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spelling, and arithmetic as taught by "teachers" Cutshall and Frank Hembree, a guard. Classes meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday nights. Homework is a "must". But the school is offered as a voluntary proposition.

And school has become an "inspiration" for one lifer. The superintendent said the man, who almost died in the electric chair, is determined to educate himself so he can write a book on his experience. His death sentence was commuted to life imprisonment the day before his scheduled execution.

Supt. Cutshall says "all they have to do is furnish the incentive... we're willing to work with them any way we can."

If the "good progress" now shown by the 10 students continues, the superintendent said studies will be carried right up to high school level.

Also, if the venture pans out, a vocational school for the prison camp is in the scheme of things. A prisoner, Charlie Brock, a barber school graduate, is now working up lesson plans in case the vocational program is adopted. Other possible courses that could be offered are accounting methods, magazine and newspaper layout, sign painting, and general art, Mr. Cutshall says.

At any rate, "teacher" Cutshall seems to be enjoying himself.

"I really like to do it," he declares. "It's a refresher course of sorts for me."

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aldermen, and the Macon Board of County Commissioners, represented at the dinner by Commissioner Wiley Brown.

Special tribute was paid Mr. Reeves for "abandoning his family and business" to help the plant locate here.

To the several Burlington officials present, Mr. Whitmire invited:

"Do well, stay long, and grow big."

He also introduced Dr. Frank P. Graham, one-time president of the University of North Carolina, former senator, and now mediator for the United Nations.

"Christianity and humanity are well represented when he is around," Mr. Whitmire said of Dr. Graham.

In a brief acknowledgment, Dr. Graham congratulated Macon on obtaining the Burlington plant. He and Mrs. Graham came with Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey and spent the week-end with them at their cabin on Rainbow Springs.

Burlington officials attending included Stephen A. Burdick, who will be supervisor of the local plant, Norman J. Campbell, a district supervisor, W. V. Rucker, manager of the Harrison, Tenn., plant, and C. B. Hussey, supervisor of the local training program.

Also present as a special guest was Pedro Ormenia, of Quito, Ecuador, president of the Quito Lions Club, and his interpreter.

Officers Installed

The dinner meeting, which drew an estimated 175 persons and special guests, served to install the new chamber officers. They include Mr. Reeves, reelected president; Allen Siler, vice-president; Sam Gibson, treasurer; Frank B. Duncan, Norman Blaine, Gus Baldwin, and Charles Conley, Sr., directors. Mrs. Lasca E. Horsley is the executive secretary of the organization.

Also recognized was the retiring board of directors, H. W. Cabe, Verlon Swafford, C. Banks Finger, J. L. West, Jr., William Katenbrink, and Erwin Patton.

Budget Adopted
A '55-'56 budget of \$3,600 was adopted and a membership drive to raise the quota will get under way in the very near future. Of the total, \$1,400 is for salaries; \$500 for promotional work; \$1,000 for advertising for tourists; and \$200 for advertising for industry. Another \$350 is set up for office supplies and repairs.

Committees Appointed

The chamber president has appointed the following committees for '55:

Signs: Paul Carpenter, John Crawford, Ed Coates, Bill Garrison, and Marshall Pettis.

Membership: John Kusterer, H. P. West, B. L. McGlamery, and Prelo Dryman.

Industrial: William Katenbrink, F. B. Duncan, John M. Archer, Jr., and H. H. Gnuse, Jr.

Tourist: A. W. Perry, L. D. Clontz, and Charles Conley, Sr. Highways: E. J. Whitmire, A. B. Slagle, R. S. Jones, and Holland McSwain.

Retail Merchants: J. C. Jacobs, T. H. Callahan, and Wiley Brown.

County Clean-up: W. C. Bur-

rell, W. E. Baldwin, Wiley Brown, and J. C. Jacobs.

Zoning Ordinance: Frank Martin and Frank L. Henry, Jr. Activities Listed

Activities undertaken by the chamber during 1954 were as listed below:

1. Distributed 5,000 copies of the Franklin folder, as well as the accommodation folder for Franklin.

2. Advertised Franklin in five Florida papers and State Magazine.

3. Cooperated with Jaycees in their program to promote Franklin at their national convention.

4. Collected up-to-date information for booklet entitled "Facts for Industry" and distributed these booklets to prospective industry.

