

Judge Sink Sentences Nations To 15 To 20 Years

Democrats Ready To Stage Big Rally Sat. Afternoon

Cong. Redden And Judge Alley To Speak, Free Barbecue And Music

Dan Allison, executive chairman of the Democratic party of Jackson County, has announced every thing in readiness for the big County-wide Democratic rally to be staged at the community house Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, rain or shine.

Congressman Monroe M. Redden and Judge Felix E. Alley will be the principal speakers for the occasion.

Mr. Allison stated that there will be plenty of free barbecue for those attending the rally, which will be the opening gun in the campaign for the ticket in the November general election.

Herald To Publish Story, Pictures On Rev. Hawkins Next Week

A deeply interesting mystery story by Larry Mull on the disappearance of the late Rev. W. T. (Parson) Hawkins, and the recent finding of his remains after 18 years of baffling mystery, along with several pictures concerning his disappearance and finding of his body, will be published in next week's issue of The Herald.

A large number of extra copies, containing the story and pictures, have been spoken for. Additional copies will be available, some on the news stand at Greenville, or with Deputy Sheriff Frank Allen, who played a prominent part in the two weeks search for the missing man immediately following his disappearance, March 18, 1930.

McDevitt Goes With N. C. Budget Bureau

John W. McDevitt, who has held various positions at Western Carolina Teachers College since 1937, will leave this week for Raleigh where he has accepted a position with the North Carolina Budget Bureau. Mrs. McDevitt will remain at Cullowhee during the remainder of this year.

Mr. McDevitt completed his school work at WCTC in 1935 and then returned in 1937 to become Director of Extension and Alumni Secretary. He served three years in the Navy during World War II having a rating of Lieutenant, Jr. grade, when discharged at the close of hostilities. He then returned to Cullowhee and held the position of bursar until resigning to accept the budget bureau position.

Chamber of Commerce Drive For Members Still Underway

Officials of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce announced this week that the drive now on for members is still in progress but will close very soon. Those who have not paid their dues and become active members should do so at once.

Membership to-date: Belk's, Professional Drug, Sossamon Furniture, Hotel Lloyd, Jackson County Bank, W. C. Hennessie Lumber Co., The Herald, Cogdill Motor Co., Messie Furniture Co., Builders Supply & Lumber Co., Dan Allison, Sylva Supply Co., Sylva Coal & Lumber Co., Reece-Hampton Motor Co., Allison Bros., Buchanan Auto & Electric Co., Stovall's 5 & 10 Store, Jackson County Farmers Coop., Hooper Motor Co., Velt's Cafe, The Mead Corp., Hooper Drug Store, Farmers Federation, Wallin's Shoe Store, Pet Dairy, Dave Korp, The Leader, Dillsboro & Sylva Power Co., S. W. Enloe & Son, Roy W. Kirckberg, Mrs. Roy Kirckberg, R. D. S. Tolson, J. F. Fawks, J. G. Branch.

PRITCHARD HEARD BY GROUP AT WCTC SESSION

George M. Pritchard, of Asheville, Republican Candidate for Governor, advocated improvements in the State's educational programs in a talk made in Hoey auditorium at 1:30 Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Pritchard said he favored the spending of surplus millions to modernize the state's public school system, a minimum teachers' salary of \$2,500 annually, payable monthly, and retroactive to beginning of the present school year.

"I favor specific salary increases recommended by the legislative committee of the North Carolina Education Association, along with continuing contracts, clerical aid, health, school building, and compulsory attendance, as suggested by the committee," he declared.

The present inadequate monthly allowance of \$27 provided by the state's retirement benefit fund, he said, should be supplemented.

Band Director To Speak To Club Members

Mr. Ben Cole, Sylva band director, will be the guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Twentieth Century club when it meets this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dan Moore at 3 o'clock. Mr. Cole will bring some of the members of the school band who will play several numbers on their instruments. Mrs. R. U. Sutton is club president.

Legion Officials At Sylva Meeting



The above picture shows from left to right, Felix Picklesimer, who recently signed up 120 new members in the William E. Dillard Post, Joe W. Grier, State Department Commander of Charlotte, Sgt. Dave Calhoun, local recruiting officer, Dan Tompkins, District Commander for Jackson, Macon and Clay counties, Fred Williams, Commander of the William E. Dillard post No. 104, and George Sloan, Adjutant of the local post. The picture was made as the men attended the special meeting of the post when Commander Grier visited it last week.

A number of Jackson county legionnaires will attend the National Convention in Miami, Fla. Those who will leave Saturday for the convention include: Dan B. Hooper, D. M. Tallent, Dexter Hooper, Rev. W. Q. Grigg and Felix Picklesimer.

Mr. Picklesimer has won national recognition for his record of 120 new members signed up for 1949.

JOHN H. WILSON, 71, LAID TO REST HERE WEDNESDAY, OCT. 6

Funeral services for John H. Wilson, 71, who passed away at his home Wednesday afternoon, October 6, at 4 o'clock, following an extended illness, were held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Sylva Methodist church with the pastor, Rev. W. Q. Grigg, conducting the service.

