

Staff correspondents of THE PRESS keep the inside pages of this newspaper alive with news about your friends and neighbors...



Road Meeting Next Week In Franklin

Residents of Macon County will have an opportunity to present road requests, petitions, and problems to representatives of the 14th Highway Division at a public hearing here next Thursday, May 5.

THAT EASTER bake sale for crippled children raised more than \$200.

JUST REMEMBER you promised not to complain about the heat this summer if winter's hold would just let up. Some of you already are goofing and are beefing about the rising mercury.

IT'S A sure sign of spring now when thunderstorms and lightning play back and forth along the mountain ranges rimming Franklin like they did Tuesday afternoon. The showers helped cool things off a little.

MACON'S HOME economics agent, Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill, has been in "high cotton" again. She's been in Raleigh for a program planning session.

QUITE A few Maconians were on hand for the opening race Sunday at the Asheville-Weaverly Speedway. Got so warm the track melted, they report, and the race was halted for more than an hour.

MAY SHOULD cause the politicians to come out of hiding and begin campaigning in earnest. Should they be considered "May flowers"?

IT ISN'T definite, but the Little League officials hope to have the opening game about May 30.

ALL MOTORISTS should take advantage of the free safety check lane that'll operate in Franklin two days next week. An ounce of prevention...

INTEREST in the April term of Superior Court sure changed when the murder trial failed to develop.

THIS RAIN, though not too heavy, should help relieve the serious forest fire situation. About four acres of private land burned Tuesday in the Sanders Town section.

DON'T FORGET that road meeting here on the 5th. That'll be the time to get your road problems shifted to the shoulders of the right people to do something about them.

A LOT OF business places are putting on new spring faces and sprucing up in general for the coming season.

DO YOU have the urge to really "step on it" when going over those sunken places on Cowee Mountain? Wish something could be done about that situation right away, don't you?

DUNCAN'S NEW shopping center is about ready to open. Some of its occupants already have moved and others expect to be unpacked and ready for business by the first of the month.

THE BRICKS are going up on the new market for the Baldwins in East Franklin.

WHY WON'T the county fix that parking lot behind the health center and remove the hazard of cars parking on narrow and dangerous Riverview? It wouldn't take much to do the job and a life may be saved.

BELK'S NEW manager, Ernest N. Kirkman, is house hunting and wants to move his family here from Waynesville as soon as school's out.

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.

V. F. W. Auxiliary: Second Monday nights, 8 p. m., at post home.

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

Sunday: public dinner, noon to 2 p. m., Masonic Hall, by Eastern Star.

Wednesday: District home demonstration meeting, First Baptist Church, 10-11 a. m.



BROOMS FOR BLIND GO LIKE HOTCAKES

Members of the Franklin Lions Club, shown unloading their wares from a truck Monday night, sold out of brooms in a matter of a couple of hours in their annual broom sale, which brought in \$360. The project chairman, Freljo J. Dryman (in truck), said the club could have sold many more. The brooms are made by the blind and the money is used for work with the blind. (Staff Photo)

WAS NEARLY 96 -

'Miss Carrie' Crawford, Stalwart Of Era, Passes

Mrs. Lee Crawford, who died here Sunday, symbolized outstanding characteristics of the stalwart mountain generation of which she was one of the last.

Even in death, she suggested stability; for she died in the town where she was born, nearly 96 years ago, in the home where she

and her husband set up house-keeping, and in the room where her first child was born.

A tiny woman, she possessed the stamina which alone enabled members of her generation to survive a period when poverty was universal here, and hardship and privation were the rule. Until her last illness, lasting only a few weeks, her hearing and eyesight were better than that of many half her age, and her mind remained clear and decisive until a few days before she died.

Piercely independent, she was active and self-reliant until only a few months ago.

One who loved laughter, she jested with visitors to her bedside a week before her death.

She was a person of deep religious faith. At the funeral of her sister, just four years ago, she sang every hymn through, with never a break in her voice.

