

Committee Named To Study Jackson County Rural Highway Needs

Commissioner Wants Group to Map Program

Sixteen Jackson citizens have been appointed to the "Go Forward" road program committee by L. D. Thrash, Highway Commissioner, 10th Division. Messrs. J. C. Passmore, W. A. Taylor, Fred Brown, Mitchell Shelton, Frank Rigdon, Ed Hooper, Shirley Wilson, C. J. Cowan, D. C. Higdon, Guy Sutton, Rufus Robinson, Joe Green, Bill Buchanan, General Jones, Albert Patton and Dan M. Allison were Thrash's choices for the group.

The duty of the committee will be to call a public meeting and let the people of the town discuss roads of the Township, recommend road locations changes, point out danger spots and muddy places on school bus routes and discuss any other matters necessary for the improvement of the Road System.

In a letter to the newly appointed committee, Thrash said, "At the meeting I hope the people who live on each road will give their road a name and make plans to put up a post with the road name on it, at each end of the road. Also plans could be made to paint all mail boxes and place the owner's name and box number on it."

"At your meeting the people will probably wish to select two or four others to serve with you as a township committee on the road program. Early next spring these township committees, the county commissioners, county school board members, road and school board drive chairmen, town mayors, and other interested in the road program, will be asked to meet with the highway engineers and me to select the first group of roads that will be black topped twelve, sixteen or eighteen feet wide."

Thrash asked that any road maintenance matters be referred to the County Road Foreman H. A. Pell who is at the prison camp or maintenance shed every morning at 7:00 o'clock.

Sylva Parent - Teacher Association To Meet

The Sylva Parent-Teachers Association will meet next Tuesday night at 7:45 in the grade school auditorium. A Christmas message will be given by Rev. C. M. Warren. A group of boys and girls under the direction of Mrs. Maggie A. Crisp will present a selection of Christmas songs. Mrs. Dan Tompkins is program chairman, Mrs. Dan Moore, president.

A good attendance is expected.

Temperature, Moisture Vital Factors In Hatching Egg Care

To produce a good hatching egg and maintain the moisture in the eggs, we should gather eggs at least three times a day, in extremely cold or warm weather, four or five times a day.

Most poultrymen find wire baskets best for cooling eggs.

Bulletin No. 350 of the Missouri College of Agriculture and Agricultural Experiment Station, states they found that in their egg cellar with a temperature of 50 deg. F., an egg cooled in the middle of a wire basket containing 156 eggs in 5 hours, an egg in the center of a pail containing 156 eggs in 10 hours.

All eggs should be packed daily after all animal heat is removed. It is important that all eggs be packed at least every 12 or not over 24 hours. All eggs should be packed on small ends. This holds yolk centered in large end of egg. Yolks of fresh eggs, if allowed to settle in the small end of shells will rupture or strain the very fine membrane that holds

Cullowhee Methodist Choir To Present Christmas Cantata

The Junior and Senior choirs of the Cullowhee Methodist church will present a Christmas Cantata, "In David's Town," on Sunday evening, December 11, at 8:00 o'clock. This Cantata is an unusual and effective combination of Latin America Carols which are seldom heard in this country.

Soloists for the cantata will be Mrs. Irene H. Clark, soprano, of Weaverville, Mrs. Inez Gulley, contralto, of Cullowhee, Mrs. Bob Bowers, tenor, of Cullowhee, Mr. Herbert Foster, baritone, of Cullowhee, Miss Virginia Kilpatrick, mezzo-soprano, of Cullowhee, Miss Jean Callison, soprano, of Cullowhee. Accompanists will be Mrs. E. R. McConnell, pianist, and Mrs. R. T. Houts, organist.

The chorus will be under the direction of R. T. Hout, pastor of the church and will be composed of 45 voices from the Junior and Senior choirs.

4-H COUNTY COUNCIL TO MEET ON SAT.

An important 4-H County Council meeting will be held in the County Agent's office at the Court House on Saturday morning, beginning at 10 in the morning. All advisors, leaders, workers, and persons interested in 4-H work, are urged to be present.

The meeting will be of special importance since it will be for the primary purpose of planning the 1950 program of work for the county 4-H Clubs. The winner of the loving cup will also be decided at this time by the Council.

