

## Sylva High School To Graduate 55 Friday, June 3

### Bids Called For On Barkers Creek School

#### Seven-Classroom Building To Be Ultra Modern

To Replace Two Old Out Of Date Bldgs.; Work To Start Immediately

The Jackson County Board of Education has advertised for sealed bids to be submitted to this board prior to June 16 for construction of the proposed new Barkers Creek school building. The bids will be opened in public at 11 o'clock on June 16 in the courthouse in Sylva.

Bidders wishing to bid on the job can secure plans and specifications for the construction, including plumbing, heating and electrical equipment from Lindsay M. Guder, A.I.A., Architect at 52 Center Street, Asheville, on or after June 1.

This building is the first complete new building for the county school system proposed to be built by the board. Work will begin immediately after bids are opened and accepted.

The building, to be built of brick, concrete and steel, will contain 7 class rooms, cafeteria, office, library and equipped with modern, standard equipment throughout.

The new building will be located in the North side of highway 19-A west of the Barkers Creek bridge, and will replace the two very poor buildings now being used at Barkers Creek and Wilmot. The board now employs three teachers in each of the old buildings, trying to take care of some 200 students. More teachers and a larger enrollment is expected when the new building is ready, which is expected by the opening of school this fall.

#### BASKETBALL TEAMS ENTERTAINED BY SYLVA LIONS

At the regular dinner meeting May 18, the Sylva Lions club entertained in honor of the Sylva high school basketball teams, both boys and girls. The individual members of the teams were introduced by Coach James Barnwell, and a short resume of the teams activities given. Both teams copied top honors in the Smoky Mountain Conference.

A brief talk on good sportsmanship, both in sports and in the game of life, was given by Rev. Grigg. The talk was most interesting, and greatly enjoyed by both the young guests and the members.

All Lions are urged to be present for the next meeting June 1, as officers will be elected at this time.

#### Jackson Allocated Large Sum Proposed State Bond Money

Raleigh, May 23—Jackson County will receive \$372,344 for school building and \$1,534,000 for road building if voters on June 4 authorize the issuance of school and road bonds, according to a letter received by county commissioners from Governor W. Kerr Scott.

School and road bond bills passed by the 1949 General Assembly allocate those amounts to be spent in the county, provided that the people authorize the issuance of the bonds when they vote in the June 4 election.

For school building Jackson County would get \$250,000 as its equal share of a \$250,000 appropriation by the General Assembly plus \$122,344 as its per-pupil share of the proceeds from

#### AT SHOW FOR CONGRESSMEN



READY TO PULL THE TRIGGER, a Marine infantryman holds his rifle to his shoulder as he waits for the "enemy" to emerge from a bunker fired by a flame thrower during a demonstration at Quantico, Va. The display of fighting tactics was put on for visiting congressmen. (International)

#### WCTC Finals Announced By President W. E. Bird With Activities Starting Tonight

President W. E. Bird has announced the beginning of the commencement finals is at Western Carolina Teachers College tonight at 8 o'clock with the Spring Music concert in Hoey auditorium. This will be followed by a busy period for the seniors with the Junior-Senior picnic at Cliffside Lake on Saturday.

On Sunday, June 5th, Dr. Harold A. Bosley, Dean of Duke University Divinity school will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at 11 o'clock. At 5 o'clock in the evening of the same day the annual faculty recreation for seniors and guests will be held in Moore parlor. At 8 o'clock in the evening of June 5th a piano and violin concert by Mrs. Grover Wilkes of Sylva and Mr. Sol Cohen of Spring Dale school in Haywood county will entertain in Hoey auditorium.

At 10 o'clock in the morning of June 6 the final event will be reached with the graduation exercises in the auditorium. The speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Clyde A. Milner, President of Guilford College.

