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Court Adjourned Cases Disposed Of

The business of the regular August term of Macon Superior court, which was to have lasted for two weeks, was concluded the first week, and court was adjourned last Saturday.

The criminal docket was completed on Thursday, and Friday the court took up the civil docket. Only two civil cases were tried, and mistrials resulted in both.

They were the cases of Young Vs. Hedden, the plaintiff suing for \$750 over the alleged burning of some woods; and Battles Vs. Collier, in which the plaintiff sought to secure title to a certain piece of property and to recover \$300.

In a number of criminal cases judgment had not been passed as the Franklin Press went to the Press last week. A list of those cases, with the judgments, follow:

Fred Lewis, charged with retailing on two counts—no pros with leave in one case, \$50 fine and the costs in the other.
Henry Stewart and Ralph McCall, retailing—fines of \$50 each and the cost.

Bill Munger, housebreaking—\$50 and the cost.
Reid Elliott—larceny and receiving—\$150 and the cost.

Lyman Zachary, retailing—\$50 and the cost.
Peter Moses and Leonard Houston, drunkenness—\$50 each and the cost.

Gus England, reckless driving—\$10 and the cost.
Sallsby Owens, retailing—\$50 and the cost.

Jack Talley, retailing—\$50 and the cost.
J. B. Ridley, retailing—suspended on payment of the cost.

Raleigh Talley, charged with retailing on two counts, and with drunkenness, the three cases having been consolidated for judgment—\$50 and the cost.
Jack Bateman, drunkenness—\$25 and the cost.

Alfred Picklesimer, charged on two counts with retailing, and with drunkenness, the three cases being consolidated for judgment—\$50 and the cost.
Luther Talley, retailing—\$50 and the cost.

In the case of G. H. Bell, who plead guilty to drunkenness, the sentence was charged from \$25 and the cost to a sentence suspended on payment of the cost.

In disposing of the criminal docket, Judge W. F. Harding handed out one other road sentence—12 months to John M. Parris, for carrying a concealed weapon and retailing. Other cases follow:

Pratt Dalton, driving car while intoxicated—\$50 and the cost.
Mitchell Ashear, driving car while intoxicated—\$50 and the cost. No pros with leave was taken in a second case charging Ashear with the same offense.

Fred Blaine, carrying concealed weapon—not guilty.
George Potts, drunkenness—\$50 and the cost.

John McCloud, drunkenness—suspended on payment of the cost.
Walt Prater, retailing—suspended on payment of the cost.

Bunk Tallent, drunkenness—\$50 and the cost. No pros was taken in the case charging Tallent with driving an auto, while drunk.
Richard Penland, assault with a deadly weapon—suspended on payment of the cost.

John Ledford, driving car while intoxicated—not guilty.
Broadus Younce, assault with a deadly weapon—suspended on payment of the cost. No pros was taken in the case charging Younce with carrying a concealed weapon.

J. H. Reynolds, forgery—not guilty. No pros with leave was taken in the following cases:

Odis Martin, larceny; Oscar Barrett, retailing; Oscar Barrett, assault with a deadly weapon; Felix Stuman, retailing; R. L. Kenneday, board bill; J. N. Keener, forgery; Jim Jenkins, retailing; George Merchant, W. G. Hampton, and Tony Rice, jail breaking; R. E. Gilliland, passing worthless check, and board and lodging bill; Paul Wyninegar, driving auto while intoxicated; J. E. Harrell, assault on a woman; J. B. Elmore, carrying concealed weapon; Clayton Mashburn, drunkenness; Fred Davis, drunkenness; Charlie Oliver, assault with a deadly weapon; Luther Ellis, abandonment; and Alfred Picklesimer and Radford Talley, retailing.

PREACHED HERE 71 YEARS AGO

Rev. J. H. Strickland, pastor of the Franklin Circuit, attended the funeral of his former pastor, Rev. J. V. M. Morris, in Atlanta, Tuesday afternoon, August 16, 1927. Rev. Morris was 97 years and 30 days old. His funeral was preached at the Wesley Memorial church and he was buried in Atlanta.

Brother Morris as a young preacher attended the Franklin Camp meeting in 1856. He was then 26 years old. That was seventy years ago. He remembered, while talking with Brother Strickland early in June, crossing the mountain at Tellico from an appointment at Briartown, beyond the Nantahalas, a man meeting him on this side of the mountain and bringing him to the home of a Brother Johnson, where he was entertained in our town.

