

### MACON'S HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP STANDS NEXT TO TOP IN STATE

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county which is as much as ten points below the state median.

Macon's students are twenty points above those of one of our adjoining counties, twenty-two points above another and sixteen points above another. The closest of our next door neighbors is five points below us.

#### Macon's Cost Figures Lowest

The standing of the students of Macon county is particularly outstanding and reflects a particularly high degree of efficiency on the part of the teachers when it is recalled that the cost figures for each pupil in the high schools of Macon county are the lowest in the state. If the matter of the amount of money spent per student in attaining to relative levels of scholarship were to be considered it is practically certain that being considered the present standing of our high schools is an outstanding achievement.

The examination was given to 39 seniors at Franklin and to 8 at Highlands and the rating of the two schools shows that the 8 students at Highlands had a median attainment of 80.0 which is exactly 99 points over the state level that the 39 seniors at Franklin had a median of 84.6 which is 14.5 points above the state median.

While the records for the Highlands school are not available comparative records for the past four years and while the state has never before published comparative records for counties it is possible to make a comparison of the Franklin standard of scholarship with that of all the seniors in the standard schools of the state for each of the past four years.

#### 14 Points Above State Median

Four years ago it is found that the seniors here were below the state level of attainment by a matter of nearly five points. Progress has been made each year in the raising the comparative scholarship of the students in the Franklin school until the last year shows them to be over 14 points above the state median. This is a rise of practically twenty points in the last four years in scholarship and is a noteworthy and outstanding achievement. When translated into percentages it will be seen that the present standing is a little better than twenty percent above the state level. This is two percent higher than last year when the figures were a small fraction under 18 percent above the state median of senior scholars.

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### North Carolina News Digest

News Edited For the Man Who Reads As He Runs

Two stories fell under our glasses today: One from Marion, in McDowell county, and one from somewhere else.

The one from somewhere else told about a young wife and her suspicious husband having some words which resulted in both their deaths; he killed her and then himself.

The one from Marion was different. The fellow in Marion also had a wife, but instead of using her as a sparring partner or for target practice she was associated with him in the practice of law and assisting him in a murder case.

Instead of fighting a duel they were playing a duet.

Here is what the story says: McDowell county's second woman attorney, Mrs. D. F. Giles, was sworn in to practice law this morning and a little later took up her first case: helping her husband defend Jason Rhodes, negro, who is being tried on a charge of first degree murder of Sam Gardner, negro, here last year.

Her husband, local attorney, administered the oath to her. J. W. Winborne welcomed her in the name of the McDowell Bar association, saying that she and Daphne Spratt, Marion's other woman lawyer, who was sworn in to the bar several months ago should receive the credit that is due them and the attention of the public.

Mrs. Giles read law in her husband's office. She passed the bar examination several weeks ago.

The general belief among our fathers was that the Indian was mighty hard to kill. He was also considered mighty hard to find when you wanted him and so often present when you had no use for him.

But our "grand and glorious civilization" has removed the Cherokee's feathers and war paint and reduced him to the level of common folks in matters of killing and getting killed.

By wearing store-bought clothes, using hair oil and mixing corn liquor with gasoline he is elbowing the Paleface on this civilization way.

A communication from Robbinsville says: "One killed and three injured were the toll of a head-on collision of automobiles here Saturday night. An auto loaded with Indians, from Cherokee who had been attending the Mighty Haag Shows, located just east of town, headed straight into an auto driven by Claud Ammons, of this place, accompanied by his sister-

in-law, Mrs. Oliver Ammons, of Murphy. An Indian, Mark Brown, was killed instantly and three other Indians were injured, but not seriously. None of the occupants of the other car were injured."

Some folks in this world seem to live an easy-going sort of life, never creating a ripple of merriment nor provoking any sort of storm; others find no rest nor quiet from the cradle to the grave.

A correspondent cites a case in point: "Currie Jordan, fatally injured in an automobile accident, was pursued even in death.

"Another crash demolished the hearse in which his body was being taken to the cemetery.

"Jordan, 24, was riding last Friday with a young woman when his automobile overturned near Whiteville, N. C. He suffered internal injuries and died in a Lumberton hospital Monday.

The body was prepared for burial at the hospital and placed in a hearse to be taken to Western Prong church, near Bladenboro, for funeral services and interment.

"Near the church a car driven by Miss May Gore entered the highway from a side road, crashed into the hearse, and overturned it. The vehicle and coffin were all but demolished.

"It was necessary to take the body back to Lumberton and place it in another coffin."

One of our exchanges reminds us of certain changes in the personnel of Congress this fall, and points out the "lame ducks" who will limp off the stage. These will be: (1) Cole L. Blease of South Carolina; (2) Joseph E. Ransdell of Louisiana; (3) Furnifold M. Simmons of North Carolina; (4) Charles S. Deneen of Illinois, and (5) Joseph R. Grundy of Pennsylvania. All together there will be eleven new faces in the upper house, since six other senators are retiring voluntarily. Ransdell was defeated after 31 years in congress, serving continuously in the senate since 1913, by Governor Huey P. Long, in a bitter local fight. The capitol loses a picturesque figure.

in Blease, who, in his six years in the senate, has steadfastly defended lynching and admitted he drank but would always vote dry.

#### CLUBWOMEN SALE CONTINUES

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A determined effort is being made by some of the women in town to devise some plan by which the library may be reopened for at least two afternoons each week in order that the school children as well as their elders may have access to these books.

We are proud to learn that Mr. James Carpenter who underwent a serious operation is slightly improving at this writing. His many friends wish to see his speedy recovery.

#### ENTRY NOTICE

State of North Carolina,  
Macon County. T. J. Johnston  
Entered Oct. 28, 1930,  
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T. J. Johnston enters and claims 10 acres more or less in Nantahala township, county of Macon. All vacant lands lying on the ridge dividing White Oak creek and Nantahala river in Nantahala township, Macon county bounded on west by Grant 2216, on east by Grant 7065, on south by Grant 7776, on north by Grant 2610. 10 acres more or less.  
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