

**No. 1**

Introduced and included, W. W. Reeves, president, T. Y. Angel, vice-president, Bill Garrison, treasurer, Bob S. Sloan, Bryant McClure, J. C. Jacobs, and Benny McGlamery, board members, and Mrs. Bill Horsley, executive secretary.

A budget of \$7,000 was presented by T. Y. Angel for 1960 and was broken down into \$1,200 for tourist advertising, \$2,500 for industry advertising, \$2,000 for salaries, \$650 on promotional efforts, \$500 for office supplies, and \$150 for dues in other organizations.

**Budget Less**  
This figure of \$7,000 was \$150

**Swafford's Sayin's**



**Howdy Folks:**

If you will count back to the 14th of February (or was it the 2nd) you will know why I haven't been sayin' anything. Hibernated is the word — and for a good reason. Who would get out of a good warm Country Grocery during the kind of weather we've been havin'? And of course, I needed to be here all the time to let my customers have stuff to eat — (when they could get here). I did take time out last week long enough to go into the County Seat. I've been readin' about how they are fixin' the little holes in the streets. Boy, it shore is nice. You just roll along with no effort at all. My car didn't sound right — very few rattles, and I could make 20 m.p.h. so easy. You know what — I'd like to take some of those city dudes for a car ride over some of our country roads. I'd take 'em back where many of the Town's employees and customers come from — everyday. The only trouble — if I had a car full of those easy-ridin' folk, I'd have to take two or three spare tires, an extra pair of tire chains — have a car that could do a combination of hula-hula and jitterbug — with wheels high enough to straddle and jump ditches. I'd need a driver who could keep from nose-diving both front wheels into holes at the same time, or let us turn over by lettin' both wheels on the same side fall in — or twist the car in two by havin' left front and rear right wheels drop in at the same time. And just to make sure that I could get those folk back to their paradise road — I'd have a wrecker and rescue squad follow us. All passengers would have to take a tranquilizing pill, leave false teeth at home and carry a first-aid kit.

With taxes so high, it seems to me that we could have better roads. I'm not blamin' our local Highway crew, for they just do what they are told — and no doubt they do all they can with the money they get. But I don't like some of the things they are told to do with our tax money. If you will drive along the good highways, you'll see what I mean. Much of our tax money the workers get is so inflated it is blown up into various shaped islands and stuck in front of places of business — where during busy hours customers' cars are blocked and others have to back into the highway to get going — or maybe wait until some one else gets gone. The thousands upon thousands of tax dollars spent on these islands, that are a hindrance instead of a help, (if put on the roads that need it) would get many of our employes, customers and neighbors out of the mud and pot-hole roads. Our school busses could travel safely instead of havin' to be pulled out of the mud by a wrecker every time it rains. Maybe those who tell how to spend our tax money should come and see where it needs to be spent.

If you have any money left after taxes — come by here. Your 'Ole Country Groceryman needs to sell enough groceries and feed to pay his taxes (so they can get enough money to finish the island in front of my place). If some of you want to take that ride — come by — it can be arranged.

(Un-hibernated)  
PAUL SWAFFORD

**Swafford's Country Grocery**  
1 1/2 miles from city limits on Bryson City Road



**RICHARD P. MAUNEY** is shown addressing the Franklin Chamber of Commerce banquet Friday night. At the speaker's table are (L to R) Mrs. J. C. Jacobs, Mr. Jacobs, Mrs. W. W. Reeves, Mr. Mauney, Mr. Reeves, chamber president, B. L. McGlamery, master of ceremonies, and H. Bueck, who introduced the speaker. (Staff Photo)

less than the proposed budget for 1959, but the actual amount raised for that year was only \$5,048.70.

Mrs. C. E. Henry entertained the crowd, singing a number of Irish songs in honor of St. Patrick's Day (March 17) and Mrs. Tom Collier added to the enjoyment of the banquet with organ dinner music.

