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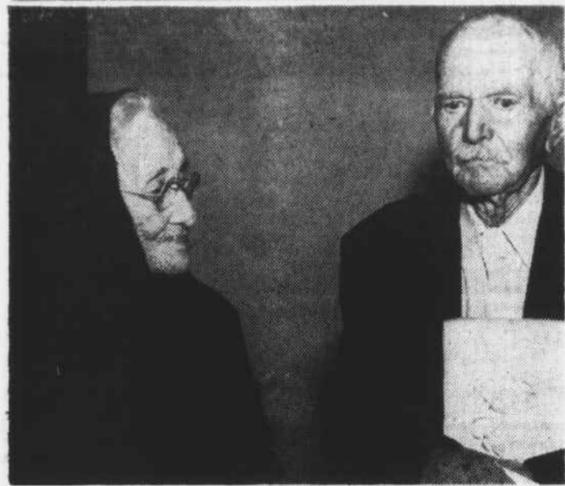
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These two "youngsters" walked off with the prizes for being the "youngest" at Sunday's "Fellowship Hour" at the Franklin Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Elizabeth Emory, of the Patton settlement, will celebrate her 94th birthday the 21st of this month. George Parrish's 87 years put him in the winner's circle. Mr. Parrish, of Franklin, Route 1, was the "youngest" present at last year's event. The "Fellowship Hour" for the county's young-in-heart is sponsored by all churches here.

Old Folks Gathering Draws Estimated 200 Here Sunday

Fellowship, singing, and refreshments were just a few of the highlights of the annual "Fellowship Hour" for Macon's old folks Sunday afternoon at the Franklin Presbyterian Church.

An estimated 200 were on hand for the event. The 49 "youngsters" who listed their ages in the registration book, had an average age of 73. Their combined ages totaled better than 35 centuries.

Prizes for the "youngest" present went to Mrs. Elizabeth

Emory, of the Patton community, who will be 94 the 21st of this month, and George Parrish, 87, of Franklin, Route 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Cabe, of Washington state, took the prizes for traveling the farthest distance to attend the "Fellowship Hour". Mrs. Cabe is the daughter of Mrs. Emory.

With W. K. (Ken) Hooker serving as master of ceremonies, the program opened with a devotional and welcome by the Rev. J. Bryan Hatchett, pastor of the host church. Mrs. C. E. Henry led group singing. Mrs. H. W. Cabe was pianist.

Several old songs were sung by Jim Raby, well-known singing convention leader, and John Jennings. George Johnson joined the latter for one number. A group of Negroes attending also sang.

Other features of the program included a reading by Mrs. R. S. Jones, a comedy skit by Nancy Siler, Rebecca Reeves, and Linda Shope, a piano solo by Mrs. Mary Waldrup, and a duet by Mrs. Henry and Mr. Hatchett.

Refreshments were served in the Sunday School section at the rear of the church following the program in the main auditorium.

The "Fellowship Hour" is sponsored by all churches of the county under the supervision of the Macon County Interdenominational Ministerial Association.

Committee chairmen for this year's gathering included Mrs. Frank H. Potts, general chairman; B. L. McGlamery, transportation; Mrs. G. W. Grindstaff, program; Mrs. R. R. Gaines, refreshments; the Rev. C. E. Murray, ministerial arrangements; and the Rev. M. W. Chapman, publicity.

MEANDERING
ALONG
MAIN STREET

TACKLE GENE MASHBURN, who let his anger lead him to rough up one of the officials in the Franklin-Hayesville game here two weeks ago, and as a result was suspended from the team, has what it takes and plenty more too, if talk along the Main Stem has substance. Gene personally visited the official in Cashiers and apologized for his display of temper. It takes a good man to admit a mistake; an even better one to apologize for it.

J. L. WEST has found a way to turn eating into something profitable. He found two pearls about the size of small garden peas while wading through a mess of oysters at dinner recently.

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INDUSTRIAL SURVEY PLANS ANNOUNCED

Commerce Body, Town Earmark Funds For Compiling Data

The Franklin Chamber of Commerce is now planning to conduct a complete up-to-date industrial survey of Macon County at an early date.

Both the commerce body and the Town of Franklin already have earmarked \$250 for the survey.

