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COUNTY RECEIVES FIRST CHECK ON ROAD INTEREST

Mr. J. O. Harrison, county manager has received a check for over eight thousand dollars as first installment on the \$18,000 interest payment that the state highway department has recently taken over for the money that the county put up for the building of highway twenty-eight. This interest will all be borne from now on by the state department and will be deducted from the principle when the state highway department begins to repay this loan.

The getting of this money came as a windfall and no one was any more surprised and gratified than Mr. J. G. Stikeleather. It is said that this arrangement will be of great assistance to all concerned. First it is a big load taken off the county and in the second place it will be easier on the state highway department to begin repaying this money this way than any other now in view.

Just what this \$18,000 will be applied on could not be learned at the county manager's office this morning, but it was said that there is a place waiting for it.

Franklin Church Keeps Minister

Rev. Mock Reappointed By Unanimous Vote

Rev. R. F. Mock, pastor of the local Methodist church, has been reappointed for his third year at Franklin, the appointment receiving the unanimous approval of the Board of Stewards. The church also was practically unanimous in its approval of the appointment.

During the past year 36 new additions have been received by the Methodist church. A total of 70 new additions have come in during the two years that Rev. Mock has been pastor. Nine thousand dollars have been raised by the church during these two years.

Since Rev. Mock came to Franklin, the Methodist church has been reconverted, and the parsonage partly remodeled and repainted.

Rev. H. F. Freeman was reappointed to the Franklin circuit. Rev. Freeman has served the circuit one year. Two new churches are under construction in this circuit: Snow Hill and Clark's Chapel. Rev. C. F. Farris was appointed pastor of the Macon circuit. Rev. L. E. Croson comes to the Highlands Methodist church.

OSBORNE LUMBER CO. INSTALLS MACHINERY

The progressive firm of H. A. Osborne Lumber company are erecting a building on their property off their siding adjoining their lumber shed, for a planing mill and other wood working machinery.

It is said that this will enable them to use a great deal more of the local lumber than is now possible. This will be good news to local millers.

STORE DECORATED

Young Edwin Cunningham, son of W. C. Cunningham, set about to put the proper Hallowe'en atmosphere in the show window of the W. C. Cunningham store early this week. Unaided, Edwin decorated the window attractively and appropriately for Hallowe'en season.

The floor of the show window is strewn with autumn leaves. In the center is a witch's cauldron. And from a corner of the show space, a witch surveys the entire layout of streamers, corn shocks, and miniature evergreens. The display attracted considerable attention.

FRANKLIN 62; WEBSTER 0

Just by way of keeping their hand in, the Franklin high school boys took the Webster aggregation into camp to the tune of 62 to 0. Both teams, the first and the second, took turns quarter and quarter against the Websterites.

There is no way of saying who starred. The whole team was one good aggregation of hard hitting, fast running boys. Bill Hauser made four of the touchdowns, Stewart made two, Henry two, while Fouts and Young (on the second team) got one each. Perhaps Fouts and Wilkie and Stewart stood out as the main stay of the team for the first team. While Ammons on the first team was the steadiest player of the lot. He was in every play and played the game for the team as a whole and not for Ammons.

One thing happened in the game that has rarely, if ever, happened in any game. Barnard, Franklin's right end got through on a pass attempt by Webster, blocked the pass just as it was leaving the hands of the passer, caught it and ran for a touch down.

On the second team could be seen much good material that indicates that Franklin high will be in the running next year for the Western North Carolina high school championship. These boys deserve even more credit for their one touch down than the first team did for their nine for the reason that they had never played together before and had never even had a scrimmage before.

The lineup was as follows for both teams:

1st Team	Pos	2nd Team
Wilkie	left end	Calloway
Slagle	left tackle	Waldrop
Ammons	left guard	Tessier
Sutton	left guard	Henry
Wilkes	right guard	Sanders
Freeman	right tackle	Snyder
Barnard	right end	Cum'm
Fouts	quarter back	McCullum
Stewart	full back	Reece
Henry	right half	Conley
Hauser	left half	Young

Next Friday the boys go up against Bryson City. Everyone expects to see a good game then. The Bryson boys will be a little harder proposition than were the inexperienced team from Webster. There is no doubt as to what the Franklin boys have in their minds to do to them, however, and all who go to see this game are assured of their money's worth. Tickets will be on sale at the field.

