

COME TO MACON COUNTY—  
HEART OF A MOUNTAIN EMPIRE RIPE FOR DEVELOPMENT

# The Franklin Press

National Forest  
Unexcelled Climate  
Unsurpassed Scenery  
State Game Refuge  
17 Parks Over 5,330  
Feet High  
Ideal Dairy Country  
Crescent Cannery  
Excellent Highways  
Cheap Electric Power  
for Industries  
Law-abiding Citizenship

100,000 H. P. Undeveloped Water Power  
Abrasive Materials  
Copper, Timber  
Precious and Semi-Precious Gems  
Mica, Kaolin, Asbestos,  
Abundance Good Labor  
Ample Transportation Facilities  
Pure, Clear Water  
Productive Soils

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## MASS MEETING NAMES TICKET

At a mass meeting Monday night at which 33 voters were present Mayor George Patton was again named to head the ticket as mayor. The following men were nominated as aldermen: Kas Penland, M. L. Dowdle, John Henry Cabe, H. W. Cabe, J. S. Conley and Sugar Fork John Moore.

### Broadway Locals

Messrs. Andy Wilson and Bascorn Long made a business trip to Franklin Monday.  
Mr. Hayse Bryson was a visitor at Mr. Andy Wilson's home Sunday.  
Mr. Jerry Wilsin and Miss Jean Wilson made a business trip to Sealy last week.  
Mr. R. B. Wilson returned home last Saturday night from Sealy where he has been visiting friends and relatives.  
Mr. Zeb Bryson was in this section last week end.  
Mr. Radford Wilson spent last week end with Mrs. H. C. Wilson.  
Mr. Grady Smith was a visitor at Mr. Andy Wilson's home Sunday afternoon.  
Mrs. Z. U. McKinney and grandson was the guest at Mrs. Andy Wilson's Wednesday.  
Mr. Jerry Wilson and sister made a business trip to Turtle Pond Wednesday.  
Mr. Andy Wilson was a business visitor at Mr. B. Wilson's home Wednesday.  
Mr. Andy Wilson made a business trip to Mr. Frank Cabe's home Thursday.  
Miss Blanche Wilson has been very

Mr. Columbus Verisore was on Broadway on special business Tuesday.  
Mr. William Green was a business visitor at Mr. Andy Wilson's home Friday.  
Mr. Tom Smith was at Mr. Andy Wilson's Friday afternoon on business.  
Mrs. Andy Wilson made a business trip to Highlands Saturday.

### Shoakeville News

Mr. W. T. Rogers, of Dillard, Ga., has recently been visiting his mother, Mrs. Margaret Rogers.  
Mr. and Mrs. Kerma Holland spent Easter with Mr. Holland's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Radford Holland of Pine Grove.  
Mrs. W. E. Miller was visiting her sister, Mrs. Carlye Morgan of Bessie, N. C., Tuesday.  
Mr. J. C. Stinwinters was visiting Mr. Ben Rogers one day last week.  
Mr. and Mrs. John H. Morgan and little daughter, Estelle were visiting in Hamburg, Sunday.  
Mrs. T. R. Zachary of Cashiers, spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Rogers.  
Mr. Lambert Moss, of Erastus passed through this section Saturday.  
Mr. Ben Gibson, of Gold Mine was in this section one day last week.  
Mr. J. T. Tilson of Richmountain spent the week end with home folks.

### Holly Springs News

Mr. and Mrs. Lunn Wilson were in this section Sunday.  
Mr. Charles Ingram is driving a new Ford.  
There was a very large crowd at Sunday School Sunday.  
Miss Bida Elliot spent the week end with home folk.  
Mr. Woodrow Dalton has returned from Richmountain.  
Mr. Joe Henry made a business trip to Franklin Friday.  
Mr. Robert Patillo is confined to his bed with the flu.  
Mr. Claude Justice is visiting his mother, Mrs. P. H. Justice who is confined to her bed at Mr. Byron Justice's.  
Mr. Medford Carver was in this section Sunday, visiting Miss Faye Franklin.

### Error Corrected

Franklin, N. C., April 8, 1929  
The Franklin Press,  
Franklin, N. C.  
Dear Editor:  
I would like to call your attention to an error in the issue of last week's Franklin Press. The Press stated that I gave the young people of the community a dance on Saturday night. Such a statement is false.  
There was an outside social in the grove near my home that night but I was not even invited, and was not there. According to the report given by some of those present the reporter was evidently not present either as many of his facts are incorrect.  
If you will please make a correction in this week's Press I shall surely appreciate it.