Mr. Wilson, a native of Jackson County, had lived his entire life with the exception of a few of his boyhood years spent in Bryson City, in Webster and Sylva. He was always interested in the civic, political, and religious life of the community, taking an active part in the affairs of the Sylva Methodist Church, of which he was an active member until his illness prevented.

Mr. Wilson served for a number of years as county chairman of the Democratic party, on the local school board, and as chairman of the highway commission of Jackson County.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Madge Bridges Wilson, five daughters: Mrs. F. L. Webber of River-ton, Wyoming, Mrs. E. B. La-Vange of Chicago, Ill., Mrs. E. E. Tweed and Misses Hicks and Agnes Wilson of Sylva; four sons, John H. Wilson, Jr., Asheville, Andrew B. Wilson, Durham, Wade and Hal Wilson, Sylva; two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Keener and Mrs. D. D. Hooper, Hooper, Sylva; and four grand children.

Pallbearers were: D. D. Hooper, (Continued on page 10)

Pleads Guilty To Second Degree Murder of Bradley

Number of Defendants Draw Road Terms As Judge Sink Presides Over Oct. Term Superior Court

Raymond Nations, 23, of the Wilmot section of Jackson County, was sentenced in court here Wednesday afternoon by Judge Hoyle Sink, of Lexington, to serve 15 to 20 years at hard labor in the State prison at Raleigh for the murder of Donald Bradley, also about 23, of the lower section of Jackson County.

Nations entered a plea of Nolo Contender to Second Degree murder when arraigned in court shortly after noon Wednesday. After hearing a number of witnesses testify Judge Sink pronounced sentence.

Nations killed Bradley with a shot gun as the two men fell out following an argument. The crime was committed on Sunday afternoon, August 15, near highway No. 107 between the Gateway and Cherokee. After the shooting Nations placed Bradley in his car and started to the hospital in Sylva. He was arrested near the courthouse by Chief of Police Robert Ensley, who found Bradley already dead in the car. Nations had been held in Jackson County jail since without privilege of bond.

Since opening court Monday morning Judge Sink has been dealing out stiff fines and road sentences to those found guilty of driving an automobile while intoxicated.

Roy Lewis was sentenced to 4 months on the road for driving drunk.

Grover Rhodes, drew six months for breaking and entering. He stole several cases of beer from Daisy Mitchell and a radio from Arthur Brooks.

Wm. D. Extine, 5 months for operating automobile while intoxicated.

Will Wayne Arch, 6 months for violating prohibition laws.

Robert Lackey, 6 months for reckless driving.

The above men drawing road terms were committed to prison Wednesday P. M.

Jackson County Mutual Soil Conservation Asso. Working Out New Plans

A meeting of the Jackson County Mutual Soil Conservation Association was held in Sylva some time ago to work out details of putting into effect changes recently announced by the North Carolina Extension Service in the test-demonstration farm activities being carried on by Jackson County farmers in cooperation with the Extension Service and TVA.

Changes announced involve the sharing by Test-Demonstration Farmers in the financing of the experimental phosphate plant operations at Wilson Dam. This will be done by payment by such farmers of part of the cost of the TVA phosphate fertilizers they are using in a program of testing the effectiveness of these materials and demonstrating the use of soil minerals in whole-farm operation to control soil and water losses for the improvement of agriculture

and rural living in the County. It will go into effect in every state where the program is under way. In the future, TVA will supply at freight and handling cost all phosphate fertilizers for the first treatment of eligible fields on test-demonstration farms; since this is the time when farmers incur greatest expense in farm changes necessary in conducting the program, and receive most returns. TVA will then supply phosphates for the second treatment at 50 per cent of the set price; and supply materials for the third and following treatments at the full price as long as the farmers continue to meet advancing test-demonstration objectives.

There are now 152 test-demonstration farms in Jackson County. M. L. Snipes, County Agent, points out that the new plan has involved some reduction in the number of farms, since even with farmer payments current appropriations are not sufficient to carry the number of farms previously on the program. However, the amounts of phosphates each farm will receive will be increased to meet all soil needs for phosphate as recommended by Experiment Station findings. Fields used exclusively for row crops are excepted. The reduction in number of farms will mean that test-demonstration farmers will assume added responsibility for the work of their farms as a real service to their communities. Mr. Snipes said, "They have done a good job in the past, and I expect them to do a still better job in the future under this new plan."

An average of ten long-term test-demonstration farms per county will be retained for special research, investigation, and educational purposes. Most of these farms were selected by the county committees in 1946-47, when many farms using TVA concentrated superphosphate were graduated to a full-pay status to make room for farms to test a new material, fused tricalcium phosphate. The long-term farms will pay 50 per

WCTC SETTING UP FILM LIBRARY FOR USE OF PUBLIC

The Guidance Clinic of Western Carolina Teachers college is setting up a film library for use by schools and civic organizations of western North Carolina.

