

ON THE INSIDE

They'll By-pass Scenic Bridal Veil Falls Before Long —

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MEANDERING ALONG MAIN STREET

AT LEAST two Macon County boys took part in ceremonies at Arlington Cemetery Memorial Day for the unknown soldiers. Sgt. Bryan Hurst's band had a principal role in the service. Sp/3 G. Bryant Cunningham, a member of the Fort Meade honor guard, also was there.

THE 14 Maconians who were graduated from Western Carolina College last week, as a whole, made up a good share of the 204 in the graduating class. The college certainly is an important part of our lives.

POLICE CHIEF Sid Carter and Ray Swafford have been calling on merchants this week. They're collecting the town's privilege taxes, so it's business calling.

ABOUT THE last week in June, Roy Biddle, Jr., will set up the Travel Host School for local merchants and businessmen. Sponsored by the Franklin Chamber of Commerce, this school will emphasize ways to meet the public and every person who deals with tourists should make it a point to be on hand.

FRANKLIN ALL-STARS are keeping baseball alive here and the boys deserve the support of everyone. Why not drop out Sunday at their new diamond on the Georgia highway and watch their game with Greenville?

CARL MORGAN has given his cafe on the courthouse square a facial — new paint inside and he has plans for putting linoleum on the floor.

JUST FOR THE record, the Henry Mashburn record of seven Franklin High graduates doesn't stand alone. Mrs. Harry P. Rowland, of Route 1, also boasts seven — Melba ('40), Mary Almona ('41), Pauline ('41), James ('50), Shirley ('50), Jacky ('57), and Nancy ('58). Another son, Dan, got his diploma through the U. S. Navy.



Patsy And Suzanne . . . Top Winners
AT DRESS REVUE —
Patsy Corbin And Suzanne
Cunningham Are 4-H Best

Patsy Corbin and Suzanne Cunningham were declared senior and junior winners, respectively, in the annual 4-H dress revue Friday afternoon at East Franklin School.

Patsy is a member of the Franklin High club, while Suzanne is with the Carson group.

Judged by Mrs. J. H. Fisher, of Franklin, and Mrs. Betty Stiles, assistant home agent in Jackson County, the theme of the revue was "A Hit Parade of Fashion".

Ribbon winners, by classes, included:

Best Dresses (junior): Patricia Bryson, Claudetta McCoy, and Suzanne Cunningham, blue; Agnes Mae Smith, red.

Best Dresses (senior): Ida Mae Ramey and Patsy Corbin, blue.

School Dresses (junior): Jewel Fox, Linda Wallace, Jean Dills, Sarah Jane Berry, blue; Frances Taylor, Brenda Seagle, and Joyce

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CHANGES ARE MADE — Methodists Almost Make Clean Sweep Of Ministers

Methodists, in conference Sunday at Lake Junaluska, made an almost clean sweep of pastors in this county.

The Rev. Sam E. Moss, pastor of the First church in Franklin for four conference years, is going to the Big Springs Methodist Church between Charlotte and Gastonia. Taking over his pastorate here is the Rev. Robert E. Early, who has been in Spruce Pine. Mr. Early is no stranger to Macon County, having served from 1949-54 as pastor of the Highlands church. Mr. Moss and his family plan to leave the middle of next week.

Macon Circuit has been reduced from six churches to four—Mulberry, Asbury, Patton's Chapel, and Union—and presently is without a pastor. The former circuit pastor, the Rev. Glenn Anderson, has turned in his ordination certificate and has accepted a call to a Baptist church in Columbia, S. C.

The two churches dropped from Macon Circuit, Hickory Knoll and Dryman's Chapel, have been added to Franklin Circuit. The Rev. R. L. Poindexter, circuit pastor for three years, was not changed. His other two churches are Bethel and Clark's Chapel.

West Macon Circuit is being taken over by the Rev. J. C. Lane, who has been in Watauga County. Mr. Moss, pastor of the First church, took Mr. Lane into the church during his first pastorate in Avondale. The Rev. Earl T. Crowe plans to take a charge in Atlanta and continue his seminary studies. The circuit is made up of Gillespie Chapel, Maiden's Chapel, Mt. Zion, and Louisa Chapel.

