

Contract To Be Let On S. C. Road Joining Hwy. No. 107 In February

Road Expected To Pour Tourists Through This Section In Numbers

The members of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce received encouraging reports on one of their projects this week when word came from South Carolina that work on the highway leading to North Carolina would be begun soon.

The Secretary of the Seneca, S. C., Chamber of Commerce, told Jackson officials that the contract for finishing the road in South Carolina which joins N. C. 107, would be let in February and work begun as soon thereafter as possible.

With the completion of this work, Jackson County will be linked directly with South Carolina by a good highway and the hoped for results should bring many additional tourists into the mountains from that region.

Hope also runs high among Chamber of Commerce officials that the road will be made a U. S. Highway at an early date, thus making it an even more desirable route for motorists.

Tuckasegee WMU To Meet Here Friday

The Tuckasegee Baptist Associational Woman's Missionary Union will meet with the Sylva Baptist Church for the regular annual Leadership Conference, Saturday, January 21, 10:00 a. m. Mrs. John Waycaster, W. M. U. Field Worker for N. C. will be with the group for this meeting.

The following program has been announced by Mrs. John R. Jones, Associational Superintendent: Hymn, "Christ For the World We Sing"; Scripture, Mrs. John R. Jones; Solo, "The Light of the World is Jesus"; Mrs. Tom Clayton; Prayers, Mrs. C. L. Allison, Mrs. C. B. McConnell, Mrs. Harry Vance; Roll Call of Churches, Mrs. Dennis Higdon; Announcements; Hymn, "We've a Story To Tell To The Nations"; Separate Conferences led by Associational officers; Special music; Discussion period led by Mrs. John Waycaster; Lunch; Hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign"; Prayer, Mrs. Charles Messer; Summary of Associational Plans for year; Hymn, "I Am Thine, O Lord"; Closing Meditation; Prayer.

The officers serving during this year are as follows: Mrs. John R. Jones, Associational Supt.; Mrs. Jack Henson, Associate Supt.; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Dennis Higdon; R. A. Counselor, Rev. G. E. Scruggs; Young People's Leader, Miss Mildred Cowan.

Chairmen: Stewardship, Mrs. C. M. Warren; Mission Study, Mrs. Frank Cowan; Community Missions, Mrs. John Crawford; Training School, Pauline Snelson; Literature, Mrs. Roy Reed; Burney Gift & Margaret Fund, Mrs. Geo. Snyder.

Dr. Graham To Address W. C. T. C. Students Today

Dr. Frank P. Graham will speak to the Western Carolina Teachers College student body on Thursday afternoon at 1:30 in Hoey Auditorium.

Dr. Graham comes to Cullowhee from Franklin where he spoke on Wednesday. Graham is the former President of the University of North Carolina and has been long noted for his liberal interpretation of higher education in the South. Last year he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Senator J. Melville Broughton who died while in office.

During and immediately after the war, he was given a series of important assignments by the President of the United States. He was a member of the National Defense Mediation Board in 1941 and 1942. He was the public member of the National War Labor Board from 1942 to 1946, and a member, during the same period, of the Maritime War Emergency

HORSE AND MULE CLINIC DATE CHANGED TO 29TH

The date for Horse and Mule Clinics in Jackson County has been changed from the week of January 22nd to the week of January 29th. This change is because the veterinarian found that he was unable to be here on the date previously announced.

The following schedule has been worked out:

JANUARY 30—
Glennville School—9:00 a. m.
Norton (Nick Pott's Store)—11:00 a. m.
Alton Holden's Store—1:30 P. M.
R. C. Coggins' Farm—3:00 P. M.

JANUARY 31—
Canada (Jess Brown's Store)—9:00 A. M.
East LaPorte (Ralph Hunter's Farm)—11:00 A. M.
Cowards (Howard Wood's Farm)—1:00 P. M.
Speedwell (Arthur Holden's Store)—3:00 P. M.
Cullowhee (John Phillips' Farm)—4:00 P. M.

Any community not scheduled above wanting a clinic is requested to contact the Farm Agent's office at once and arrangements will be made for that community to have this service.

Farmers taking workstock to the clinic should be certain that all feed has been withheld for 18 hours before treatment. By doing this the treatment for internal parasites will be more effective.

JACKSON CO. C. OF C. DRIVE IN FULL SWING

Felix Picklesimer, Chairman of the Membership Drive for the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce announced this week that seven business concerns in Sylva had sent in their dues.