5. Corresponded with Governor Umstead in an effort to get method of trying speeding cases in Macon County changed.

6. Wrote letters to approximately 100 industries in an effort to interest them in Franklin, also sent copy of brochure on Macon County published last year.

7. Had sign advertising Franklin at intersection of Highways 19 and 28 repaired and repainted, also worked on locating sign in Cornelia, Ga., showing U. S. 441 as best route through Franklin and Smokies.

8. Cooperated with Franklin merchants by placing cloth banners at strategic locations, directing traffic through main part of town.

9. Chamber of commerce personnel visited all places, such as hotels, cottages, motels, etc., to better acquaint themselves with what Franklin has to offer visitors in the way of accommodations.

10. Answered all inquiries directed to chamber by Highlanders, a list of approximately 135 each week.

11. Operated the information booth from May 15 to September 15, seven days a week, from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.

12. Sold tickets to drama "Unto These Hills". Received 10% commission on all sales.

13. Located houses and apartments for summer residents as well as those who chose Franklin as a good place to retire.

14. Operated credit bureau and maintained up to date file on all residents of Macon County.

15. Answered 100 requests for literature from school children.

16. Handled 1,000 direct requests for information on places of accommodation, real estate, and all miscellaneous requests for information.

17. Distributed official highway maps of approximately 15 different states, as well as the map of W. N. C.

18. Donated \$100 toward salaries of new county agents.

19. Coordinated with industrial committee, Town of Franklin, and county commissioners in the successful effort to secure Burlington Mills' latest plant, also to provide a plant site for them.

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to hope for" . . . we can't expect those outside to force growth on us . . . (we must) reach out and command growth."

Of the six western counties, Mr. Ramsey noted that Macon and Graham were the only two showing population increases (1940-1950). This shows it is not an easy thing to "reach out and command growth", he declared.

He urged that job opportunities be provided for the young men and women of the area, and he termed this a challenging responsibility resting on every organization and individual in the district. This "human resource" is the most important asset of all, he added.

Mr. Ramsey said there has never been an industry settling in W. N. C. that regretted the decision. He cited Acusta, Champion Paper and Fibre Company, American Enka, and Beacon Manufacturing Company as examples.

"Once here, they are infinitely satisfied with the human and other resources present . . ."

He said the area's young men and women — "quick to learn, intensely loyal to those who employ them" — are seeking only the opportunity to grow up for service and economic advancement to industry.

"Industry is doing more now for employees," Mr. Ramsey noted, "not out of a sense of charity, but because it realizes the richest asset of any enterprise is the human being."

However, W. N. C. is not benefiting from a "great resource" it is producing, he declared. This resource is an "enormous volume of electricity", that is being "exported to create prosperity elsewhere." Mr. Ramsey said the blame for this loss to the area is not on the produc-

ers — "they have it, we're not using it."

A greater industrial structure can be erected on two other resources — mountains and agriculture — he suggested.

The breathtaking scenery found only in W. N. C. should be publicized to an even greater extent, he said, adding:

"We should invite people to come here and visit . . . does not detract from the beauty or function (of the mountains) by sharing."

Congratulating the county on its steady growth in recent years, Mr. Ramsey said Macon stands as an object lesson to other counties of "what can be done when men bend their shoulders in a common effort."

He urged the county to accept the responsibility not only for its own progress, but to offer the leadership for others.

BAPTIST SET COUNTY-WIDE SERIES HERE

31 Churches Plan To Participate; Dates Are Listed

Thirty-one Baptist churches in this county are joining other Southern Baptist churches in a simultaneous evangelistic crusade.

Services in all of the churches will be nightly at 7:30. Cottage prayer meetings also are being sponsored and conducted by some of the Brotherhoods of the participating churches as a preliminary to the opening of the crusade.

Participating churches and the dates for their services are as follows:

Tellico, April 3, Arvil Swafford preaching; Oak Grove, April 10-24, Jarvis Underwood preaching; First Baptist, April 13-24, Brotherhood leaders and the pastor, M. W. Chapman, preaching; Cowee, April 17-24, B. B. Littleton preaching; Iotla, April 18-24, Joe Miller, of Bryson City, preaching; Cartoogechaye, April 17-May 1, Fred Lunsford preaching; Higdonville, April 17-May 1, James Shields preaching; Prentiss, April 3-17; Mt. Hope, April 10-24; Watauga, April 10; Liberty, April 17; Ridge Crest, April 17-24; Newman's Chapel, April 24; Longview, in May; Sugarfork, June 5-19, Judson Duvall preaching.

