

## BANK PLANS NEARING SUCCESS

### Plan To Attract Tourists To Macon In Azalea Time

#### WOMAN'S CLUB TAKES ACTION

To Advertise Beauty of Wayah Ball Clothed In Flowers  
TO INVITE EDITORS  
Members of Editorial Association To Be Entertained

A movement to attract visitors from far and wide to Macon county in June to share in the enjoyment of the beauty of Wayah Bald crowned with sweet scented azalea has been undertaken by the Franklin Woman's Club.

Plans for advertising this spectacle of nature and for entertaining visitors who come to see it were discussed at a special called meeting of the club Monday afternoon, with Miss Elizabeth Kelly presiding.

The women agreed that too long has this beauty spot gone unnoticed by the general public outside of this vicinity, and decided to launch an organized advertising and publicity program to broadcast an invitation to all lovers of beauty to come here in June and share in this rich gift of nature.

#### TRIMONT INN TO BE OPERATED BY ATLANTA PEOPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Neely, of Atlanta, Ga., have leased Trimont Inn on Harrison avenue from Dr. S. H. Lyle and will operate it this summer as a resort and tourists' hotel.

#### George Reid Is Winner Of Church Raffle Prize

Winter may be a thing of the past but, nevertheless, George Reid has a fine new bed comfort. He won it Tuesday with the lucky Number 100 ticket in a raffle conducted by the Young Ladies' Missionary Society of the Methodist church.

#### Fishermen Busy as Trout Season Opens

The season for the taking of rainbow and speckled trout opened in Western North Carolina yesterday. Losing no time in taking advantage of the opening, many local fishermen and some from outside the county got out their rods and reels and began whipping the mountain streams in this vicinity in quest of the wary fish.

The trout season remains open until September 1. Bag limits for both speckled and rainbow varieties are 25. The minimum size for speckled trout is six inches and for rainbow, eight inches.

Fishing license may be obtained from the clerk of court or at several Franklin stores.

#### PROTESTS CUT IN SALARIES

President of Cullowhee Says Reduction Will Lower Standards

CULLOWHEE, April 15.—I am unable to say what the budget cuts have meant to other institutions, but the cuts at Cullowhee have been so serious as to make the outlook very discouraging from the standpoint of securing and holding first-class teachers," remarked H. T. Hunter, president of Western Carolina Teachers college, when he was asked what he thought would be the results in cuts in teachers salaries and whether such cuts would affect college faculties.

"The appropriation allotment for the fourth quarter as made by the budget director represents a three thousand dollar cut from the request for the quarter. This request was pared down to the very limit before it was sent to the state budget committee, in line with the governor's request."

"If this three thousand dollar cut is actually made," Mr. Hunter continued, "every dollar will have to come from the payroll, since there is no possibility of saving elsewhere. This would represent a total cut in teachers' salaries this year at Cullowhee of about seven thousand five hundred dollars."

When asked if this would be the first cut his teachers had suffered, Mr. Hunter replied, "All employees were cut twenty per cent of last July and August salaries and ten per cent of the salaries of the month of March. A total of about one thousand five hundred dollars in salary cuts has already been sustained by the employees of the college. And just here I should like to point out how a reduction in salaries in state institutions differs from a delay in receiving salaries on the part of public school teachers. The public school teachers expect to receive their payroll sooner or later. In this case it is simply a matter of delay, but in the case of college employees a failure to receive full pay in any (Continued on page six)

#### George B. Patton Is Only Candidate for Mayoralty; Many Out for Town Board

Although Franklin's town election is less than three weeks off, the office of mayor has attracted only one candidate—George B. Patton, who is now serving his second term in that position. The sparsity of candidates for mayor, however, is made up by the number who have entered the lists for a place on the board of aldermen. The names of 15 candidates for the board have been filed, according to George Dean, town clerk. They are:

E. Lancaster, L. S. Conley, and John B. Henry.

#### Better Respect for Law Imperative, Says Judge

Oglesby Makes Address At Weekly Rotary Club Meeting

#### SCHOOL SESSION ENDS NEXT WEEK

Graduation Exercises at High School Set For April 17

Examinations will start next Tuesday in the Franklin grammar and high schools and graduation exercises for the senior class will be held Friday night, April 17, G. L. Hoak, principal, announced yesterday.

#### TWO ROBBERIES ARE REPORTED HERE IN WEEK

Two robberies have been reported in Franklin this week. Monday night Newt Gibson's pressing club was entered and five or six pieces of men's clothing, several overcoats and dresses stolen, and on Tuesday night someone broke into the Star Market on the Public Square and stole five or six dollars in cash.

Police Chief Bob Henry said he had been informed that the possession club robbery was due to negligence for the door had not been locked. The Star Market was entered from the rear, through a transom. On account of the small size of the opening, it is thought that a child must have been the one to enter the store.

#### MAXWELL SCHOOL TO GET \$331.82 FROM DUKE FUND

Announcement has been made of a large distribution of the Duke Endowment Fund, ordered by the board of trustees paid to one hundred hospitals and 41 orphanages in North Carolina and South Carolina.

From this sum it is announced that the Maxwell School for boys in Macon county will receive the sum of \$331.82.

#### Trustee Is Appointed For Bankrupt Store

George W. Craig, of Asheville, was named referee in bankruptcy, and R. S. Jones, Franklin attorney, was appointed trustee, at a meeting of the creditors of W. C. Cunningham, local merchant, last Thursday. The store was reopened by the trustee on Monday after having been closed for a week.

