

## Farm Bureau Has Dominant Part In Shaping Agricultural Legislation, Write States

### Several Thousand Farm Men And Women Hear Farm Problems At Chicago Convention

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If anyone in the entire United States doubts that the American Farm Bureau Federation is truly the nation's dominant voice in the field of agriculture that belief would have been dispelled if he could have attended the recent annual convention which was held at Chicago, Illinois, December 14 to 18 and which was attended by several thousand farm men and women from 45 states. He would have learned that this organization of more than a million and a quarter farm families, the largest organization of farm people in the world, is not only the nation's leading voice in the field of agriculture, but that its influence extends into practically every phase of the nation's complicated economic structure.

A good idea of the influence of this organization may be obtained from the list of speakers of national and international prominence who addressed the general sessions of the convention. The list included such men and women as James Turner, President, International Federation of Agricultural Producers, and President, National Farmers Union of England; Mrs. Raymond Sayre, President, Associated Country Women of the World; Honorable Warren R. Austin, United States Representative to the United Nations; Honorable Edward J. Thye, Senator from Minnesota; North Carolina's own Congressman, Honorable Harold D. Cooley, who delivered one of the best addresses of the entire convention; David E. Lilienthal, Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission; Charles F. Kettering, former Research Director for General Motors Corporation; and Henry P. Rusk, Dean and Director of Extension.

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## Town Plans To Build Sidewalk Leading To Sylva High School

In order to provide a safer walkway for school children and others who have to walk along that section of highway from Lewis Esso Station to Sylva High school campus entrance, the town board has announced that plans are underway to build a sidewalk between the highway and Southern Railway tracks, to start this spring.

The town also plans to build a sidewalk from Hooper Motor Company to Fulmer Motor Company at the east end of Main Street, if funds are available. Mayor Jack Allison, announced Monday.

Mr. Allison also stated that the board is receiving numerous complaints about the condition of secondary roads and streets in the city. He stated that there is little that can be done to these streets at this time due to lack of funds and the high cost of stone and gravel. The town is, however, opening a short street on Freeze Hill section into the Morris property.

## Many Farmers Placing Orders For Rat Bait, Says Snipes

The Campaign to deal the rats of Jackson county a death blow during the drive planned for the last week in January is coming along in fine shape with a large number of farmers placing their orders for bait each day. However, in order to mix the proper amount of bait we must know in advance the number of people that wish to participate in the fight against the rats. The cost will be 40 cents for the one pound carton; 75 cents for the two pound carton; and \$1.00 for the three pound carton, the amount of bait recommended for the average farm. Orders may be placed with the Vocational Agriculture Teachers, at the Health Department office, or at the County Agent's office. Rats travel from farm to farm — encourage your neighbors to order bait, too!

## GRIGG AND HOUTS TO HEAD JACKSON OVERSEAS RELIEF

Appointment of Rev. W. Q. Grigg, Sylva, as chairman and Rev. Tom Houts, Cullowhee, as his assistant of the overseas relief drive in Jackson county was announced today by the North Carolina Council of Churches, which is sponsoring the statewide "Fill a Ship with Friendship" campaign, January 25-31.

Rev. Mr. Grigg and Rev. Mr. Houts are among 100 chairmen who will organize community collections throughout the state to gather clothing, bedding, shoes and household goods for shipments through Church World Service, official Protestant overseas relief agency.

To be packed for shipment, the materials will go to New Windsor, Maryland, where the Church World Service Center for this area is located. Oldest and largest of nine CWS Centers scattered throughout the United States, the New Windsor Center has capacity for processing nearly a million pounds of relief supplies a month.

During the year just passed, 3,712,764 pounds of goods were processed at the Center. Of that amount, North Carolinians, who have been in the front rank of American giving ever since the war ended, contributed 661,641 pounds. Other donations were from Virginia, West Virginia, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania, as well as from scattered states outside the area.

Not content to rest on their laurels, the people of North Carolina are now out to build world friendship and save the lives of suffering millions by collecting a whole shipload of relief supplies.

Civic and service organizations are uniting with the churches of the state to make the drive a success. Gifts will be channeled through Church World Service to the destitute overseas. Distribution will be on the basis of need, not according to religious, racial or political discrimination.