D. G. STEWART ATTENDS TELEPHONE CONVENTION

Mr. D. G. Stewart, General manager of the Western Carolina Telephone company, left Franklin on Monday to attend the North Carolina State meeting of the Telephone Pioneers of America in Raleigh. Mr. Stewart was with Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company for about 20 years before coming to Franklin in 1924. Besides this long record of service which entitles him to membership in the Telephone Pioneers of America, Mr. Stewart is a pioneer of the telephone business in Western North Carolina. The Western Carolina Telephone company with its headquarters in Franklin and exchanges at Franklin, Sylva, Bryson City and Highlands, N. C., and Clayton, Ga., is the result of Mr. Stewart's appreciation of the possibilities of this section. This town and county as well as other towns and counties in which the Western Carolina Telephone company operates, are greatly indebted to the pioneering spirit of Mr. Stewart and his associates for the good telephone service which we enjoy and which is such an advertisement for our towns and counties in Western North Carolina.

MRS. COIT WILLS TRACT TO STATE

200 Acres on Wine Spring Bald Left For Park Pur- poses—Forest Service To Cooperate.

Through the generosity of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Coit of San Francisco, California, the State of North Carolina has come into possession of one of the finest tracts of mountain land in the western part of the State. This tract consists of 200 acres located on the top of Wine Spring Bald about fourteen miles in a direct line west of Franklin. The land in question is a part of the estate of the late Dr. Charles M. Hitchcock, who died in Napa county, California, in 1885. During his lifetime Dr. Hitchcock spent many of his summers in the mountains of this part of the state and acquired considerable property in Macon, Cherokee and other western counties. His daughter, Mrs. Coit, fell heir to the property. She was particularly fond of the tract on top of Wine Spring Bald and in her will which is now being recorded in Macon county has left this property to the State of North Carolina for park purposes so that future generations might enjoy the view from the summit. It is also understood that Mrs. Coit owned a few other small tracts in Macon county all of which by the provisions of her will will come into the possession of the state.

On top of the mountain there are ten or fifteen acres, practically level and covered in a dense growth of azalea, both white and purple, rhododendron and other mountain shrubbery. In June and July of each year the mountain is the mecca, for hundreds of tourists who go to the summit to see a wilderness of flowers and to get the view from that point. Five mountain ranges, the cowees, Nantahalas, Blue Ridge, Balsams and Great Smokies, are visible from Wine Spring Bald.

The forest service maintains a road to the top of Wayah Bald only a short distance from Wine Spring Bald. Supervisor A. A. Wood of the Nantahala forest, when told of Mrs. Coit's will, was much interested and announced that the federal forest service will gladly cooperate with the State in any development that the State authorities desire to undertake. The forest service road which winds around the foot of the peak will be available for State use in the event that the authorities at Raleigh desire to improve the tract for park purposes. At a cost of less than \$200 the State can build a road to the top of the mountain. Mr. Wood is also desirous of cooperating with the State in building a primary lookout station on the summit of the mountain. Such a station would be 5,600 feet above sea level and would afford an excellent vantage point in connection with fire prevention.

The State forester, Mr. Holmes, is deeply interested in the tract on Wine Spring Bald and it is believed here that he will establish a park on the summit and build the necessary road so that tourists next summer may visit the mountain.

TAX BOOKS NOW READY

The 1929 tax books are ready, reports Sheriff C. L. Ingram. He states that those desiring to pay this year's taxes should call at the sheriff's office. The books for this year are ready more than two months earlier than was the case with the 1928 tax books.

EPISCOPAL NOTICE

Next Sunday November 3 at 7:30 o'clock there will be a special business meeting of the members at St. Agnes church. All members are urged to be present.
By the Church Officers.

SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM OPENS

The lunch room at the Franklin school will open Friday November 1. The object of the lunch room will be to provide a hot, nourishing lunch at the minimum cost.

Hot soup, brunswick stew, baked beans and brown bread, milk, cocoa, etc., will be served at 5c each, nothing over 5c. Lunch tickets will be sold to the children in the primary grades.

Any amount, from 25c to \$1.00 may be paid on these tickets. Each teacher will take charge of the tickets in her room and each day check up on each child's ticket the amount bought that day. When the amount paid for the ticket has been used up the child will be notified.

The high school students will bring the money for lunch each day and be served in the lunch room.

Highway Robbery Attempt Lands Two Men in Jail

Sheriff C. L. Ingram went to Clayton, Ga., Tuesday night with requisition papers necessary to bring Gordon Burton and Earl Jones to Macon county. Burton and Jones are charged with attempting to rob Rol Norris of this county last week. Norris boarded the bus at Franklin. Near Otto, Burton and Jones also got on the bus. The two followed Norris when he left the bus beyond Otto. One of the two drew a gun on Norris, who ran into bushes on the road and escaped. Norris evidently knew the two men, one of whom is a resident of Clayton. Officers of Rabun county, learning of the incident arrested Jones and Burton.

