

NEWS OF WEEK OF HIGHLANDS

Brief Items of Interest from Macon's Pretty Mountain City as Told by Correspondent of The Press.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Salinas spent the week end at the Pierson House recently.

Mrs. W. S. Davis who has been quite ill is now able to be up.

Miss McRee who spent the Christmas holidays at her home in Watkinsville, Ga., has returned to take up her work in the school.

Mr. George Marrett is spending the holidays in Baltimore with his wife, who is there studying art.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Potts are happy over the arrival of their little daughter, Jessie Anna, who was born December 5, 1924.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bascoir are visiting their daughter, Mrs. George Parrett in New York.

Misses Evelyn Cleaveland and Caroline Hall, and Mr. Joe Hays have returned to Cullowhee after spending the holidays at home.

Mr. Willie Hays left for Chapel Hill to finish his Senior year at the State University.

Miss Frances Paul who has been attending the Franklin High School had a very pleasant vacation with home folks and friends.

The Macon County League of Women Voters held a regular meeting at the home of Miss Bernice Durgin from three to five, Wednesday afternoon, December 17, 1924. After a ten minute drill in Parliamentary Usage by the acting Chairman, Mrs. S. T. Marrett, a study of the county was taken up in the form of a questionnaire:

1. What is a county? A—A portion of land set aside by the state for the convenience of the people in the section, they having representation in the State Legislature.
2. For whom was this county named? A.—Nathaniel Macon, a statesman.
3. How old is this county? A—95 years old.
4. What is the area of Macon county? A. 413 square miles.
5. By what counties is it bounded? A.—Jackson on the East, Swain on the North, Cherokee and Clay on the West, and Rabun County, Ga., and Oconee County, S. C. on the South.
6. In what section of N. C. is Macon County? A—Carolina Highlands.
7. What is the population of Macon County? A.—12887.
8. What is the highest elevation in the county? A.—5,500 feet, Standing Indian and Wine Spring Bald each reaching that elevation.
9. Who is the chief officer of the county? A.—A. B. Slagle, who is the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, said Board having complete control of the county finances.
10. How many townships are there in this county? A.—Twelve, Franklin, Highlands, Cowee, Smith's Bridge, Sugar Fork, Ellijay, Burningtown, Briartown, Mill Shoals, Flats, Cartoogechaye, and Nantahala.
11. Who was elected sheriff? A.—Ingram.
12. In what Congressional district is Macon County? A.—10th.
13. In what Senatorial district is Macon County? A.—33rd.
14. What are the needs of the County? This will be left for discussion.

IOTLA NEWS

Christmas vacations are over we are back in school again starting out on the last part of the term.

Miss Thelma Ray gave the young people a party last Thursday night. Several were present and all had a nice time.

Messrs. Crawford Poindexter Lofton Cyrus and Buford Fouts spent their holidays with home folks.

Miss Ethel Wilkie spent most of last week with Miss Thelma Ray.

Miss Ruby Mason was visiting schoolmates on Oak Grove last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Collins was visiting in East Franklin Christmas Day.

Mr. Harvey Swafford from Winston-Salem spent Christmas with home folks.

Mr. Edd Duvall has the honor of killing the largest hog in this settlement weighing 520 pounds dressed.

Misses Gray Bennett and Annie Shields spent last Thursday night with Misses Laura and Lillie Jacobs.

There are two new students that have entered the Iotla High School. Miss Ruby Gibson from Cowee and Miss Leola McCracken from Holly Springs. We are glad to have them.

Misses Verdine and Eva Smith and Miss Lovicia Justice who are attending school at Iotla spent the holidays with home folks.

Mr. Glen Cunningham spent the holidays with kinsfolks in Greenville, N. C.

Mr. Loyd Roland and Wando Fouts left last week for Winston-Salem where they will work for a while.

Write more to the paper people like to hear news from all over the county, and the Franklin Press is being sent all over the U. S. A.

Mr. Chas Mallonee who was called home on account of sickness has returned to his work again. The child is improving we are all glad to say.

In Memory of Our Dear Loving Father

Our dear father was called to rest Sunday, Oct. 5, 1924.

He was stricken with apoplexy and only lived a few hours. He was a member of the Snow Hill Methodist Church. He was born January 15, 1869. He was married to Miss Nancy E. Potts in the year of 1890 to this union was born three children two sons and one daughter of whom all are living. She was taken from him September 28, 1894. In the year 1895 he was married to Miss Nannie Leatherman to this union was born eight children five daughters and three sons all are living except one son.

He left us with bleeding hearts, but we must remember there is no rose without a thorn.

We know there is a bright side to it, for God doeth all things well. Yet sometimes it is hard to be submissive and say "Thy Will Be Done."

Dear Father help us to realize that it is a victory he has won, and help us to live a life that will please Thee and glorify Thy name, that we may meet him in Heaven.

He leaves to mourn his loss four sons six daughters three sisters and nine grandchildren. Beside a host of friends.