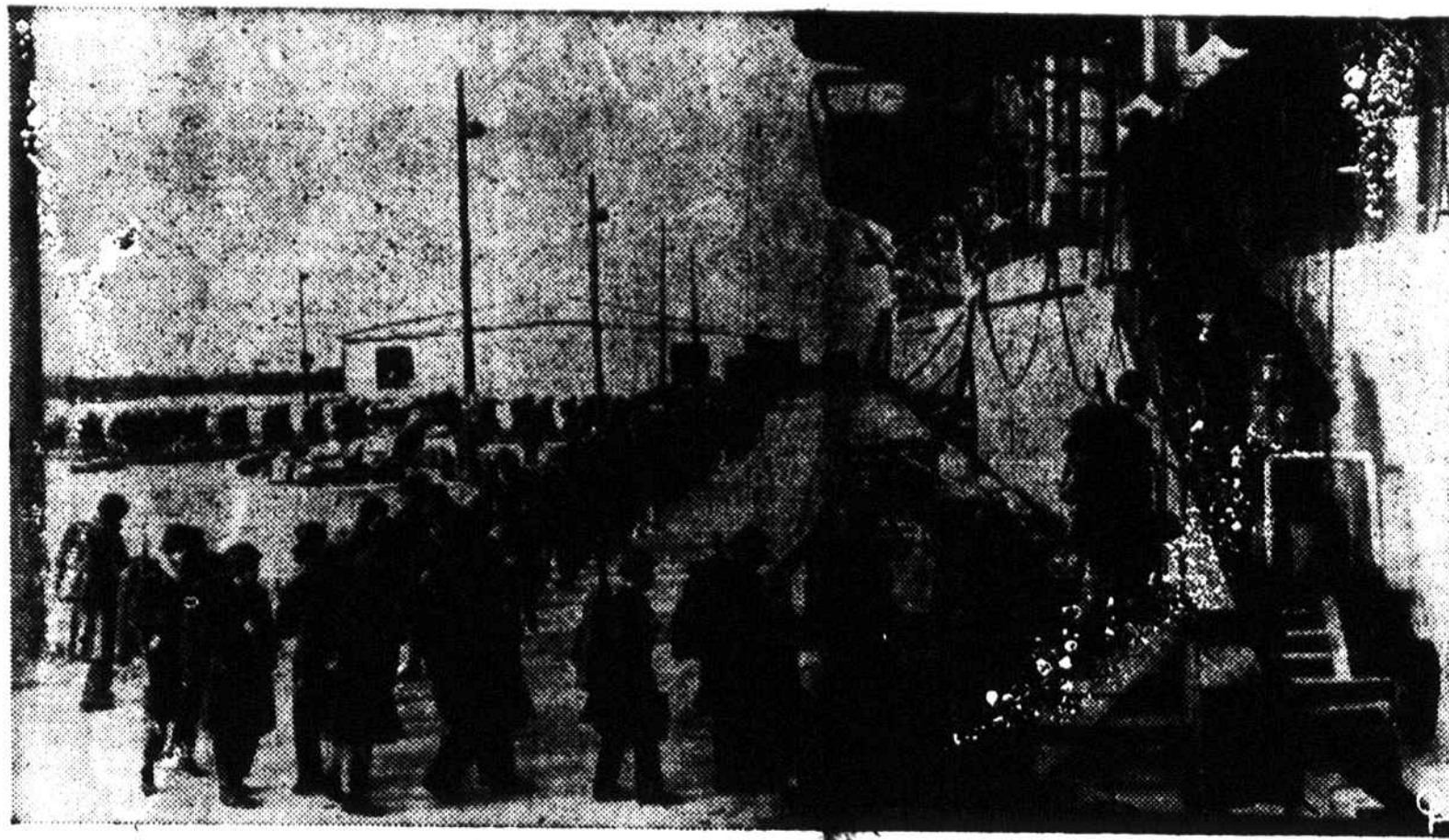
## Cub Scout Meeting Called For Tuesday Evening

On Tuesday evening, January 20, at 7:30 a special cub scout meeting will be held in the Scout hall in the Methodist church. All officers, including the cub master, assistant cub master, committee members, den dads and mothers, and den chiefs, are especially urged to be there. Avery Means, field executive of the Daniel Boone council, will be present and will conduct a school of instruction for these officers.

The meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are welcome.