He was superannuated the year Brother Strickland entered school preparing for the ministry and always said that Brother Strickland was to fill the place he was forced to vacate. This was then Holston conference and Brother Morris' circuit reached from Clayton to Briartown and as far in the other direction from Clayton, Ga. These old men are passing away, but their memory will live in the minds and lives of others.

Brother Morris' step was quick and his memory clear to the last. He died Sunday, August 7, 1927, sitting in a chair, of heart failure.

Camp Nikwasi Closes For Present Season

Camp Nikwasi closed its fourth season last Friday. And featuring the last week of the season was the annual banquet, the camp season's culminating event, held in the camp lodge on Wednesday evening.

The lodge was most attractive in its decorations, as was also the banquet board, illuminated by candles large and small, and with its decorations made by the campers.

Miss Blanche "Bo" Wannamaker, of Cheraw, S. C., proved herself a delightful toastmistress, and the toasts were given with spirit and wit.

To the opening toast, "To our guests," proposed by Miss Elizabeth "Liz" Schaefer, of Toccoa, Ga., Judge W. F. Harding, of Charlotte, honor guest of the evening, responded. Miss Mary Lawrence Withers, of Raleigh, proposed "To our counselors;" "To our girls" was the toast of Miss Margaret "Mark" Godfrey, of Cheraw, S. C.; and Nikwasi's "littles" camper, Miss Winnifred Toomb, aged 11, of Jacksonville, Fla., proposed, "To our Big Chief" (Miss Laura M. Jones, the camp's director).

Following the toasts, something of the history of Camp Nikwasi was related by Miss Eliza Collins, of Wilmington, who told of its growth from 1923, when there were two campers and three counselors, until 1927, with 27 girls and six counselors.

Another feature of the program about which guests were enthusiastic was the singing of the camp songs, most of them written by the girls themselves.

The camp's highest honor, the Nikwasi monogram—awarded for excellence in all camp activities and for exhibition of the finest camp spirit—was awarded by Miss Jones to the twin sisters from New Bern, Misses Caroline and Frances Davis.

Invited guests were: Judge W. F. Harding, of Charlotte; Mrs. Geo. H. Bidwell, Springfield, Mass.; Miss Elizabeth Norwood, Sylvester, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jones, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Jones and G. L. Jones, Jr., Asheville; and Mrs. F. L. Siler, Misses Eleanor and Betty Sloan, Mrs. Geo. A. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Gilmer A. Jones, Mrs. H. M. Jones, Misses Blanche and Marie Jones, Allen Siler, Fred Sloan, James Porter, Robert Johnston, R. S. Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. Weimar Jones and guest, Mrs. R. M. Smith, Jr., of Summerville, S. C.

Baptist Pastor Resigns

The Rev. Geo. C. Steed, pastor of the Franklin Methodist church for the past year, has resigned his charge here, it was learned last week.

Mr. Steed offered his resignation at the prayer meeting service on last Wednesday night, to become effective "immediately," and the resignation was so accepted by the members present, acting as a body.

Mr. Steed has not as yet announced his plans for the future, nor has anything been learned as to who may succeed him here.

Since they have been in Franklin, Mr. Steed and his family have made many friends.

BIG SALE STAGED BY LOCAL FIRM

J. S. Porter & Company's Sale Begins Sept. 1 and Runs Until Sept. 12—Preparations Made to Care For Big Crowd—Fifteen Clerks Engaged.

What is termed "Macon County's Greatest Sale" will begin September first and end twelve days later. This sale is being conducted by J. S. Porter & Company, who have engaged as sales manager, Mr. J. S. Whitmire, an expert in his line, with a record of 22 years as a successful merchant in Haywood county. "Whit" as he is familiarly known to hundreds of friends in Western North Carolina, is enthusiastic at the prospects of a successful sale. According to Steve Porter thousands of posters have been printed and distributed not only in Macon county but in several adjoining counties and in the state of Georgia. On a visit to the store Tuesday a spectator actually saw Bill Cunningham at work and very busy at that. Not only Bill, but Mr. Jim Porter and several others have been in high for the past several days re-marking goods and placing them on display. Mr. Porter says that he would rather climb mountains any day than get a big stock of goods ready for sale.

The firm has announced that it will offer for sale a stock of merchandise valued at \$30,000, that \$2,000 worth of new goods arrived by express Monday and that each train and mail brings additional merchandise. Steve states that fifteen clerks have been engaged to wait upon the great crowds that he expects to attend his sale from Georgia and adjoining counties in North Carolina to say nothing of those living in Macon.