Sheriff Ingram went to Clayton last week to bring the men to Franklin but was not allowed to bring them until he could show requisition papers. Burton and Jones are now in the jail here.

Four other arrests have been made during the last week, all being on liquor charges. These include Don Raby who was arrested Saturday night. Burt Zachary, Will Cheek and a young man named Sorrels were arrested on Sunday.

Sheriff Ingram also reports that Chief-of-police Bob Henry arrested Bob Tallent here on Monday night, Tallent being charged with desertion from the United States army. Chief Henry took Tallent to Atlanta on Tuesday. Tallent's home is in Franklin.

Walter Jones, one of four men who escaped from the Macon county jail a few weeks ago was arrested in Asheville last Saturday. Sheriff Ingram took Jones to the Bryson City jail.

AN INTERESTED VISITOR

Mr. G. G. Clements of the "American Shoe Machinery and Tool company," of St. Louis, was in Franklin the latter part of the week, on a pleasure and business trip combined.

This was Mr. Clement's first trip here in seven years, and he expressed his opinion of a remarkable change in that length of time.

While here, he motored to Bryson City and Sylva, accompanied by Miss Sue Curtis, who pointed out interesting scenes along the route.

Mr. Clements expressed his regrets of having to leave Franklin so soon, yet he also stated that he would return within the next month for a longer stay, permitting him to see more of the city and county as well as the people.

The people of Franklin and Macon extend him a hearty welcome.

WEEK OF PRAYER

All the ladies of the church and especially the members of the country missionary societies are cordially invited to take part in the services conducted by the Woman's Missionary

APPLICANTS TAKE EXAMINATION FOR FOREST RANGER

At all national forest headquarters in the United States civil service examinations were held Tuesday for the position of forest ranger. Ten applicants took the examination at Franklin under the supervision of supervisor, A. A. Wood of the Nantahala National Forest. From the list of those who qualify positions as forest rangers in the United States forest service will be filled, those ranking highest in percentage being offered positions first. The names of the applicants taking the examination at Franklin follow: Locke C. Stepp, Aquone, N. C.; William A. Singleton, Clayton, Ga.; Clyde L. Fisher, Hazelwood, N. C.; James H. Williams, Franklin, N. C.; Alvah Pearce, Franklin, N. C.; Lewis H. Meilks, Franklin, N. C.; Frank Shope, Franklin, N. C.; Gilmer Setser, Franklin, N. C.; Asa L. Argo, Athens, Ga.; and John T. Siler, Franklin, N. C.

Parent-Teachers Meet November 1

A "Get Together" meeting of the P.-T. A. will be held Friday, November 1 at 3:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Lyles Harris, with Mrs. Mangum assisting the hostess.

There will be some very interesting a reading by Mrs. Dick Jones and a social hour.

The idea of the "Grade Mother Program" is new to most of the mothers but has been very enthusiastically received by the majority interviewed.

Each mother is asked to take note of the following list and resolve to "line up" with some one of these mothers and help in this great work. Please do not fail to be present and learn more about things.

Miss Bringle's room, Mrs. John Davenport; Miss Horniday's room, Mrs. Gilmer Jones; Miss Davis' room Mrs. Lyman Higdon; Miss Young's room, Mrs. Henry Cabe; Mrs. Hudson's room, Mrs. Agnes Higgins; Miss Calloway's room, Mrs. W. A. Rogers; Miss Leach's room, Mrs. C. A. Cabe; Mr. Randolph's room, Mrs. Mangum; Mrs. Macon's room, Mrs. J. T. Peck; Mr. Kessler's room, Mrs. J. E. Perry; Miss Rentz's room, Mrs. George Bulgin; Mr. Carpenter's room, Mrs. W. B. McGuire; Miss Morgan's room, Mrs. Tessier; Miss Sloan's room, Mrs. McCollum; Miss Wyatt's room, Mrs. George Slagle; Mrs. Frank's room, Mrs. W. W. Sloan.

We believe that one of the most desirable things that could happen would be for every teacher to know the parents of every pupil she teaches. When teachers and parents know and understand each other it is much easier for them to work together for the advancement of the pupils, so every mother and teacher come and get acquainted. —MRS. J. E. LANCASTER.

society of the Methodist church.

The first service will be held in the Methodist church auditorium from 3:30 to 4:30 Sunday afternoon, Nov. 3.

Monday afternoon at the same hour the service will be held at the parsonage and Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Geo. A. Jones.

The fourth meeting will be held on the following Sunday at the church, taking the place of the regular night service and will be participated in by the Juniors and young people of the League.

At this last meeting it is hoped especially that the whole membership of the church will attend and visitors will be welcomed from the town and country.