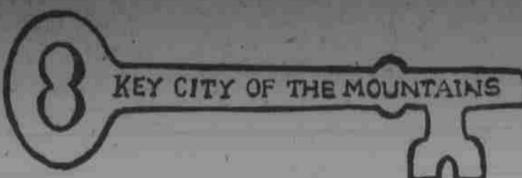


FRANKLIN HAS—
Elevation of 2,250 feet.
Municipal power dam.
Water supply from a well
750 feet deep.
NO MOSQUITOES



MACON COUNTY HAS—
Seventeen peaks over 5,000 feet high.
Twenty-seven peaks between 4,000 and 5,000 feet in elevation.

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HIGHLANDS HERE IN FULL FORCE

Steps Taken to Organize Macon County Chamber of Commerce—Joint Committee Appointed.

Despite the fact that last Friday Old Man Winter came roaring out of the North in a last desperate effort to rout the forces of Balmy Spring, a score or more of Highlands citizens journeyed to Franklin as the guests of the town and were entertained at a dinner at the Hotel Franklin. The fact that so many came from Highlands proved conclusively that the citizens of that town were intensely interested in the object of the meeting, namely, a closer union between the two towns, Highlands and Franklin.

State Senator H. G. Robertson acted as toast-master and also made the address of welcome. He then called upon Mr. W. S. Davis of Highlands who responded with one of the best speeches heard in Franklin in many years. Mr. Davis stressed the need of co-operation for the entire county Messrs. Lee Crawford, J. A. Hines, E. C. Kingsbery, J. C. Mell, C. C. Poindexter, J. C. Shockley, G. W. Marrett and others then followed with excellent talks concerning the need of an organization of some kind to carry Macon county onward to the goal of success. Mr. Shockley's talk referred principally to good roads. His earnest plea along this line was an inspiration to those present. Mr. J. T. Killen, who spent the past several months in Florida with the Horney interests and who was on his way to Asheville to join the Horney forces there for the summer, told those present that Florida will soon be on its way to Western North Carolina in full force.

On motion, a committee, consisting of three from Highlands and a like number from Franklin, was appointed by the temporary chairman, Senator Robertson, to have entire charge of the preliminary steps in organizing a Macon County Chamber of Commerce. The following were named on this committee: W. S. Davis, W. M. Cleaveland, F. B. Cook, Robert Patton, Neville Sloan and S. A. Harris. The committee met immediately after the meeting adjourned and decided to make the membership fee \$10.00 per year. Another meeting will be held in the near future to select a permanent president, treasurer and secretary.

About 60 of Franklin's citizens attended the dinner, while the following named citizens of Highlands were present: W. S. Davis, Dr. H. W. P. Thompson, S. P. Pierson, F. H. Potts, J. C. Shockley, J. A. Hines, J. W. Baty, Chas. Brooks, J. E. Potts, H. M. Wright, F. B. Cook, W. W. Cleaveland, Guy Paul, Earnest Crunkleton, S. H. Crunkleton, Rev. Kale T. M. Keener, Z. Shuler, T. T. Hall, W. A. Bryson, G. W. Marrett, J. C. Mill and L. W. Rice.

One of the main objects of a Macon County Chamber of Commerce will be to expedite the construction of Highway No. 28, between Franklin and Highlands. Quite a few of the speakers at the dinner referred to the importance of this road, many expressing the opinion that No. 28 is the most necessary road in the county.

Big Time at Olive Hill Sunday, April Fourth

The prize offered to the one that could recite all the Golden Texts for the first quarter best, was won by Estie Dewese, member of the intermediate class. Charlotte Dewese was selected by the judges as second best. All contestants acquitted themselves admirably and are to be congratulated. The following recited all the Golden Texts for the quarter in their order: Misses Charlotte Dewese, Agnes Wilkes, Laura Scroggs, Christine Roper; Messrs. Woodrow Poindexter, Virlan Roper and Mrs. Walter Campbell.

