

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.



**WERE YOU** born on March 10, 1889? If you were, the Salvation Army, which also is celebrating its birthday on that date, has a birthday present for you. The Army is giving sets of sheets and pillow cases to the first 15 Tar Heels born on that date.

**STATE CIVIL** Defense and Agricultural Extension Service are releasing a cooperative publication for the use of community leaders who are promoting Rural Civil Defense. Called, "The First 14 Days Survival", the booklet outlines a course of procedure in protection from enemy attack, hurricane, tornado, fire, and other disasters.

**SEVERAL PARKING** meters are giving plenty of free time to shoppers. They froze up during the cold snap and still haven't thawed.

**THOSE EMPTY** buildings along the Main Stem do present problems. For example, there was no one to clean off the snow from the sidewalk in front.

**MONDAY'S** thaw was a welcome thing. Sighs of relief and parental sounds of "I sure hope schools open tomorrow" were heard up and down and over and about.

**THANKS TO** Waynesville and Haywood County for including the Cowee Ruby Mines on the place mat map used at last week's chamber of commerce dinner. Like their slogan too, "In the center of everything worthwhile".

**DR. FURMAN** Angel will give his annual steak dinner tonight (Thursday) at DeSoto Trail Restaurant for members of the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department.

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### what's doing?

**JAYCEES:** First and third Mondays, 6:30 p. m., Cagle's Restaurant on US 23-441 south.

**ROTARY:** Every Thursday, 7 p. m., Slagle Memorial Building.

**LIONS:** Second and fourth Mondays, 7 p. m., Slagle Memorial Building.

**JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB:** Fourth Monday, 7:30 p. m., Agricultural Building.

**V. F. W.:** Second and fourth Wednesdays, 8 p. m., V. F. W. Post Home on Palmer Street.

**AMERICAN LEGION:** Third Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., Slagle Memorial Building.

**TOMORROW (Friday):** Franklin Music Study Club, First Baptist Church, 8 p. m.

**Tuesday:** Local unit meet of N. C. Association for Retarded Children, Franklin High library, 7:30 p. m.

**Sunday:** Franklin Youth Center Association, 2 p. m., Presbyterian church.

### THEY FOUGHT HARD —

## Franklin Cagers Lose In Tourney

Both lads and lassies basketball teams from Franklin High fell victims to Swain High in Smoky Mountain Conference eastern division tournament play Friday and Saturday nights, February 19 and 20, at Cherokee.

After smashing victories over Webster (91-20) and Glenville (88-41) in reaching Saturday night's finals, the Franklin girls

Friday night. The Swain boys team went on to win the eastern division championship Saturday night over Cullowhee.

In the finals Saturday night, Franklin's lassies stayed abreast of Swain until the last quarter. With 1:40 left in the third quarter, the score was tied at 46 all.

#### Too Much Height

Swain's McCracken, whose basketball skill consists of standing underneath the basket, having the ball fed to her by the other two forwards, and then laying it in with an overhead flip shot, simply had too much height for Franklin's guards.

Foul shots proved another tribulation for the local girls, who were only able to sink three in eight tries for 38 per cent while Swain hit nine of ten for 90 per cent.

Franklin's lassies shot 51 times from the floor, hitting 27 for 53 per cent, while Swain hit 33 out of 53 field goals for 63 per cent accuracy.

Lenoir was Franklin's top scorer for the night with 26 points. Cabe got 15, Stockton 14, and Carpenter 2.

Mrs. Harry Corbin, the coach, said, "The girls played a hard game and a good game. Bryson City did have an advantage by getting more rest and being able to prepare for us while we had to concentrate on beating Glenville Friday night."

#### Nearly There

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#### LASSIES WIN

The Franklin lassies wrapped up the consolation game against Nantahala 57-55 at Murphy Tuesday night in the finals of the Smoky Mountain Conference Tournament.

Mary Lou Cabe was top scorer for Franklin with 20 points. Dot Stockton hit for 14, Jessie Carpenter got 13, and Shirley Lenoir finished with 10. Conference championships went to the Hayesville girls and Murphy boys.

