

MANY ATTEND MEETING HERE

First County B. Y. P. U. Convention Is Big Success

REV. MR. IVEY HEARD State Secretary Delivers Two Inspirational Messages

The First Annual B. Y. P. U. convention of the Macon association was held at the Franklin Baptist church last Friday.

Johnnie Rogers Presides Johnnie Rogers, the Macon associational president, called the assembly to order 10 a. m., and a brief devotional exercise was led by Miss Edwina Dalrymple on the topic, "Be Ye Doers of the Word and Not Hearers Only."

Dady Speaks A duet was sung by the Misses Jarvis Ledford and Georgia Dady, and prayer by the Rev. W. T. Potts, of Highlands.

Give Playlet At 2 o'clock the people reassembled in the auditorium of the church and brief devotional exercises were led by Mr. William Crawford, of Ellijay.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT Born to Mr. and Mrs. William A. Allgory, Wednesday, at their home on Bonny Crest, a 9-pound son. Mother and child are reported to be doing nicely.

TO CLEAN GRAVEYARD An appeal has been issued for all interested to help clean off the Bethel graveyard Monday, July 27.

Beans Bring Good Prices But Crop Is Too Small, Says Macon, Ga., Buyer

Macon County's bean crop is moving in full swing; but, according to the principal buyer — W. L. Richardson, of Macon, Ga., — the supply is insufficient.

"I could easily handle twice as many beans as I am getting," Mr. Richardson told The Franklin Press yesterday. "The beans are of good quality but there are not enough of them."

So far the price has held up well. Mr. Richardson has been paying \$1.25 per 32-pound bushel. He estimated that since he came here about three weeks ago he had bought approximately 50,000 pounds of beans, or more than 1,500 bushels, paying for them in cash nearly \$2,000.

Mr. Richardson is the only produce buyer who has set up a

definite place of business. He has established himself in the rear of the old Farmers' Federation building now occupied by H. D. West's general merchandise store.

Several other buyers have been operating in the county, traveling from farm to farm in trucks. There is no way of checking up on how much they have paid out for the stringless green pods.

Mr. Richardson, who has been coming to Franklin each summer for three years, likes the quality of Macon county produce and says he would like to establish a regular bean market here.

"I can handle all the beans brought to me," he commented. "Of course I can't say what the price will be. The market decides that, but I'll buy them at some price."

Junior Order Convention At Highlands Big Success

CRAWFORD CLAN HOLDS REUNION

Family Gathers From Far And Near; Memorial Service Held

With many kinsmen present, some of them from distant points, the annual reunion of the Crawford family was held at the Black place Sunday, July 12. It was reported to have been one of the best reunions the family had ever had.

Among the members of the clan from outside Macon county who were present were Mrs. Myrtle Rogers, of Colorado; J. M. Crawford, known as "Uncle Johnny" or "Grandpa," and son of Union, S. C.; and Col. T. M. Crawford, of Blue Ridge, Ga.

Appropriate memorial services for members of the family who had died during the past year also were held during the afternoon with Col. T. M. Crawford, of Blue Ridge, Ga., presiding.

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Ball Game and Dancing Furnish Amusement For Crowds

The J. O. U. A. M. rally held here last Thursday was in every way a most decided success. Hundreds of Juniors with their families and friends were welcomed.

The addresses rendered in the school auditorium were very interesting and much appreciated by the audience. The songs by the Dalton boys were also enjoyed.

The baseball game between Highlands and Sylva, held in the afternoon came out 11 or 12 in favor of Sylva.

The square dance given for the visitors that evening was one of the gayest of the season. About two hundred people were present at one time or another during the evening and thirty couples danced the third set.

S. C. PREACHER HOLDS MEETING AT MORRISON

The meeting at Morrison Presbyterian church is in progress during this week, with the Rev. B. S. Hodges, Jr., pastor of the Batesburg-Leeville Presbyterian church in South Carolina, doing the preaching.

C. C. Poindexter Joins Asheville Law Firm

C. C. Poindexter, well known young Macon county attorney, has gone to Asheville, where he will be associated with the law partnership of Gately and McKimney, with offices in the Oates building.

Hundreds Frolic Nightly On B. & B. Riding Devices

Hundreds of people are flocking to Franklin nightly to frolic on the B. and B. Rides, a series of five amusement devices which are being operated under the auspices of the Macon County chapter of the American Red Cross on the lot back of the postoffice.

J. T. Bryson Now 81; Never Had Doctor

J. T. Bryson celebrated his 81st birthday anniversary Monday at his home in the Sugar Fork section. A number of friends and relatives were present.

Mr. Bryson has never had the services of a physician during his 81 years. He has never been seriously ill. He attributes his longevity to temperance in all things. His wife will be 81 years old in December. They were married 57 years ago.

PLAN TO PRINT W. N. C. HISTORY

Subscriptions Are Sought For Dr. Sondley's Two Volumes

A committee of public-spirited residents of Asheville is planning to publish as soon as possible Dr. Foster Alexander Sondley's "History of Buncombe County," which — despite the title — is as wide in its scope as Western North Carolina.