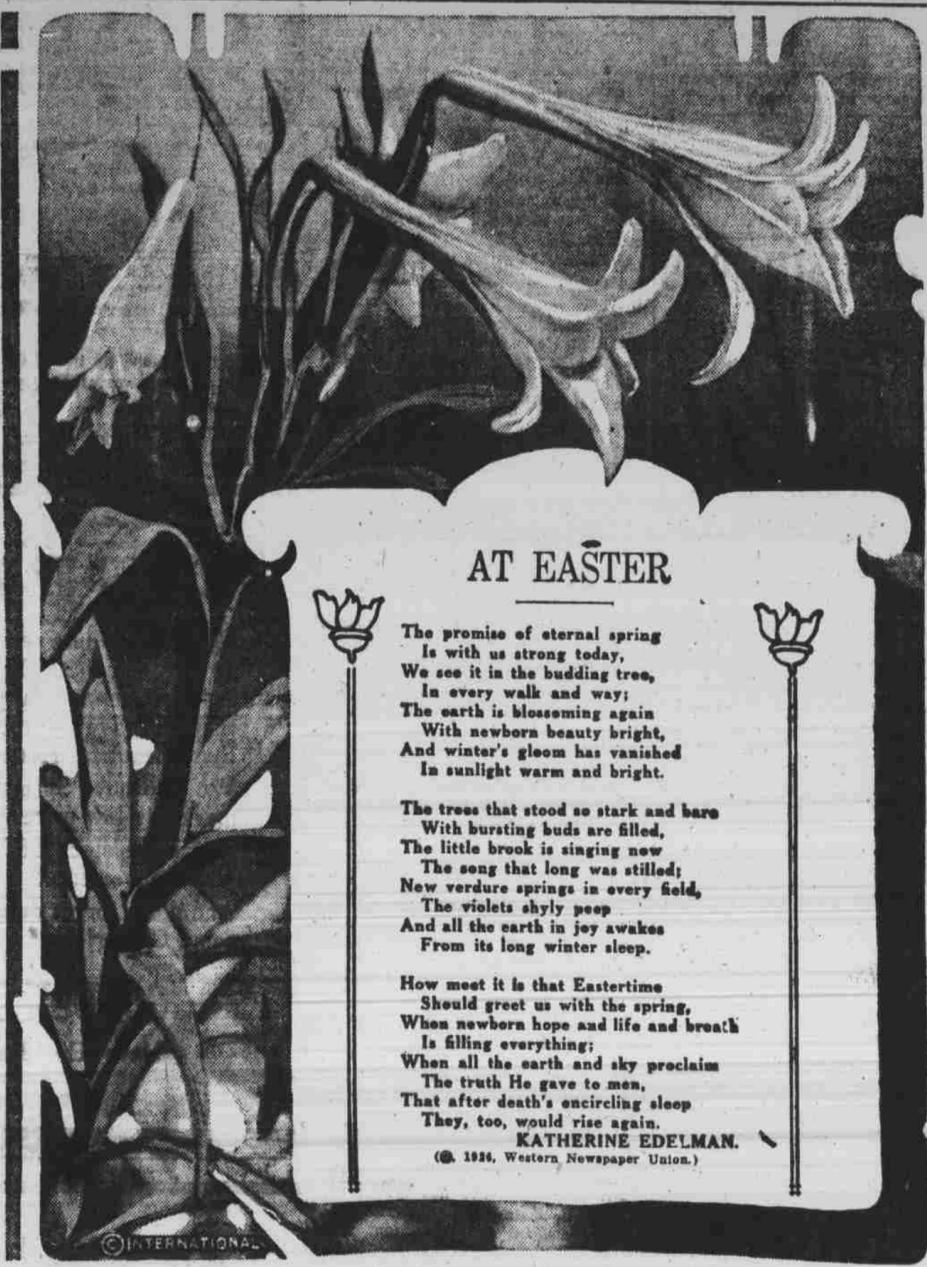
A large number attended Sunday school Sunday, and all were well paid in more respects than one. Rev. Marr made an extremely interesting and helpful talk on the Bible.

As previously announced, there will be an all-day singing at Olive Hill next Sunday, April 4. Dinner will be served for all present. A big time is in store for one and all. Meet us at Olive Hill Sunday and hear some of the best singing that can be produced by the tongue of man.

I'll be there: will you?

STUDY CLUB

The Study Club will meet Monday, April 5, at 3 p. m., with Mrs. R. W. Shields.



AT EASTER

The promise of eternal spring
Is with us strong today,
We see it in the budding tree,
In every walk and way;
The earth is blossoming again
With newborn beauty bright,
And winter's gloom has vanished
In sunlight warm and bright.