## Kindergarten Opens Next Monday

The Teacher Training Department of the Franklin High School announces the opening of the Spring Beginners class Monday, April 15. All children who expect to enter school in September are cordially invited to attend.  
The children will be expected to come to school at 8:45 each morning and stay until 10:30. They will not need any school supplies or a lunch.  
Beginning classes in reading, phonics, language number work and writing, cut work, drawing, clay modeling, and plays and games will be taught. Songs and stories will have a large part in the day's program. The chieftain of the work will be to introduce the children to each other and to school life so that they will want to come back in the fall and so that their new life will be easy for them.

### Baptist Church News

Rev. Jesse Stalcup and Dr. Lee committee on the Baptist cemetery, ask that all people who have loved ones buried at the old cemetery come on April 25th, the day before decoration day, and clean up the grave yard. Many of the graves are tall in, and some of the tomb stones are fallen over.  
The members met at the church on Monday and cleaned up the church grounds and prepared for the planting of flowers and beautifying the church yard. The boys and girls helped work on the church yard and Mr. Pannel and Alex Moore did their part too.  
The Senior B. Y. P. U. went out to Mt. Hope and had a fine program. Some of the members devoted ex-

Hope appreciated their visit and gave them a good audience.

The Masons came in large numbers to the services last Sunday. The choir rendered a beautiful anthem. The services were helpful and many expressions of appreciations were made by the Masons and their wives.  
The Mission study class will meet at Mrs. Wilkie's on Thursday afternoon at three. Cars will leave the church at 2:30 and take all who wish to go.

Prayer meeting, Wednesday night will continue studies in the life of Christ.

The church voted to paint the roof with two coats of protective roof paint and appointed Bro. Stiles and H. Childers on the committee with brethren Fred Higdon, Silas Womack and J. D. Franks.

Bro. Bob Womack was elected sexton.

Over 15,000 chapters in bible reported to date by Mrs. Murray.

The organized B. Y. P. U. will give another public program similar to the pageant on the fifth Sunday in June. Mrs. Peek, Mrs. Mashburn, and Miss Dalrymple are the committee to confer and recommend the next program.

The Senior Union will go to Iotla on the third Sunday in April. Dr. Lee will preach the dedication sermon at Iotla on the third Sunday afternoon.

Many beautiful flowers will adorn the church yard this summer. About 20 men and women worked last Monday on the grounds. Flower shrubs were ordered by Mrs. W. L. Higdon from a Michigan nursery. A profusion of flowers will greet the eye if they do well and live.

### COUNTY AGENTS WEEKLY REPORTS FOR MARCH 30

Macon County, F. S. Sloan:  
One man at Glenville last year raised 20 tons of cabbages on one acre using Reeds strain of cabbage. On that basis they have a market for 600 tons this year and practically that much acreage has been subscribed by farmers of that community.  
Macon and Jackson counties held a cooperative hog sale Wednesday and sold the hogs at 11.85c delivered to Asheville. At that time the Chicago top was 11.65c. This encouraged the farmers and they are beginning to make their plans for next year's sales.

### Death of Mrs. Nichols

Mrs. John Nichols of upper Cartoogechaye died Monday evening at 3:00 P. M. of pneumonia and was buried the following day at Maidens Chapel. Further details not available at this writing.

### Sun Parlor for Terrace

The Franklin Terrace is installing another sun parlor on the east of the main building. The porch has been extended four or five feet and will be enclosed with glass. A large door will connect the sun parlor with the lobby. Two years ago a west sun parlor was added to the structure. It is understood that Judge Willis

## GARDEN CLUB PLANTS ROSES

### Cemetery Receives Attention of Club—Women Set 100 Rose Vines Tuesday.

That the garden club of Franklin is doing constructive work was made manifest here Tuesday when the members of that organization planted 100 Dorothy Perkins and Memorial rose vines along the embankment next to the highway at the cemetery west of Franklin. The club also has plans for further beautifying the cemetery with flowers and shrubbery. The club's proposal to make Franklin the zinnia town is receiving editorial notice in the daily papers of the state, both the Charlotte Observer and the Asheville Citizen having referred to this matter.  
The local chapter of the U. D. C. is also planning to beautify the bus route through Franklin so that the passengers, may be favorably impressed with the beauty of Franklin. The Clean-Up Week resulted in a great improvement in the appearance of Franklin and now that the women of the town have set their hearts on further beautifying Franklin, it is predicted that visitors to this mountain city during the summer months will have nothing but praise for the appearance of Franklin.