North Macon Circuit, formerly Snow Hill-Iotla, has a familiar personality in Dr. L. H. Hayes, a widely known Methodist minister who has been in Bethel. Dr. Hayes is a former pastor of the First church here. He came to Franklin in 1919, soon after the old church burned, and the present church was built during his tenure. Mrs. Hayes is a native of this county. Riverview and Carson are in this circuit also.

The Highlands-Cashiers charge has been given to the Rev. J. C. Vernon, who has had the Rehobeth charge in Greensboro. The Rev. Eugene Little has been sent to Rural Hall, in the Winston-Salem district.

3 Maconians In Raleigh

Three Maconians are in Raleigh this week for Farm-Home Week.

Driving down Monday were Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill, home agent, and Mrs. C. T. Bryson, president of the county home demonstration council.

A local club woman, Mrs. Leona Sadler, has been visiting in Raleigh and joined the others for Farm-Home Week.

All three plan to return home today (Thursday).

Mrs. Bryson also participated in the Parade of Flags feature on the program, wearing the Egyptian costume designed and made by women of the Cartoogechaye club.

27 4-H Clubbers Heading To Camp

Twenty-seven Macon County 4-H clubbers—18 girls and nine boys—are busy packing to attend Camp Schaub, near Waynesville, next week.

They will leave Monday morning at 10 from the Agricultural Building and will picnic on the way.

Those who have registered for camp include Harold Rowland, Larry Owenby, George Mallonee, Robert Enloe, Charlie Enloe, Tommy Dove, Bill Enloe, Junior Solesbee, Linda Cinson, Patsy Stiles, Betty Joyner, Jean Shields, Jean Dills, Joyce Jean Geraldine Prince, Bernice Williamson, Sally Passmore, Mavis Dowdle, Shirley Jones, Sylvia Ledford, Judy Solesbee, Ann Maddox, Sue Crawford, Margaret Owenby, Carole Wurst, Joan Solesbee, and Tommy Sherrill.

Accompanying them will be assistant agents, Mrs. Jessie D. Cabe and Kenneth Perry, and Mrs. W. G. Crawford, an adult leader.

Investiture For Troop 7 Held Friday

An investiture service for Girl Scouts of Troop 7 was held Friday night at the Franklin Methodist Church.

The troop is sponsored by the Women's Society of Christian Service of the church. Leaders are Mrs. Russell Cabe and Mrs. Robert Carpenter.

Scouts receiving pins included Merrill Bryson, Jane Cabe, Elizabeth Carpenter, Sandra Crowner, Beverly Darnell, Mary Frances Dills, Frances Duncan, Brenda Hurst, Linda Hurst, Sharon Mason, Ann Morrow, Gloria Oliver, Donna Foole, Patricia Foole, Catherine Price, Judy Pruett, Linda Shook, Beth Swan, Mary Ann Wallace, and Sandra Watkins.

Two new Scouts, Brenda Jones and Grace Dryman, handed out programs for the service.

Duncan Renamed US 441 Director

Frank B. Duncan, of Franklin, has been reelected as a director of the US 441 Highway Association.

Elections featured the annual convention of the association Saturday in Gatlinburg, Tenn. In addition to Mr. Duncan, attending from here were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Horsley, Mrs. Horsley is executive secretary of the Franklin Chamber of Commerce.

All-Night Event Set By Leagues

There'll be fiddlin' and pickin' for baseball in Franklin come June 20.

On that date, in the high school gymnasium, an all-night fiddlers convention is planned under the sponsorship of the Little League and Babe Ruth League. The sponsors emphasized that any musician with a string instrument, not just fiddlers, can get in on the fun.

BAKE SALE
A bake sale will be sponsored Friday morning at the Children's Shop by the St. Agnes Episcopal Church. It has been announced.

Flame Azalea Nearing Peak

Wayah Bald should be showing off its famous cloak of flame azalea by next week at the mid-elevations, according to Wayah Ranger W. L. Nothstein.

Clusters of the beautiful flower are blooming now at the lower elevations.

The week end should see travel heavy over the forest service road to the mile-high bald as nature lovers flock to see the beautiful flower.

Mr. Nothstein said this year's stand is not quite up to the quality of two years ago, but is some better than last year.