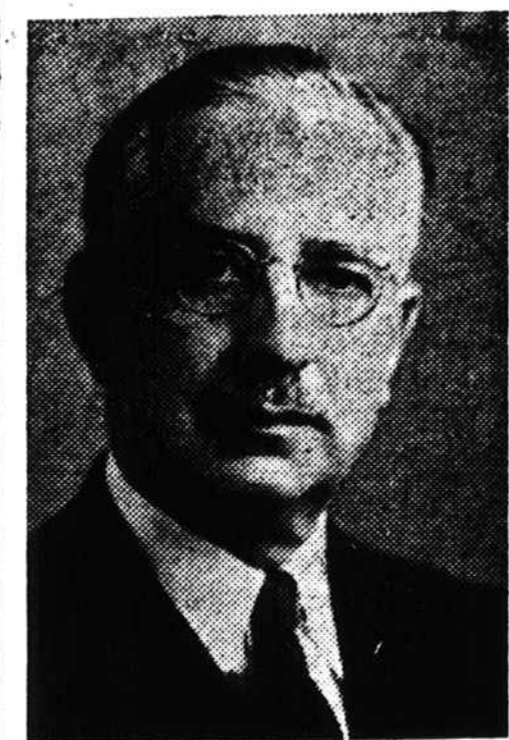
#### Pre-School Day At Sylva

All children who will enter school next fall at Sylva are urged to attend Pre-school day today (Thursday) at 1 p. m. at the school.

Those in charge are very anxious that parents or other adults accompany the children as some very helpful information will be given out at this time.

The first grade teachers are going to show the children a happy time at school so they can look forward to the opening of school next fall.

#### Will Address WCTC Seniors June 6



DR. CLYDE A. MILNER, president of Guilford College, will deliver the graduation address at Western Carolina Teachers College at the graduation exercises in Hoey auditorium at 10 o'clock Monday, June 6.

#### BRYSON NAMED TO HEAD ROADS-SCHOOL BOND DRIVE HERE

Raleigh, May 23—The names of those who have accepted co-chairmanship of Jackson County's Committee for Better Schools and Roads were announced here today by John Marshall, executive secretary of Better Schools and Roads, Inc.

They are Jennings Bryson, Sylva and H. E. Battle, Cullowhee.

The co-chairmen will spearhead a county drive for voters' support of the Better Schools and Roads program, which faces its biggest test on June 4 when the people of North Carolina will vote on the issuance of bonds for school and road building.

Their appointment and acceptance as leaders of the local effort marks another step in the State-wide program to inform all Tar Heels of the need for better schools and roads and to impress upon all voters the significance of the June 4 election for the economic and social life of North Carolina.

By their acceptance of co-chairmanship they also became directors in the non-profit, non-partisan citizens' organization, Better Schools and Roads, Inc.

#### Sylva Merchants Plan Big Trade Event In June

Prices To Be Slashed In 3-Day Trade Event To Be Held In June

At a call meeting of the Sylva Merchants Association on Tuesday afternoon plans were completed for holding one of the largest trade opportunity events ever held in Sylva. The exact dates for holding the big trade event will be announced in next week's Herald. Literally thousands of special money-saving values will be offered the buying public of Jackson and surrounding counties during this special event.

The merchants have been planning for this, their first big "trade opportunity days", for some time and it is believed that this will be the biggest bargain festival ever staged in Jackson county. High quality merchandise will be offered at greatly reduced prices. Many specials will be announced through the merchants advertisements.

President Joe Wallin presided at the meeting Tuesday at which time it was voted to hold regular monthly meetings on the first Monday afternoon of each month at 4 o'clock in the city hall. President Wallin urged all the merchants to attend and take part in these meetings. The merchants were saved an estimated \$75,000.00 last year by the one lone committee on solicitations. A well organized and functioning Merchants group can promote the interest of the entire county. Remember the next regular meeting for Monday, June 6 at 4 p.m.

#### BROWN ANNOUNCES FARM BUREAU MEET

A call meeting of the Jackson County Farm Bureau for Saturday, May 28, has been announced by the president, Frank H. Brown, Jr.

