



FRANKLIN POLICE are clamping down on speeders in town. One tried to outrun the prowl car on Palmer in the early afternoon but didn't get far. It cost him though, on a visit to the justice of the peace.

THOSE ARE the saddest looking cross-the-street banners in the world. They've been that way for a couple of weeks, almost since they were put up by the chamber of commerce to indicate the way to its information booth. A truck clipped off the Main Street banner. Why one hasn't got the sagging banner on Palmer is a mystery.

GEORGIANS CAN'T complain now about getting caught "or speeding on the Georgia highway. Their old excuse has been eliminated. That was walling that the Georgia speed limit is 60 and they weren't thinking when they arrived on the 55 m.p.h. stretch in N. C. Now they're both 60, which should produce some new excuses.

THE STAFF OF THE PRESS is pleased with the response shown last week's tourist section. We've plenty of extra copies on hand for distribution where they'll do the most good.

MACON COUNTY'S annual folk festival runs tonight (Thursday) through Saturday. For five dollars worth of fine entertainment for just a quarter, this event can't be beat.

LAST WEDNESDAY'S garden club flower show at Franklin High has been praised as the finest ever held here. The quality was exceptional.

LOST CULVERT now has curbing and Frogtown Branch is flowing in a new channel. The detour road was destroyed by a shovel Monday afternoon.

SOME SILVER paint on the brushes of town employees sure has helped the appearance of the iron bar fence along Town Hill and up Riverview Street. They also painted the fence on Iotla Street Tuesday.

BOWER'S Department Store is still at work on its new face. The new front of the store will add to the attractiveness of Main Street.

BOYS DOWN at the A & P were sprucing up the front of the store after working hours Monday.

WASN'T THE county fair something this year? There are a lot of praises due, but it would be hard to single out any one individual. It was a team project and one that everyone can take pride in.

TOWN HAS been loaded with lawyers for the last two weeks with "court a'keepin'". Andy Jones is up from Raleigh to represent the state in some highway right-of-way cases.

HIGHWAY WORK is at full swing hereabouts. Prisoners are clearing along the roads and shoulders are being leveled.

THAT FALLS picture on Ellijay THE PRESS ran last week as "Ammons Falls" was wrong. Should have been the Moore Falls, so on bended knee we ask forgiveness.

CANCEL THAT above about the cross-the-street banners. They've now been fixed. However, they dropped for so long we'll still complain.



MRS. E. S. PURDOM (left), sweepstakes winner, and the tri-color winner, Mrs. Stephen A. Bundy, are shown with one of Mrs. Purdom's prize-winning arrangements in last Wednesday's flower show. (Staff Photo)

## AT FRANKLIN HIGH STADIUM — Folk Festival Opens Tonight

With a wide variety of mountain entertainment, from dance teams to old timey fiddlers, the annual Macon County Folk Festival opens tonight (Thursday) for a three-night run.

Competition in the Jaycee-sponsored festival is limited to Maconians, but a number of out-of-county groups will be on hand to play "just for the fun of it", according to the Rev. Don K. Langfitt, chairman.

Performances will begin nightly at 8 o'clock "under the stars" in the high school stadium.

A 25 cent per person admission will be charged, with most of the money going for cash prizes to the winning musical groups and dance teams.

The festival annually draws several thousand spectators and is considered a highspot on the tourist calendar.

Entertainers and musicians wanting to compete in the festival may report to Mr. Langfitt each night at the stadium at 7:30.

Proceeds will be used by the Jaycees for civic improvement projects.

## DECLARED RUNNER-UP — Carson Cloggers Nearly Made It In Asheville

The greatly-improved Carson Cloggers in the finals (through experience) Carson Cloggers danced their way into the runner-up spot before some 2,000 spectators Friday and Saturday nights in Asheville at the Mountain Dance and Folk Festival.

A team from Florida won out over the Cloggers in the finals Saturday night.

As usual, Carson danced to music furnished by its own band, "Cumberland Mountaineers".

Accompanying the team to Asheville Friday night were Mr. SEE NO. 1. PAGE 8

## FOR ACTIVITIES — Peggy Dills, Gregory Boy Win Top Youth Awards

Winners of the top Hilda Cook Awards are Peggy Dills, 4-H clubber, and Wayne Gregory, a Franklin Future Farmer.

The cash awards totaling \$200 are made by Mrs. Hilda Cook, of Miami, Fla., a Franklin summer resident. She has stipulated that the money, to be put up annually, is to be divided equally between contests for boys and girls making the most outstanding contributions in youth activities.

In each contest, first place will be \$50; second, \$25; third, \$15; and fourth, \$10.

