

--- THE SICK ---
(Unavoidably omitted last week)
Angel Clinic
Roy Arnold, of Franklin, admitted for surgery.
Hubert West, of Franklin, admitted for surgery.
Miss Louise Jones, of Cowee, underwent surgery last Tuesday.
Master Harold Ammons, of Ellijay, admitted for treatment.
Grady Franks, of Franklin, underwent surgery Thursday.
Mrs. Maude Talley, of Highlands, underwent surgery Monday.
Mrs. Lou Davenport, of Franklin and Shooting Creek, admitted for treatment.
Grady Cowart, of Prentiss, admitted for treatment.

Mrs. Hattie Greenwood, Franklin, Route 1, admitted for treatment.
Ronald Elliott, of Franklin and Robbinsville, admitted for surgery.
Mrs. Maude Tallent, of Burningtown, discharged to her home after treatment.
Robert Davis, of Franklin, admitted for surgery.
Mrs. Lesa Gibson, of Franklin, admitted for treatment.
Mrs. Bonnie Williams, of Franklin, admitted for treatment.
Miss Thelma Tallent, of Franklin and Gastonia, underwent surgery Sunday.
Hubert Penland, of Sealy, admitted for treatment.
Paul Gibson, of Cullasaja, admitted for surgery.
Angel Hospital
Mrs. Gene Ray Cheek, of Franklin, Route 2, has been discharged as improved following treatment.
Sam W. Higdon, of Franklin, has been discharged as improved following treatment.
Miss Patricia Ann Gibson, of Franklin, Route 4, is a patient for treatment.
Mrs. Raymond Nelson Brittain, of Franklin, Route 3, has been discharged as improved following surgery.
Roy J. Collier, of Franklin, Route 1, is improving following surgery.
Mrs. Floyd Crane, of Highlands, is improving following surgery.
Weaver Shope, of Franklin, is a patient for treatment.
James Alex McCoy, of Franklin, Route 5, is improving following surgery.
Mrs. Sherman M. Hedden, of Franklin, Route 2, is improving following surgery.
Highlands Community Hospital
Eb Bumgarner is receiving medical treatment.
W. S. Davis is receiving medical treatment.
Geological authorities have confirmed that Michigan's upper peninsula has the oldest coal in the world, aged about 500 million years. This deposit lies just north of Iron River and is reputedly millions of years older than any other deposit.

Slagle Tells Incidents Of Early Days Here

"One of the grandest deeds ever performed in Macon County was what William Siler did for Indians living in the Cartoogechaye-Wayah area, at the time of the removal of the Indians to the West", A. B. (Burt) Slagle told the Franklin Rotary club at its meeting Wednesday night of last week.
Mr. Siler deeded them land, so that, when the time came for their removal, they had a legal right to stay.
A government representative urged them to go West with the other Indians, and finally appealed to the chief, whose English name was Jim Peckerwood. Mr. Siler said Jim listened in silence to the government man's long, flowery harangue. When it was finished, the old Indian replied: "In sight of these mountains I have lived; in sight of these mountains I will die. My speech is ended."
Discussing other local history, Mr. Slagle told of the early surveys. First, only the valleys were surveyed. Later, an entrytaker's office was established, and "then there was a mess". He said some pieces of land were "three-deep in grants, while adjoining areas of 100 acres or more were never granted."
The first plan was to build the county seat on the Watauga plains, about where Walter Gibson lives, but the present location was finally selected.
Before the establishment of a county government here in 1829 all legal business of local residents had to be transacted in Haywood County.
Mr. Slagle recalled an incident of his boyhood, when Dr. C. D. Smith, local minister and author of a Brief History of Macon County, broke his leg, while in the Black Gap section, and how Mr. Slagle's father, Charles W. Slagle, and Albert Bryson brought the injured man to Franklin in a horse-drawn hack.
The original courthouse here, Mr. Slagle said, was built by Col. David Coleman for \$3800. The present one, started in 1881, cost \$10,500 — for a part of which sum the county had to give the builders notes. The new building was formally accepted January 29, 1883. "Old Dr. Lyle" is said to have placed a quart bottle of whiskey somewhere in the walls, the speaker related.
Franklin's first bank was established in 1903, with a capital of \$10,000. Mr. Slagle recalled, George A. Jones was president, and J. G. Siler cashier.
That same year the liquor dispensary here was voted out, and prohibition adopted.
The first train to enter the county (from the south) was a work train, crossing the county line May 9, 1906. The Tallulah Falls line was completed the next year.
The Methodist church here, what is now the Franklin Temple, for operation as a subscription

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