

## COMMISSIONERS ABANDON COUNTY HOME

### Dan K. Moore Takes Oath In Raleigh As Superior Court Judge

#### Baxter C. Jones Of Bryson City Appointed Solicitor; Alley Is Emergency Judge

#### Oath Of Office Taken Before Justice Stacey Tuesday Morning In Raleigh Tuesday

At a ceremony held in Governor Grigg Cherry's office in Raleigh Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, Dan K. Moore, of Sylva, was sworn in as Superior Court Judge, and Baxter C. Jones, of Bryson City, as solicitor of the 20th Judicial District. The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Walter P. Stacey of the state supreme court. The two new appointees then filed with the state board of election for reelection and they will have to run for election this year as a governor's appointment cannot extend beyond a general election. Mr. Moore paid a filing fee of \$65 and Mr. Jones paid \$50.

Mr. Moore, who was solicitor, was appointed by Governor Cherry last week upon the retirement of Judge Felix E. Alley, of Waynesville. Mr. Jones was appointed to fill the vacancy as solicitor.

Judge Alley was also sworn in as an emergency judge and will hold courts anywhere in the state at the direction of the Governor. Judge Alley had served the 20th district as resident judge for the past 15 years. In retiring Judge Alley remarked, "I know of no position which offers greater opportunity to do good than to serve on the bench, for you are dealing directly with people."

Mr. Moore was elected solicitor in 1946 and made an outstanding success in that office. While his many friends congratulate him upon his appointment to the Judgeship, they regret to see him leave the important post of solicitor. Mr. Moore is a former state representative, and served for many years as attorney for Jackson county and the town of Sylva. He is a member of the State Democratic executive committee and a trustee of the University of North Carolina. He served during World War No. II with Army Medical Corps and judge advocate's office. He is a son of the late Judge Fred Moore.

Mr. Jones is a native of Jackson county, but has lived in Swain county for a number of years. He is a veteran of World War I, has been prominent in educational and political circles for many years. He was principal of the Hayesville high school before taking up the study of law. After securing his law license he was associated in practice with the late A. M. Frye, at Bryson and after Mr. Frye's death he continued as a private firm. He has represented Swain county in the General Assembly and at the time of his appointment as solicitor was Senator of the 33rd Senatorial district, a position he resigned to accept the appointment as solicitor. He will hold his first court in Jackson county, beginning Monday, February 16. It has not been learned where Judge Moore will preside for his first term.

#### Dan Phillips Remains Unconscious After Fall On February 6

Mr. Dan Phillips, about 43, electrician for the Dillsboro and Sylva Electric Light Company, remains in an unconscious condition at C. J. Harris hospital here where he was admitted on last Friday following a fall at the C. J. Harris home in Dillsboro. It is reported that Mr. Phillips was doing some work on the roof of the building when for some reason he fell through a skylight to the first floor where the basement door gave way and he continued in his fall on down the concrete steps into the basement. Other men of the power company with Mr. Phillips removed him to the hospital at once. Examination showed that he received serious injuries in the fall.

BOSSAMON'S . . . . . In Sylva district.

#### Judge Of 20th District



DAN MOORE, above, was sworn in as resident Judge of the 20th Judicial district in Governor Cherry's office in Raleigh Tuesday. Mr. Moore succeeds Judge Felix E. Alley, of Waynesville, whose retirement from the bench became effective on that day. Baxter C. Jones of Bryson City was appointed solicitor to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Moore's appointment.

quarters in Morganton. Dr. Michal and seven nurses from the district staff have been in Chapel Hill this week to attend a venereal disease control program session of the North Carolina Society of Social Hygiene.

#### DR. MARY MICHAL IS NAMED TO DISTRICT HEALTH OFFICE

Dr. Mary Michal, acting health officer for the past 1 1/2 years, was appointed health officer at the recent annual meeting of the District Board of Health at Sylva.

George A. Brown, Jr., was re-elected chairman of the health board and Dr. A. P. Cline of Canton, one of the public members whose term expired this year, was re-elected to the position for a four-year term.

J. H. Way, mayor of Waynesville, has been appointed by Dr. Carl V. Reynolds, state health officer, an ex-officio member of the board to fill a vacancy caused by the withdrawal of Transylvania county from the district.

The nine member board governs public health activities in Jackson, Haywood, Swain and Macon counties. Dr. Michal, as health officer, serves as secretary of the group. Dr. Michal assumed the duties of health officer upon the resignation of Dr. C. N. Sisk to take charge of the district which has head-

#### ORDER PLACED FOR 44 UNIFORMS FOR SYLVA BAND MEMBERS

N. R. Beacham, director of public school music and Sylva high school band, has announced that 44 uniforms have been ordered through Schulman's department store, who made the order at cost. Mr. Beacham stated that the 44 uniforms will take care of the band for the present but that 10 additional uniforms will be ordered each year until the band has reached the size and uniformity desired.

