

Jackson Within Sight Of Reaching Its Bond Quota By Week-End

Five Townships In County
Are Over Their Quotas;
County Quota Is \$225,000.

Indications Saturday night were that Jackson county would reach the \$225,000 War Bond quota by Tuesday night, according to R. L. Ariail, chairman for the county.

Through Saturday night, the balance to go was only \$17,682.20. Mr. Ariail's report showed, which also revealed that five townships of the county have raised their quotas.

With sales of Monday and Tuesday to be counted, the chairman felt the quota would be reached. A telegram from the state chairman also pointed out that all sales made during February would be counted on the Fourth War Loan quota.

Mr. Ariail is urging all township chairmen to push the sales of E bonds during the remainder of the month, and there has been a lag

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John L. Wood, A Veteran Of War I, Buried Last Week

John L. Wood, 50, veteran of World War I, died at his home on Friday morning following a long illness.

Mr. Wood was a member of the 30th Division and fought through all the battles in the breaking of the Hindenburg line and on through France. He was severely wounded on October 18, 1918. He spent three years in a veterans hospital before his discharge from the army, and since that time he has had to report back to the hospital from time to time. He was totally disabled.

Mr. Wood was a loyal member of the Wm. E. Dillard Post of the American Legion, and his death will be felt deeply by all the members. He was a leader in his community and was liked by everyone, and was always willing to help anyone.

Funeral services were held at the Moses Creek Baptist church, Rev. Ben Cook and Rev. C. V. Brown officiating. Burial was in the Stevens cemetery at East La Porte. The American Legion had charge of the service at the grave.

He is survived by his wife, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wood of Cullowhee; two sisters, Mrs. Oscar Lovendahl, of Cowarts, Mrs. Finley Arrington, of Cullowhee; two brothers, Ernest, of Glenville and Ed of Wintons-Salem. Alice and Pfc. John Davis Buchanan, his niece and nephew, whom he raised.

Barbara Ann Buchanan, of Jacksonville, Fla., Claude Buchanan, A. S. U. S. Navy, Sampson, N. Y., and Pfc. John Davis Buchanan, A. P. Mechanic, U. S. Army Air Corps were called home due to the death of Mr. Wood.

Cullowhee 4-H Club Has Meeting

The 4-H Club of the Cullowhee high school was held Thursday, February 10th, at the training school. The meeting was called to order by the president, Daphna Nicholson. Mary L. Crow, secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting.

The program was a round table discussion on the subject, "How Young People Can Win the War on the Home Front." The members taking part in this discussion were Daphna Nicholson, Anna Norton, Dennis Norton and Luther Norton.

After the program Garland Lackey, county agent, and Miss Margaret Martin, talked about the various business subjects and 1944 Record Books were given to the girls. Eighteen members attended the meeting.

Bishop Purcell Coming On 29th

Bishop Clare Purcell will address a mass meeting of all of the stewards and church officers of the Methodist church in the Waynesville district on Tuesday night, February 29th. This dinner meeting will be held in the dining hall at Western Carolina Teachers College at seven p. m.

Two to three hundred Methodist laymen of the district are expected to be present at this meeting. It is intended by the leaders to make this an annual affair.

Dies From Accident



RAY COGDILL, JR., who was fatally injured last week, when a bullet from the gun he was cleaning penetrated his head.

Funeral Held For Ray Cogdill, Jr., Last Thursday

Popular 12-Year-Old Boy
Died From Rifle Accident;
Was Cleaning Gun.

Ray Cogdill, Jr., 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cogdill, of Sylva, died at the Harris Community Hospital at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday, February ninth, as the result of a bullet wound in the head.

He was apparently trying to dislodge a jammed bullet from a .22 rifle and the gun exploded and the bullet penetrated his brain.

Funeral services were held Thursday, February 10, at the Sylva Baptist church with the Rev. W. E. Pettit officiating.

Active pallbearers were: O. E. Brookhyser, Harry Ferguson, C. G. Middleton, Robert Phillips, W. T. Wise and Claude Campbell.

Honorary pallbearers were: Dr. A. A. Nichols, Dr. A. S. Nichols, Dr. C. M. Hooper, Raymond Sutton, Paul Ellis, Oscar Bumgarner, Grady Henson, Carl Allman, E. P. Stillwell, W. C. Hennessee, Howard Ball, members of the Lions Club and members of the Fire Department.

