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The man who lets
himself be bored is even
more contemptible than
the bore.
—Samuel Butler.

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WHATCHA DOIN' POP?—It's just about trout fishing time again and R. V. Hooper, of Franklin, is getting some help and a lot of advice on arranging his trout flies on his hat. The kibitzers are his young daughters, Jane (left) and Melaine.

Local 4-H Girl Gets National Board Honor

A Macon County 4-H girl is one of 100 rural girls in the United States who has been elected to membership on the Farm Journal magazine's national "Teen Board", according to an announcement from the magazine.

She is 17-year-old Helen Cochran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cochran, of Franklin, Route 1.

An outstanding 4-H member on local, district, and state levels Helen is currently serving as president of the Franklin club and recently received the "4-H'er of the Year" awards for clothing and recreation. A high school senior, she has been an active 4-H member for three years. She plans to study music or speech correction at college next fall.

Members of the "Teen Board" serve as advisors to "Polly", editor of the Farm Journal's teenage department. They contribute ideas and opinions and report on interesting school and community activities for publication in a regular monthly feature of the magazine.

'Tom Sawyers' Set Fire To 2 Acres In Patton

About two acres of land belonging to Walter Swanson and Fred Hannah, in Patton community, burned Sunday morning after being ignited by a candle some boys were using to explore an abandoned mine shaft.

N. C. Forest Ranger J. Fred Bryson said a quarter acre of two-year-old white pines and a cove of poplars were the biggest loss.

"The local folks in the community are due the credit for getting the fire under control," Ranger Bryson said.

Retired Teachers Are Honored By P.-T. A.



Dr. Herbert Koopp-Baker, guest speaker at Saturday night's P.-T. A. banquet in Highlands, chats with Mrs. M. A. Pierson (left) and Miss Susan Rice, retired teachers who were honored as a feature of the annual meeting. (See story Front Page, Second Section).

Streams Will Come Alive 'Long About Sunup Saturday

Long about sunup Saturday, Macon County's miles of swift trout streams will come to life as that breed of wading sportsmen, The Trout Fisherman, opens the 1957 season.

For several weeks now, talk has been of flies, spinners, waders, and favorite streams. Trout-wise, they'll have plenty of action in the lakes and streams, if the state's stocking program is an indication.

Wildlife Protector Charles H. Boring this week reported that Nantahala Lake, at the close of the season last year, was restocked with 180,000 fingerlings (brook and rainbow). Other trout waters in the county welcome 7,100 rainbow, brook, and brown, he said.

Dates in the Standing Indian and Wayah refuges have been announced as follows:

Standing Indian:
April: 6-7, 10, 13-14, 17, 20-21, 24, 27-28.

May: 1, 4-5, 8, 11-12, 15, 18-19, 22, 25-26, 29-30.

June: 1-2, 5, 8-9, 12, 15-16, 19, 22-23, 26, 29-30.

July: 3-4, 6-7, 10, 13-14, 17, 20-21, 24, 27-28, 31.

August: 3-4, 7, 10-11, 14, 17-18, 21, 24-25, 28, 31.

Wayah:
April: 6-7, 17, 20-21.

May: 1, 4-5, 15, 18-19, 29-30.

June: 1-2, 12, 15-16, 26, 29-30.

July: 4, 10, 13-14, 24, 27-28.

W. L. Nothstein, Wayah ranger, said this week some misinformation has been circulating about fly fishing in the Standing Indian area. He said fly fishing will be limited to a two-mile area below the foot bridge at White Oak Bottoms. This section will be for trout fishing "purists" and only fly fishing will be permitted. In the rest of the area the same rules about using natural bait apply as in the past, the ranger added.

Rabies Vaccination Clinic Schedule Given By Doctor

A rabies vaccination schedule has been announced by Dr. J. H. Fisher, county rabies inspector.

By law, all dogs are required to receive rabies shots. Dr. Fisher this year will use a new vaccine that is effective up to three years.

The schedule:

April 6: Harley Stewart's farm, 10 to 11 a. m.

April 8: John Roane's farm, 3 to 5 p. m.; Setser's Store, 5 to 6 p. m.

April 9: Fred Dalton's mill, 3 to 4 p. m.; Harry Kinsland's farm, 4 to 5 p. m.

April 11: Clark's Chapel church, 4 to 5 p. m.

April 12: Bryson's Store, 9 to 10 a. m.; old Higdonville school, 10 to 11 a. m.; old Ellijay post office, 11 to 12 noon; Mt. Grove church, noon to 1 p. m.

April 13: Otto, 9 to noon.

April 15: Lawson Shook's farm, 4 to 5 p. m.

Dog owners are asked to take their animals to the clinic nearest their home. Vaccinations also may be obtained at Dr. Fisher's clinic in East Franklin.

Other clinic dates over the county will be announced later.

