mrs. Gladys Mae Shope, senior public health nurse here, and chairman of home nursing for the county Red Cross chapter.

Sixteen women have registered for the course, which will be taught by Miss Mell Claxton, of Charlotte, regional nursing consultant.

The course is scheduled September 3, 4, 5, 8, and 9 in the auditorium of the Agricultural building with hours daily of 9 to 12 noon and 1:30 to 4:30 p. m.

Mrs. Shope explained that the home nursing instructor's training course is designed to prepare individuals to teach homemakers and young people, how to take care of the sick at home simpler, safer, easier, and more effective.

Among those who have registered for the course are Mrs. Shope, Mrs. E. W. Renshaw, Mrs. Ted A. Gribble, Mrs. Russell Cabe, Mrs. Jessie D. Cabe, Mrs. C. N. Dowdle, Mrs. A. R. Higdon, Mrs. J. H. Enloe, Jr., Mrs. C. H. Crawford, Mrs. Ed Bradley, Mrs. E. M. McNish, Mrs. Earl Harrison, Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill, Mrs. Barbara B. Hunnicutt, Mrs. George R. McSween, and Mrs. Harve Bryant.

## Magician, Hypnotist Will Perform Two Shows Here

Freston, acclaimed as America's foremost magician and hypnotist, will appear at the East Franklin school tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday evenings at 8 o'clock, under the sponsorship of the Franklin Rotary club. Admission is \$1 for adults, 50c for children. Net proceeds will go to the Boy Scouts.

## Dr. Angel Will Receive Surgeon College Degree; Is Leaving For Chicago

Dr. Edgar Angel will leave Sunday for Chicago, where he will attend a meeting of the International College of Surgeons, at which he will receive the degree of Associate in the college.

Following the meeting in Chicago, Dr. Angel will visit the Mayo clinic at Rochester, Minn., and the Jackson clinic at Madison, Wisc.

He plans to be away about 12 days.

## Grand Jury Reports On Its Findings

The county home "as a whole is in bad need of repairs . . . a sick man needs to be in the hospital instead of the county home . . . one woman stayed in a room without heat all winter . . ."

These are some of the observations made by the August superior court term grand jurors.

Also included in the grand juror's report, on file in the clerk of court's office, is a familiar recommendation concerning Macon's 70-year-old courthouse:

"We as a body of the grand jury recommend that a new courthouse be built as soon as funds are available." Records show that grand juries have been making similar recommendations for about 50 years.

Conditions at the county home over-shadowed all other county institutions in the report. Minor repairs were suggested for the county jail.

The jury's report follows: "Report of the committee visiting jail: Repairs needed to window on south side of hall upstairs, facing and screen in bad condition. Screens should be inside of windows to prevent prisoners breaking glass. Cell on north side of building has floor torn off hinges, ceiling and windows need repairing. Lock and frame on outside door in need of repairs. Bars on west window in hallway need welding or replacing, one glass broken. No bathroom in jailer's quarters. Toilet room needs repairs on wall, plenty of room in toilet room for tub or shower. Porch or utility room needed on back of jailer's quarters for washing machine and storage space. Ceiling needs repairs in living room of jailer's quarters. Water heater not adequate for amount of hot water needed for cleaning."

"(2) Report of committee visiting county home: Very bad need of painting. Four rooms cannot be heated due to condemned chimney. One woman stayed in room without heat all winter. Fire escape not safe. In need of new steps to kitchen. The building as a whole is in bad need of repairs. Needs new beds and bedding. Bad leak in kitchen. Sick man needs to be in hospital instead of county home, or pay nurse to take care of him."

"(3) Report of committee visiting prison camp: Everything was found all right except in need of two new screen doors in the kitchen."

"(4) Report of committee visiting courthouse: Three members visited all offices in courthouse and found that all offices are well kept, under present conditions of courthouse building; and the grand jury recommends some place to store tax records in lawyers' room."

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## AMVETS POST IS ORGANIZED

Second Meeting Friday; Welch Named Post Commander

A local post of the Amvets, veterans organization, was formed here last Friday night, with L. B. Welch, Franklin merchant, as temporary commander.

This week Mr. Welch called a second meeting of the post for tomorrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock at the courthouse.

Explaining that the Amvets are interested in obtaining a state bonus for veterans of both world wars and of the Korean war, Mr. Welch said all veterans are invited to the meeting.

Other temporary officers of the post, which starts with a membership of about 20, include: Sam Tallent, adjutant; Edgar Guffie, finance officer; and Henry W. Edmonds, public relations officer.

## HOMECOMING PLANNED

A homecoming is planned at the Liberty Baptist church Sunday, September 7, it has been announced.



The new Cartoogehaye Baptist church, started in 1949 and recently completed at a cost of approximately \$12,000, was dedicated at a special all-day service Sunday. The Rev. W. L. Sorrells, pastor of the Iotta Baptist church, delivered the dedication sermon. The new structure, situated about eight miles west of Franklin on US 64, has six Sunday school rooms in the basement and a large auditorium on the ground floor. The Rev. Andrew Cloer is pastor. Membership in the church, first organized in 1900, is about 150.