The teachers of the Sylva Elementary school and Ray's schoolmates had charge of the flowers. Surviving are his parents; one sister, Jean, one brother "Sammy" and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cogdill and other relatives.

Interment was in the Keener cemetery. Moody Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Glenville Club Holds Meeting

The Glenville Power House Demonstration Club met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Beatrice Bryson. The program previously planned by Miss Martin, demonstration agent, was not carried out due to the illness of Mr. Lackey, who had planned to bring some helpful suggestions on gardening. The soil in Glenville is of a different type and does not produce a large variety of vegetables.

Miss Martin gave the club members booklets on Gardening, Food Waste in the Home, Vitamins from Farm to you, The Farm and Home Small Fruits for Home Use, and a National Nutrition War-Time Guide.

The hostess served a delicious sweet course.

Schemer On West Coast Fails To Get Funds From Mother Of Local Navy Man

Mrs. Fred McClain, of Sylva, received a telegram on Thursday presumably from her son James, who is in the Navy. The telegram was from Portland, Oregon and requested that she send \$50.00 immediately. Mrs. McClain was suspicious from the beginning as James is working from the Atlantic Coast.

She went to the Western Union and prepared a list of questions to be answered in Portland by whoever called for the money. A man in civilian clothes came to the

Ice And Snow Keep Schools Closed Two Days

Old man winter descended again on Jackson county Sunday night and left a 6-inch snow, which prevented all schools in the county from opening Monday and Tuesday.

Monday's rains melted some of the snow, and Monday night the slush froze causing traffic to be held to a minimum because of the icy streets and sidewalks.

Slowly climbing temperatures Tuesday indicated that much of the snow and ice would melt by late Tuesday night.

Soldier Passes Away While On Furlough Home

Pvt. Wayne Jones, 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones, of Whittier, died at his home early Thursday morning. A coroner's verdict returned Saturday afternoon attributed death to a heart attack.

Pvt. Jones, who was home on furlough from his station at a Florida airbase, recently suffered an attack of flu, it was brought out at the inquest. He has been in the Army about one year.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by six brothers, Aus Jones, of Newport News, Va.; Shafter, of Long View, Wash.; Garland, of Whittier; Pvt. Donald, of the Marines in California; and one sister, Mrs. Ethel Welch, of Arizona.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending the arrival of relatives.

Methodists Will Dedicate New Roll

The Sylva Methodist church will dedicate a new Service Roll at the adult service Sunday morning, February 27. The roll will be dedicated to all of the young men in service who have been connected with the Methodist Sunday school and church but are not members of the church. This is in addition to the Service Roll dedicated to the men in service who are members of the church.

Anyone knowing of anyone whose name should be on this roll please notify Rev. R. G. Tuttle.

Malcolm Brown Is Made A Captain

Malcolm Brown, who has been in England since June, 1943, was recently promoted to Captain.

Cpt. Brown as pilot of the "Knock Out Dropper" recently won a race with "Hells Angels" in getting the 50th mission, "Hells Angels" came in second.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Among the out of town people attending the funeral of Ray Cogdill, Jr., were Miss Nannette Dillard, of Canton, John Phillips, of Canton, and Burl Henson, of Cherry Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Fisher are visiting their son, Thomas G. Fisher, S 2/c, and their daughter, Mrs. Mike Teague, in Newport News, Va.