After Delays, Work To Start On Bald Tower

Construction of the Civil Aeronautics Administration remote radio unit atop Wine Springs Bald is now scheduled to proceed, following a series of delays because of the weather.

Wayah Ranger W. L. Nothstein said the road leading to the tower site has been completed by Goodlow Bowman and Bob Sanders, local contractors, and work on the three 60 foot towers and small utility building is expected to start immediately.

Ranger Nothstein said the road to the tower will not be open for public use.

The unmanned radio communications tower was supposed to have been in operation several months ago.

Late News and Briefs

John Killian and Bobby Poindexter, rising seniors at Franklin High School, are at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill this week as local delegates to Boy's State.

Boy's State is sponsored annually by the American Legion. The registration fees for both delegates were paid by the local Legion post.

John is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Frank M. Killian, Bobby's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Poindexter.

The delegates were selected on the basis of scholastic standing and leadership qualities.

Boy's State ends Sunday.

Bud Shope, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Shope, was scheduled to attend, but was forced to withdraw when he injured his leg with a pitchfork.

Dr. R. E. McArtie, of Washington, D. C., chief of the U.S. Forest Service, was at Coweta Hydrologic Laboratory last Thursday, repaying a courtesy.

He is escorting the chief of the German Forest Service, Mr. Mann, on a nation-wide tour of Forest Service lands and Coweta was a scheduled stop.

Dr. McArtie recently toured German forests, with Mr. Mann as his guide.

In Dr. McArtie's party were B. Guentner, of the German consulate in Atlanta, James Bessey, regional forester from Atlanta, and Joseph Pechanec, director of the Southeastern Forest Experiment Station in Asheville.

Verlon Swafford, Jimmy Conley, and H. Bueck represented the Franklin Lions Club at the annual Lions state convention this week at Southern Pines.

Mr. Bueck, an international counselor, was chairman of the nominations committee.

A family dinner is scheduled at the Franklin Methodist Church Sunday following the morning service, it has been announced. All members are asked to bring a covered dish. Drinks will be provided.

The Franklin Teen-age Association will meet at the youth center Tuesday, June 17, at 8 p. m. All adults who are interested in the young people of Macon County are urged to attend this meeting.

Clyde Sanders, local automobile dealer, is reported improving after undergoing major surgery Tuesday of last week at Duke Hospital, Durham. He was accompanied by Mrs. Sanders, who plans to remain with him for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Proffitt and daughters, Janet and Gail, returned last week end from Carolina Beach, where Mr. Proffitt attended the annual Agriculture Teachers Conference.

VOTE SET JUNE 28 — Raby Requests Second Primary

A run-off primary has been requested by James M. (Jim) Raby, who ran a close second to G. L. Houk in the May 31 race for representative to the General Assembly.

In the three-way contest, Mr. Houk, the incumbent, received 1,217 votes, while Mr. Raby polled 909. The third candidate, Weimar Jones, got 862.

The run-off vote is scheduled for June 28 and will be one of several slated in the western area of the state.

Lee Barnard, chairman of the county elections board, yesterday (Wednesday) said he would place the order this week for run-off ballots.



Mr. Raby



Mr. Houk

THEY'RE READY TO GO — Piece Of Equipment Holding Up Paving Job On US 23-441

Work on the huge paving project on US 23-441 between Franklin and the Georgia state line is being delayed, pending arrival of a special piece of electronic equipment, according to William A. Blue, superintendent in charge of the Ballenger Paving Company.

Tuesday, Mr. Blue said it was indefinite as to when the equipment would arrive.

Meanwhile, the company's trucks are stockpiling gravel for the job and workmen are putting the finishing touches to headquarters, mid-way between Franklin and the state line.

The paving job, described by state highway officials as one of the largest ever undertaken in Western North Carolina, consists of 12.53 miles of resurfacing with a five-inch coating, instead of the usual three. Ballenger's bid for the project was just short of a half million dollars, \$433,182.

C. P. Ballenger, president, said the work is expected to be completed by September 1.

Baptist Churches Holding Vacation Bible Schools

Several vacation Bible schools are being held in churches of the Macon Baptist Association this summer.

About 18 of the association's 42 churches will conduct their own schools, and others will receive assistance from the association through the efforts of the associational missionary, the Rev. C. T. Taylor, and the summer Bible school worker, Miss Ida Marie Parker.

