

## Jackson 4-H Club Observing National Week

### Annual Affair For Girls And Boys Gets Underway

National 4-H Club Week will be observed throughout the nation on March 1-7th, with "Creating Better Homes Today for a More Responsible Citizenship Tomorrow," as the theme.

The surest way of creating better homes and a more responsible citizenship is through a program which has as one of its objectives the training of rural youth to learn by doing and this in turn helps them to accomplish the 4-H motto, "To Make the Best Better."

National 4-H Club Week is set aside throughout the nation to place emphasis on strengthening and expanding 4-H Club work. It brings to the attention of the parents, the civic leaders and the general public more about 4-H Club work and its objectives. It is also an inventory week when young people review their 4-H club activities and see how they can be improved.

The purpose of the 4-H Club is to teach rural boys and girls from 10 to 21 years of age the better agricultural and homemaking practices and the finer and more significant things in rural living. Rural people make up the bulk of the population in Jackson County and North Carolina, so a program that touches this big and vital part of our life is of vast importance to all of us. 4-H Club work develops rural leadership, community pride and spirit. It builds young men and women who know how to conduct meetings, organize community projects and who know how to judge crops, livestock and products on the farm, also helps the members to appreciate home responsibilities and enable them to be better homemakers.

The 4-H Club had its origin in this State more than a quarter of a century ago. It grew from a small corn club, organized by a group of rural boys into the largest youth organization in the world. In North Carolina, we have reached a new high in 4-H with an enrollment of 106,131 members and in Jackson County last month we had the following number of 4-H Club members present at the joint monthly meetings: 311 boys — 440 girls, and in addition to this a few members were absent. This organizational enterprise is building for a finer and greater North Carolina. It is training the heads — the hearts — and the hands of tomorrow's citizens and is giving these future leaders better health.

## JUDGE WEBB RETIRES AFTER 28 YEARS ON FEDERAL COURT SEAT

After 48 years in public life, 28 of them as Judge of the Western District of North Carolina, Judge Edwin Yates Webb, of Shelby retired Monday, March 1. Judge Webb mailed notice of his retirement to President Truman from his home in Shelby last week.

His letter to the President reads as follows:

"Dear Mr. President: I have been a United States District Court Judge for the Western District of North Carolina for more than 28 years. I am now more than seventy years of age, and this is to inform you that, effective next Monday, March 1, I am taking retirement as provided for in Section 375, Title 28, U. S. C. A."

Under the retirement act, the federal judge can be relieved of his duties by an additional judge. Such an additional judge for this district is expected to be named by March 15 with Judge Webb continuing to hold court as he chooses, maintaining his chambers at Shelby, and being entitled to sit on the Circuit Court of Appeals as in the past.

Judge Webb was appointed to the Federal bench by President Woodrow Wilson in 1919 and since that time has not missed more than 15 days from his legal duties.

## PRINCIPALS IN MEAD DIVISION CHANGES



Paul C. Ellis, left, and J. Ramsey Buchanan, Division General Managers of The Mead Corporation plants here and at Harriman, Tenn., are principals in management changes being made in the Corporation plants.

Mr. Buchanan, General Manager of the Harriman plant since 1929, arrived in Sylva the first of this week for two weeks' observation of the plant here after which he will return to Harriman. On April 1 Mr. Buchanan will return to Sylva to assume his duties as general manager of the local plant.

Mr. Ellis, who has been General Manager of the Sylva Division for ten years or more, will leave shortly after April 1 for Lynchburg, Va., to become head of the Corporation's plant in that city. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis and their two children, Peggy and Tony, will move to Lynchburg to make their home. Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan, both natives of Sylva, have two married daughters and a son, Ramsey, Jr., who will finish high school this spring. They will make their home in Sylva after April 1.