The Franklin boys enter district 8 Class AA playoffs tonight (Thursday) against Sylva at 9 p. m. in the Swain High gym at Bryson City.

were unable to stop Swain High and their giant forward, Sandy McCracken, who scored 48 points in her team's 75-57 victory.

#### Lose 35-33

Franklin's lads polished off Cherokee 59-48 Wednesday (February 17) to meet Swain's boys in the hard-fought but heartbreaking 35-33 loss in the semi-finals

### IN TOURNAMENT PLAY —

## Mrs. Corbin 'Coach Of Year'; Teams Win Coveted Trophy

Franklin High School basketball teams earned their school the coveted sportsmanship trophy for their play in the Smoky Mountain Conference Tournament.

Awards were made following the finals at Murphy Tuesday night.

Mrs. Rose (Harry) Corbin, coach of the Franklin lassies, received the "Coach of the Year" award in the eastern

division of the conference. Coach Joe Hicks, of Cullowhee, received this as boys team coach.

By defeating Nantahala in the consolation game Tuesday night, the Franklin girls team received the third place trophy.

All conference trophies were awarded to Joyce Cole and Mary Lou Cabe, Franklin players, and Doug Pearson, who starred for the Franklin lads.

### AT MULBERRY HOME —

## Lester Nortons To Mark Anniversary This Sunday

Sunday afternoon down in the Mulberry community near the state line, folks will be gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Norton.

The couple will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary and they want all their friends and relatives to drop in for open house between 2 and 5 o'clock.

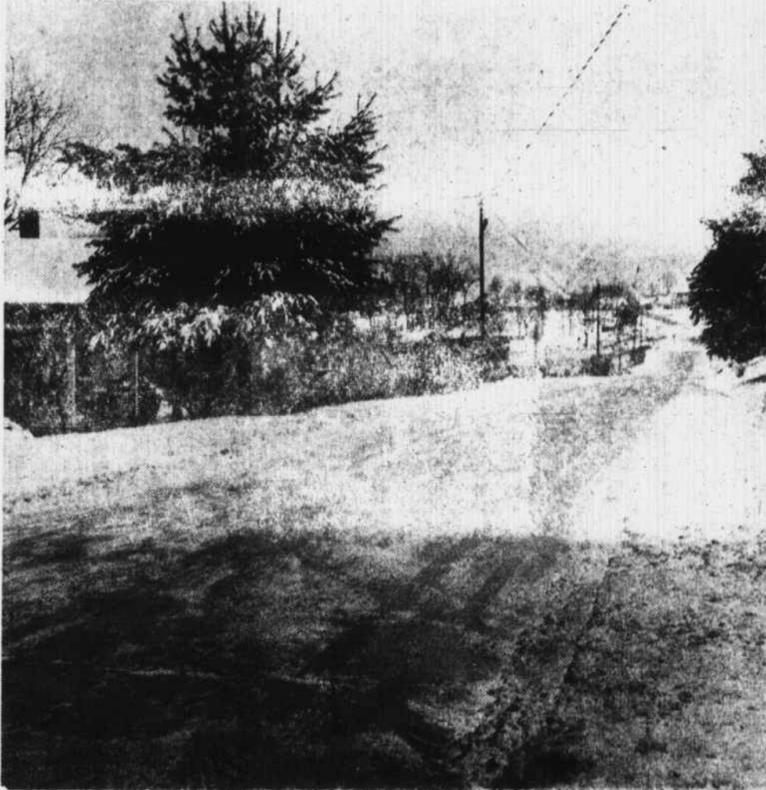
Actually the Nortons' anniversary is Saturday—they were married Feb. 27, 1910—but they think Sunday will be a better time for folks to come calling. A native son of Macon, Mr. Norton met his bride-to-be at

a dance at "Uncle Dan" McClure's house at Prentiss. She had come up from nearby Rabun County, Ga., for a visit.

"I don't know how he's stood me all these 50 years," Mrs. Norton laughs. But, her husband is quick to let anyone in on his secret.

"You've got to let a woman have her way if you want to get along with her," he confides.