They are: Sovall's 5 & 10c, Schulman's Department Store, Hooper Motor Co., Esso Standard Station, Sylva Coal & Lumber Co., The Town House, Cogdill Motor Co., Kirk-Davis Chevrolet Co., Sossamon Furniture Co., Bower's Store, High Hampton Inn, Gillespie's Fruit Store, and Gulf Oil Station.

It was requested that Tourist Courts and Tourist Homes should get in contact with a member of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce as soon as possible as the Chamber of Commerce is planning to issue a leaflet early in February listing all tourist accommodations in Jackson County. So please don't delay if you wish to be listed.

Board. In 1945, he served as chairman of the oil panel of a Labor-Management Conference, and in 1946-47 he served on the President's Committee on Civil Rights, having been a signer of the minority report on that controversial matter.

By Presidential appointment, he served as the U. S. representative on the Good Offices Committee of the Security Council of the United Nations on Indonesia for several months, and in 1948 President Truman appointed him as advisor to the Secretary of State with regard to Indonesia.

Thirteen different colleges and universities have conferred honorary degrees upon Dr. Graham. Proceeding his address, Dr. Graham will be the guest of President and Mrs. Paul A. Reid at a luncheon at their home.

It has been announced that there will be approximately 300 seats available for the general public.

New Greek Premier



A NEW GREEK "caretaker" government was sworn in when John Theotokis (above) took office in Athens as Premier and Minister of National Defense. The government will function until the new general elections are held in Greece. (International)

It Happened HERE AND THERE

Rudy Hardy crying into a Velt's cup of coffee because football season is nine months away.

Little Pete Hooper has a unique method for collecting worms. He pours mustard powder down the hole, and presto—out they come!

Sylva basketball player is asked who won the game on the preceding night. She answers, "don't be stupid—they did!"

Gayest sight in town—Bill McKee saying "hello".

Herbert Gibson looking for Ed Dunn and Quay Grigg with murder in his eye Tuesday afternoon because "they didn't turn in their assignments for the Rotary Club's weekly newsheet!"

A quick look AROUND W. N. C.

FRANKLIN — Carl G. Snively, head football coach at U. N. C. will be the speaker at the banquet honoring the Franklin High school football squad on January 25.

John Harry Thomas, manager of the Farmers Federation, has entered his name as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for sheriff.

CANTON — Dr. S. B. Burrus and son, Brainard, presently affiliated with the Professional Drug Store in Sylva, have purchased Martin's Drug Store in Canton from Mrs. Charity Barefoot.

BREVARD — A mass meeting was held last week in the County Court House for all persons interested in planning the progress of Brevard and Transylvania during 1950.

MURPHY — A site is being purchased for a new \$114,000 high school building in Murphy, and another site is being selected for consolidated school in the Ranger district to cost \$120,000.

WAYNESVILLE — Only one payment of \$380 remains to be paid on the parking meters and then the town will get all the revenue from them.

HEALTH CLINIC DATE CHANGED

Since a large number of people have continued to come to the Jackson County Health Clinic on the day formerly scheduled for its services, Dr. Jonowsky asked again this week that it be announced that the Clinic date has been changed to Friday. Formerly held on Tues. the clinic has been changed under the new setup which will be a more complete health service for the county.

SOSSAMON'S in Sylva

Wildlife Meeting Called To Seek Conservation Rules

A meeting of the Jackson County Wildlife Club has been called to meet at the American Legion Hall at 7 P. M. tomorrow (Friday) for the purpose of discussing plans to conserve wildlife in the county.

In announcing the meeting, Dr. W. P. McGuire stressed that "we are far behind every other county in our interest in our wildlife and it is time to wake up and do something about it."

"When our sportsmen go to Macon, Clay and Graham counties and see what is being done down there as well as in several other counties, then they will begin to see the light. It will not cost the average citizen a dime to leave our forest well supplied with deer and other game if we will just band together and ask for it and help protect it for a few short years."

Dr. McGuire made known that cards had been mailed out to many members, but asked that anyone interested should feel welcome to come and join in the discussion.

4-H To Sponsor "Green Promise"

The Jackson County 4-H will sponsor the picture "Green Promise" at the Ritz Theatre, Friday, January 20th.

In addition to the regular running time, there will be a matinee showing at 12:30 for the school children who would not be able to see the picture otherwise.

The proceeds will go to Jackson County's quota on the 4th Club Camp.

