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\$2.00 A Year-5c Copy **Escaped Prisoner Slain By Officer, Two Others Captured** Farmers Are Urged Democratic Rally Set For Saturday, October 16 Ralph Davis, 37,

To Observe Fire **Prevention Week**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Extension Service are again cooperating with the National Fire Protection Association in the observance of Fire Prevention Week to be observed from October 3-9.

Fire hazards are more numerous on farms than in towns and cities, and farm fires are frequently more serious because organized firefighters are farther away. Those are two major reasons rural r sidents should participate seriously in Fire Prevention Week.

Rural residents of Jackson Coun_ ty are being urged to observe Fire Prevention Week by removing as far as possible the following fire hazards:

1. Careless smoking habits

dirty lamps and lanterns.

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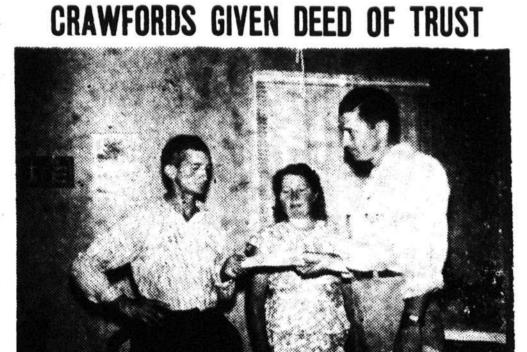
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4. Accumulations of debris. and kerosene.

6. Defective electrical equipment son County F.H.A. supervisor. and frayed cords.

ready to accept your invitation to pressed, but later agreed to ap- Baptist church. destroy you . . . so don't invite it

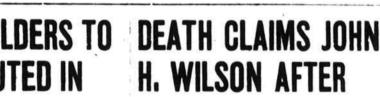
Thirty persons are going to die TOURIST FOLDERS TO by fire in the next 24 hours—and TOURIST FOLDERS TO 10 of the 30 will be farm resi-dents. That happens every day. BE DISTRIBUTED IN



"We have been waiting for this prove the loan.

moment for the past eight years," The Loan committe thought said Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Craw- the land too poor for the Craw-2. Defective or dirty chimneys ford, of Glenville, as they were fords to make a living and to pay succeed himself and former Judge because of bad roads was someand heating plants. Defective or handed the cancelled deed of for the land too. However, they trust to their farm which they pur- have improved their land and 3, Children playing with match- chased through the Federal Home through the growing of fine Ham- casion. Administration Loan plan. Mr. burg Cabbage, were able to hand and Mrs. Crawford are shown in Mr. Brown 10 one hundred dollar 5. Improper storage of gasoline the above picture receiving the bills as final payment on their sic, Mr. Allison said. deed from Mr. W. T. Brown, Jack- farm.

While making and living and When the Crawfords applied for paying for their farm they conbon't be car less or indifferent a loan of \$3500.00 to buy their stantly paid ten cents out of every FORWARD FOR 4-H, about fire hazards. Fire is always farm the appraisers were unim- dollar to the work of the nearby Don't be car less or indifferent a loan of \$3500.00 to buy their stantly paid ten cents out of every



Redden, Alley To Speak, Barbecue **And String Music**

Jackson Democrats are formulating final plans for starting off the county campaign looking toward the November election with a big county.wide rally in Sylva

on Saturday, October 16, it was learned from Dan M. Allison, post office she had 10 v. cations, chairman of the Democratic exe- nine of them spent with a daughter cutive committee here yesterday, in Florida. Otherwise she was ap-Mr. Allison said that the rally, sent from work only a month, that

to be county-wide, will consist because of il.ness. of a barbecue and speaking which

house at 4:30 p. m. Congressman will be the speakers for the oc-

There will be plenty of delicious barbecue and good mountain mu-

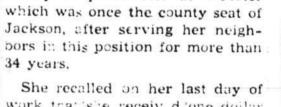


Achievement Day will be held late Judge Frederick Moore. Her Saturday, October 23rd, at the husband was the late Bragg Alli-Community Building and the Sylva son, Jackson county native who Supply Barn. Exhibits may be en- was the first white child born in tered by any individual or group the Webst r community. She has in Jackson County, The exhibits two children, Dan Allison of Sylva will be displayed in the Community and Mrs. Maurice F. Carlton of Building except all livestock in- Wauchula, Fla.

Mrs. Eugenia Allison retired* Friday as postmaster at Webster

Webster Postmaster 34 Years,

Mrs. Eugenia' Allison Retires



work that she receiv d'one doilar a day when she took the job.

