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WITH READY TO "STOP" ROOSEVELT

New Lake Near Rosman Filled

ROSMAN, Feb. 24. — Frozen Lake, a beautiful lake in the heart of the Blue Ridge mountains, is finished and completely filled to overflowing. It reached the top Monday.

This lake has been under construction since November 1, having a concrete dam. It covers 10 or 12 acres of the property and is 20 feet deep. The land formerly was owned by Joe Rice, and is now owned by D. H. Winchesler of Rosman. It is situated in the Old Towax section, about seven miles from Rosman. A good mountain road leads to the lake.

The owner states it will be heavily stocked with fish within a few days. In two years it will be opened for fishing. In the meantime a number of cottages will be erected to accommodate tourist and week-end parties.

WASHINGTON DAY EXERCISES DRAW MANY

Tree Dedicated as Living Monument to First President

With every seat in the court room occupied and standing room almost at a premium, the George Washington bicentennial program presented in the court room Monday afternoon proved a decided success in every respect. The celebration was sponsored by the Washington chapter of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, pupils of the Brevard Institute, and of the Brevard elementary school, and others.

Principal speakers on the program were Supt. J. B. Jones, of the city and county schools, and Hon. Ralph R. Ramsey, mayor of Brevard, both of whom were recipients of many favorable comments for their splendid addresses so ably presented on this occasion.

Mr. Jones spoke of George Washington as a teacher, striving the various ways in which his example can be emulated today, such as the value of physical exercise, and the ability to do the very best here to remain enduring after a period of 200 years, mentioning such reasons as his being the founder and first president of a nation, his ability to do the very best, and his being the greatest of our American history; his unselfish devotion to the interests of the people, his honesty, bravery, and self control, and other attributes.

Other features of the afternoon's program included the presentation of a Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and pupils of the Brevard elementary school and of Brevard Institute; call to order by the local chapter of the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and pupils of the Brevard elementary school, and of Brevard Institute; salute to the flag, Jane Pennington, a pupil of the Brevard elementary school, as assembly singing in charge of Miss Eva Call and Miss Julia Merritt; America's Creed, by Mark Taylor of the Troop 11 Boy Scouts; song, "The Land We Love," by Alexander, pastor of the Brevard-Davidson Presbyterian church; salute to the flag, Jane Pennington, a pupil of the Brevard elementary school, as assembly singing in charge of Miss Eva Call and Miss Julia Merritt; America's Creed, by Mark Taylor of the Troop 11 Boy Scouts; song, "The Land We Love," by Alexander, pastor of the Brevard-Davidson Presbyterian church; orchestra selections by Dorothy Everett, Jerry Brown, Mack Allen, Elizabeth Allison, Richard Grimshaw, L. E. Brown, Pio Sanchez, John Cariyah, under the direction of Miss Farrer and Mrs. J. M. Allison, accompanied by the singing, "America," retiring of the flag.

Following the program in the court room, the large audience assembled on the courthouse lawn, where a dedication ceremony was presented by members of the Brevard A. R., dedicating a hickory tree which this organization planted on the lawn some time ago as a living monument to George Washington.

Erected beside the tree was a large United States flag, and the court room was also appropriately and tastily decorated with the same.

Sitting in the front of the room (Continued on page six)

NEW PROCESS FOR MAKING COLORED BRICK AT PLANT AT ETOWAH IS DISCOVERED

Sees Expansion

Officials of the Moland-Drysdale Brick company, brick manufacturers of Etowah, announced Friday the perfection of a secret chemical process for the commercial manufacture of a type of brick not produced at any other brick manufacturing plant in this country.

The announcement was made by Bruce Drysdale, an official of the company, who is well known in Brevard, following a trip to eastern cities, at which time prominent architects and builders were acquainted with the discovery and shown samples of the finished product.

According to Mr. Drysdale, architects, builders, and ceramic experts who saw the product were unanimously proclaiming it an entirely new discovery in the field of ceramics, and were of the opinion that it opened up an entirely new field of expression for architects.

During his trip, Mr. Drysdale visited prominent architects in Richmond, Norfolk, Newport News, Washington, Philadelphia, and New York, and all expressed the opinion that they had never seen anything like the brick before. Architects, Mr. Drysdale said, are not hit to miss proposition. The process was discovered here, therefore impossible, especially in the present architectural trend toward modernistic designs in building construction.

