

RED CROSS ELECTION IS SLATED

Chapter To Hold Dinner Meeting Friday At School

Discussion of a proposed blood program for the county and the election of new officers top the agenda for the annual meeting of the Macon County chapter of the American Red Cross.

This year's dinner meeting is set for tomorrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock in the Franklin High cafeteria.

The Rev. Roy J. Bell, pastor

FOR HUNGARY

Macon County has been assigned a \$270 quota for Hungarian relief.

The American Red Cross is acting as a collecting agency for the campaign to help the Communist satellite in its fight for freedom.

Donations may be sent to the local A.R.C. office.

of the First Methodist Church in Sylva, is to be guest speaker. Active in area A.R.C. work, Mr. Bell will discuss several activities, including the annual fundraising campaign early in 1957.

Miss Ruth Lockman, of Asheville, area A.R.C. representative, and an official from the regional blood center in Asheville plan to be on hand to assist the chapter in setting up a blood program.

In order for the chapter to participate, the area program must first have the approval of health officials, local hospitals, and the head of the county medical society, according to Mrs. Elizabeth McCollum, chapter executive secretary.

Officers for 1957 are to be elected. Z. Weaver Shope is now serving his second one-year term as chairman of the chapter. W. R. Potts is vice-president, and C. Jack Ragan is treasurer. Directors include the Rev. R. T. Houts, Jr., James L. Hauser, the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, the Rev. S. B. Moss, Frank B. Cook, Charles Anderson, and Lewis Edwards.

Committee reports on the year's activities also are scheduled.

Deer Season Ends With Light Bag Reported

Sundown Saturday ended the 1956 deer season.

A light bag was reported from both the Wayah and Standing Indian areas for the 12 days of hunting.

On Standing Indian, 933 hunters managed to bring out only 34 bucks. Two illegal kills (does) also were reported. Also killed were 13 wild hogs.

While official figures were not available from Wayah, it is understood that less than a dozen kills were made.

In the sport of deer hunting, it's "like father, like son" for Roy Pendergrass and his son, Landy.

Mr. Pendergrass opened the season two weeks ago by bagging a buck in Wayah Valley and returning to town in time to open his grocery store on schedule. On the last day of the hunt, Landy, 13, shot a six-pointer on the same spot his father made his kill.

Local Student Ties For Top Speech Honors

A Franklin High senior, Miss Margaret Jones, tied for first place with an Asheville student in the western district Voice of Democracy contest.

Dr. J. L. Hill, Jr., president of the Franklin Jaycees, which sponsored Miss Jones, after she won the speaking contest on the local level, this week said he had been informed that both would advance to the state-wide contest, to be held in Monroe December 9.

The local winner's expenses to Monroe will be covered by the sponsoring organization, he said. The district V. O. D. contest was held Thursday of last week in Brevard.

Miss Jones is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Jones, of Franklin.

Federal Agency Approves Franklin Radio Station

Permission to operate a daytime radio station in Franklin has been granted the Macon County Broadcasting Company by the Federal Communications Commission.

One of the three owners, Henry Bartol, Jr., of Tryon, in a telephone interview this week said construction of the station, weather permitting, should begin soon after the first of the year.

The AM station will operate on 1050 kilocycles and 500 watts, daytime, Mr. Bartol said. With Mr. Bartol in the broadcasting company are Graves Taylor, also of Tryon, and John E. Boyd, of Landrum, S. C.

The F. C. C. approved the station Thursday of last week. Application was made to the F. C. C. last July.

4-H Honors Outstanding Members - Enloe, Cochran

Robert Enloe, of the Cartoogechaye club, and Miss Helen Cochran, of the Franklin Senior club, were honored Saturday during the annual "4-H Achievement Day" as the most outstanding club members of the year.

Held at East Franklin School, the 4-H gathering also was featured by the awarding of some 70 4-H projects awards to individual club members by the extension agents in charge of 4-H, Mrs. Jessie D. Cabe and Clark Walker.

Cartoogechaye Senior was cited for having the best club progress during 1956.

Otto Senior won the attendance award for having the largest number turn out for "Achievement Day".

Ann Pennington, of the Franklin club, received a special leadership award from the Danforth Foundation.

Are 'Sparkplugs' The two outstanding club members, Robert and Helen, have been described by the extension agents as "sparkplugs" in both county and district activities during the past year.

