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INVESTIGATE MACON COUNTY

HEART OF A MOUNTAIN EMPIRE RIPE FOR DEVELOPMENT

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PRIMARY ELECTION IS SET FOR SATURDAY

Franklin Press Subscription Campaign Winners Are Announced

MOSES WINNER OF FIRST PRIZE

**Chevrolet Coach Presented
On Monday To Leader
Of Contest**

\$150 CHECK AWARDED

**Mary Louise Porter Winner
Of Second Prize In
Campaign**

The Franklin Press' subscription campaign, one of the biggest ever held in this section of the state was brought to a close at five o'clock on Monday afternoon, and shortly afterward the winners were announced. An increase of approximately 40 per cent in the paid subscription list was realized as a result of the campaign. A final check of new subscriptions is expected to make the paid circulation of The Press between 1400 and 1500. In addition to new subscriptions, approximately 200 renewals were received in the campaign.

L. J. Moses took the lead in the contest on the last day of the drive and won the Chevrolet coach, first prize, with a vote total amounting to 2,887,750. Mary Louise Porter ran a close second with 2,605,150 votes, and received the second prize, \$150 in cash. Addie Barnard was awarded third prize, the R. C. A. radio, for a total of 1,761,800 votes. Mrs. Lester Conley won fourth prize, the diamond ring, her vote total being 1,585,100. Sarah-Hicks Hines with a vote total of 373,500 was awarded fifth prize, the wrist watch. Mrs. J. H. Shelley, with 359,500 votes, received the award of \$25 dollars in gold, sixth prize.

Covers County

As a result of the campaign, The Press is in a better position to be of service to advertisers. The paper now covers the county more thoroughly than before, a fact in which foreign and local advertisers will be interested. Contestants did good work during the campaign, and to these The Press extends thanks.

With a large number of new names being placed on the subscription list errors will occur in spite of the most diligent care. Any subscriber failing to receive the paper, should communicate with The Press office without delay. Sometimes subscribers' names are placed on the mailing list twice, and they consequently receive two papers. Any such cases should be reported to this office. All errors will be gladly corrected provided they are brought to the attention of some member of The Press staff. New or renewal subscribers must bring receipts when seeking adjustment of errors.

Advertising Copy Must Be In On Tuesday At 12

Beginning next week, advertisers must place copy for ads with the advertising department of The Press by 12 o'clock each Tuesday. Forms for news will close at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, and unless news is of unusual importance it must be in by six o'clock Tuesday evening. The Press will hereafter be ready for mailing by Wednesday evening at six o'clock.

CENSUS RETURNS GIVE MACON CO. INCREASE OF 783

Census returns recently completed give Macon county a population of 13,670, an increase of 783 over the population of 12,887 in 1920. Macon is exceeded in population by Haywood, Jackson and Cherokee among the counties west of Buncombe. Macon's population exceeds that of Transylvania, Swain, Graham and Clay among these western counties.

FRANKLIN IS NOT HEAVEN'S RIVAL —BUT—READ THIS

In heaven, it is recorded in holy writ, the streets are paved with gold. Franklin lays no claim to competition with the celestial city, but it boasts that some of its streets are being paved and repaired with stone inlaid with copper.

From the rock quarry of Shields and Duvall on Iotla, stone was brought to Franklin this week in the seams of which copper was found in varying quantities. Andy Reid, mine expert, identified the mineral.

Developments are underway in this county on the Angel old copper mine on Watauga, recently sold to a large out-of-state concern by Andy Reid, the consideration being \$128,000. Favorable reports also come from Ellijay and Stiles where evidence of copper in amounts large enough for development has been found.

FRANKLIN TAKES FESTIVAL PART

**Town To Present Chinese
Feature Of Rhododendron Pageant**

Franklin has been selected by officials of the 1930 Asheville Rhododendron festival to present the Chinese feature of the pageant on the opening day. Mrs. Helen Macon will be in charge of the presentation. A meeting has been called by Mrs. Macon for Thursday night at which parts will be definitely assigned to those gram.

Ten cities of Western North Carolina will unite their efforts in making the third annual Rhododendron festival, to be held at Asheville, June 18, 19 and 20, the most colorful celebration of its kind ever staged in this part of the South. The Rhododendron pageant which portrays in brilliant drama the mythical story of the Rhododendron, will be enacted by hundreds of people chosen from among the citizenry of the ten North Carolina communities.

The Rhododendron pageant will be one of the principal events of the opening day of the floral fete. Scores of costumed dancers and a multitude of brilliantly clothed participants will enact the different scenes of the pageant under the kaleidoscopic glare of the colored search lights in the huge bowl of the Asheville Memorial stadium.

The Pageant will follow immediately upon the ceremonial coronation of the King and Queen of Rhododendron festival which marks the opening of the annual floral celebration. Cities besides Franklin which will contribute groups of actors to the pageant include, Waynesville, Hendersonville, Black Mountain, Swannanoa, Burnsville, Sylva, Weaverville, Asheville and others.

Events of the Festival program this year are grouped in one of the most brilliantly spectacular celebrations ever planned in Asheville. A parade of floral floats miles in length, a night of revelry in which the city will be turned over entirely to the masked followers of the king's jester, the Rhododendron ball, and many social events are on the three day schedule. Twelve southern states will send beautiful girls as state sponsors to the court of the Rhododendron monarchs during the celebration.

Macon County Youth Heads Literary Society

CHAPEL HILL, June 2.—William Medford, of Rainbow Springs, Macon county, a rising senior, has been elected president of the Dialectic senate, university literary society, for next year, to succeed Beatty Rector, of Asheville.