He was laid to rest in the Snow Hill Cemetery The funeral services were conducted by the Pastor Rev Truitt and Rev W. M. Smith of Franklin.

Written by his sons, D. T. and W. E. Allen.

ETNA NEWS

The many friends of Mrs. Carey Hall will be glad to learn she is fastly improving after an attack of Pneumonia.

Mr. Edd Byrd of Tellico was on Oak Grove Friday, and reported his child as doing well.

Miss Dessie Bradley returned to Bryson City, where she is going to school.

Mrs. Vivian Lakey has been very ill with Pneumonia fever, but is improving at this writing.

Mrs. E. M. Truitt spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Woodard of Needmore.

Mr. G. A. Cloer filled his regular appointment at Oak Grove Saturday and Sunday and preached an interesting sermon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Theo McCoy a fine girl on January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeter Higdon of Watauga were visiting Mrs. Higdon's parents Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Dean.

Mr. Tom Carnes was on Oak Grove Thursday.

Jess Burnett and Odas Morrison returned to Winston-Salem Thesday.

LEATHERMAN

Mrs. Kate Mason has returned to her home from a visit to her son, Mr. Arthur Mason of Gastonia.

Mrs. W. H. Dalton and little daughter, Rebecca are visiting a few days with relatives in Jackson county.

Mr. Edgar Shepherd of East La Port spent the holidays with home folks.

Miss Hazel Dalton of Holly Springs spent the past week end with her cousin Zelda Hurst of this place.

Mr. G. H. Gibson was a visitor in Franklin Monday.

Little Fay and Cecil Alexander of Sylva, N. C. have been visiting relatives and friends of this place.

Mr. A. T. Hurst has returned home from Sylva where he has been doing some carpenter work.

We are glad to report that Mr. Robert Gibson is able to return to his work after being sick for a few days.

Mrs. J. W. Murray of this place is visiting her son Mr. Frank Murray of Franklin.

Miss Noama Gibson of Winston-Salem, spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Ben R. Gibson.

Mr. Dock Leatherman went to Franklin Monday taking apples.

Miss Flora Shepherd who had the misfortune of getting her leg broken by a car passing by was carried to a hospital in Waynesville. The last report she was doing fine. Miss Flora was with her sister, Mrs. Irene Crawford of Cullowhee.

Mrs. Sam Munday and children have returned home after spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Horette Higdon of Higdonville.

Little Frank Reynolds has gone to Iotla to attend school.

Mr. Jim Gibson's home got on fire last Tuesday only the kitchen burned. By the help of the rain the rest was saved.

Our Box Supper and entertainment at the Liberty School House went off nicely. The amount received for boxes was \$28.

TRYPHOSA NEWS

Misses Mattie and Maggie Shope from Dillard Ga. were visiting their uncle, Mr. Lee Corn at this place Sunday.

Mr. Tom Norton gave the young folks a candy drawing last Saturday night. Everyone that went reported a good time.

Misses Grace Howard and Bessie and Virgie Corn spent New Year Day with Misses Montel and Clara Newman.

Mr. Zeb Carvey is moving to Coweta. Everybody is sorry to see him move away.

Mr. Ernest Vinson and his sister Miss Thelma Vinson from the Flats were visiting here last Sunday.

THE MAN WHO TALKS TO MONKEYS

John F. McAullay employed as a brakeman in the Boston & Maine passenger yards at the North Station, Boston, successfully solved over twenty years ago a problem that scientists have been working on for a long period. McAullay served in the navy during the Spanish War, and one day while his ship was in Philippine waters he and a number of shipmates were given shore leave for a short shooting trip. There were hundreds of monkeys in the trees near where the party landed. Jack thought the monkeys looked so much like human beings that he asked his shipmates not to shoot, and they agreed not to molest the monkeys. While walking under the coconut trees McAullay picked up a tiny baby monkey. He carried the little fellow aboard the ship and fed it on the bottle. The monkey thrived and became a great favorite with the ship's crew. It was named "Gillispie." McAullay observed that certain gestures positions, chatterings of Gillispie's meant something, and he closely observed these, and mastered them, so that he and Gillispie could carry on a conversation in monkey talk and understand each other.

After receiving an honorable discharge from the navy, McAullay went home to his parents in Woburn, Mass., and carried Gillispie with him. On arriving at his home McAullay said: "Gillispie, these are my father and mother and I want you to take care of them." The monkey understood, because for eleven years he did look after McAullay's parents.

Whenever Mrs. McAullay wanted to go away she would lock the door and hand the key to Gillispie, and leave him on the piazza, and nobody could get by the monkey on guard. When she returned Gillispie would hand her the key. In cold weather he would stay inside and guard the house. He would not get into any mischief or harm a thing in the house.

I have been with McAullay at both the Boston and New York Zoos, and seen him talk to monkeys in the cage when they crowded up to the bars and shook hands with him. Some monkey the keeper claimed were savage and unsafe to go near; nevertheless McAullay could soothe them and have them grasp his hand when he stuck it through the cage bars.

