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ON THE INSIDE —
WHO'S BEEN WHERE AND FOR WHAT?
Staff correspondents of THE PRESS keep the inside pages of this newspaper alive with news about your friends and neighbors. Read the inside page from top to bottom and you'll know Macon County.



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THE ALLEY between the bank and the old hotel building has a new name. Miss Olive Patton calls it "Litterbug Alley," an appropriate bit of naming if we ever heard it.

WITH TWO laundromats in town, Franklin is rapidly becoming the cleanest place in the mountains. Now if the town powers-that-be would have the streets washed...

THAT WAS A good turn-out for Franklin High's first home game last Thursday night. Good game, too, Franklin won.

KAY MONTAGUE'S motel units at the side of his Dixie Grill are coming along. Kay's hammering and sawing right along with the carpenters.

THE INDIAN MOUND (North Carolina's largest) needs a hair cut again.

VANDALS keep tearing up the beautiful picnic areas erected by many of our communities. Cullasaja's stays in a state of constant disrepair. If Maconians are responsible, they should be horsewhipped.

THAT SPIRITED little news-sheet, Cartooge Jay-Bird, has been revived by the Cartooge-chaye community, it cheerfully reports that there will be no more "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" at community meetings.

Dr. Morgan has "amended" the smoky fireplace.

HURRICANE GRACIE started frowning on Macon County early Tuesday with a heavy cloud bank. Hope Hurricane Hannah, who's boiling up out at sea, isn't one of those hard-hearted Hannahs!

WITH THE passing of each day, ol' Mother Nature dips into her paint pot and splashes some more color on the mountain foliage.

WANT TO really enjoy yourself? Then make it a point to attend the old folks gathering on the 11th and help out. You'll never regret your decision.

SEEM TO BE a lot of district meetings and the like being held in Franklin. Must be "our turn," or something like that.

DID YOU see that great big puppy filling up the whole back of a Chevy on the main drag Tuesday afternoon? What an eater he must be!

PROBATE JUDGE R. C. Carter, who has tied the knot for many Macon couples in Walhalla, S. C., was through here Tuesday afternoon. Guess he felt like he was among home folks after hearing so many "I dos".

WONDER WHY those big trailer trucks insist on pulling town hill when they could miss it by going on the truck route? Practicing gear shifts maybe?

WONDER WHY the chamber of commerce, which keeps harping on extending the tourist season, is the first to close its doors after Labor Day?

GO ON OUT Friday night and root for the Panthers against Sylva. And help the students selling refreshments while you're at it.

HAPPY, HAPPY was Linda Taylor Saturday night, of Route 4. She won the bicycle given by Jamison's 5 and 10. She heard about her luck late Saturday night and came right to town from milking, in blue jeans, boots, and all to pick up her prize.



BALLOTS STACKED in the foreground, delegates to the county A. S. C. convention wait for a count. They are (L to R) F. G. Blanton, Frank Gregory, G. W. Owenby, and Carr Bryson. (Staff Photo)

AT COUNTY CONVENTION — Siler Slagle Is Elected Chairman Of A.S.C. Group

A new Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation county committee has been elected for 1960, with Siler Slagle, of Cartooge-chaye community, as chairman.

Delegates from 10 of the 11 A.S.C. communities met Friday to elect the new officers. Serving

with Mr. Slagle are Harley Stewart, vice-chairman; Edgar Tippet, regular member; Gilmer Henson, first alternate; and Carr Bryson, second alternate.

It is the function of the county committee to administer the farm programs of A.S.C., like the Agricultural Conservation Program, the Soil Bank, the Marketing Quota Program, the Acreage Allotment Program on Tobacco and Wheat, and the Price Support Program. The responsibility of the committee is exercised under the direction of the state A.S.C. committee and within established national and state policies and requirements. Monthly meetings are held by the committee at the A.S.C. office in the Agricultural Building.

Chairmen include Mrs. Herman Dean, refreshments; Mrs. H. Bueck, publicity; Mrs. Dan Bryson, program; hospitality and registration, Franklin Junior Woman's Club; decorations, Mrs. I. T. Peek; gifts, Mrs. John Bulgin and Mrs. Steve Bundy; and corsages and boutonnières, Mrs. John Wasilik.

