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JOHN EDWARDS WINS CONTEST

Awarded Prize for Best Solution of Ghost Mystery

CONTEST CONTINUES

Grand Prizes of \$10.00, \$5.00, \$3.00 and \$2.00 Offered

John W. Edwards, of Franklin, is the winner of the first weekly prize offered by The Franklin Press in its ghost story contest.

The judges had a difficult time in deciding on the best solution for "The Georgia Ghost," the first story in the ghost mystery series. After careful consideration they finally agreed that Mr. Edwards' solution, giving due regard to all of the details—minor as well as major—was the most plausible explanation out of more than 30 submitted in the contest.

The prize is \$2.50 in cash. This amount is offered for the best explanation of each week's story and a grand first prize of \$10.00 will be awarded for the best set of solutions for the 12 stories in the series. A second prize of \$5.00, third of \$3.00 and fourth of \$2.00 will also be awarded at the end of the contest.

Following is Mr. Edwards' solution of "The Georgia Ghost Mystery."

"When the young lady, the hostess, accepted the challenge to go to the graveyard, she carried along the carving fork, which she was going to stick in Matt's grave as a sure sign that she had really visited the grave.

"An old-time carving fork was a real long-pronged fork and when firmly stuck into the ground would be capable of holding against a real hard pull.

"Before the Civil war the ladies wore dresses which were very long; in fact, they had a tendency to drag upon the ground.

"The young lady silently crept up to the grave. Fear gave her strength to stick the fork very firmly and deeply into the grave. Her dress was thereby firmly anchored to the grave. She started to leave but when she felt the pull of the dress upon the fork all strength left her, except the power of speech. She screamed and then her body's strength

HIGHLANDS MAN CHARGED WITH HEINOUS CRIME

Emory Day, of Highlands, is in the Macon county jail charged with an attempted criminal attack on his 11-year-old daughter, following a preliminary hearing last Friday before Magistrate Sam Murray. Day was bound over to Superior court without bond.

W. A. Hays, special deputy, arrested Day in Highlands last Wednesday after he had investigated reports of the alleged attack. It was reported that the offense occurred about a week prior to Day's arrest.

Day's daughter, who lives with Miss Bernice Durgin, reported the attack to Miss Durgin, who in turn informed the child's mother and uncle. It was stated. No action was taken by either of these. Deputy Hays reported, so he took out a warrant on suspicion and belief and, after investigating persistent reports of the alleged offense, arrested Day and turned him over to Sheriff Slagle.

Co-Op Poultry Sale To Be Held Monday

A cooperative carlot poultry sale will be held at the Franklin depot Monday, Nov. 16 and at Otto, Tuesday, Nov. 17, it was announced Wednesday by F. S. Sloan, county farm demonstration agent. Mr. Sloan had not been notified Wednesday of the prevailing market prices. However, he said he would mail out cards Thursday afternoon giving the prices to be paid.

BAPTISTS TO HOLD REVIVAL

Rev. Eugene Eller Also Announces Plan for Church Census

A series of revival services will be held at the First Baptist church beginning Sunday, Nov. 15, and continuing through Sunday, Nov. 22, with the Rev. Eugene K. Eller, pastor, doing the preaching. John K. Blackburn, of North Wilkesboro, will direct the music in cooperation with the regular choir director, Roy C. Dady. Rev. Mr. Eller said Mr. Blackburn had been his lifelong friend and is preparing himself for work as a gospel singer. He is a senior at Wake Forest college and has charge of the music at chapel services there.

The public is cordially invited to attend these revival services, Rev. Mr. Eller said. There will be two services daily, one each morning at 10 o'clock and in the evening at 7:30.

To Conduct Census

On the third Sunday afternoon the Baptist Sunday school will conduct a religious census of the community. After the census has been taken cards indexing the religious affiliation of the residents of Franklin will be distributed to the various churches. Mr. Eller pointed out that these will show each church its possibilities of increasing its membership and activity.

"The Lord has blessed our work during the last two months," Mr. Eller added. "We have had an average attendance of about one hundred and thirty at each preaching service, and about one hundred in B. Y. P. U. and about one hundred and forty in Sunday school. The W. M. S. is also increasing in membership. In two months we have received eighteen members into the church."