In addition to Peggy, other winners are Patsy Corbin, second; Sue Crawford, third; and Suzanne Cunningham, fourth. In the boys' event, Robert Enloe was second, Bruce Hedden, third, and Tommy Fous, fourth. The three are 4-H clubbers.

Peggy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Turner Dills, of Route 1. Wayne's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Parker Gregory, of Holly Springs.

## Will The 'Flying Rebels' Make It?

A pretty day Saturday should see a number of airplanes descend upon Franklin from the direction of Georgia.

The "Flying Rebels" of Georgia are going to try to hold another rudy digging fly-in over the weekend; that is if the weather doesn't foul up the situation as it did for the flying club in July.

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Members of the Macon Search and Rescue Squad, who are handling arrangements at the airport, request spectators to exercise caution while on the airport grounds and not to bother any of the airplanes.

## Wildcats Win First Game In Play-Offs

By a score of 6 to 5, the Wildcats won the first game over the Jaybirds in the Little League play-offs Monday.

The second game is set for Saturday at 3:30 at the Franklin field. A third game, if there is a need to break a tie, is scheduled Wednesday, the 19th, at the same hour.

## Hay's In!

Scott Hay, of Franklin and Land of Lakes, Fla., is now numbered among goldfom's great, and lucky.

He got a hole-in-one last week on the Franklin course. His million-in-one ace was on the 300-yard Number 8.

## SINGING TONIGHT

A singing will be held at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church tonight (Thursday). Carl Morgan will be in charge of the program, which will start at 8 o'clock.

# Unemployment In County Lower Than Last Year

## Closing Of F.H.A. Here Revealed

### Lack Of Funds Cited; Head Man Retiring

Because of a reduction in administrative funds available for the 1960 fiscal year, the Macon County office of the Farmers Home Administration is closing.

After tomorrow (Friday), it will be a part-time office attached to the headquarters office in Hayesville. Garland E. Denning, county supervisor for the Hayesville unit, is being assigned the responsibility of administering the F.H.A. Program in this county to eligible farmers.

Ray F. Hemphill, who has been supervisor of the county office for the past 17 years, is retiring from government service after 26 years. Mrs. Meda Bryson, who has been county office clerk for the past five years, is being transferred to Rutherfordton as office clerk there.

Mr. Denning will be in the county office in the Agricultural Building two days each week. The days and office hours will be announced later.

The Farmers Home Administration is an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture that serves eligible farm operators with credit and needed technical help on farming problems. The agency makes operating loans, farm ownership loans, soil and water conservation loans, farm housing loans, and emergency loans.

## MARTIN INSTALLED

J. Frank Martin, Franklin Lion, was installed Saturday night at Blue Ridge as zone chairman of District 31-A, Lions International.

## QUALITY IS HIGH —

# County Fair Gets Bigger And Better

Macon County's '59 county fair left no doubts that the event gets better each year.

Held on the Franklin High School grounds Thursday, Friday, and Saturday the fair attracted more than 3,000 people. It is conservatively estimated by fair association officials.

Opening night (Thursday), Agricultural Agent T. H. Fagg observed the crowd packed into the gymnasium to see the exhibits and decided "you couldn't stir 'em with a stick."

A total of 354 exhibitors entered some 2,000 exhibits, attesting to the steady growth of the fair. Also, more interest was taken in the livestock shows this year, with some 100 animals entered.

As for the quality of the fair, it "definitely was up", the agricultural agent declared.

Considerable interest was shown in the booth exhibits entered by organized community groups, civic clubs, home demonstration and 4-H clubs, and churches. The winners in these departments are as follows:

Community Development: Cullasaja, 1st, \$25; Iotla, 2nd, \$15; Holly Springs, 3rd, \$10; Patton, 4th, \$10; Higdonville and Clark's Chapel, tie for 5th, \$5 each.

Home Demonstration: Cartoogehaye, 1st, \$20; Mulberry, 2nd, \$15; Cullasaja, 3rd, \$10; Burningtown and Ridgecrest, tie for 4th, \$5 each.

4-H Booths: Carson, 1st, \$20; Holly Springs, 2nd, \$15; Liberty, 3rd, \$10; Cartoogehaye, Jr., 4th, \$5.

Family Booths: Carlos Rogers, Route 3, 1st, \$5; Mrs. Vernon Bryson, Route 5, 2nd, \$3.

Church Booths: St. Francis Catholic Church, St. Agnes Episcopal Church, and Clark's Chapel Methodist Church, tie for 1st, \$5 each.

Civic Clubs: Franklin Garden Club, 1st, \$5.

Blue ribbon winners in the individual departments will be carried in next week's PRESS. Fair officials are still working on the list and it was not available when the newspaper went to press.

