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ANNUAL RED CROSS MEET IS TUESDAY

Election Slated, Chairman Reports, At V. F. W. Home

The election of new officers and reports from committee chairmen will be chief items of business at the annual meeting of the Macon chapter of the American Red Cross on Tuesday night at the V. F. W. building on Palmer Street.

Present officers are Z. Weaver Shope, chairman; W. R. Potts, vice-chairman; Mrs. Elizabeth McCollum, executive secretary; and J. C. Jacobs, treasurer.

In announcing the meeting, which is set for 7:30, the chairman cited the following work accomplished by the chapter in the past year:

Sponsored the Bloodmobile; sponsored and paid an instructor for water safety and first aid courses in the summer — about 30 beginners learned to swim; helped about 15 distressed travelers passing through county; gave about \$200 to people whose home and furnishings burned; gave clothes to some families whose children could not have attended school otherwise; made loans of \$150 to servicemen; spent \$240 for calls for servicemen to get emergency leaves because of situations at home; made regular reports to the Veterans Administration; and assisted victims in hurricanes and other national emergencies through the national chapter.

Committee chairmen, who are scheduled to make reports on the past year's activities, include Mrs. Gladys Kinsland, Junior Red Cross; Mrs. Mae Shope, Home Nursing; Miss Lasse Kelly, Production; E. J. Whitmore, Disaster; W. W. Sloan, First Aid; J. H. Stockton, Finance; Mrs. Lester Conley, Publicity; and Mrs. Charles Ferguson, Home Service.

Louisa Chapel Slates Supper Saturday Night

A bulldozer Monday broke ground for the proposed new Louisa Chapel Methodist Church as members of the congregation completed plans for holding a boxsupper and Bingo party Saturday night at Franklin High School to raise money for the new church building.

The fund-raising supper will be served in the cafeteria at 7:30, and Bingo will follow the meal, it was said.

As soon as the new Louisa Chapel is built, the church plans to sell the old building to the highest bidder. The new building will be erected next to the old one.

New Licenses Go On Sale December 1

Automobiles of all vintages will start displaying North Carolina's 1955 colors of black and yellow December 1 when new license tags go on sale.

The '55 plate — still only one — has a black background and yellow numerals, the reverse of the '54's, according to Verlon Swafford, manager of the local Carolina Motor Club, which sells the tags.

When announcing the opening date this week, Mr. Swafford urged all local motorists to buy early in order to avoid the inevitable last-minute rush that produces long lines and short tempers.

Adding substance to his request, the manager pointed out that 1954 license sales through the local office were considerably higher than for the previous year. Through last Thursday, the office had sold 6,309 tags, as compared with 4,543 for a corresponding period the year before.

Pocket registration cards, which must be presented when purchasing tags, are being mailed this week, he said.

In regard to obtaining truck license, Mr. Swafford said owners must fill out the blanks on the back of the pocket registration card before requesting a license. Under changes made by the 1953 legislature, a truck license is issued on the basis of the owner's declaration as to the empty weight and maximum load of vehicle.

The deadline for purchasing tags is December 31. However, as a rule the state grants a 30-day grace period before arrests are made.

The local C.M.C. office is situated in the rear of the Western Auto Associate Store on Main Street in Franklin.

TANK BIDDER FROM GEORGIA

Cole Concern Gets Job; Foundation Work Begins Soon

R. D. Cole Manufacturing Company, of Newnan, Ga., was low bidder with \$8,545 for a 153,000-gallon water tank for south Franklin.

The Georgia concern was one of five submitting bids, which were opened by the Franklin Board of Aldermen in special session last Thursday night.

The tank is being erected primarily to serve the new Burlington Mills hosiery plant, which is to be built just outside the city limits on US 23-441, according to town officials.

However, the increased pressure produced by the new tank will mean better service to all water customers in the area, it has been pointed out. The town has been pointed out. The town has been pointed out.

THANKSGIVING, 1954



Three-year-old Rebecca Carson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Carson, of Franklin, "helps mommy" with a Thanksgiving flyer — of Tom Turkey.

Highlands Lions Club Chartered

Highlands officially became the 11,005th Lions Club in the world last Thursday night at a special charter presentation dinner at the Methodist church.

The club, which is headed by W. Neville Bryson, is the eighth new one organized in District 31-A in recent months, according to officers of the Franklin club, which sponsored Highlands.

Alston Broom, of Asheville, district governor, presented the charter to Mr. Bryson, who, in accepting, pledged his organization to the service of the Highlands community and furthering Lion work.

The charter event opened with the call to order by Elbert Angel, president of the Franklin club, who later in the evening presented a gavel and went to Highlands on behalf of his club.

Hugh Conipe, of the Haw Creek Lions Club, introduced Roy A. Taylor, of Asheville, international councilor, who served as toastmaster for the occasion.