Churches planning to take part, but with no dates as yet, include Calvary, Coweeta, Buck Creek, Fairview, Teasenta, Union Hill, Sugar Cove, Mountain Grove, Nantahala No. 2, Oak Dale, Pine Grove, Pleasant Hill, Rose Creek, Highlands, and Wells Grove.

Holly Springs held its revival March 20-30 with the Rev. R. P. Hamby preaching.

Members of the committee arranging the evangelistic crusade include B. B. Littleton, general chairman; Mrs. Vernon Higdon, finance; M. W. Chapman, publicity; C. T. Taylor, extension and colportage; Arvil Swafford, census; Manual Wyatt, special rallies; E. G. Altland, prayer and music; and Mr. Littleton, enlistment.

Womack Is Top Student Of Seniors

Robert R. (Bobby) Womack, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reid Womack, of Franklin, is the valedictorian of the 1955 graduating class at Franklin High School.

Ties for salutatorian were Miss Virginia Swanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Swanson, of Franklin, Route 1, and Herbert McKelvey, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McKelvey, of Franklin.

Other top honor students of the class are Robert (Bud) Siler, Kenneth Tallent, Leonard Long, and Miss Mary Evelyn Cabe, Betty Hurst, Caroline Reece, Audrey Gibson, Annette Garner, and Edna Earle Stoudermire.

Young Mr. Womack, an outstanding football player and athlete, maintained a 4.0 average during his four years of high school. The salutatorians each averaged 3.9.

Graduation exercises for the 142 seniors are scheduled June 1.

Girl Scouts Invested At Service Monday

Five girls were invested into Girl Scout Troop No. 29 Monday afternoon at the Episcopal parish house.

They were Patricia Ward, Patricia Gaines, Nancy Whittington, Ann Dean, and Janice Bowman. All members of the troop received proficiency badges. Mothers and friends of the troop were present. After the investiture service, refreshments were served.

Mrs. Bob Moore and Mrs. John Swan are the leaders of the troop.



MEMBERS OF THE FRANKLIN Lions Club, Franklin Volunteer Fire Department, and special guests were honored Wednesday night of last week by Franklin High School for their assistance with the athletic program. The Lions were in charge of admissions and the firemen of parking during the 1954 football season. Pictured above are some of them enjoying the steak supper.

To Record Centennial Disc; Meeting Of Chairmen Slated

Committeemen To Set Budget At Meeting Today In Franklin

A meeting of committee chairmen of the centennial has been called for today (Thursday) at 4:30 p. m. in the town offices in the Bank of Franklin building.

Chairmen are asked to come prepared to give estimates of expenses so a budget can be prepared.

Suggestions also will be invited on how to stimulate interest in the celebration among the women of the town. Miss Lillian Jones, president of the Junior Woman's Club, which has charge of "law" among the women, has reported that enforcement of the "bonnet law" is difficult.

Centennial Seen

Outside interest reflected in the centennial through the purchase of badges by folks away from Franklin — latest among this number, Mrs. W. S. Smith, of Baton Rouge, La., who ordered two . . .

Musician Hunter Young, who has been TV-ing and radio-ing in Tennessee, struggling with two friends on the street Saturday and trying to convince them he had enough hair on his lip to stay out of the "callboose" . . .

The marked decrease in the wearing of bonnets . . .

The "callboose" brimming over last Wednesday night with beard violators, among them Cowee Principal T. T. Love, teacher Dick Stott, Clyde Sanders, Mac Whitaker, and Bob Dean . . .

Hunter Calloway's forlorn plea, "someone bring me a drink of water," as he sat out a spell in the "callboose" Friday afternoon for shaving . . .

Tourists buying badges in a downtown restaurant to take back home as souvenirs . . .

FRANKLIN PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Van Kuren, of Zephyrhill, Fla., arrived Tuesday to spend several months in Franklin.

Waldroop Is Ready To Cut Boogie Tune To Boost Celebration

A musical invitation to attend the Franklin Centennial in mid-June soon will be pouring from juke boxes in the area and, if things go as planned, from nearby radio stations.