## Premier Of Macon Movie

Today (Thursday) and tomorrow, as an added attraction at Macon Theatre, the new documentary movie, "The Majestic Nantahalas", will be shown.

This is the premier showing of the color movie. Financed by the Franklin Chamber of Commerce, it covers all phases of life in this county from farm to factory to ruby digging. It also threads other area attractions, like "Unto These Hills", into the Macon County story.

Ken Stambaugh, of Demorest, Ga., who is widely known in the field of promotional movies, has spent most of the summer filming the 14-minute movie.

Chamber officials plan to have three copies of the movie in circulation over the county and on television during the next year.

## Reports Job Openings Available

Unemployment here has been at its lowest point of the year in the past few weeks, according to Sam Colville, Employment Security official.

For Macon and Swain counties, there are about a third less unemployed than for the same period last year, he explained.

Unemployment generally drops this time of the year when the tourist and construction industries are at their best.

Mr. Colville said experienced workers are needed locally, including, short order cooks, waitresses, housekeepers, motel maids, and salesmen. Over the state, openings cover accountants, civil engineers, nurses, salespeople, machinists, bricklayers, carpenters, welders, and sheet metal workers.

Maconians who can qualify for any of these jobs may get in touch with Mr. Colville in Franklin each Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the courtroom at the courthouse. His office is in the Hyatt Building in Bryson City, telephone 3255.

## Bueck Is Named

### To Conference Steering Body

Macon School Supt. H. Bueck has been elected to the five-member steering committee at the 16th annual invitational Conference on Rural Education at Columbia University.

He also was picked as moderator for a panel discussion on integration at the conference.

Mr. Bueck is returning from the three-week conference this week.

## All-Stars Will Play

### Hiawasse Sunday

The Franklin All-Stars will journey to Hiawasse, Ga., Sunday afternoon for a game at 2:30.

Last Sunday's game here with Murphy was cancelled when the visitors failed to show up.

## Golfers Beat Clayton

Franklin golfers won 18 matches and lost only two in a meeting with Clayton, Ga., in Clayton, Sunday afternoon.

Doug Fulton, of Franklin, carded a low score of 74 for the afternoon.

## WALK AND BINGO

The M.Y.F. of Asbury Methodist Church will sponsor a cake walk and Bingo party at the Otto School Saturday night, August 15, beginning at 7:30. Proceeds will be used for the M.Y.F.'s 1959 project of having running water put in the church. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend.

## CORRECTION

In the Winn Dixie advertisement in this issue of the FRANKLIN PRESS Colgate and Glem toothpaste are advertised for 49c. The price should be 69c.

## The Weather

| FRANKLIN  |      |      |       |
|-----------|------|------|-------|
|           | High | Low  | Rain  |
| Wed., 5th | 83   | 66   | .00   |
| Thursday  | 86   | 63   | .00   |
| Friday    | 80   | 65   | .00   |
| Saturday  | 87   | 66   | .19   |
| Sunday    | 83   | 54   | .00   |
| Monday    | 85   | 55   | .00   |
| Tuesday   | 84   | 54   | .00   |
| Wednesday | 61   | 1.64 |       |
| COWETA    |      |      |       |
| Wed., 5th | 83   | 59   | .04   |
| Thursday  | 83   | 53   | trace |
| Friday    | 86   | 59   | .09   |
| Saturday  | 80   | 57   | trace |
| Sunday    | 86   | 51   | .00   |
| Monday    | 86   | 48   | .00   |
| Tuesday   | 83   | 54   | .00   |
| Wednesday | 83   | 56   | .34   |
| HIGHLANDS |      |      |       |
| Wed., 5th | 78   | 62   | .     |
| Thursday  | 80   | 54   | .     |
| Friday    | 78   | 60   | .     |
| Saturday  | 84   | 63   | .     |
| Sunday    | 77   | 56   | .     |
| Monday    | 79   | 51   | .     |
| Tuesday   | 74   | 56   | .     |
| Wednesday | —    | 60   | .     |

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MRS. HILDA COOK (right) is shown presenting checks to the top winners of the Hilda Cook Youth Awards, Wayne Gregory and Peggy Dills. (Staff Photo)



## HERE ARE THE TROPHIES FOR 'MISS RUBY' CONTEST

Yes girls, here they are—the trophies being offered by the Florida Air Pilots Association to "Miss Ruby" and her court. The beauty contest will be held as a feature of the association's Pilots Ruby Rendezvous here in September. The trophies will soon be on display in a downtown store. With the beautiful trophies are (left) J. C. Jacobs, president of the Franklin Chamber of Commerce, and V. H. Birt, cruise master of the fly-in. (Staff Photo)