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT; JACKSON MAN DIES HERE

Cecil Jones, 25, an employee of the Blackwood Lumber company at East LaPorte, Jackson county, died at 2 a. m. Wednesday in Angel Brothers' hospital as a result of a bullet hole through his brain.

Jones was said to have shot himself accidentally with a .25 automatic pistol, the bullet striking just above his right ear and coming out at the top of his head. He was brought to the hospital here late Tuesday afternoon. He was unconscious and bleeding profusely. Every effort was made to save his life but, as the bullet passed through part of his brain, very little hope was held out for his recovery.

"The husband ought to have a voice in the furnishing of the home," says a woman writer. Oh, but he does—the invoice.

ANNUAL ROLL CALL STARTED

Canvass for Red Cross Members To Be Made Saturday

MUCH AID NEEDED

Miss Elizabeth Kelly Directing Drive For Funds

The annual Red Cross roll call in Macon county got under way Wednesday—Armistice Day—with appropriate exercises in 36 schools throughout the county.

Miss Elizabeth Kelly, chairman of the Macon county chapter of the Red Cross, is directing the campaign. Everyone who is able to give is urged to join the Red Cross. The membership fee is only one dollar but larger donations will be welcomed. Out of every membership fee of one dollar, fifty cents will go to the national Red Cross and the balance will be used by the local chapter for relief work in this county. When the donation exceeds one dollar the amount remaining at home will be greater.

It is the plan of the Red Cross to reach everyone in Franklin as many persons in the county as possible. Last year the roll call goal was \$200 but this year a much larger sum will be necessary. A systematic canvass for members will be made Saturday.

Red Cross headquarters have been established in the Masonic Hall. Miss Kelly urges that all requests for assistance be referred to the Red Cross in order to avoid duplication of efforts and gifts. Some members of the Red Cross will be on hand at the Masonic Hall each Saturday during the winter from 11 a. m. to 3 p. m. for the purpose of receiving donations, investigating requests for assistance and distributing supplies.

THREE FIRES ARE REPORTED

J. L. Barnard's Garage and Storage House Are Destroyed

The combination garage and storage house of J. Lee Barnard was destroyed by fire early Sunday morning. In the building were a Ford sedan, household furnishings, a supply of corn, farming implements, and several sample cases of clothing. Nothing was saved.

It is thought that the building caught fire from some burning leaves. Mr. Barnard estimated the loss at approximately \$1,000.

The home of Jess Rowland, of Burnington, was burned one day last week. All of the Rowlands' canned fruit and corn were destroyed. The origin of the fire was unknown.

The kitchen of W. A. McGaha of Cowee caught on fire about 8 o'clock Saturday night and had burned about eight feet of the roofing when discovered. The fire was extinguished before any serious damage was done.

"I have recently installed a private talkie apparatus in my home," writes a correspondent. How is she?

New Ore, Sillimanite, Mined in Clay County

The first car lot of sillimanite to be shipped in the United States was loaded recently in Clay county, adjoining Macon, by C. C. West, Franklin mining man.

Mr. West mined the sillimanite for Philip S. Hoyt, of Denver, Colorado, a pioneer in the production of "high temperature" minerals. Mr. Hoyt, who developed the first production of cyanite both in New Mexico and in North Carolina and of sillimanite in this state, has been in this section for about six months prospecting for these and other minerals. He makes Franklin his headquarters. Sillimanite, Mr. ...

is one of the refractory ores similar to cyanite, its uses having recently been developed in such products as furnace bricks, in which ability to withstand high temperatures is necessary. The development of the electric furnace and the application of high heats in various industries have brought about a demand for a super-refractory material such as sillimanite and cyanite.

Carload shipments of cyanite recently have been made by Mr. Hoyt from this section. The production of the first car of sillimanite adds another product to the list of commercial mining products in North Carolina.

Advertisement for the American Red Cross. It features a woman in a white uniform with her right arm raised, holding a large cross. Text includes: '1881 Fifty years service to humanity', '1931', and 'JOIN! AMERICAN RED CROSS'. Below the image is the text 'Dr. Bell Gives Rules For Health, Happiness'.

