

Staff correspondents of THE PRESS keep the inside pages of this newspaper alive with news about your friends and neighbors. Read the inside pages from top to bottom and you'll know Macon County.



### Jaycees To Honor 'Man' Here Monday

State President Harrison Is Speaker

SPRING MADE a January entrance Friday that couldn't be ignored. John Jamison was even in his shirt sleeves washing the windows of the jewelry store and thermostats on heating units were cut back to the minimum or cut off entirely.

QUESTION of the week: How old were Bennie McGlamery and Bob S. Sloan when the pictures we ran in last week's paper were made?

HENRY G. Bartol, Jr., who is a co-owner of WFSC with Mrs. Graves Taylor, has announced that a power boost from 250 watts to 1,000 watts will take place at their Tryon station, WTWN. The local station made this jump last year.

SADIE JACOBS has an ancient Philco radio in his barber shop that's a real granddaddy. Some of the tubes have stickers showing they were checked by Mack Franks in 1937. Mr. Jacobs figures some of the original tubes are still in it also.

BRACE YOURSELF voters for the onslaught of candidates. A gubernatorial aspirant, Terry Sandford, is due here January 27 and Heinz Rollman, a Republican candidate for Congress, has a meeting slated February 16 to meet voters.

SNOW FLURRIES tried, but failed, to make themselves felt in town most of Tuesday morning. Snow, however, topped some of the higher ridges in Franklin's necklance of Nantahala mountains.

THE REAL estate firm of Lee Wood and Clyde Sanders is now operating in that neat little redwood building Lee built at the end of his motel.

FOLKS WONDER why we keep hollering about holes in the street and other minor hazards. One day this week John Kinsland, an express truck driver, turned his ankle in a hole in the street and had to have it X-rayed. Question answered?

DOUG PEARSON, the county's Morehead Scholarship nominee, had his district interview in Asheville Monday. A finalist from the district will go to Chapel Hill for an interview in late February and the scholarship winners will be announced in March.

WINDY GUSTS made overcoats and sweaters welcome items along the main stem Tuesday. Didn't notice any merchants washing windows, as they were doing last week when spring gave a sneak preview.

MARSHALL FETTIS can't decide what color to paint his motel units. He's experimented all week with pink and has now diluted the bucket with some cream to turn out a sand-wood hue. How about purple stripes, Marshall?

THE KAY Montagues have carpenters back at work on their recently completed motel beside their restaurant. Looks like another unit and/or office of some kind.

IS A NEW drive-in restaurant going up on the outskirts of East Franklin? There's talk of such a venture.

IF YOU wonder where the yellow went, try looking at a Franklin parking ticket or those collection boxes on some of the meters.

MEMBERS OF the Franklin P-T-A accorded Mrs. Weimar Jones a standing ovation at monthly meeting in recognition

A banquet Monday night at Slagle Memorial will remove a big question from the minds of Maconians.

That is, "Who will be 'Macon County's Young Man of the Year'?"

Nominees for the Distinguished Service Award are Wayne Proffitt, a former recipient, Bill Zickgraf, Grady Corbin, Furman Angel, Jr., Bob Bryson, R. M. Biddle, Jr., Tommy Raby, and Dr. J. L. Hill. All will be honor guests at the banquet.

Guest speaker at the banquet, to which a large number of businessmen and civic leaders and their wives have been invited by the Jaycees, will be the state Jaycee president, Al Harrison, of Winston-Salem. He will be introduced by J. P. Brady, the master of ceremonies.

In addition to the D.S.A., the Jaycees plan to honor "Macon County's Young Farmer of the Year", who also is selected annually from a group of nominees, and "Boss of the Year", an honor that goes to the Jaycee boss who has been outstanding in cooperating with the Jaycee movement in the community.

Wayne Proffitt, vocational agricultural teacher at Franklin High School, has agreed to make the young farmer presentation. Jaycee Bill Zickgraf, who headed the D.S.A. committee, will make the boss award.

Slated to make the D.S.A. presentation to the local winner, as well as explain the purpose of the award, is Bill Morris, of Asheville, national Jaycee director. "Key Men" presentations will be made to two Jaycees for outstanding work during the past year by the club president, Roy M. Biddle, Jr.

This will mark the seventh year the Jaycees have made the D.S.A. award to some deserving young man for his contributions to the community.

### Ras Penland Dies Friday At His Home

Ras Penland, 61, widely-known Macon County native and livestock dealer, died Friday at 4:10 a.m. at his Franklin home after an illness of nine months.

