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## GREETINGS AND WELCOME TO HOME-COMERS To Its Former Citizens the County Extends Glad Hand

### LOCAL TALENT PLAY A SCREAM

**Macon County's Own Actors  
Will Amuse You—Nobody  
Allowed Who Can't Laugh  
—Its a Side-Exerciser.**

Folks, you'll be surprised!  
Two weeks ago, when I told you about that local talent comedy, "A Poor Married Man," which they are showing at the Court house the afternoon and evening of July 3rd, I honestly didn't expect much. And, as I recall my newspaper article, just about said so.

But things have changed!  
The other night I slipped in the back door, and watched a rehearsal. By George, I couldn't believe my own eyes! You know, these home-made actors of ours are good. Darned good!

The thing's funny, really side-splitting, rip-snorting, roaringly funny! Even if it has got the title it has. And they do it well, local talent or no local talent. I've paid two dollars a shot for much worse in the cities.

I'm going to tell you where the credit belongs. That young lady from South Carolina, Miss Louise McFadden, who is directing and coaching this thing, is the miracle back of the whole proposition. How she did it is a mystery to this poor benighted ink slinger, but done it she has. For these local actors really act; they are absolutely natural, and they are screamingly funny. You are going to enjoy this show, no matter how you may feel before you get there—because you can't help it!

Of course she fired Gilmer Crawford and George Johnston off the cast the first crack of the gun—naturally that helped some. Then she got in touch with Ed Carpenter and Joe Moore—and, believe me, those boys are going to open your eyes. I know, for I sneaked in on a rehearsal. Then, there are Edwina Dalrymple, Virginia Smith, Esther Wallace and Hattie Brendle—and not one of them would fail to make the grade on Broadway if she appeared there tonight in "A Poor Married Man." That may sound extravagant, but remember I peeked through a crack. I am not trying to forget Paul Carpenter—red-headed Paul—and Robert Wallace—who's a better actor than his dad, and that's going some—for they are distinctly there with their end of the show.

Folks, as I chirruped at the start of this classic article, you'll be surprised! Below you will find the complete cast of characters and synopsis:

Billy Blake, Mr. Paul Carpenter.

Rosalind Wilson, Miss Virginia Smith.

Jupiter Jackson, Mr. Robert Wallace.

Mrs. Iona Ford, Miss Edwina Dalrymple.

Zoie, Miss Esther Wallace.

Prof. John B. Wise, Mr. Joe Moore.

Dr. Matthew Graham, Mr. Edgar Carpenter.

June Graham, Miss Hattie Brendle.

Place:—A small college town.

Time:—The present.

Act 1—The living room of Prof. Wise's bungalow. Hail to the bride.

Act 2—The same. Too much mother-in-law!

Act 3—The same. Two years later. After the storm.

There will be two performances of "A Poor Married Man," the afternoon of July 3rd, at 3:00 o'clock, and the night of the 3rd, at 8:30. Both performances at the Court house. Admission, 50 cents for everybody.

Get there on time. The house will be crowded, and no lady over sixteen years old will be allowed to sit in her escort's lap.

Folks, for the third, last and most emphatic time, you'll be surprised!

### EMERSON AND STAMFORD HERE

Last Friday and Saturday Mr. C. L. Emerson, vice-president of Robert & Company, Atlanta, and Mr. Stamford, electrical expert of this company, were in Franklin inspecting the work at the dam. Both Mr. Emerson and Mr. Stamford expressed themselves as delighted with the progress of the work. It is confidently believed that, with continued good weather, the contractors will finish pouring concrete of the dam proper by early in August.



LUCY MOWER AND GERTRUDE KELLEY LAMBRIGHT, who will dance at the Court House Saturday.

### MORE ABOUT THOSE DANCERS

**This Feature Is Attracting  
Much Comment Over the  
County—Record Attendance Assured.**

Everybody is talking about the dancers. No attraction of this nature has ever before been brought to Franklin, so many of our people are going to see something entirely new to them. Real aesthetic dancing is an art requiring years of painstaking study and practice. The interpretation of music and nature through graceful postures of nature's supreme work of art, the human body, is a simple matter neither in conception nor attainment. Yet the two charming young ladies who will be at the Court house on the Fourth have been eminently successful as interpretative dancers. Their artistry has been praised by the newspapers and critics wherever they have been seen.