During the time she was in the

At the time she began har duties will be held at the community Joe W. Rhinehart was carrier on the route between Sylva and Web_ Monroe M. Redden, a candidate to ster. He used a two-horse hack but Felix E. Alley, of Waynesville, times forced to carry the mail on his back, Mr. Rhinehart was succeeded by J. A. Almond, who recently retired after serving 28 years. The present carrier is Lawrence Middleton.

> Mrs. Marjone Penland has taken over the duties of postmaster.

Mrs. Allison is the former Miss Eugenia Mocre, daughter of the ate Daniel K. Moore of Clay coun_ Dan M. Allson, executive chairty and Callie Dickey Moore of man. Cherokee county and a sister of the

Rally Speaker



MONROE M. REDDEN, Democratic Congressman from the 12th North Carolina District, will be the principal speaker at a county- bery and larceny. wide D meet tie rally to be staged here Saturday atternoon, Oct. 16. according to an announcement by

Membership List C. Of C. Announced The Chamber of Commerce

Shot Through **Heart By Sheriff** Sheriff Middleton

Commended By State **Prison Authorities**

Ralpa Davis, 37, one of three seared prisoners from a State Hishway rock quarry gang near Webster on last Thursday, was shot and killed as he attempted to escape after being halted by Sh tiff Griffin Middleton early S: tur lay morning.

D vi h. I served 14 years of in the s totaling 130 years and and short '2 years of this time in solitary confinement. He had been termed as Public Enemy No. 1 North Curolina.

F howing his death on Saturday Slate Plis n Authorit es commended Spin: Middleton on having rid the State of this enemy.

Davis was sentenced in 1934 from Iredell county to two 30year terms for second degree murder and three ten-year terms from Rowan county for highway rob-

He made his escape on Thursday along with Jack Howard, 23, and Sam Autry, 28, when they over-powered guards and drove away in a state truck with one of the guards, Bert Buchanan, seated in the cab with them to keep other guards from firing on them. After driving the state truck up two dead end roads they met Mr. R. O. Vance in his automobile and has received membership checks forced him and Buchanan to ride with them in Mr. Vance's car, going up another dead-end road. At ment Stor , Professional Drug this point they left the car and escaped into the woods, leaving Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Vance standing by the roadside. Howard and Autry were captured by Prison camp guards on Friday in the vicinity of where they escaped. Sheriff Middleton said that Davis went to the County Home early Saturday morning, rousing Mr. John Shepherd, the keeper, telling him that he had been robbed of his car, and clothing and asked for some food and clothing. Mr. Shepherd, suspecting that he was the escaped prisoner, took him in and gave him food and clothing and while he was eating he called the sheriff, who lived only a short distance away. Davis left, however, before the Sheriff arrived but he was met by Mr. Middleton

troying.

Week say you can prevent 90 per The group of Jackson County cent of the fires which otherwise Legionaires going to Miami, Fla., might strike your farm or your for the National Convention Oct. home. Fire safety is easy . . . just 16, including F lix Picklesimer help yourself by eliminating the and Dexter Hooper of the Chamber common fire hazards during Fire of Commerce, will take a large away at his home in East Sylva Prevention Week and throughout number of Jackson County tourist at 4:10 o'clock Wcdnesday afterth. year.

CONFERENCE SENDS PASTORS BACK TO **JACKSON CHURCHES**

Sylva and Dillsboro churches; Rev. nake this known. Rev. R. T. Houts, Jr., Cullowhee;

Legion Dance Team **First Night Winner** At Cherokee Fair

The American Legion Square Dance T am of Sylva was judged Attend Dental Meet, Mon. the best team on the floor at the Drs. Harold and Patsy McGuire opening night of the Cherokee Inattended the First District Dental dian Fair on Tuesday night. This Society meeting held in Shelby places them in the finals which Monday, Oct. 4. will be held Saturday night. Com-

peting in the finals will be Bry- winners Wednesday, Thursday and son City, the winner in the f.nals Friday nights, making five teams last year, the Sylva team and the to compete for the big win.

people.

Sylva Students Given Lesson **On Work Of Fire Prevention**

Fire Prevention Week was ob- Fire Prevention Day proclamation served by a special program at in 1920 and since that time each the Sylva School Wednesday mor- President has in turn proclaimed ning at 9 o'clock, with Fire Chief the we k which embraces October W. B. Cope in charge of the dem- 13 as Fire Prevention Week. onstration by the fire department. This week is used to let the pub.