A communication from the committee states that Dr. Sondley's work is such a valuable contribution to the records of this section that it should "find a place in every office, school and home." To insure publication, however, it will be necessary to obtain 300 paid-up subscriptions.

The history, according to the letter sent out by the publication committee, "will be in two volumes, bound in genuine Persian Morocco, or imitation Morocco, and comprising 1,000 pages. The price for the Morocco is \$10.00, or \$7.50 for the imitation."

The Asheville chamber of commerce is custodian for these subscriptions. Please make out your check or post office order to it and mail your reply direct to it. The money as received will be deposited in a special fund which cannot be used until it has reached an amount sufficient to complete the publication.

The publication committee is headed by William J. Cooke, of Asheville, as chairman; W. B. Williamson, Asheville, vice chairman, and Mrs. James G. Stickleather, Asheville, secretary.

In giving to his work the title, "The History of Buncombe County," and in dedicating it to the "Buncombe County Historical Association," Doctor Sondley had in mind the County of Buncombe when it embraced virtually all of the territory in the state lying west of the crest of the Blue Ridge.

Widely known as one of the greatest scholars and jurists that our state has produced, Doctor Sondley labored patiently and earnestly for fifty years at the task of collecting the vast amount of data which is vividly unfolded to us for our asking in these two volumes.

The life and thought of our vigorous people, and the trends of our culture and characteristics are portrayed in an unparalleled and skillful manner, and in a brilliant and colorful style. His kingdom of knowledge, our heritage, comes to us as from the intellect of a bold and stormy statesman.

The imaginative sweep of the history in its interpretation of our political and religious life presents conclusions that take the reader by storm, and compel him to consider the work one to be periodically referred to for thrill, enjoyment and inspiration.

In fact, the work at once reveals Doctor Sondley as a historian, extraordinary because of the imaginative sweep of his intellect; as a master of our language, unusual

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PUTNAM OPENS REVIVAL MEET

Holding Services Twice a Day at Watauga Baptist Church

HERE FOR 2 WEEKS Is Director Moody Bible Institute; Successful Business Man

C. ... Putnam, a director of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, began a two-weeks revival meeting at the Watauga Baptist church last Sunday. Services are being held twice a day, one in the morning at 11 o'clock and another at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Mr. Putnam describes himself as a former banker and business man but now a traveling Bible teacher and evangelist. He visited this county last year and will be remembered by many who heard him as a forceful preacher.

While conducting the meeting at Watauga Baptist church, Mr. Putnam and his sister who accompanies him on his tours of the country are staying at the home of R. D. Brendle.

Interesting Life Mr. Putnam's life has been one of unusual interest. Following is an account of it taken from a bulletin issued by the Moody Bible Institute:

"Mr. C. E. Putnam, a successful Kansas business man, has disposed of his business, invested most of his fortune in Christian work, and is now devoting his full time to Bible teaching as a member of the field staff of the Extension department. Once agnostic, a reader of Robert G. Ingersoll and other infidel writers, but unsatisfied by their conclusions, he made a painstaking investigation of the Bible, was convinced of its truth, and became a Christian believer.

For years he often rose as early as 4 o'clock in the morning to search the Scriptures, and thus through the years, with refreshed body and invigorating mind, he acquired an unusual mastery of the sacred writings. Meanwhile he prospered in business, and became active in the Presbyterian church, of which he is a member; also in local, county and state Sunday school work and in the Y. M. C. A.

"He has developed a chronological chart which establishes, apparently beyond question, the accuracy of the Mosaic record, bringing new confirmation to the authority and inerrancy of the Scriptures. He also prepared a chart showing with clearness and in detail the dispensational epochs into which the Bible divides time.

Moreover, he is the author of a number of booklets on fundamental Bible doctrines, and on modern cults and delusions.

"Mr. Putnam's lectures have won the approbation of eminent Bible teachers, and engage the close interest of popular audiences, business men being particularly attracted. On the platform he is the clear-thinking, level-headed, business man, giving out with enthusiasm and clearness truth discovered in years of prayerful, earnest study. His messages sound the evangelists' note and the unconverted are frequently reached."

6 Macon Schools Are Consolidated By State Board

Siler Family Reunion To Be Held August 6

The Siler family reunion, which has been an annual event in the family, now spread out over many states, since the days when four Siler brothers first settled in Macon County, will be held this year on Thursday, August 6, at Camp Nikwasi.

DEATH CLAIMS ALVIA GIBSON

Funeral Held Monday at Iotla Baptist Church

Mary Alvia Gibson, 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gibson, of the Iotla section, died last Sunday morning at 8 o'clock at the Lyle hospital after an illness of one week.

The funeral services were conducted at the Iotla Baptist church Monday at 10 o'clock, by the Rev. A. S. Solesbee, of Iotla, the Rev. D. C. McCoy, of Euna, and the Rev. J. A. Flanagan, pastor of the Franklin Presbyterian church.

The pallbearers were: Crawford Dalton, Joel Dalton, Rogers Dalton, Lyman Dalton, Frank Reynolds and Vance Hoffbrooks.