Following the business portion of the meeting, a Christmas party will be given for the group. Refreshments will be served.

MERCHANTS ASSO. TO MEET TONIGHT TO ELECT OFFICERS

Joe Wallin, president of the Merchants Association, has announced an important meeting of the members to be held at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the Allison Building of the Methodist Church. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers for the coming year and to discuss the work of the organization.

Refreshments will be served. All members and those interested in the work of the Association are urged to attend.

Larry Mull, employee of the eating establishment. The management reports excellent business since opening.

PICKED BY CIO TO OPPOSE TAFT



VIRTUALLY DRAFTED by delegates of the CIO convention in Cleveland to oppose Sen Robert Taft in next year's Ohio election, Murray D. Lincoln (left) shakes hands with CIO president Philip Murray. Pinning a button on Lincoln's lapel is Joseph B. Carey, CIO secretary-treasurer. The candidate is a national farm cooperative leader. (International)

Legion Auxiliary To Sponsor Dime Board

The Womens Auxiliary of the American Legion will again sponsor the annual "Dime Board" this year, for the benefit of Jackson County war veterans still in hospitals, and needy families at home.

The Board will be placed directly in front of Belk's Department Store this year, and will begin collections on Saturday at 10:00 o'clock in the morning. The Board will be operated again the following Saturday and the week before Christmas it will be open every day during that period.

Last year the Dime Board took in a little more than \$200. The ladies of the Woman's Auxiliary are anxious to up that total this Christmas. Mrs. Dan Tompkins and Miss Lucille Hunt will be in charge of the Board this Saturday. On the following Saturday, Mrs. John Parris and Mrs. Walter Jones will handle the collections. Mrs. R. L. Glenn will handle the Board the final week before Christmas.

Wishing to raise the maximum in funds for the worthy causes, the women are hopeful that some of the male citizens of the community will lend a hand in running the board. Mrs. Glenn, president of the Auxiliary, made it clear that volunteers would be more than welcome.

CUB SCOUT PACK ORGANIZED HERE

Cub Pack 5, of Sylva, held a training meeting for all Pack Leaders and the parents of boys of Cub age, 8, 9, or 10 years of age recently. Mrs. Annie Louise Reed, the President of the Sylva Woman's Club, expressed the need of a Cub Scout Pack for the young boys of Sylva and the surrounding communities.

The following have been elected to serve on the Pack Committee: Mike Strong, Chairman; O. E. Brookhyser, Dr. T. D. Slagle, Britton Moore, and Ed Nicholson. Tommy Cannon is to be the Cubmaster, with Lyndon Stone as the assistant Cubmaster.

These parents and friends attended one or both of the training courses, conducted by Scout Executive A. W. Allen, of the Daniel Boone Council, and Don B. Euwer, Field Scout Executive of the Smoky Mountains District: Mrs. Rose G. Hair, Thomas F. Cannon, Britton M. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Michael D. Strong, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gunter, Lonnie Nicholson, Mrs. Charles Allen, Mrs. Ralph Parnell, Mrs. Walter Jones, Mrs. Harry E. Ferguson, Dr. T. D. Slagle, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Cathey.

The Dens of this Pack are being formed and all boys and their parents are invited to share in the Cub Pack. If you would like for your son to be a Cub, contact one of the Pack Committeemen or one of the members of the Sylva Woman's Club, and they will assist you in belonging to the Cub Scout Pack 5, of Sylva.

More farm people are killed in motor vehicle mishaps than any other class of accidents.

PICKLESIMER IS NAMED PRESIDENT OF SYLVA C. OF C.

At a joint meeting of the outgoing board and new board of directors of the Sylva Chamber of Commerce Felix Picklesimer was elected to serve as president of the organization for the coming year. Retiring president, Roscoe Poteet was named vice-president and William McKee was named secretary-treasurer.

The new board of directors is composed of H. J. Landis, Roscoe Poteet, Joe Wallin, Dr. W. A. Ashbrook, Felix Picklesimer, David Daniel, Sol Schulman, William McKee and J. A. Gray.

The board meets the first Monday night in each month but due to the first Monday in January being a holiday the board will meet in joint session with the old board the second Monday night in January at which time the new officers will be installed and take over the business of running the organization.