Although final plans are still incomplete, the survey will be a concise and comprehensive report on the county's labor potential and will cover all pertinent facts and figures for inspection by prospective industries.

The survey will be handled in two phases — one for the labor picture, the other for additional information, according to Mrs. Lasca E. Horsley, C of C secretary.

Volunteers from local civic organizations will conduct the labor inquiry on a county-wide basis, while the chamber of commerce will distribute fact sheets to businesses and individuals for the remaining information.

The date for the labor inquiry will be announced later, Mrs. Horsley said.

Once the information is compiled and tabulated, the industrial committee plans to publish it in booklet form with picture illustrations.

The last industrial survey was conducted here in June, 1948.

FORESTERS AT COWEETA

Makes 60 Organized Tours For Year, Forester Announces

Fifteen foresters are at the Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory this week for a watershed management training session.

The men are from the Green Mountain National Forest, Vermont, White Mountain National Forest, New Hampshire, and the Allegheny National Forest, Pennsylvania.

E. A. Johnson, forester in charge at Coweeta, said this group brings to 60 the number of organized tours at the laboratory this year. The number involves 800 persons, he added.

Saturday, a science club from Atlanta, Ga., composed of professional people, is expected to arrive by bus for a tour of the 5,400-acre outdoor test tube, the forester announced.

METHODIST MEETING
The Waynesville Methodist District set-up meeting will be held at the Bryson City Methodist Church on Monday at 10:30 a. m., the Rev. W. Jackson Hunneycutt, district superintendent, has announced. Lunch will be served at the church.

NEW PASTOR



THE REV. A. F. GORDON

Mr. Gordon, of Webster, is the new pastor of the Iotia, Snow Hill, and Riverview Methodist churches on the Franklin circuit, which has been divided this year. Joseph Houser, a senior at the school of theology at Emory University, is serving the other circuit churches, Bethel, Clark's Chapel, Louisa, and Salem.

SHOPE REUNION

The Shope family reunion will be held Sunday at the home of Grover Bradley. All members of the family are urged to attend and bring lunch.

'Gallon Club' Members



—Staff Photo by J. P. Brady

Although the American Red Cross Bloodmobile got only 65 pints of a 125-pint quota here Friday afternoon at the Franklin Presbyterian Church, the mobile unit's visit was an important one for four citizens. They became members of the "Gallon Club", which is composed of donors who have given a gallon of blood—a pint at a time, of course. Three of the four are pictured above: (L to R) Frank Sanders, Mrs. J. Harry Thomas, and James Hauser. The fourth member, Mrs. Margaret Bulgin, was not present when the picture was made. James G. Haney, a prisoner at the Macon Prison Camp, also became a member, but his donations were not all made in Franklin, as was the case of the others.

'HURRICANE' HITS SQUAD

50 To 0 Battle Leaves Panthers With Injured

The Sylva Golden Hurricane howled through the Franklin Stadium Friday night and left the Panthers churning in the wake of a 50 to 0 score and a string of injured players.

Soon after the opening kickoff, the Panther injured started limping to the sidelines as the Golden Hurricane unleashed its fury. Inexperienced but game reserves had the job of staying off the powerful squad in the second half.

Tomorrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock, the injury-riddled Panthers will meet Robbinsville here for their fifth consecutive home game of the season.

The Sylva grid machine had a devastating effect on the Panthers, who have been riding out the season with shallow reserve strength.

Coach R. A. (Art) Byrd said yesterday that Tackle Stewart and Guard G. D. Buchanan, who had received twisted ankles and knees in the Sylva game, probably will not be in shape to meet Robbinsville. Back Junior Dills, who also is nursing an injured knee, probably will see little action. Backs Bobby Womack and Richard Renshaw are on the ailing list, Coach Byrd explained, but should be ready to play.

Friday's night's defeat was the second for the Panthers in conference play.

Next week, Franklin will move to Bryson City for a conference scrap with the Swain High Maroons, who handed them a 21 to 0 defeat, here September 18 in a non-conference tilt.

Games with Murphy, Bethel, and Clyde will round out the season for the squad.

