

# Jackson Farm Leaders Discuss A.C.A. Program At Banquet Meeting

### Community Commit- men, Wives, Guests Hear State And District Heads

Around 60 people attended the banquet given last Friday night by Community Committeemen of the Jackson County Agricultural Conservation Association in the Allison building to which their wives and guests were invited. D. C. Higdon, chairman of the ACA, was master of ceremonies.

Following the delightful banquet served by Wesleyan Service Guild, Mr. Higdon recognized the members of the Jackson County committee who were present, and introduced the guests present. He then introduced Mr. Jeff Enloe, Field representative of the ACA, of Franklin who expressed his appreciation to the Jackson County citizens who have helped to carry on this farm program. Mr. Enloe stated that in Jackson county he had seen exhibited the finest spirit of cooperation of any county in which he has worked. At nearly every call meeting of the Community committeemen he has had 100 per cent membership present.

Mr. Enloe spoke briefly on the status of the 1949 farm program for Jackson county, stating that according to this very flexible program an allowance of money is made for each farmer in the county. Each receiving money is required to make a report within 30 days of the use they have made of the money given them. If this report is not made, or is unsatisfactory as judged by the committeemen, it is to be withdrawn and pooled for re-distribution to other farmers.

The budget of administrative expense has been cut to about 71 per cent of last year's amount, said Mr. Enloe, but this does not mean that the committeemen will shirk their duties but will continue to put all that they can into it as they have heretofore done. They will continue to give of their time and expenses.

H. A. Patton, acting State Director of Production and Management Administration, who has been connected with the AAA program since 1936 was next introduced by Mr. Enloe. Mr. Patton expressed much optimism about the future farm program in Jackson county and the nation as a whole. He states that the need for this farm program has been sufficiently impressed upon the members of the Congress that it will not only live but will continue to grow in importance, stating that "nations rise and sink as their agricultural program goes up or down. Sound agriculture is the cause of the greatness of America and it needs to continue this agricultural program." Mr. Patton explained in detail the Price Support Bill which was recently passed by the Congress; also the 1949 program as set forth by the PMA and included in the handbook to be distributed shortly among the committeemen.

The county committeemen are D. C. Higdon, Chairman; Blaine Nicholson, vice chairman, and C. P. Shelton, member. Jackson county is grouped into fifteen communities, with three committeemen named from each community, making a total of 45 members in the organization known as the Community Committeemen.

### TIMBER TALKS

By W. C. HENNESSEE

America is developing a new conception of its forest. We once valued our woodland for how much timber it held—but we are now learning to measure it by how much it will grow.

An acre of fast growing southern pine will produce the wood for a good sized barn every five years. And in the far west a acre of rapidly growing forest will produce the wood needed to build a five room house every six years. Plant those idle acres to trees. Ask your county agent or local forester for an application.

Let's Keep Jackson County Green

### Smallest P. O. In U. S.



MRS. MAE A. PASSMORE standing in front of the building serving as the post office at Grimshaws, N. C., claims the distinction of being postmistress of the Nation's smallest post office. The office was established more than 50 years ago by a Mr. Grimshaws.

### MRS. MAE PASSMORE SERVING NATION'S SMALLEST POSTOFFICE

By LARRY W. MULL

Mrs. Mae A. Passmore claims the distinction of being postmistress of the smallest post office in the United States. It is situated at Grimshaws, in the southwest section of Jackson county, and has in operation for more than 50 years.

The tiny building is unique in that it is constructed of boards and logs and measures only four and one-half by five feet.

A Mr. Grimshaws founded the post office more than fifty years ago, and served as postmaster for about 14 years. He sold his property to a Mr. Alexander who also was appointed postmaster, serving for 35 years. Mr. Alexander sold the property and gave up the post office. About 14 months ago his daughter, Mrs. Passmore, was appointed as postmistress through the help of her father. Mrs. Passmore says she enjoys working in the picturesque post office and during her spare time she has been successful in growing a vegetable garden this summer and canning several dozen cans of vegetables, fruits, jams, and jellies for the winter months.

Mrs. Passmore says the post office operates the year-round, offering full facilities—stamps, envelopes, registered mail, parcel post, and money orders, included.

It is very pleasant that Grimshaws residents and summer vacationists are about evenly mixed at mail time—fair indication that the community is constantly growing and is definitely not on the wane.