Son of the late David Weimar and Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Mozeley Penland, he also was active in lumbering and was a member of the Woodsmen of the World.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Franklin Methodist Church, of which Mr. Penland was a member. The Rev. Robert E. Early officiated. Pallbearers were J. B. Pendergrass, Hoyt Ledford, Woodrow Reeves, Glenn Ray, Dan T. Bryson, Harry Thomas, Newell Pendergrass, Lee Barnard, and Homer Mashburn. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Surviving are a brother, Ralph Penland, and a sister, Mrs. George B. Patton, both of Franklin. Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### COUNCIL TO MEET

A special meeting of adult leaders of the Nantahala Girl Scout Council will be held on Saturday, January 23, at 2 p. m. in the St. Francis Building in Cherokee. All adult members are urged to attend.

### BROTHER DIES

Leonard Burrell, 60, brother of Franklin Mayor W. C. Burrell, died Tuesday night in Cornelia, Ga., where he was associated with the Chevrolet dealership. Funeral services are set today (Thursday) at 2 p.m. at the Level Grove Baptist Church in Cornelia.



CHICKEN-LOVING CHICKEN HAWK IS A LOVER NO MORE

Andrew Gregory, of the Pine Grove section, is shown with the big red-tailed hawk he shot Tuesday afternoon as the big bird made dinner out of one of the Gregory hens. The wing spread on the hawk was more than four feet and it is one of the largest bagged here in recent years. Mr. Gregory said he and his neighbors had fallen victim to the hawk's love for chicken in recent weeks and he just decided to put a stop to the love affair once and for all. (Staff Photo)

### Take 'Em Out To The Game Free Friday

To encourage a little family "togetherness" at ball games, Franklin High School has two proposals to offer.

Tomorrow (Friday) night at the Franklin-Sylva game here, all preschoolers and elementary students will be admitted free. If accompanied by a parent, also, the elementary school in District I with the largest representation at the game can send its seventh and eighth graders to the Franklin-Cherokee game here Tuesday night free of charge.

The first game begins at 7:30. In games this past week, the girls won two, but the boys divided their clashes. On the home court Friday night, the girls beat Highland 59 to 24 and the boys won 57 to 44.

However, Tuesday night in Greenville the Franklin lads lost a close one, 42 to 40. The girls won, 68 to 52. SEE NO. 2, PAGE 12

### GUNNIN' 'EM DOWN —

### Talley Declares All-Out War On Rats In Hen House

HIGHLANDS—H. S. Talley has declared war on rats.

He has good reason. The rodents — big ones that ignore traps and poison — are raiding his hen house and killing his birds, about 40 in the last three weeks, he reports.

Mr. Talley and a helper are in the thick of the fight, however, and in one night polished off 31 rats, one that weighed 14 and a half ounces and measured 17 inches from his nose to the tip of his tail.

They're using an unusual method of warfare. With lights

out in the hen house, they sit for maybe 10 minutes until the rats begin stirring. Then they snap the lights on and open fire with 22 rifles. Lights out again and the process is repeated.

### Revenue Service Available Fridays For Assistance

The Internal Revenue Service office on the second floor of the post office building will be open every Friday, beginning January 22, through April 15 to give taxpayers assistance in preparing U. S. Income Tax Returns.

Questions also will be answered by telephone, according to Jack Powell, internal revenue agent. The number is LA 4-2416.

### 4-H Clubbers Schedule Awards Day Saturday

"4-H Achievement Day", a program held to recognize outstanding work by club members, is set for Saturday night at 7:30 at East Franklin School.

At the event, 4-H clubbers who have been active in project work, demonstration and group work, will be recognized. County winners will receive medals.

Decorating for the meeting is being handled by the East Franklin 4-H Club, while the program is being planned by members of the Holly Springs Community Club. Carson Community Club is handling the publicity and social aspects of the gathering.

### IOTLA MEETING

The Iotla P-T-A will meet Monday night, January 25, at 7:30. It has been announced.

## ALTHOUGH PROGRAM IS INCOMPLETE — Church Series Line-up Is Impressive

Although plans are still incomplete, the annual summer evangelistic series in Franklin is shaping up as the most unusual so far.

For the two-week interdenominational event in June, outstanding ministers and lay leaders from all parts of the United States are being invited to participate. Some are accepting and others are declining because of prior commitments (The wife of the late Peter to Europe).