Transportation arrangements are being handled by ministers over the county.

**Mother Of 10
Needs Your Help**

A mother of 10 children, who must undergo a serious heart operation next month, needs your help.

Through the local Red Cross, an effort is being made to collect 25 to 30 pints of blood for Mrs. J. C. Shepherd, of the Liberty section. This is the amount of blood required to operate the heart machine at Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, where she will go about the first of November. It will be a six to seven hour operation.

Maconians wishing to donate a pint of blood for Mrs. Shepherd may visit the regional Bloodmobile in Sylva today (Thursday), November 4 and 5 at Western Carolina College, Cullowhee; or November 6 in Highlands.

Donors are reminded to tell Bloodmobile officials the blood is for Mrs. Shepherd and it will be credited to Forsyth County, through the Asheville Regional Blood Center.

Four Youths Charged With Shooting Girl

Four teen-age boys have been charged with assault with a deadly weapon in connection with the shooting of a high school girl Friday afternoon on US 23-441 as she bicycled toward Franklin with friends.

The girl, Miss Ann McCoy, a Franklin High student, was wounded in the hip by a shot from a pellet gun fired by one of the youths as they drove by in an automobile, according to Highway Patrolman H. T. Ferguson.

He identified the boys as Donald Doyle Bates, David Paul Childers, Henry Allen Woods, and Gordon Eldine Sanders, all 16 years old.

Out On Bond
The patrolman said none would admit any knowledge of the shooting. All four are now free on bond after staying in the county jail over the week end. They also are charged with larceny in connection with money from newspaper rack coin collectors here.

Bicycling with Miss McCoy at the time of the shooting were Misses Margaret Swan, Ann Fegg, and Betty Ann Young.

Patrolman Ferguson, who happened by soon after the shooting, gave this account:

Go In Home
The four boys jumped out of the car, which was driven by young Childers, and ran into the home of Mrs. Freeman See No. 2, Page Ten

Between 40 and 50 Legionaires are expected in Franklin Sunday afternoon for a meeting of American Legion District 32, according to E. G. Crawford, commander of the local post.

The meeting, to be featured by the election of a district commander and vice-commander, will begin at 3 o'clock at Slagle Memorial Building.

T. T. Turnley, of Waynesville, vice-commander of Division 5, will preside.

LEUKEMIA VICTIM — Bobby Joe's Death Ends A Heartwarming Drama

Fourteen-year-old Bobby Joe Moore died at Angel Hospital Sunday at midnight, climaxing a heart warming drama which had quietly involved a number of Macon County's citizens during the last year.

It all began last February when Bobby Joe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie P. Moore, of Ellijay, learned that he had leukemia.

Bobby Joe's mother, with a mother's hope, could never quite believe her son would not

recover. But, family and friends soon realized that death was inevitable, and it came rapidly. Every one who heard of the big, likable, dark-haired boy, who was so seriously ill, wanted to help. When blood donations were needed, people gave generously. When Bobby Joe had to make numerous trips to Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, neighbors loaned their cars or drove the family there. When his former classmates at Cullasaja Elementary School learned that Bobby Joe had his heart set on owning a certain old stripped-down car, they pooled their savings and ice-cream money to buy it for him. But, when the owner learned of Bobby Joe's wish, he gave him the car.

Gifts of money and other items were sent Bobby, who was cheerful and active right up to death. The day before he died he was finishing a picture of an Indian. Besides drawing, he

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Watch Out Squirrels!

Squirrels are fair game today (Thursday) as the first hunting season of '59 opens.

And, under state hunting regulations, squirrels may be taken until January 15, with daily bag limits of six and a season limit of 75.

Grouse, bear, and raccoon hunting also will come into their own this month. All three seasons open the 15th.

Rabbit and quail season won't open until November 26.

OPENING OF UNITED FUND DRIVE SET

Kick-off Is 12th;
Swafford To Get
Volunteers

October 12 has been set as the kick-off date for the '59 United Fund campaign in the Franklin area, according to Earl Adams, chairman.