### Industrial Exposition

Raleigh N. C. April 2, 1929  
TO THE MANUFACTURERS OF

NORTH CAROLINA.

North Carolina's first state-wide industrial exposition will be held at the State Fair grounds in Raleigh from May 13 to May 18, 1929. It is being presented by the directors of the state fair, which is state owned and state operated.

The object of this exposition is to give the manufacturers an opportunity to show their products at an exposition in which the manufacturing industries will occupy the leading role.

Our directors believe that this initial industrial exposition will be of vast benefit to manufacturers and to the state. They hope to have the close co-operating of every industrial organization in North Carolina represented by an exhibit, and in this way we can completely and intelligently mirror the state's industrial progress and diversified activities.

In addition to industrial displays there will be high class music with entertainment and amusement features both day and night.

All arrangements are being completed for an attractive showing of every exhibit. We want your help and co-operation. We will appreciate hearing from you and will gladly furnish any and all information desired.

Very truly yours,  
NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION  
T. B. SMITH, Sec.-Mgr.

### Demonstration A Success

Approximately 60 people attended the demonstration of the Super Fuel Gas Stove at the school house last Thursday night. This demonstration was sponsored by the P. T. A. Franklin. Miss Ella Maywood, domestic science teacher at the Sylva high school, prepared the meal. She left Sylva at 3:30 in the afternoon and had a good meal ready for seventy people by eight. Mr. Warren made a short talk explaining the operation and cost of the gas stove.

### Porter's Sale

J. A. Porter & Company will hold a mammoth sale beginning April 12 and closing April 29. Previous sales by this firm have resulted in bringing much money into Macon county from other counties in both this state and Georgia. R. L. Porter, the manager of the firm, says that his company is giving away many valuable prizes in connection with the sale. For the past few days the entire force of clerks has been busy marking prices on various articles and arranging the stock for display. J. C. Whitmire, who has managed other sales for Mr. Porter, will have general supervision of the sale, though his son, Briscoe, will be in immediate charge. Mr. Whitmire is predicting a large volume of business during the sale.

### Macon to Lose Teachers

When the new state school law is finally interpreted it appears certain that under its provisions Macon county will lose from 10 to 20 teachers in the rural districts. Definite informa-

## Mann Releases 60,000 Brook Trout

J. J. Mann returned from Balsam hatchery Monday with 60,000 brook trout which were released in the various pools of the county. The fish warden states that those with rearing pools are given preference when fish are received in Macon county. It is estimated that when small fry are released directly to the streams not more than 10 percent survive. On the other hand when fish are placed in rearing pools approximately ninety percent survive.

### Author of "All at Sea" Wrote Many Successes

Byron Morgan who wrote the scenario for "All at Sea" in which Karl Dane and George K. Arthur are costarred by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer and which will be shown Monday and Tuesday at the Macon Theatre, was born in New York City and was a successful short story writer before turning his attention to films.

Since his connection with motion pictures he has adapted a number of stories of other authors to screen use and has also written a number of original manuscripts for the screen.

Among his most recent original stories are: "The Smart Set" and "The Flying Fleet". "Rookies" was also original by him. "All at Sea" and two of his early pictures, "Rokieso" and the "Flying Fleet" feature of the U. S. military service, a subject on which Morgan is con-

two bluejackets, who are rivals in love. They fend very nearly disrupts the discipline of a navy training station.

### Ken's Stunt Riding Has Circus Thrills

If you miss the circus this summer, you needn't mind—just go to see "The Unknown Cavalier" at the Macon Theatre, Friday and Saturday.

For in this First National picture produced by Charles R. Rogers you will not see only a former Ringling Brothers circus star, Ken Maynard, now a star of the screen, but you will see one of the most exciting "Roman rides" that you have ever witnessed.

In one sequence of the picture Maynard, as the hero, Tom Drury, offers to do some roman riding for four ruffians whom he wishes to "shake". He starts stunt riding one horse, adding another to his team at each turn of the course until he is standing on the outside steeds of four horses abreast.

Then with a "Yipe-e-e-e-e-e" in his best cowboy style, he rides off across the desert to the rescue of the heroine, leaving the thick headed bandits gapping at each other, with only "shanks mare" to use in pursuit.