### WALLIN TO HAVE SHOE STORE OPENING AUG. 2

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wallin, who recently came to Sylva from Cullowhee where for the past 12 years they have operated the College Supply Store, will have the formal opening of Wallin's Shoe Store Monday, August 2, at which time tickets will be given for drawing of valuable prizes.

Mr. Wallin stated that he will carry several popular brands of shoes for men, women and children, including Buster Brown line for children, Air Step for women and Roblee for men.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallin are natives of Madison county, having come to Jackson 12 years ago. They are members of Cullowhee Methodist church, and he is a member of the Masonic Lodge of East LaPorte. Mrs. Wallin is an active Eastern Star member of the Dillsboro chapter.

They have an apartment in the building occupied by the shoe store, which was formerly occupied by Sylva Pharmacy for many years.

### MEETING CALLED TO CONSIDER SUPPORT FOR CITY LIBRARY

By Mrs. Mary Cowan  
Library Board Member

For eleven years Jackson county and the town of Sylva have been most fortunate in having Mrs. W. G. Stallcup in charge of our library. She has been there since the beginning with 200 donated books to the present fine collection of 3,765 volumes.

The library has recently moved to new quarters upstairs in the Cole buildings and it is rapidly growing and expanding. It meets a real need of the city and county. All of our citizens should give the library their most loyal support. The Sylva High School library is still quite small and our children are dependent on the town library for many reference books and parallel reading books to use in connection with their regular texts.

There will be a special meeting of the library board in the rooms of the town library at 1:30 clock, Friday, July 30. The following persons have been asked to come: the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, the mayor and clerk of the town of Sylva, the presidents of all Sylva clubs and societies, the superintendents of Armour Leather Company and the Mead Corporation, and all interested citizens who wish to attend. This is a very important meeting and we urge you to be present for it.

### ASHEVILLE CANCER CLINIC OPEN TO ALL W. N. C. PEOPLE

Dr. M. B. H. Michal, district health officer, advises that the Buncombe County Cancer Clinic examines patients each Tues. The Detective Clinic is held from 9:45 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. each Tuesday.

The clinic provides for examinations of residents of North Carolina who are 40 years of age, or persons of any age who has symptoms of cancer. The Diagnostic Management operates from 12:45 p. m. to 2:30 p. m. each Tuesday. It accepts patients who are found to have lesions which may be cancerous in the morning clinic, or patients referred by physicians with references to any possible malignant condition. Patients referred by physicians must have a complete record furnished to the clinic at or before the time of examination.

There is no charge for the examination. No treatment is given. Any abnormalities, whether malignant or not, are referred to the family physician named by the patient. Appointments for examinations are not needed. The patient will be taken care of that Tuesday if there at the correct time.

### Three Cases Of Polio Have Been Reported For Jackson, Preventative Measures Taken

Dr. Michal, District Health Officer for the District of Jackson, Haywood, Macon and Swain, has submitted the following report on the polio situation in the district and also lists some of the known facts about the disease and urges continued preventative measures:

"As stated by us a week ago, our situation remains surprisingly satisfactory. To-date we have had reported the following cases in our District: Haywood 0, Jackson 3, Macon 1, Swain 1.

All of these cases have had hospital care, and the earliest is expected to be discharged soon. The onset of the latest was July 14th. These few sporadic cases are from widely scattered points. For our population, we would have to have about 50 cases to have an epidemic, and toward that number before being concerned enough to warrant restricting measures. Therefore, all the measures we take are precautionary to help insure that the disease does not spread into our area.

It would be well to keep in mind the following facts, quoted from a broadcast of last Saturday, July 17th, from the North Carolina State Board of Health, Raleigh:

"1. The virus is known to be

### LIONS PRESIDENT



EUGENE S. BRIGGS, past vice president of Lions International, was elected president at the 31st annual convention as it closed a four day session in New York City today.

### EXPRESS AS USUAL SAYS LOCAL AGENT

When Passenger trains 17 and 18 were discontinued it was announced that the Southern would handle only certain type items of express, with restrictions on live animals and other perishable items. This, however, is not the case now, says Herbert Gibson, local agent. Mr. Gibson stated that the railroad company has scheduled a regular express car pulled through Sylva each morning, except Sunday, on the first freight train out from Asheville. The car is in charge of an express messenger and it handles all kinds of commodities without restriction.

