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APPRECIATES NEWS; SPIRITUALISM IDEAS

We always look forward with pleasant anticipations to the opening of the mail on Saturdays at which time we usually receive the News. We then spend a few minutes conning the columns of the paper for the record of what is going on in Transylvania industrially, socially, religiously, educationally, politically, upward, forward, downward and sidewise. We are delighted when we see a record of progress in any community of the county. Occasionally we are made sad by the record of the death of our friends, old, in the prime of life and little children; yet we realize that such is the common lot of all, and soon as we shall all be called from the duties of this life into that beyond.

A great deal is being said these days concerning "spiritualism," that "new" concocted theory of Sir Oliver Lodge and Conan Doyle which "reaches back to the days of Noah." A great many people, weak-minded as well as strong, seem to be carried away with this thing which, in reality, is the work of the devil in the rottenest form.

The idea of spiritualism is nothing new. In the ancient times some believed in it so much as to consult "mediums" as they do now. It manifests most activity just after some great upheaval of war as well as after some dire condition of the mind. In his "Spiritualism and Imposture," Dr. Talmage says that it takes advantage of those who are weak and morbid with trouble, that "we lost a friend, the house is dark, the work is dark, the future is dark, and if we had in our rebellion and weakness the power to marshal a host and recapture our loved ones we'd do it. Spiritualism comes at the moment when we grow weary watching our sorrows and sadness, all worked out, body and soul. Then it says, 'Now I will open the door, and you take your seat at the table and you'll hear the voices.'" Such an infamous idea deserves to be hated with righteous hatred, as God hates sin; because "it takes the advantage of those who are sorrowful and sad under life's weary load."

A little fun is occasionally associated with incidents connected with diabolical teaching. It is said that a believer in spiritualism was in consultation with a "medium" and his whole desire was to shake hands with his wife, who had long been among the souls of the departed. He contributed the required coin and he said the hand appeared and he gave it the same generous clasp of former days when she was here, but that particular hand had five fingers and his wife had only four. The "medium" didn't know it.

In matters political, this is the year in which the boys are to have their fun competing for positions which, in most instances, do not pay enough to justify anyone in making the race if it was not for the fun they got out of the contest. From the list of names announced in the News, the indications are that Transylvania is not lacking in aspirants for certain positions, and we suppose a lively contest is to be expected. May the best man win! We suppose other hats will be "flung" into the arena and that great and mighty will be the race. In the language of Shakespeare or Milton or one of the antediluvian poets or somebody else, we hope there will be

"No blood spilt,
No one kilt,
But a hot race
And a long pace
To the office they covet;

BREVARD NEWS CHANGES HANDS

As we go to press a deal is being closed whereby the ownership of the Brevard News and Brevard Printery is being transferred from Shipman, Osborne and Band to a local man. Negotiations have not gone far enough, however, to make any announcement of the new owner or his plans. It is expected that the present management will continue in charge temporarily. Announcement of the permanent plans of the new owner will be published next week.

THE PRAYER CORNER

A PRAYER FOR EASTER

Shall some new vision of The Christ be ours today. O Our Father or shall we go to the tomb only to find His grave clothes.

If so, let us also see the angel who shall tell us, "He is not here—He has risen." We shall not have far to seek, only grant we may not walk beside Him with eyes holden, or with hearts that fail to burn as He speaks, and let us be quite sure. He will appear as to those of old, in human form, and be found in the familiar pathways. O let us know His Presence now, even as we pray, and let us go hence strengthened as by Him—conscious that an Easter Day is ours whenever our souls arise to do His bidding, to minister in His name, to follow in His Footsteps, to commune with Him, whether it be in the crowded place of worship or in the silence of our own hearts.

We would remember before Thee, on this great day, those who mourn, who see no light, no hope, and refuse to be comforted. God of consolation visit such. Give the oil of joy for mourning and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness.

Put the Christ-child into the mother's empty arms, put the Christ spirit into us all, and bid us see that sorrow has a ministry as divine as that of joy, so that while we may be in Gethsemane, we shall know, even as He did, that Thine own angels are near to comfort and sustain and to cheer.

Nor dare we forget those who grieve for sorer loss than the closed grave ever knows; those who see their loved ones in the toils that are worse than death, more cruel than the tomb. O, Father, stretch out Thine Hand and save such and give them back, restored to the hearts that yearn for them.