Record Sailfish



PROUD Mrs. George Bass of Oxford, Mich., stands beside the world's record sailfish for a six-thread line she caught off Palm Beach, Fla. The deep-sea giant weighed 59 1/2 pounds, ten pounds heavier than the previous record holder. Because Mrs. Bass had a toothache and her husband helped reel in the fish there is a possibility this may disqualify her. (International)

Christmas Holidays For Jackson Schools Begin December 16

Superintendent of Jackson County Schools, W. Vernon Cope, has announced that all the schools of the county, including Sylva high school, will suspend work on Friday, Dec. 16, for Christmas holidays. He also announced that all school will resume work on Monday, Jan. 2, 1950.

WEBSTER PTA TO HAVE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM ON 14TH

The Webster school Parent-Teacher Association will give a Christmas program at the school on next Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Mack Hall, president of the association, will preside.

The program will start with the invocation by Rev. Bruce Roberts, pastor of the Webster Methodist church. The story of "The Nativity" will be given by Wanda Blanton, followed by "Bells of Christmas Morning" by Joanne Higdon, Joanne Sutton, Kathryn Buchanan, and Thelma Sutton. Other Christmas songs will be given by the Junior and Senior Chorus under the direction of Mrs. Pearl Madison.

The public is cordially invited to hear the program.

Tobacco Specialists See Money In Turkish Crop

Approximately fifty-five Jackson county farmers gathered in the County Court Room on Wednesday afternoon to hear two Turkish tobacco specialists discuss the crop prospects and possibilities in this area.

Mr. John Wildins, South Eastern Aromatic Tobacco Company executive, told the gathering of the use and importance of the leaf. He pointed out that the entire 75 million pounds of Aromatic leaf which is added to cigarettes to give them the "spicy" flavor, was once imported from Turkey, and other countries around the Black Sea region. He went on to explain that 10 years ago Duke University led the experiment which brought some of the seed to this country and proved that Turkish tobacco could successfully be grown in the Carolinas—and of just as good a grade as that found in Turkey itself.

Wilkins told the farmers that it was "a wide open field—a field with new money in it. We once sent this money to Turkey but now we can keep it at home."

Mr. Roy Cross, Extension Tobacco experts demonstrated the proper methods of growing the tobacco to the farmers, illustrating it with colored slides. He pointed out that it has been proven

that Aromatic Tobacco can be grown in this county. He drew attention to the fact that Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Farmer of Barkers Creek had the highest per-pound average in North Carolina at the recent sales. They averaged \$1.05 per pound. Cross went on to tell the group that the advantages of the new leaf is its desire for poor land; its ease in harvesting; and high monetary return to the farmer.

County Agent Brown told the farmers that he was planning to hold several more meetings in the spring and summer to demonstrate the techniques of growing the leaf. In that way he hopes to avoid anyone making unnecessary mistakes.

Dan Allison, Jr. Is Now Cadet Sergeant

Lebanon, Tenn. — Cadet Dan M. Allison, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. Allison, Sylva, has been promoted to the rank of cadet sergeant, platoon guide at Castle Heights Military Academy, Lebanon, Tenn.

The appointment to this rank is based on the cadet's military and efficiency record.

Glenville And Savannah Clubs Win Another First Prize In Club Work

Young Democrats Of County Map Plans For Membership Drive

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Jackson County Young Democratic Club plans were formulated for a membership drive to be held in the near future. A membership committee comprised of Democrats for every township in the county was appointed to spearhead the drive. Local membership cards will be made available to campaigners as soon as they are received from the State headquarters. At the conclusion of the drive a county-wide rally will be held at the courthouse in Sylva at which time a prominent leader in the national Democratic ranks will be presented.

In addition to the appointment of the membership committee, whose names will be released at a later date, a Speakers and Program Committee was appointed. Headed by Clerk of the Superior Court John E. Henson, this committee is composed of State Representative Frank Brown of Cullowhee, L. L. Allen of Cashiers, Vincent Jenkins of Qualla, and Mont Green of Green's Creek.