At this time the Governor's Road and School Bond program will be discussed in full by Jennings A. Bryson, chairman of the election drive. Dean W. B. Harrill of Western Carolina Teachers college will also be present and discuss plans for the coming "Farm and Home Week" which will be sponsored by WCTC.

All members, their families, and friends interested in these subjects are especially urged to be present.

#### Judge Clement Presides Over Term Of Court

The May term of Jackson county criminal court ended Tuesday noon after having opened Monday morning with Judge John H. Clement, presiding, and Solicitor Thad D. Bryson, Jr., representing the State. This was one of the shortest criminal terms held here for some time.

Among the cases disposed of was that of the State against Ray McCoy, charged with driving while under the influence of liquor, fine \$100.00 and costs with suspended sentence. The same judgement was rendered against Candlers Barnes and Clarence V. Hoyle, charged with drunken driving.

State against Raymond Fox, Jr., driving drunk, \$100 fine and costs. State against Norva Ward, resisting arrest and violating prohibitions.

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#### Governor Scott Names New Board Of Trustees For Western Carolina Teachers

##### Sylva High Seniors To Hear Elliott



Phil L. Elliott, president of Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, will deliver the graduation address for the Senior class of Sylva high school on Friday, June 3, at 8:00 p. m.

President Elliott is a graduate of Mars Hill college, Wake Forest college and received his masters degree from the University of North Carolina. He did work on his doctor's degree at John Hopkins. He was head of the English department, and served as vice-president at Mars Hill before coming to Western Carolina Teachers College as head of the English department, serving in this position from 1933 to about 1943 when he was elected to head Gardner-Webb college, which position he still holds.

Mr. Elliott is well known and loved by the people of Western North Carolina.

#### PRICE RESIGNS AS SYLVA POSTMASTER, ASHE RECOMMENDED

Charles N. Price, postmaster of the Sylva office since October 1, 1934, has submitted his resignation as postmaster to the First Assistant Postmaster General, to become effective May 31, 1949, according to an announcement to The Herald by Mr. Price on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Price was appointed postmaster of the Sylva office October 1, 1934, when the office was located in the McGuire building as a 3rd class office. He later moved it to its present location and with business conditions having grown in this area the office is now rated as 2nd class.

Mr. Price submitted his resignation on May 21 and not having heard of its acceptance here wrote the department on Tuesday as follows: "V. C. Burke, First Assistant Postmaster General, Washington, D. C. On May 21, 1949, I sent you a telegram reading as follows: 'Please accept this telegram as my resignation as postmaster, Sylva, N. C., effective May 31, 1949. Acceptance at my expense. This letter is being sent to confirm the above telegram.'"

Respectfully yours, Chas. N. Price.

On Wednesday afternoon Mr. Price received the following wire from Congressman Monroe Redden: "Postmaster Department advises that your resignation of last week received and accepted. I have recommended T. Walter Ashe as your successor".

Monroe M. Redden.

SOSSAMON'S . . . . . In Sylva

#### Nine Member Board Will Serve 4 Years; Permanent President To Be Named

Governor Kerr Scott Monday named nine new members to the board of trustees of Western Carolina Teachers College.

All the new members were appointed for terms of four years, expiring May 1, 1953.

Appointed were: State Senator W. H. Crawford, of Sylva, businessman and former school principal, who represented the 32nd District in the 1949 General Assembly, succeeding Dan M. Allison.

Mrs. Jerry Davidson of Murphy, a high school teacher, succeeding H. Bueck of Murphy.

A. Lee Penland, school teacher, former State Senator and representative from Clay County. He succeeds Harry E. Buchanan of Hendersonville.

Arnold Hyde of Robbinsville, now employed by the Graham county welfare board. He succeeds Mrs. J. S. Silversteen of Brevard.

Frank Weaver of Asheville, manager of the rug department of Farmers Federation, succeeding State Treasurer Brandon P. Hodges of Asheville.

Mrs. Charles E. Ray of Waynesville, formerly employed in the burser's office at the University of North Carolina. She succeeds Glenn C. Palmer of Clyde.