Young Enloe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Enloe, of Franklin, Route 1, is now ending two years as a 4-H clubber. Last year he was president of Cartoogechaye Junior. He entered the district officers contest, placed third in the county-wide tractor driving contest, won a third place with his dairy calf at the county fair last fall, and completed projects in dairying, field crops, and health this year. Robert now has under way a tractor care project. He is

secretary of the M. Y. F. of the Mt. Zion Methodist Church. Member 3 Years

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cochran, of the Patton section, Miss Cochran has been in 4-H club work for three years. She has served as president of both a county and high school club and has been 2nd vice-president of the county council. For two years she has taken the top honors in the county dairy foods competition and this year also won the county recreation and clothing events. She also competed this year in the state dairy foods contest. The agents report Helen did outstanding work in home beautification, food preparation, and other home economics projects. She has asserted her leadership.

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Local Boy New F.F.A. President

A member of the Franklin chapter of Future Farmers of America has been elected president of the Nantahala Federation of F. F. A., which embraces the seven western counties.

He is Bill Fouts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Fouts, of Franklin, Route 4.

Another Franklin member, Frank Nolen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Nolen, of Franklin, Route 1, has been elected sentinel of the federation.

The election was held last week.

Twisting Wayah Road Used By GM As Testing Ground

General Motors has chosen the Wayah Valley area to test drive several new automobiles, because of the varied driving conditions offered there, as well as the fact that they aren't bothered by a horde of sight-seers.

On a recent week-end, the Opel — a smaller, cheaper-priced car manufactured in Germany by a GM subsidiary — was driven about the valley in road tests. Other models in past years have included the Chevrolet Corvette sports car and the Buick with the variable pitch Dynaflo transmission.

Two different models of the Opel were driven here. One was the 1957 model and the other a projected 1958 version. GM hopes these body styles are the answer to German consumer wants for American-type bodies. In the Wayah testing, particular attention was paid to body reactions.

Germans have developed a taste for American body styles, a GM official says, after seeing so many U. S. cars which have been brought overseas by military personnel.

The test activities here came to light recently when a General Motors official was interviewed.

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The Rev. Andrew Cloer, of Franklin, stands with the 150-pound eight-point buck he bagged Wednesday morning of last week on Wayah.



Mrs. Earl Cabe holds Carson's honorable mention certificate while she talks to Morris L. McGough, following Saturday's area rural community luncheon. Mr. McGough oversees the annual contest for the Asheville Agricultural Council.

Highlands Has New Postmistress

Highlands no longer has a postmaster. It has a postmistress.

Mrs. Jean Keener Rice became the acting postmistress last Saturday (December 1) as Charles C. (Uncle Charlie) Potts stepped down after 21 years' service.

Mrs. Rice is the second woman in the 81-year history of the Highlands post office to hold the job. The other was Miss Elinor C. Cleveland, who was postmistress from 1923 to 1935. She now is Mrs. W. N. (Nellie) Cook and lives in Franklin.

At some future date a Civil Service examination will be called and persons interested in the postmastership at Highlands will make application. A test will be given the applicants and from those making the three highest scores, one will be chosen for the job.

Mrs. Rice is the daughter of Mrs. T. Maden Keener, of Highlands. Her husband, R. W. Rice, is a forestry aide with the U. S. Forest Service. The acting postmistress was graduated from Highlands High School in 1945. She is 28 years old.

For the past two and a half years, she has been secretary to the Tudor Hall Real Estate Agency in Highlands.

The Rices have three children, Bobby, 8; Mary, 6, and Allan, 5. They are members of the Episcopal church.

Mrs. Rice says she's a Republican and her husband a Democrat.

"Uncle Charlie" Potts was scheduled to retire Oct. 31, but was asked to remain an extra month. He had looked forward to fox hunting in early November, until retirement was set back a month. Now, he says, it's too cold. Come the first warm day, however, "Uncle Charlie" gives fair warning: look out, br'er fox.

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Wasilik Gets Doctor Of Philosophy Degree

John H. Wasilik, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wasilik, Jr., of Franklin, has received his degree of doctor of philosophy in physics from the graduate school of arts and sciences at The Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C.

A Franklin High graduate, he received his B. S. degree from Manhattan College, New York City, in 1947 and has been at Catholic University since that time.

Church Women Plan Bazaar On Saturday

The W. M. C. of the Cullasaja Assembly of God Church plans to hold a bazaar Saturday at the Nantahala Power and Light Company building.

Proceeds will be used for Christmas baskets for shut-ins.

Handmade articles and homemade jams and jellies will be on sale.

Trial Of Civil Actions Begins In Superior Court

Except for a few cases, the criminal docket for the December term of Superior Court has been cleared and trial of civil matters is now under way.

The term opened Monday morning with Judge Zeb V. Nettles, of Asheville, presiding.

