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STIKELEATHER HERE MONDAY

Meets With County Commissioners and Recommends Disposition of Funds From Extra Tax.

Mr. J. G. Stikeleather and his district engineer, J. C. Walker, came to Franklin Monday of this week and met with the commissioners to determine the disposition of the money received from the extra gasoline tax of one cent on the gallon. Mr. Stikeleather recommended that this fund of \$23,370 be used to pay interest and sinking fund on highway bonds of the county and the commissioners so decided.

The district highway commissioner was unable to inform the commissioners when funds to hard surface No. 28 through the county would be available. The contract between the county and the state requires the state to hard surface this highway and then repay the loan of \$325,000 made by Macon county as funds from the county's allocation become available.

Mr. Walker announced that the grade work of No. 28 between Franklin and Highlands would be completed by June of this year. Such work, it is understood, will then go forward on the same highway between Highlands and the Jackson county line. A change in the highway east of Highlands is expected to shorten the road by one mile. Fifteen more convicts, said Mr. Walker, will be

and be placed at work on the Cullasaja route to expedite matters. It is understood that these convicts will be used to improve the part of the highway already graded and place it in good shape for the summer tourists. The statement of Mr. Walker concerning the grade work between Franklin and Highlands caused much rejoicing at Franklin since it was heretofore understood that there was no possibility of opening this road to the public before next fall.

REPAIRS MADE ON TRIMONT INN

For the past several weeks Dr. S. H. Lyle has had men at work repairing and altering Trimont Inn. Running water has been installed in each room and several rooms have been equipped with private or connecting baths. As a result of these improvements Mr. and Mrs. Cook, managers of the Inn, are expecting a better summer season than ever before.

Revival To Begin North Main Meth.

A series of revival services will begin at North Main street Methodist church, Rev. J. H. Strickland pastor, next Sunday night, March 31, at 7:30 o'clock. This will be known as the spring revival and Rev. R. F. Mock, of Franklin, N. C., will do the preaching. Services will be held each evening at 7:30 o'clock and announcement will be made Sunday as to the hour of the morning services through the week. The pastor extends an invitation not only to every member of North Main church but to the public to attend any or all of the services.

Rev. Mock is an experienced evangelist-pastor and has served some of the leading churches in the Western North Carolina conference and he will make the services both interesting and inspiring to all who attend—Charlotte paper.

48 Pairs Mexican Quail

Macon county's allotment of Mexican quail placed by the department of conservation and development, and allotted by County Game Warden J. J. Mann to the following farms, whose owners will protect them from hunters: C. L. Ingram, F. J. Murray, R. F. Henry, J. H. Stockton, W. L. Ramsey, C. L. Garner, Mrs. L. L. Mabry, J. H. Dalton, B. J. Hurst, W. C. Sheffield, J. M. Raby, Geo. Slagle, G. M. Bulgin, Earl Harrison, J. F. Cunningham, R. L. Allman, W. T. Wright, C. M. Moore, Geo. Wallace, P. M. Gregory, J. I. Mann, D. P. Cabe.

Fishing license will be on sale before the season opens at the following places in Macon county: At my office in court house, Macon County Supply company, Dr. E. R. Gilbert, Highlands; M. J. May's Store, Flats; H. A. Nuckle, Rainbow Springs. J. J. MANN, County Fish Warden.

"THE TRAIL OF '98" IS REAL EPIC OF NORTH



"THE TRAIL OF '98"

Magnificence and Power of Spectacle Places It in Front Rank of Great Examples of Cinema Art.

What "The Covered Wagon" was to the west, "The Birth of a Nation" was to the south, "Way Down East" was to New England, is just what "The Trail of '98" is to the far north.

It is only once in a great while that film producers succeed in turning out a real epic. Not that they don't try; it's because there isn't enough material of the right kind to make many epics.

But Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has certainly hit on a story of epic quality in "The Trail of '98," which was directed by Clarence Brown and will be shown Friday and Saturday at the Macon theatre.

When you see this picture you not only see the days of the mad gold rush to the Klondike—you live them.

The writer of this review had expected to witness a great spectacle when he went to see this picture. What he did see was a mighty love story set in a magnificent and spectacular frame.