## ASHE ON VETERANS' RE-EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Richard S. Hulme and David E. Sigmon, Assistant State Service Officers, and T. W. Ashe, Local Service Officer (Acting), have been named Veterans' Reemployment Rights Committeemen for Jackson County, according to an announcement made today by Hugh W. Bradley, Field Representative, VRRD, United States Department of Labor. Certificates of Appointment have been issued to these Committeemen and they are now prepared to aid veterans in obtaining reemployment and seniority rights to which they are entitled under the Selective Service Act.

These Committeemen will serve voluntarily in giving advice and assistance to veterans who feel that they have reemployment problems involving restoration in their old jobs or seniority and accrued benefits on the job and to those who have been laid off or discharged without cause before completing one year of employment to which they are entitled.

"Every effort will be made to adjust all cases amicably," Mr. Bradley said. "This is in keeping with the policy declared by Secretary of Labor Schwelmbach and Robert K. Salyers, Director of the Department's Veterans' Reemployment Rights Division. Litigation will be resorted to only when there appears to be a violation of the veteran's rights which cannot be resolved otherwise. It is believed, however, that such cases will be rare."

## Dillsboro People Plan Sunrise Service At Parris Cemetery Easter

Easter Sunrise services will be held at 5:33 o'clock Sunday morning, March 28 at the Parris cemetery at Dillsboro, with elaborate ceremonies planned. The Rev. W. N. Cook will conduct the service, assisted by Rev. C. H. Green and Rev. Elmer Green. A group of singers from West Canton Baptist church and a number of other singers will be on hand. A beautiful and impressive program has been arranged. Arrangements have been made with local florists for a supply of wreaths and other flowers to place on each of the lots. All persons having relatives and friends buried in this cemetery are requested to contact Mrs. P. W. Kincaid, phone 247W and assist with the decorations of the graves. The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend the program.

The mayor and aldermen of the town of Dillsboro are trustees of this beautiful little cemetery. Mr. C. A. Snyder and Mrs. P. W. Kincaid are in charge of the up-keep and beautification. Under their direction this cemetery has become one of the neatest and well kept of any in Jackson county.

## John E. Henson Will Make Race For Clerk

John E. Henson, acting Clerk of Court for Jackson County, announced this week that he will seek the Democratic nomination for the two year unexpired term of former Roy Cowan, who died in December 1946. Mr. Henson was appointed by Judge Felix E. Alley on the 28th of January, 1947 to fill the vacancy left after Mr. Dan Cowan, brother of Mr. Roy Cowan, resigned after serving for a few weeks.

Mr. Henson is the son of Mrs. Henson and the late W. L. Henson. He was educated in the Sylva schools and the University of North Carolina. He is a former chairman of the Board of Elections, active in party circles and civic affairs.

## Home Demonstration Club Meets

The Cashiers Home Demonstration Club held its regular meeting Feb. 24 at the home of Mrs. Selma Bryson.

Mrs. Sam Bryson, club president, presided, and the club collect was given.

In the absence of a Home Agent and a program, the club had a display and study of hand work made this past winter by the various club members, along with a social hour. Selma Bryson, hostess for the afternoon, served a sweet course.

The club will meet March 23 at the home of Mrs. Loui Allen.

## Revival Services At Glenville Church

Revival services will begin Monday evening, March 8, at the Glenville Wesleyan Methodist church and continue until March 21. Services will be at 7 o'clock each evening. Rev. W. E. Bowie, pastor of the Brevard Wesleyan Methodist church, will be the evangelist. Everyone is cordially invited to attend these services.

## Dills Announces Workers To Head Red Cross Fund Drive In Jackson

### National Drive Made Each March: Seek To Raise Sum for Disasters, Relief

The month of March is designated for 1948 RED CROSS FUND DRIVE and the following people have been named as leaders in their respective communities. Each community leader may appoint as many helpers as they wish to carry on a successful campaign. It is urged that organizations for the different communities be completed at once so the campaign may be closed. Quotas for communities have been reduced this year. The Red Cross needs funds to carry on the relief work caused by disasters over our nation and to help

## FUNERAL SERVICES FOR BAXTER C. JONES HELD IN BRYSON CITY

### Native of Jackson County, Died of Heart Attack At His Home Friday P. M.

Bryson City, Special — Baxter Columbus Jones, 62, solicitor of the 20th judicial district and former state senator, died of a heart attack at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon at his home here. He was stricken at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Jones, long a prominent member of the Swain County bar, had served at only one court term since being named recently to the post of solicitor. That was in his native Jackson County. He relinquished the post of 33rd district senator at the time he was made solicitor.

