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## JUST FORTY-EIGHT HOURS ARE LEFT

End Is Almost Here of Second Period In Great Campaign

### OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

New Subscriptions Will Not Count Double After Saturday

The end is almost here!

There are only forty-eight hours left of the big "second period," and only nine more days before the campaign comes to a close and the happy winners will receive their rewards.

Think of this—new subscriptions will not count double votes after Saturday. This means that subscriptions obtained next week will count just fifty per cent as much as they do now. The enterprising and energetic candidates will realize the tremendous importance of this fact, and make this week their BANNER WEEK—while the shiftless ones will sleep on as they have been sleeping, and allow this golden opportunity to add hundreds of thousands of votes to their totals—GO UNHEEDED.

It Won't Pay To Wait

Next week it may be too late. The winner of that new Chevrolet car, and of the other choice prizes in this liberal prize list will get busy now, and by Saturday night thousands of votes will be cast. A few long term subscriptions will turn the tide of victory in favor of any of the candidates in this list. It is possible for anyone to win if they have the ambition and the energy to make their aspirations a reality instead of a lazy dream.

Opportunity Is Knocking

The world is full of opportunity, and our "crying need" is not more opportunity, but more people who have the courage and the ability to take advantage of opportunity and apply its proportions to their individual success. Opportunity demands work if one is to realize its greatest fulfillment, and therein is the secret of success. Too many people are not willing to work for the things they desire, and opportunity will not keep a lazy bedfellow.

The next few days represent the apex of opportunity to the workers in this campaign. That opportunity is present now! It is knocking patiently at your door, urging you to take it in and realize its greatest fulfillment.

The End Is Near

There are only a few more hours in which you can secure big votes on your subscriptions, and only a few more days in which to secure subscriptions. Candidates will work feverishly from now until the end. They will solicit you, MR. PUBLIC, and you owe it to them and to yourself to subscribe.

Poor Excuses

Don't give a pauper's excuse, and say you haven't got the price of a subscription. You have got it, and you ought to take The Franklin Press. The price of a subscription will neither make or break you, but it will show your loyalty to that friend of yours who is striving so hard to win that automobile—it will show that you have more than a tax-paying interest in your community, and that you are really interested in the affairs of your own home community. Don't grumble about the price, for the price of a subscription will not pay for the paper that goes into your subscription for a year. You don't expect something for nothing—neither do we. As a matter of policy—the average person in this community is too big to expect an editorial policy that will "coddle" every man's individual opinion. The chances are that you belong to one of the churches in the community; yet, you are big enough to believe that a member of some other church might be equally as sincere as you. We're giving you Macon county news, true and unbiased. Our editorial policy is not law. We do not expect you to believe as we believe. We're not trying to put something over on you when we express our opinions openly and frankly. Our

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## NEWS EDITOR OF PRESS PAINFULLY INJURED SUNDAY

On last Sunday Mr. Joe Moore, news editor of The Franklin Press, was painfully but not dangerously hurt in a motor accident at the foot of the town hill near Mr. Tom Angel's home. Mr. Moore was riding his motor bike eastward and had a passenger in the side when he decided to return to street to make the turn.

Just as he was well across the town and swerved around in the street a car came up from behind and side swiped his machine. He was thrown from the motorcycle and his passenger was thrown from the side car. Joe was taken to Angel's hospital where his wounds were dressed. It was found that he was suffering from lacerations about the arms and body and a severe bruise above the kidney. The passenger was only slightly injured.

## ADVOCATES NEW HIGHWAY ROUTE

Director Albright Favors Linking Up of Chain of National Parks

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 19.—As an attraction to tourists, Horace M. Albright, director of national parks, advocated here today a highway route linking the Great Smoky Mountains National Park of Tennessee and North Carolina, the Shenandoah National Park, of Virginia, the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky and historic shrines and military parks of the East.

"This chain of national parks and interesting places in the East would attract thousands and thousands of persons yearly," Director Albright said.

The national park director said the Great Smoky Mountains National Park will probably be taken over by the United States government after July 1 for protection and administration.

The Smoky Mountains National Park, he said, "stands head and shoulders above anything else of its kind in the world." He urged that Tennessee and North Carolina capital be used in building hotels, resorts and operating all concessions which go with a national park.