In a word, they are good.  
In the Franklin Pharmacy show window is a large placard showing some of the figures you will see when these two gifted dancers come to Franklin.

Look at this placard.  
If you were in New York today you couldn't find anything better in the dancing line. And that is a simple statement of a simple fact.

There will be two performances, both at the Court house, July 4th. The first performance is 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon; the second, 8:30 at night. Many of the numbers will be changed, so you will see something new at each performance. The admission will be 50 cents for everybody.

### Big Chicken Sale

On the 24th of June County Agent Arrendale held the 12th co-operative sale in car lots in Macon county within the past two years. Before these co-operative sales were started farmers took whatever they could get for their poultry. Now they receive the market price. It is estimated that County Agent Arrendale has saved the farmers of the county at least \$6,000 on these 12 cars.

The last car carried 9573 pounds of poultry out of the county and left \$2,376.49 in the hands of the farmers in payment.

### INSPECT LAKE EMORY LOTS

**Smith & Rankin, a Big Realty Firm of Atlanta, Ga.,  
In Charge of the Sale of  
This Property.**

The Lake Emory company has placed the sale of their holdings in the hands of Smith & Rankin, realtors of Atlanta. The survey of the lands of this company on the east bank of the river has been completed. It is understood that Smith & Rankin will offer these lots for sale in the near future.

On top of the hill just east of the dam a hotel site has been reserved. From this site one gets a magnificent view of the lake and adjacent hills with the towering peaks of the Blue Ridge and Nantahalas in the distance. It is difficult to imagine a more beautiful location for a hotel than the one proposed. Lake Emory also has suitable grounds near the hotel site for a golf course.

During Home Coming Week Smith and Rankin will have several salesmen here to show the home comers and others visitors the lots which will be placed on sale within a week or two.

### CREAMERY MAN HERE

Last Friday Mr. Hans Broby, manager of the Carolina Creamery company, Asheville, came to Franklin in the interest of a creamery he proposes to build here. Mr. Broby left money in a local bank to pay for a lot for the proposed creamery. He also left plans and specifications for the creamery building with Mr. Zeb Conley. Mr. Broby also employed an attorney to get clear titles to the lot on which the creamery will stand. As soon as this is accomplished work will begin on the building, machinery will be shipped in and installed when the building is ready.

Due to the fact that the lot on which Mr. Broby wants to build his creamery is located in a residential section it is understood that there is some objection on the part of some to this location as a creamery site. It is not known whether or not such objections will result in the selection of another site.

### GENERAL MICA AND CLAY CO.

**Shipped Many Cars Since  
Jan. 1—Considerable Pay  
Roll—Enlarging Plant—to  
Use Electricity.**

The General Mica & Clay company, operating a kaolin and mica mine at Totla bridge, while now a great producer of mica and clay, is enlarging its plant so as to triple its present capacity. The new buildings will be completed and the machinery installed and in operation by July 15th.

Within the past five months this company has shipped 890 tons of kaolin and ground mica from the station at Franklin. The kaolin, washed and ready for the manufacturer, is used in the pottery trade and in making fine china ware and tiling. Ground mica is used for many purposes such as making prepared roofing, automobile tires, paints and various other products. The dry grinding method is used in preparing mica for the market.

With the additions to the present plant in operation the General Mica and Clay company expects to ship at least 10,000 tons of mica and clay to the markets each year, possibly considerably more.

Since January 1st this company has paid the farmers of Macon county for wood \$2,600, for hauling \$1,500 and as wages \$4,700.

On December 1st, this year, the General Mica & Clay company will begin the use of electricity instead of steam for power purposes, it having contracted with the city of Franklin for \$3,710 worth of current per year. As a matter of fact the company will use probably twice this amount.

The company owns an entire mountain of clay and mica—a seemingly inexhaustible supply. Mr. D. D. Rice, the superintendent and general manager, is very optimistic for the future.

In Macon county there are many other similar mines either developed or awaiting development.

