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Visits Macon County's Annual Fair



Sitting Room Only At Thursday Night's Barbecue



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Looking At Handicrafts



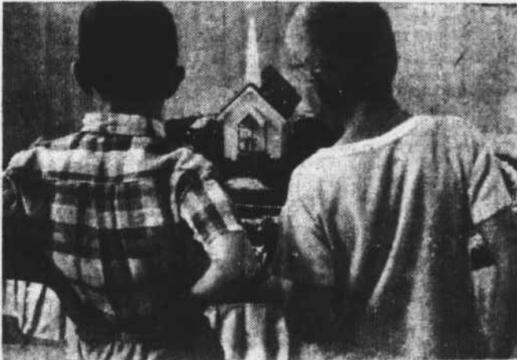
An "Elder Stateswomen" Inspects Booth



If You Stoop . . .



Look, Daddy!



Some Boys Just Browsing

MEANDERING
ALONG
MAIN STREET

MANY HAVE asked why THE PRESS failed to carry an account of a recent incident that caused, if nothing else, a lot of over-the-back-fence gossip. The reason is simple. It was a private affair, there were no laws broken, no public figures were involved. THE PRESS prints facts, not gossip.

MACON COUNTY'S radio station, WFSC, lost its voice Monday afternoon and didn't get back on the air again until Wednesday.

FRANKLIN'S "Back to School" trade promotion seems to be meeting with success. The drawing for the five (5) bicycles is slated for

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THOUSANDS ATTEND —
Quality Is High
At County Fair

Almost without exception, the several thousand taking in the three-day sixth annual Macon County Fair last Thursday, Friday, and Saturday were impressed by one thing—the quality of the individual and group exhibits.

"This fair would hold its own anywhere," declared one spectator, and the comments of his fellow fair-goers seemed to bear out his contention.

Judges faced the difficult task of awarding ribbons to the best exhibits and individual entries Thursday morning. The fair opened officially in the afternoon.

Thursday night, several hundred paid \$1.25 a plate for barbecued chicken prepared by an N. C. State College poultry specialist, W. A. Andrews. Entertainment scheduled that night in the stadium was cancelled because of

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4,000 ESTIMATED —
All County Schools Except
Highlands Open Wednesday

Doors swung open yesterday (Wednesday) at all Macon County schools but Highlands and a half-day schedule is on tap for the remainder of the week.

Highlands plans its opening September 3.

Supt. H. Bueck estimates enrollment with all schools operating at 4,000.

The superintendent met with teachers, including a number of new ones, Tuesday morning at Franklin High. A meeting of the local unit of the N. C. Education Association was held following the teachers' meeting.

Mr. Bueck said lunchrooms in Districts 1 and 2 (Franklin and Nantahala) will not open until Monday.

AGAINST ANDREWS —
Franklin High Panthers
Open Season Here Friday

Coach Dick Stott will throw the wraps off his 1958-59 edition of the Franklin High Panthers in the high school stadium tomorrow (Friday) night against Andrews High.

For the past two weeks, the Panthers have been practicing twice daily and appear to be in good physical condition.

Veteran Line
Coach Stott is opening the season with a veteran line and an inexperienced back field. At

Tuesday morning's practice session, he said he was pleased with the progress the Panthers are making, but he declined to comment on how he thinks they will stack up against Smoky Mountain Conference opposition.

There's a question mark as to whether Ronald Harper and Tommy Adams will be recovered enough from practice injuries to open tomorrow night.

Probable Lineup
Coach Stott lists his probably

ON MACON BALD —
C.A.A. 'Push Button' Radio
Unit Goes Into Operation

Starting Tuesday, with "push-button ease" pilots flying at any altitude within 100 miles of Wine Springs Bald in this county were able to talk directly to the Civil Aeronautics Administration controller at the Atlanta (Ga.) Air Route Traffic Control Center.

For Tuesday, the C.A.A. put into operation on the bald a Peripheral Air-Ground Communications Station, the latest scientific development in air-ground communications.

The station, which is unmanned, has been under construction for several months. J. D. Bell has been in charge of its installation for the C.A.A.

One Of 250
Mr. Bell said the Wine Springs Bald unit is one of 250 such outlets being installed by the Civil Aeronautics Administration to extend its ability to talk directly with aircraft flying enroute from point to point throughout the United States. This will reduce the critical communications lag existing when messages to and from aircraft flying overhead have to be relayed to control centers by other communication facilities, he said.

Space Limited
Amazing as it might seem, air space is limited. The tremendous growth of both civil and military aviation through the years has caused a critical shortage of available air space. This is especially

true in and around busy air terminals. Constantly trying to find better methods of conserving this air space, and using it to peak advantage, the Civil Aeronautics Administration has devised the peripheral communication station as an important step forward. The new station will do much to increase the capacity of the local airways and bring about a more orderly flow of air traffic in the area.

The communications outlet, like the other such outlets, is unmanned. It is complete with the best automatic electronic equipment available, and a quick acting "push button" switching system devised by C.A.A. engineers especially for the peripheral sites. By merely pushing a button, a controller in the Atlanta Air Route Traffic Control Center can talk directly with the pilot of an

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6 Maconians
Get Degrees
From College

Six Macon County students were among the 118 who received degrees at the Western Carolina College summer commencement exercises Friday, August 22.

The bachelor of science degree was awarded to James Raymond Cleveland, of Highlands, with a major in mathematics; and Mrs. Marilyn Henson Payne, of Otto, business administration.