Dr. Bell Gives Rules For Health, Happiness

GIVES CLASSES IN DIETETICS

Mrs. Bell Lists Simple Rules of Healthful Living

"You cannot break the laws of God; you break yourselves against them."

With this arresting statement Mrs. Robert B. H. Bell opened her health class in St. Agnes church Monday afternoon. Supplementing and following up the teaching sermons of Dr. Bell, pointing the way to the "abundant life" that Jesus taught, Mrs. Bell is teaching lessons in right living each afternoon throughout the week to large groups of women.

In these lessons the laws of health governing our bodies are related to God's laws governing the spiritual world, showing in a scientific way the unity of all law, and applying the teaching of the Bible to the most practical affairs of everyday life to the attainment of health and happiness.

Pure air, pure water, natural food, natural sleep, natural exercise, are pointed as health laws to be obeyed; with minds as well as bodies emptied of all that weakens and destroys, that they may be filled with power to live in love and unity with God and one's neighbors.

Mrs. Bell will give during her last lectures full directions for a balanced diet for the whole family, the values and properties of different foods, teaching the proper preparation of the natural foods at hand.

Mrs. Bell invites questions on any matters of health and food preparation, and the public, both men and women, is cordially invited to attend the classes each afternoon this week at 4 o'clock.

The following quotation expresses the heart of the teachings of Dr. and Mrs. Bell. "After all has been said and done, one's mental attitude has everything to do with one's health and the right mental attitude can never come to a man until he has learned to love his fellow men and have great faith in God."

VISITS HOSPITAL

Mr. VanderHoof, secretary and treasurer of the American Enka corporation was a visitor Sunday at Angel Brothers' hospital here. Mr. VanderHoof expressed much interest in the hospital and the work it is accomplishing.

Many Attending 'Life Abundant Mission' At St. Agnes

The "Life Abundant" mission being conducted this week at St. Agnes Episcopal church by the Rev. Robert B. H. Bell, of Denver, Colorado, is attracting wide interest, with large congregations attending the services at 7:30 o'clock each evening.

Dr. Bell's message is that health, happiness and prosperity can be attained through faith in God and obedience to natural laws and the teachings of Christ, on which he has placed a new interpretation. God is a loving God and will grant what his children ask, Dr. Bell teaches. Even miracles, or rather what are termed miracles, can be achieved by ordinary individuals, if they have sufficient faith in God, he believes.

More important than the ten commandments of Moses, according to Dr. Bell, are the 32 commandments voiced by Jesus Christ, of which the following were pointed out as the most important: "Be of good cheer." "Be not afraid." "Have faith in God."

Dr. Bell believes that disease

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War Is Unchristian and Foolish, Dr. Bell Says

Miss Elizabeth Kelly, chairman of the Macon county chapter of the American Red Cross, appealed to the Franklin Rotary club at its regular weekly luncheon at the South Griffin hotel, Wednesday, for the cooperation of Rotarians in the Red Cross' annual roll call. The Rotarians also heard the Rev. Robert B. H. Bell, who is conducting the "Life Abundant" mission at St. Agnes Episcopal church this week.

Miss Kelly said that the Red Cross had received many donations of clothing in recent months but financial assistance also would be needed to take care of the needy in Macon county this winter. Besides asking the Rotarians to contribute to the Red Cross, Miss Kelly also requested them to cooperate in the relief organization work and to refer all requests for aid to the Red Cross. She explained that this would avoid duplication of effort and would be the best means of seeing that those who really need aid receive it.

Dr. Bell Speaks

Dr. Bell told the Rotarians that war was contrary to the teachings

Surfacing of Bus Roads in County Nearly Complete

PERRY SCHOOL OPENS MONDAY

Business Courses To Be Given Above Macon Theatre

A Perry business school will be opened in Franklin Monday morning, it was announced Wednesday by Miss Dorothy K. Smith, who has been here for the past several weeks enrolling pupils for the school.

The school will have three rooms, once the Macon theatre. Typewriters, desks and other equipment have been shipped to Franklin to be in the school.

Courses in typewriting, shorthand, bookkeeping, secretarial work, etc., will be offered. A teacher is expected to arrive here in the next day or so.

The Perry business schools, with headquarters at Brunswick, Ga., has branch schools in 40 communities in North Carolina as well as in Georgia and a number of other states. The schools operate on the basis of "live at home and save money while studying for a business career."