The program committee appointed last fall to inject a new spirit and vitality into the series is encouraged by results so far, according to Bob S. Sloan, chairman.

Speakers already obtained include Dr. Frank C. Laubach, of New York, noted missionary; Dr. Pierce Harris, pastor of the First

Methodist Church in Atlanta and an outstanding evangelist; Mrs. Ruth Youngdahl Nelson, of Washington, D. C., and evangelist; the Rev. M. George Henty, bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Western North Carolina; Dan Austin, of High Point, Baptist lay leader and evangelist; Dr. Adriel Price, of Philadelphia, Pa., an Episcopal minister whose topics deal with faith, healing, and love; and Rev. Marshall declined because of a trip

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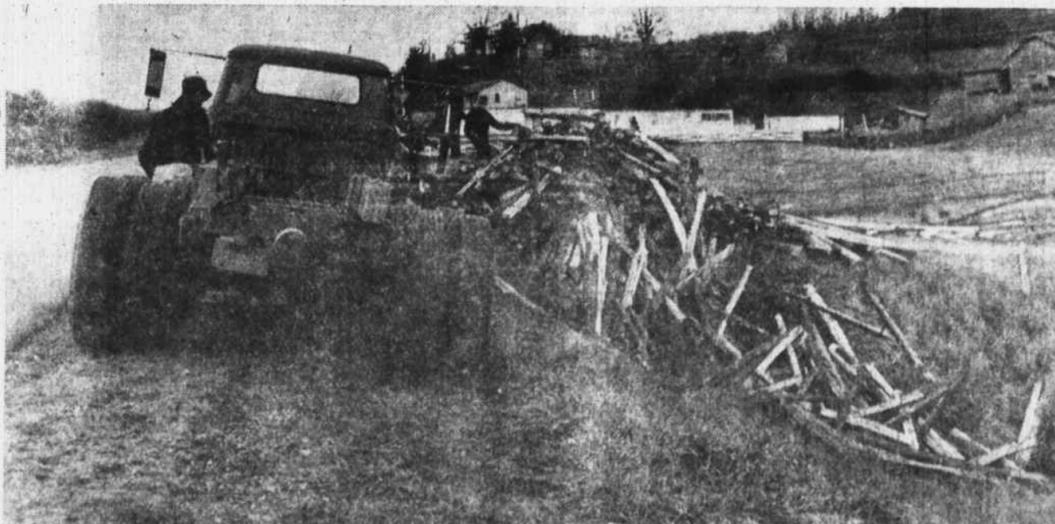
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PULPWOOD TRUCK UNLOADS DURING UNSCHEDULED STOP NEAR OTTO

Near Otto late Monday afternoon, Highway Patrolman T. J. Miller stopped a loaded pulpwood truck for a routine check. When the driver pulled off on the shoulder the truck bed suddenly broke loose and dumped the load on the shoulder. The truck driver, from Georgia, said it appeared that the bolts holding the bed to the chassis gave way when the load shifted. (Staff Photo)

## AT BANQUET HERE — University Head Coach To Speak

Jim Hickey, head football coach at the University of North Carolina, will speak in Franklin February 10.

The occasion will be the annual banquet given by the Franklin Rotary Club honoring members of the Franklin High School football team.

The dinner meeting will be held at the Slagle Memorial Building at 7 p.m., C. S. Brown, Rotary

chairman in charge, has announced.

Plans call for making a limited number of tickets available to Carolina alumni and other interested persons.

In addition to members of the football squad, honor guests will include the school's cheerleaders, coaches, and principals, and coaches from nearby communities.

Mr. Hickey will be accompanied to Franklin by Ernie Williamson, executive secretary of the University's Educational Foundation, which provides athletic scholarships.

The Rotarians, who normally meet on Thursday, changed the date for the event to a Wednesday to suit Coach Hickey's convenience.

## Macon Helps Population Skyrocket

Macon County continues to make its contribution to the country's skyrocketing population growth.

During 1959, births here out-paced deaths by nearly three to one, or 307 births to 115 deaths.

Franklin, as the county's largest and most heavily populated township, led all others in births and deaths with 255 and 82, respectively. Flats had no births or deaths.

Three townships had no births and three no deaths, but all were different.

Here are the individual township statistics, births and deaths, in that order:

Franklin, 255-82; Highlands, 40-18; Millshoal, 1-0; Ellijay, 2-0; Sugarfork, 2-1; Smithbridge, 2-2; Cartoogechaye, 2-1; Nantahala, 0-5; Burningtown, 0-4; Cowee, 3-1; and Flats, 0-0.