He succeeded Dan K. Moore of Sylva as solicitor when the latter was named superior court judge to take the place of Judge Felix E. Alley of Waynesville.

An outstanding Western North Carolina dry leader, Mr. Jones had represented both Swain County and Jackson County in the lower house of the general assembly.

He was active in the affairs of the Bryson City Baptist church, the American Legion, the Masonic Order and other organizations.

Mr. Jones was born in Jackson County Aug. 6, 1887. He was graduated from Western Carolina Teachers college in 1914, and attended the State university in 1919. He was in the armed forces in World War I.

He served three terms as representative in the general assembly — one from Jackson County, 1915, and two from Swain County, 1935 and 1937. He represented the 33rd senatorial district in the 1947 assembly.

He has been Swain County attorney 16 years, a member of the State Hospitals Board of Control since 1945 and chairman of the Swain Board of Public Welfare since 1937.

Funeral services were held in the Baptist church, with the Rev. S. L. Lamm, pastor, and the Rev. W. Herbert Brown officiating. The body had lain in state in the church from 2 to 3 o'clock.

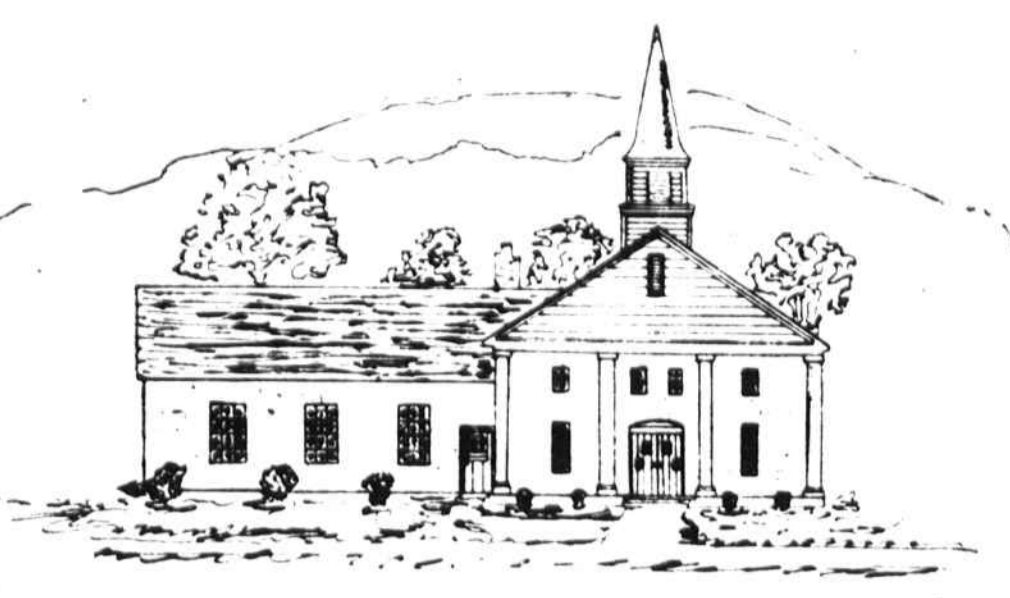
Masonic services were held at the graveside in the Bryson City cemetery, with John L. Orr and Warren L. Lathan of Oconee Lodge No. 427 in charge.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Emma May DeHart Jones; one step-daughter, Mrs. Gladys DeHart Leonard, of Bryson City; two grandchildren, Baxter and James Leonard, twins; two sisters, Mrs. Andy Reed of Franklin, and Mrs. Frank Tatham of Gay, Jackson County; four brothers, Ellis C. Jones, prominent Asheville attorney, George of Loris, S. C., Lonnie of Portsmouth, Va., and Jay C. of Gay.

