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## MR. BAILEY TALKS ON FREIGHT RATE DISCRIMINATIONS

Raleigh, Oct. 7.—That markets of the west are closed to Carolina oyster shippers and those of the east closed to Carolina truck shippers by reason of the appalling freight rate discriminations, is an interesting discovery made by J. W. Bailey, recent candidate for governor who is now devoting his time to the interests of the Port Terminals and Water Transportation Measure upon which the voters are to pass in the coming election.

A Chesapeake Bay oyster shipper Mr. Bailey points out, can ship oysters to Kansas City for 17 cents per gallon less than his competitor in North Carolina can ship them to the same point—and this 17 cents is a handicap the North Carolinian cannot overcome.

A California truck grower, for another example, he declares, can ship vegetables more than 3,000 miles to the great consuming markets of the east for \$119.00 a car less than his competitor in Eastern Carolina can ship to the same markets.

Woodland & Co., Morehead City shipped a carload of oysters to Kansas City," Mr. Bailey said, "they found that the rate from Baltimore was 17 cents a gallon less than from Morehead City. This discrimination against North Carolina oysters accounts for the fact that notwithstanding we have abundant oyster beds on our coast and extensive waters in which to develop the industry we can make no progress as compared with Virginia and Maryland oyster shippers."

If North Carolina were on equal footing with its competitors we could control the oyster market, Mr. Bailey contends, citing the fact that the North Carolina canned oyster put up at Morehead City, determines the price on the Pacific coast. This is because water transportation through the Panama Canal, permits Morehead City to compete on equal footing with its rivals. Adequate port facilities and water transportation, he is convinced, will solve the state's rate problems.

## NEWS OF THE COVE CREEK HIGH SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

Mr. J. S. McBride underwent a very serious operation for appendicitis at the Boone hospital on Thursday of last week. He is improving as rapidly as could be expected.

The Cove Creek High School baseball team defeated the Mabel team in an interesting game on Friday. The game was played at Mabel, the score being 7 to 5. A return game will be played on the Cove Creek grounds next Friday afternoon at 3:30.

A new sewing machine has been bought, several tables have been made and other equipment added to the Home Economics department of the school. This course under the efficient management of Miss Bundy is proving very popular with the students. Two hundred books adapted to library use for the children of the grammar grades have been ordered and sufficient equipment added to the science department to enable experiments in physics to be performed.

The school was glad to see Mr. Otis T. Hallman representative of the Country Gentleman one day last week. He started off the campaign for subscriptions and created much enthusiasm. Last year the school sold 186 subscriptions realizing \$93.00 for the school. It is hoped that the present campaign will be equally successful.

The county singing which was held at Willowdale on Sunday was a great success. A fuller account of this else where in this issue.

Several people from this community have been attending the series of meetings at the Zionville Baptist church. The pastor Rev. Roby Eggers was assisted by Rev. G. C. Sebastian. Fourteen persons were united to the church by baptism and a number of others were restored.

## METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. A large attendance expected.

Preaching at 10 a. m. by the pastors. At this service the interests of Parents-meeting will be discussed.

Epworth League at 6:45 p. m.

Wednesday prayer service at 7:30 p. m.

Preaching at Blowing Rock at 7:30 p. m.

Sunday services are the last for the church year. Let's make the most of them.

## RECENT HAPPENINGS IN THE DEEP GAP SECTION

We are sorry to chronicle the sudden death of Mrs. Julia Moretz wife of Mr. V. L. Moretz of Hopkins.

Mrs. Moretz was only sick for a short while but was taken suddenly ill and underwent a serious operation. Everything was done for her that was in the power of man but to no avail.

She was interred in Deep Gap community cemetery last Sunday.

The next social of the Rocky Point Community Club will be held October 11th at the usual hour.

The program will consist of a debate by and between W. A. Watson and W. F. Watson which will be contested from the beginning to the end. Query: "Resolved that intemperance has caused more sorrow than war." W. A. Watson affirmative and W. F. Watson negative. Everybody come out as this will be a very interesting discussion and you will learn many things new after you have heard this subject discussed.

Miss Carma Watson the invalid sister of our progressive teachers is getting along nicely. She says she is improving very fast under her doctor and in our fine climate. We hope she will regain her health in full and can be out and look over our wonderful section in a few more weeks.

Mr. A. G. Moretz who had a light stroke of paralysis is very much improved and will soon be entirely well if complications or a relapse does not take place.

Dr. G. H. Jeffcoat was visiting in this section last Saturday. We are always glad to see him down in this section as he is a fine man and is always jolly and full of life. It takes that kind of man to make a good mixer and he is of that type.