These scenes were taken on the edge of the far famed (for heat and thirst) Death Valley, and if it had not been for the August heat, Ken would have enjoyed the riding, thoroughly, as it took him back to the days of the big top and the cheering throngs to which he used to play "in person". The Unknown Cavalier was directed by Albetr Rogell.

### Thank Porter

Asheville, N. C., April 3, 1929.  
Mr. J. A. Porter,  
Franklin, N. C.  
My Dear Mr. Porter:  
We have about recovered from the siege of Raleigh, and are now preparing to gird our loins for the campaign for city extension which was made possible in a large measure through the efforts and help which you so kindly furnished us in obtaining the necessary legislation. But for the friendship and interest taken in the Asheville Extension Bill by you and other of our good friends, it would have been impossible for Asheville to grow this year.  
We have felt that what you did was more in the spirit of friendship for us than any particular interest in the local legislation affecting Asheville. For this reason we are particularly grateful to you and shall always treasure the memory of your courtesies and assistance.  
You can further add to our quota of happiness by visiting Greater Asheville this summer and affording us the opportunity to disabuse your mind of many erroneous impressions attempted to be created about this, the finest city in the United States.  
Hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you in Asheville this summer, we

## INTEREST IN MINERALS GROWS

### Georgians Will Probably Organize Co. To Work Old Iotla or Bowers Mine—Ore Samples Submitted.

For the past several months interested parties from North Carolina and other states have been coming to Macon county to investigate the mineral deposits found here in abundance. These investigations have revealed the fact that there are large deposits of cyanite, manganese, mica, kaolin, precious and semi-precious gems. Bauxite has also been found recently in what is believed to be paying quantities. In a book of mineralogy written by Prof. Dana of Harvard and published about 1900 it is stated that Macon county is the only place in the United States where sperrylite is found. Sperrylite is ore containing platinum. However, no local citizen can be found who knows the locality where sperrylite was found.

For the past month the new and old mica mines of Macon county have been receiving considerable attention from citizens from other states. Some of the old mica mines that were worked by crude methods before and after the Civil War are again being considered as valuable property. The government geological report of 1898-99 refers to these old mines and states that at that time reports were circu-

longer considered as valuable. The report goes on to say that none of these mines had been worked to a depth greater than 100 feet and that they were abandoned not because of lack of mica but because the miners had no way of ridding the mines of water at the greater depths. Going on the report further states: "There can be little doubt that in case of a considerable number of these mines, by the use of the steam pump, the steam drill, and other modern appliances, a number of these old mica mines could be opened up anew and worked at considerable profit. And thus, like the Clarissa, the Sink Hole, the Hawk and the Cloudland, in Mitchell county; the Ray mine of Yancy county; the Iotla, the Ray and Burningtown mines of Macon county, which together have yielded considerably more than \$1,000,000 worth of mica while being worked by crude methods, if opened up anew under more favorable conditions, would undoubtedly yield a supply of mica for many years to come as great or greater than that which they have yielded in the past."

One of the most indefatigable workers engaged in interesting outside capital in Macon county mineral deposits is M. D. Billings, county superintendent of schools. Friday W. S. Richardson of Augusta, Ga., Paul Brown of Elberton, Ga., and W. D. Beachman of Athens, Ga., visited Mr. Billings to inspect the old Iotla or Bowers mica mine. The inspection is said to have proved so satisfactory these gentlemen have returned to their homes with the intention of organizing a company to carry on the work in the Iotla mine, abandoned many years ago. At the museum in Raleigh is a block of mica from this mine said to be the finest specimen of mica ever known in the world. Mr. Billings is much encouraged over the prospect of further work in the old Iotla mine.

It is believed here that the proposed increased duty on mica from India and other foreign countries is having its effect. At least one other old mine in addition to the Iotla or Bowers mine is being considered for further work. Farmers in Macon county who have been walking over deposits for many years are at least realizing the opportunities that they have been overlooking. In fact there is a general awakening in this county to the importance of its mineral deposits. For many years the farmer who took his pick and shovel and prospected his holdings for mineral was considered by others "a leetle bit off." Now there is a different story to tell. Men from all over the county are bringing samples of various ores to Franklin, being no longer ashamed to be seen hunting for the wealth that may lie under their respective farms.

### High Average for Franklin Girl

Miss Elizabeth Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cunningham, student at Ward-Belmont school for girls at Nashville, Tenn., has been placed on the honor roll of that institution for the