Mr. Gibson also announced that he can sell railroad and pullman tickets to local individuals from Asheville or Knoxville to any point. In being able to do this Mr. Gibson can save anyone wishing to travel much time and inconvenience.

### DR. WILKES GOING TO CHICAGO FOR STUDY

Dr. Grover Wilkes will leave Sylva Saturday for Chicago where he will take a two weeks' intensive post-graduate course in diseases of the heart and electrocardiography. He expects to be back in his office around August 15.

### Sylva Band Is Having Daily Practice

Mr. Ben Cole, new band director for the Sylva schools, for three weeks has been having daily band practice for the small group that can attend.

Though greatly handicapped by the polio situation, he is working diligently and is making much progress with about 12 of the older boys and girls.

Practice is held each day at 10 o'clock and he will be glad for any who are interested to come.

### UNIT DOES 1500 X-RAYS IN COUNTY IN 8-DAY PERIOD

The State Board of Health Mobile Unit, now operating in Jackson County in an effort to make Chest X-Rays of all citizens including 15 year-olds and above, has completed making 1500 X-rays in the eight days since it began here July 15 through the report period.

Through an error in reporting last week it was stated that 744 X-rays were made the first day at Cullowhee. This, however, should have been for the four day period there. They made 241 X-rays the first day. At Tuckaseeige, one day 263 X-rays were made, and 207 in one day at Glenville. Over a two day period at Cashiers 236 X-rays were made.

Today, Thursday, the unit will be at Long's Furniture Shop in the Willets community from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m.

### LIONS PRESIDENT VIEWS PEACE AS NO. 1 PROBLEM TODAY

Briggs Elected At 31st Annual Convention In New York City

New York, July 29—(Special)—Eugene S. Briggs, Enid, Oklahoma, is the new president of the International Association of Lions Clubs. He was elected by unanimous vote at the 31st annual convention of the Association which closed here today. Briggs succeeds Fred W. Smith, of Ventura, California.

The convention concluded one of the most successful years in the history of Lions International, according to the report made by the Secretary-General and founder of the Association, Melvin Jones, of Chicago, Illinois. He reported the formation of 819 new Lions Clubs and the addition of 31,696 men to the roster of the Association in the twelve-months period ended June 30, 1948, for a total of 6,808 clubs and 358,144 members. He stated also that during the year Lions Clubs were established in four additional countries: Sweden, Switzerland, Chile and Newfoundland. Lions International, he added, is now the largest, strongest and most active service club organization in the world, with Lions Clubs in 23 countries on five continents.

### Hedden Opens Barber Shop In Cullowhee

Mr. Jeff Hedden, owner of Hedden's barber shop, in Sylva has opened a two-chair shop in Cullowhee and has already started operating. One full-time barber Mr. Anderson Blanton will be in the Cullowhee shop regularly and Mr. Hedden will be there part of the time.

### Frank M. Crawford Died At Home Here Fri. A.M. Following Long Illness



FRANK M. CRAWFORD, veteran educator and superintendent of Jackson county schools, was buried here Saturday afternoon. He died early Friday morning at his home here following an illness of six months.

### McCONNELL ACCEPTS PASTORATE OF THE CULLOWHEE CHURCH

Rev. Charles W. McConnell has accepted the pastorate of the Cullowhee Baptist church and will move to Cullowhee the latter part of August. He will deliver his first sermon Sunday, August 29.

Rev. Mr. McConnell comes to Cullowhee from Franklin Baptist church, Franklinton, N. C. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College and Union Theological Seminary of New York. Mrs. McConnell is also a graduate of the Seminary. They have three daughters.

The members of the church are planning to have a welcome party on the church lawn soon after Mr. McConnell arrives to give the people of the community an opportunity to meet the new pastor and family. The date for the welcoming party will be announced later.

Mr. McConnell succeeds the Rev. Mark R. Osborne, Jr., who resigned as pastor of this church several weeks ago to take special work at Louisville Seminary.

The pulpit will be filled by a visiting minister each Sunday until Mr. McConnell arrives. Rev. E. F. Baker will be the speaker next Sunday morning.

### Body of Staff Sgt. James B. Bumgarner Being Returned

News has been received by Mrs. Mrs. R. C. Bumgarner, Route 1, Whittier, that the body of her son, Staff Sgt. James Berlin Bumgarner, is being returned to the States. The body is expected to arrive in Sylva on August 6th, and will immediately be taken to the home of his mother.

