

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING EVENT SET

**Tucker Will Preach
This Year; Schools
Serving Gobblers**

Franklin's community-wide Thanksgiving service (Nov. 28) is set for the First Baptist Church at 8 a. m.

Preaching the sermon will be the Rev. John W. Tucker, pastor of St. Agnes Episcopal Church.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Macon's school children will get a two-day holiday for Thanksgiving, according to Supt. H. Bueck.

They'll take off Thursday (Thanksgiving) and Friday, resuming classes as scheduled on Monday.

His topic will be "We Give Thee Thanks".

Pastors of other churches in town will assist with the service.

Franklin ministers have extended an invitation to persons of all denominations to attend the service.

To Show Film

A color movie, "Upriver To Sarawak", is to be the main feature of a Thanksgiving service next Wednesday night (Nov. 27) at the Snow Hill Methodist Church, according to the Rev. Paul Heafner, pastor. The public is invited to attend. The service will start at 7 p. m.

Serving Turkey

Except for two schools in the system, turkey is on the menu for school children Wednesday, according to school officials. Chicken will be served at the two, however.

The Thanksgiving meal will include "all the trimmings" of the traditional celebration.



THE WINNERS ACCEPT THEIR WINNINGS WILLINGLY

William B. Garrison (left), president of the Franklin Rotary Club is shown presenting checks to the winning communities of the county rural development contest. Accepting

(L to R) are Fred Hannah, of Patton Community, second place; Bill Raby, Cowee Community, first place; and John Bryson, Cullasaja Community, third place. The presentations marked an awards banquet Friday night.

HE LOOKED LIKE HIM — Both Had Anxious Moments

A couple of men had some anxious moments in Franklin Saturday.

One, a Georgia insurance man, resembled—probably too closely for his own comfort — the slayer, Frank E. Wetzel, wanted for the shooting of two North Carolina highway patrolmen on Nov. 5.

Eating lunch in a local restaurant, the insurance man suddenly had a dining companion, Police Chief Sid Carter, who noted his resemblance to the wanted killer. The chief was all but sitting in the startled man's lap while he produced some identification.

When the man identified himself properly, Chief Carter apologized for the inconvenience and even showed him a picture of the killer. The Georgia man admitted he looked a lot like him.

Later, at supper, the insurance man returned to the same restaurant. Unaware that Chief Carter had already checked him, Sam Gibson took one look at him and decided he'd found the killer. He sneaked outside and wrote down the man's auto license number. When the Georgia man left the restaurant, Mr. Gibson followed him uptown, where the man stopped. Mr. Gibson went to get his wife ("She reads about all these things") and she, too, noticed the resemblance to Wetzel. They called Policeman C. D. Baird, who looked him over and decided he was too short to be the fugitive. The Gibsons went home.

Monday morning it was Chief Carter's turn to have some anxious moments.

The insurance man had told the chief he was here for a business call at a local hosiery plant.

However, when Chief Carter called the plant to check the man's story he was informed the visit had not been made.

Furthermore, the description furnished by the chief did not fit the man who generally called on the plant from the insurance company.

Chief Carter started asking himself that awful question: "Did I have Wetzel right in my hands and let him get away?"

He started checking further. Much to his relief he found out the man was not Wetzel and really was an insurance man from Georgia.

By coincidence, two insurance men with the same last names call on the plant at intervals. And, the plant had given the chief the description of the wrong man.



TRANSFERRED

S. T. Usry, resident highway engineer here since the spring of 1952, has been transferred to Haywood County as resident engineer, the job held by F. L. Hutchison, who recently was elevated to division engineer. While here, Mr. Usry supervised construction of the two US 23-441 projects from Cowee Gap to the Georgia state line. The highway office in Franklin will remain open for three or four months while the paper work on the Franklin-Georgia job is completed.

WIN 26-7 — Panthers End '57 Season With Victory Over Swain

By GENE DOWDLE

Franklin High's Panthers slipped and slid on a wet field to a 26 to 7 victory Friday night over the Swain High Maroon Devils to close their '57 season.

