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## Franklin Wins From Sylva C. I.

Franklin High school, in its third game since football was begun here, avenged its defeat at the hands of Sylva Collegiate Institute 10 days ago by walking away with an 18 to 6 victory here last Friday afternoon. Two of its three touchdowns were made by Franklin in the first quarter, and the third in the final, with just two minutes to play.

The Sylva youths chalked up their lone touchdown by a cleverly executed fake play, in the third quarter. Quiet, S. C. I. quarter, put this play over, to the complete mystification of the local eleven.

The game opened with Mashburn, Franklin left half, going through the line for a touchdown—the game's first play. Before the quarter was over, McCollum, local quarter, had carried the ball 50 yards for the second touchdown.

The final score by the locals was made by Stewart, fullback, who put the ball across the line—making 10 yards in two line plunges.

Franklin's lineup:  
Wilkie, l. e.; Wilkes, l. t.; Crawford, l. g.; Henry, c.; Thomas, r. g.; Guest, r. t.; Carpenter, r. e.; McCollum, q.; Young, r. h.; Mashburn, l. h.; and Stewart, Captain, f. b.

## Opening of Filling Station Big Success

Last Saturday Conley and Joines, local agents of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, sponsored the formal opening of the Standard filling station on the Public Square. The station was spick and span in appearance and the numerous visitors were exceedingly complimentary in their remarks concerning the improved appearance of that corner. Conley and Joines passed out tickets to all customers on the opening day, such tickets entitling the holder to have his car greased free of charge.

The new filling station has all the latest improvements which experience has demonstrated to be necessary. One is the automatic air appliance. This appliance has a dial to indicate the number of pounds of air the customer desires. When the desired amount of air is in the tire the air automatically ceases to flow, thus eliminating the necessity for air gauges.

Quite a few Standard Oil representatives were here for the formal opening of the station, among whom were Mr. Smith, of Charlotte, District Manager W. A. Goodson, of Asheville; Service Station Supervisor F. W. Sams, of Asheville, and C. R. Tarkington, of Andrews. The local agents announce that F. V. Dudley will operate the new station.

Mr. John O'Neal, who built the new station, left Saturday for a visit to Asheville but returned in time to begin another station Monday for the Standard Oil company on the corner opposite the depot. The work on the bulk plant which is in charge of W. O. Potter, is progressing nicely. This bulk plant is located immediately in rear of the station to be constructed at the depot.

Of all the visiting officers of the Standard Oil company, "Booth" Tarkington, of Andrews, appeared the most elated. He was particularly enthused over the certainty of two Standard filling stations in Franklin, something of which no other town in the state west of Asheville can boast.

## Broadway Locals

Mrs. Jack Carpenter and Mrs. Charlie Carpenter made a business trip to Mr. Andy Wilson's home Monday.

Mrs. Ella Elliott and son, James, were the guests of Miss Zillah Wilson Sunday.

Mr. Homer McKinney spent Wednesday night with Mr. Andy Wilson. Mrs. Andy Wilson and little daughter, Blanche, made a business trip to Mr. Tom Smith's home after a load of fall grapes.

Mrs. A. C. Ballew and Mrs. Jim Barnes have been visiting their mother, Mrs. H. C. Wilson, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bart Wilson and son, Radford, have been in this section for the last few days.

Mrs. Ransome Brown spent Saturday night with her grandmother, Mrs. H. C. Wilson.

Mrs. T. Cabe, Miss Lillie Cabe and Miss Carolin Henry were the guests of Mrs. T. A. Carpenter Sunday.

Miss Nellie Wilson spent Saturday night with her sister, Mrs. Effie Talley.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Ledbetter and five daughters, were in this section visiting friends and relatives recently.

## New Ford Car Goes 60 Miles on Gallon

The new Ford car, eagerly awaited by the motor world for the last six months, is being advertised in the Orient as capable of running sixty miles per gallon of gasoline, it was learned in Washington.

This unbelievable mileage, advertised by regular Ford dealers in China, would make the new Ford three times as economical on gasoline as any other car in the world. It could only be accomplished, government experts here said, by a revolutionary advance in motor mechanics and would place the new Ford in a class by itself.

While this news was reaching the motor world via the Orient, it was further learned that the new cars will be placed on display throughout the country within the next three weeks. If this display schedule is maintained deliveries of the new car will start about November 1.