Take the love story out of "The Trail of '98" and you still have a marvelous spectacle—put it back and



KARL DANE IN "THE TRAIL OF '98"

you have an epic. Clarence Brown has succeeded in doing something which is seldom done. He has filmed mighty, spectacular scenes but he shows them only to let you realize the effect they have on the individuals in his picture.

You see thousands of people in a single scene, but that scene isn't crowded. It has square miles of background—background that takes away the spectacular and gives balance. The picture has real grandeur and magnificence, but it also has heart interest. The principals get their reactions from these great scenes, these great numbers of people. What you see is individual reaction

BILLY SUNDAY LIKES W. N. C.

J. E. Rice Received Following Letter From His Old Friend

Corpus Christie, Texas.
March 6, 1929.

Dear Rice:

Thank you for this kind letter. I was delighted to hear from you. And to know that you are so happily located down there in North Carolina. They are fine folks, I don't know any better folks any where in the country than in that section.

I was in Shreveport just for the day and did have a big time, but I was well tired out by the time I was through, for I had spoken in New Orleans three times the day before. Shreveport has made some great strides forward but the old friends still are there and I was delighted to see them.

With every good wish
Sincerely yours,
W. A. SUNDAY.

DOCTOR ANGEL IS HONORED

At its recent meeting in Greensboro the Tri-State Medical Society made Dr. Furman Angel of Franklin an honorary member. This society is composed of medical men from the states of South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia.

to what otherwise would be the spectacular.

Every member of the enormous cast deserves credit for what he did in "The Trail of '98." There's Dolores Del Rio, who has always been a good performer. In this picture she is an artist. We haven't seen as much of Ralph Forbes on the screen as we would like to; we want to see him oftener. All of us know and love Harry Carey as a sterling actor. He is at his best in the villainous role of Jack Locasto.

There are Karl Dane, George Cooper, Emily Fitzroy, troupers all, and mighty fine performers.

There's Tully Marshall, than whom there is none better in such roles as Tully takes upon the screen. The day that man dies the movie-going world will have cause to mourn.

Because there is not space to give a lengthy review of "The Trail of '98" we must be content to say it's a great picture, marvelously directed and the characters well portrayed. It is a picture that will help the motion picture reach the plane it is bound for—one of the fine arts.

COUNTY BOARD IS ORGANIZED

All New Members of County Board of Education Qualify—Ramsey, Dean and Dr. Angel New Members.

Last Monday the county board of education organized by again electing Dr. S. H. Lyle as chairman for the next two years. H. D. Dean, Lawrence Ramsey and Dr. Furman Angel qualified as new members. Alex Moore holds over as a member of the board. Tuesday, April 16, was the date set for electing a county superintendent of schools.

Refuse to Pay Man for Sheep

Monday Mr. J. L. Smith of Tellico, presented the commissioners a bill for the loss of two sheep alleged to have been killed by dogs. Mr. Smith stated to the board that he saw fresh dog tracks near the carcasses and that he was satisfied in his own mind that his sheep were killed by dogs. Mr. Smith explained that he is an old man and that it is not possible for him to stay up at night in order to get positive proof that dogs kill his sheep. However, the commissioners considered the proof insufficient and refused to pay the bill. Mr. Smith stated that he voted for the three commissioners now in office and that he worked for their election.

and his attitude will be entirely different.

A Determined Boy

J. L. McConnell of Prentiss, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McConnell, tried unsuccessfully several times to pass the examination into the Franklin school. But being a determined lad he finally walked the four or five miles to town and completed the 7th grade. Now he is in the high school. There are probably mighty few boys in the county who want an education to the extent of walking this distance.

Baptist Church News

The pageant put on by the B. Y. P. U. through its committee, Mrs. Mashburn, Mrs. Peek and Miss Edwina Dalrymple, was a superb success. The young people passed all expectations of their trainers. The costumes were pronounced beautiful by those who saw them. Visitors were present from Dillard and a goodly number from Clayton. Thanks are due all who aided in the success of the pageant. Thanks are due to God for the impressions of Bible truth conveyed to the spectators.

The number of chapters read in the Bible so far are reported as 14,770.

The church was beautifully decorated with flowers, mountain greenery, etc., last Sunday and Sunday night. The church yard has for some time been planted in shrubs and perennial plants of a beautifying nature. Mrs. Higdon, Mrs. Wilkie, and others of the members are aiding in this work. Each family is being asked for twenty-five cents by the W. M. S. for the beautification of the church premises.