The Nortons have four sons, Parker and Pascal, both of Franklin, Ervin, of Fayetteville, and Neville, of Cairo, Ga., as well as seven pride-and-joy grandchildren.



Monday, more of the same . . . ice-slick US 64 east

(Staff Photo)

## No Saturday School Make-Up Is Planned

Make-up work on Saturdays is 'frowned upon by the state', according to School Supt. H. Bueck, so other means will have to be used to recapture the six days school children have now missed because of the weather.

Two of the six could conceivably be made up if children went to school over the scheduled Easter holidays (they're to get Friday and Monday off), the superintendent said this week, and the rest could be added on at the end of the school term. Or, all six could be tacked on at the end of the term.

"I won't know until I sound out principals and parents on the matter," he declared.

However, regardless of the situation, the law requires 180 days of school "and we'll have to get them in", Mr. Bueck added.

He explained that no effective work can be accomplished on Saturdays since they are traditionally school holidays.

"If we operated on a six-day week it would be different . . . but, the state looks upon a Saturday make-up as simply killing a day," he said.

Macon school children lost one day before Christmas because of the weather and five more in the last two weeks for the same reason.

## 'Possum Doing Smelly Work At Fulcher's

A 'possum has come to Bart Fulcher's rescue.

He's routing the skunks from underneath the Fulcher house and Mr. Fulcher, who's been battling the skunks and sent for a couple o' fearful weeks, says things "are getting better all the time".

Asked if he wasn't just becoming accustomed to the smell of the woods pussycats, he denied this and vowed that the 'possum was doing a job that humans couldn't.

## Teen Meet Rescheduled

Weather caused a postponement of Sunday's meeting of the Franklin Youth Center Association.

It has been rescheduled for this coming Sunday at 2 p. m. at the Presbyterian church.

An election of officers was carried as well as other business connected with the construction of the youth center at Franklin Memorial Park.

### CLOSES SCHOOLS AGAIN —

## Old Man Winter Tosses Another Chilly Roundhouse

Apparently not content with the stunning haymaker he tossed at Macon County last week, Old Man Winter swung another roundhouse punch Sunday with three to four inches of snow.

This unexpected turn of events (better weather had been forecast) found school children Monday continuing their unscheduled vacation. They only went to school one day last week because of the weather.

Most of the latest snow melted

Monday under a warming layer of air and schools reopened again Tuesday. Some of the higher peaks, however, are still capped with snow.

The lowest temperature for the past week was a 10 above on Saturday and the highest was Tuesday's snow-melting 55 degrees.

Amateur weather observers here still predict more bad weather and are keeping a close watch on a storm front that was moving in from the mid-West yesterday (Wednesday).

### MARRIED 52 YEARS —

## DeHarts Have Celebrated Only 13 Anniversaries

Married for 52 years and celebrating a 13th wedding anniversary?

No, that's not a riddle, but a fact with Mr. and Mrs. John DeHart, of Route 3.

They were married February 29, 1908, and will mark 52 happily married years next Monday.

"My hobby has always been to look for something funny or odd", says Mrs. DeHart, "and I chose the date for our wedding".

"For a joke on ourselves and everyone else we had Preacher

Billy Bradley to marry us in the Burningtown schoolhouse, instead of a usual place", says Mrs. DeHart with a sly grin.

#### Bond Of Humor

These are but two instances of the lively sense of humor which acts as a close bond between these two people.

"I moved to Macon County when I was about 15 years old", Mr. DeHart recalls. "My wife's

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### COMING HERE MARCH 9 —

## Swalin's Satellite To Orbit County

Sputniks, space satellites, and rockets to the moon may seem fairly recent developments, but North Carolina has had its own satellite for the past 15 years.

This year, 1960, marks the 15th consecutive year that the North Carolina Symphony has launched its satellite of music: a satellite that will come to Franklin on March 9 for two concerts, a children's matinee and an adult concert at night. Both will be held in the Franklin High gymnasium.

Traveling in an orbit which circles the Old North State from the purple Smokies to the blue Atlantic, the symphony satellite has brought music to villages and metropolitan areas alike.

