

# Happy New Year 1949

## POPULATION

Jackson County—20,000  
Sylva and Area—4,000

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## Scott Says He Intends To Carry Out Campaign Pledges Fast As Possible

### Brown And Crawford Leave Monday To Begin Work As Legislators

Jackson County's two state representatives, Frank H. Brown, Jr. and Gudge Crawford, both of Cullowhee, will leave Monday for Raleigh to be on hand when the General Assembly convenes next Wednesday.

Mr. Crawford has been elected to represent the 32nd Senatorial District which includes the counties of Jackson, Haywood, Henderson, Transylvania, and Polk. Mr. Brown is a representative of Jackson County.

North Carolina governor-elect Kerr Scott has stated that he will not alter his campaign pledges, and without hesitation, answered numerous questions about intentions after his inauguration Jan. 6. He asserted:

1. He has in mind a reorganization of the State Utilities Commission.
2. He will support in the Legislature a proposal for a statewide liquor referendum.
3. He will recommend higher pay for teachers and other state employees, and a \$2,400 minimum salary for teachers.
4. He favors increased appropriations for state hospitals and mental institutions and is willing to face an increase in taxes rather than "let these services go deficient."
5. He will support legislation to remove the sales tax on meals served in public eating places.
6. He favors more assistance for the needy.
7. He still thinks the "gag rule" of the state House of Representatives should be killed.
8. He believes the present State Highway Commission should go ahead and appoint a chief highway engineer to replace W. Vance Baise, whom Scott has asked to resign on Jan. 6.

### Legion To Sponsor New Year Dance

The William E. Dillard Post No. 104 American Legion will sponsor a New Year's eve square dance from 9 to 12 p.m. in the Legion

### Hits Wage Demands



TESTIFYING in Washington before the Congressional committee investigating corporation profits is Charles E. Wilson, president of the General Electric Corporation. The executive charged that labor's wage demands have caused high prices and deprived stockholders of profits on investments. (International)

## FUNERAL RITES FOR J. FRED HENRY HELD AT WAYNESVILLE

Funeral services for Joseph Fred Henry, 47, who died at 6 o'clock Monday in an Asheville hospital were held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock in the Waynesville Methodist church. Burial was in Green Hill cemetery there. The Rev. W. Q. Grigg, pastor of the Sylva Methodist church of which the deceased was a member, officiated.

A native of Waynesville, Mr. Henry was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Henry of that city. He was a member of the Sylva Methodist church and the Bryson City Rotary club. Prior to being forced to give up his work due to a heart condition, Mr. Henry managed the Henry Dry Cleaning establishment at Bryson City of which he was sole owner. He had been in Bryson City for the past 8 years. He was at one time engaged in the hardware business in Waynesville.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Mary Geisler Henry, a son, Joseph Henry; a daughter, Mary Bess Henry; two brothers, James Henry of Kansas City, Mo., and David E. Henry, of Waynesville; two sisters, Mrs. C. R. Byrd of Greenville, S. C., and Mrs. T. A. Rargrove of Newberry, S. C.

Arrangements were in charge of Garrett Funeral Home.

## CHRISTMAS PASSES QUIETLY IN SYLVA

The citizens of Sylva and Jackson county observed Christmas in the true spirit of the season in that they were at peace with their fellowmen. Sheriff Middleton and his police of Sylva report a very quiet season as far as crime of any kind was concerned. There were no arrests for a single serious crime during the entire holidays. Few accidents on the highways were reported, with no serious injuries.

Most of the citizens, either remained at home to enjoy the day with their families, or visited friends and relatives here and in other cities.

The Herald Staff enjoyed a few days of much needed rest after a year of hard work. Mr. and Mrs. Bird visited Mrs. Bird's family in Goldsboro; the Grays visited Ms. Gray's father in Morristown, Tenn.; George Clouse was off for a week, visiting relatives in Franklin, Rome, and Cartersville, Ga. Martin Cunningham remained at home, Miss Juanita Norton also remained at home, taking part in the Christmas program at Loves Chapel.

### Howard Allison Goes To Brevard, January 1st

Howard Allison, associated with his brother, Jack Allison in the O.K. Rubber Welding business, will leave the first of next week for Brevard to become manager of their new shop in that city. The business will be known as Brevard O.K. Rubber Welders. Mr. Allison will give his full time to the Brevard business.

building, formerly the community building. The Soco Gap String band will furnish music for the occasion. Admission will be \$1 per couple, 75 cents for men alone and 50 cents for ladies unescorted

**YOU---and the year ahead...**

Tradition ordains this the season of resolve.

