


H. D. County Council To Discuss National Week Celebration

Participation of Macon Club members in celebrating "National Home Demonstration Week" is to be discussed tomorrow (Friday) by the county home demonstration council at its regular meeting. It will begin at 1:30 p. m. with Mrs. George Byrd presiding. Several routine items, including local plans for the district meeting in April in Jackson County, also are on tap for action. Celebration of the national week will be the first week in May.

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Heard And Seen ON MACON BYWAYS

By ROLFE NEILL

Mark Twain said it: "If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man."

★ THE STAYING power of quality ink combined with quality paper amazes me. Folks bring in documents 50, 60, or 75 years old and the writing or printing on them still is bold and easy to read. H. A. (Chub) Wilhide brought an 1890 vote tally sheet to The Press office which his wife found among some other papers. Family names on that paper still are prominent about the county . . . George A. Jones, A. J. Burch, J. P. Ray, S. J. May, Sam L. Rogers, R. F. Jarrett, J. S. Sloan, E. D. Franks, James Cansler, T. B. Higdon, R. A. Wood, Henry Mincey, C. W. Slagle, and James Ammons.

★ IN THE courthouse vault, Registrar of Deeds Lake Shope has books which go back to the 1830's, proving the point—which none of us seriously doubted—that mortgages are hard to get rid of.

★ FARM TENANCY drags on an area's economic and political progress wherever it flourishes. Part of the independent spirit of Macon County people, I think, is attributable to the fact that they own what they live on. A man is more likely to take interest, more likely to speak his mind—and less likely to be the tool of others—when he owns his land. This county has one of the five lowest tenancy rates in the state, with a figure of only 6.2. Contrast that with 68.5 in Nash County, or 75.2 in Wilson, or 79.1 (the highest in North Carolina) in Edgecombe.

The free farmer, spine of America.

★ SIGN IN a tavern: "By special arrangement with the First National Bank, we do not cash checks and they do not sell beer."

★ IT WAS dusk at 6:30 when I came through Sylva this week. Got the time of day from their courthouse clock. When I got to Franklin, our courthouse clock said 3:20. Would the county commissioners please give the repairmen, who have a contract with the county, a gentle nudge toward the clock tower.

★ ON TURTLEPOND Road last week I saw neither turtle nor pond. Was/is there either?

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our appreciation and sincere thanks for the many thoughtful kind acts and beautiful floral offerings during the sickness and at the time of the death of our mother, Mrs. Malva Patton. We wish to especially thank the doctors and nurses and staff of Angel Hospital for their kindness and consideration during Mother's long illness.
The Patton Family

Fagg Helps Judge Area 4-H Records

Seven From Here Included In 68 Entering Contest

County Agent T. H. Fagg was in Asheville on Thursday and Friday to help judge 4-H activity records, including seven from Macon County, for the western district.

Those entered from Macon County are Miss Elizabeth Ann Ammons, Franklin High School; Miss Patsy Corbin, Cullasaja Senior; Miss Mary Lou Cabe, Otto Senior; Miss Ann Pennington, Franklin High; Miss Martha Ann Blaine, Otto Senior; Miss Helen Cochran, Franklin High; and Miss Brenda Cunningham, Franklin High.

All the entries are long-time record books for projects covering periods more than a year. Macon's seven were among 68 submitted by Western North Carolina 4-H'ers in 15 counties. Winners at Asheville will advance to the state competition. State winners compete for awards at the National 4-H Congress in Chicago in November.

Number From Outside County Here March 16 For Mrs. Houston Rites

Among those from out of town who were here March 16 for the funeral of Mrs. Bob Houston included Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Smith, of Sylva, the Rev. James Downs and family, the Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Gales, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Smathers, Mrs. Nobia Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sloan and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Davis, all of Canton, Mrs. Loyal McCracken, of Waynesville, Miss Juanita Meadows, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Breedlove, all of Bryson City, Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Reynolds and daughter, Alva Lou, of Greenville, Mrs. Maude Cansler, of Brevard, Mrs. Inez Hyatt, Mrs. Louis Enloe, and Miss Joyce Croom, all of Robbinsville, Miss Christine Houston, of Charlotte, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Speed, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Speed, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Woods, and Mr. and Mrs. Taft Henry, all of Highlands, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Shields

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