Mr. Beacham stated that money is in the bank to pay for the 44 uniforms now on order, but that not all the pledges have been paid and that contributions are still welcome and needed for the band program.

Mr. Beacham asks that those interested in instruments see him this week as he has two clarinets and a piccolo in his possession at wholesale price. He will not keep them over a week unless there is some sale.

Over 90 band students are reported from Sylva, Beta, and Dillsboro. Rhythm bands and music classes include some 200 other pupils in the program at the three schools mentioned. Mr. Beacham stated that it would be a fine thing if every child in Jackson county could study some form of music. "We're well on the way," he stated.

#### Carroll Bryson Enters Business In Rutherfordton

Carroll Bryson, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bryson, Jr., has gone to Rutherfordton, where he has assumed management of Tom's Toasted Peanuts.

He has purchased the business and will serve as distributing agent in that area.

Mr. Bryson is well fitted for his work, as he has been connected for the past two years with Claude Hanan, who owns and operates the business of Tom's Peanuts in the Asheville area and the western counties.

#### FRANK H. BROWN, JR. TOSSES HAT IN RING FOR REPRESENTATIVE

Frank H. Brown, Jr., of Cullowhee, tossed his hat into the political ring Monday, seeking the Democratic nomination for county representative. Mr. Brown informed The Herald that he made his decision to run after much urging from political leaders and friends of the county.

A veteran of 47 months service in World War No. II, Mr. Brown is the son of Prof. and Mrs. Frank H. Brown, Sr., of Cullowhee. His father has been connected with Western Carolina Teacher College for the past 40 years.

Mr. Brown is a member of the Methodist church, member of the Sylva Lions Club, was recently elected president of the Jackson County unit of the Farm Bureau, member of the present board of Education of Jackson County, is a director of the Jackson County Farmers Cooperative, a farmer and assistant instructor of Veterans' Farmer Training program at Cullowhee. He is 32 years old and married to the former Miss Elsie Earp, of Johnston county. They make their home at Cullowhee.

Prior to entering service Mr. Brown was Agronomist with N. C. Department of Agriculture at Raleigh. After his discharge from the Navy he was appointed assistant county farm agent for Clay County, a position he held for sometime.

Mr. Brown was given an honorable discharge from the Navy in March 1945, holding a rank of Lieutenant. He saw service overseas with the advanced amphibious forces, engaged in the invasion of North Africa and the Mediterranean campaign. When discharged, he was in charge of a U. S. Naval Magazine base in Rhode Island.

#### YOUNG ORCHARDIST



Cameron Lee Buchanan of Gay, a veteran enrolled in the Sylva veteran farmer training program, having selected orcharding as his type of farming, apple growing interplanted with strawberries, has made a remarkable success out of growing his own apple trees by the whip grafting method, or the same method as used by the nurseries. Last year Cameron Lee bought fifty, two-year-old apple trees and set them out on over an acre of land that he had cleared. He decided then that this was an expensive way to get started in the orchard business and planned to do something about it.

Cameron Lee first became interested in grafting last spring when he ordered several hundred stock roots and prepared his own grafts under the direction of Mr. J. F. Corbin, teacher of agriculture. The tops of seedlings are entirely removed and the roots are cut into pieces four inches long. Twigs (called scions) from good varieties are grafted on the roots by the process known as tongue grafting. Grafting wax is used to protect all wounds. These root grafts were set out the first of April and by October had attained a growth of from four to six inches. Most of these one year trees Cameron Lee is re-setting in his own orchard, the balance have been sold to other farm trainees and neighbors. This year Cameron Lee plans to prepare 500 more root grafts.

Due in part to Cameron Lee's success 26 other vet-rans enrolled in the Sylva veteran farmer training program have ordered seedling roots and plan to make their own grafts this spring. 1500 grafting stocks are being ordered now from a nursery in Kansas for one veteran and F. F. A. boys to make trees this spring. We hope this is the beginning of a more intensive orchard business in our county.

#### Icy Crossing



BUNDLED against the cold, Greta Stein (front), 8, and her sister Thekla, 9, arrive in New York aboard the ice-coated steamer Amsterdam. The little girls are returning home to Great Neck, Long Island, N. Y., from their school in Switzerland. (International)

#### Property Licensed As Boarding Home For Aged Persons, Under Welfare Department

#### SNOW, RAIN IS ORDER OF THE DAY AS FAR AS WEATHER GOES

Like most sections of the county Jackson county has had its share of snow and rain this week. But we here in the Smokies have been more fortunate than areas east of us. While snow fell almost continually for over 12 hours on Monday, little of it lay on the ground as it melted almost as rapidly as it fell. Enough, however, stuck to wires, trees and shrubbery to provide a fairy land appearance Tuesday morning. This soon melted too, but the sun failed to come out, the clouds thickened and rain followed, Wednesday.