LOCAL STUDENT WINS ALCOA SCHOLARSHIP

Edith Christy Is Recipient Of \$2,000 Grant To College

Miss Edith H. Christy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Christy, of Franklin, has been awarded a \$2,000 scholarship by the Alcoa Foundation, it was announced this week by William G. Crawford, chairman of the Nantahala Power and Light Company selection committee.

Edith, a senior at Franklin High School, was selected as a winner from a group of 33 sons and daughters of Alcoa's North Carolina employees. Eleven of the contestants for the scholarship are children of Nantahala Power and Light Company employees and 22 are children of employees at Alcoa's Badin Works, according to Mr. Crawford.

All of the candidates for the scholarship, he said, had previously met the scholastic, moral, and financial requirements and had been chosen to take the college entrance examination by their respective selection committees. The final decision of the committee was greatly influenced by the score made on the competitive examination by Miss Christy, the local chairman explained.

The Aluminum Company of America inaugurated the Alcoa Foundation Scholarship program in the fall of 1953 for children of Alcoa employees. Now in its fourth year, there will be a total of 156 Alcoa Foundation Scholarships in effect this year throughout the nation at an annual cost of \$78,000.

Miss Christy has established an outstanding record at Franklin High School. She is presently vice president of the Beta Club, co-editor of the school paper, a member of the Future Teachers of America organization and designated as one of the 1957 honor students. She was elected as a delegate to Girl's State in 1956. She has been an active member of several school, church and Girl Scout activities. She plans to enter Pfeiffer College this fall and has chosen secondary education as her major field of study.

Other contestants from this area competing for this scholarship were Laura Mae Cabe, Randolph Bulgin and Lewis R. Cabe, all from Franklin, and Frances Seay, of Franklin, Route 5; Quincy Ann Stewart, Alvin Lou Reynolds and Margaret Hawks, of Tuckasee; Gilbert K. Bess, of Sylva; John W. Harris and Julia C. Babington, of Nantahala.

Members of the local selection committee, in addition to Mr. Crawford, are Harry C. Corbin, of Franklin, Stanley W. Black, of Bryson City, R. M. Ainsley, of Cullowhee, J. Smith-Howell, of Robbinsville, and L. B. Nichols, of Andrews.

Mrs. Christy, mother of this year's scholarship recipient, has been employed by Nantahala Power and Light Company subsidiary company of Alcoa, for 8½ years and is presently in charge of maintaining the company's meter and transformer records.

Previous scholarship winners in the North Carolina area are (1954) Arthur S. Lynn, Jr., Albemarle, now attending Davidson College; (1955) Ellen H. Conley, of Nantahala, a student at Meredith College; and (1956) Allen C. Dotson, Badin, a Wake Forest College student.

New Station Manager Here

Edwin P. Healy arrived in Franklin this week to take over his duties as general manager and chief engineer of the new radio station, WFSC.

A native of Kentucky, he has been associated with WOCH in North Vernon, Ind., as assistant manager-engineer. Prior to going to Indiana, Mr. Healy was with WATE-TV in Knoxville, Tenn., for two years. He is married and has three children.

Town Wants Voter Reaction To One-Way Street System

Special Advisory Ballot Planned For May Election

The hotly-debated issue of Franklin's one-way street system is going to the polls.

In setting up the election machinery for the town election May 7, in regular session Tuesday night Mayor W. C. Burrell and his aldermen decided to provide a separate ballot for one-way streets, allowing voters to voice their approval or disapproval.

The one-way system was instituted several months ago by the town as a partial solution to congestion. Since then, the pros and cons of the issue have been aired with daily regularity in some quarters.

Voting on the issue will be unofficial, but the present town officials think it will give the people a chance to express their feelings. And, should the present board be reelected, it will abide by the voters' decision.

Following the meeting, Mayor W. C. Burrell issued the following statement:

"At its regular meeting, the board decided to give the people an opportunity to express their wishes as to whether they favor continuation of the one-way streets.

"The board put the one-way streets into effect as an experiment, hoping to relieve congestion. The plan has now been in effect long enough for the citizens of the town to have decided whether they think it should be continued.

"A separate advisory ballot on this matter will be made available at the regular election May 7, and the board hopes all of the voters will take this opportunity of advising the next board of their wishes."

The filing deadline in the election is April 20. Registration books will be open daily from April 20-27. Mrs. Ruby Be-shars has been appointed registrar, and J. A. Palmer and L. C. Higdon, judges.

In other business, the board authorized four new street lights, two on Depot, one on Curtis, and one on Bidwell.

It also decided to hold its May meeting on the 8th to avoid any conflict with the election the day before.

Another Well Being Started

Although somewhat discouraged by recent reverses, the Town of Franklin is not giving up its search for a well to give a needed boost to the water supply.

A new shaft is to be started immediately as the third attempt by town officials to locate a big producing well.