Opening of the Tennessee-North Carolina park will solve the deer and bear problems of the Yosemite and

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## W. M. U. Will Give Program At Cowee June 3

10 a. m. Song, "Come Women Wide Proclaim."  
1930 Watchword: Be ye steadfast. I Cor. 15:58.

1930 Song: "Faith of Our Fathers."  
10:15 Devotional—Dr. W. E. Abernethy.

10:25 Welcome—Mrs. Ed Duvall.  
10:30 Response—Mrs. George Dalrymple.

10:35 Report of Personal Service Chairman and Her Recommendations—Mrs. Wilkie.

10:45 Recommendations for Mission Study—Mrs. Murray.

11:00 Report of Superintendent.  
11:15 Roll Call of Societies.  
11:35 Recognition of Visitors and Pastors.

11:40 Appointment of Committees.  
11:50 Address by Mrs. Edna R. Harris, Raleigh.

12:20 Five Prescriptions For a Good Member—Mrs. John Moore.

LUNCH

1:30 Song, Devotional by Rev. D. C. McCoy.

1:45 Margaret Fund and Training School—Mrs. J. R. Morrison.

2:00 Young People's Work—Edwina Dalrymple.

2:30 Where Our Dollars Go—Mrs. Sam Gibson.

2:45 Our Centennial Year—Rev. A. S. Solesbee.

3:00 More of Self—Less of Thee—Gifts to Missions on the Decline by Mrs. Porter Pierson.

## MARKERS CANNOT BE PERMITTED

State Election Law Prohibits Naming of Persons to Assist Voters

### OFFICIALS MAY AID

Voters May Be Accompanied Into Booth By Member Of Family

A question of whether or not markers are allowed in the primary election seems to have arisen in the minds of many over the county, and The Press herewith carries the text of the law with reference to the assistance of voters at the polls by election officials termed markers. The type in black face shows the passage of the law with reference to markers not being allowed in the primary. The law follows:

Sec. 26. Assistance to voters. Prior to the date of any election hereunder the county board of elections, together with the registrar of each precinct of each county, shall designate for each precinct therein a sufficient number of persons of good moral character and of the requisite educational qualifications, who shall be bona fide electors of the precinct for which they are appointed, to act as markers, whose duty it shall be to assist voters in the preparation of their ballots. The assistants or markers so appointed by the said county board of elections shall be so appointed as to give fair representation to each political party whose candidates appear upon the ballot. The chairman of the county organization of any political party may not more than ten days before any election to be held hereunder submit to the county board of elections the names of not less than ten qualified voters in any voting precinct of the county, and thereupon the marker or markers appointed to represent such party in said election at said voting precinct shall be selected from among those so named. Such persons shall remain within the enclosure prepared for the holding of elections, but shall not come within ten feet of the guard-rail, except when going to or returning from the booth with any elector who has requested assistance. Such marker or assistant shall not in any manner seek to persuade or induce any voter to cast his vote in any particular way, and shall not make or keep any memorandum of anything occurring within such booth, and shall not, directly or indirectly, reveal to any other person how in any particular such voter marked his ballot, unless he, or they, be called upon to testify in a judicial proceeding for a violation of the election laws. Every such marker or assistant, together with the registrar and judge of election, shall, before the opening of the polls, take and subscribe an oath that he will not, in any manner, seek to persuade or induce any voter to vote for or against any particular candidate, or for or against any particular proposition, and that he will not make or keep any memorandum of anything occurring within the booth, and will not disclose the same, unless he be called upon to testify in a judicial proceeding for a violation of the election laws of this State. The said oath, after being first taken by registrar, may be administered by him to the two judges of election and to the markers or assistants, as herein provided; however, that no markers shall be named for or permitted in primary elections conducted under the provisions of this act, provided further that in any primary election held hereunder, any voter may ask and secure from any election official at his voting precinct aid in the preparation of his ballot or in voting. Provided, that in all general and primary elections held under the provisions of this act any voter may select another member of his or her family who shall have the right to accompany such voter into the voting booth and assist in the preparation of the ballot, but immediately after rendering such assistance the person so assisting shall vacate the booth and withdraw from the voting arena. Provided, that any voter in primary elections may be accompanied into the voting booth by

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## SANITARY INSPECTOR RECOMMENDS CHANGES IN JAIL REPAIR PLANS

### PRESENT WORK IS NOT ENOUGH

Improvements Fail to Meet the Requirements of State Law

### QUOTES REGULATIONS

Would Probably Be Disapproved For Lack of Apartments

Raleigh, N. C., May 17, 1930.