Sgt. Bumgarner entered service in November 1942 and received training at Camp Phillips, Kans., Camp McCain, Mississippi, and participated in maneuvers in Tennessee, before being sent overseas in July, 1943. He served in England and France and was placed in Lt. General George Patton's army. He was wounded February 19, 1945, and died the following day.

Surviving are the mother, two brothers, Marshall Bumgarner, of Ann Walt, W. Va., Glenn Bumgarner, of Mathews, W. Va., and four sisters, Mrs. L. B. Hooper, Hazelwood, Mrs. Kenyon Hyde, Maryville, Tenn., Mrs. Oscar Bryant and Miss Frankie Bumgarner of Franklin.

### Third Case Of Polio Reported For County. All In Hospital

Jackson County reported its 3rd case of polio when the 2-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Garrett who live on the Old Dillsboro road near Dillsboro, was pronounced ill with the disease after it was taken to the Orthopedic home in Asheville Tuesday. The child, Wanda Lou, became ill Sunday morning.

SOSSAMON'S . . . . . In Sylva

### Jackson School Head Become Ill Last Jan.; Funeral Held Sat. P. M.

Funeral services for Frank M. Crawford, 45, superintendent of Jackson county public schools, who died at his home here at 4 a. m. Friday, were held at the Sylva Baptist church Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment was in the Keener cemetery.

Officiating at the last rites for the veteran educator were the Rev. C. M. Warren and the Rev. T. F. Ditz. Rev. W. Q. Grigg, pastor of the Methodist church read the Psalm.

Mr. Crawford underwent an operation in January and had remained ill since.

Pallbearers were: W. R. Enloe, John H. Morris, Edward Fowler, Ed Hooper, and W. Vernon Cope, acting superintendent and members of the county school board of education, and Dr. Roy Kirchburg.

Honorary pallbearers were: Dr. T. D. Slagle, Sam B. Cannon, Dr. John T. Codner, Dr. James H. Cherry, members of the Sylva Lions club, deacons of the first Baptist church, members of the schoolmasters' club, all school committeemen, and all Jackson county school teachers.

Mr. Crawford was district principal of Webster high school three years before his election as county superintendent in 1947, and was for ten years principal of the Sylva elementary school.

Educated in Jackson County schools, he received a B.S. degree at Western Carolina Teachers College, Cullowhee, and later did graduate work at the University of North Carolina. He had been in the teaching profession 20 years, having taught in Jackson and Buncombe county schools.

Under Mr. Crawford's supervision the school bond issue of \$450,000 was initiated to build new schools and repair others in the county.

Active in civic affairs of Sylva, Mr. Crawford was a charter member and past president of the Lions club, a member and former deacon of Sylva Baptist church, a member and past president of Jackson Schoolmasters club, and chairman and district legislative committee of the North Carolina Education association.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Edith Sherrill; two sons, Frank M., Jr., and Bill; the parents, Mr. and L. W. Crawford; three brothers, Grady R. of Columbia, S. C., Ernest P. of Wilmington and Earl of Kenly.

Moody Funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Out-of-town friends and relatives were: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis, Columbia, S. C., Mrs. Candace Powell, Columbia, S. C., Mrs. Tom Baker, Richmond, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. Corbett Ensley, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Bryson, and Geo. D. Sherrill, all of Asheville, and Lincoln Ensley of Waynesville.

### CULLOWHEE SCOUTS SPONSOR THEATRE IN THE SKY, 30TH

The curtains will go up at 8:30 in Hoey Auditorium Friday night, July 30, on the special performance of The Theatre In The Sky, when this company presents, under the sponsorship of the Cullowhee boy scouts, "The Importance of Being Earnest," one of Oscar Wilde's famous comedies, directed by Maurice Geoffrey.

Arrangements for the performance are under the supervision of the Boy Scout committee of Cullowhee, composed of R. C. Sutton, T. A. Cathey, John Crawford, L. H. Higdon and Harley Shelton.

Playing the two leading feminine roles will be lovely blond Ella Beth Hurst, who has returned for her second season with the company, and equally lovely brunette Virginia Shield, who has just completed her first season at the Cleveland Playhouse.