FRANKLIN CIRCUIT M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH

The fourth quarterly conference of the Franklin Circuit will be held with the Snow Hill church at West's Mill, on Saturday, September 24, 1927.

The presiding elder, Rev. P. W. Tucker, will preach at 11:00 a. m., and the conference will be held after lunch.

Let the stewards make their report to the pastor on Friday the 21st. We are very anxious to resurrect the old custom of our church in observing Friday preceding each quarterly conference as a day of fasting and praying.

Let every steward be present, also the other church officers who are members of the quarterly conference.

Brother Tucker will preach at Clark's Chapel on the fourth Sunday evening, September 25, at 8 o'clock.
J. H. STRICKLAND, P. C.

Cowee News

Rev. Vance, of Sylva, preached at Cowee Baptist church Sunday night. Rev. Charles A. Elmore has gone to Sylva to attend school at the Collegiate Institute.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brown and other relatives of Nelson, Ga., are visiting W. J. Jenkin's family.

Mr. Troy Sheffield and family, of East la Porte; Mr. and Mrs. Everett Rickman and Mr. and Mrs. Gray Rend and family and Miss Grace Sheffield, of Woodrow, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sheffield, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Parrish and Mr. and Mrs. Marbin, of Swain county, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Morgan, Sunday.

Mr. Jay Matlock has gone to Andrews to attend school.
Miss Barbara Sheffield has gone to Canton to attend school.

Messrs Ira and John Matlock, of Atlanta, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Matlock, last week.
Mr. Clyde Clark has returned from Georgia, where he spent last week.

Rules For County Fair

(1) All who wish to enter exhibits must hand their names to the county agent on or before September 15.

(2) With the exception of livestock all entrants agree for their entries to be taken to the Western North Carolina fair at Asheville immediately after close of fair here.

(3) Exhibits may be made in any type of container.

BRYSON NAMED TO DUKE LAW SCHOOL FACULTY BY FEW

DURHAM, N. C. Aug. 24.—Judge Thad D. Bryson, of Bryson City, for eight years on the North Carolina Superior court bench, resigning last year, will become professor of law in the Duke University Law School at the opening in September, President W. P. Few announced today.

W. Bryan Bolick, of Winston-Salem, lawyer, legislator and Rhodes scholar to Oxford University, will also join the faculty of the law school, Dr. Few said in making the first announcements of the law school faculty, which will be completely set up in 1928. Dean S. F. Mordecai will continue to head the school.—Asheville Citizen.

Grand Jury's Report

Disposal of the present County Home and farm and purchase of a better farm, and repair of the present county jail, if that course is "practicable," until the time comes when the county can build a court house and jail, are the chief recommendations contained in the report of the Macon county grand jury, submitted last Thursday to Judge W. F. Harding, of Charlotte, presiding at the August term of Macon Superior court.

The recommendation with reference to the jail is made, said the report, "because we feel that within a few years our county will have to have a new court house and as we believe that it is likely that a jail will be built in connection therewith." The recommendation that the present jail be so repaired "that the prisoners may be kept safely in comfortable and sanitary quarters," is, therefore, made "for the sake of economy."

The present County Home should be sold and "a better farm" purchased, "if the finances will permit," in order that the county may "begin to build more permanent buildings, adding to them from time to time, as the finances of the county will permit and as the requirements will demand."

The body found the county home well kept, says the report, the jail "kept as well as is reasonably possible," and the court house "as a whole" in good condition.

The report follows: "To the Honorable Judge Harding, presiding at Franklin, N. C., over the August term of court:

"We, the Grand Jury, beg to submit the following report: We have passed on all the bills that have come before us, except some where the witnesses had not been summoned, these we have marked continued.

"We have visited the County Home and, as well as we could, looked into the conditions there. The inmates seem well provided for as to food and clothing. The premises are in a sanitary condition. The beds are as clean as could be reasonably expected. We do, after looking over the farm, feel that the commissioners should, if the finances will permit, sell the present home and buy a better farm, even if it were not so large, and begin to build more permanent buildings, adding to them from time to time, as the finances of the county will permit and as the requirements will demand.

"We have looked over the jail and find that it is being kept as well as is reasonably possible. We beg, however, to make this recommendation: That the commissioners take some competent workmen, look over the building and premises, and if it should be found practicable, have the work done so that the prisoners may be safely kept in comfortable and sanitary quarters. If after thorough examination the commissioners should find repairing impossible or too expensive to be practical, then we can only recommend arrangements be made as speedily as possible to build a new jail.