ROY McCracken IS AWARDED BAND MEDAL

Rufus L. (Roy) McCracken, formerly of Franklin, and a son of F. Y. and Mrs. McCracken, all of whom are now of Knoxville, Tenn., was recently presented the band medal offered annually by the R. O. T. C. of Knoxville high school.

The band medal is presented to the cadet in the band, exclusive of commissioned officers, who receives the highest rating in at-

tendance, care of uniform, equipment and instrument, personal neatness and military bearing. The medal was won by young McCracken after he had competed with 500 other cadets.

The next day Roy was promoted to second lieutenant. He belongs to the track team, runs the mile race, and has won enough points to be presented with the letter "K."

HIGHWAY 28 IS OPENED AS FAR AS HAYESVILLE

HIGHWAY WILL BE BUILT IN SMOKIES ON NO. CAR. SIDE

The construction of a highway through the North Carolina side of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, from Smokemont to New Found Gap on the state line, will be started immediately, it was announced Thursday by James G. Stikeleather, ninth district highway commissioner.

The road has already been surveyed. Within 30 days workmen will be on the job, and the completion of the grading of the project is expected before the end of the year. The grading work will cost approximately \$100,000. As soon as it is finished, the road will be surfaced.—Asheville Times.

STONE ARRIVES FOR DUTY HERE

New Junior Forester Reports At Nantahala Forest Office

J. Herbert Stone, who succeeds John B. Byrne as junior forester of the Nantahala National forest, reported for duty at the office of Supervisor A. A. Wood at the forestry headquarters here Monday morning.

Mr. Stone came to Franklin from Warren, Pa., where he was district ranger of the Allegheny National forest. He is a graduate of the Yale university school of forestry. Mr. Byrne moved from Franklin to Asheville on May 1 to succeed C. L. Graham as assistant supervisor of the Pisgah National forest.

Angels' Hospital Has New Surgeon

Dr. Charles E. Cunningham of Decatur, Ga., has joined the surgical staff at Angel Brothers' hospital as assistant surgeon. Dr. Cunningham is a graduate of John Hopkins university, and has completed post-graduate work at the John Hopkins hospital and Union Memorial hospital, both of Baltimore. The addition of Dr. Cunningham places the number of surgeons at Angels' hospital at three.

PRESSING CLUB MOVED

Mrs. T. M. Hoilman has moved the equipment of the Franklin Pressing club to quarters in the new Hoilman building on Iotla street near the Standard filling station.

KEEN INTEREST IN LOCAL RACES

**Shake-up Is Likely In Elec-
tion Of Board Of Com-
missioners**

BAILEY IS FAVORITE

**Simmons Lacking In Popu-
larity Among Voters Of
Macon County**

Democratic political candidates are out "politician" this week as only political aspirants can politic in the week preceding a primary. The races for county offices are overshadowing the importance of the Bailey-Simmons contest in Macon.

Strong competition in the race for representative is promised between J. A. Porter and W. A. Rogers, with J. Frank Ray, Jr., the third candidate, likely to poll a substantial number of votes.

Frank I. Murray is unopposed in the primary to succeed himself as clerk of Macon county superior court. Mr. Murray has held the office approximately 10 years, having twice been elected to four-year terms and having filled the unexpired term of W. T. Moore of about two years beginning in 1920.

Nine candidates in the race for register of deeds have made the outcome of the contest for this office perhaps more uncertain than any other. C. T. Bryson is expected to poll majorities in Sugarfork, Ellijay and probably in Cowee and Highlands townships. J. M. Brabson and J. L. Rogers will be favorites in Smith's Bridge and in upper Franklin township, it is believed. Albert Ramsey, W. T. Fouts and C. A. Elmore will poll many votes in parts of Franklin and Cowee townships, while H. S. Higgins, J. A. Tyler and Chas. W. Potts will probably find their strongest support in the vicinity of the town of Franklin.

Lake Ledford is unopposed for the nomination as county surveyor, while C. M. Moore is unopposed for nomination as coroner.

Shake-Up Expected

Three candidates are in the race for sheriff, John Dalton, Frank H. Norton and A. B. Slagle. Slagle is probably the favorite, although Dalton and Norton are well-known in Macon, having served as county surveyor and deputy sheriff respectively.

A shake-up in the board of county commissioners is expected in the primary. Dissatisfaction with the activities and non-activities of the present members has been heard from various groups. Two of the present members of the board, J. O. Harrison and W. D. Barnard, are in the race for re-nomination. In addition to these Walter Gibson, J. E. Lancaster, J. P. Moore and C. H. Norton are running for nomination. Outside of their respective townships the strength of these candidates is speculative, with the exception of that of J. E. Lancaster who is likely to be a favorite in a majority of the townships.

Registration of between 2000 and 2500 voters was reported Monday by J. R. Morrison, chairman of the county board of elections.

Bailey Is Favorite

Uncertain as political forecasts often prove to be, indications in Macon county point to the fact that Bailey will lead Simmons in the county primary by a majority that may reach two to one. Supporters of Bailey are (Continued on page eight)

RITTER TO OPEN RAINBOW SPRINGS BAND MILL, MON.

The Ritter Lumber company will start operating its band mill at Rainbow Springs on Monday, June 9, according to information reaching Franklin. The mill, which has been closed to operation for several months to enable the company to dispose of lumber ready for market, will be in operation for one month, it was stated.

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