Mr. Lyles Harris, Editor, Franklin Press, Franklin, N. C.

My dear Mr. Harris:

I am enclosing a letter which I have mailed copies to each of the Macon county commissioners relative to the county jail, and its status with the requirement of the North Carolina Jail Law and Regulations, under the proposed plan of improvement of the

You may publish this letter in your paper if you so desire.

Very truly yours,  
L. G. WHITLEY,  
Chief Sanitary Inspector.

Mr. J. O. Harrison, Chairman, Macon County Commissioners, Franklin, N. C.

Dear Mr. Harrison:

Re: Macon County Jail.

I made an inspection of your county jail at Franklin on May 10th, in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 7713 of the Consolidated Statutes, and Chapter 163, Public Laws of 1925.

The Macon county jail was "disapproved" under authority of the Act in 1927, for not meeting with the minimum requirements governing county jails. I found the jail being used for the incarceration of two white male, and two white and one colored female prisoners at the time of the inspection, although notice had been served on the Macon county officials to the effect that the jail had been "disapproved" for the imprisonment of prisoners, under the State Law. However, I found a contractor at work pouring concrete for re-enforcing the walls of the old jail building, when I made the inspection.

I then proceeded to check the proposed plan for improving the jail with Jailer W. M. Edwards, and learned the plan was to re-enforce the old walls of the jail, provide a flat roof, and repair the sewage system. Then I went straightway to your office and discussed this matter with you. You probably recall I stated that we regretted the commissioners were spending money on the old jail building, unless it were to be improved to meet the requirements of the State Jail Laws.

Sec. 1317 of the Consolidated Statutes requires the county commissioners to provide a common jail, at the expense of the county, wherever the same is situated. The Board of Commissioners shall lay and collect taxes from year to year, as long as may be necessary, for the purpose of building, etc.

Sec. 1318, Consolidated Statutes, requires that the county jail shall be provided with at least five separate and suitable apartments, one for the confinement of white male criminals; one for white female criminals; one for colored male criminals; one for colored female criminals, and one for other prisoners. The law also requires separate apartments for juvenile prisoners.

The word "apartment" is construed to mean a room, or part of a divided building. The old jail is not provided with the minimum of five separate apartments, neither does the proposed plan for improving the jail include the required number of apartments.

The provisions of Chap. 163, Public Laws of 1925, require that the county jails shall be fire-proof structures, free from fire hazards and provided

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## ELECTRIC POLE BLOWN DOWN

Wind Storm Sunday Caused Darkness For Short Time

In the wind storm of last Sunday night an electric line pole was blown down which threw the whole town in darkness for a short time. Had it not been for the quick action of the new manager there would have been no lights for the churches. Mr. J. E. Lyon, local manager of the Western Carolina Utilities company, was on the job in a few minutes and stayed on it until the damage was repaired. He cut out the circuit that was impaired and put the current on another one which allowed the churches to have light to go on with their services.

The unexpected often happens and cannot be prevented from happening, but it is gratifying to find that, with the public service utility company that is furnishing us light, there are men on the job that can and do handle the situation expeditiously. Those of the community that have met Mr. Lyon, local manager, are well pleased with him and are looking forward to seeing the improvements in the service that a man like he is will surely effect.

## Franklin High Commencement May 25, 26 and 27

The commencement program of the Franklin high school to be May 25-26-27, is as follows:

Sunday—11:00 a. m.—Commencement Sermon at the Baptist Church by Rev. Abernethy.

Monday—8:15 p. m.—An Historical Pageant—School Auditorium.

Tuesday—8:30 p. m.—Graduating Exercises—School Auditorium.

The pageant on Monday night will consist of eight episodes, setting forth high peaks in North Carolina history, about half of it being Macon county history.

The cast will include about one hundred boys and girls, most of whom are members of the Junior and Senior classes. There will be a small admission charge to take care of the cost of the costumes.

On Tuesday night the members of the graduating class will receive their diplomas, and certificates will be awarded the Teacher Training class, and all pupils who have completed the seventh grade work this year.

There are also a few prizes to be awarded.

### EPISCOPAL SERVICES

There will be services at St. Agnes Episcopal church at 7:30 o'clock Sunday, May 25. Rev. Albert New of Waynesville will conduct the services. All are welcome.