Let the day bring beauty and also gladness to human souls and a closer communion with

The Risen Lord

Wherever His followers call upon Thee this day, may they have the vision that fadeth not away, the renewal of the hope that we believe is at last to be fulfilled to Thy children, and all we ask is in His name, Amen. C. D. C.

NOTICE, TAXPAYERS

If you have not listed your personal property and poll, it will pay you to come in and do so at once. There is a penalty for failing to do so.

With good cheer
Both far and near,
And plenty of fun
Till the victory's won
Because all run for the love of it."
T. H. C.

SOUVENIR OF THE GREAT WAR

All the soldiers and sailors who volunteered or were drafted into the U. S. Army or Navy, whether they actually took part in the conflict or not, are asked to see Mr. Ralph Fisher, Mr. Verne Clement or Mr. Louis Loftis about having their record inserted in the beautiful "Souvenir of The Great War" which is to be gotten out for our Transylvania Heroes.

Each man will be asked to contribute a cut made from his photograph to be put in the book, together with an account of his life and war record. Those who made "the supreme sacrifice" will be given the place of honor in the front pages.

The Souvenir will have a map of Transylvania showing the homes of our boys, a map of the battle fields in France and Belgium; pictures of airplanes, tanks and men in battle; a short history of the Great War and poems about it. The book will be edited by E. H. Norwood assisted by Messrs. Fisher, Clement and Loftis and will be gotten up in handsome style so as to make a suitable souvenir to hand down to your children's children.

In order to make the publication of this book possible each soldier and sailor must do his part. The cuts of the photographs of each man will be furnished at cost, be paid for by himself and remain his property after the book is published. If there are any of the men too poor to pay for their pictures the cost of same will be divided up among the rest.

PROF. G. D. MEARES DIES

A large circle of relatives and friends in both North and South Carolina will be grieved to learn of the death of Prof. George Dawkins Meares of Raleigh, N. C., which occurred at the home of his niece, Mrs. H. A. Southerlin, Travelers Rest, S. C. Tuesday P. M., March 9th, at 5:40 o'clock. He was born at Laurens, S. C., Jan. 31st, 1860, and was therefore in the 60th year of his age. He was a member of Edenton St. Methodist church, Raleigh, N. C., in which city he spent most of his life, having been educated at the Blind Institute, and married the daughter of Mayor Wm. H. Harrison of that city. His mother-in-law was matron of the blind institution for 17 years.

Prof. Meares was a musician of musical talent and his music was a treat where ever he played or sang. He was at the time of his death a salesman for the Weaver Piano Co., of York, Pa. He is survived by two children, Wm. Meares of Ky., and Mrs. Lotties Lea Harris, of Washington City, also by two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Miller of Asheville, N. C., and Mrs. W. P. Hogsed of Rosman, N. C., and one brother, S. B. Meares of Black Mountain, N. C. He was a twin brother of the late Prof J. C. Meares of Pittsburgh, Pa. His remains were taken to Raleigh, N. C. for interment Thursday morning accompanied by his nephew, R. Leo Hogsed.—Greenville News.

MEMORIAL SERVICES AT DAVIDSON RIVER

On Easter Sunday, Apr. 4 there will be a memorial service for the three deceased members of the Elisha Allison family held in the Davidson River Church. The hour is 3:30 P. M. The service will be conducted by Rev. John R. Hay and Rev. Elisha Allison. All those wishing to show respect for the dead and sympathy for the bereaved are cordially invited to be present and to bring flowers.

ELISHA ALLISON AND FAMILY

A few weeks ago, before the influenza came again to our county, one of the happiest homes and most promising families of this section, was that of Elisha Allison. He and his wife and their four unmarried children were living on their place near Pisgah Forest, while the two married daughters were nearby on the adjoining farm. The epidemic came and practically everybody in the three families came down at once. Little Franklin Jennings was the only one in the Allison home who was not sick; except for his efforts and the heroic service of Miss Mary McPhail Davis, they would have been in desperate straits indeed. At the time the whole community was struggling desperately with the epidemic, there not being enough well people to care for the sick.

Mr. Allison, himself sick, came from ministering to a sick neighbor to take to his bed. Pneumonia developed with Mr. and Mrs. Allison and the oldest daughter, Mrs. Jennings. In spite of all efforts of the doctors, a professional nurse and the volunteer nurses and helpers, it was not possible to save them, and on Friday, Feb. 27th, Mr. Allison died; on Saturday 28th Mrs. Jennings died and on Sunday 29th Mrs. Allison followed. Mr. Allison was buried on Saturday. Mrs. Jennings and Mrs. Allison were buried at the same time on Sunday. Of the family only the eldest son, Charley, and Mr. Jennings were able to be present at the funeral. They were buried in the family lot in Davidson River cemetery.