It was the first victory over the

Maroons for Franklin in six years, and it threw a damper on Swain High's "Homecoming Day" festivities.

Elated Panthers carried Coach Dick Stott from the playing field on their shoulders, accidentally dropping him once in a mud puddle.

Glimer Henry and Gary Clark were the star Panther backs in the game. Clark took the ball on a hand-off from Panther quarterback Jack Hyde late in the first quarter and scored from the two yard line. Henry made the conversion.

The Maroon Devils made their lone tally early in the second quarter with quarterback Jackie Corbin keeping the ball and sweeping around left end for a 60-yard touchdown. He also made the conversion.

Franklin again took possession of the ball in the third quarter on downs and in several plays had the ball in scoring position. Henry took the ball across from the one. The conversion was good. In the third quarter Larry Jones recovered a Swain fumble on about the 39-yard line. Clark again took a hand-off from Hyde and streaked down the field for 52 yards before being brought down on the 5-yard line. Henry scored by going over right tackle. The conversion was no good.

In the final stanza of the game, Franklin drove down the field to about the three and Henry scored and made the conversion.

Miss Horsley Wins Speaking Contest Here

Miss Dwain Horsley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Horsley, Tuesday was declared winner of the county speaking contest, "Voice of Democracy".

Runners-up were Misses Ann Pennington and Sherry Whelan.

Miss Horsley will advance to the district competition in Brevard and she and her parents will be among invited guests attending a banquet there Nov. 26.

Edwin T. Williams was in charge of the contest for the sponsoring organization, the Franklin Junior Chamber of Commerce.

HERE TO TALK

Congressman George A. Shuford will be at the county courthouse all day today (Thursday) to discuss problems with constituents. The congressman from the 12th Congressional District says he plans to visit all counties in the district between now and the reopening of Congress in January.

LEAVING ON SUNDAY — Chapman Invited To Preach Next Week In Cuba Crusade

The Rev. M. W. Chapman, of Franklin, is one of 11 Baptist ministers in the state invited to preach in the Matanzas Evangelistic Crusade in Cuba the week of Nov. 25-Dec. 1.

Mr. Chapman will fly Sunday from Asheville to Charlotte, where he will join the other ministers for the flight to Cuba. The group will remain overnight in Miami, Fla., and is scheduled to land in Havana about 9 o'clock Monday morning.

The churches of the individual

ministers had been requested to pay the expenses of the trip. Since Mr. Chapman recently resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church and is not eligible for this assistance, friends are sponsoring him on the Crusade.

Mr. Chapman will preach through an interpreter in one of the Baptist churches of the Matanzas Province.

At the end of the Crusade, the ministers will return to Havana for a tour of the country. They will fly back to the States on Dec. 4.

It Poured The Rain Here . . .

A squall line hovering over the area Sunday and Monday dumped from three to nearly four inches of rain on Macon County.

Rivers and streams jumped their banks, but high water caused little or no damage.

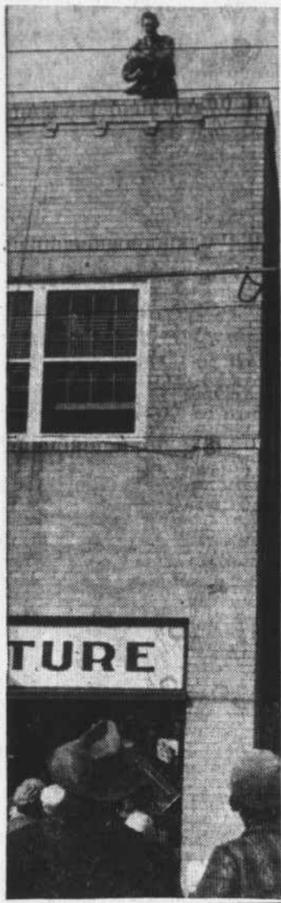
Coweta Hydrologic Laboratory recorded 1.72 and 2.04 inches of rain Sunday and Monday, respectively, for a total of 3.76 inches. Less rain fell in the Franklin area, however; 1.23 Sunday and 1.51 Monday, for a total of 2.74.