The trees that stood so stark and bare
With bursting buds are filled,
The little brook is singing now
The song that long was stilled;
New verdure springs in every field,
The violets shyly peep
And all the earth in joy awakes
From its long winter sleep.

How meet it is that Eastertime
Should greet us with the spring,
When newborn hope and life and breath
Is filling everything;
When all the earth and sky proclaim
The truth He gave to men,
That after death's encircling sleep
They, too, would rise again.

KATHERINE EDELMAN.
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BOY SCOUT NEWS

Big bunch of scouts out and several visitors. Mr. Frank Curtis there as usual. Wish other citizens would take some of the interest Frank is showing. His dollar to start the building fund is getting mighty lonesome. Can't do much with one dollar, but the Scout officials and the Scouts themselves believe in the generosity of the people of Franklin; especially in the friends of the scouts. Let's talk up this building fund. Many friends of the scouts come into contact with people who would gladly help this good work along, and it would be great if those friends would say: "Look here, I am greatly interested in the boy scouts of our town and am helping toward getting a boy scout cabin for them. If you would like to help in an enterprise really worth while we would appreciate anything you can give us," or words to that effect.

How would you like to see some of the boys demonstrate and tell how to apply first-aid? You should have seen John Arrendale tell and show how to bind up a temple wound. It was worth seeing and hearing. Then you should have seen Ross Zachary explain and show the use of artificial respiration. If one of the boy scouts of Franklin are in evidence when some one is drowning they will not run and get a bucket of water to dash in the face of the drowning person, but they will know just what to do and just how to do it.

TRIANGULAR HIGH SCHOOL DEBATE

On Friday night at 7:45 debaters from the Waynesville high school will meet Franklin high school orators at the local school auditorium in a triangular debate between Franklin, Waynesville and Bryson City. The question to be discussed is: "Resolved: That North Carolina Should Levy a Property Tax and Establish an Eight Months' School Term for the State." Franklin has two teams, one of which will go to Bryson City the same night and debate the same question. If Franklin wins in both contests then our teams will have the privilege of going to Chapel Hill and try for the silver cup. Mr. William McGuire and Miss Betty Sloan will uphold the affirmative of the question at Franklin while Miss Selma Young and Mr. Lake Ledford will represent Franklin at Bryson City.

JUDGESHIP RACE GROWING WARM

Race of Attorney T. J. Johnston of Franklin is Meeting With Wide Popularity.

With about two months yet remaining before the primary on the 5th of June, the race for judge of the 20th judicial district is growing in interest. To date there are four candidates in the race from as many different counties. Numerous reports reaching Franklin from all communities in the district indicate that Attorney T. J. Johnston of Franklin is making a good race. His friends everywhere are becoming intensely interested and are predicting Mr. Johnston's nomination by a safe majority. Many offers of support are reaching Mr. Johnston's friends in Franklin from somewhat surprising sources—sources that were believed pledged to one or another of the other candidates. The friends of Mr. Johnston are well pleased with the progress he is making in the race for judge.

Poultry Sale

Besides the poultry loaded at Franklin about 5000 pounds was loaded at Otto and 5414 pounds at Dillard, Ga. The money received at Dillard amounted to \$1349.10.

The nearest estimate is that 35,000 pounds were loaded at Franklin, Otto and Dillard and valued at about \$9,000. At least 32,000 pounds valued at \$8,000, was produced in Macon county.

When the train reached Clarksville at about 4:30 p. m., Thursday enough poultry was there to fill the aisles and hallways of the two poultry cars and about 2,000 pounds had to be loaded in a box car. There was probably as much poultry to be loaded at Cornelia as was loaded at Clarksville. On Friday morning they were waiting for another (the third) poultry car to be placed for loading. About 400 farmers loaded at Franklin, about 75 at Otto and 75 at Dillard.

Easter Services at St. Agnes Episcopal Church

"The three sad days are quickly sped
He rises glorious from the dead:
All glory to our risen Head,
Alleluia."

8:00 a. m.—Celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

10:00 a. m.—Sunday school, singing of Easter hymns.

11:00 a. m.—Short form of Morning Prayer and celebration of Holy Communion.

Sermon theme: "The Future Life in the Light of the Resurrection."

Solo by Mrs. Smith Harris.

3:00 p. m.—Children's Service.