SOSSAMON'S . . . . . In Sylva

## U. S. MARINES EMBARK FOR MEDITERRANEAN AREA



A DETACHMENT OF SOME 1,000 U. S. Marines is shown starting to board the attack transport U.S.S. Bear at Morehead City, N. C., ready for their Mediterranean area assignment. According to a U. S. Navy Department announcement, the Marines are being sent to restore the normal complement on an aircraft carrier and three light cruisers now operating in Italian and Greek waters. The State Department emphasized that "nothing in the way of foreign policy toward Greece or any other country called for increasing naval strength there." and that it was "just a matter of routine." (International Soundphoto)

## FARM BUREAU TO HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING SATURDAY

The Jackson County Farm Bureau will hold its first county-wide meeting of the New Year at the courthouse next Saturday, January 17, at 11:00 o'clock a. m. All members, prospective members, the board of directors and other officers, are urged to be present as this is to be a most important meeting with much business to be transacted.

Geo. Farthing district field representative of the bureau, will be present and help with the business meeting.

The Jackson County unit of the Bureau was organized in the late fall and has grown rapidly since. More farmers of the county are needed, however, if the organization is to become as effective as it should.

## T. A. PARKER RITES HELD AT CANTON ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON

### Former Resident Of Jackson County Was 90 Years Of Age

The candles burned low for "Grandpa Parks" as he sat quietly enjoying the birthday dinner given for him by his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Battle, at her home, Sunday, January 1, in honor of his 90th birthday anniversary. Those were some of his last few happy moments on earth.

Saturday morning, January 10th, the kindly light that glowed in his heart flickered into darkness.

Though his passing was sad, it was far from tragic; instead, it was a triumph — a triumph of 90 full and happy years of existence. A few days before his death he saw his youngest relative — the infant son of your reporter. He remarked: "There aren't many men who live to see their great-great-grandson." And so there isn't.

Thomas Alexander Parks was born December 28, 1858, in the Qualla township of this county and lived most of his entire life in this section. Seventeen years ago he moved to Haywood county, but he remained a member of the Whittier Methodist church.

A large gathering of friends and relatives attended funeral services held at Canton by Rev. T. S. Roden and Rev. J. E. B. Houser, after which the body was transported to the Camp Ground Cemetery where graveside services were held by Rev. R. L. Hyatt.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. J. E. Battle of Whittier, Mrs. H. G. Moody of Waynesville, and Mrs. Ed Hall of Canton; four sons, Harley of Canton, James and Joe of Greensboro, and John of Sedro Woolley, Washington; a sister, Mrs. Ed King of Los Angeles; a half-brother, Charlie Gibbs of Bryson City; 31 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild.

## DUNCAN HELD ON FORGERY CHARGE

Sheriff Griffin Middleton reports that he is holding Jack Duncan, of East LaPorte, in the Jackson county jail on a charge of check forgery pending posting of \$200 bail. He was arrested after passing two checks, one at Bell's and the other at Schulman's. The two checks amounted to around \$80.00 but which have been repaid by the defendant.

## W. R. COTTER 46, DIES SUDDENLY HERE WEDNESDAY

### Cullowhee Citizen Ill Short Time; Funeral To Be Held Friday A. M.

Mr. Willie Roger Cotter, 46, died suddenly about noon, Wednesday, while undergoing an examination in a local physician's office here in Sylva. Relatives stated that he had been in his usual good health except for the past few days when he complained of his arms hurting him. He consulted a physician at that time and was advised to enter a hospital, which he planned to do. While coming to Sylva Wednesday with his brother, Mr. Cotter's condition grew much worse and he died of a heart attack shortly after arriving in Sylva.

Funeral services will be held Friday morning at 11 o'clock at the Cullowhee Methodist church with the Rev. R. T. Houts, Jr., officiating. Burial will be in the family burial plot on the Speedwell road.

Mr. Cotter is a son of the late John and Ida Rogers Cotter who spent all their married life at Cullowhee.

Mr. Cotter was well known throughout this section as an expert painter and interior decorator, his services being in great demand due to the high quality of his work.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Leola Hopper, of Clayton, Ga.; three brothers, John, Robert and David Clair Cotter, of Cullowhee, and Hugh Thomas Cotter, of Asheville. Also eight nieces and nephews.

## County Records Show 26 Marriages And 19 Divorces For 1947

According to court records of Jackson County there were only seven more marriages than there were divorces in the county during 1947. This, however, isn't a true picture or comparison, as a large number of our young people go to South Carolina or Georgia to get married. Records of the Clerk of Court show that there were 19 divorces granted to couples in Jackson county during the past year, while the Registrar reports on 26 marriage licenses issued.