The following churches are now conducting schools: Cowee, Franklin First, Briartown, Ridgecrest, Longview, Newman's Chapel, Higdonville, Iotla, and Windy Gap. Liberty held its school last week.

The Weather

The week's temperatures and rainfall below are recorded in Franklin by Maxine Steina, 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., 4th | 82 | 64 | .00 |
| Thursday | 87 | 60 | .00 |
| Friday | 90 | 59 | .00 |
| Saturday | 84 | 57 | .00 |
| Sunday | 84 | 58 | .00 |
| Monday | 89 | 59 | .00 |
| Tuesday | 89 | 57 | .00 |
| Wednesday | 87 | 56 | .00 |
| COWETA | | High Low Rain | |
| Wed., 4th | 79 | 62 | .00 |
| Thursday | 80 | 61 | .00 |
| Friday | 85 | 55 | .00 |
| Saturday | 87 | 55 | .00 |
| Sunday | 80 | 56 | .00 |
| Monday | 82 | 57 | .00 |
| Tuesday | 87 | 54 | .00 |
| Wednesday | 87 | 53 | .04 |
| HIGHLANDS | | High Low Rain | |
| Wed., 4th | 74 | 58 | .00 |
| Thursday | 78 | 58 | .00 |
| Friday | 86 | 61 | .00 |
| Saturday | 74 | 58 | .00 |
| Sunday | 76 | 56 | .00 |
| Monday | 80 | 61 | .00 |
| Tuesday | 78 | 63 | .00 |
| Wednesday | — | — | — |

* No Record.

\$4,000 AIRPLANE DEMOLISHED THURSDAY — Local Pilots Unhurt In Airport Crash

Franklin Police Chief Sid Carter and theatre owner Preston Henn escaped injury late last Thursday afternoon when the airplane in which they were riding crashed on take-off in a pasture on the south end of the Macon County Airport.

The airplane, a single engine Swift, owned jointly by Chief Carter and Dr. G. R. McSweeney, was demolished. The salvage value of the \$4,000 craft was set at about \$1,500. The loss was not covered by insurance, the owners said.

Pilots who witnessed the take-off attempt praised Chief Carter, the pilot, for his handling of the aircraft in the emergency.

On Local Flight
The officer, who was making a

local flight with Mr. Henn, a student pilot, as passenger, said the airplane was functioning properly and take-off was normal.

When the plane was about six feet off the ground, it slowed its climb and started settling, although Chief Carter said the engine was turning up maximum r.p.m. Feeling the craft settle, he retracted the wheels, hoping to reduce the drag and pick up sufficient speed.

Chief Carter said the airplane did not respond quick enough and he realized "this is it!"

Clips Bushes
The plane clipped heavy bushes on the dike at the end of the airstrip and cartwheeled into the pasture, breaking off the wings of the all-metal craft and twist-

ing the tail section more than 90 degrees toward the center section. To their amazement, the officer and his passenger stepped from the wreckage unhurt, save for some bruises on their legs.

Special Harness
The airplane was equipped with a special shoulder harness device, as well as standard seat belts. Chief Carter and Mr. Henn both think the harness saved them from serious injury.

Both pilots feel the failure of the airplane to climb was due to a downdraft at the end of the field.

"Everything was working perfectly," Chief Carter declared. "It must have been a downdraft that caught us."

Witnesses who saw the airplane fall in its take-off and disappear over the dike quickly summoned an ambulance and the fire department.

Highway Clogged
Within minutes after the fire alarm sounded, the highway to the airport was clogged and both emergency vehicles had difficulty getting to the scene of the crash.

Meanwhile, Chief Carter and Mr. Henn sent out word by several who rushed to the crash that they were uninjured.

The crash area was roped off by firemen and Explorer Scouts guarded the wreckage until late that night.

Chief Carter and Mr. Henn both were back flying the following day.



Franklin Police Chief Sid Carter (standing on wing) and theatre owner Preston Henn escaped injury last Thursday afternoon when the airplane in which they were riding failed on take-off and crashed into a pasture at the end of the

Macon County Airport. Note the crumpled tail section of the all-metal airplane. The wings were broken off and the tail twisted when the craft cartwheeled after hitting heavy bushes at the end of the field. (Staff Photo)