The field for this type of brick is unlimited, as such a product is not being put out in any other brick manufacturing plant in this country. Colors produced in the process required years of experimenting in this and foreign countries.

So impressed were officials of the commercial department of the Southern Railway in Washington with the new product that the company is giving a permanent exhibit to the product in the commercial department in Washington.

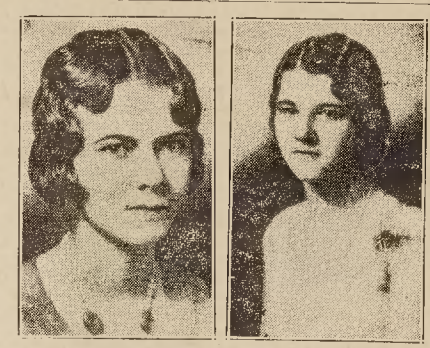
The process is a secret foreign chemical process. It is scientific throughout, it is explained and is not a hit to miss proposition. The process was discovered in a laboratory and then bricks were produced commercially. Architects may now design building structures, sketching the colors desired by the building, and the Moland-Drysdale company takes this sketch and produces the brick in exactly the color desired.

Prior to this discovery, it was explained, brick could be produced in colors only in a glazed brick, which resembles a tile product, but face brick have never before been produced in any desired color.

A new field opened up by this process, Mr. Drysdale stated, is interior work. Heretofore it has been necessary to use plaster and paint in getting desired colors in interiors, but with the new brick any color or combination of colors may be produced in the brick itself. Colors produced in a glazed brick are hard, but the colors in the new unglazed brick are soft and may be produced in any desired shade or combination of shades.

The ceramic department at State College, Raleigh, was much impressed with the new product, and admitted that such bricks had (Continued on page six)

ROSMAN HONOR STUDENTS



MISS IRENE PHARR — MISS LAVERNE WHITMIRE

ROSMAN, Feb. 24. — Miss Irene Pharr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Pharr, and Miss Laverne Whitmire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Whitmire, both members of the class of 1932 at the Rosman high school, have made excellent records during their high school careers.

Miss Pharr has been chosen as valedictorian of her class, and has an average of 98.7 for the first three years and six months of her high school career. Miss Whitmire is the second honor student, and has an average of 97.9 while in high school.

Miss Whitmire has been absent only three days while a high school student, two of which were caused by an automobile accident, and Miss Pharr has been absent only four days since entering high school. Miss Whitmire has never been tardy during her high school career.

In 1930, Miss Pharr took a business course and was valedictorian of her class in typewriting, making an average of 50.8 words per minute. She has been active in the social life of the school and is one of the most popular members of her class.

Miss Whitmire has also taken an active part in school and social activities. She was a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics held at the Plaza Hotel in Asheville Monday night.

Each girl is finishing high school with four years of foreign language when only two are required, and three years of mathematics when only two are required. Miss Pharr says these girls have the highest averages in the history of the school.

WILL GO TO CONVENTION AT CHICAGO

Former Standard Bearer Will Take Personal Charge of Fight

NEW YORK, Feb. 24. — Former Governor Alfred E. Smith revealed in conversations with the United Press today that he intends to go to the Democratic national convention at Chicago in June. There he will be in position to take the personal leadership of the forces now organizing to prevent the nomination of Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York.

Smith refused to discuss Roosevelt but close friends indicated that Smith has no personal feeling against him but opposes him because he feels he is not the party's strongest man, and may eventually throw his support to either Newton D. Baker or John H. Garner.

Smith's decision to go to Chicago forecasts a final fight between these two popular sons of New York state. They have been political friends and allies for years, but now they face each other in a struggle that may become historic.

Smith is putting on again his usual political utterance about prohibition the first since he recently announced he was "willing to make the fight" if Democratic convention so desired. He is preparing to speak for the Raskob home-rule plan to return liquor control to the states before the National Democratic convention here Saturday.

Smith in 1928 stayed in Albany instead of attending the Houston convention where he was nominated on the first ballot. His decision to attend the Chicago convention was taken as indicating a hard fight over the candidate and over prohibition, and he wishes to be on hand to lead his forces personally.

NEW INTEREST SEEN IN W. N. C. GOLD DEPOSITS

Completion of Leases in This Section Recalls Report of 1896

COWARTS, Feb. 24. — Completion of recent mineral leases in Jackson and Transylvania counties has revived interest in a report, which was a part of the North Carolina Geological survey in 1896, concerning gold deposits and mining operations in the two counties.

