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ENSIGN M'CORMICK OCCUPIES LOCAL MERIDIAN STATION

Magnetic Declination Measured Here For Benefit of Surveyors by Coast and Geodetic Survey Man

Ensign John N. McCormick, of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, was here a few days ago measuring the magnetic declination at the meridian station under the auspices of the North Carolina Geological and Economic Survey. The station is located on the public school grounds. Formerly it was on the front house plot but when the court was rebuilt in 1900 the marks were destroyed and were not re-set until 1918, at which time they were located on the school ground where there is more open space there. The station consists of a granite block about 5 inches square and extending only a few inches above the face of the ground. On the top of the post is indicated the altitude across mark represents the four geographical positions of the compass, north, east, south and west. The geographical poles and the magnetic poles do not coincide and therefore the magnetic poles shift from year to year, which has made it necessary for the true north and south lines to be established all over the state so that surveyors can determine the declination or shifting of poles from the true north. If these were not done, it would be impossible for surveyors to retrace old lines, Mr. McCormick explained. The amount of the variation of the magnetic poles from the geographical poles varies from year to year from about 5 inches. The variation is not uniform, so it is necessary for surveyors to measure the variation from year to year in order to know much to allow in re-establishing lines. For instance, if a line surveyed 50 years ago and the needle on the deed read, say 15 degrees ten minutes east; and an attempt were made now to re-run the line, the instrument man would find that if he set up his instrument so that the needle would point N. 15 degrees and 10 minutes east he would be off the old line by several degrees, it were a long line, by many feet. These stations are for the benefit of surveyors, therefore, in determining how much their instruments vary from year to year in order to allow the shifting of the magnetic poles. Stations were established at county sites in each county in North Carolina more than thirty years ago. Ensign McCormick is going over the state and re-establishing any posts that may have been destroyed and in making observations at other stations to get data for tables of declination to be prepared. The North Carolina law states that all surveyors correct their instruments from year to year at these stations and file their declination with the clerk of court. It also requires that surveyors chains be verified yearly. The service of the Geodetic Survey of the Geological Survey is of tremendous benefit to the people of this state.

Oak Lane Mills Ship Underwear To West

Underwear manufactured by the Oak Lane Knitting Mills, a recent addition to the industrial plants of this county, is finding its way into all parts of the county with the Murphy label attached. This week several shipments went out, one being to the Atlantic coast. President A. C. Richmond is very encouraged over the outlook and is adding new help just as fast as it can be trained. Mr. Richmond has here a little more than a year from Philadelphia and established the Oak Lane Mills, a knitting mill manufacturing children's and men's underwear. The design all the Lane Mills designs are made in their own shops. The mill is opening around the middle of the month and the front end of the mill is active. The future is at the moment of the market. Mr. Richmond is expecting an increasing of the orders.

Baldwin W. Gause, Lecturer and Writer, Speaks In Murphy

Mr. Baldwin W. Gause, lecturer and writer on Americanization, from Los Angeles, Calif., spoke at the Methodist Church Wednesday night, and at the High School Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Gause has traveled extensively in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and the West Indies and the Bahama Islands, making original sociological, political, and religious surveys, and lecturing on Americanism. He has just completed a tour of the state of Georgia covering every section, more recently speaking at Canton, Tate, Jasper, Ellijay, Blue Ridge, and Morganton. He begins his work in the state of North Carolina here at Murphy, in which territory he will visit Bryson City, Waynesville, and smaller places in the immediate vicinity of these points, and other towns in this state. After completing North Carolina, he will go into South Carolina, and then into Florida.