Shooting for a quota of \$12,034, the campaign will run through the remainder of October.

"This year we are planning a short, hard-hitting campaign to raise our goal, which represents a minimum amount necessary to assure the continuation of these essential services," Mr. Adams declared this week.

A volunteer solicitation is being organized by Verlon Swafford. Also, U.F. officials are urging the use of payroll deductions in industries, as well as in business establishments. No door-to-door solicitations are planned this year in town. However, the chairman said this method of collection probably will be used in the rural sections.

As in last year's campaign, a giant thermometer will be erected in the downtown section to chart the drive's progress daily.

The '59 budget represents an increase of about 12 per cent over last year.

**Handicapped Workers
Paper Is Signed**

A proclamation setting aside October 4-10 as "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week" has been signed by Franklin Mayor W. C. Burrell.

In the proclamation, he calls upon the public officials, as well as leaders of industry, labor, and civic groups, to make every effort to enlist public support for a sustained program aimed at the employment and full use of the capacities of all physically handicapped workers in town.

**State Official
Here This Week**

Miss York Kiker, of Raleigh, food specialist with the State Department of Agriculture, is working in the school system this week.

She is giving demonstration lessons in foods, with emphasis on health, at each school.

VETS WILL MEET
A regular meeting of Veterans of World War 1, Macon County Barracks No. 906, will be tomorrow (Friday) night at 7:30 at the courthouse.

**County Roads Get
Stone Treatment**

Six county roads received stone during the past month, according to F. L. Hutchison, division engineer.

They are White and Mashburn Road, for 0.6 mile; Horse Cove Road, 0.6; Wilson Road, one mile; Dryman Road, 0.4; Clear Creek Road, 0.5; and Hog Back Mountain Road, 0.3.



'COLLEGE DAY' HELD TUESDAY AT FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL

Twenty-two colleges and institutions of higher learning were represented Tuesday at Franklin High's "College Day". Discussing their futures with a representative of the University of North Carolina are (L to R) Miss Vianne Keener, Arthur Hays, Ronnie Henson, and Howard Burch. (Staff Photo)

To Question Power Sale

How do town and county governments, businessmen, and other citizens feel about the sale of Nantahala Power and Light Company's electric distribution system to Duke Power Company?

A special committee appointed Wednesday night of last week as the upshot of a public meeting in Franklin hopes to find out. If there is enough interest in the six-county area served by Nantahala then steps will be taken to obtain legal aid to fight the sale, according to Dr. J. W. Kahn, Franklin alderman who called the meeting.

About 50 persons, attended including three surprise guests, Duke vice-presidents G. W. Jones, Paul Lucas, and John Hicks, in addition to Franklin, represented were Sylva, Cullowhee, and Highlands.

An editorial evaluation of the many points brought out at the meeting, which was held at East Franklin School, may be found on Page 2 of this issue.

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DINNER SLATED 17th — Rural Community Judging Scheduled October 15-16

Judging of communities competing in the '59 Macon County Rural Community Development Contest is scheduled October 15-16.

An awards dinner is being planned October 17 at Franklin High, with the communities sharing the expenses.

Plans for these events were made Thursday night by members of the county council, which oversees the annual contest. J. Fred Bryson, chairman, presided.

Out-of-county judges are now being contacted.

As in past years, the awards dinner will be in the nature of a "thank you" to merchants supporting the development program.

Since beautification is a major project in the communities this year, it was announced at the meeting that the incentive prize in beautification is being raised from \$50 to \$100.

Vandalism at community picnic areas and buildings also was discussed. Some picnic areas have been completely wrecked by vandals. A committee composed of Pritchard Russell, Troy Hurst, and Erwin Patton was named to request assistance from law enforcement officials in curbing vandalism.

**Regional W. M. U.
Meeting Scheduled
For Local Church**

A meeting of the Bryson City Region of the W.M.U. will be at the Franklin Baptist Church Monday, October 5, at 7 p.m.

Mrs. Wayne Siston, of Bryson City, regional president, will preside. Miss Marjiam J. Robinson, of Raleigh, executive secretary of the North Carolina W.M.U., will be present for the meeting.