Work is now under way on piping the Higdon property well on US 64 into the system. Just completed, this well is producing only about 35 gallons a minute, considerably less than had been hoped for. Earlier in the year, the town abandoned a shaft at the 450-foot mark.

Meeting last week, Mayor W. C. Burrell and his board reviewed new well bids and after two sessions (one Tuesday, the other Wednesday) awarded the contract for an eight-inch well shaft on the Carl Green property on Green Street to Macon Pump and Well Company, a local concern. The low bid was \$6.35 per foot with test pumping free. Alderman J. Frank Martin abstained in the vote.

The Green Street site was picked by a state geologist two weeks ago.

Town officials are trying to find enough water to sustain the town while repairs are made to its biggest producer, "Big Betsy", near Friendship Tabernacle. With the extra water, they also hope to avert a water shortage during the summer months.

Little League Tryouts Slated For April 13

Little League tryouts are slated April 13 at the East Franklin field.

Prospective players must report to the player agent, Harold Corbin, at 9 a. m.

Any boy who will not be 13 years old by August 1 is eligible to try for a team berth.

Last year's Little Leaguers need not report out since they already are registered. However league officials said this includes only those who were issued uniforms, and not boys who played in the minor leagues last season.

Player auction day will be April 27.

Nantahala Tax Petition Presented To School Board

Nantahala Township's school committee tossed its supplementary school tax proposal into the board of education's business hopper for action Monday morning.

The education board, however, since its three members had not received legislative approval, took no action, other than to listen unofficially and promise consideration as soon as it was a legally constituted body.

In brief, the Nantahala petition requests permission to conduct a special township election to sound out approval or disapproval of a 10 cent (maximum) supplementary tax to provide pressing needs of the Nantahala School.

With the approval of the board of education, the petition would then be sent to the board of county commissioners, which, under the law, would call and

fix the date for a special election.

By Other Means
However, in discussing the proposal following the appearance of a four-man Nantahala delegation, the board of education members, Chairman Erwin Patton, C. C. Sutton, and George Gibson, seemed to favor raising the needed money for Nantahala school by means other than a special township tax.

"It's almost like taxation without representation," Chairman Patton commented, referring to the fact that Nantahala Township's biggest taxpayer, Nantahala Power and Light Company, would have to shoulder more than 95 per cent of the special tax load.

Quotes Archer
The chairman quoted John M. Archer, Jr., Nantahala Power's president, as being opposed to the township tax, but favoring
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Chancellor House Addresses Group On Faith, Work, Play

The chancellor of the University of North Carolina warmed up his record-breaking audience with some harmonica tunes — songs which he said illustrated what he wanted to talk about — and then spoke to the Franklin Chamber of Commerce annual banquet on faith, work, and play.

One-hundred and eighty people gathered in the Franklin High School cafeteria Thursday night of last week and heard the Chapel Hill administrator play "Susanna", which illustrates faith and the pioneer spirit; "Casey Jones", illustrative of work; and "Peek a Boo, You Rascal You, Come from Behind that Chair", a tune the chancellor said made him think of play.

"Play is not in opposition to work," the speaker said, "but fills out life . . . breaks the practical rhythm."

Of Education
He spoke of education, trac-

ing the early years in North Carolina when no public schools were provided by the government, until today, where the state maintains education through the university level.

"And don't think," Chancellor House cautioned, "there is a conflict between vocation and culture. There can't be; what is one man's culture is another man's vocation."

He called it a "miracle of leadership" that education started in North Carolina as a state enterprise rather than under the auspices of church or private groups. "If ever a state was justified in its vision it was North Carolina's decision to found the university," the Chapel Hill administrator added.

Faith Is Key
In closing, Chancellor House reminded his audience that "faith — that inner life — is
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The Weather

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

FRANKLIN			
	High	Low	Rain
Wed., March 27	50	37	.00
Thursday	58	23	.00
Friday	63	22	.00
Saturday	65	32	.00
Sunday	65	31	.00
Monday	59	47	.13
Tuesday	73	53	1.09
Wednesday	—	—	.00
COWETA			
Wed., March 27	50	37	.00
Thursday	57	23	.00
Friday	63	22	.00
Saturday	64	31	.01
Sunday	63	34	.00
Monday	57	49	.66
Tuesday	73	57	2.34
Wednesday	—	—	.00
HIGHLANDS			
Wed., March 27	48	31	trace
Thursday	58	24	.00
Friday	58	29	.00
Saturday	62	34	.00
Sunday	60	34	.00
Monday	52	42	.58
Tuesday	70	48	2.60
Wednesday	—	—	.00



U. N. C. Chancellor R. B. House is shown puffing out a number on his celebrated harmonica at the Franklin Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet. Mr. House was guest speaker. At right is Weimar Jones, who introduced the university administrator.