Nineteen broken homes in a small county like Jackson in one year is too great a percentage. Perhaps the warning at the crossroads might hold good here too: "Stop, Look, and proceed with caution."

## FUNERAL RITES FOR THOMAS H. BRYSON CONDUCTED MONDAY

Funeral rites for Thomas H. Bryson, 81, who died at his home at Cashiers at 3:35 o'clock Sunday morning, were conducted at the Cashiers Baptist church Monday at 2:00 o'clock p. m. Interment was in the Zachary cemetery. Mr. Bryson had only been ill a short time.

Osborne-Simpson Funeral Home of Brevard was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were grandsons of the deceased, and the flower girls were granddaughters.

Honorary pallbearers were: H. A. Pell, Sr., H. A. Pell, Jr., Burns Alexander, Edward Fowler, Chris Passmore, W. S. Alexander, K. E. Bumgarner, Cate McCall and C. B. Fugate.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Fanny Fowler Bryson; three sons, Walter, Carl and Gene, all of Cashiers; four daughters, Mrs. E. G. Lombard, Cashiers, Mrs. William Morris, Brevard; Mrs. Don O'Kelley, Candler, and Mrs. C. Boswell, of Richmond. Very one brother, N. T. Bryson, of Cashiers; one sister, Mrs. Francis Wilson, of Glenville; 24 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

Mr. Bryson was the son of the late James Bryson and Nancy Morgan Bryson, pioneer settlers of this county. He was a member of the Cashiers Baptist church of which he was one of the founders.

## Higdon Calls For 1947 AAA Farm Reports

D. C. Higdon, Chairman of Jackson county AAA, urges that all farmers who have not made a report on their farm practices for 1947 do so at once. Farmers who received conservation materials through AAA in 1947 must report on the use of these materials if they wish to participate in the 1948 program.

Any farmer who bought seed for his pasture or for winter cover crop, may receive a refund amounting to approximately 80 percent of the cost of the seed, if the seed were bought without assistance from the AAA. Bills must be presented for such seed bought and seeded. There is also a refund on alfalfa seeded in 1947 under these conditions.

There is a payment for small grain turned under in the spring of 1947 at the rate of \$2.00 per acre.

Mr. Higdon urges that all farmers attend these matters at once so that records for 1947 may be cleared in the State office.

## Fricks And Stovall To Open Man's Store

Sylva is to have a new Man's Store in the near future, according to an announcement Monday morning by Messrs. Frank Fricks and Phil Stovall. These gentlemen are now in process of remodeling the Stovall building, formerly occupied by Stovall's cafe, for the new store. The store is to be equipped with modern fixtures and stocked with quality merchandise, the owners stated.

## Hugh Monteith Given Silver Beaver Award At Annual Scouters Meet

## JUDGE DON PHILLIPS WILL HOLD JACKSON FEBRUARY COURT

### Jurors Drawn For Two Weeks Term Beginning Monday, February 16

John Henson, Clerk of Court for Jackson county, has announced that Judge Don F. Phillips will preside over the February term of Jackson Superior court which will convene Monday, February 16. Solicitor Dan K. Moore, will represent the state.

This will be a two weeks mixed term.

The Jury Commission of the county has drawn the following names to report for jury duty at this term:

First week: Lee Fisher, Glenville; Clinton Hooper, Cullowhee; Kenyon Moody, Sylva; Miss Maggie Hunter, East LaPorte; John Green, Sylva; Henry Hall, Jr., Greens Creek; Alvin Burrell, Argura; Mrs. Claude Parker, East LaPorte; E. M. Lloyd, Sylva; Mrs. Ben Cathey, Sylva; L. T. Watson, Sylva; Mrs. Carl Buchanan, Sylva.

Frank G. Bryson, Glenville; Robert Jones, Gay; W. C. Hennessee, Sylva; Clyde Fisher, Sylva; C. D. Carnes, Dillsboro; Mrs. Jessie Cordell, Whittier; D. D. Cogdill, Sylva; Ernest Jones, Sylva; J. M. Price, Cullowhee.