The Oddfellows lodge will be established without doubt as matters are going at present.

Everyone who wishes to come in as a charter member should meet at Rocky Point school house Saturday October 11th. After the community social is over we want to hold a brief session looking to the end of receiving charter members so we can get our charter and get things in order for big things. Don't forget to come if you want to be a charter member which means so much for the order.

## THE WATAUGA COUNTY TEACHERS' MEETING

to be held in Boone Saturday October 11 at 10 a. m.

Morning Program

1. Opening Exercises in Public School—Professor Martin of Blowing Rock.

2. Mental and Moral Atmosphere of the school Room—Miss Annie Staahury.

3. Power of Suggestion and Cooperation Between Teacher and Pupil.—Prof. Millard Norris.

4. How to Reach Parents Who Are Not Interested in School—Mr. Alex Tugman.

5. Question box and Answers.

Recess.

Afternoon Session.

6. Should a Child Study or Receive Help at Home?—Prof. S. F. Horton, Miss Eula Todd.

7. How to Best Use Recess Periods—Dean Swift, Miss Theadocia Watson.

8. How Closely DO and how closely SHOULD teachers Follow the State Outline Course of Study for the Elementary Schools?—This discussion led by Professor Smith Hagan.

Teaching Morals Through the Subjects of the Public School Curriculum—Professors W. M. Francum and Roy Dotson.

10. Why Should We or Why Shall We Not Consolidate the Schools of Watauga County.—Prof. W. Y. Perry and Prof. Millard Norris.

WM. J. ROWE, JR.,  
Chm. Program Committee.

## BEYOND (James M. Downum.)

Beyond the mountains sun or rain We guess and wonder all in vain; And what the dawning day shall be, Will come to us across the sea.

And thus it is in life's short day As to what holds the approaching way Does storm or sun await the soul As on we press to life's last goal? These matter not to faithful ones, Whether there come or storm or sun, A surer goal awaits the true Where glorious scenes fill all the view.

And songs of joy forever roll And peace serene fills every soul.

## WILL ADDRESS WATAUGA VOTERS



COLONEL ISAAC M. MEEKINS

Republican Candidate for Governor of North Carolina Who will address Watauga Voters Thursday October 16 at 1:30 p. m. at the Court House in Boone. Mr. Meekins is recognized as one of the leading speakers of the State and no doubt many will gather to hear him on the important issues of the day.

## MARTIN WARREN, PROMINENT WATAUGAN, DEAD

Mr. Martin Warren, an aged citizen passed to his reward at his home at Mabel the past week end, and the remains were laid to rest in the cemetery near the old home Monday in the presence of a throng of sorrowing relatives and friends.

In the death of this splendid citizen the editor of this paper has sustained a real loss for he was one of our very best friends. He was a man who lived above reproach—honest to a cent, broad in his vision, but absolutely unyielding when he felt he was in the right. A group of citizens talking yesterday agreed that Watauga had no better man than Martin Warren. He was for many years a devoted member of the Baptist Church, and lived strictly up to his profession. He leaves a family of children who are all among our best citizenship, his wife having preceded him to the better land a good many years ago.

"When a good man dies the people mourn." Peace to the ashes of our good old friend.

## RALEIGH BOOSTERS IN FAIR PARADE

Raleigh, Sept. 7.—Boosting the State fair has become such a habit with Raleigh that a hundred live boosters in the Capital City are going to provide the escort for Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt and Governor Morrison in the parade up historic Fayetteville Street. That will feature the official opening of the fair on Tuesday Oct. 14th.

The hundred boosters who recently travelled two days by special train on a pilgrimage to tell North Carolina about its State Fair will have the State College brass band of sixty pieces at their head.

Governor Morrison will follow historic precedent when he stands before the assembled multitudes after the parade and proclaims the fair officially opened. He will likewise follow precedent if he makes his speech brief and to the point.

A speaker of national importance has been secured to make an address at the State Fair grounds on Wednesday October 15th, while Thursday, the big day of the fair, will be given over entirely to the inspection of exhibits and enjoyment of the various recreation features. The state college University football game will be played near the fair grounds on this day.

Friday October 17th will see the end of the State Fair. No exhibits are allowed to be moved until the official close and everything runs in full blast till the closing whistle sounds.

Ample parking grounds for auto-

## NEWS ITEMS FROM THE APPALACHIAN SCHOOL

Your correspondent is impelled to say a few words about the Appalachian Training School in particular this week. This good school is growing at a rapid rate. Already 83 students have registered in the Normal College Department, 211 in the High School Department and more than 50 have registered for some special work in the school, making about 350 now enrolled for work, and others are being added almost daily. There are more than eighty seniors in the class of the High School department. This is considered the largest high school graduating class in the state outside of the large cities. Professor Bain, director of physical education is making satisfactory headway. Almost every student is taking his work. The new gymnasium is now open and basketball is a great feature. There are five literary societies now well organized, and a full report of the workings of each is laid on the table in the president's office every week. The work of each department of the school is moving on well.