NEW PRESIDENT



FRANK B. DUNCAN

Mr. Duncan was elected president of the Bank of Franklin at a board of director's meeting last Wednesday. He succeeds Mark L. Dowdle, who resigned last month, following the purchase of controlling interest in the bank by Mr. Duncan and five other businessmen. Mr. Dowdle, Grover Jamison, Sr., Fred M. Arnold, and L. B. Linder sold their stock in the bank to Mr. Duncan, H. L. Bryant, Vernon Swafford, Elmon Teague, T. W. Angel, Jr., and W. E. Baldwin. All but the latter two purchases stepped into posts on the bank board following the transaction.

Proposed Bank Charter Paper Is Withdrawn

The charter application for the proposed "Macon County Bank" has been withdrawn with the approval of the N. C. Banking Commission, C. Banks Finger, attorney for the proposed bank, said this week.

Three weeks ago, six principal subscribers of the proposed bank purchased controlling interest of the Bank of Franklin and announced that shares would be offered for sale to the 54 other subscribers of the proposed bank.

Following this action, the withdrawal of the application was asked, Mr. Finger said.

Communities Eye Contest Deadline

The tempo of activities is reaching a high pitch in 13 Macon communities as the November 1 deadline for both the county and W.N.C. Rural Community Development Contests comes closer.

With the slogan of the contests, "There Is No Limit to What a Community Can Do—If It Wants To" and better than \$2,000 in prize money as incentives the citizens of the communities are pushing projects to completion, calling for individual family score sheets, and making scrap-books, all of which count heavily in the point-making department.

GARDEN CLUB MEET TUESDAY

100 Expected Here For District Session At Franklin Church

Some 100 women are expected here Tuesday for a meeting of District 1, N. C. Federation of Garden Clubs, at the Franklin Presbyterian Church.

Registration for the district meeting—the first to be held here since the local club aligned with the state organization—will open at 9:30 a. m., followed by a business session.

The high spot of the day's program, which will include reports by district officers and chairmen, is an address by the state president, Mrs. E. A. Palmgren, of Charlotte.

Following adjournment at 1 p. m., the women will go to Panorama Court for a luncheon.

Club women are expected from Canton, Asheville, Tryon, Waynesville, Rosman, and Brevard.

Mrs. R. G. Lichtenstein, local club president and chairman of the district, will preside.

District officers scheduled to make reports are Miss Louise Ballard, of Lake Junaluska, director, Miss Boyd Owen, of Waynesville, co-director, and Mrs. W. B. Haviland, of Waynesville, secretary.

The following district chairmen are slated to make committee reports: Mrs. A. W. Bottoms, of Canton, Horticulture; Mrs. W. T. Duckworth, of Asheville, Flower Shows and Schools; Mrs. W. D. Chambers, of Asheville, Scholarship; Mrs. Clyde Hoey, Jr., of Canton, Conservation; Mrs. W. M. Cobb, of Waynesville, Beautification; Mrs. Floyd Higgs, of Asheville, Therapy; and Mrs. Boyd Owen, of Waynesville, Junior Garden Club.

Mrs. J. E. Fender, of Waynesville, is the district reporter.

Local club committee chairmen for the district meeting are Mrs. J. Ward Long and Mrs. B. L. McGlamery, luncheon; Mrs. A. R. Higdon, luncheon arrangements; Mrs. John Wasilik, registration; Mrs. Joe Dowdle, hospitality; Mrs. Robert Korte and Mrs. T. W. Angel, Jr., corsages and flowers; Mrs. Ted Reber, printing of program; and Mrs. Allan Brooks, publicity.

Scouts Sponsoring Baby Contest To Fatten Treasury

The Girl Scouts of Troop 29 plan to sponsor a pretty baby contest to fatten the troop treasury.

The contest opens Saturday and will run two weeks, closing October 31. The age limit is four years and the entrance fee is 50 cents, according to Mrs. C. Banks Finger, troop leader. Contenders for the individual contestants will be placed in downtown stores, she explained, and a vote will cost a penny.

The 13 communities hoping to take home some of the money are Carson's, Cartoogechaye, Clark's Chapel, Bethel, Holly Springs, Longview, Mulberry, Oak Grove, Patton, Prentiss, Smithbridge, Tellico, and West Union.

This is the first year a contest has been conducted locally and merchants have pledged \$1,196.50 for cash awards. Only \$1,025 will be awarded the winning communities, but the surplus will be applied to next year's contest.