She was known affectionately to people all over the county as "Miss Carrie", and many are the stories of her quick repartee, her fearlessness, her indomitable will, her zest for life.

At the annual Siler family meeting, she scorned the "old folks' table", set aside for the



Mrs. Crawford

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Major C. A. Speed

Major Speed Is Road-e-o Speaker Here

Thirty-one Franklin High students, yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon competed in the annual "Teen-Age Road-e-o", a Jaycee-sponsored test of driving skill and knowledge.

Preceding the actual driving competition after school, the student body heard an address by Major C. A. Speed, head of the safety division of the State Highway Patrol, who came here at the invitation of the Jaycees.

The competing students also took a written examination Tuesday afternoon.

Because the driving portion of the contest was still under way at press time, the names of the boy and girl winners are not known. However, they will be announced in next week's PRESS.

Bob Moore was the Jaycee in charge of the "road-e-o". He will accompany the local winner to the state contest in Kinston later in the year.

Charter Event Held Saturday

Some 60 were on hand Saturday night for the charter presentation banquet of the local chapter of the Business and Professional Women's Club.

The charter was presented by Miss Margaret Johnston, of Albemarle.

Mrs. Frank L. Henry, Jr., was installed as president, along with other officers. The installing official was Miss Sanchez Mott, of Black Mountain, president of District I.

BRIARTOWN SINGING

The semi-annual singing convention of the northern division of Macon County will be held at the Briartown Baptist Church on Nantahala Sunday, May 1, beginning at 10 a. m. John Campbell, president, invites the public and all singers to attend.

ELECTION MACHINERY STARTED - Franklin Water Bond Vote Is Scheduled For June 4

Little League Player Option Held Monday

A "player auction" was held Monday night by Little League and first practice sessions for the four teams were scheduled, according to the league president, Dr. T. J. Huff.

The Reddys will hold their first practice Saturday at 2:30 p. m. on the football field at Franklin High. Listed on the roster are Johnny Owl, Kenneth Seay, Donald Burch, Dennis Long, Johnny Stanfield, David Parker, Don McConnell, Jimmy Gunnin, David Gunnin, Michael Wells, David Tripp, Roy Crisp, Farrell Justice, Charles Gunnin, Teddy Boring, Steve Whitmire, Garland Norton, and Denton Higdon. Coaching the Reddys is Ancil Crutchfield.

With the Rev. Earl Crowe as coach, the Wildcats practiced yesterday (Wednesday) at East Franklin. Trying out with this team are Joe Doster, Gene Shields, Clarence Shields, Buddy Hoghead, Buzzy Bryson, Gary Carver, Michael Johnson, Phillip Keener, Tracy Keener, Abby Winstead, Derald Prince, Al Slagle, Dwayne Welch, Danny Ashe, Keith Vinson, Robert Sorrells, Jimmy Guffey, Gary Morgan, Jerry Arnold, and L. Cabe.

Also practicing yesterday were the Thunderbirds, coached by Robert C. (Bob) Carpenter. On the roster are Homer Holbrook, Keith Corbin, Ronnie Norton, Earl Dwight, Scotty Jacobs, Kenneth Drake, Larry Holbrook, Marion Stamey, Charles Jamison, Larry Conley, Mike Walddrop, Steve Plimmans, Kenneth Pannell, Randy Pannell, George Hubbs, Bobby Carpenter, and Tim Vaughn.

Coach Jim Williamson has announced a practice for his Jaybirds on Monday, May 2, at East Franklin at 4 p. m. Boys on the roster include Jack Angel, James Lewis, Mike Wallace, Mack Wallace, Joe Sanders, Tommy Henry, Morlan Bowman, Jerry Wallace, Tony Bryant, Ligon Bundy, Mike McSween, Billy Henry, Bruce Adams, Boyd Bowman, and David Pattillo.

Dr. Huff emphasized the importance of all boys reporting out for practice since the teams must be reduced to 15 men on each by May 20 under league rules.

Conflicts Force Postponement Of East Franklin Meet

The monthly meeting of the East Franklin P.T.A., set for tonight (Thursday), has been postponed.