Sandwiches will be served from 6 to 7 o'clock for those who work late and for those coming from a long distance to attend the meeting.

Enrollment Decreases In Schools

Total enrollment in the Macon County School System is down about 160 this year, according to figures compiled by Supt. H. Bueck's office.

For the first 10 days of school, enrollment was 3,773, as compared with 3,889 for the same period last year.

The decrease has occurred in the elementary grades. High school enrollment is up some.

Supt. Bueck thinks the drop is caused by the fact that the wartime crop of children is now moving out of the elementary grades and into high school.

Elementary enrollment is 2,796 and high school 977. These compare with 2,922 and 967 last year.

The superintendent expects enrollment to increase some as the school year progresses. Last year's total enrollment on the final day of school was 3,945.

Following are enrollment figures for each school: Franklin Elementary, 327; East Franklin, 400; Cullasaja, 342; Union, 245; Cowee, 222; Otto, 231; Cartooge-chaye, 270; Iota, 224; Nantahala, 187; Highlands, 297; Chapel, 51; Franklin High, 807; Highlands High, 93; Nantahala, 63; Chapel High, 14.

The Weather

The week's temperatures and rainfall below are recorded in Franklin by Manover Stiles, U. S. weather observer; in Highlands by Tudor N. Hall and W. C. Newton, TVA observers; and at the Covatta Hydrologic Laboratory. Readings are for the 24-hour period ending at 4 a.m. of the day listed.

FRANKLIN	High	Low	Rain
Wed., 23rd	82	50	.00
Thursday	83	53	.00
Friday	81	53	.00
Saturday	78	52	.00
Sunday	73	60	.88
Monday	86	59	.24
Tuesday	80	57	.00
Wednesday	67	48	.45

COWETA	High	Low	Rain
Wed., 23rd	79	44	.00
Thursday	81	46	.00
Friday	80	45	.00
Saturday	76	49	.00
Sunday	75	55	.14
Monday	70	54	.04
Tuesday	83	54	.00
Wednesday	73	61	.35

HIGHLANDS	High	Low	Rain
Wed., 23rd	78	48	.00
Thursday	76	46	.00
Friday	72	46	.00
Saturday	68	56	.00
Sunday	64	60	.00
Monday	89	57	.00
Tuesday	70	58	.00
Wednesday	73	61	.35

*no record.



Mr. Olson



Mrs. Olson



Mrs. Guffey

MACON TEACHERS NAMED TO DISTRICT OFFICES

Macon teachers were prominent among district officers elected Friday at the annual western district conference of the N. C. Education Association in Asheville. Franklin Elementary Principal G. K. (Ike) Olson was named as president of principals; Mrs. Olson president of elementary education; and Mrs. Beth Guffey, vice-president of supervisors. A Franklin native, Mrs. Ruby S. Gouge, of Bakersville, was elected president of supervisors. She is the former Miss Ruby Sisk.



SAM TALLENT (13) and an unidentified Hayesville player discover just how elusive a football can be when two are after it. This particular play was a pass to Tallent that was broken up by the Hayesville man. (Staff Photo)

SYLVA GAME FRIDAY NIGHT — Panthers Dump Hayesville High 26-7

Franklin High's Panthers are ready to take on the Sylva Golden Hurricane here tomorrow (Friday) night after winning their first home game 26 to 7 last Thursday night against Hayesville.

Sylva is rated as one of the powers in the conference this season and the game is expected to attract a large following from not only here but Jackson County. Kick-off will be at 8 o'clock.

A crowd estimated at something over 600 was on hand last week for the rescheduled Franklin-Hayesville game, which was changed from Friday to Thursday because of a district teacher meeting in Asheville. As the first home outing for the Panthers, the game left little to be desired. Coach Dick Stott's "Phi Beta Kappa" team performed well on the ground and in the air. A

second half kick-off return for 87 yards by Teddy Clark helped spice the victory. Franklin's third in four outings.

After a lackluster first quarter, the Panthers moved into the lead when Jimmy Williams passed six yards to Doug Pearson for a touchdown. Red Seny ran the extra point. Clark's kick return in the second quarter put Franklin out

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