Another international councilor, Robert R. Burns, of Candler, was guest speaker.

Congratulations to the new club and its members were extended by W. E. Michael, Jr., of Asheville, cabinet secretary-treasurer.

The meal was arranged by the Young People of the Methodist church.

Peace Planner Lions Speaker

Heinz Rollman, originator of the "World Construction" plan, outlined his movement, which he feels will do much toward bringing world peace, to the Franklin Lions club Monday night at the regular meeting of the club.

The basis of the program outlined by the speaker, who was run out of Germany and Holland by the Nazis before coming to the United States, is that America furnish an army of three million men, who would go to other countries and show them American "know how" and impress the American spirit.

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MRS. HASTINGS DEAD

Mrs. Wymer Hastings died sometime during Monday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Mason, at Prentiss. Mrs. Hastings was found dead yesterday (Tuesday) morning.

HOOKER GETS BAPTIST POST

Franklin Man Named Regional Brotherhood President At Meeting

W. K. (Ken) Hooker, of Franklin, is the new regional president of the Baptist Brotherhood organization.

He was named to the post at the state-wide meeting of the Brotherhood in Charlotte on November 15.

A member of the First Baptist Church, Mr. Hooker is



Mr. Hooker

immediate past president of his church Brotherhood.

At the Charlotte meeting, which was attended by some 700 from over the state, the Rev. M. W. Chapman, pastor of the first church here, was guest speaker.

Others attending from the Franklin church included W. C. Burrell, B. B. Scott, J. C. Jacobs, Gus Baldwin, and Curtis Pearson.

MISSIONARY TO PREACH

The Rev. Wayne McAffer, missionary to Brazil, will preach at the Cartoogechay Church of God Friday evening at 7 p.m. Church officials said the public is invited.

INSTALL YULE LIGHTS

Members of the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department installed Christmas lights along Main Street early Sunday morning. However, the lights will not be turned on for several weeks.

SPONSORING DANCE

The junior class of Highlands High School has announced plans for holding a Thanksgiving dance at Helen's Barn at 8:30 p. m. Saturday to raise money for its annual trip to Washington, D. C.

Band Fund Nets \$900 From Event

An estimated 2,000 bargain hunters swarmed through East Franklin School auditorium Saturday night to shout bids on items for auction at the P.T.A.-sponsored "harvest sale".

When the din had settled around the hoarse-voiced auctioneers about 11 o'clock, the school stage—which had been stacked almost ceiling high a few hours earlier with about everything imaginable — had been picked clean, but the Macon Band Boosters Club was \$900.14 closer to paying for the \$3,500 worth of instruments recently purchased for the burn-out band.

Mrs. Frank M. Killian, sale chairman, Monday deposited the money to the Boosters' account at the bank.

Sponsored by both the Franklin and East Franklin P.T.A.'s, the sale went beyond "all expectations", Mrs. Killian said, particularly expressed her appreciation to the parents of children outside of Franklin, who contributed enough food and produce to feed a sizeable army.

At the same time, officials of the Boosters club offered their thanks to both associations and all who helped with the sale.

"Impossible" items donated for the sale presented no challenge.

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Higdonville High School Moving On

The last of Macon's old frame high schools is drifting into the pages of history after more than 45 years' of faithful service.

Higdonville High School—unwanted as an institution of learning after post-war consolidation—now finds itself giving way to more progress.

The members of the Higdonville Baptist Church, who have used the old high school as a church since purchasing it from the county in 1948, are razing the old building and erecting a new church in its place.

Built in 1908, the Higdonville school was one of the first high schools in the county. Mrs. C. W. Crawford recalls that it was founded by the late Professor Madison, founder and first president of Western Car-

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Services To Mark Thanksgiving Here

JUDGES EYE COMMUNITY

Holly Springs Is Visited For Judging In W. N. C. Contest

Macon's prize-winning Holly Springs community came under the scrutiny of the three judges of the W. N. C. Rural Community Development Contest last Thursday.

As the top community in the county rural contest, Holly Springs represents Macon in the area event.

The area contest judges are Dr. E. J. Niederfrank, of Washington, D. C., community development specialist with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Miss Lucia Brown, of Birmingham, Ala., associate home editor of The Progressive Farmer, and Dr. S. C. Mayo, of Raleigh, rural sociologist at N. C. State College.

Morris McGough, head of the Asheville Agricultural Council, sponsor of the area contest, accompanied the judges here.

In 1952, Holly Springs—then one of two Macon communities participating in community development—placed fifth in the W. N. C. event.

McKelvey Gets District Scout Position Again

R. E. McKelvey, of Franklin, was reelected chairman of the Smoky Mountain Boy Scout District at a meeting of adult leaders of the three-county district here Friday night.