#### N. C. ASSEMBLY IS DEADLOCKED

Tax Problem Confounds Lawmakers Down At Raleigh

#### COLLEGES COMBINED Bill To Consolidate 3 Big Institutions Is Enacted

BY CARL GOERCH  
RALEIGH, April 15.—The reassembling of the legislature is staying in session so long because most of the boys know that this is going to be their last chance at doing work of that nature. And they're not so far wrong at that. It'll be a long time before some of them will ever get sent up to Raleigh again.

It's easy to understand now why the state pays them only for the first sixty days. After that length of time, a legislature just naturally becomes absolutely useless and hopeless. There would be no sense in paying them anything. Not even attention.

#### MacLean Bill Doomed

The revenue bill is still up for consideration. There seems to be just about as much chance of financing the MacLean law as there would be of trying to erect a Ku Klux monument in Jerusalem. The senate tore things to pieces last week and is trying to mend them this week, which means that the house will promptly proceed to do a little tearing on its own account.

#### Colleges Consolidated

Final action has been taken relative to bringing about a consolidation of the University, State College and N. C. C. W. That's one measure that went through a-kim-flick. It's going to mean a big saving to the state. Under the old system, whenever Dr. Foust got a new pair of pajamas, Dr. Graham and Dr. Brooks immediately put in requisitions for the same things. Neither of the educational institutions wanted the other to get ahead of it, and they watched one another like hawks. The new plan is going to do away with all that kind of competition, and it is going to bring about not only more economy but also more efficiency.

#### Intelligence Tests Needed

There ought to be a law passed, (Continued on page six)

#### Time Certificates Totalling \$226,000 Already Exchanged

#### SUPERIOR COURT NOW IN SESSION

Barto Hopkins Given 2 to 5 Years in Prison For Larceny

Macon County Superior court convened Monday morning for the Spring term with Judge John M. Oglesby, of Concord, presiding. In his instructions to the grand jury Judge Oglesby pointed especially to the necessity for better law observance and deeper respect for constituted authority.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday were taken up with the trial of criminal cases. Trial of civil cases was expected to get under way sometime Thursday, only a few criminal cases remaining to be disposed of when court was adjourned yesterday afternoon.

#### Interesting Case

One of the most interesting cases brought before Judge Oglesby was that of Lambert Talley, of Sealy, and Felix Talley, who lives just across the border in North Georgia. The young man, who are cousins, were charged with assault with deadly weapons as a result of a cutting scrape they got into about a year ago. When the defendants were put on the stand Tuesday their stories did not satisfy Judge Oglesby, so he sent them back to jail. Wednesday they were more inclined to talk straight, but the judge again sent them back to jail, this time accompanied by a witness, Oscar Chastine, of Sealy, who at first said he knew nothing of the fight, but later revealed that he was there at the time and helped to separate the two cousins.

#### Hampton Acquitted

Walter Hampton, who was arrested about six weeks ago, charged with breaking and entering Silas Dean's store and stealing a quantity of goods, was acquitted. The only evidence against the defendant was that bloodhounds followed a trail from the store to his home. Other cases disposed of included Fred Young, charged with burglary, not prossecuted.

#### Ask Prompt Action

Dr. W. A. Rogers, president of the bank, and also Mr. Billings emphasized the importance of every time depositor who has not exchanged his certificate in doing so immediately. Although the months of efforts to reopen the bank are at the threshold of success, they pointed out, delay on the part of a few depositors in exchanging their certificates might imperil the reopening.

#### ROSS ZACHARY HELPS TO WIN W. C. T. C. DEBATE

CULLOWHEE, April 15.—A dual debate was held between the Mars Hill boys and Western Carolina Teachers college Friday evening, April 10, when the question for debate was, "Resolved, that the nations of the world should adopt a policy of free trade." Western Carolina Teachers college won both decisions, or five of the six votes. Ross Zachary, of Franklin, and J. R. Porter, of Andrews, defended the affirmative with Milton Hemby and Ben Cox, of Mars Hill, opposing them. J. Wylie Smith, of Murphy, and George Gibbs, of Mills Spring, debated the Mars Hill team there.

#### HAS OPERATION

Z. B. Byrd, of Andrews, one of the rangers of the Nantahala National forest, was taken last week to Oteen, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis.

#### Thinks Mountain Region Offers Many Advantages

Joseph McCoy, who has been sent here from Washington by the federal government to assist Judge John A. Wray, title attorney for the Nantahala National forest, already has become an ardent admirer of this section. So deeply has he become interested in the region that he says he would like to make it his permanent home.

"This is a great country," Mr. McCoy commented. "I have just about reached the age where I would like to settle down permanently. If I can arrange it, I plan to establish my home somewhere in this mountain region

and bring my family here." Mr. McCoy expressed the opinion that Western North Carolina and North Georgia would enjoy a steady growth and development, especially praised the resort advantages offered, but he also commented on the broad possibilities for agricultural and industrial progress.

The government attorney came to Franklin Tuesday, accompanied by J. F. Gray, of Twin Tops, near Clayton. Mr. McCoy said he did not know how long he would be stationed here but expressed the hope it would be for a long period.

#### Produce Buyer Interested In Macon's Crop Outlook

S. A. Munday has received a letter from W. L. Richardson, produce buyer and commission man of Macon, Ga., that will be good news to Macon county farmers.

Mr. Richardson, who handled a considerable quantity of beans and tomatoes from this section last year, informed Mr. Munday that he expected to be in position this season to do business on a larger scale.

Franklin farmers of this section naturally are looking about for some outlet for their produce.

C. W. Truam has informed The Press that he plans to remove his equipment from the old cooperative cannery near the Tallulah Falls railway depot and put up a small cannery at his farm at Prentiss to take care of his own bean and tomato crop. However, he added, if any definite movement is put under way to operate the cannery here, he will allow his machinery to remain. (Continued on page six)