"We make this recommendation of repair, because we feel that within a few years our county will have to have a new court house and as we believe that it is likely that a jail will be built in connection therewith. We think that if it is possible for the jail to be repaired, for the sake of economy, it is advisable at present.

"We have looked over the court house and find as a whole that it is well kept. The offices and vaults are somewhat crowded, but we believe it will be adequate for a few years especially since we realize how limited the mean of the county are.

"Respectfully submitted.
"This August 25, 1927.
"C. W. HENDERSON, Foreman."

SCHOOLS OPEN SEPTEMBER 5TH

The schools at Franklin and at Highlands will open next Monday, September 5.

Following is the list of teachers for the Franklin school: High school: G. L. Houk, principal; Mrs. Eloise G. Franks, English; Miss Cora Lee Mozeley, French and Latin; Miss Eleanor Sloan, mathematics; Miss Daniel, history; Miss Morgan, home economics; Miss Lunsford, science and mathematics; Mr. Kiser, science and athletics.

Grades: first, Miss Bringle; second, Mrs. Harris; third, Miss Benjamin; fourth, Miss Rose Rogers and Mrs. Gaston Curtis; fifth, Miss Lillie Calloway; sixth, Miss Ruth Oliver; and seventh, J. J. Mann.
A. J. Gribble was named janitor.

STUDENTS NAMED TO ENTER F. H. S.

The following passed the examination given on August 20, 1927 for admission to high school. These students will be admitted to high school at the beginning of the session opening on Monday, September 5, 1927.

Harold Edwards, Hazel Kinsland, Monroe Ledford, Eloise Morrison, Blanche Teem, Daniel West, Annie Lee Setser, Robert Stewart, Ned Dowdle, Perry Matlock, Ruby Potts, Charlie Shope, R. L. Cloer, Blanche Curtis, Cloyd Byrd, Nolita Bradley.
G. L. HOUK, Principal Franklin Public Schools.

Scroll Locals

Mrs. Lydia Houston and Mrs. Ralph Crisp are on the sick list at present. Alma Moses, Mr. A. S. Moses' little daughter, is suffering with typhoid fever.

Mr. Ralph Pickens and his brother-in-law, Mr. Sanders, of Shelby, were visiting relatives in this community recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thompson, of Bluefield, W. Va., were the guests at Mrs. W. A. Keener's home.

The little son of Mr. Harold Brown had the misfortune to have his right hand cut in two by his little cousin, who is two years old. The two little ones were out together. The cutting was done with a double-bit axe.

Little Edward McCoy jobbed the scissors through one jaw.
Mr. C. U. Moses, of Ellijay, made a business trip to Mr. Zack Peek Thursday.

Miss Flora Holland, of Peek's Creek, was visiting her sister, Mrs. A. A. Mashburn recently.

Mrs. C. R. Mashburn is again with us.

Mr. P. Wendel Keener, the son of Mr. W. A. Keener, who has been in the marine service for several years, has sailed for Hawaii.

Miss Leona Stanfield has been away on a vacation. While away she has been to Canton. She expects to return Sunday to Mrs. Fanny Keener.

Mr. Amos Mashburn is working over in the Nantahalas at present.
Mr. Leo Keener expects to spend his vacation at home with his mother. He has been at work for months.

Fair View School News

Fair View school has completed its second month. During this month the school with the county's aid has bought more land, which was quite necessary. Bought three needed desks, oiled our floor, scraped a great deal on the play grounds and other improvements.

The Swain pupils have come again, so our average will be better next month we hope. This month our enrollment and average would have been the same if Swain pupils had not been forced to enter two weeks late.

Following is the honor roll:

First Grade
Nora Dills, Frances Dills, Gertrude Mashburn, Mandaline McMahan, Lottie Roper, Cletus Gasoway, R. V. McMahan, Howard McMahan, Cleo Grant, Paul Mashburn.

Second Grade
Gay Dills, Hazel Dills, J. L. McMahan, Hope Lowry, Etta Lowry, Thelma Grant.

Third Grade
Julia Kilpatrick, Marie Mashburn, Frances McMahan, Auzel McMahan, Odie Owenby, Howard Roper.

Fifth Grade
Valma Roper, Thelma Roper, Prichard McMahan, Corman Kilpatrick.

Seventh Grade
Ruby Dills, Norman Grant, Arnold Kilpatrick, Agri Owenby.