Both the local and W.N.C. contests are being conducted along the same lines with Com-

The Franklin Press plans to print a special edition on the activities of the rural community development contest in this county at the request of the Macon County Rural Community Development Council.

Community Organization and Development and Farm and Home Improvements scoring 1,000 points each. In the former division active community organization is good for 300 points; civic improvements, 300; farm and home projects, 200; and recreational and social activities, 200. Nine features of farm and home improvements embrace the latter classification in judging.

Judging is slated for the local contest over a three-day period—November 2, 3, and 4. Homer Gilliland, who is in charge of community development at the Cherokee Indian Reservation, and Mrs. Velma B. Moore, home agent in Clay County, have been asked to judge, according to W. W. (Bill) Sloan, treasurer of the county contest council.

While no definite plans have been made, awards to the winning communities probably will be made at a special dinner sponsored by all 13 communities. At a recent meeting of the council, this idea was discussed, and while no official action was taken, members of the council seemed to be in favor.

Mr. Sloan has announced the following awards schedule: 1st place, \$400; 2nd, \$250; 3rd, \$150; 4th, \$100; 5th, \$75; and 6th \$50.

The W.N.C. contest, sponsored by the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, will award \$500, for 1st; \$300, 2nd; \$200, 3rd; \$100, 4th; and \$50, 5th. Certificates of achievement also will be awarded the top

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\$85,000 Real Estate Deal Is Recorded

An \$85,000 real estate deal in Highlands was filed at the register of deeds' office this week.

The amount involved the sale of a home and property by F. Brandon Smith, Jr., to Abney Mills, Greenwood, S. C.

The Weather

The week's temperature and rainfall, as recorded by Franklin by Marvin Stiles, U. S. weather observer, and at the Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory.

FRANKLIN	
Temperatures	
High Low Rain	
Wednesday	71 32
Thursday	63 34
Friday	72 34
Saturday	75 36
Sunday	78 32
Monday	80 36
Tuesday	77 35

COWEETA	
Temperatures	
High Low Rain	
Wednesday	69 32
Thursday	64 30
Friday	69 34
Saturday	73 33
Sunday	76 32
Monday	81 38
Tuesday	74 36

FRANKLIN HIGH NEWSPAPER WINS SECOND PLACE AWARD

Franklin High School's newspaper, The Mountain Echo, won second place for larger high schools at the annual two-day W.N.C. High School Editors Roundtable at Western Carolina College, Cullowhee, Friday and Saturday.

The high school's yearbook, The Laurel Leaf, placed sixth. In the election feature of the roundtable, which is sponsored by the Asheville Citizen-Times Company and the college, Betty Howard, of the F.H.S. annual staff, was elected assistant editor.

In addition to Miss Howard, those representing the high school included Dan Angel, Carlene Sorrells, and Bobby Burch, all of the annual staff, and Tommy Gnuse and Johnny Graham, of the newspaper staff. They were accompanied by Mrs. W. W. Sloan, newspaper advisor, and Edwin T. Williams, annual advisor.

Last week the newspaper staff brought out the first issue of the new school year, a four-page tabloid, which was printed by The Press. Two special additions tentatively are planned during the year—at Christmas and graduation—according to Jo Ann Henderson, editor-in-chief.



—Staff Photo by J. P. Brady

Three men were injured in this collision of two trucks about 10:30 a. m. last Thursday on US 23-south, near the Morrison section. The overturned truck in the foreground, loaded with 4,000 feet of lumber, was driven by Charlie R. Welch, of Sylva, Route 2, who was only shaken up in the accident. The injured men were riding in the pick-up truck (right, background), which was traveling south and struck the north-bound lumber truck. The driver, Grady C. Cabe, 46, of Franklin, Route 2, received lacerations of the hands and a chest injury. His father, Mel Cabe, 71, was treated at Angel Clinic for lacerations of the face and concussion. Another passenger, Lester B. Dills, 58, of Dillard, Ga., Route 1, received lacerations of the face. Both trucks were demolished in the collision, which occurred about 50 feet north of the Bates Branch Bridge. Mr. Cabe told Highway patrolman H. T. Ferguson his left front brake grabbed and threw the pickup into the path of the oncoming lumber truck. No charges were made.