## Laundry Workers Remain On Strike

The employees of the Sylva Laundry and Dry Cleaning plant here, who went out on strike Monday, February 23, are still out, according to an announcement from Laundry officials Wednesday. No immediate settlement of the dispute is in sight, it was stated.

## DRAWING OF NEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Above is the architect's drawing of the Sylva Presbyterian church as it will appear when completed. The members of the congregation plan to start construction work on the building about March 15. All the brick for the building and much of the other materials have been ordered. Breaking of the ground for the foundation will be marked with special ceremonies. The church will be located on a lot recently purchased in the City park area of town.

## Davidson College Chorus To Present Concert At Cullowhee

The Davidson College Male Chorus will present a concert in Hoey auditorium at Western Carolina Teachers college Tuesday night, March 9, at 8 o'clock. The concert, sponsored by the Iyccum committee of WCTC, will be the chorus' last in a tour which will have taken it through Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina.

The chorus will be directed by Earl F. Berg, Buford Goodman, Kannapolis, will be accompanist.

The group has broadcast over a nation-wide CBS hook-up from New York, Richmond, and Philadelphia, and for several years was featured on a series of broadcasts over the Dixie network of the Columbia Broadcasting system.

Composed of 50 voices, all but one of whom live south of the Mason-Dixon line, the group is rated as one of the finest male choruses in the South. It has grown, under the leadership of Mr. Berg, James Christian Pfohl, Director of music, and former Director Thane McDonald, from an amateur octette more than 50 years ago to its present stature.

Mr. Berg, who, in addition to directing the chorus, serves as an instructor in general music at Davidson, was graduated from Concordia college in Moorhead, Minn., and has studied at the McPhail conservatory in Minneapolis. He has also studied extensively in New York, including five years under Helen Steele and 18 months at the

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## Cullowhee Pastor To Attend Conference

The Rev. and Mrs. M. R. Osborne, Jr., of Cullowhee will leave Monday morning, March 8, for Louisville, Ky., where they are to attend the Pastors' Spring Conference which is sponsored each year by a special foundation contributed to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary located in that city. The conference again this year provides a program of eminent speakers from the religious and academic world and is expected to draw a large number of ministers from the south-eastern phase of the Southern Baptist convention.

In addition to their baby daughter, Betsy, the Osbornes will be accompanied by the Rev. S. L. Lamm of the First Baptist Church at Bryson City. They will return in the latter part of the week.

## COUNTY RABIES INSPECTORS TO BE SELECTED

By C. B. Thomas, District Sanitarian

All persons interested in being appointed as official rabies inspectors are invited to attend a meeting in the court room of the Jackson County Courthouse, Saturday, March 13, at ten A. M.

A general discussion will be held on proper vaccination procedure, and the laws applying to inoculation.

The law pertaining to rabies inoculation of all dogs states that the time of vaccination "shall begin annually on April first and shall be completed within ninety (90) days from the date of beginning the vaccination in the several counties."

Provision is also made for the killing of stray dogs, dogs not wearing official metal tags and the confinement of suspected dogs.

After appointments are made a list of the inspectors will be published for the convenience of dog owners.

## Miss Runyans Is Winner of Cullowhee Baptist Award

Miss Nellie Runyans of Shelby, a Senior at Western Carolina Teachers College and a four-year member of the Choir, was awarded the Cullowhee Baptist Choir Award for 1947-1948 following the rehearsal last Friday evening.

The Choir Award, a beautiful gold choir pin with chain and safety guard, was given by Dr. and Mrs. H. P. Smith, the Director and Organist of the Choir. It was presented to Miss Runyans by Miss Kathleen Moss, Vice-President of the Choir.