E. J. Whitmire of Franklin, a

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#### HAIL DOES MUCH DAMAGE SUNDAY

Hail stones averaging the size of a hen's egg fell over a wide area of the Savannah, Gay and Webster sections of the county about 3:30 p.m. Sunday. Residents of these sections said that the ground was completely covered and much of the hail stones remained on the ground for several hours. Considerable damage was done to fruit, garden, field crops and roofs of buildings. Some of the young veteran farmers with large crops of strawberries had them destroyed by the large stones. Metal roofs of buildings looked as if they had been hit with hundreds of hammers.

Automobile owners rushed to drive their cars to shelter, and took a terrific beating themselves. A number of grown chickens were said to have been killed. The hail was accompanied by considerable wind, rain and lightning.

"Uncle Dow Hall", of the East Fork community, who claims to be in his eighties, explained that it was the worst hail storm he had ever witnessed.

#### Jackson Veteran Farmers Are Growing Fine Strawberries

Lonzo Woodard of the Pumpkin-town community of the Gay section of Jackson County is now gathering nice large strawberries from the 1200 plants which he set out last June under the Veterans farm program of training. Mr. Woodard said the first of this week that he had already received orders for around 100 gallons of berries and the demand is still greater for them. His berries are all large, uniform size. The cold weather hurt the early crop but the late crop, just now beginning to ripen proves that the soil and climate of Jackson county is well adapted to the growing of the berries.

Mr. Woodard set an additional 1,000 plants this spring which will

#### Smith Announces Commencement Program

Dr. Tibbs To Deliver Sermon Sunday Morning In School Auditorium

Ralph L. Smith, principal of Sylva schools, has announced the complete commencement program which will begin Sunday morning, May 29, at 11 o'clock with the annual baccalaureate sermon to be delivered by Dr. Albert E. Tibbs, dean of Furman University.

The graduating exercises will be held in the school auditorium Friday evening, June 3, with Phil Elliott, president of Gardner-Webb college, delivering the address. Fifty-five seniors will receive diplomas at the close of the program.

The Sunday morning program is as follows:

Processional, followed by the invocation by Rev. W. H. Wakefield, hymn "Come Thou Almighty King", congregation. Special music, "My Task", by Nettie Jean Bradley, Joretta Monteith, Betty Paxton and Orthrude Bradley. Rec. C. M. Warren will introduce Dr. Albert E. Tibbs, who will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. The benediction will be given by Rev. W. Q. Grigg.

The ushers for commencement programs are: Frank Crawford, chief; Joanne Moody, assistant chief; Eugene McClure, Hattalean Powell, Doris Middleton, Eddie Lou Terrell, Darrell Monteith and Harold Parris.

The program for the graduating exercises, June 3, will be as follows:

Processional, followed with prayer by Rev. B. F. Hensley, after which the Salutatory address will be given by Clarise Hoxit, using as her subject, "Opportunity That Makes"; a solo by Mrs. Virginia Barnwell; Valectorian addresses by Naomi Hooper, using as her

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#### CAMERA CLUB TO HEAR JOHNNY JONES

Monday night, May 30, at 8 o'clock, the Sylva Camera club will have Mr. Johnny Jones, managing editor of The Asheville Times, as the main event on the program. This will also be Ladies' Night, so all members are urged to come out and bring the wife or girl friend. There will be refreshments as well as a fine program.

All persons interested in photography are cordially invited to attend this meeting and look around the club rooms, which are located in the old Ferguson building. Any "photo fiends" interested in joining the club and using the club equipment are requested to contact Roy Ensley, secretary of the club, for all details. Present members are especially urged to turn out for this meeting.

#### Legion Will Elect Officers Friday Night

Officers of the William E. Dillard Post American Legion have announced that the annual election of officers will be held at the regular meeting Friday, May 27, at 7:30 o'clock p. m. when they meet in the Legion Home in Sylva. All members are urged to attend this important meeting.