Judge Alley To Preside Over A Week Of Court

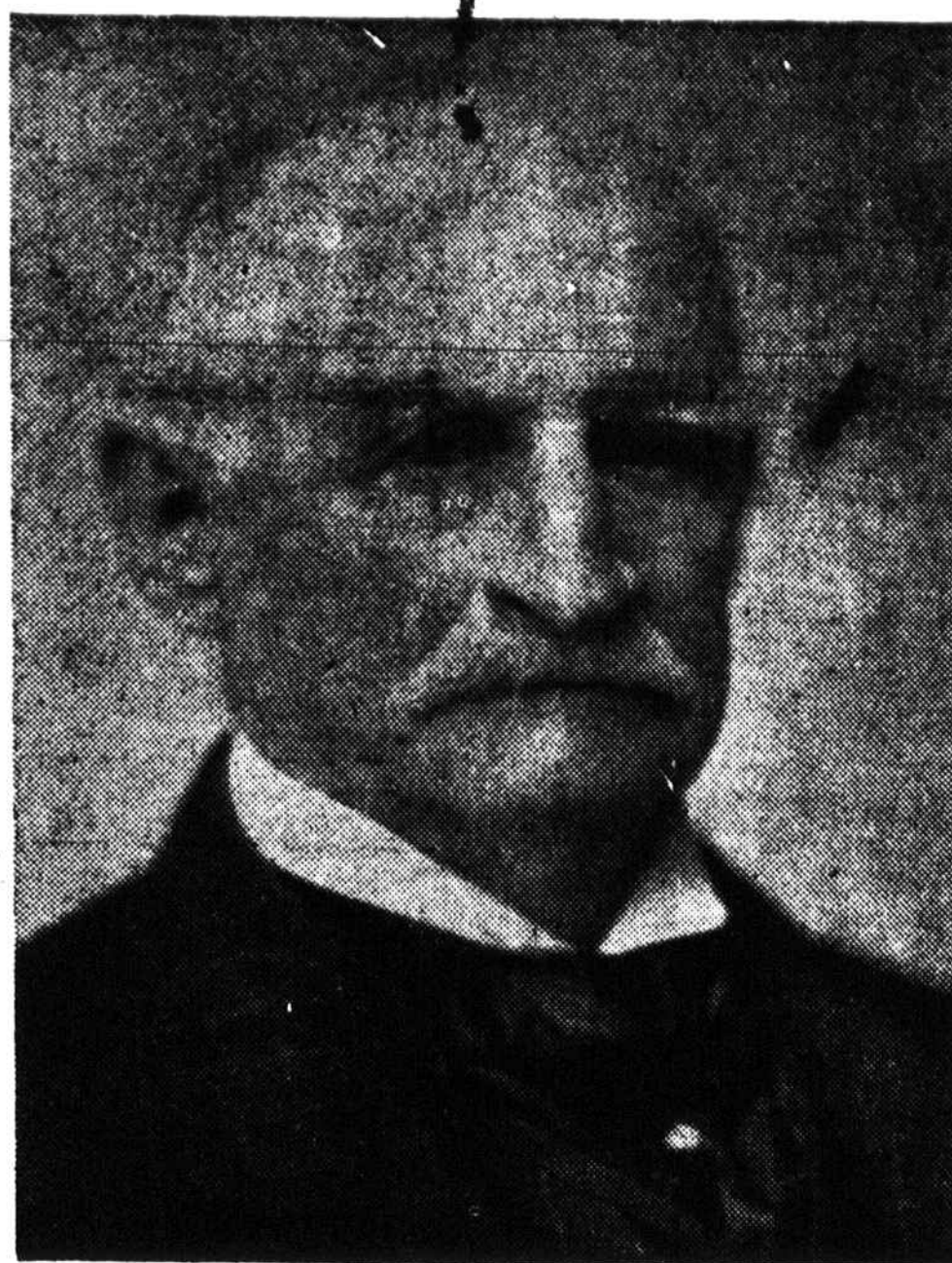
A week of mixed criminal and civil cases will be tried in Jackson County Court, beginning next Wednesday with Judge Felix E. Alley, of Waynesville, presiding.

One murder case is on the docket and a manslaughter case. The following men have been drawn as jurors for the February term.

Luther Stephens, Caney Fork; R. L. Bryson, Sylva; Sam T. Crispe, Dillsboro; T. B. Gunther, Barkers Creek; Edgar Moore, Cullowhee; Bragg Buchanan, Greens Creek; Bragg Allison, Greens Creek; Ed Middleton, Balsam; D. M. Blanton, Sylva; W. E. Bryson, Greens Creek; J. O. Parker, Sylva; Fred Wood, Cullowhee; H. S. Queen, Qualla; Homer Passmore, Cashiers.

W. C. Adams, Sylva; W. M. Harris, Sylva; Roscoe Lewis, Webster; R. A. Stillwell, Webster; Lloyd Hooper, Tuckaseegee; W. T. Rigdon, Canada township; Thomas Seigle, Barkers Creek; W. Middleton, Canada township; Walter Bradley, Qualla.

Prominent Citizen Dies



CHARLES JOSEPH HARRIS, 90, passed away at the home of his son in Biltmore Monday afternoon.