Mayor Jack Allison talked to ic know the caus s of most fires the students and faculty members and the prevention of fires. It on the importance of Fire Pres much essier to prevent a fire vention which annually takes thousands of lives and destroys millions of dollars worth of property.

morning as he was driving West and skidded into an on-coming The Mayor said that "Fire Prethe Luzon invasion. Overseas 30 court cuse on Thursday night special allocation of funds to this vention Week was first inauguratmonths, he also served in the October 14 at 8 o'clock. truck, driven by James Henry ounty and farmers who need the in 19A five miles East of Sylva. Our ration is known as the ed in 1911, having its beginning Green. The car then struck a rock "csphate will be able to secure Solomons campa gns and establish-A colored maid, Annie Mae Dash-The Republican candidate for when the Fire Marshals Associa- | world's great st fire hazard so on the road-side throwing both phosphate for fall use regard. ed AA defenses at Clark Field in er, 52. suffered cuts and bruises. Governor of North Carolina tion of North America suggested it us do our part to make our occupants to the pavement, the th Philippines. 'ess of whether or not they re-Both were taken to Harris hos-George M. Pritchard, attorney of that the 4th anniversary of the action the safest place in the world The program tonight will include Marshall, will speak in the courttruck wheels passed over Mr. rived phosphate in the spring. pital for treatment. great Chicago fire of 1871 be set Mr. Joiner was on his way to Joiner's arm and leg. live. Purchase orders are also bea speech by Department Comouse in Sylva Saturday, October apart for bringing before the public Several other persons appear- ing issued for Austrian Winter his home in Camilla, Ga. to re-| The truck was damaged only mander Grier, and a social getthe much needed lesson of fire ad on the program and stressed peas, Ryegrass and Vetch; and 9 at 2 p.m. ogether hour, at which refreshturn the colored maid who had slightly and Mr. Green was unhe importance of "Fire Preven- for orc'ard gr ss and Ind no prevention. ments will be served by the local SOSSAMON'S In Sylva been cocking for he and Mrs. hurt. The Studebaker was dam-Pres de t Wilson issued the first tion". clover for fall pasture seeding. post and auxiliary. Joiner at Lake Junaluska during aged considerably.

The sponsors of Fire Prevention FLORIDA BY GROUP LENGTHY ILLNESS **Former County Official** accommodation folders for dis- noon, following an illness of about

much advertising for our local

tribution while there. With this a year. in mind the Chamber of Commerce Mr. Wilson, a native of Jackson 's preparing to have a new tourist! County and son of the late Rich- ing can be completed early Sataccommodation folder printed for rd McDowell Wilson and Hicks urday morning and the building this purpose which will be up-to- Allison Wilson, was at one time date. Chamber officials said that engaged in the retail and wholethe list will be revised immediately sale merchandising business, and dividual exhibits and all farm and if any one who is not now list- or a number of years was chair-The Western North Carolina d wishes to be listed send your man of the County Board of Com-Methodist Conference, meeting in information to the Chamber of missioners and later in charge of High Point last week, made no Commerce, Sylva, at once as the all highway work in Jackson for display and make this an outchanges in the pastors of the Meth_ copy will go to the printer not county. He also serv d as chairodist churches in Jackson County. later than Tuesday, October 12. man of the Democratic Executive Returning to their same work for f you are already on the list and Committee of the county and was another year are: Rev. W. Q. Grigg, do not wish to remain plase a member of the county school

Passed Away At 4:10 At cluding poultry, will be located at His Home Wednesday p.m. the Sylva Supply Barn. John Hayes Wilson, 70, passed

board.

Please attend to this important Mr. Wilson was an active memand Rev. J. J. P. Kincaid, Webster. matter at once. These folders ber of the Sylva Methodist church will be left in Chamber of Com- and active in the civic life of the merce offices in a large number county before his health failed. of Florida cities which will mean

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Madge Bridges Wilson, and the following sons and daughters; Miss Hicks Wilson, Miss Agnes Wilson and Mrs. E. E. Tweed, and Wade and Hal Wilson, of Sylva; Mrs. E. B. LeVange, Chicago; Mrs. F. L. Webber, Riverton, Wyo., John H. Wilson, Jr., of Asheville, and Andrew B. Wilson, of Durham; and four grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. D. D. Hooper, and Mrs. J W. Keener, of Sylva.

As The Herald went to press

t was informed that the funeral vas set for Friday at 2:30 p.m. at the Sylva Methodist church.