The squall line was so intense, tornado warnings were issued for north Georgia and around the Highlands section.

High Low Rain The Weather

The week's temperatures and rainfall below are recorded in Franklin by Mason Stiles, 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			
Wed., Nov. 13	57	43	.00
Thursday	60	50	.91
Friday	69	37	.27
Saturday	68	45	.51
Sunday	74	51	.58
Monday	66	37	1.23
Tuesday	67	37	1.51
Wednesday			.33
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Wed., Nov. 13	55	39	.01
Thursday	59	48	3.10
Friday	67	33	.12
Saturday	66	55	.69
Sunday	75	46	.18
Monday	66	54	1.72
Tuesday	58	42	2.04
Wednesday			.24



TURKEYS — Sam Gibson tossed 'em for the merchants Friday and Saturday (left photo), the gobblers flew everywhere (top, right) and the ingenious ones caught them (bottom, right), like a state highway employ, Joe Bradley, who pulled his through a window screen. Jess Mason, of Burningtown, shinned up a telephone pole for one, after a little boy tried and failed.

The "turkey throw" was one of several fall and winter promotions planned by Franklin merchants.

Twenty-seven gobblers were tossed during the two-day stunt.

ON TWO AREAS —

Deer Kill Percentage High Because Of Rough Weather

In spite of (and probably because of) bad weather on opening day of the deer season, the kill average per hunter on the Standing Indian and Wayah management areas is running a high 10 per cent.

About 178 hunters braved a raw and rainy day Monday on Standing Indian to bag a total of 17 deer and four semi-wild hogs. On Tuesday, about 74 hunters got eight deer. Last year this area attracted 373 hunters the first day alone.

On Wayah, the big date for the opening day was eight deer and one wounded hunter (see related story) for 84 hunters. Tuesday's crop of 34 red coated nimrods bagged five deer.

Wildlife Protector C. H. Boring reported a deer weighing approximately 233 pounds was killed by Hayes Holland, of Route 5, on Wayah Tuesday. Mr. Holland's buck had eight points. A Tennessee hunter bagged one with 12 points that weighed only about 140 pounds.

"That should prove points have nothing to do with the size of the animal," the protector declared. Bruce Crawford, a Franklin Hosiery Company employe (see picture above), dropped a 117-pounder about 8 o'clock opening day on Harrison Cove in Wayah Valley.

Another opening day kill was registered by Nelson Waldrop, of Carson Community. He got a four-point buck about 8 in the morning near Rainbow Springs.

Wounded Hunter Is Recovering

A 34-year-old Nantahala man, C. L. Pendergrass, is recovering in a local hospital from a gunshot wound he received Monday morning when another hunter mistook him for a deer.

Sheriff J. Harry Thomas said Mr. Pendergrass was accidentally shot with a rifle at close range by Sam Pressley, 58, of Glenville.

The shooting, occurred about 7:30 on Robin's Creek, near Wayah Gap.

It was rainy and foggy and Mr. Pressley is quoted as saying he saw movement in the dense underbrush and thought he was shooting at a deer.

The 30-30 caliber slug struck the Nantahala man in the upper right arm, breaking the bone, and lodged in his chest.

Sheriff Thomas said Mr. Pressley carried the wounded man about a mile to the road and helped rush him to Angel hospital.

A radio plea for donors raised an ample supply of blood for the wounded man. Hospital officials yesterday (Wednesday) said he was recovering satisfactorily.

SING AT ROSE CREEK

The fourth Sunday sing will be held at the Rose Creek Baptist Church at 1:30 p. m., according to Lon Thompson, president. All singers and the public are invited.



A BUCK BITES THE DUST ON OPENING DAY AT WAYAH

Bruce Crawford (right) was among the lucky Monday morning who bagged deer. He got his two-point 117-pounder about 8 o'clock in Harrison Cove in Wayah Valley. With him

were his twin brother, Kenneth (left) and Wayne Harrison. Because of bad weather opening day, the kill percentage per hunter was running about 10 per cent on the Standing Indian and Wayah management areas.