Jackson County Gave \$692 For Paralysis Campaign In January

Serving Overseas



PVT. EARL C. McCLUCKIE has arrived in Italy, according to information received by his grandmother, Mrs. Florence Buchanan, of Webster. Pvt. McCluckie entered the army April 31, 1943, and received his training at Fort McClellan, Ala., and Fort Meade, Md.

Pvt. Tom H. Kelly, of McClellan, Ala., is spending several days with his wife and young son and his grandmother, Mrs. T. H. Hastings.

Jackson county should feel pride in the result of the Infantile Paralysis drive," said Mrs. E. L. McKee, county chairman as she again pressed her sincere thanks for the splendid cooperation and response which the campaign met through the county.

"Those who headed various phases of the campaign are to be heartily congratulated for their splendid services," Mrs. McKee said, as the county total of \$692 was announced.

The following are the chairmen who helped make the drive a success.

- Ritz Theatre, \$163.93, Hilda Tallent, chairman.
- County schools, \$116.33, A. C. Moses, chairman.
- Sylva business men, \$65.00, R. C. Allison, chairman.
- Mead Corp. and employees, \$50.00, Roscoe Pottee, chairman.
- Rotary Club, \$25.00, J. C. Allison, chairman.
- Cullowhee, \$30.85, Mrs. Ruth Hinds, chairman.
- East La Porte, \$30.00, Mrs. Joseph Keys, chairman.
- Dillsboro, \$25.00, Mrs. Mont Cannon, chairman.
- Lions Club, \$20.00, B. E. Harris, chairman.
- Tannery employees, \$19.13, W. T. Wise, chairman.
- Business and Professional, \$19.00, Dr. Noracella McGuire, chairman.
- Tag Day, \$17.26, Mrs. John Paris, chairman.
- Government agencies, \$16.00, G. C. Madison, chairman.
- Speedwell, \$13.65, Ed Bryson, chairman.
- Barber and Beauty Shops, \$14.50, Dillard Coward, chairman.
- Collection jars, \$1.35, Mrs. John H. Wilson, chairman.
- Total for county, \$692.00.

Legion Assisting In Filling Out Blanks

The American Legion now has applications for mustering out pay for boys of World War II, who have been discharged from the service.

Anyone wishing to make application may come to the office of the Adjutant of the Wm. E. Dillard Post 104 at the County Court House on Saturdays from nine to one.

Mr. And Mrs. Charlie Stephens Have Three Sons Serving In Armed Forces

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Stephens, of Cullowhee, have three boys serving in the armed forces.

Charles D. Stephens of the Merchant Marines, who took his training at Sheepshead Bay, N. Y. He joined the merchant marines in October, 1943. Charles Stephens has been visiting his father and mother and also his wife and small child at Hazelwood.

Set. Stephens took his basic training at Fort Bragg. Then he

C. J. Harris, A Noted Industrialist Of This Section, Passes Away

Mail Carrier Does Outstanding Job Of Selling Bonds

Horace B. Hyatt, rural mail carrier of Whittier Post Office, has gone all out in his effort to do his part in the Fourth War Loan Drive. He has not only bought bonds; but has sold them too.

While carrying the mail on route one and while waiting for the 12:30 train, on Thursday, February 10th, he sold \$1,800.00 worth of bonds in one hour and twenty minutes. He would have sold more but the train came in and he had to take the mail out on route one. Mr. Hyatt fought in France in the last war and although he isn't in uniform in this war he is still doing his part toward winning it.

Mrs. John Jones To Continue With Insurance Agency

Mrs. John R. Jones is a licensed agency for the Jefferson Standard Insurance Company, carrying on the work of her late husband, John R. Jones.

Mrs. Jones will maintain the agency here, writing both fire and life insurance.

Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co., of Greensboro, which began business in August, 1907, and is now one of the strongest life insurance concerns in the South has been granted a license to do business in Illinois and, as of Jan. 1, 1944 will open a Chicago agency.

From its inception more than 36 years ago, this company has made a fine record of growth in the volume of its business and development of financial strength.

With \$1,056,700 insurance in force at the end of its first five months in 1907 (it began business on August 7 of that year) the company had a total volume of \$163,270,273 on the books twenty years later. At the end of 1930 the total in force was \$370,766,903.

In the next 10 years insurance in force rose to \$422,319,191 and at the close of 1941, it was \$450,627,700, while on December 31, 1942, the total was \$470,330,637.