This "sputnik" may travel in a

silver bus rather than on the nose-cone of a rocket, but in principle the North Carolina Symphony is as modern as the latest moon probe. Directed by Dr. Benjamin Swalin, the symphony still is the only major American symphony orchestra which has as its base an entire state and as its target the presentation of the world's greatest orchestral music to all the people within its boundaries.

Locally, nearly \$1,000 has been raised in symphony memberships to assure the appearance of the orchestra. This campaign was directed by Mrs. H. Bueck, president of the county chapter of the North Carolina Symphony Society.

Other orchestras, such as the Boston Symphony, play engagements on tour each season, but they make their home in a single city in which they play the majority of their concerts. The North Carolina Symphony's reason for being is to tour. Each year, the North Carolina Symphony presents over 100 concerts, the largest number played by any symphony

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## Council To Plan District Meeting Here In May

A special meeting of the Macon County Home Demonstration Club Council has been called for Monday at 10 a. m. to make plans for a district meeting here on May 4.

Mrs. C. T. Bryson, council president, will preside at the session in the social hall of the Franklin Methodist Church.

Following this meeting, the district executive committee, composed of officers of councils in Macon, Jackson, and Swain will convene at 2 o'clock to approve the plans outlined by the host county of Macon. Mrs. George Byrd, of this county, is district president. Also expected are Mrs. Hazel Jacks, council president in Swain, and Mrs. Willard Davenport, council president in Jackson.

Preparations are being made to receive about 150 club women at the May meeting, according to Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill, county home economics agent.

## Banquet Plans Being Arranged; Mauney To Speak

Plans to invite the Franklin Rotary and Lions Clubs to meet with the chamber of commerce for the annual banquet set for March 18 at the Franklin High cafeteria have been revealed by B. L. McGlamery, chairman of the banquet committee.

Speaking at the banquet will be Richard Pass Mauney, formerly a Murphy attorney, presently in Raleigh where he is engaged in industrial promotion of North Carolina as a development engineer with the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development.

W. W. Reeves, chamber president, has announced that tickets for the banquet will be on sale soon for members and the public

## Workshop For P.-T. A.s At Union

A county-wide P.-T.A. workshop was held yesterday (Wednesday) at Union Elementary School.

Guest speaker at the morning session was W. E. Bird, former president of Western Carolina College. His topic was ability grouping. In the afternoon, a panel discussion was held on cooperation between home and school in working toward a mutual goal of developing well-adjusted and well-educated children.

## Rep. Raby Is Running

Rep. James M. (Jim) Raby yesterday (Wednesday) announced that he'll seek reelection to the N.C. House of Representatives, subject to the May 28 Democratic primary.

The legislator served in the 1959 General Assembly. Prior to being elected representative, he was in Raleigh for several sessions as assistant sergeant-at-arms.

## George Conley, Meter Officer, Is Improving

Franklin's parking meter officer, George J. Conley is reported improving at Angi Hospital following a stroke Monday.

Mr. Conley marked his 78th birthday Sunday.

The hospital is admitting no other patients to his room at present.

### The Weather

The week's temperature and rainfall below are recorded in Franklin by Manose Stiles, a weather observer; in Highlands by Taylor 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		
	High	Low	Rain
Wed., 17th	55	22	.35
Thursday	46	28	.23
Friday	35	20	.00
Saturday	50	10	.00
Sunday	43	31	trace
Monday	44	32	**
Tuesday	55	14	.00
Wednesday		20	.00

\*\* 3 in. snow; .31 water

COWETA	High Low Rain		
	High	Low	Rain
Wed., 17th	50	29	.00
Thursday	55	34	1.02
Friday	42	22	.37
Saturday	36	11	.00
Sunday	35	21	.00
Monday	33	30	.42
Tuesday	45	15	.00
Wednesday	55	20	.00

HIGHLANDS

Wed., 17th	46	34	*
Thursday	36	31	*
Friday	32	12	*

\* no record



Mr. and Mrs. Lester Norton

(Staff Photo)



Mr. and Mrs. John DeHart

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# 100 Silver Dollars To Be Given Away On The Square Saturday Afternoon