Much of the Eastern part of the state had heavy snow, which disrupted traffic, caused schools to close and damaged communication lines. This was the second heavy snow of the season for Piedmont and Eastern Carolina.

#### COUNTY FIRE WARDEN SEEKS COOPERATION IN COMING SEASON

County Forest Warden Charlie Evans urges the cooperation of every person in Jackson county to assist in the prevention of forest fires during the coming fire season.

If you have brush, ditch banks, or field to burn please secure a burning permit that is required by law number 14-239, General Statutes of North Carolina. The law states that a permit is required before igniting any material that is within 500 ft. of woodlands or over 500 feet away from a dwelling house between the dates of February 1 and June 1, also October 1 and November 30. Forest Warden Evans has made an effort to authorize issuing agents at places convenient for the public in order to secure their assistance and cooperation. The following places are authorized to issue permits: Robertson Store, Willets; Powell Store, Tuckaseeige, McCoy Store, Glenville; Cris Passmore, Cashiers, Wilburn Taylor, Yellow Mt.; Neal Tucker, Pine Creek, M. L. Snipes, County agent; Frank Brown, Wolf Mt. Bud Brown, Cullowhee; Fred L. Bryson, Pine Creek, County Forest Warden, pho. 266 and District Forester's office Sylva, pho.

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#### Will Operate Independently Of County Gov. At Big Saving To Taxpayers

The Jackson county home, just outside the city limits here, has been abandoned as such by the county commissioners and the two-story brick building has been leased to Mr. and Mrs. John Shepard to operate as a private boarding home for aged persons, Jennings A. Bryson, chairman of the Jackson county commissioners, announced this week.

G. C. Henson, Jackson county superintendent of public welfare, said the home had been licensed as a boarding home for adult persons with a total capacity of 20 after inspection of the building and approval of its use for the new purpose by representatives of the State Board of Public Welfare.

The new enterprise will be operated entirely independent of the county government under standards set up by the State welfare agency. Its discontinuance as a county home for indigent persons follows the State program of abolishing county homes where possible with persons needing that type of care being placed in private homes where possible, Henson pointed out.

The Jackson county institution was the last one west of Asheville operating since the public assistance program came into being in 1937 permitting persons meeting age and eligibility requirements to receive monthly allotments from combined federal, state and county funds to support them in private homes, in homes of relatives, or in their own homes. Only Buncombe, Haywood and Henderson counties continue to operate county homes in the western Blue Ridge mountain area, the Jackson County welfare head stated.

In commenting on the closing of the Sylva institution, State welfare officials in Raleigh pointed out that the new program of establishing private boarding homes for the care of aged persons has received considerable impetus in recent months. Five homes for white aged are privately operated in Buncombe while three are operating in Madison county, it was stated.

The Jackson county building is situated on an area of about 4 acres and is not closely crowded by other buildings. Use of the land surrounding the home will be determined more specifically at a later date, Henson stated.

In Raleigh, Dr. Ellen Winston, Commissioner of public welfare, pointed out that the 59 county

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#### 52 Points Listed for Checking Autos, Trucks Under Law

#### State Commissioner Rosser Informs Motorists Of Specific Requirements

Countless thousands of words have been written on North Carolina's new motor vehicle inspection law, which was effective on New Year's day, but some garage-men and few motorists know specifically what will be required to meet the tests.

Motor Vehicle Commissioner L. C. Rosser, under authority given him in the law, has set out in definite language exact mechanical requirements to be met as the State's thousands of cars roll through the testing lanes.

All motorists must have their machines tested sometime this year, after that, there will be two inspections annually.

Rosser's Check List  
Commissioner Rosser has formulated 25 points for checking automobiles and trucks, setting out exactly the requirements inspectors are to insist upon. Following

are the 25 points:  
**Licenses**  
Vehicle registration card and driver's license shall be produced. Vehicle registration card shall check with serial, motor and license number on vehicle. Operator's and chauffeur's license card shall be legible and for the current period. Vehicle license plates shall be displayed in the intended and lawful manner and shall be securely fastened to eliminate swinging. They shall be legible, visible and present an entirely unobstructed view. They shall be flat and shall not be cut or in any way mutilated, and displayed at place provided under the light for illumination at night.  
**Horn**  
The horn shall be in good working order and capable of emitting a clear sound, audible under normal conditions at a distance of not less than 200 feet, but no horn or other warning device shall emit an unreasonable harsh sound.

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