These increases were all large and with the half-billion mark in plain sight, the company and its sales organization, operating in 27 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, set its 1943 goal at \$500,000,000. This figure was reached and passed on December 10th.

In the 36-year period, total admitted assets grew from \$504,576 to \$115,016,016 at the close of last year, while now the total is over \$125,000,000. Capital stock on December 31, 1942 was \$4,000,000, surplus was \$4,500,000, reserve for real estate depreciation and fluctuation was \$100,000. Policyholders' surplus was \$10,000,000, against \$8,400,000 at December 31, 1941.

Two FBI Men To Be On Program Of Conference

Edward Scheidt, special agent in charge of the Charlotte office of FBI will be one of the speakers at the FBI Law Enforcement Conference held in Sylva on March first.

Besides Mr. Scheidt, there will be James E. Wallace, also of the Charlotte office, and Judge Felix E. Alley.

A large percentage of all law enforcement officers west of Asheville are expected for the one-day conference which will be held at the Ritz Theatre.

Funeral Services Will Be Held Thursday Noon At Biltmore Church.

Charles Joseph Harris, 90, resident of Dillsboro and prominent Western North Carolina capitalist, died Monday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock at the home of his son, Robert J. Harris, in Asheville.

Known to thousands of persons as "Colonial C. J.," the varied financial interests of Mr. Harris touched every section of this mountain area. He developed a large clay mining industry, had wide banking connections, and for a time was president and co-owner of The Asheville Daily Times company. In 1904 he was the Republican candidate for governor of North Carolina.

Though always reluctant to discuss his financial affairs in a personal way, it was known that Mr. Harris was a man of sizeable wealth.

The funeral service has been set for noon Thursday at All Soul's Episcopal church, Biltmore, of which Mr. Harris was a member. The Rev. Isaac Noyes Northrup, rector, will officiate and burial will be in the family plot in Riverside cemetery. It has been requested that no flowers be sent.

Mr. Harris suffered a broken hip in 1935 and another one in 1938. Since that time he had been bedridden, spending his last years at the home of the son in Biltmore Forest.

However, he considered Dillsboro his official home. The main office for his business interests is also at Dillsboro.

Mr. Harris was president of the Harris Kaolin company, the Jack-Spruce Pine bank, the Harris Granite Quarries with headquarters in Salisbury, and the Harris-Woodbury Lumber company.

He was vice-president of the old American National bank of Asheville and was a stockholder in the Wachovia Bank and Trust Company.

In 1903 he gave Jackson county its first industry of any size, establishing at that time the C. J. Harris tannery at Sylva. He operated the tannery until 1916, when he sold it to the Armour Leather company. He built on the Tuckaseegee river at Dillsboro the power plant for the Sylva and Dillsboro Electric Light company in 1912.

Coming to Jackson county in 1888, Mr. Harris and his brothers purchased the Carolina Clay company. Then was launched the clay products industry which has operated in Jackson, Swain, Haywood, Mitchell, Yancey and Avery counties.

He at one time owned 76,000 acres of land now in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. This land was sold to the Norwood Lumber company and the Champion Paper and Fibre company.

Mr. Harris was of a beneficent nature and turned some of his fortune into philanthropies. An example is the C. J. Harris Community hospital here. He took over the facility and financed its completion.

Mr. Harris was president of the Builder's Supply company here at the time of his death. He was interested in the Sylva Supply company for many years.

He provided \$30,000 for the erection of the Elisha Mitchell memorial tower on Mt. Mitchell. He gave it to the state of North Carolina unconditionally. Harris high school at Spruce Pine is named for him, a citizen who did much toward the industrial development of that section of the state.

Mr. Harris was a staunch Republican. He was a delegate-at-large to the Republican national convention at Chicago in 1908 and attended every national convention of his party from 1892 to 1936.

From 1898 to 1892 he was a member of the U. S. Industrial commission.

A native of Putnam, Conn., he was the son of William and Zilpah Torrey Harris. He attended the schools of his home town and graduated from Yale University in the class of 1874. At the latter institution he was a fraternity brother of William Howard Taft, who later became president and chief justice. Taft and Harris were relatives and corresponded with each other until the time of the former's death.

From Yale, Mr. Harris went to the St. Louis Law school. After completing his work there he took a job as teacher in a Kansas high school. Then, he went to Denver

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