Yesterday (Wednesday) morning, Mrs. Kate M. Wrinn, clerk of court, said all criminal matters had been disposed of by Judge Nettles, with the exception of about a dozen cases. These, she said, probably will be heard during breaks in civil trials.

The civil docket lists nine actions and seven divorces. Some continuances already have been granted by the judge.

A complete report of court activities, including the grand jury recommendations, will appear in The Press next week.

A. Winton Perry was appointed foreman of the grand jury by the court.

Other jurymen were Paul Morgan, George Bryson, Thomas Sanders, Haskell Arvey, Paul Kinsland, Eugene Crawford, Robert Brown, Lawrence Long, T. T. Hurst, R. F. Bryant, W. R. Parrish, Grady Holland, Fred Ledford, E. B. Duvall, A. J. Smith, Frank Holbrooks, and Alfred Wilson.

Rural Telephone Service Up 25% Over Last Year

(EDITOR'S NOTE: In a recent news story in the Raleigh News and Observer, Macon was listed as 28th among the state's 100 counties in percentage of farms with telephones. The information was shown the Western Carolina Telephone Company, which compiled the data for the following news story. Since the News and Observer's REA figures were for "farm" telephones and were compiled in 1955, while the phone company's are for "rural" phones and are for September, 1956, comparison of the two sets of figures has little meaning.)

Five communities of this county which two years ago had no telephones today have 77 instruments among them, a check with Western Carolina Telephone Company shows.

These are Holly Springs with 27, Clark's Chapel with 18, Patton with 14, Scaly with 10, and Higdonville with eight.

Among communities without telephone service are Mulberry, Tellico, Oak Grove, Upper Cartoogechaye, and West Union. On Burningtown, the lines go only as far as the mine and on Cowee the lines are full. There is no phone service in the Nantahala section, except at Beecher-town.

The telephone company has

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House Numbers Now Available In Store

Lions Club members are no longer selling house numbers door-to-door and Franklin residents desiring numerals are asked to go by the Western Auto Store, where Lions Verlon Swafford and Roy Cunningham have the numbers for sale.

Residents not knowing the house numbers assigned them may get that information from either Mr. Swafford or Mr. Cunningham.

WARM IN HIGHLANDS

Temperature readings for the last week present the queer situation of the low in Highlands being as much as 19 degrees higher than the low for the same date in Franklin. A double check with weather observers confirms the fact, however, that the readings are what their thermometers showed. For Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week, temperatures at Franklin and Coweeta varied sharply from those in Highlands. Bad news for skaters comes from Highlands: the warmer weather there is melting the ice.

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Centennial-Like Crowd In Town For Christmas Parade

What is described as the largest mid-week crowd to pack Franklin since the Centennial celebration in 1955 lined Main and Palmer Streets Thursday afternoon of last week to view the Christmas parade.

Totla's winning float depicted "The Night Before Christmas", with a family gathered around the fireplace and Christmas tree.

The mountain chore of hog killing at Christmas was portrayed by the F. F. A. entry. The whole procedure, even to a blazing fire, was recreated on the float.

"Mary and the Christ Child" was the theme of the garden club entry. A life-size frame around the mother and child set off the "picture" of the nativity scene.

Estimates placed the onlookers at upwards of 4,000 as Santa Claus, supported by 23 floats entered by businesses and civic and community groups, started spreading goodwill and Christmas cheer, along

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The Weather

The week's temperatures and rainfall below are recorded in Franklin by Manson Stiles, U. S. weather observer; in Highlands by Tudor N. Hall and W. C. Newton, TVA observers; and at the Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory. Readings are for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. of the day listed.

FRANKLIN	High	Low	Rain
Wed., Nov. 28	55	11	.00
Thursday	51	21	.00
Friday	49	19	.00
Saturday	54	15	.00
Sunday	59	14	.00
Monday	71	19	.00
Tuesday	52	20	.00
Wednesday	—	29	.00

HIGHLANDS	High	Low	Rain
Wed., Nov. 28	48	18	.03
Thursday	44	29	.00
Friday	43	21	.00
Saturday	47	25	.00
Sunday	44	28	.00
Monday	54	38	.00
Tuesday	60	34	.00
Wednesday	—	36	.00

COWEETA	High	Low	Rain
Wed., Nov. 28	54	12	.00
Thursday	54	23	.00
Friday	47	18	.00
Saturday	49	17	.00
Sunday	55	16	.00
Monday	67	23	.00
Tuesday	69	25	.00
Wednesday	—	30	.00

Santa Arrives At Airport