Another Franklin leader, H. H. Gnuse, Jr., was reelected district commissioner.

Committee chairmanships going to Franklin men included the Rev. S. B. Moss, co-chairman of advancements; B. L.



Mr. McKelvey

McGlamery, finance; Holland McSwain, organization and extension; B. B. Scott, camping; and J. P. Brody, publicity.

John Edwards, formerly of this county, who is now living in Greenville, was reelected vice-chairman of the district.

The meeting was held at the Nantahala Power and Light Company.

SHERIFF AT SCHOOL

Macon Sheriff J. Harry Thompson attended a special school for N. C. sheriffs and law enforcement officers at the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill Wednesday through Saturday. He was accompanied by A. G. Cagle, of Franklin.

MRS. CABE DIES

Mrs. Daisy McPherson Cabe, 75, of the Riverside community, died Monday night at the home of her son, George Robert Cabe, Franklin, Route 2. Services are planned today (Wednesday) at Union Methodist Church at 2:30 p. m.

IS SCOUT SECRETARY

Explorer Scout Tommy Gnuse, of Franklin, was elected secretary of the Smoky Mountain chapter of the Tsali Lodge, Order of the Arrow, at a meeting here last Thursday night. The chapter covers Jackson, Macon, and Swain counties.

ATTENDS CONFERENCE

Mrs. Beth Guffey, Macon elementary supervisor, attended the state-wide supervisor's conference in Southern Pines three days last week.

Maconians will mark Thanksgiving, 1954, with traditional church services, turkey dinners with relatives and friends, and hunting — much in the same manner as their forebearers did after landing at Plymouth in 1620.

With the exception of a few service stations, businesses throughout the county plan to close Thursday for the holiday. A number, however, will be open all day tomorrow (Wednesday).

PAPER IS EARLY
This week's issue of The Press is reaching subscribers a day early — Wednesday instead of Thursday — because of Thanksgiving.

This change in schedule is made each year so rural subscribers can receive the newspaper before Friday, since there is no mail delivery on the routes on the holiday.

instead of closing at noon.

This year's Thanksgiving Day union service in Franklin is scheduled for the St. Agnes Episcopal Church at 8 a. m., under the sponsorship of all churches in town. The Rev. Bryan Hatchett, Presbyterian pastor, will preach. A community choir, composed of voices from all church choirs, will be on the program. Mrs. H. W. Cabe will be organist. Host pastor for the service is the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan.

In Highlands, the community service will be held at the Baptist church at 10 a. m., with all pastors participating.

A special service also is planned at 10 a. m. at the Iotia Methodist Church. The pastor, the Rev. R. J. Hahn, will preach, using as his subject, "Thankful! For What?"

Persons of all denominations are invited to attend the services.

Thanksgiving also will herald the opening of several hunting seasons, particularly quail, pheasants, and rabbits.

Parker Revival Drawing Crowds

A one-time pastor of the First Baptist Church is drawing large crowds to nightly revivals at his former church.

He is the Rev. Charles E. Parker, who is now pastor of the First church in New Bern. Mr. Parker opened his week-long revival series Sunday evening and will hold services nightly at 7:30 through Sunday, November 28.

While here, the guest preacher is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stiles.

Mr. Parker was pastor of the Franklin church before going to New Bern.

As a prelude to the opening of the revival series, the church held a week of cottage prayer meetings throughout Franklin.

Tuesday night, the church Brotherhood held a father-son banquet at which the Rev. John Ewell, pastor of the Highlands church, was speaker. Following the banquet, the men and boys attended Mr. Parker's service in a body.

The Weather

Forecast for Franklin by Maxine Sipes, Franklin, N. C. weather bureau, and at the Franklin, N. C. office.

FRANKLIN
Temperatures
High Low Rain

Wed., Nov. 17	67	45	—
Thursday	63	49	trace
Friday	65	48	.35
Saturday	59	43	—
Sunday	56	37	—
Monday	70	22	—

HIGHLANDS
Temperatures
High Low Rain

Wed., Nov. 17	54	48	.98
Thursday	54	52	.09
Friday	53	43	.23
Saturday	56	32	.66
Sunday	52	32	trace
Monday	48	24	—

COWEETA
Temperatures
High Low Rain

Wed., Nov. 17	62	48	.51
Thursday	62	52	trace
Friday	61	51	.33
Saturday	59	37	.44
Sunday	55	31	—
Monday	55	22	—
Tuesday	32	28	—



CHEERING ON Richard Renshaw, probably much more lusty than others, at the Optimist Bowl in Asheville on Thanksgiving Day will be Miss Nancy Sutton, the speedy Franklin back's "steady". Above, the two are wrapped up in some pregame chatter.

Another Panther back, Bobby Womack, was called to Asheville on Saturday for a berth with the west when a player from another high school in the area dropped out.