Autumn has come with a bound in this section. "After the September gales were done with their equinoctial fury" the weather cleared away on the last of the month and on the first of October came a freeze followed on several mornings by white frosts all of which seriously injured the corn and other vegetation. It is not thought that the fruit is yet seriously injured. A week ago the hills and mountains and valleys were a dark rich green color with scarcely a tinge of autumn in them but today they are fast taking on the gorgeous autumn colors so appealing to many. And as to the tourists to whom these wondrous scenes would appeal they lose the most beautiful scenery of the year by leaving the mountains before the middle of October. The rich brown chestnuts likewise that tempt the little squirrel and the little children and likewise the older ones offer their allurement at this time of the year to the great pleasure of many. No other season is so gorgeous as this in the mountains and no other offers such wonderful sunny days and beautiful moonlit nights as this all of which are so

## MRS. BINGHAM HOSTESS TO WORTH WHILE CLUB

Mrs. E. L. Bingham entertained the Worth While Club Friday Sept. 19. The house was tastefully arranged with autumn flowers.

During the short business meeting many important items of business were taken up and plans made for future work. A round table discussion followed, subject: "Remodeling Clothing." This proved to be very interesting and many helpful and clever suggestions were made along this line. When ideas became exhausted, the hostess, assisted by Mrs. W. G. Hartzog, served delicious refreshments. Entertainment in the Bingham home is always pleasant but never more so than on this occasion.

On Friday Oct. 3 Mrs. J. B. Steele entertained the Worth While Club. Mrs. Bennet's return was welcomed after an absence of several weeks on account of illness. The study of Acts was continued and Mrs. Bennet's lesson on the "Personality of Satan" was interesting and instructive. After the devotional a short business meeting was conducted, several important items being discussed. Much interest was shown in the fatherless family discussed at the last meeting of the club. Mrs. Bob Bingham will receive any materials for the family and see that it reaches them. After the business the meeting was turned over to the hostess. The subject for the afternoon was "Balanced School Lunches." Mrs. Steele's talk on this subject was clear and convincing. After this discussion she served a model school lunch destined to convince if there remained any unconvinced that care, thought and study of the school lunch would insure results. Nor did she omit the cup of hot chocolate designed to impress the mothers how much more the cold school lunch would be relished by the children by the addition of some hot drink.

The Club feels indebted to Mrs. Steele for this unusual and very pleasant entertainment.

The Club will meet October 17th with Mrs. Hahn.

appealing to the poet and artist and some others. Come to the mountains in October.

## These Writers and Artists Will Now Contribute Exclusively to This Paper

**ARTHUR BRISBANE**  
**MISS FLO WILSON**  
**R.W. "BOB" SATTERFIELD**  
**DR. J. J. GAINES**  
**WHIT HADLEY**  
**EDWARD PERCY HOWARD**  
**EDWARD McCULLOUGH**  
**E.A. KETTEL**  
**ROBERT FULLER**  
**PHILIP BURCHMAN**

In step with our policy of daily striving to present a constantly improved newspaper to our readers, we take pleasure in announcing the completion of arrangements whereby a group of the cleverest newspaper folk in the country will contribute exclusively to these columns.

We count ourselves fortunate to be able to offer to our readers the work of men like Arthur Brisbane in his "This Week" column of witty news and editorial comment; R. W. "Bob" Satterfield, America's Greatest Cartoonist; Dr. J. J. Gaines, whose prose poems by Uncle John have been read by millions, and Edward Percy Howard, a writer of national reputation.

In fact, a complete staff of highly specialized newspaper folks are now working weekly with us to produce a more interesting newspaper for you.

By special arrangement with The Publishers Autocaster Service of New York, these stars will contribute exclusively to this newspaper.

Whit Hadley's Inspirational articles carry messages of Hope, Cheer, and Achievement; Miss Flo teaches good breeding through "Etiquette" and tells women of fashion trends and home helps.

Robert Fuller is a special news writer whose assignments are nation-wide. Philip Burchman's cameras are everywhere clicking pictures of news happenings when it happens; Edward McCullough insures you a laugh in every one of his comic-strip drawings; "Folks in Our Town"; the "Jedzie's Josh" is a whole column of fun by E. A. Kettel.

Watch for these special articles, pictures, cartoons, poems and comics.