## Pearson Makes Another Step In Competition

Douglas Pearson, Macon County's nominee for a Morehead Scholarship, has been selected to go before the central selection committee in Chapel Hill, according to information received yesterday (Wednesday) by W. W. Sloan, chairman of the local scholarship committee.

Doug, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Pearson, is the first one from here to advance beyond a district interview. He had his district interview in Asheville Monday.

His Chapel Hill interview will be the final one before the scholarship winners are announced.

## Baptist Deacons Slate Meeting

A county-wide Baptist deacons meeting has been called for Thursday night, January 28, at the First Baptist Church.

Supper will be served by the host church at 6:30 and all deacons, pastors, and their wives are invited to attend.

The Rev. W. K. Shields, pastor of the Newman's Chapel and Watauga churches, will preach. Special music will be offered by the men of the First church and H. H. Plemmons will give the devotional.

## Area Shriners Rename Officers

Officers and directors of the Smoky Mountain Shriners Club were selected for 1960 at a meeting Friday night at Carl's Restaurant.

They are A. C. Tinsler, president; James A. Bryson, vice president; C. H. Bolton, secretary; and C. Clyde Crisp, E. Paul Martin, J. Ward Long, and Gordon L. Butler, directors.

Organized in May 1959, the area Shrine club is affiliated with the Cowee Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., Chapter 1016.

## American Music To Feature Club Meeting Friday

A program in American music will feature the monthly meeting of the Franklin Music Study Club tomorrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock in the social hall of the Methodist church.

The Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Early are hosts and the program leader is Miss Laura M. Jones.



WINS CONTEST

Robert Enloe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Enloe, of Cartoogechaye, Monday was picked a winner of the Nantahala Federation Future Farmers of America public speaking contest. His talk was entitled, "Soil Conservation through Grassland Farming". Robert will now advance to district competition in May. Held at the vocational Agricultural building at Franklin High, the contest was judged by Mrs. Sammy Beck, the Rev. Donn K. Langfitt, and W. W. Sloan. A Bryson City F.F.A. member, Richard Shuler, placed second.

## Fair Jobs Studied By Committees

With the announcement by County Agent T. H. Fagg that the county commissioners have donated a three and half acre tract of land to the Macon County Fair Association, the hope of having permanent fair grounds came a step closer to reality.

The land is a part of the county home property and lies east of US 441 and north of the old county home road.

Building plans, with estimated cost figures, were discussed at a meeting of the building committee and ways and means committee Monday night. A \$132 pole type building material cost-estimate was given \$3,000, including labor but not including siding, while the same size building of block construction would be about \$3,600, not including labor. This does not include the cost of pouring concrete floor in either case. Figures were presented by Wayne Proffitt, chairman of the building committee.

Among suggestions made by members of the ways and means committee were:

## The Weather

Temperature and rainfall below recorded in Franklin by Morehead Station. Weather observer in Highlands is Edgar M. Hall and W. C. Newton, Jr. Lowest point at the Cowee Hydrological Laboratory. Readings are for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. of the day listed.

| FRANKLIN   | High | Low | Rain  |
|------------|------|-----|-------|
| Wed., 13th | 72   | 49  | 0     |
| Thursday   | 59   | 38  | 0     |
| Friday     | 61   | 45  | 0     |
| Saturday   | 59   | 37  | 0     |
| Sunday     | 46   | 32  | trace |
| Monday     | 50   | 41  | 0     |
| Tuesday    | 43   | 27  | trace |
| Wednesday  | 16   | 16  | 0     |
| COWEE      | High | Low | Rain  |
| Wed., 13th | 61   | 48  | 0     |
| Thursday   | 71   | 40  | 0     |
| Friday     | 63   | 53  | 0     |
| Saturday   | 61   | 35  | 0     |
| Sunday     | 58   | 32  | 0     |
| Monday     | 47   | 40  | 0     |
| Tuesday    | 54   | 26  | 0     |
| Wednesday  | 38   | 13  | 0     |

so says "MR. MACONIAN"

Hiya Neighbors

Publisher Bob S. Sloan, who also is chairman of the local "Save the Railroad Committee", has a plan to pick this week on Ritter Lumber's proposed move. You can read his comments in his column in this week's issue, if you're interested.

And I thank you, Mr. Maconian