

SCIENTISTS PLAN WORK AT COWEETA

Are Studying Research Conducted Over Past 10 Years

Watershed research to be undertaken for the next 10 years at the sprawling 5,600-acre Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory here is being mapped this week by 20 foresters and watershed scientists.

The scientists, who are from as far north as Philadelphia, Pa., and west as far as Vicksburg, Miss., opened a five-day conference at the laboratory Monday to study the past 12 years' work at the laboratory, which was established in 1933.

Mornings are being spent in office discussions and the afternoons in the field, according to E. A. Johnson, forester in charge of Coweeta.

By the end of the week, the scientists will be ready to recommend research for the next 10 years, he said.

Among other things, Mr. Johnson said researchers at Coweeta try to determine the effects of different types of farming and commercial operations, like logging, on the water resources of a forest and also experiment with new practices in such operations which would reduce danger to the water resources.

The laboratory is under the jurisdiction of the Southeastern Experiment Station, a part of the U. S. Forest Service.

Among those attending the conference are R. E. Herzler, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; M. A. Mattoon, assistant regional forester; H. G. Meginnis, of New Orleans, La., chief of flood control surveys, Southern Forest Experiment Station; W. H. Fischer, of Atlanta, Ga., assistant regional forester; and Howard W. Lull, of Vicksburg, Miss., of the Waterways Experiment Station.

Career Day Observed At Franklin Hi

Franklin High School students received valuable information in a number of careers and vocations during the school's "Career Day" exercises Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Highlight of the two-day program was an address Wednesday morning by Dr. Edward K. Graham, Jr., chancellor of Woman's College, University of North Carolina.

On Thursday, the chancellor and Miss Catherine Taylor, dean of students at Woman's College, met informally with students interested in going to college. Miss Julia Barrett, vocational guidance counselor at W. C., was general consultant.

Most of Thursday was taken up by "career classes", conducted by local and out-of-town business and professional men and women. Among those speaking to interested students were Dr. W. A. Ashbrook, of Western Carolina Teachers College, and Wayne Blanton, of Blanton's Business College in Asheville, discussing sales clerk and secretarial careers; Dr. Taft B. Botner, of W. C. T. C., teaching; H. H. Gnuse, Jr., and

Crawford Wins F. F. A. Contest In Waynesville

Emory Crawford, of the Franklin Future Farmers of America chapter, won first place Sunday in an F. F. A. substitute speaking contest in Waynesville and will compete in the district contest in Asheville this coming Saturday. The contest deals with soil conservation through grassland farming.

DRIVE UNDER WAY

The annual Franklin Chamber of Commerce membership drive is now under way under the leadership of E. L. McGlamery. Eight teams of two men each are working the business district. The commerce body recently adopted a budget for the year of \$2,875.

Tops In F. F. A. Judging



—Staff Photo by J. P. Brady

The top places in livestock and dairy judging were won by the Franklin Future Farmers of America teams at the Nantahala Federation Livestock and Dairy Judging Contest held here last Wednesday. Teams from 14 other W. N. C. schools competed in the contest. Members of the winning Franklin teams were (L to R) Emory Crawford, dairy, L. A. Moore, livestock, Arland McCall, livestock; back row, Victor Teague, dairy, Wayne Stewart, dairy, Jerry Sutton, dairy, and Paul Killian, livestock. Pete Setser, a member of the livestock team, was absent when the picture was made.

Franklin Businessmen Join Forces To Assist Industry

A permanent nine-man industrial committee was set up here last Thursday night to assist prospective industries in settling in this county.

Twenty-two Franklin businessmen turned out to help perfect the organization, which will function as a clearing house for industries interested in coming to Macon.

Although the men have no definite leads on interested industries, they organized the permanent committee to be ready to give assistance, including financial, should some industry want to come here.

At the outset of the meeting, held in the Jaycee office in the Nantahala Building, the men elected Victor Perry as presiding officer and then settled down to organize.

In addition to the permanent industrial committee, which is composed of the Chamber of Commerce industrial group and representatives of five Franklin civic organizations, two other committees were named, one to survey financial resources, the other natural resources. The findings of the latter two committees will be compiled in scrapbook form for study by prospective industry.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce industrial committee, which will serve as a steering body in the permanent industrial organization set-up, are Frank B. Duncan, chairman, W. C. Burrell, John M. Archer, Jr., and J. P. Brady. The representatives of the five civic organizations — Rotary Club, Lions Club, Jaycees, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and American Legion—will serve as directors. The names of the five have not been announced.

Should some industry be interested in coming here, the businessmen probably would adopt a plan roughly as follows, similar to ones used by Sylva and Clayton, Ga.:

A corporation would be formed and stock sold to raise funds to build a building to the specifications of the industry coming in. The building, which would be owned by the stockholders of the corporation, would be rented by the industry, the rent going to pay off the indebtedness incurred by the corporation in erecting the building.