David H. Rogers, Cashiers; J. F. Bentley, Glenville; John Arrington, Sylva; Sam F. Buchanan, Greens Creek; D. G. Higdon, Sylva; Bedford Ensley, Sylva; Walter Melton, Argura; Mrs. Bennie Reece, Sylva; Henry L. Taylor, Speedwell; C. E. Wike, East LaPorte; Fred Barron, Gay; Homer Jones, Gay; Clyde Bryson, Glenville; Lee Leopard, Sylva; Lawrence Wilson, Speedwell; Fred McConnell, Webster; Dillard Cope, Sylva; Boyd Brown, Dillsboro; H. L. Hoyle, Whittier; Burch McConnell, Webster; Charlie Calhoun, Glenville.

Second Week: Mrs. Sam Bryson, Glenville; Jim Shook, Jr., Glenville; Dave Shular, Dillsboro; Lewis Monteith, Glenville; Nelson Buchanan, G. Creek; J. T. Revis, Whittier; C. N. Mills, Sylva; C. P. Dillard, Sylva; Chas. Guffey, Sylva; J. F. Fowler, Glenville; E. M. Carroll, Erastus; John H. Hooper, Sylva; J. L. Jones, Sylva; Lewis Ashe, Whittier; Roy C. Allison, Sylva; Frank Allman, Sylva; W. H. Saunders, East LaPorte; J. T. Gribble, Sylva; C. W. Monteith, Glenville; Lawrence Reed, Sylva.

Ernest Shular, Sylva; Miss Jane Coward, Sylva; Mrs. Ranson Hooper, East LaPorte; Frank Coward, Cowarts.

## Traffic Light To Go Up At West End Of Main And Mill

Mayor Jack C. Allison announced this week that the town of Sylva has purchased a second traffic light which will be installed this week at the intersection of Main and Mill streets at Lewis Esso Station.

## Jackson Farm Cooperative Pays 10 Per Cent Dividend

### Farmers Cooperative Does \$35,000 Business In Four Months Period

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jackson County Farmers Cooperative held the last of December the directors authorized the payment of 10 per cent to all stockholders for the purchases made at the local store. This means that if a stockholder has purchased \$100 worth of merchandise at the store he has been paid \$10.00 in cash, which is his part of the profits made on sales during the four months the store has been in operation. This was based on the profits after all operating costs had been deducted. Also it has been announced that 6 per cent is being paid on all stock held by members of the cooperative. The directors

## Hennessee Leads Smoky Mt. District In Winning Attendance Trophy

The annual Scouters' Convention of the Daniel Boone Council of the Boy Scouts of America was held Monday afternoon at the First Baptist church in Asheville.

Frank Dix, deputy regional director of the Boy Scouts of America, and Horace Williamson addressed the group during the afternoon session. The discussion dwelled on the subject of operating the various districts in the council.

The banquet was held at 6:30 p. m., attended by some 250 Scouters including their ladies, of the Daniel Boone council. The principal speaker at the banquet was Abbott Nix, prominent attorney of Athens Georgia, and one time district governor of Rotary International. Mr. Nix spoke on the high idealistic advantages made possible to the young people of our country, and the world as well, through the Boy Scout movement, stressing the important opportunity to train the youth of today to be the leaders of tomorrow. Mr. Nix highly complemented the splendid work done by the Scout leaders of the Daniel Boone council for their work with the youth of this area. The report for the year 1947, showed that very much material gains were made by the Smoky Mountain district, and much progress was noted for the entire council.

The Smoky Mountain district, under the leadership of W. C. Hennessee who attended with a group of 50 Scouters of Smoky Mt. District for the third time was awarded the attendance trophy. A rather amusing incident happened during the award. A dejected member of another district and a close contender for the cup remarked: "We might as well let them keep the cup and just go out and get another one." An alert member of the Daniel Boone council retorted, in true scouting spirit, "Yes, and we'll win that one too!"

Hugh Monteith, vice president of the Daniel Boone council and resident of this city, and B. E. Colkitt, of Waynesville were presented with the award of the Silver Beaver, which is the highest honor to be conferred on a Volunteer Scouter. The award is for long, faithful, and meritorious service and devotion to the scouting movement.

## Car Inspection Lane Will Be Set-Up In Sylva

The State of North Carolina's new law, requiring all motor vehicles to be inspected during 1948, went into effect January 1. This inspection will be carried on in each county as the program gets underway. State Highway Patrolman Charles Lindsay, stated this week. An inspection lane 15 by 150 feet will be provided in or near Sylva for Jackson county. Just how soon the lane will be in operation here Mr. Lindsay did not know. Some "lanes" have already opened in the Eastern part of the state.