The report concerns itself mostly with gold mining in the Saprophy section of Jackson county during the latter part of the 19th century, and is as follows:

"The gold of Jackson county has been obtained almost entirely from placers or detrital beds. These are situated chiefly along the southern slopes of the Blue Ridge, near Hogback and Chimney Top mountains.

"The most important locality is Fairview, in the Georgia-Town Creek, one of the head streams of the Towax, is said to have yielded between two and three hundred thousand dollars. The deposit extends several miles along these elevated basins, and have been by no means exhausted. The origin of the gold here is unknown, but is thought to be of the same origin as the quartz veins of the Blue Ridge which rises on the north and east—a precipitous wall of gray gneiss about a height of 700 or 800 feet above the base of the hill. It is along the base of this wall, where the Towax creek cut a deep channel, that the gold has been principally obtained.

"The deposit is in the Towax section, near the Henderson-Townsylvania county line and the headwaters of the French Broad, will water obtain, and evidently a continuation of the same belt of deposits."

It is said that Lake Fairfield covers a big gold deposit. In this same section, located in the famous Gold Spring, which has yielded heavy yields of the precious metal in the latter part of the last century. The spring is located in the Panther Town section of Jackson county. It is situated almost at the crest of the Blue Ridge and is about a mile from Lake Fairfield and highway No. 28. The gold deposits of the spring were stopped for many years because of its being blasted. The blasting was done at the same reason that "the goose that laid the golden egg" was killed. The scheme failed.

It is reported that the waters of Gold Spring began depositing the precious metal about three years ago. The reports, which come from an experienced surveyor and a native of the Fairfield section, are that the gold is grounded. At present there is a dispute between members of the same family in Jackson county, and the Jennings heirs of Pennsylvania, who have a legal claim to the property. The matter is expected to be settled within a few days. Mining operations at the Fairfield are in the future planned to be extended if they succeed in substantiating their claims to the property.

ROSMAN TAX RATE IS CUT

Mayor and Aldermen Vote Salary Reductions of \$576

ROSMAN, Feb. 24. — The aldermen and mayor of Rosman held a meeting recently for the purpose of reducing taxes, and as a result a council has been saved to pay the policeman's salary, with the exception of \$24. The tax rate was reduced from 40 cents to 35 cents on each \$100 valuation. The aldermen and mayor each were reduced from \$300 per year to \$12, and the policeman's salary from \$30 to \$50 per month.

This is a saving of \$576 per year, and the mayor commends the aldermen very highly for taking this step in saving expenses.

A. M. White is mayor, E. M. Collins, G. H. Woodard and M. Sisk are aldermen, and W. M. Stroup is policeman.

MILLER HEADS VICTORY FUND

Democrats Will Meet Friday to Organize County Club

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LUMBER FIRM REEMPLOYS 150

Firmer Condition Indicated in Local Industrial Activities

Although the industrial situation in the county has been improved directly by a single development of the past week, the tendency is to look for better conditions here in that line, and all industries seem to be in for an early "lift," though the indications are not strong enough to tell just when the further uptrend will come about.

The Moltz Lumber company in the Towax section resumed operations this week with a full quota of 150 men. Not far across the county line in Jackson county, at East LaPorte, the mill of the Blackwood Lumber Co., which has a force of 175 men has resumed work, giving the entire quota of men there employment.

J. S. Silverstein, manager for the tannery and extract plants in this county stated yesterday that all of the plants continue in operation on part time, in order to give employment to each man on the payroll, and although he is not over-optimistic he says he feels that business has "absolutely struck bottom," which means that there must be a return from the policy which has now been reached.

The Disgab cotton mills continue in operation with the entire force employed, and although no statement was given out with regard to the condition of the yarn business, it was known that the cotton market reached a new high for the past two years this week, which is a definite promise of improvement of business in the textile line.

Hamlin Speaks at Asheville Meeting

Funeral of Buddy Nicholson, 10, Is Set for Thursday

Lewis P. Hamlin was one of the speakers at the patriotic meeting of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics held at the Plaza Hotel in Asheville Monday night.

Mr. Hamlin, who is state vice-president of the Junior Order, spoke on the subject "The Patriotic Spirit of the Junior Order of the United American Mechanics." The exercises were presented in observance of the bicentennial celebration of the birth of George Washington, and were attended by various patriotic organizations, lodges, and orders of Western North Carolina.