**Guests Present:**  
B. L. McGlamery presented the guests at the banquet and they included Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Laughridge, owners and operators of Sunnybrook Industries, H. E. Hathecock, general manager of the Park Lime Manufacturing Co., and Mrs. Hathecock, Weimar Jones, editorial editor of the Franklin Press, and Mrs. Jones; Ed Purdom, president of E. S. Purdom and Co., custom made furniture, and Mrs. Purdom; H. Bueck, superintendent of Macon County schools and president of Western North Carolina Associated Communities, and Mrs. Bueck; Bud Alverson, acting secretary of the Murphy

Chamber of Commerce.

Frank Forsyth, state senator for the 33rd district, from Murphy; W. D. Townson, president of the Murphy Chamber of Commerce; Arthur Watkins, co-owner of the Franklin Motel, from Andrews; Guy Mullinax, president of the Rabun Chamber of Commerce from Clayton, Ga.; S. L. Gillespie, secretary of the Rabun Chamber of Commerce, from Clayton, Ga.; Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Taylor, of Clayton; Edwin P. Healy, manager of WFSC radio station, and Mrs. Healy; Ned Tucker, executive secretary of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce; Wayne Rogers, president of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce; J. A. Gray, president of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. Gray; J. R. Buchanan, manager of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. Josephine Thurmon, Mrs. Kate Mauney, mother of the speaker from Murphy and Virginia Wilson, of Hayesville.

**Outlines Program**

Mr. Reeves, new president, outlined the chamber's program for 1960 and asked for help from all citizens of Franklin.

Mr. Bueck introduced the speaker, explaining that Mr. Mauney had attended school under him at Murphy, his home town.

Mr. Mauney's speech included his belief that, "wherever you find a progressive local government, you will find a progressive chamber of commerce."

He got a laugh from the crowd when he told how, "cotton is moving west, negroes north, and industry south."

**Industries Up**

"North Carolina industries are up 35 per cent and have created 36,311 new jobs for North Caro-

linians", he said.

Mr. Mauney praised the continued growth of the state's traditional industries, as well as the addition of new ones.

He explained the state's advantages to industry include modern transportation and communication, no big cluttered cities, central location for distribution, good tax structure, good workers, friendly management-labor relations, good weather, plenty of water and power, and nine-month schools.

**No Tax Cuts**

He told that this state doesn't offer tax cuts to industries because this would be unfair discrimination.

"We believe in a well-balanced orderly development of the state", he said. He praised the good industries we have already, such as Gerber, Ecusta, and Celanese corporations, and said, "we got these not by handouts, but by our good offerings".

**Greatest Growth**

He pointed out that the next 10 or 20 years will show the greatest growth of the U. S. and that due to transportation improvements and the end of isolation, Western North Carolina will be in a position to fully develop its potential.

"Growth in the U. S. must start at the local level to enable us to meet the opportunities of the future," he said in closing.

The Rev. Robert Early gave the opening invocation and the Rev. Jack Tucker closed with the benediction.

The dinner, praised by everyone present for its preparation and serving, was catered by Mrs. George R. Pattillo.

Place mats showing a map of Western North Carolina were hand-made by Miss Jean Hemphill's art class of Franklin High.

Proceeds will be used for club projects, including purchase of shoes for needy school-children.

**Hays Firm Gets Murphy Project**

The W. A. Hays Block Company, a local construction firm, has been awarded a \$60,000 contract for the building of a post office in Murphy.

Construction under the direction of Nat Phillips, of Franklin, will begin as soon as the weather improves.

**Fashion Show Slated April 2**

A spring fashion show has been scheduled for April 2 under the sponsorship of the Franklin Junior Woman's Club, with local merchants furnishing models and clothing.

It will be held at East Franklin School at 8 p.m.

Musical entertainment also is planned as a feature of the show.



**NEQUASSA CHAPTER WORTHY MATRON**

Mrs. Merle P. Dryman was installed as worthy matron of Nequassa Chapter No. 43, Order of the Eastern Star, at an installation last Thursday night at the Masonic Hall in Franklin. William G. Crawford was installed as worthy patron. At a social hour following the ceremony, hostesses were Mrs. Elizabeth Hauser, Mrs. Grace O'mohundro, Mrs. Barbara Calloway, Mrs. Josephine Childers, Mrs. Elizabeth Patton, Mrs. Irene Bryson, Mrs. Esther Cunningham, Mrs. Beth Guffey, and Mrs. Laura Ellen Duncan.