With this plan in mind, the finance survey committee, made up of Mr. Duncan, T. H. Callahan

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LOCAL F. F. A. TEAMS CORNER FIRST HONORS

Judged Tops In Contest With 14 Other WNC High Schools

The Franklin Future Farmers of America livestock and dairy judging teams took first place over 14 other teams from W. N. C. schools in the Nantahala Federation Livestock and Dairy Judging Contest held here Wednesday of last week.

Jerry Sutton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sutton, of Franklin, Route 2, was high man in individual judging and Wayne Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Stewart, of Franklin, Route 1, was second high.

Saturday, the Franklin teams will go to Asheville for the district contest, shooting for the state elimination in Raleigh the last of June.

Wayne Proffitt, vocational agricultural teacher, and Siler Slagle, assistant agricultural teacher, coached the two teams.

The livestock team, composed of Pete Setser, Paul Killian, L. A. Moore, and Arland McCall, alternate, took first place over the other high school teams with a total of 1,259 points out of a possible 1,500. The teams judged four classes of Hereford cattle at the Killian Hereford Farm and one class of Yorkshire gilts from Bob Taylor's farm. Second place went to Bethel High School in Haywood County.

In the dairy competition, the Franklin team made a total of 1,292 points out of a possible 1,500. Members of the team were Jerry Sutton, Emory Crawford, Wayne Stewart, and Victor Teague, alternate. Three classes of Guernseys were judged at the Slagle Dairy Farm, one class of Holstein cows at Parker's Dairy Farm, and one class of Holstein heifers from George Doster's farm.

The judging contest is sponsored annually by the Nantahala Federation of Future Farmers of America.

Patton Community Bringing Bailey Family Show Here

The Patton Community Development Organization will present the Bailey Family, of Radio Station WNOX, Knoxville, Tenn., in a benefit performance at the courthouse tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock.

The program will feature Wild Bill Bailey, aged seven, said to be radio's youngest fiddler, and the Cob Hill Trio. Admission charges will be: Adults, 60 cents; children, 30.

Elections Planned Tuesday In Franklin And Highlands

OG CRUSHES MACON NATIVE

Ledford Killed Monday In Logging Mishap In Georgia

Skyler Ledford, 41-year-old employe of the W. M. Ritter Lumber Company, was killed about 2 o'clock Monday afternoon near Mountain City, Ga., when a log rolled from a truck he was loading and crushed him.

Information received here indicated that Mr. Ledford, who was a native of this county, was getting ready to lock a chain in place on the logging truck when one of the logs rolled loose, killing him instantly.

At an inquest conducted by a Georgia coroner, Mr. Ledford's death was termed unavoidable.

Funeral services for the World War II veteran were conducted yesterday (Wednesday) at the Maiden's Chapel Methodist Church, of which he was a member. The Rev. R. L. Poindecker and the Rev. George A. Cloer officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Ledford was a truck driver and had worked for the lumber company for the past two years. Born July 9, 1911, he was the son of the late Bill and Hattie Conley Ledford. In March, 1938, he was married to Miss Shirley Roane, of the Prentiss community, who survives.

Other survivors include two children, Furman and Jean, and four brothers, Dee Ledford, of Charlotte, Richard Ledford, of Detroit, Mich., Howard Ledford, of Franklin, and Clifton Ledford, of Prentiss.

Serving as pallbearers were Turner Guffie, Curt Roane, and his four brothers.

Arrangements were under the direction of Bryant Funeral Home.

Woman Injured In Stairs Fall

Mrs. Frances Higdon, of Franklin, was seriously injured about 3:30 Monday afternoon in a fall down the steps of The Johnson Barber Shop under Angel Drug Store.

She apparently mistook the barber shop entrance for the drug store. The doors to both establishments are side by side.

Angel Hospital, where she was rushed by ambulance, reported yesterday (Wednesday) she was recovering satisfactorily. Her injuries included fractures of the left wrist and left ankle and a slight brain concussion.

Methodist Series Will Open Sunday

A week of evangelistic services by visiting ministers will open Sunday at Macon Methodist churches in connection with the Methodist Evangelistic Mission of the Southeastern Jurisdiction.

The guest preachers, here under a preaching-visitation exchange with ministers of the Waynesville district, all are from Virginia.

The series will start in the afternoon with the 8 o'clock morning worship service Sunday and services will be held daily through Friday at 7:30 o'clock.

Services at the Franklin church will be conducted by the Rev. Owen T. Kelly, pastor of the Waynesville church.

Services at the Macon church will be conducted by the Rev. B. P. Peck, pastor of the Waynesville church. At the Highlands church, the Rev. H. H. Knapp, of Enterprise, will be the guest preacher.

At the Macon church, the Rev. J. H. Hays, pastor of the Waynesville church, will be the guest preacher.

ALL STARS TO PLAY

The Franklin All-Stars basketball team will play at the town square Sunday afternoon. All team members are asked to meet at the Town Square at 1 p. m. for the trip over.