United States Civil Service Examination

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination for the position of Substitute Clerk for filling vacancies in the Post Office at Sylva, North Carolina. Entrance salary of this position is \$1.24 per hour.

Applications for this position will be accepted by the Director, Fourth U. S. Civil Service Region, Temporary Building "R", 3rd and Jefferson Drive, S. W., Washington 25, D. C. until Feb. 15, 1950.

Competitors will be required to report for written examination, which will be held as soon as practicable after the date set for the close of receipt of applications. Full information and application blank may be obtained from Mr. Felix H. Picklesimer, Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, at the Sylva, N. C. Post Office.

Baptist Send Donations To Foreign Missions

The Sylva Baptist Church announced this week that a check for \$1,000 has been sent by the Church to the Foreign Mission Board to pay the basic salary of Missionary David Curtis Askew who is in Japan.

The Church also provided two scholarships at \$150 each to two students studying at the new Baptist Seminary at Zurich, Switzerland.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N. C. HIGHWAYS

Killed January 6 through January 8—
Injured January 6 through January 9—144.
Killed through January 9 this year—16.
Killed through January 9, 1949—22.
Injured through January 9 this year—277.
Injured through January 9, 1949—183.

Backed By Truman



Emory Allison

DURING a press conference in Washington, President Truman announced that he hoped Missouri Democrats would nominate Emory Allison (above) as their candidate for the Senate. President pro tem of the Missouri State Senate, Allison, if selected, would oppose Sen. Forrest Donnell, St. Louis Republican seeking re-election. (International)

CAR-TAG DEADLINE ONLY TWO WEEKS OFF

Although approximately two weeks remain in which motorists may purchase their 1950 license plates, less than half have obtained their new tags, the North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles reported today.

The delay on the part of motor vehicle owners in purchasing their 1950 plates makes it evident that a rush will occur at the 73 license offices in the State as the January 31 deadline approaches, the Department stated.

Approximately 450,000 tags have been sold to date. More than a million motor vehicles now are operating in the State and each must carry a new license after midnight of January 31. Motorists apprehended after that time without the 1950 plates on their vehicles will be subject to prosecution.

The 1950 tags went on sale December 1.

MASONS TO ATTEND SPECIAL SERVICE SUN.

A special worship service will be held at the Sylva Baptist Church on Sunday, January 22, at 7:30 p. m. for the members of the Dillsboro and East LaPorte Masonic Lodges.

The pastor, C. M. Warren, will bring a message on the subject, "Together in Spiritual Unity." This service has been planned for some time, and all Masons are urged to be present and bring their families. A most cordial invitation has been extended to the public to attend this special worship service.

Every member of a Masonic Lodge, whether or not a member of the two Lodges mentioned above, should be present because of the special message intended for Masons.

J. B. Gray Passes Away; Services Held In Murphy

Funeral services were held yesterday (Wednesday) for Joseph Burke Gray, 58, prominent Cherokee County attorney and political leader, who died Monday morning in an Atlanta, Ga., hospital where he had undergone an operation on January 6.

He was the brother of J. A. Gray, Editor of The Herald.

R. O. Self Dies; Once Lived Here

R. O. Self of Raleigh and formerly of Jackson county, died unexpectedly in Fayetteville Monday morning.

Self, who was formerly chief clerk of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, was visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. I. Tally, Jr., the wife of Fayetteville's mayor, at the time of death.

Funeral services were held at (Continued on page 4)

Student Of Lenoir-Rhyne Sponsored By Rotary To Address Local Club

WARREN AND GIBSON; NAMES IN THE NEWS

Two Sylva Citizens Made "National News" Recently

Rev. C. M. Warren was the author of an article which appeared in the Baptist Courier just prior to Christmas. Entitled "The Heart Of Mercy Of Our God", the article interpreted the Scripture which reads, "Because of the heart of mercy of our God, whereby the Dayspring from on high hath visited us; to shine upon them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death; to guide our feet into the way of peace."

Herbert Gibson, Southern Railway's Agent in Sylva, was the subject of a feature article in "Ties", the Southern Railway System magazine. Comprising two full pages of pictures and story, the article explained how Gibson has become a part of Sylva.

One portion of the article says, "About the time the Gibsons came to Sylva, an old station hand retired after 40 years. His name was 'Uncle Bill' Extine and in the minds of the folks around Sylva 'Uncle Bill' and the Southern were inseparably linked. Not long ago, in his capacity as program chairman for one of the Rotary Club meetings, Herbert Gibson arranged for the showing of the Association of American Railroads' motion picture 'You and Your Railroads.' Everybody liked it fine—except for one important omission. As one of the audience said, 'I didn't see any pictures of Herb Gibson or 'Uncle Bill' Extine.'"