There have been shipments of monkeys passing through the North Station, in Boston, where McAullay is employed as a brakeman. I have known many cases where the monkeys were frightened and chattering from being handled and tossed around by truckmen. McAullay has quieted many monkeys passing through the station by just talking to them, and they always understood.

I am convinced that Jack McAullay has solved the monkey language. In telling me of his experience in the Philippines where he captured Gillispie, McAullay, one of the kindest hearted men that ever lived, said he felt as though monkeys had souls and he didn't have the heart to shoot them. His argument is what kept his shipmates from shooting the monkeys that day.

SAVE THE BROOD SOWS

The truth about the possibilities of profit from feeding corn to hogs in North Carolina seems deeply hidden that it is hard to bring it to light.

"Furthermore, when this truth is brought to the light," says W. W. Shay Swine Extension Specialist at State College, "it is seldom recognized as the truth; and as proof that it is not the truth some misguided brother, suffering from the effect of darkness, quotes the price he received a short time ago for a load of hogs he shipped out of the soy bean or peanut fields.

"Let us examine the Baltimore quotations on hogs December 15, Heavies—200 to 275 lbs. \$10.50 to 10 60. Medium—160 to 200 lbs. \$9.90 Ohio hogs 10 to 15 cents higher. Soft and oily \$6.00 to \$8.00 .

"Above we have an extreme spread of the difference between the price of a prime hard hog weighing slightly over 200 pounds at \$10.75 per 100 pounds and that of an oily hog at \$6.00 per 100 pounds, the difference is \$4.75 per 100 pounds; \$9.97 difference in the price paid for a 210 pound hog depending on whether he is what the packer wants or what some farmers think is most profitable to produce.

"This difference amounts to \$747.75 on a car of 75 head of 210 pound hogs.

"To begin with North Carolina hogs should not be sold in December if there is doubt about this, keep it in mind and see what the price of prime hogs is April 1, 1925. You will wish for sows to breed then!"

See that the label on your paper is dated in advance, if you want the Press to continue coming to your home.

ROCKY BRANCH ITEMS

Mr. Wade Morgan left Sunday for Nantahala to work.

Mr. Gordon Tallent spent Sunday with Miss Pollie Tallent.

Mr. Loyd Tallent spent Sunday with friends on Burningtown.

Mr. Fred Edwards made a trip to Bryson City Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claudie Russell visited Mrs. E. J. Simmons Sunday.

Mr. John Tallent has moved to Rack Branch.

Mr. Len Hall has moved to the bend of the River.

Mr. George Jacobs is reported on the sick list hope he will soon be out again.

Mr. Bob Adams is carrying the Cowee mail for Bob Bryson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Jacobs have returned to Buckner after spending the holidays with home folks.

Mrs. P. H. Edwards returned home Sunday after a two weeks visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. F. Taylor, at Tugalo, Ga.

TELLICO NEWS

Mr. Carl Wikel of Briartown was through this section taking agricultural census Monday.

Miss Bonnie Dehart who has been in Winston-Salem for some few months is back home again with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Dehart.

Mr. Robert Ramsey took his two little daughters, Lola and Jessie to Iotla Monday. I suppose they are going to school at Iotla.

There were a large number of our friends went to town Saturday on business.

Rev. Mose Woodard filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday and preached a wonderful sermon each day. We had some visitors and hope they will continue to come and bring some ones with them.

LADIES SPECIALTY SHOP

I have gone to Florida, but will be back the first week in February with my spring goods. I shall then be glad to see my patrons.

MRS. W. J. ZACHARY
Ladies Specialty Shop

EAT AT REECE'S RESTAURANT

If it's meats, they got 'em
If it's vegetables, they got 'em
If it's pies, they got 'em—all kinds
Good regular dinner served every day
We serve 'em soon and late

Big Clearance Sale

In taking stock the first of the year I found a great many things I did not know I had and many things that I prefer selling at a big REDUCTION rather than to carry them over. I will mention just a few things in order to give you an idea of what I am offering.

- Ladies shoes, \$4.00 to \$5.00 now at \$1.50 per pair, Close out.
- Ladies shoes, \$3.25 to \$4.00 now at \$2.45
- Ladies shoes, \$5.50, new stock, now at \$3.75
- 50 Ladies coats, all kinds, **33 per cent off. Good bargains.**
- 50 Ladies coat suits, \$15.00 to \$30.00 will sell **\$4.50 to \$17.50**
- 45 Ladies dresses from **\$1.50 to \$12.95**, worth double the price.
- 4 dozen Ladies outing gowns **88 to 98 cents each.**
- 95 Boy's wool suits **25 per cent off**
- 120 Men's suits **25 per cent off.**
- Big line of men's sample hats will sell at cost.
- Men's shirts **50 cents up.**
- Sweaters to close out regardless of price.

I cannot mention everything for lack of space, but it will pay you to attend this sale and save your money. You will sincerely appreciate my telling you of this sale when you see what I can do for you.

Come first and get the best. This BIG SALE is now on.

JOS. ASHEAR