Let's keep our resolutions, simple but firm. Ideas have legs. If, on a local level, we resolve to make this community a better place in which to live, it may have an effect on making the world of nations a better place in which governments may live.

Start in your own backyard. You figure out what you can do to better the churches, schools and institutions of this place we call our home.

We'll start in our own backyard. For the year ahead, this newspaper pledges a program of complete editorial support for any and all efforts at community betterment.

This community is only as strong as we make it. No one outside it cares much what happens to our town. But we care. Let's prove that we care by making that resolution now—to build a better community.

It is in that spirit that the people who publish this paper wish for you—

**Happy New Year 1949**

## Wallin Re-Elected Master of East LaPorte Lodge

At its regular State Communication on December 18 the members of the East LaPorte Masonic Lodge No. 358 elected officers as follows: Joe Wallin, Worshipful Master; John Waldroup, Senior Warden; Ed Nicholson, Junior Warden; George Crawford, Senior Deacon; Larry Hooper, Junior Deacon; Ed Brown, Secretary, and Charlie Stuart, Treasurer.

Appointed officers are: Dillard Wood, Chaplain; Robert Shelton, Tyler; Carson Bryson, Jr., Senior Steward, and Gene Nicholson, Junior Steward.

These officers were installed at a later meeting with M. Y. Jarrett of Dillsboro as the installing officer, and John Moses acting Marshal.

Refreshments were served following the installation ceremonies. The East LaPorte Lodge holds regular State meetings each 1st and 3rd Saturday nights.

## HUGH MONTEITH NAMED PRESIDENT OF SCOUT COUNCIL

Asheville — Hugh Monteith of Sylva was elected president of Daniel Boone Boy Scout council at the annual business meeting here Monday night. He succeeds L. Y. Biggerstaff of Hendersonville.

Other officers named are F. B. Gardner of Hendersonville, first vice president, and Carlton Peyton of Canton, 2nd vice president, Biggerstaff, council commissioner; H. C. Jarvis, treasurer and Morris Lipinsky, assistant treasurer, both of Asheville.

R. Lee Ellis, Harry W. Love and Biggerstaff were re-elected to the national council. Gardner was named to the vacancy on the board, to serve until 1951.

Directors who will serve until 1952, all of whom were re-elected, are Love, Lipinsky, Jarvis, W. P. Lawrence of Canton, the Rev. J. White Iddings of Asheville, W. C. Hennessee of Sylva and the Rev. Rufus Morgan of Franklin.

These leaders of the council will be installed at the Scouters Convention to be held here January 10.

## Sutton Accepts Position As Principal At Franklin

Guy Sutton, former Sylva High School coach and teacher, has accepted the position of principal of Franklin High School. He will assume his duties there on Jan. 3.

Mr. Sutton has been in the teaching field for 15 years, spending all this time in the Sylva, Andrews and Dillsboro schools. He recorded outstanding work for four years in football coaching at Andrews and guided the Sylva basketball team to the State Class A tourney at Chapel Hill last year. He taught in the fields of Science and Physical Education.

Mr. Sutton graduated from Western Carolina Teachers college in 1933 and went immediately into the teaching profession. He has followed this profession steadily except for the three years he spent in service during World War II. Mrs. Sutton will continue to teach in Jackson County.

No placement has been found for Mr. Sutton in the Sylva school as yet.

## County To Have Food Collection For Overseas

Rev. W. Q. Grigg, chairman of Jackson County chapter of the Christian Rural Overseas Relief program, this week urged all pastors of the churches of the county to bring this matter to the attention of their congregations next Sunday and have them make their food collection before January 10. When this food is collected the chairman should be notified so that it can be brought to a central point for shipment.

Those who do not have grain or other food that can be shipped without spoiling are requested to make money donations with which food stuff can be purchased to be shipped and credited to the county's program.

## CELEBRATES 107th ANNIVERSARY



SPRY AND BUSY EACH DAY with household chores, Mrs. Mary A. Kilworth is shown in her Extra, Ia home after celebrating her 107th birthday. Mrs. Kilworth came to America from England before the Civil War and recalls Indians roaming the Exira area when she was a young farm wife. Her husband died 42 years ago. (International Soundphoto)

## Lions Play Santa Claus To 82 Children In Town And County Christmas

### MOTORISTS HAVE ONLY FEW DAYS BEFORE DEADLINE

The time is fast running out for E, F and G motorists to renew their drivers license before the deadline of December 31, W. M. Moore, local license examiner, emphasized this morning.