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way officials are keeping a close watch on these sections.

In discussing the landslide problem on Cowee, Mr. Hutchison pointed out that \$50,000 already has been appropriated to repair the smaller slide that threatens to take out a section of the highway near the gap.

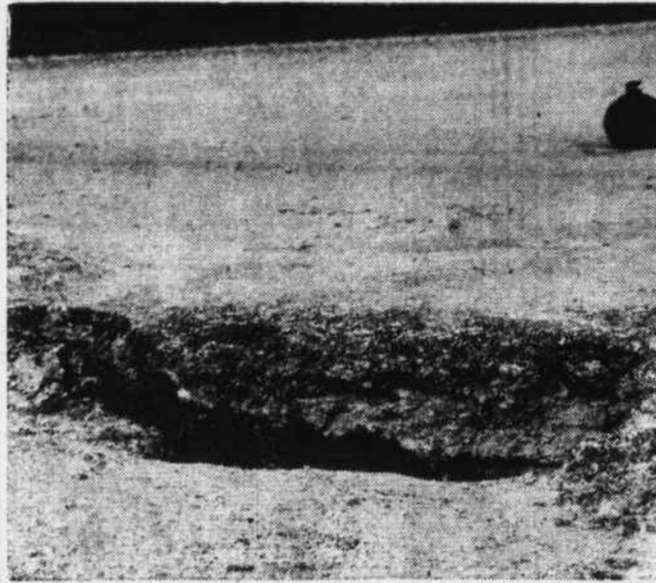
No funds have been set up for these new slides, he explained. However, the engineer said it is possible that the \$50,000 will be sufficient to do the entire job.

Highway officials have been reluctant to start men working at the "toe" of the fills for fear of triggering slides.

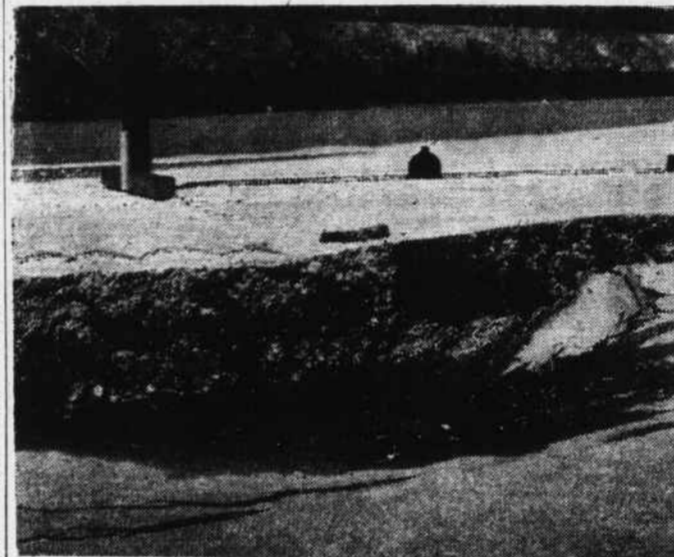
In the event a slide knocks out a section of the highway, Mr. Hutchison said it would not be necessary to close the highway to traffic.

"There's enough room on the mountain side to cut a detour road," he explained.

This particular section of highway has been threatened with slides since it was finished several years ago and one section gave way not long after it was opened.



The pavement break two weeks ago.



Same break day before yesterday. (Staff Photos)

**Girl Scout Cookies Still Being Sold**

Franklin Girl Scouts and Brownies have sold or promised most of the 1,200 boxes of Girl

Scout Cookies they ordered. Recent bad weather has hampered sales, according to leaders Mrs. Harvey Price and Mrs. Carl Seabock. However, the Scouts will continue to make deliveries until everyone gets their cookies.



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**"THE BOWERY BOYS MEET THE MONSTERS"**  
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