At this service the Sunday school children will present their Mite Box offering.

A talk will be made to the children by Mr. Frank Murray, judge of Juvenile court.

This talk will be extremely helpful to all of us, for Mr. Murray has had a great deal of experience with the children of Macon county.

You are cordially invited to all of these services.

The annual egg hunt of the Sunday school on Easter Monday, at 4 p. m., at the church.

The Man Who Saves

The man who saves today owns the business of tomorrow. The man who wastes today and continues to do so will be working tomorrow for the man who saves today. So, boys let's get busy and pay our back taxes and SAVE our property. Also save that unnecessary space that is being taken up in our good old county paper headed "Last and Final Call For Taxes."
C. O. CORBIN.

FRANKLIN ENTERS SPELLING CONTEST

The Franklin school has entered the spelling bee sponsored by The Charlotte Observer. This contest is attracting wide attention throughout the state. The local winner will go to Charlotte as the guest of The Observer and the winner there will get a free trip to Washington to take part in the national spelling bee in June. The Franklin school would like to have entries from other schools of the county.

ELECTRIC RANGE DEMONSTRATION

Expert To Be Here April 12th and 13th At Nantahala Electric Company's Shop—Everybody Invited.

The remarkable progress that has been made in the art of cooking by electricity, will be demonstrated to the housewives of Franklin, beginning next April 12, and lasting two days. The exhibition will be in charge of Mrs. Clara Berry of Atlanta, and will be held at the shop of the Nantahala Electric company, under auspices of the Franklin Light & Power Department.

The Westinghouse electric range the widely advertised "Range With the Clock," that actually turns itself on at any designated hour, and turns itself off when the food inside has been cooked, will be used by Mrs. Berry in her demonstration.

This new range has completely revolutionized cooking. It enables housewives to prepare meals, leave and attend to other duties and find the meal completely cooked and piping hot when they return. In short, it means the emancipation of wives from the drudgery of watching food as it cooks.

The mechanism that works this remarkable range is simplicity itself. A simple alarm clock on the top of the stove is set at a certain time, say five o'clock in the afternoon when the evening meal is usually started. Then the raw food is placed in the oven and the housewife forgets about it. Promptly at five o'clock, the alarm clock springs a switch and the heat pours into the oven. When the right temperature has been provided by the electric wire, the stove automatically cuts itself off, and keeps the food hot until wanted.

What is known as a thermostat, cuts the juice off when the right temperature for cooking the food in the oven has been attained. A chart showing what temperature should be secured for the preparation of every variety of food is furnished with every range.

Electricity, the power that rapidly is replacing all other forms of energy in practically all lines of industry, rapidly is forging to the forefront as the most inexpensive, cleanest, and quickest method of cooking food, and millions of families throughout the world are preparing their meals on these magic stoves.

Mrs. Berry, who will be in charge, has had many years experience in demonstration work, and is a cooking instructor of renown. In addition to demonstrating how the Westinghouse automatic electric range operates, she will give cooking instructions to all who attend.

How meats, breads, vegetables, desserts, and all manner of food can be prepared on this remarkable range, will be shown, and everybody in Franklin interested in cooking, is invited to attend. There will be no admission fee charged.

Letter From J. W. Bryson

Dear Mr. Harris:
Many thanks for starting my Press. I have felt lost without seeing my home town paper. Just at the time my subscription expired many activities were in progress, consequently, am far behind as to present activities.

I can't help but feel that Western North Carolina is coming into its own. Franklin and Macon county has many natural advantages aside from the wonderful streams and lofty mountains. While I have been away from Macon since 1899, I make it a point to get back at least once a year to see the family and friends as well as get a breath of good fresh air.

Should my subscription expire with out my personal renewal, you might call on any of the following, who I believe would trust me to the extent of one-fifty:

John Trotter, Fred Higdon, Will Franks, Tom Angel, Will Higdon and a dozen others I could name. I started to say John Moore, but I don't guess he would care to take any chances.

Will see you this summer and perhaps go fishing.

Yours truly,
J. W. BRYSON.

"ALL A MISTAKE"

A play, "All a Mistake," will be given at Franklin High school auditorium, Friday, April 9th, at 8 p. m.

Play given by the Junior class of Bryson City High School.

You will make a mistake, if you miss "All a Mistake." Come.