Dairy And Club Show Held In Clay

A dairy and club show were held Tuesday at Hayesville under the direction of County Agent W. R. Anderson, of Clay County. There were approximately fifty head of dairy cattle, and a less number of pigs and chickens. The first prize for the best herd of dairy cattle, including three cows and one bull, went to R. L. Anderson of Ogdon; second prize to Witt Penland. For the best cow at the show, first, second and third prizes were awarded to Earley Anderson, Tom Herbert and R. L. Anderson, respectively. For the best bull, the community bull of the Elf district was awarded first prize and that of the Hayesville community second. These animals are owned jointly by ten men in each of the respective communities. Three such are thus owned in the county. First premium for the best sow and litter of pigs went to Witt Penland. For the best pig, Ralph Smith was given first prize. Ralph Killian was the owner of the best chicken on exhibition. This was the first show of its kind ever held in the county. District Agent of Western North Carolina J. W. Goodman, and R. O. Lawhorn, livestock industrial agent of the Southern Railway Company, acted as judges of the show and expressed surprise at the good showing made by the farmers of Clay County. They praised highly the work done during the past seven or eight months by County Agent Anderson, who is credited with creating considerable interest in dairying in Clay County. The shipping of cream from the county is growing all the time and more and more interest is being developed in the dairying industry. The first can of cream was shipped early in March by Mr. C. C. Long, of Hayesville. Now there are nine regular shippers, which represents about fifty cows. The cows have been tuberculin tested and the milk is being shipped to creameries in Asheville weekly. Attorney O. L. Anderson, of Hayesville, spoke at the show as did also Livestock Industrial Agent R. O. Lawhorn, of the Southern Railway. The fine progress being made in the diversification of farm activities and the great possibilities of the livestock industry were stressed by the speakers. This was declared to be a very successful show and it is probable that it will become an annual event.

Mrs. Hoover Elected Teacher In School

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the local school Monday afternoon, Mrs. C. K. Hoover was elected a teacher in the graded school, succeeding Mrs. T. L. Sasser who found it necessary to resign. She took part of the second grade Tuesday morning. Mrs. Hoover recently came here from Marion, N. C. Her husband is manager of the Cocoa-Cola Bottling Company plant. She has had several years experience and was well

PRINCIPAL CROP IN N. C. IS CORN AND PRODUCTS

Last Year's Crop Valued at Ninety Millions—Occupies Greatest Acreage

It has just been brought to the attention of the public by the reporting service of the department of agriculture that corn is the principal crop in North Carolina, occupying one-third of all the acreage cultivated and having a total of some ninety millions of dollars. The corn itself was valued at seventy-two million, while the tops and fodder produced by the corn was valued at eighteen millions.

It is pointed out by the reporting service that the loss of grain when fodder is pulled and the corn topped, runs from 10 to 25 per cent. The loss this year, it is estimated, will run 20 percent. The pulling of fodder immediately stops the maturity of the grains of corn as it is in the leaves that the plant food is manufactured. This year's crop in North Carolina is estimated at only forty million bushels, and a loss of ten million dollars due to the pulling of fodder.

H. E. Dickey Painfully Burned

Mr. H. E. Dickey, of the Dickey Motor Company, was painfully burned the first of the week when his clothing caught fire when gasoline was ignited by a lantern in a car being filled with gasoline. As the tank of the car was being filled, Mr. Dickey observed a lighted lantern nearby and started to stop the filling until the lantern could be moved. However, as the nozzle of the gas pipe was removed from the tank, some of the gasoline dropped on the lantern and some on the clothing of Mr. Dickey, which became ignited and painfully burned his leg before it could be extinguished.

Tax Collector Of The State Visits Murphy

State Tax Collector M. L. Reed, of the State Revenue Department, was in Murphy several days this week following up tax collections. He was not only looking after delinquent tax income tax payers, but also special license taxes, income and inheritance and other taxes that may not have been paid. With the development of new businesses that are taxable and the follow-up of delinquents, Mr. Reed stated that there was something for him to do all the time. He has charge of the western division of North Carolina.

King and Harrell Sentenced To Die For Murder

Tuesday afternoon, Judge C. C. Featherstone, in superior court at Chesterfield, South Carolina, sentenced Mortimer N. King and Frank Harrell to die in the electric chair in the Columbia, S. C., penitentiary on November 21st for the murder of Major Samuel H. McLeary on July 2nd near Cheraw, S. C. King tried to shoulder all the blame for the murder, stating that Harrell was not even a witness to the shooting, but court found Harrell a party to the awful tragedy that aroused the whole South a few months ago, and both were given death sentences, the judge stating that he would give them time to make their peace with their maker.

OWL CREEK

We are having some rain here this week. Mr. Porter Marcus and family, of Bulls Gap, Tenn., are visiting relatives and friends at this place. We have been having some nice singing at this place recently. The people of this section are about through fodder pulling. Mr. Roland Lovinwood, of Murphy, was a visitor of this place Sunday afternoon. Everybody of this place is planning to attend the Fair at Murphy this week. Mr. S. R. Kephart, of Palmersville has been spending a few days with

Sunday School Lesson For September 28th

Did you ever notice how much the questions asked at an installation service sound like the ones asked at a marriage ceremony? The preacher is the husband to be and the church the bride.