The oriental advertisements, the first to be made of the new car, declare that the 1927 fall model Ford will be larger, sturdier and lower-swinging than any of its predecessors. It will be built in six models, the advertiser declared.

"Standard equipment includes speedometer, windshield wiper, ammeter, gasoline gauge, oil gauge, dash light, shock absorbers and four-wheel brakes," the advertisement continued. "The engine will be rated at 34 horsepower (comparable to 21.7 h. p. in the Ford's chief competitor) to drive the car up to sixty miles per hour in thirty seconds.

As announced previously, the advertisement said the new Ford would be of "standard gear shift type, with three forward speeds and reverse."

The new machine will be equipped with tandem fly-wheel, dynamo, generator, irreversible steering gear which will not deflect on rough roads, new force feed oiling system, new water pump, heavier axles, and wider frame and traverse type springs. The new model will have a wheelbase of 104 inches.—Blue Ridge Republican.

## JUNIORS TO PRESENT FLAG AND BIBLE

A Bible and a United States flag will be formally presented to the Franklin school on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, by the local council, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, Cullasaja Council No. 158, it is announced.

The Bible will be presented by J. W. Street, chaplain of the local council. Jack Stribling, councilor, will outline the principles upon which the order is founded, and R. D. Sisk, past councilor, will present the flag. The exercises will be held in the school auditorium.

## North Skeenah News

The farmers in this section are beginning to sow wheat.

Mr. Lan Winsterd was a visitor in this section Sunday.

Messrs Carl Tallent and Ray Sanders were in this community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Brown were in this community Sunday.

Misses Bertha and Elsie Carpenter were visiting relatives of River Side Saturday and Sunday.

The teachers of our school spent the week end with home folks.

Mr. Claude Ledford has been visiting his parents this week. He has been working at Canton.

Mrs. M. A. Sanders and daughter, Elsie, were visiting in this section Sunday.

## Franklin Circuit

There will be services at the Bethel Methodist church next Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock and at Salem Methodist church at 3:30 in the afternoon.

These two services will close this conference year. The annual conference will convene at Asheville, N. C., Wednesday morning, November 2, 1927 at 9 a. m.

We extend a cordial invitation to all to attend these services at the above named churches.

We wish to thank the good people of the Franklin circuit for their co-operation, love and friendship during the conference year 1926-27. We also appreciate the co-operation that other denominations have given us, especially during the summer meetings.

May God bless and keep the good people of Macon county.

J. H. STRICKLAND, P. C.

## OFF TO CONFERENCE

Revs. A. P. Ratledge, J. H. Strickland, T. S. Roten, of Franklin, and Rev. Clarence Williams, of Highlands, will attend the Western Methodist conference at Asheville next week. Attorney T. J. Johnston and Mr. J. A. Porter will go as laymen.

## PLAN TO BUILD HIGHWAY UNDER FALLS OF RIVER

### Unique Engineering Feat May Be Attempted In Macon County.

A unique plan for constructing a section of state highway No. 28, in Macon county, between Franklin and Highlands, so it would pass under a thundering waterfall 150 feet high in the Cullasaja river is being seriously considered by officials and engineers of the state highway department, it was learned here Monday.

If this feat of engineering, which appears to be feasible, can be accomplished, the result would be one of the most beautiful and certainly the most unusual scenic attraction to be found on any highway in eastern America, in the opinion of James G. Stikeleather, of Asheville, ninth district highway commissioner. Mr. Stikeleather, John C. Walker, district engineer, and engineers of the state highway department at Raleigh, will likely visit the waterfall this week to make further investigation concerning the feasibility of building a road under a waterfall.

### Would Be Safe and Dry

Dry Falls, the point where engineers are considering the construction of a "highway under a river," derives its name from the fact that the water plunges from an over-hanging ledge of rock in such a way that it is possible to pass under the rock and the waterfall without getting wet. It would seem possible, Mr. Walker said, to project a road under the falls, making a safe highway and at the same time developing a scenic attraction of rare and unusual beauty.