Alvia was a leader in her Sunday school and showed a radiant light and happiness to all whom she came in contact with. She scattered love and joy along her pathway. She was the pride and joy of her parents, brothers and sisters, teachers and schoolmates.

Alvia will be missed at home and in the community. Her life was a beautiful example for her many friends to follow.

She leaves a father and mother, three brothers, Frank, George and Paul and two sisters, Mrs. Claude Roper and Lyda Gibson.

REV. MR. JACOBS HAS MEETING AT SALEM SCHOOL

The Rev. A. W. Jacobs, of Cullasaga, is conducting a protracted meeting at Salem school house. Services are held each night at early candlelight, later, Rev. Mr. Jacobs said, day meetings also will be conducted.

This meeting is an outgrowth of informal services Mr. Jacobs has been holding in the living room of his home for a small group of men working on Highway No. 28. He extends a cordial invitation to persons of all denominations, especially pastors of other churches, to attend the meeting at Salem school house.

Franklin Schools Gain 3 New Teachers In Allotment

COUNTY LOSES FOUR School Opening Dates To Be Announced at Later Time

Six Macon county schools, all of them one or two-teacher institutions, have been ordered consolidated with other schools by the State Board of Equalization, it was announced this week by M. D. Billings, county superintendent. Consolidations ordered are as follows:

Bethel with Franklin; Horse Cove with Highlands; Clear Creek with Highlands; Academy with Otto; Lower Tesenta with Upper Tesenta and Otto; Owinby with Otter Creek, Fairview or Camp Branch.

Four Fewer Teachers One hundred and nine teachers have been allotted to the schools of the county, inclusive of Franklin and Highlands. Last year there were 113.

Instructions of the Equalization board to Mr. Billings call for two additional teachers in the Franklin high school, making a total of 12, and one additional teacher in the primary grades, making a total of 15. Highlands will have three high school teachers and five elementary grade teachers, the same as last year.

Mr. Billings' report for the Macon County schools has not yet been approved by the state authorities and, pending this, he is unable to announce definite dates for the opening of the schools. Names of the teachers to be employed for the 1931-32 session will be announced later.

List of Allotments The following list shows how the teachers have been allotted to the various schools of the county for the approaching session:

- Franklin, 12 high school teachers, 11 elementary teachers; Iotla, 3; Olive Hill, 1; Patton's, 2; Clark's Chapel, 1; Union, 3; Skeenah, 3; Holly Springs, 2; Watauga, 1; Gold Mine, 1; Highlands, 3 high school teachers, 5 elementary teachers; Horse Cove, transferred to Highlands; Clear Creek, transferred to Highlands; Seady, 2; Mullberry, 2; Academy, transferred to Otto; Hickory Knoll, 2; Lower Tesenta, transferred to Upper Tesenta and Otto; Upper Tesenta, 1; Cowarta, 1; Otto, 3; Slagle, 4; Allison-Watts, 2; Rainbow Springs, 2; Aquone, 2; Otter Creek, 3; Owinby, transferred to Otter Creek, Fairview or Camp Branch; Beecher, 2; Kyle, 2; Fairview, 1; Camp Branch, 1; Oakdale, 2; Burnington, 2; Morgan, 1; Tellico, 1; Oak Grove, 2; West's Mill, 2; Liberty, 2; Harmony, 1; Rosa Creek, 1; Chapel's, (colored) 3.

Will Rogers Picks A Story For This Spot

By WILL ROGERS YOU hear all kinds of tales about things that are supposed to happen on the movie lot. Most of them never happen, of course. But they're good atmosphere, just like the Ford jokes used to be.

They tell about a shooting scene that some director was rehearsing. He was a great guy to have everything realistic, the way he thought

things really are. But he hardly ever got anything right, because he didn't know, somehow, what things really look like. Well, the actor that was to do the shooting pulled his pistol and fired, and the other fellow toppled over on his face. "Terrible!" yells the director. "Don't that man know nothing about how a guy falls when he's shot? I never seen anything so dumb. Get up and do that over again, the way fellows really do it when they're shot."

Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

It's a Good Thing He Wasn't a Giraffe By IRVIN S. COBB

A gymnasium one evening a man was taking a shower. Some one noticed a large and jagged scar on the back of his neck. On account of its peculiar location they all wondered how it had come about. Finally



one of the men made so bold as to inquire about it. "Say, Jim," he asked, "how in the world did you get that wicked looking wound on the back of your neck?" "Oh that!" said Jim, "why, I bit myself." "Bit yourself?" asked the man, "Gee, how in the world can a man bite himself on the back of his own neck?" "Well," said Jim, "I'm a wrestler, and the other night I was on the mat with a professional. He threw me down and got some kind of a hold on me and started twisting. Honestly I was in terrible agony, and mad clear through. Well, all of a sudden I see a neck in front of me and I dug my teeth in it, and by gosh wasn't I surprised when I found out it was my own neck."

THEY'S ONE OUTFIT DAT ALLUS DOES GOOD BUSINESS IN HARD TIMES AN' DAT'S THE JAIL! Dimah SAYS