They usually start off on a honeymoon. Often before the honeymoon is over the bride begins to feel that the husband is duty bound to keep her in good spirits. He must dissipate her quibbles, visit her, keep her interested in the Sunday school, in his sermons, in the prayer meeting and in regular evangelistic services. He must train her teachers in the art of teaching, whether they will be trained or not. He is expected to have a choir that is the equal of the best in town, even though his best prospects go A. W. O. L. He must sing, whether he can or not.

The husband, feeling the weight of his burdens, prepares a red hot sermon and delivers it with a great deal of force. The bride is insulted. The most difficult situation in all the world is to be placed within the grasp of a bride who has been scorned. For days the battle rages. There are few words. The husband doesn't talk and the bride confines her conversation to a few trusted bridesmaids. Feeling is intense and trouble is brewing.

I suppose there isn't a church in Christendom that has not experienced this. What is to be done? The only thing to do is to follow the example of the bride and groom—"kiss and make up"—live each for the other and neither for self. No man is husband who doesn't prefer to wear trousers unpresented that his bride may be better clad. No woman is a wife who doesn't live for her husband. No preacher is a pastor who doesn't prefer to sacrifice for his church. No church is worthy of the name whose people are unwilling to give up self for their pastor. No church has ever grown where pastor and people are unwilling to sacrifice each for the other.

The writer once attended a church where the preacher and the people had never gotten married. Oh, the ceremony had been performed but the marriage had not taken place. The people would not attend very well and those who came sought for the faults of the preacher. Chaffing under his unappreciated position he furnished enough occasions for criticism. After a time something very much like divorce proceedings took place and the bride went e-seeking. Well, she found a husband and started out on the married life again. After two or three years she was again seeking divorce and she got it for church husbands are not the sort to fight divorce proceedings.

I wonder what most churches in Christendom today would say if Jesus should present himself in person and say "Bring hither thy husband." It may be that many would reply "I have no husband." It is possible that Jesus would say, "Thou hast rightly spoken, for though thou hast had five husbands, the man with whom thou now livest is not thy husband."

We deplore divorce proceedings. In fact, we hear it preached about but really isn't it true that pastors and churches are setting the example? What would you think of a couple who had lived together for a half century, entering the courts for divorce? But isn't it true that when a pastor has served a church for a half century and is asked to resign that a divorce is being secured. It seems to me that before we point a scolding finger at the world we should examine our own example. If you live in your home in such a manner as to justify a divorce you are apt to do the same thing in your church. Really, Jesus is the husband and it is no trifling matter to live loosely and have such a Groom.

her son, Mr. Newt Kephart, this week Mr. Newt Kephart and Mr. Frad Lovinwood and Mr. C. J. Marcus were visitors at Andrews Monday the 15th on business.

Mr. Robert McRae is visiting relatives here at this writing. Mr. Sammy Kephart was the guest of Mr. Clifton Kephart Sunday. A crowd of the young girls went gooseberry hunting Sunday afternoon and reported a nice time. Our Sunday school is still progressing nicely.

COUNTY FAIR OPENED 24 WITH CAVALRY DRILL

Slow Downpour of Rain Checks Fair—Will Be Continued Through Saturday Night

The second annual Cherokee County Fair opened Wednesday morning with a cavalry drill as planned while the band played Bennett's Welcoming March. Quite a good crowd assembled for the opening and the sun began to peep through the overhanging clouds and for two hours gave promise of pretty weather. However, by 11 o'clock a mist began to fall and continued more or less irregularly throughout the day and Thursday. The inclement weather thus held back hundreds of people in the surrounding section who had planned to come to the county fair.

The management of the Fair has announced that the Fair will continue through Saturday night, thus giving those who have been kept back on account of the rain a chance to see the exhibits and visit the fair. The agricultural and livestock, art work, school and other exhibits were pronounced of high order by all who witnessed them. District Agent J. W. Goodman, of western North Carolina, and Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Ellis, of Buncombe County, acted as judges and spoke very highly of the fair this year. When learned that this was only the second year of the fair, their words of praise were unstinted. R. O. Lawhorn, livestock industrial agent of the Southern Railway was also a visitor at the fair during the first day and spoke very highly of the fine order of the exhibits and the well planned and equipped grounds. County Agent W. R. Anderson lent his assistance to County Agent Ellis in getting the fair off to a good start Wednesday.