Funeral Services For V. Parker Held In Bakersville Saturday

Funeral services for Vida Parker, 72, were held Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Bakersville Methodist church with the pastor of that church and the Cub Creek church in charge. Burial followed in the church cemetery. Webb Funeral Home of Bakersville was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Parker was visiting his daughter, Mrs. Crawford Young and family at Bakersville at the time of his death, which followed only a week's illness. Since moving to Sylva in 1945 Mr. Parker and his wife had made their home in the Lovefield community.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lydia D. Parker, six sons, Frank, of Forbes, N. C., Rafe, Jackson, Earl and A. D., all of Baltimore, Md., and Robert Lee of the U. S. Army; three daughters, Mrs. Young at Bakersville, Mrs. Jack Cooper, Sylva, and Mrs. Roy Byrd of Baltimore, Md.; 36 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Going from Sylva for the funeral services of Mr. Parker were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cooper and family.

Garage Liability Insurance Revised In North Carolina

Commissioner of Insurance Waldo C. Cheek today announced that completely revised underwriting rules and plans for insuring automobile dealers, garages, repair shops, service stations, storage garages, machinery and implement dealers and similar risks have been adopted for insuring such risks in North Carolina, effective Dec. 1, 1949.

Methodist Choir To Present Annual Christmas Cantata

The choir of the Sylva Methodist church, in cooperation with members of the choirs of the Sylva Presbyterian Church and the St. John's Episcopal Church, will present a Christmas Cantata entitled "King of Kings and Lord of All" by Stults, on Sunday afternoon December 18, at 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Bass soloist will be Dr. David Daniel; soprano soloists will be Miss Margaret Candler and Mrs. Dan K. Moore; tenor soloists will be Jack Dunn and Tommy Davis; and the alto soloist will be Miss Eddie Lou Terrell.

Under the direction of Mr. Ralph Kemmerer, director of the Methodist choir, the combined choir has been practicing on each Wednesday night for the Cantata. Mrs. Blanche Parry is serving as pianist.

Both Clubs Tie In Raising Funds For 4-H Club Camp

Two of the outstanding 4-H Clubs in Jackson county, Savannah and Glenville, continued their good work last week by being the first to complete the raising of their quotas for the proposed 4-H Club Camp to be built in Waynesville at an early date. All during the funds campaign, these two 4-H Clubs had run neck and neck in the race to see who would report "quota filled" to the County Agent's office first. It had been a hard fought contest all the way, with each club particularly eager to beat the other — then they ended in a tie! The County Agent says that the report from both schools came in by phone at practically the same moment, and as a result, TWO 1st place honors are to be given. As for the rest of the Clubs in the County, they are at present battling for second place, and no-one wanting to be that "cows tail", bringing up the rear!

The fact that the Savannah and Glenville schools should finish 1st in this contest is in accordance with the usual practice of these fine 4-H Clubs. At Savannah, the 4-H Club, under the sponsorship of Mrs. Stella C. Bryson and H. H. Bryson has continually taken prizes in every contest they entered. This year they took first prize in the Achievement Day Program for the best record book kept during the preceding year. They took 3rd prize on their fine booth and several individual prizes in addition. Miss Bobby Sutton won 1st prize in the county for her work in home canning.

For this year, Billy Sutton is serving as president of the Club; Mark Deitz is filling the office of vice-president and Irene Cabe is doing the job of secretary. There are more than 63 members in the club, a majority of them being girls.

One of the hardest working of them is little Robert Alexander, pint-sized 10 year old who has really gone to town his first year in the Club. He won 1st prize at the Achievement Day Program.

HAROLD SMITH BETTER FOLLOWING ILLNESS

Friends of Pfc. Harold D. Smith of Speedwell will be happy to know that he is improving following a serious illness in the General William Beaumont Hospital in El Paso, Texas.

His father, Wood Smith, went to El Paso last week when Harold was reported in "serious condition" following an operation. He returned to Speedwell on Sunday after improvement in his son's condition.

Pfc. Smith is a member of the United States Air Force.

EXAMINATION DATE SET FOR DILLSBORO P. O. POSITION

A written Civil Service examination will be held on January 5th for the purpose of filling the position of Substitute Clerk at the Dillsboro Post Office.

The usual entrance salary of this position is \$1.04 per hour, limit for experienced clerk three hours per day, inexperienced less than three hours per day.

Competitors will be required to report for the written examination at the Post Office Building, Sylva, N. C., at 8:30 a.m. on the 5th. Full information and application blanks may be obtained from the Postmaster at the Dillsboro, N. C. Post Office.