Mrs. Frank Murray, treasurer, sent off about 85 dollars for missions this week.

The church is on the honor roll of the state convention, because they send the mission checks monthly.

The pastor will preach to the Masons next Sunday morning. The orchestra will play.

The committee on the sexton, Brethren James Carpenter and Silas Womack, will report at conference next Sunday.

A convention of Sunday school workers from all over the county is called for next Sunday afternoon at three.

The W. M. S. of the church will meet at Mrs. Frank Murray's next Thursday afternoon at three.

The Senior union will go to Mt. Hope church next Sunday afternoon to establish a B. Y. P. U.

The matter of the church roof will be taken up next Sunday at conference.

On account of the Sunday school convention the church conference may be held at the close of the morning service.

Many of our Presbyterian friends and members of other denominations were present at the pageant. We invite them to come again.

The auditorium was crowded in both stories, the balconies being full at the pageant. The workers of the B. Y. P. U. have been receiving many compliments on their work.

TO SPEND \$6500 PAVING STREETS

Town Board Decides to Get Franklin Out of the Mud—One Member Moves to Repeal State Law.

At its meeting Monday night the town board decided to spend \$6,500 in paving certain streets of Franklin. T. W. Angel started the ball rolling when he made a motion to spend \$2000 on Wayah street. Mr. Angel insisted that the people of Bonny Crest were entitled to a street. Seeing that he was determined to press the matter other members of the board amended the motion by including the street at the depot, the Fair Ground street, Bidwell and Green streets. As finally passed the motion appropriated the following amounts: \$2000 for Wayah street to begin at Cojo filling station and go as far as appropriation will permit; \$1500 on street at depot to begin at Standard filling station and go as far as possible with the amount appropriated in the direction of the cannery; \$1000 on Fair Grounds street to begin near home of Dick Hudson; \$1000 on Green street to begin at home of Jesse Ray, and \$1000 on Bidwell street to begin at Harrison avenue. These projects will be let to the lowest responsible bidder and the bids are scheduled to be opened on April 13. The board intends to build macadam streets approximately 14 feet wide and 6 inches in thickness. During the course of the discussion

Angel promptly moved to repeal said law. In other words, law or no law, Mr. Angel wanted to build some streets in Franklin and his determined stand at the meeting resulted in the appropriations mentioned above.

MAKE FRANKLIN A ZINNIA TOWN

Garden Club Will Furnish Plants to Any One—Has Ambition to Make Franklin Known as Zinnia Town.

The Garden club of Franklin with Mrs. Smith Harris as president has announced comprehensive plans looking to the beautification of Franklin. The club members will plant a large number of zinnia seed and will furnish plants to any one within the corporate limits. The club requests that those planting zinnias place the plants where they can be seen by the public.

The zinnia was selected because of its easy cultivation and because the plants bloom from early summer until frost. Of course the garden club is interested in all kinds of flowers and shrubbery, but its particular interest centers in a wide distribution of zinnias within the city limits.

The club would be glad to receive suggestions from any who is devoted to making Franklin the city beautiful.

Mass Meeting

A mass meeting will be held at the court house at 8 p. m. Monday, April 8, for the purpose of nominating a mayor and six aldermen to be voted for in the May election.

Lawn Dinner

A number of Franklin people with their guests for the holidays gathered on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Hunnicutt on Sunday for a picnic dinner. Those entertaining were Mr. and Mrs. Hunnicutt, Mrs. W. W. Sloan and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Crawford.

The out-of-town guests were: Dr. Ruth Collins, of Greensboro, and Miss Rosalie Jabobi of Wilmington, visitors of Miss Betty Sloan who is at home for the spring holidays, Miss Edith Webb of Oxford, who is visiting Miss Tim Crawford, also home for Easter; Mr. W. H. Sloan, of Winston-Salem; Mr. G. W. Ward, of Lumpkin, Ga.; and Mr. C. B. Sweet, of Athens, Ga., guests at the Hunnicutt home where Misses Sue and Katherine Hunnicutt are spending the holidays. In addition Miss Virginia Hunnicutt, Miss May Jackson, Mr. W. E. Jackson, Mrs. A. H. Cannon, Masters Charles and George Hunnicutt were present.

After a delicious dinner the visitors were taken up to see Cullasaja Falls.