The film library, which is being started on a small scale, will consist of 100 films of instructive and informative nature.

Any school or organization interested in renting these films should write Dr. Carl D. Kincaid, Guidance Clinic, WCTC, Cullowhee, for additional information.

WCTC To Present First Fall Drama Thursday, Oct. 21

The fall dramatic production, "Ladies in Retirement," of Western Carolina Teachers college will be presented in Hoey auditorium on October 21.

The cast, under the direction of Prof. E. V. Deans, Jr., has been in closed rehearsals for several weeks.

"Ladies in Retirement" was written by Edward Percy and Reginald Denhar and has had a long run in New York City. It is a dramatic play with the elements of love, suspense, hatred, devotion, and death.

Members of the cast are Ann David, on, Boiling Springs; Richard McAuley, Charlotte; Rachel Ann Sutton, Sylva; Celeste Sabinto, Black Mountain; Mary Ann Padgett, Worthville; and Margaret Ann Hunsinger, Edneyville.

Revival Held At Fall Cliff Church

Rev. John Kincaid, pastor of Speedwell Methodist church, and Rev. Jonathan Brown, pastor of Speedwell Baptist church, recently conducted a series of revival services at The Fall Cliff church. Many lost souls were saved during these services.

SOSSAMON'S In Sylva

Brown Urges Jackson Co. Farmers to Join Bureau In Fight For Benefits

Cullowhee—The coming year is "the most important ever faced by farmers and we in North Carolina know that to hold on to the gains already made, we must be more strongly and fully organized than ever before," Frank H. Brown, Jr., Jackson County Farm Bureau President, declared today.

"The North Carolina Farm Bureau's current state-wide campaign for 80,000 members provides far heel farmers with an opportunity to get into the fight for agriculture," he said. "On all sides today we hear the farmer being unjustly blamed for the high prices of food.

"Some of the leading radio commentators and newspapers in the nation's industrial centers, and even in some of our bigger Southern cities flatly blame the farmer and his program for inflated food prices.

"We hear these charges that the farm price support program has skyrocketed the cost of food, even though we know this to be untrue because most commodities are selling at prices far above the government price support schedule. Despite the fact that this argument against supports does not hold up, some consumers are being led to believe it.

"This condition alone should be enough to alert farmers to the need for strong, sound organization."

Brown pointed out that on Friday, September 3, Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan said that high food prices are not the result of farm price supports. Brannan pointed out that the government is not supporting the price of dairy products, poultry, meat or any animal from which meat comes.

Brannan added that bread has no government support price, but the price of bread has not come down even though wheat prices have dropped almost \$1 per bushel in recent months. He also stressed that the 1943 wheat price support is \$2 per bushel while the 1947 season average price received by farmers was \$2.31.

"These supports are helping the

consumer by encouraging production," Brannan said. "It is partly due to the price support system that our people are enjoying better diets, including a great deal more meat and milk than in pre-war years."

Brown said that because some people would like to have the farmer take the blame for the high cost of living, farmers should be more determined than ever to organize to work together for their own welfare. Jackson County has a Farm Bureau membership quota of 200 in the present drive, he added.

"There is no reason why every farmer in North Carolina should not be a member of Farm Bureau," Brown said. "The only way farmers will ever reach and maintain their rightful place in our national economy is through organization, and Farm Bureau, with more than 1,276,000 farm families making up its membership in the nation, provides the American farmer with the strongest voice he has ever had."

Car Inspection Here Three Days This Week, Will Return In Nov.

The State Car Inspection Lane is operating here three days this week, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. This will be the last time the lane will operate here before the deadline for inspecting certain model cars expires October 31.

The lane will return here on November 25 for five days, 25 thru 30th.

The lane is operating in the usual place, city park area, open from 8 to 5 each day.

Hunters Will Take To Fields, Woods Fri. As Season Opens

The mountainsides and woodlands of this section of the state will begin to ring and echo with gunfire early Friday morning as the hunters in Jackson county launch the 1948-1949 hunting season.

The hunting season for deer, squirrels, bear, Russian wild boar and opossum will open Friday, October 15, according to an announcement received today from the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission. Game is reported to be more plentiful this year and local sportsmen are oiling their guns in anticipation of a good season.

The official hunting dates and bag limits are as follows:

Bear—October 15 to January 1, day bag limit 2, season limit 2.

Deer—October 15 to January 1, day bag limit 1, season limit 2. This is for male with visible antlers.

The season for white tail deer in Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson and Transylvania will open November 15 to December 6. No open season will be observed in the area north of U. S. Highway 19-23 in Haywood.

Wild boar—October 15 to January 1; bag limit 1, season bag limit 2.

Opossum and racoon—October 15 to February 15; with dog and gun, no limit.

Squirrel—October 15 to January 10, day bag limit 8. Season bag limit 100. This applies to all except red squirrel or boomer.

The official abstract of game laws recently published lists the following as illegal:

To hunt migratory wildfowl, upland game birds, squirrels and rabbits with an auto-loading or (Continued on page 10)