AWARDED STAR



LT. L. R. ROPER

First Lt. Lee R. Roper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude L. Roper, of Franklin, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service while serving with X Corps in Korea. A veteran of 17 months in Korea, the Franklin lieutenant is a graduate of Franklin High School and N. C. State College, Raleigh. He entered the army in September, 1950, and served with the 55th Field Artillery Battalion prior to joining X Corps.

H. D. DRESS REVIEW SET

Feature Of Local Spring Federation For Club Women

A dress review will be the principal feature of the Spring Federation for Macon home demonstration clubs, slated tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at Cullasaja School at 2 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

Mrs. T. H. McNish, county clothing leader for the H. D. Council, Tuesday announced the judges for the review. They are Mrs. T. J. O'Neil, home economics instructor at Franklin High School, Miss Mary Cornwell, home agent of Haywood County, and Miss Pansy Deal, home agent of Swain County.

Awards will be presented the winners by Mrs. O'Neil.

Mrs. C. Gordon Moore will be narrator and Miss Sally Kessler, pianist.

Club members will model or enter garments in the following classes: Fashions of Tots; Fashions for the Home; From Sacks to Garments; Sport Clothes; Street Dresses; Best Dresses; Tailored Suits and Coats; and Evening Dresses.

PLAN CHICKEN SUPPER

The Bethel community will sponsor a chicken supper tonight (Thursday) at 2 o'clock at Cullasaja School. It has been announced. Proceeds will be used in the community development program. A charge of \$1.00 per person will be made.

Franklin Jaycees Will Hold Next Officers For Year

The Franklin Jaycees will hold their annual meeting and elect officers for the coming year at the town square Sunday afternoon. The meeting will be held at 1 p. m. for the trip over.

Two Towns Will Elect Officials For Next Two Years

Voters in Franklin and Highlands will turn out at the polls Tuesday to determine who will take over the reins of their respective town governments for the next two years.

Polls in both towns will open at 6:30 a. m. and will close at 6:30 p. m.

In Franklin, two men are seeking the mayor's post and eight alderman seats in the non-partisan election.

Three men are in the mayor's race in Highlands and 13, including one woman, are after seats on the five-member board of commissioners.

Franklin Mayor W. C. Burrell and the entire six-man board of aldermen—Verlon Swafford, J. C. Jacobs, Oscar Ledford, Frank Martin, A. G. Cagle and Erwin Patton—are seeking reelection. Mr. Burrell, who is serving the unexpired term of the late Robert M. Dillard, is opposed by C. Banks Finger, attorney. The two others in the alderman race are T. T. Love, Coweeta school principal, and J. W. (Bill) Horsley, restaurant owner.

Alderman Patton is running for his fourth consecutive two-year term and Alderman Swafford, the vice-mayor, his third. Aldermen Cagle, Jacobs, Martin, and Ledford were elected in 1951 and are seeking their second terms.

W. H. Cobb, who is ending his fifth term as mayor of Highlands, is opposed by H. S. Taylor and Henry A. Cleasland, Taylor N. Hall, Harry A. Holt, and Luther W. Rice, all members of the incumbent board of commissioners, are seeking reelection.

Dr. Ferris MacLeland Holden, dentist, is the woman in the Highlands contest. Others running for the board of commissioners are J. A. Hodges, Joe Reese, Carter Talley, Carlton Cleaveland, John W. Paul, F. A. Edwards, Steve Potts, Frank Crane, and John H. C. Perry.

Outwardly, political activity in both towns is quiet, a situation not out of the ordinary since the town elections are, as a rule, conducted with a minimum of political intrigue.

One hundred thirty-six new registrations were noted in Franklin, bring to about 1,000 the number of registered voters.

Dean's Precinct Bill Meets Slow Committee Death

Rep. Walter Dean's bill to divide the Franklin Township into four precincts met a slow death in committee this week.

Action on the measure was postponed indefinitely by the house committee on elections and election laws. Rep. Dean introduced the bill in the house on April 14.

PIE SUPPER PLANNED

A pie supper and cake walk is planned tomorrow (Friday) night at the Otto School at 7:30 o'clock under the sponsorship of the Mulberry community development organization. It has been announced.

The Weather

Forecast for Franklin, N. C., and vicinity, as compiled by the Macon, Ga., office, and at the University of Georgia, Athens, Ga.

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| | Temperatures | High Low Rain |
| Wednesday | 75 23 | |
| Thursday | 66 45 | |
| Friday | 64 49 | |
| Saturday | 74 59 | 02 |
| Sunday | 69 45 | |
| Monday | 60 40 | |
| Tuesday | 78 31 | |

| COWEETA | | |
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| | Temperatures | High Low Rain |
| Wednesday | 74 25 | |
| Thursday | 78 40 | |
| Friday | 32 44 | |
| Saturday | 66 57 | |
| Sunday | 68 43 | 12 |
| Monday | 57 38 | |
| Tuesday | 75 28 | |