## STATION IS BURGLARIZED

Second Break-In For Roper's Within Year; Sheriff Probing

For the second time in less than a year Roper's Service station on Harrison avenue has been the victim of a break-in.

Sheriff J. Harry Thomas reported Tuesday that the station was entered sometime Monday night of early Tuesday morning. A small amount of merchandise, valued at about \$5, was taken, he said.

The sheriff, being assisted in the investigation by S.B.I. Agent P. R. Kitchen, said several fingerprints have been found and are being studied.

Almost a year ago, over the Labor Day week-end, Roper's station and two other businesses here were broken into. These burglars—two men and two women—were picked up about a month later and were convicted at the December, 1951, court term here.

## CLOSING LABOR DAY

The local health department will be closed Monday, Labor Day, it has been announced.

## POWER COMPANY VEHICLES WILL TAKE TO AIR WAVES

Motorized units of the Nantahala Power and Light company here will be taking to the air waves soon.

Recently purchased by the company, which has home offices in Franklin, were 15 two-way radio communication sets that will be put into operation as soon as radio operator's permits are received from the Federal Communications commission, according to H. H. Gnuse, Jr., vice-president of the company.

The new equipment is being installed, he explained, for the purpose of providing better service to the customers in this area and to facilitate routine and emergency repair work.

The short wave radio network consists of 12 combination transmitter-receiver mobile sets which are affixed to the various service and maintenance trucks and engineers' cars throughout the service area, and three fixed stations—at the Franklin office, Nantahala power house, and Thorpe powerhouse, respectively. The antenna at Franklin is approximately 2,100 feet above sea level, the one at Nantahala is mounted atop a surge tank and has an elevation of about 3,050 feet. The Thorpe antenna is located at the Thorpe dam and is nearly 3,600 feet above sea level.

The three fixed stations, Mr. Gnuse said, should permit communication to any point within the service area, and for short

## Swimming Pool At Golf Course Opens, Guard On Duty

The Jaycee-operated swimming pool at the Franklin Lodge and Golf Course opened yesterday (Wednesday).

Hours daily will be 12:30 to 5:30 p. m. A lifeguard is on duty. Admission is 20 cents for high school students on down; 40 cents for all others.

## Child Bitten By Snake, Reportedly Copperhead

Katie Marie Thomas, two-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Porter Thomas, of the Prentiss community, was admitted to Angel clinic Monday morning, after having been bitten by a snake, reportedly a copperhead. The child, said to have encountered the snake while playing near the garden, was given treatment, and was able to return to her home Monday night.

## REUNION SLATED

The Crawford-Slagle-Hogsdun reunion will be held at the Slagle Memorial building Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Slagle as hosts.

## DEDICATING NEW REFUGE

Ceremony Slated Saturday By Biological Station In Highlands

The Margaret Cannon Howell Wildlife refuge, situated under Whiteside View, will be dedicated by the Highlands Biological station Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

A rustic marker has recently been erected at the beginning of the trail, which winds through the tract, according to Dr. Thelma Howell, executive director of the station.

Dr. Leland Rodgers has begun a preliminary survey of the flora of the tract, which to a large extent is primeval forest.

Friends of the donor of this tract and of the station are invited to attend the dedication. To facilitate the transportation problem, those attending the dedication are asked to meet at 3:30 p. m. at Whiteside View on US 64, and transportation from there will be provided by the station.

## Will Explain Mica Program Here Tuesday

A meeting to explain the federal government's mica purchasing program will be held at the courthouse here Tuesday at 10 a. m.

Announcement of the meeting was made by H. E. Harman, Jr., of Atlanta, Ga., regional director of the government's General Services administration, under whose auspices the meeting will be held.

Representatives are expected to be present from the Spruce Pine depot of the mica program and from the GSA.

While the meeting is primarily for mica producers and miners of this area, all miners from any area will be welcome, the announcement said.

## Methodist Ministers Hold Meeting Monday At Arrowood Glade

A meeting of Methodist ministers of the Waynesville district and their families drew about 100 persons to Arrowood glade Monday.

The affair was marked by business sessions and a picnic dinner.

The Rev. W. Jackson Huneycutt, of Waynesville, district superintendent, presided at the check-up meeting of the ministers, at which reports were made on evangelism, finances, and special projects, such as construction or improvement of churches and parsonages.

## Judge Sweeps Dockets Clean

SCHOOLS OPEN ON WEDNESDAY

McSwain Calls Teacher Meeting For Tuesday At East Franklin

The doors of Macon County's 11 schools will swing open for the 1952-53 school year promptly at 8:45 a. m. Wednesday.

In preparation for the opening, County School Supt. Holland McSwain has called a teachers' meeting for 10 a. m. Tuesday at the East Franklin school.

The school superintendent forecasts a slight increase in enrollment over last year's 3,800.