He urged that all motorists with these surnames report immediately to his office in the court house for their examination.

There will be absolutely no extension to the deadline, the Motor Vehicle department said, for E, F and G motorists have had since last July to get these examinations.

Beginning January 1, 1949, persons with last names beginning with H, I, J and K will begin taking their tests.

### Funeral Rites For Cance D. Carnes Held December 21

Funeral rites were held in the Long Branch Baptist church, Tuesday afternoon, December 21, for Vance D. Carnes, 59, of Dillsboro, who died in the C. J. Harris Community Hospital, Saturday night, December 18. The Rev. Welch of Franklin officiated.

Interment was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Ellen Gibson Carnes; three sons, Charles Edward and C. D., Jr., of Dillsboro, and Elbert of Barkers Creek; four daughters, Mrs. Bert Hensley of Wilmot, Mrs. Charlie Chamber of Gary, Indiana, Mrs. Oscar Gates, of Sylva, and Claudie Ellen of Dillsboro; his father, Mr. Logan Carnes of Dillsboro; two brothers, Edgar of Sylva and Ray of Barkers Creek; two sisters, Mrs. Lena Green of Dillsboro, Mrs. Lawrence Gates of Sylva, and eighteen grandchildren.

A native of Haywood County, he lived in Jackson County for a number of years and was a member of the Baptist church.

Mr. Carnes was one of Jackson's most skilled workmen with the carpenter's tool, mason's trowel, in both brick and rock, and expert in the smith shop. His services were widely sought.

Moody Funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

## SYLVA CAMP WOV ELECTS OFFICERS

The Sylva Camp Woodmen of the World elected officers Monday night, December 20 for the year 1949. Those elected to office are as follows: Past Consul Commander Jeff Hedden, Consul Commander David Cagle, Advisor Lieutenant D. L. Robinson, Banker T. F. Dillard, Escort C. S. Paxton, Watchman H. G. Cabe, Sentry John R. Shepperd, Jr., Drill Team Captain Douglas Jordan.

Installation of the new officers will be held on Monday, January 3 with appropriate ceremonies.

### Classwork Resumed In Jackson Schools

Jackson County school children returned to their classes Monday following a holiday which began December 17.

The short holiday was necessitated by the time lost due to the polio outbreak at the beginning of the school year, said Vernon Cope, Superintendent of Jackson County schools. Some of the time has been made up by Saturday work.

### Little Tots Heart's Gladdened With Toys, Fruits and Candies

Members of Sylva Lions Club played Santa Claus to 82 children and 8 blind persons throughout Jackson county on Christmas eve giving bags of fruit and candy and toys from bicycles, tricycles to dolls and other small toys. Eight baskets of food were delivered to as many blind people.

The toys given by the club were not just cast-off toys of other years but were practically all new, purchased from this year's Christmas stock. Those receiving the gifts were families on the welfare list of the county and who would not have had any of the Christmas cheer if it had not been for the club.

One member told of going to a very modest home where there were two small children. He was met at the door by the children and when asked if they were expecting Santa Claus they said, "No he is not coming to our house because mother said he wasn't", the mother realizing that there would be no Christmas goodies for her children had told them in advance. Their little heart's were made happy by the bags of candy, fruit and toys. There were a number of such instances reported by the club members. Everyone of the 82 children received a bag of candy and fruits as well as one or two new toys.

This is an annual project of the Lions club.

## MOTORISTS URGED TO ACQUIRE BLUE STICKER BEFORE DEADLINE

All persons driving motor vehicles without blue stickers after December 31 are subject to arrest. It was learned today from local law officials.

It was pointed out that around 670,000 vehicles have been inspected thus far this year, but there are still approximately 100,000 that have not yet visited the inspection lanes. A survey has shown that 58 percent of the vehicles inspected have been disapproved on their first check, and that was proof enough that the inspection program was badly needed in North Carolina.

Inspection officials have repeatedly stated that the greatest single defect has been poor headlights, with bad brakes running a close second.

"When 1949 rolls around in a week, there will not be nearly so many rejections, because most of the serious defects will have been corrected through the 1948 inspections," lane officials declared.

Despite the numerous improvements, the biggest point in favor of North Carolina's inspection program is the fact that traffic deaths have been reduced 15 per cent this year over last year. Pointing out that the program was originated merely as a measure to save lives.

Local law officials urge that all motorists who have not yet been through the lanes drive to a neighboring county prior to December 31, or they will be subject to arrest.

**Words of the Wise**  
We judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing, while others judge us by what we have already done. —(Longfellow)