Miss Smith urges all those desiring to enroll in the school who have not yet done so to notify her immediately at Mrs. Gilmer Jones' residence.

THANKSGIVING DINNER PLANS

Proceeds To Be Given To Maxwell Farm Home

Plans for a Thanksgiving dinner for the benefit of the Maxwell Farm Home, are moving forward, it was announced Wednesday by Mrs. F. L. Siler, a member of the committee arranging for the dinner.

Interest shown in the dinner and assistance offered are most encouraging, Mrs. Siler said. Cakes have been offered by the following: Mrs. J. A. Flanagan, Mrs. John Byrne, Mrs. Cecil Pendergrass, Mrs. Henry Cabe, Mrs. Kimmer and Miss Amanda Slagle. Mrs. Bert Slagle, Mrs. George Slagle, Mrs. Sisk, and Mr. Bob Paffilo have offered to supply other things for the dinner. Here is the menu:

Roast turkey, cranberry sauce, Cream potatoes, giblet gravy, Dressing, cheese.

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Gravel or Sand Placed On About 14 Miles Of Roads

FINE FOR WINTER Many Rural Highways Are Scraped and Ditched

The state highway maintenance forces in Macon county are rapidly nearing completion of their program, which calls for surfacing with sand or gravel of every school bus road in the county by December 1.

Nearly 14 miles of rural roads in the county already have been scraped, ditched and covered with crushed stone or sand, according to R. H. Plannons, assistant district engineer of the maintenance division of the state highway department. Mr. Plannons said that only about three miles of county roads remain to be surfaced before every school bus route will be in first class condition for all winter travel.

Roads Surfaced

Gravel or sand surfacing has been completed on the following roads: Totla route, 5 miles; Dills Creek, 1-1-1 miles; Poplar Cove, 1-1-10 miles; Holly Springs road, 1 mile; Double Churches road, 1-2 mile; Sugar Fork, 2-1-2 miles; Buck Creek, 2-1-2 miles.

Two miles of the Elijah road and a mile or slightly more on the Horse Cove road remain to be surfaced.

Besides improving the school bus routes the maintenance forces also have scraped and drained a number of other county roads, many of which had received little or no attention for a year or longer.

To Erect Bridge

Mr. Plannons also announced that a new bridge soon would be erected over the Nantaha river at Aquone, where the old wooden structure has been condemned as unsafe. The highway commission already has had a steel bridge, formerly used at another place, dismantled and transferred to Aquone. This is expected to be erected before winter.

No discussion has been reached yet, so far as can be learned, as to what disposition will be made of the old steel bridge which spanned the Little Tennessee river at Franklin. Several petitions have been presented to the state highway commission asking for relocation of this bridge at one point or another. At first the commission announced that it would re-erect the bridge at Cornumund Hill. Then, later, it was reported that a commission had changed its mind and decided to move the bridge to Oak Grove. Since then, however, word has come from Raleigh that, due to pressing demands from the various sections interested in obtaining the bridge, the whole matter was held in abeyance pending further investigation.

Bus Driver: "Madam, that child will have to pay full fare. He's over five years of age."

Madam: "But he can't be; I've only been married four years."

Bus Driver: "Never mind the confession; let's have the money."

Mrs. T. W. Bickett Is Visitor in Franklin

Mrs. T. W. Bickett, of Raleigh, wife of the late Governor of North Carolina, is a visitor in Franklin this week. Mrs. Bickett came here Monday to attend the "Life Abundant" mission being conducted by the Rev. Robert B. H. Bell and Mrs. Bell at St. Agnes Episcopal church this week.

Mrs. Bickett is one of the most widely known and beloved women in North Carolina.

For some years she has served as superintendent of public welfare in Wake county. She also is president of the North Carolina railroad, owned by the state.

Mrs. Bickett plans to remain here through Sunday.

Advertisement for Dimah. It features a cartoon illustration of a man looking into a hole in the ground. Text includes: 'MOST PEOPLE LOVE MYSTERIES-A HOLE IN DE GROUND EXCITES FOLKS MORE DAN A STAR IN DE HEAVENS', 'BREATHE', and 'Dimah SAYS'.