This unusual project is being considered, Mr. Walker explained, in connection with the construction of a twenty-mile link on state highway No. 28, between Franklin and Highlands. At least three routes are being considered, the engineers said, in connection with building the new road in the vicinity of the falls in Cullasaja river, regarded as one of the most picturesque and lovely spots in Western North Carolina. There is a series of waterfalls in the river which plunges from ledge to ledge lowering its level about 300 feet within a distance of a quarter of a mile, Mr. Walker said. One of the routes proposed would follow the river side and the other two suggested routes would pass through the mountains some distance from the stream.

### Work Now Under Way

The new link in No. 28 has been graded from Franklin in the direction of Highlands for a distance of about twelve miles, and only about eight more miles remain to be graded on the stretch. Work is now going forward on the project.

There are differences of opinion as to what route should be followed in building the remainder of the road. Many persons familiar with the country through which the new road will pass are urging its construction along the Cullasaja, declaring this route would be one of the finest scenic attractions in the country for tourists.

At present, travelers going from Franklin to Highlands by highway are obliged to follow a circuitous route for a distance of thirty-five miles, going a part of the way through the northwest corner of Georgia. When the new road is finished this distance will be cut by fifteen miles.—Asheville Times.

## Snake Potatoes

A two-pound sweet potato is nothing unusual in this part of the country, but a two-pound potato that measures nearly three and a half feet in length is something out of the ordinary. So much so that J. L. Corbin, the grower, brought two of these long potatoes to town last Saturday, and was the center of a curious crowd wherever he showed his freaks.

One of the potatoes measured 40 inches in length. At its largest point it was five and a half inches in circumference. It weighed just slightly more than two pounds.

The second, 36 inches long and weighing exactly two pounds, closely resembled a snake, having a larger "head" at one end. The "head" was seven inches in circumference.

Mr. Corbin has raised this brand of sweet potato—the "Texas white"—for many years, but this is the first time he has seen them do all their growing in length, he said. He lives at the head of Rabbit Creek, this county.

## CHEVROLET MEN HOLD MEETING

### More Than 600 Dealers Present at Charlotte Meeting—Great Increase in Sales.

Applause rang through the banquet room of the Charlotte Hotel last week when figures were released showing that the Chevrolet selling organization in the Southeast delivered more new cars during the first half of October this year than during the entire month of October last year. Six hundred and fifty Chevrolet dealers, associate dealers and sales managers from all parts of the two Carolinas listened spell-bound to the announcement of the remarkable accomplishment of the Southeastern region. Confidence was expressed on every hand that sales made during the last half of October will enable the region to shatter all former records of Chevrolet new car deliveries made in the Southeast during any one month.

"The Southeastern region is composed of Indiana, parts of Ohio and Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Florida," stated R. H. Grant, vice-president in charge of sales of the Chevrolet Motor company, who came to Charlotte especially to conduct the meeting. "With the sale this year in the Southeastern region of 11,138 new cars for the first 15 days of October, as against 11,019 cars for the entire month of October last year, it is easy to see why the Chevrolet Motor company has decided to invest in a large assembly plant for the South. The Atlanta plant, which we expect to be in operation by April, will relieve our plant at Norwood, which for sometime past has been forced to work overtime to supply the demand for Chevrolet cars in the South."

Assisting Mr. Grant in the Charlotte meeting were A. F. Young, Southeastern regional sales manager; L. S. Costley, assistant regional sales manager; P. A. Watson, Columbia, S. C., zone sales manager; and G. J. Gates, Charlotte zone sales manager.

The Charlotte meeting was in connection with the Second Annual Turkey-Bean Sweepstakes which are being staged by the Chevrolet Motor company in October. In the sales contest, the eastern part of the United States, led by M. D. Doubilas, assistant general sales manager, is matched against the western half of the country, headed by D. E. Ralston, assistant general sales manager. Region is matched against region, zone against zone, dealer against dealer, and salesman against salesman. Winners—those selling a higher percentage of quota than their competitor—will win a luscious turkey dinner to be held the early part of November. Losers will eat beans directly across the table from the winners—and pay the entire dinner check.

## WRECKS RESULT IN WARRANTS

Three warrants were sworn out Monday before Justice of the Peace George Carpenter, in connection with automobile wrecks on Saturday.

Grady Cunningham and Jim Harper, negro, had a wreck on the Georgia road on Saturday night, and each swore out a warrant for the other. When they came in Justice Carpenter's court Monday, however, they compromised the cases.