## GIRL STRUCK BY CAR DIES

Driver Charged; Rites For Miss Lewis, 19, Conducted Friday

Miss Mildred Ann Lewis, 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erastus Lewis, of Cartoogehaye, died about 1 a. m. Friday at Angel hospital from injuries received the previous day when struck by an automobile on US 64, near Cartoogehaye school.

The driver of the car, Charlie William Paul, 38, a native of Macon County now living in Stuart, Fla., is charged with careless and reckless driving and manslaughter, according to State Highway Patrolman C. M. Byrd. He is free on \$2,000 bond.

The accident occurred about 11:55 a. m., some 500 yards west of Cartoogehaye school. Patrolman Byrd said Miss Lewis apparently was crossing the highway at the time. Skid marks made by the Paul car measured 120 feet, and the girl was knocked approximately 65 feet by the impact, the patrolman said.

Funeral services for Miss Lewis were conducted Friday at 2:30 p. m. at the Mt. Hope Baptist church by the Rev. A. G. Swafford and the Rev. William Shields. Burial followed in the Mt. Zion church cemetery.

Miss Lewis was a member of the Mt. Hope church and the Young People's Sunday School class.

Surviving are her parents; three brothers, Walter, Perl, and Elmo Lewis, of the home; a half-brother, William Lewis; a sister, Betty, of the home; and a half-sister, Mrs. Tom Wilkes, of Franklin, Route 1.

Pallbearers were Buster and Monroe Thomas, Burt Crawford, Harold Brookshire, Tommy Dalrymple, and Edwin Nolen.

Potts Funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

## Union P. T. A. Plans First Meeting This Year Tomorrow Night

The Union Parent-Teacher association will hold its first meeting of the school year tomorrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock, it has been announced by the president, J. W. Addington.

All patrons of the school, as well as members of the association, are invited, Mr. Addington emphasized.

## Meetings Moved Ahead Because Of Labor Day

Meetings of the board of county commissioners, school board, and Franklin board of aldermen—scheduled for Monday, Labor Day—have been moved ahead to Tuesday, it has been announced.

Most businesses in Franklin and Highlands will observe the holiday.

## COMMUNITY MEETING

The regular meeting of the Holy Springs community is slated Wednesday at 8 p. m. at the community recreation center. It has been announced by Walter Taylor, president.

Term Recessed Tuesday; Five Full Days Of Activity Noted

A clean sweep of the criminal and civil dockets has been made by Judge William H. Bobbitt and unless an urgent case comes up between now and Saturday the August term of superior court here is past history.

After five full days of courtroom activity and action on both dockets, the judge ordered a recess Tuesday morning and returned to his home in Charlotte. Although recessed, the court term remains active under the law until Saturday in the event that a pressing case should arise.

Final dispositions were made in 79 of the 137 cases listed on the criminal docket, 33 defendants were called and failed to appear, 22 continuances were granted, and the grand jury returned no true bill actions in several other cases scheduled for trial.

With the opening of court, August 18, Judge Bobbitt moved swiftly through drunk driving and traffic cases and last Thursday called a recess until Monday at 10 a. m. to enable law enforcement officers to round up a number of defendants who failed to appear in court.

Several cases on the civil docket were disposed of and two divorces were granted.

Second week jurors were Lex Arnold, Ralph Tallent, A. E. Posts, Doyle Speed, Joe Wright, Wiley Stamey, Lyman Zebary, Roy W. Carpenter, Dalton Smith, Floyd Roper, Ray McConnell, Harley Jones, John W. Edwards, Cline Evans, Lyman Ballew, and H. H. Wright.

## Last Minute Items

MRS. DILLS DIES

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Lavonia Dills, who died Tuesday afternoon in the Ellijay community at the age of 84, will be conducted today (Thursday) at 11 a. m. at the Mt. Grove Baptist church.

## PLANS OPEN HOUSE

Parents and interested persons are invited to attend an open house at Mrs. Joseph W. Fouts' kindergarten Saturday from 5 to 7 p. m.

In the event of bad weather, Mrs. Fouts said the open house will be held Monday at the same hour.

Children may be registered for kindergarten at the open house, she added.

## SING PLANNED

The fifth Sunday singing convention will be held at the courthouse from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., it has been announced by Jim Raby, president. All singers are invited to attend.

## POSTPONES MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Franklin Garden club, slated for Monday, has been moved ahead to the following Monday, September 8, in order not to conflict with the Labor Day holiday, it has been announced.

## MEETING POSTPONED

A meeting of the Macon County Methodist Youth Fellowship sub-district, scheduled for Monday evening, has been postponed because of the Labor Day holiday and will be held a week from Monday, September 8, at the Franklin Methodist church, it has been announced.

## COMPLETE WORKSHOP

Four Macon County teachers—T. Love, Mrs. Pauline Love, Mrs. Mildred Martin, and Miss Louisa Dean—completed their work at the Western Carolina Teachers college forestry workshop last week with a field trip to Bent Creek Experimental station and Holmes State nursery.

## BOOTH STAYING OPEN

The Franklin Chamber of Commerce booth on Main street will remain open through September, according to Mrs. Laska Hershey, secretary. In past years, the information booth closed at the end of the Labor Day week-end.