Those receiving the bachelor of science in education degree were Jimmy Long Brogden, Franklin, physical education and social science; Mrs. Zena Pearl Brogden, Route 4, primary education; Miss Nancy Carol Ramsey, Franklin, English and social science. Miss Ramsey was graduated with scholastic honors.

The master of arts in education degree was conferred upon John Francis Johnson, Jr., of Nantahala.

Have Clothes
You'll Donate
For Project?

Have some clothing you don't wear any more?

The Franklin Junior Woman's Club is willing to take it off your hands for its "Children's Clothing Closet", a project providing clothes for needy school children.

Club members say they'll pick up any garments if contacted.

The woman's club has several projects under way at present to raise money for the purchase of shoes for needy children, according to the president, Mrs. Betty McKay.

Dove Season
Is Divided

Dove hunting, a sport following by many local hunters as a "warm up" for the bird season, will have a split season this year.

The first opens September 6 and closes October 4; the second, December 11 to January 15.

Doves may be taken from 12 noon until sunset. The daily bag limit is 10 a day per hunter. The possession limit is 20 birds per person.



STUDYING A MODEL plan of Civil Defense survival arr. (L to R) W. E. (Gene) Baldwin, chairman of the Macon Board of County Commissioners, Vachel D. Whatley, of Raleigh, planning group chief of the North Carolina Operational Survival Group, and Police Chief Sid Carter, Macon's Civil Defense director. A session to map a survival plan for Macon County was held in Franklin Tuesday night. (Staff Photo)

Bob Carpenter
New President
Of Little League

Robert C. (Bob) Carpenter has been elected president of the Little League in Franklin, a post held year before last.

He succeeds Sam Higdon, resigned.

Also elected Friday night to serve with Mr. Carpenter were the Rev. Donn Langritt, vice-



president, Mrs. Joann Corbin, secretary, Fred Vaughn, treasurer, and J. D. Gibson, player agent.

Among 1959 plans discussed was one to provide separate playing fields for Little League and Babe Ruth League. Both organizations have been using the East Franklin field this season.

KINDERGARTEN TO OPEN
The Franklin Kindergarten, operated by Mrs. Pearl Hunter in the basement of the Methodist church, will open September 1 at 9 a. m.

DEFEAT WILDCATS —
Jaybirds Are Champions
Of Little League Season

In a two-game play-off last week, the Little League Jaybirds emerged as the 1958 champions by defeating the Wildcats.

Last Thursday on the East Franklin field, the Jaybirds,

downed the Wildcats 2 to 1. Friday, after two and a half innings, the game was forfeited to the Jaybirds because of a managed by Jim Williamson, ineligible Wildcat pitcher. At the time of the forfeiture, the Jaybirds were leading 1 to 0.

Members of the Jaybirds include Billy Womack, Jack Elliott, Ben Grant, Ray Jones, Jerry Ledford, Terry Mashburn, Eddie Pateman, Jerry Hedden, Wayne Tallent, Gene Angel, Homer Morgan, Arland Evtt, Mike Hastings, Dennis Houston, and Billy Penland.



THE JAYBIRDS won the Little League championship in a two-game play-off last week with the Wildcats. The Jaybirds are (l to r), front row, Billy Womack, Jack Elliott, Ben Grant, Ray Jones, Jerry Ledford, Terry Mashburn, and Eddie Bateman; second row, Manager Jim Williamson, Jerry Hedden, Wayne Tallent, Gene Angel, Homer Morgan, Arland Evtt, Mike Hastings, Dennis Houston, and Billy Penland. (Staff Photo)

IN EVENT OF WAR —
25,000 Evacuees
Would Come Here

In a shooting war, Macon County's Civil Defense role would be that of a "support county" with the mission of caring for 25,000 evacuees from Tennessee.

This was revealed here Tuesday night by Vachel D. Whatley, of Raleigh, planning group chief of the North Carolina Operational Survival Group.

Mr. Whatley met with Police Chief Sid Carter, the county's Civil Defense director, and other representatives to begin mapping an operational survival plan so Macon can carry out its assignment should war come.

A county plan, with the approval of W. E. (Gene) Baldwin, chairman of the Macon Board

of County Commissioners, and the mayors of Franklin and Highlands, must be in Raleigh within a month, Mr. Whatley emphasized.

Chief Carter already has made a number of assignments to carry out the 17 separate functions of a "support county" under a model county plan outlined by Mr. Whatley. These functions range from housing and food to rationing and radiological protection.

The Civil Defense director said he hopes to have Macon's plan in shape for publication soon.

"By publicizing it, everyone will know what job they must perform in the event of an attack on this country," he explained.

Mr. Whatley outlined the federal and state Civil Defense programs, stating them in with a proposed county plan.

He spoke at the weekly meeting of the Macon Search and Rescue Squad at the fire house.

Chief Carter invited a number of representatives of groups to attend.

HOLBROOK RITES
Funeral services for John T. Holbrook, Sr., 72, who died Tuesday at his home on Route 3, are set for today (Thursday) at 11 a. m. at the Burningtown Baptist Church.

COVETA

	High	Low	Rain
Wed. 28th	85	57	.00
Thursday	81	52	.00
Friday	69	61	.00
Saturday	72	64	.00
Sunday	73	61	.17
Monday	83	64	.13
Tuesday	84	62	.01
Wednesday	83	63	.00

HIGHLANDS

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Wed. 28th	71	55	—
Thursday	73	54	—
Friday	71	53	—
Saturday	76	58	—
Sunday	71	64	—
Monday	70	62	—
Tuesday	74	62	—
Wednesday	—	58	—

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