The races and various contests, the cavalry drill, the midway and the special band of the Cherokee County Fair Association proved attractive drawing cards for the fair. Special educational pictures together with special feature films at the evening sessions proved attractive. The baby show held at 10 o'clock Wednesday attracted considerable interest. A goodly number of babies were entered in the contest. The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Lytle Couch was awarded first prize as the best baby at the show.

A full list of the winners in the various contests and exhibits cannot be obtained before next week. Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt, President of the North Carolina Agricultural Society, was extended an invitation to visit the fair but found that she could not get away from Asheville. She, however, wired her best wishes for the success of the fair.

Another Car Poultry On Way To East

Another car of poultry started on its journey to New York from Murphy Thursday. C. R. Smith, a representative of the Farmers Federation, Inc., of Asheville and Hendersonville, was here Wednesday buying live poultry and loading the car. Some fourteen or fifteen hundred pounds of poultry were secured here. The car will make several stops along the way to Asheville and loaded to capacity at Asheville, if not already full, and sent on to eastern cities under the care of a poultry feeder.

Mr. Smith expressed himself as being anxious to greatly increase the production of poultry in this western section of North Carolina. It was his opinion that it could be increased a thousand percent or more with good results to the farmers. He referred to the great amount of poultry produced in East Tennessee, near Morristown, Knoxville, and other Tennessee cities, and stated that there was no reason why the industry should not be just as fully developed in this part of North Carolina.

The encouragement being given to farmers by the activities of the county agents, produce brokers and such organizations as the Farmers Federation should greatly stimulate not only the poultry industry but also all agricultural activities.

REVIVAL MEETING WILL BE HELD BY PRESBYTERIANS

Subject of Sermons Announced For Coming Sunday—Men's Meeting In Afternoon

Rev. E. G. Clary has announced the engagement of Rev. Keys, of near Bristol, Tenn., for a series of evangelistic services at the Presbyterian church in October. Mr. Keys is expected to come on the third Sunday in October and will probably take charge of the evening service on that date. Preaching services will probably be held throughout the following week or ten days. Further announcements will be made as the plans more fully mature.

For the services next Sunday, September 28th, the pastor has announced the following texts: For the morning service, "Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the help of the Lord against the mighty." For the evening service, the 29th chapter of the second chapter of Gallations has been chosen for a text. It reads: "I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

On next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the regular meeting of the men will be held. This includes not only the men of the Presbyterian Church, but also as many others as will come. Messrs. M. W. Bell and O. Latt are on the program. Informal discussions by others will follow.

Murphy-Belleview Section Of No. 10 About Completed

tSate Will Give Link Tarvia Surface Right Away—Under Construction More Than 2 Years

This week is expected to witness the completion of tSate Project No. 913, it being the Murphy-Belleview link in State Highway No. 10, extending all the way across the state. This project is of water bound medam construction and comprises 10.33 miles, reaching from Murphy to the Georgia line. About 8 miles of this project have been treated with a tar preparation since it was completed and this week the state is bringing material and tar here to treat the balance as soon as completed. So, although this was let as a water bound medam project, it really will have a tarvia surface, and therefore, be of a higher type road than the original contract contemplated. The tarvia surface is being put on by the maintenance department of the tSate Highway Commission.

This project was let to the Mills-Williams Construction Company, of Kentucky in 1922, work being begun in August of that year. This work has, therefore, been under way a little over two years. Many difficulties arose during the construction of this link. The first problem was to find suitable road building material. Most of the rock along the route was too soft to make a suitable surface. However, the state found a ledge of rock of sufficient hardness to be acceptable and the work was gotten under way. During the course of construction, the contractors lost one of their partners and the company became known as the Federal Construction Company. Work on the road was suspended during the winter months of both 1922 and 1923, which partly accounts for its being drawn out so long.

Car Of Cattle Shipped From Clay County

A carload of cattle was shipped from Clay County Saturday by County Agent W. R. Anderson, H. H. Ellis, of Cherokee, co-operating. The car contained thirty-eight head, steers, heifers and cows. These were no calves in the car. This was a continuation of the movement to ship out of the county the scrub stock and replace it by grade and purebred animals.