Miss Runyans is an outstanding member of the Choir. During the four years she has been affiliated with the Choir, she sang in more than two hundred church services, Sunday school, and Baptist Training Union services, concerts and rehearsals. Her college and church activities may be summarized as follows: a member of the College Chorus, the International Relations Club, Home Economics Club, Baptist Student Council, President of the Y. W. A., President of the Cullowhee Baptist Choir, and Assistant to the Director, 1946-1947, 1947-1948.

In addition to the Choir Award, Miss Runyans was presented a Bible, and a fifty dollar scholarship by the Choir and some friends. She has maintained a high standard of excellence, and has been a most faithful and loyal member of the Choir.

Miss Runyans will be featured in a vocal duet with a member of the Choir in concert at Cullowhee this Spring. That will be her final concert appearance with the Cullowhee Baptist Choir.

## Glenville Pastor Resigns

Rev. J. H. Hadaway, pastor of the Glenville Baptist church, has tendered his resignation to become effective the last Sunday of July, 1948. Rev. Mr. Hadaway has served this work a little more than two years.

## Drive For Fire Prevention Launched Here

### Sixth Annual Drive Started Monday For North Carolina

The sixth annual Cooperative Forest Fire Prevention Campaign was launched Monday in North Carolina by State Forester W. K. Beichler, as part of the nationwide campaign being announced simultaneously in 11 southern states.

Prepared by the Advertising Council, Inc., in cooperation with the State Foresters and the U. S. Forest Service, the campaign will use posters, window cards, book-marks, blotters, radio programs, sponsored ads, pamphlets, and other material in an educational effort to reduce forest fire losses.

The familiar "Smoky Bear" will appear again on this year's posters, to warn that "Only you can prevent woods fires." In a recent pose on his knees, with animals of the forest gathered around, Smokey voices the keynote of this year's campaign in his prayer, "... and please make people careful, amen."

Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, and Jack Benny, have also joined up in this year's campaign, and will appear in cartoon sketches to drive home a few simple facts of the forestry situation — that the job is urgent, that nine out of ten woods fires are caused by people, and that the prevention of such fires is a job for each of us, now.

State Forester Beichler said that the opening of the campaign is timed to hit the early spring fire season. He said that last year the State had 2,668 woods fires, which burned 166,745 acres, and caused an estimated \$248,420 damage. He credited last year's campaign with preventing even greater losses. He said this year's drive would be a vigorous effort to build a sentiment among the people that would ultimately eliminate most man-caused fires from our woodlands, and to prevent a possible fire disaster such as Maine had last year.

Mr. Beichler said that effectiveness of the campaign would depend upon the cooperation of individuals, business firms, and other agencies in giving wide distribution to the fire prevention messages. Last year valuable assistance was given by the Extension Service, American Red Cross, city and county governments, public schools, Boy and Girl Scouts, clubs, radio stations, newspapers, merchants, and many others, he said. This year, State Forester Beichler is calling upon every citizen and agency in the State of North Carolina to assume their responsibility and to offer their services where possible. Many will be called upon directly for assistance. Others wishing to help should write to the State Forester.

## FFA AND VETERANS PREPARING TO SET 2500 APPLE GRAFTS

Twenty-five hundred apple grafts are now being made by the students of the Future Farmers of America class and the veteran farm trainees of the Sylva school according to an announcement of John H. Corbin, head of vocational training of the Sylva high school and director of Veteran farm training in this area.

The FFA boys and the veterans have gone to Haywood and other apple growing sections and brought back a large supply of Scion wood, limb cutting from healthy apple trees of the variety of apples wanted. This scion wood is being grafted on to stock, roots of crab apple, brought from Wisconsin, in preparation for setting for young apple trees to be transplanted at the proper time to permanent orchards.

Mr. Corbin stated that the 2500 grafts will set some 50 acres or more in trees.

Ralph Shular of the Willets community, has prepared over 200 grafts to use on his farm. Others are preparing 150 to 200 and more each for their farms.

The method of grafting, Mr. Corbin stated, is the same as the big commercial nurseries use.