

Jackson Schools Scheduled To Open August 25th

400 People Hear Road Problems Discussed At Commissioner's Meeting

Commissioner Thrash Outlines Policies For \$200,000,000 Program
Approximately 400 citizens from six Western North Carolina Counties gathered in the Bryson City school auditorium Tuesday to hear L. Dale Thrash, 10th division highway commissioner, outline plans for the spending of the State's \$200,000,000 "Mud" road funds, and for the further development of primary roads and highways.

Jackson County Farmers Sell Corn to Commodity Credit Corporation Through AAA Office

Two farmers of the Qualla community, C. P. Shelton and John H. Ferguson, recently shipped 1300 bushels of corn to Commodity Credit Corporation. The AAA office has been notified that this corn was graded No. 1 and that Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Shelton will receive \$1.64 per bushel — which is the maximum rate of pay.

EGG PRODUCERS TO MEET JULY 28

A second meeting of prospective hatching egg producers will be held in the Courtroom of the Jackson County Courthouse at 2:00 P. M. on Thursday, July 28th. At this meeting the poultry committee will make recommendations to the group.

Route 1 Mail To Leave Sylva At 9 O'clock A. M.

Beginning August 1 mail for Sylva Route 1 will leave Sylva postoffice at 9 a.m. instead of 8 as heretofore. This will enable the patrons of Route 1 to receive their East of Sylva mail the same day it arrives here instead of it having to lie over till the next morning as has been previously done.

Lost Colony To Play Six Nights A Week

Manteo, N. C. — Lost Colony, Paul Green's outdoor symphonic drama, will be performed six nights a week for the rest of this season, instead of five, with Monday the only non-playing night. Increase in the schedule was occasioned by increased attendance, and the fact that many visitors to this resort area missed the show when their visits coincided with Monday and Tuesday nights.

Bake Sale Set For Saturday A. M.

The Women of the Presbyterian church will hold a bake sale Saturday morning in the front of Hooper's Drug store, starting at 10 a.m.

Anyone having a special cake, pie, or other bake item which they would like to purchase will please call 0711, Mrs. Charles Pettitt, or 303-J, Mrs. W. H. Wakefield.

Chamber of Commerce To Meet Monday

All interested citizens are asked to meet with the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce at the American Legion building next Monday, August 1, at 8:00 p. m. Roscoe Poteet, president.

WNCAC Makes Plans For A Survey of Recreational Areas

MURPHY—Western North Carolina Associated Communities will sponsor a survey of recreational and scenic possibilities in the WNC area, it was decided at a meeting of the group in Hiwassee State Park Monday. A committee was named to work with the Tenn. Valley Authority and the State Board of Conservation and Development for this purpose. Members are Acting President W. E. Bird of Western Carolina Teachers College, Art Jones, secretary of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce, and W. M. Davis, president of the Murphy Chamber of Commerce.

recreation for TVA, also offered his assistance.

Those attending heard a recorded lecture by Bill Sharpe, who is leaving his position as head of the State News Bureau August 1. Members voted to make him an honorary member of the board of directors of WNCAC and to send him an expression of appreciation for his work in behalf of Western North Carolina.

Several reports were given, among them a discussion of work on the Blue Ridge Parkway and improvements in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park by Chas. Ray, chairman of the Park, Parkway and Forest Development Commission.

Percy Ferebee of Andrews, president of WNCAC, listed State biennial appropriations for its parks as \$118,725 for Hiwassee (Continued on page 8)

FULL LAKES ADDED ATTRACTION FOR SUMMER VISITORS

Summer vacationists in this mountain area of Western North Carolina are getting a pretty bonus this summer. All the big power lakes of this area are full, a situation greatly adding to their aesthetic appeal.

Several of the lakes, including Fontana, have had to spill water recently. Glenville, one of the prettiest lakes in this area, has more water in it than usual, and the game goes for Santeehlah, Hiwassee, Chatuga and others.