Mrs. George Raby, president, explains that conflicting meetings have made it impossible for some of the officers for next year to be present for the installation program and that a new date for the meeting will be announced later.

6,597,500 DAILY -

Rough Fork Water Output Measured

New light was cast this week on the controversial question of how much water could be obtained for a municipal water supply from Rough Fork, a tributary of Wayah Creek.

Until now, the widely varying figures on the amount of water available there have been based on estimates.

Ten days ago, the flow was measured.

The result, announced this week, was 6,597,500 gallons per day.

The measurement was made by personnel from the Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory, at the request of H. H. Plimmans and W. Russell Cabe, local engineers who have advocated a Wayah area watershed in preference to the proposed 1,000,000

June 4 has been set as the date for Franklin's special \$350,000 water bond election. Legal notices for an ordinance authorizing the bonds and one setting up the election machinery appear in this issue.

The election does not pinpoint the source of water for the proposed improvement to the town system, it only provides "funds for enlarging the waterworks system of said town, including the construction of a filter plant with accessory structures and pipelines and the acquisition of necessary land and rights of way, and authorizing the levy and collection of a sufficient tax for the payment of the principal of and the interest on said bonds..."



Mr. Henderson

Henderson Heads Teen Association

Max Henderson, young Franklin businessman, has been elected president of the Franklin Teen Center Association for 1960.

Serving with him are John Bulgin, vice-president, and Mrs. E. J. Whitmire, secretary-treasurer.

Committees for the new year include building, Allan Brooks, chairman, and Mr. Bulgin; fund raising, Robert C. (Bob) Carpenter, chairman, B. L. McGlamery, and Bob S. Sloan; chaplains, Mrs. Jim Cunningham, chairman, Mrs. Julian Maddox, Mrs. Bill Horsley, and Mrs. T. H. Page.

The new teen center at Franklin Memorial Park is expected to be ready for occupancy in the very near future.

4-H Council Slates Planning Session Saturday

Some serious planning of activities is on tap Saturday when the Macon 4-H County Council meets at 9:30 a. m. at the Agricultural Building.

Among items to be considered in the agenda are "Demonstration Day", "4-H Church Sunday (May 22)", "4-H camp (June 20-25)", the observance locally of "State 4-H Club Week", and other coming events.

As a feature of the council meeting, a film, "A Family Affair", will be shown. It is about home wiring.

Robert Enloe, council president, will preside.

Court Term Is Over

Judge J. Will Pless recessed the April term of Superior Court here Monday after disposing of most of the cases on the criminal docket.

Although the work is completed, officially the term will not end until Saturday, in the event a new case warranting action should arise. Judge Pless, however, is not in town.

Meanwhile, the clerk of court, Mrs. Kate M. Wrinn, and her deputy clerk, Mrs. Edith Byrd, are busy transferring dispositions to the permanent court records. A list of the April dispositions will be carried in next week's PRESS.

Mrs. Wrinn said all cases on the docket were disposed of with the exception of about 60. These were continued, defendants failed to appear, or prayer for judgment was continued. The two-week term convened the 18th.

SHARES HIS FRIENDS

Dr. A. Rufus Morgan conducted a wild flower hunt at his home on Cartoogechaye Saturday of last week for Girl Scouts of the Nantahala Council. Besides Scouts from the local troops girls from Sylva and Murphy enjoyed the hunt and shared Dr. Morgan's very personal friends - the wild flowers.

BENEFIT PARTY

A benefit Bunco and bridge party will be held Saturday night, May 7, at 7:30 at Kelly's Inn, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. Admission price will be 50 cents per person. A door prize is planned, besides the many prizes for Bunco and bridge games.

The Weather

The week's temperature and rainfall below were recorded in Franklin by Manson Siles, U. S. weather observer in Highlands by Tudor N. Hall and W. C. Newton, TVA observers; and at the Coweeta Hydrologic Laboratory. Readings are for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a. m. of the day listed.

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HIGHLANDS (Not Available)