Jackson County AAA wishes to urge all farmers who wish phosphate to use this fall to get eir purchase orders as soon as post ble. This phosphate is made vailable at this time through a

All items should be brought to HOMECOMING AT the community building and ar-WCTC TO BE HELD SAT ranged for display Friday after-

noon except cut flowers and live-All plans are in order for the stock which may be brought in innual homecoming program at e.rly Saturday morning. This will Western Carolina Teachers college be necessary in order that judgwhich will be held Saturday. The alumni and friends will be guests for the day of celebration.

opened to the public. The program begins at 2 p.m. Space will be provided for inwith open house when all three dormitories on the campus will be men, women, boys and girls throughout the county are urged opened to guests. Madison Hall is first on the list from 2 to 2:30, then Robertson Hall from 2:30 until 3:00. Last is Moore Dormistanding Achievement Day.

1 p.m.

tory for girls from 3 until 3:30. Following open house the Alphi Phi Sigma will be host to the aumni at a tea in Moore Parlor at

At 6:15 the Alumni Banquet will be held in the college dining hall with Mr. Jonathan Woody, president of the First National Bank of Waynesville and president of the Alumri, presiding at a business session. A committee of five will be appointed to determine the candidates for the Distinguished Alumni Award. At 8 p.m. the festivities will be

nighlighted by the football game Catamount and East T.nnessee State from Johnson City, Tennes-

Following the game a dance will which will last until midnight.

Candidate For Senate

Joan A. Wilkerson, attorney of J. Parker of the Fourth Circuit | Washington, N. C., and Republiof Appeals. He served four years can candidate for the U.S. Sen-

from the foliow ng firms: Tatem Sky Club, Belk's Depart-Co., Srssam. . "urniture Co., Hatel Lloyd, The Jackson County Bank, W. C. Hennessee Lumber Co, The Sylva Herald, Ccg. dill Mctor Cc., Massie Furniture Co., Schulman's Department Store, Jackson Furniture Company, Builders Supply & Lumber Co., Dan Allison, Sylva Supply Co., Sylva Coal & Lumber Co., Re:se-Hampton Motor Co., Inc., Allison Bros., Buchanan Auto & El ctric Co., Stovall's 5c 10c Store, Jackson County Farm ers Cooperative, Hooper Motor Co., Velts Cafe and Mead Corporation.

Also the following ind viduals have joined: Dr. and Mrs. Roy W. Kirct berg, Realis Sutton and J. F. Fricks.

According to President Woody R. Hampton, the membership drive will end around the last of this month. All who have not already joined are urged to send In check at once so that the dr ve can b completed as soon as possible.

Memberships that have alre dy been sent in are now posted in the Chamber of Commerce office window.

Santeetlah Bear Hunt between the Western Carolina Drawing To Be Oct. 12th

Commission has announced that a will be morning services also. drawing will be held in the court-

The public is extended a cordial hunters will take note of this and invitation to attend this revival meeting.

Two Injured In Auto Wreck On Balsam Road Monday

mer visitor at Lake Junaluska, suf-

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FIRST BAPTIST TO HAVE REVIVAL OCTOBER 11 - 21

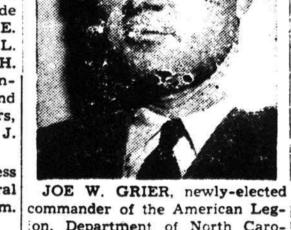
Rev. C. M. Warren, pastor of the Sylva Baptist Church, has announced a series of revival services to begin Monday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m., which will continue through Thursday, October 21st with services each evening at The North Carolina Wild Life 7:30, except on Sunday when there

The preacher for this series of

house in Waynesville Tuesday, services will be Rev. W. P. Milne, be held in Breese Gymnasium October 12 for those wishing to Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, be placed on the Santcetlan bear Aulander, N. C.

George Joiner, Jr., 39, a sum- the summer.

defore it starts than to put it out Mr. Joiner stated that he lost juring World War II. a ter starting. The week is also ate, will be the principal speaker fered a broken right arm and leg. He was d corated with the Bronze at a meeting of Republicans of control of his car, a 1947 Studeand suffered cuts and bruises in used to acqu int the public with Star medal for heric action in Jackson County to be held in the baker, when he hit wet pavement an automobile accident Monday he loss in property and lives each



Sylva Guest Today

commander of the American Legon, Department of North Caro-! lina, will visit Sylva today, Oct. 7, and will m. et with the Legion-

aires of the District at 8 o'clock his evening. Grier, one of the most able

oung attorneys of Charlotte, is a 937 graduate of the Universit of North Carolina. A former

Here October 14th clerk to Senior Circuit Judge John

Those who plan to attend the hunt list. Jackson County bear Alumni Banquet are asked to notify Miss Helen Hartshorn, Alum- be on hand for the drawing. ni Secretary, WCTC, at once. **Republicans** To Hear