1 Killed Two Hurt Train-Truck Col.

Horace King, 65-year-old farmer of the Clyde community of Haywood county was killed and James King, 28, and Wiley Snyder, 40, were injured about 10 o'clock Monday morning when their pickup truck was struck by a south-moving diesel powered freight train at a grade crossing. The men were said to have driven their truck upon the tracks and seeing the train bearing down upon them they jumped. Investigating officers said that had they remained in the truck none would have been badly injured as the train struck the rear of the bed and only damaged it slightly.

FARM ACCIDENTS COSTS MILLIONS

More than 36 million dollars in medical, dental, and hospital bills were paid by farm people during 1948 as a result of accident, according to H. M. Ellis, in charge of agricultural engineering for the State College Extension Service. This cost, Ellis states, does not include the cost of accidents to those who were killed, or who suffered permanent total disabilities; or costs other than those resulting directly from the care of injuries.

Among the chief causes of the accidents Ellis listed the following: Falls, machines, animals, auto and truck collisions, handling objects, hand tools, stepping on or striking against objects, falling and flying objects, and burns or shocks. These findings are based on an analysis of nearly 2,000 accidents reported in three enumerative surveys made by the BAE in 1947 and 1948.

Seventy-two per cent of all accidents to farm people occurred on the farm — 16 per cent in the farm home and 56 per cent elsewhere on the farm. Eleven per cent occurred on roads or streets off the farm. The other 17 per cent included industrial accidents suffered by farm people who were working in factories and accidents of children in games at school.

Fifty-four per cent of injuries were sustained while the victim was engaged in farm work. Farm accidents reached a peak in September, when both farm work accidents and recreational accidents were sharply up. Males had an accident rate over three times as great as females, and males in the age group 25 to 44 years had the highest rate.

Ellis advises all farmers to check their homes, farm buildings and surroundings and remove all accident hazards possible. He also suggests "taking time instead of chances."

Dr. Killian Attends Out-of-State Meetings

Dr. Carl Killian, professor of Education and Psychology at WC TC, left Tuesday for Nashville, Tenn. where he will attend a Higher Education meeting to be held at Peabody college. From Nashville Dr. Killian will go to Chicago where he will attend a national Audio-Visual meeting. He expects to be gone ten days.

QUEEN OF THE AMERICAN LIONS



SELECTED QUEEN of the American Lions, pretty Janice Harvell, 18, of Carolina Beach, N. C., receives a brooch from Eugene Briggs, Lions president, at the organization's 32nd annual convention in New York. An international queen is chosen yearly from the beauties representing each of the foreign countries and the United States. (International)

2,000 Persons Attend Annual Federation Picnic Saturday

More than 2,000 persons attended the annual Farmers Federation Jackson County picnic Saturday at Sylva High School and heard short talks by James G. K. McClure, President of the Federation, Rev. Dumont Clarke, Director of the Lord's Acre Movement, Hugh Monteith, mayor of Sylva, and W. T. Brown, Jackson farm agent, and enjoyed a full day of string music and entertainment. Mr. McClure told the group that "Farmers can build a better Western North Carolina for themselves and their children by sticking together. When farmers are loyal to their own organization through good times and bad," he declared, "little by little they can create new markets and new opportunities which will be of great value to themselves and their children."

During Mr. McClure's talk several members of the cooperative's Jackson County committee held up placards representing farm services developed by the Federation. These include: a Certified Hatchery, tobacco warehouses, a cooperative dairy plant, a poultry processing plant, pulpwood marketing service, and the South-eastern Artificial Breeding Association. Mr. McClure pointed out that these improvements have been made possible because of the loyalty of the farmers of Jackson county and other counties to the Farmers Federation. W. T. Brown stressed concentration on farm operations which give a high return per acre, and (Continued on page 4)

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N. C. HIGHWAYS
Killed July 19 through July 22 — 6
Injured July 19 through July 22 — 50
Killed through July 22, this year — 416
Killed through July 22, 1948 — 358
Injured through July 22, this year — 4,710
Injured through July 22, 1948 — 3,855