Mrs. W. G. Wilkie Monday had a warrant sworn out for Ed Smiley, charging him with an assault with a deadly weapon and with reckless driving. The charges grew out of an accident on the Murphy road Saturday, in which some of the Wilkie children were hurt, though not seriously, it was said. Howard Wilkie was driving the Wilkie car.

The case was set for trial before Mr. Carpenter for Tuesday morning.

## These Men Sell Chickens

Since County Agent Harris started his co-operative sales in March, the following named men have sold in this manner the number of pounds of poultry set opposite their respective names: Frank N. Norton, 679; Ed Bradley, Otto, 580; C. H. McClure, Route Two, 356; J. N. Keener, 274; W. M. Parrish, 264; J. H. McDowell, 251; W. R. Edwards, 213; C. H. Norton, 210; C. D. Kinsland, 197; Mrs. J. C. Ferguson, 185. Otte seems to have the bulge on the rest of the county in chicken sales.

## Joy of Spring In the Mountains

A letter from Luline Mabry tells of the beauty of the mountain country she is living in. She went there alone a year ago, she said, "feeling more like a book than a person," to try to think out and reconstruct her whole standard of life, as she had reached a place where nothing she had previously learned seemed to apply any more. "Surely no country offers more in the way of loveliness than Western North Carolina and I needed just what I have here at Franklin," she writes.

In graphic words she paints a charming picture of the country in which she is making her home.

"In the early spring in this country nature puts on an interesting beauty contest. Each succeeding week seems involved in keenest rivalry to see which can robe the great wooded hillsides in greatest splendor. Pastel shades predominate, with now and then the flaming orange of the wild honeysuckles to vary the exquisite pink, white and yellow of the wild flowering trees. A few weeks back, before the great trees had finished putting out their new leaves, the hills were a symphony in white and green against the background of the grey bodies not yet covered with foliage. Living as I do in a tiny valley, the scenic beauty of the surrounding hills is an enduring picture painted by a loving and generous Artist.

"My one thought when I pondered upon this beauty was of a great wedding. Surely no home, church or temple ever was adorned in a more lavish color motif of green and white than this vast amphitheater, with its walls of white flowering wild plum trees and dogwood against the delicate traceries of the first green leaves of spring, and its carpet of wonderful violets. The vast silences surrounding this exquisite beauty seemed to invite a stately marriage ceremony—joining the regal bride of Faith to the stalwart bridegroom of Courage.

"Just now the hills are covered with great patches of what the native people call ivy, large bushes bearing clusters of exquisite pink flowers. More than anything they resemble some fine Japanese flowers of crepe paper.

"The great variety of trees gives a harmonious collection of varying shades of green. While lilacs and apple blossoms held the stage, and the delicate young ferns were awakening, the landscape was beyond description. Its beauty held one almost breathless. Thoughts of long forgotten happiness, youth, the joy of first love, flooded one's mind and left an aching fragrance like that clinging to a woman's keepsakes from a lost romance—a faded fan of sandalwood, a few sentimental lines from some unknown pen on paper yellowed by time, a foolish bit of gay ribbon that perhaps once adorned a frock on a particularly happy evening long ago.

"Nearly every tree held at least one example of bird architecture bursting with its little feathered family, but now most of them are empty while the little folk that occupied them are learning their first lessons of life among the wild flowers and lower branches of the trees."—Miami Herald.

## North Skeenah News

(Last Week)

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hastings and daughter, Ona Mae, went to Waynesville Sunday to visit Mrs. Hastings' sister.

Mr. Jake Cloer was a visitor in our section Sunday.

Miss Bertha Carpenter was the guest of Miss Arizona Hastings Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hart and family were visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hastings Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Mae Shope and Annie Byrd went to Nantahala Saturday.

Miss Nina Stockton spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Arizona Hastings.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bell, of Toxco, Ga., were visiting Mrs. Bell's parents of this section Saturday and Sunday.

We are all glad to know Mrs. Emma Ledford is slowly improving.

Mr. W. E. Sanders, postmaster of Prentiss, was in this section Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Stockton were visitors to Mr. Stockton's father, Mr. Sam Stockton, on last week end.

Rev. Lester Ledford filled his regular appointment Sunday at Pleasant Hill.

Mrs. Roxie Moffett was visiting Mrs. Emma Ledford Sunday.

Mr. Alex Ledford was the guest of Mr. Wearley DeHart Sunday night.