Centennial officials this week announced that 250 souvenir records of "The Centennial Boogie" are to be ordered the latter part of the week as soon as a local recording artist, Les Waldroop, puts it on a sample disc for shipment to New York.

Glen Holt, owner of Carolina Music Company, has offered to put the records on his juke boxes in the area and turn the proceeds from them over to the centennial treasury as a gift to the celebration. It is also planned to send several records to disc jockeys at nearby radio stations in the hopes the bouncy tune can be aired on their programs.

The remaining records, about 200, will be sold as "collector's items" on a first-come-first-serve basis to help finance the many events now planned for the celebration.

"The Centennial Boogie" was arranged by Mr. Waldroop as "my contribution" to the centennial.

Houk Senator Bill Gets Committee Okay

Rep. G. L. Houk's bill to change the method of selecting the Democratic nominee for state senator from this district Tuesday won committee approval.

The bill provides that only voters in the county furnishing the senator, under this district's rotation plan, would vote for state senator in the Democratic primary. At present, the nominee is chosen by Democratic voters in all five counties in the district.

The bill, introduced March 18, was favorably reported Tuesday by the house committee on senatorial districts.

BIRTHS

Born to: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hampton Chastain, of Highlands, a son, Terry Ray, March 21 at Angel Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Aiken, of Highlands, a daughter, March 25 at the Highlands Community Hospital.

Longview Easter Scene Going Up

An Easter scene will be completed and ready for showing the last of this week in the Longview community, on US 23-441 south.

The young people of the community rural development organization are preparing the scene, which will stay up through Easter.

MACON THEATRE FRANKLIN, N. C. Phone 131

WEEK BEGINNING MARCH 31

Saturday—1:00 Cont. Sunday—2:30 and 9:00 p. m. Week Days—7 and 9 p. m.

THURSDAY-FRIDAY, MARCH 31-APRIL 1

"DESTROY"

Starring Audie Murphy and Mari Blanchard In Technicolor

SATURDAY, APRIL 2

DOUBLE FEATURE "THE BLACK DAKOTAS"

Also "HIGHWAY DRAGNET"

SUN.-MON., APRIL 3-4

ALAN LADD and Delmer Daves In

"DRUM BEAT"

Technicolor CinemaScope

TUES.-WED., APRIL 5-6

"BEWARE MY LOVELY"

Starring Robert Ryan and Ida Lupino

News Making

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Income tax will have to be raised. Let's do it now before the various public services begin to suffer from lack of funds.

I have often heard people say, Oh! we could cut off half the people on the state pay roll and get the job done just as well. That is a bunch of "hog wash" pure and simple. Does anyone know a group of men who worked harder for less money than did the state highway employees this Winter in keeping our roads open? Or does anyone know a more tiring or responsible job, day in and day out, that doesn't pay more money than school teaching?

The people of North Carolina are going to have to face the fact that you get what you pay for and that to improve our various public services will cost more money. Does anyone know a better way than to increase the income tax, coupled with stricter collections?

Spring Opening

Franklin Drive-In Theatre

First Show at 7 p. m. Two Shows Nightly

THURS.-FRI., MAR. 31-APR. 1

"I, THE JURY"

Mickey Spillane

SATURDAY, APRIL 2

"SOUTHWEST PASSAGE"

Rod Cameron - Joanne Dru

SUN.-MON., APRIL 3-4

"PARATROOPER"

Alan Ladd

TUES.-WED., APR. 5-6

"WICKED WOMAN"

Beverly Michaels-Richard Egaa

Advertisement for Burrell Motor Company. The ad features a large graphic with the text "USED BUYS GALORE!" and "PRICES RIGHT For QUICK SALE". Below this, it states: "We have the largest stock ever of good used cars and trucks that are priced right to sell. You will want to see these bargains before you trade or buy. Money making trucks and money saving cars - all at bargain prices sold with an O. K. that counts." The company name "BURRELL MOTOR COMPANY" is prominently displayed in a large, bold font, with "INCORPORATED" underneath. Below the name, it says "AUTHORIZED SALES and SERVICE" and "Telephone 123 FRANKLIN, N.C.". At the bottom, it lists "CHEVROLET" and "OLDSMOBILE" and includes the slogan "A GOOD PLACE TO BUY A GOOD USED CAR".