Superintendent Cope Releases Tentative List Of Teachers For County

Smith To Head Sylva Schools Again This Year, Few Vacancies Remain
W. Vernon Cope, Superintendent of Jackson County schools, announced Wednesday that all the schools of the county, except Cullowhee high school, are scheduled to open for the 1949-50 session Thursday, August 25th. The Cullowhee school always runs concurrent with the opening of Western Carolina Teachers' College since it is the College's training school. Mr. Cope also announced the tentative list of teachers for the schools as follows:

Sylva — Ralph L. Smith, Principal, Mary R. Cowan, Clifton Smith, Mary W. Jones Scott, Willa Mae Serogas, Irene Bryson Buchanan, James R. Barnwell, Ben G. Cole, Wallace Martin, John F. Corbin, Kathryn S. Morris, Evelyn Parker McMillan, Juanita Farmer Davis, Mae Freeman Fortner, Joan Roy Crawford, Mrs. J. F. Frieze, Annie Louise M. Reed, Margie Shuler Hughes, Hester E. Wilson, Bertha Cunningham, Evelyn Cowan Sherrill, Olive Hall Norton, Emily W. Tompkins, Lorene T. Clay, Norma Painter Lee, Elma Donahoe.

GRANDMOTHER OF WHITTIER BOYS TO TOUR WORLD

In Miami Herald
A grandmother will start a trip around the world in a tramp steamer. That is one of the ways Mrs. Vivian Boyer Roper, of Miami stays young. Although a grandmother, she actually is young in years, she refuses to say how many, but she is as young in spirit as any high school co-ed.

Two years ago she learned to fly and now has 160 hours to her credit. Typically, all of it was cross-country flying, for she thinks it dull just to fly around over the same town.

She loves deep sea fishing and has caught some near-record tarpon. She is good enough at golf to participate in women's tournaments with creditable showing. She bagged a seven-point buck in Colorado several years ago and would rather go turkey hunting than sleep.

All of which adds up to make Mrs. Roper, a diminutive, striking brunette, one of Florida's most active and unusual as well as prettiest grandmothers.

In a way, her trip around the world is keeping a promise to her son, Carl Boyer, who died December 9 at the age of 23, in the Veterans hospital at Oteen, N. C., of war injuries suffered as a Navy gunner.

"If anything happens to me," Carl told her shortly before his (Continued on page 4)

Miss Lucile Hunt Comes To Jackson Schools As Supervisor

Superintendent W. Vernon Cope has been notified by Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, of the State Department of Public Instruction in Raleigh, of the approval of Miss Lucile Hunt as supervisor of the schools of Jackson County.

Miss Hunt is one of 300 special teachers and supervisors which the State is providing for the first time this year. She will devote her time to assisting the teachers of the schools.

Miss Hunt received both her B. A. and M. A. degrees from the University of North Carolina. She has done graduate work at the University for several summers, and has taught in the schools of Oxford, Marshall and Kannapolis before coming to the training school at Cullowhee last year. She was one of two teachers selected in the State to attend a special six weeks workshop course at the Fla. State University this summer.

Cabe Named Chairman Of Poultry Committee

Winston Cabe of Greens Creek was elected Chairman of the Poultry Committee at a meeting in the courthouse on last Saturday morning. Mr. Cabe, a G. I. Trainee of the Sylva Department, is a progressive poultry raiser and has shown a great deal of interest in promoting the hatching egg program. Other members of the Poultry committee are: Lyman Haskett, Speedwell; Manual Nicholson, East La Porte; T. A. Jackson, Tuckaseegee; James Jiles, Whittier; Sam Higdon, Sylva; Tom Wright, Cashville; George J. Stewart, Glenville; W. A. Crawford, Erastus. The poultry committee will meet Thursday morning at 10:00 o'clock to formulate further recommendations to make to the group.