With cheap electrical power, a plentiful supply of raw material—clay and mica—with abundant labor, it would appear that Franklin or near vicinity is the logical place for factories to utilize these products in making finished articles for the markets. Those interested in this line of endeavor are cordially invited to visit Macon and investigate this matter for themselves.

### FEMALE NIMRODS

Last Saturday while Mrs. Lewis R. Tilson of Cullowhee and Misses Mary Louise Porter, Eva Baird and Cora Mock of Concord were driving to Franklin from Cullowhee a groundhog disputed the right of way. Mrs. Tilson stopped the car and held serious converse with her companions as to whether or not they would let Sir Groundhog live. However, visions of roast groundhog, potatoes and gravy finally prevailed. The occupants of the car got out and gathered into themselves many stones of various sizes, colors, shapes and weights. Hands, laps, hats were filled with rocks until soon enough were on hand to break the Hindenburg ine!

The groundhog, seeing stern determination written on the countenances of these female Nimrods, decided to seek the hole from which he came on February 2nd. So deciding he ambled off down the mountain amid a shower of stones. A lucky throw, for which all participants claim the honor, took brother groundhog on the burr of the ear and "rocked" him to sleep.

With screams of delight intermingled with yelps of fear the poor animal which had trusted human nature too far was placed in the car by the victorious legion and was finally carried back to Cullowhee where a great celebration was held in his honor.

The Press and the county extend to all former Macon county citizens who have made Home Coming Week the occasion for renewal of old friendships the heartiest greeting and the sincerest welcome. Of course the welcome the Press extends cannot equal in any way the welcome of loved ones and the friends of former days. Nevertheless we are all glad to have you here again—glad of your opportunity to see again the old mountains—glad especially that you are here on this particular occasion so that you may see the progress the old county has made in your absence.

While here you must not fail to visit the dam now under construction. See this great handiwork of man and get a vision of what it means to the future of the county. Remember that the dam now being built is only a beginning. It is estimated that there are over 200,000 horse power of hydro-electrical energy now going to waste in Macon county. As the years go by this potential power will be harnessed and put to use. Great lakes will be formed and around their shores will nestle summer homes and magnificent tourist hotels.

In view of the vast possibilities that now exist in Macon it is suggested that our home-comers investigate the advisability of returning permanently to their native county. Prospects for an increased and continued prosperity appear exceedingly bright. The opportunities are here—will you take advantage of them?

While Macon will welcome with open arms good citizens from everywhere the county is particularly anxious to have with her again the former citizens who have gone out into the world seeking opportunities that did not then exist in their native county. INVESTIGATE—INVEST—STAY.

### EAT AT LEGION LUNCH STANDS

**Three Stands For Public's  
Convenience—Miss Esther  
Moody, Graduate in Do-  
mestic Science in Charge.**

Eat at the three American Legion Lunch Stands during the third and fourth of July. They will be on the Square, the only ones on the Square and they will serve every thing you need or crave.

Sandwiches, salads, hot dogs, pies, cakes and dainties—coffee, cold drinks and good old-fashioned lemonade.

Likewise ice cream galore.

Patronize these stands in preference to all others. The Legion boys are putting on this celebration to give you a good time. Every cent cleared will be added to the World War Memorial Fund—used to build a fitting memorial for the fifteen brave Macon county boys who sacrificed their lives for the rest of us on the shell-swept fields of France.

Eat at those three Legion Stands. They will serve the best food, at the most moderate price—and your money will go into a cause that is more than worthy.

Stand by us July 3rd and 4th!

### FRANKLIN WILL HAVE REUNION

Extensive preparations are being made in Franklin, seat of Macon county, for a home coming celebration to be held on July 4. The American Legion post is in charge of arrangements, and to develop interest in the program, the Franklin Press, S. A. Harris, editor, issued a souvenir edition this week. The edition has 28 pages, filled with interesting news and facts concerning Franklin and Macon county. There are pictures of prominent industries, and good roads leading into Franklin.

Efforts are being made by the committees to interest former residents in returning to Franklin for this occasion, and already, according to the Press, hundreds of responses have been received.—Asheville Times.