TURKISH TOBACCO MEET CALLED FOR COURTHOUSE

A meeting of all farmers who plan to grow Turkish Tobacco in 1950 has been set for the Courthouse on Friday, January 20th at 2:00 P. M.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the preparation and seeding of the plant bed and also preparation of the land for planting.

At this meeting orders will be taken for seed which will be furnished free of charge to producers of this crop. All farmers will be given an opportunity to ask questions about the production of this Turkish crop.

It is important that all who plan to produce the crop in 1950 be present for this meeting.

Moore Wins Bike At Ritz Drawing

Glenn Moore, 15 year old son of Jeff Moore of East Sylva, was the winner of the bicycle given away last week at the Ritz Theatre. Under the joint sponsorship of the Ritz Theatre and the merchants of Sylva, a bicycle is given away each Wednesday night.

Health Department Announces Increase In Grade A Milk

The District Health Department has announced a 100 percent increase in Grade A dairying in Jackson county during the past year. The list shows 13 farmers busy supplying the three distributors who serve this area.

Producing Grade A Milk for pasteurization are D. C. Higdon, Jr., Kenyon Moody, John Stillwell, Boyd Wilson, and James Farms, Velt Wilson, John Turpin, Burton Bumgarner, Q. E. Holcombe, Buddy Holcombe, Homer Turpin, C. C. Buchanan and Joe Wand.

The three Grade A distributors are Pet Dairies, Southern Dairies and Nantahala Creamery, handling sweet milk, butter milk, chocolate milk, light and heavy cream.

Laiz Franca Lessa Of Rio De Janeiro, Brazil Student Of 280th Dist.

On next Tuesday at 6:30 P. M., at the regular weekly dinner meeting of the Sylva Rotary Club, Laiz Franca Lessa of Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, will speak of his experiences as a Rotary scholar at Lenoir-Rhyne College, Hickory. The program is in charge of the International Service Committee of which C. F. Dodson is chairman.

W. J. Fisher, president of the club, is urging a good attendance to hear Lessa who is the Rotary student of the 280th District of Rotary International of which the Sylva club is a member.

At the District Conference, held last April in Hendersonville, the Rotarians of the District agreed to establish a fund which would permit some worthy South American student to come to the western part of North Carolina in order to attend one of the colleges of this section and at the same time visit among the Rotary Clubs. Laiz Lessa was the young man chosen by the Rotary Club of Rio de Janeiro to be the recipient of this award. He arrived in Hickory last September and enrolled at Lenoir-Rhyne College in Hickory where he is taking courses which will prepare him for his chosen profession as teacher of English in his native Brazil.

Laiz Lessa is a senior at Rabello College in the city of Rio and upon completing his year of study at Lenoir-Rhyne will return to finish his college course at his alma mater. He is the son of a Baptist minister and all the members of his family are devout members of this church. He has an older brother, Eduardo, who is attending Georgetown College in Kentucky to prepare himself for mission work among the Indians of the Amazon Valley in northern Brazil.

Lessa said, when interviewed, that even in Brazil, which generally is very friendly toward the United States, there are those who desire to sow discord among the two peoples. This evil propaganda is spread particularly among young people and among the students of that country.

So Lessa, while enjoying to the fullest his stay in our land and being fascinated by many of our customs, is looking forward to the time when he can return home and tell of our kind of democracy and the American way of life to his friends and those whom he will teach in the schoolrooms of his country.

Rotary International through its Paul Harris Fellowships is spending this year a sum in excess of \$300,000 to provide scholarships for worthy and promising young men and women from all over the world so that they might attend the college or university of their choice in the United States or abroad. District 280 is offering this additional scholarship in order to supplement the great educational program of its organization and thus to assist in the promotion of good will and friendship among the peoples of the world.

Legion Will Sponsor March of Dimes Dance

The March of Dimes dance will be held on Friday, January 27, at the Legion Hall under the sponsorship of the William E. Dillard Post No. 104 of the American Legion.

Music will be provided from 9 till 12 by the Soco Gap String Band. Both Square and Round dancing will be on the program for the evening. All proceeds will go to the Polio Fund to aid in the battle against infantile paralysis.

Advance tickets are now on sale at \$1.00 per couple. At the door, tickets will be priced at 75c per person.