Funeral services for Buddy Nicholson, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Nicholson, who died Tuesday morning at the home of his parents in Savannah, Ga., will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of his aunt, Miss Willie Mae Neely, on French Broad street. Rev. Paul Hartsell, pastor of the Brevard Baptist church, will officiate. Interment will be in Oak Grove cemetery.

Little Buddy had been in ill health for the past several weeks, the final cause of his death being attributed to heart trouble. He and his parents formerly made their home in Brevard, but have been residents of the Georgia city for the past several years. They were frequent visitors in Brevard with the little fellow's aunt, Miss Willie Mae Neely and Miss Mattie Hall and other relatives here.

The body arrived in Brevard at 1 o'clock on Wednesday, accompanied by Miss Willie Mae Neely. The parents arrived by motor early Wednesday morning.

Surviving are the parents and one sister, Sarah Mae Nicholson.

Mrs. J. A. Yates Buried Thursday

ROSMAN, Feb. 24. — Mrs. J. A. Yates, age about 83 years, died at her home at Cool Spring, in Iredell county, Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 3:25 p. m., following a stroke of paralysis suffered the previous day.

Funeral services were held the following day at Society Baptist church, conducted by her pastor, Rev. O. A. Oakley, assisted by Rev. J. E. McSwain and Rev. Swain, pastor of the First Baptist church. Interment was in the cemetery nearby.

Mrs. Yates had been a devoted member of the Methodist church for 45 years. She was preceded in death by her husband three years ago.

Surviving are the following children: Mrs. J. A. Stroud, Turnersville, W. F. Yates, Greenwood, Rev. E. E. Yates, Rosman; and T. C. Yates, Cleveland; fifteen grandchildren also survive.

Fallbearers were grandchildren.

Kiwanis Chief to Visit Local Club

H. L. Miller of Hickory, lieutenant governor of the first Kiwanis district, will pay the Brevard Kiwanis club his first official visit Thursday. He will speak at the noon luncheon, outlining some of the major work being undertaken by Kiwanis clubs of the Carolina district this year.

The Brevard club, under the leadership of the Rev. R. L. Alexander as president, is very active in civic affairs of the community, having as its major project for the year, under-privileged child work.

CLASS PLAY SELECTED

The seniors of Rosman high school have selected as their class play, "Mammy's Little Wild Rose." Work will begin this week under the direction of Superintendent G. C. Bush.

SEVENTH GRADE HAS CHARGE OF PROGRAM

ROSMAN, Feb. 24. — The seventh grade had charge of chapel last Friday. The name of the program was "Aunt Maggie's Visit." The cast was as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Long, a young married couple, G. C. McClure, Jr., manager, Glazner, Barry, their counselor, Mills, Allison; Mrs. Maria Lemp, Mrs. Long's aunt, Mary Morgan; Kate, Mrs. Lemp's maid, Pauline; Sam; Alonzo Hale, Mr. Long's uncle, Everett Whitmire; Sam; Mr. Hale's servant, Billie Dockins.

The class sang a song, "Just Singing Along." Many visitors were present.

Millie Allison, 7th grade.

WESLEYAN REVIVAL ENDS

Rev. G. W. Curtis of Old Fort, assisted by Rev. G. E. Kellar of Rosman, closed a successful revival meeting at the Wesleyan A. M. church in Brevard Sunday night. A number of conversions were reported.

MAGICIAN AT ROSMAN

ROSMAN, Feb. 24. — Wallace, a magician of Durham, will give a program at the Rosman high school auditorium Wednesday evening. A small admission fee will be charged.

PENROSE MAN HEADS V. F. W.

G. F. Woodfin and Others Elected Temporary Officers

A post of Veterans of Foreign Wars was organized in Brevard Thursday night, when ex-soldiers and others interested in the movement met at the courthouse for the purpose of effecting an organization.

Temporary officers were elected, with G. Frank Woodfin, of Penrose, chosen as post commander, and Noah C. Miller, of Brevard, as adjutant.

Application for charter membership was signed by 15 ex-soldiers who served overseas in foreign wars.

H. H. Morris, section commander of the state department, and B. T. Hall, district commander, both of Asheville, were present at Thursday night's meeting, and spoke to the veterans and others present regarding organization matters.

NEW BOOKS IN LIBRARY

ROSMAN, Feb. 24. — We have just received a large number of circulating books from the North Carolina books about almost anything we care to read about and there are new ones every day. We can get a new one every day, if we are able to read them that rapidly.

Hazel Moore, 6th grade.