Elisha Andrew Allison was born Sept. 30, 1869 and died Feb. 27, 1920. All of his busy productive life having been spent in Transylvania County.

Mrs. Allison was Miss Mary Ailee Neill of the well-known Transylvania family of that name. She was born June 11, 1872 and died Feb. 29, 1920. Last Christmas was the twenty-eight anniversary of her marriage to Mr. Allison.

Mrs. Jennings was the eldest child, Minnie Leota. She was born Sept. 26, 1894, and died Feb. 28, 1920. She was married Nov. 4th, 1914 to G. T. Jennings.

There were born to Mr. and Mrs. Allison children of whom two died in early childhood. The five who remain are now living in the home at Pisgah Forest.

Stella is the wife of Marshall Feaster and she and her husband will make a home for the others, Charley, Robert, Mary and Lena, and a step-son, Franklin. Mr. Jennings has not yet completed plans for the future of the children; since the mothers death Mrs. A. H. King has kindly cared for the little girl.

Transylvania has sustained an irreparable loss in the death at the very prime of life of three such people. Elisha Allison was a sturdy, independent, upright man; thrifty, energetic, progressive, a fine farmer, and an all-around good citizen.

Mrs. Allison represented the very finest type of christian motherhood, rearing her children in motherly tenderness and love with the fear of God always before her eyes. Her children were her joy and crown; they shall prove a better monument to her than any we could rear.

Mrs. Jennings was taken from life when her work was but begun; yet what she had done gave praise of a highly useful future. She was a diligent and careful housewife, a devoted wife and mother, and a sincere Christian; her little girl is a model of sweetness and good behavior.

Very rarely does the sympathy of

BREVARD INSTITUTE SUMMER SCHOOL

All persons who are interested in summer school work for the coming summer will please take notice that the Brevard Institute—Transylvania summer school will open on June 8th and continued thereafter for a period of six weeks. Matriculation fee of \$2.00 will be charged to students respectively. Tuition will be free to all North Carolina teachers, who take the regular summer school work. Room and board can be had on the Brevard Institute campus for \$30.00 for the period of the summer school.

I want to call attention to the fact that those teachers who will need renewal credits, or credits for the purpose of converting their certificates into a different class to that which they now hold can secure credits at the aforesaid summer school.

Further, would like to call your attention to the fact that we have one of the strongest and most up-to-date faculties of any of the summer schools in North Carolina.

Further, I would like to call your attention to the fact that Brevard is one of the most delightful towns of the South, and think that you will certainly find it so if you come here for our summer school.

Please make your plans to attend the aforesaid summer school without failure. Direct all of your correspondence to Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, director of the aforesaid summer school.

Very truly yours,
A. F. MITCHELL, Co.
Superintendent Public Instruction.

FISH POND CLEANED OUT

When Col. Hodges cleaned out the fish pond at the Court House last week he discovered that several of the largest fish had been stolen. Whoever was the culprit it was a mighty low down trick. These fish are placed in the pool for the entertainment of the citizens and visitors of Brevard and all right thinking people will appreciate and protect them. The other day a small boy was beating the water saveagely with a stick and he had all the finny tribe so badly scared that they raced round and round the pool in a most distracted manner.

Boys, if you like to see fish, look at them and enjoy them but don't annoy them. "Evil is wrought by want of thought as well as want of mind."

BAPTIST CHURCH

April 4, 1920
Easter Sermon at 11 A. M.
Easter exercises by Sunday school at 7:30 P. M.
All members are urged to bring their offerings to the 75 million fund.

a whole community go out to a bereaved family as the sympathy of all has gone to the Allisons. It was impossible at the time to have fitting funeral services, so on Easter Sunday at the regular hour for service—3:30 P. M.—there will be a Memorial Service for all three held in the Davidson River Church of which Mrs. Allison and Mrs. Jennings were devoted members. This will provide an opportunity for all their friends to show their sympathy and respect.

To the bereaved children whose sorrow is too deep for words we would repeat the words of the sweet old hymn:

"Not now, but in the coming years
It may be in the better land,
We'll read the meaning of our tears,
And there, sometime, we'll understand."

NOTICE TO TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Your attention is called to the fact that the time for contributing to the Aycock Memorial is rapidly passing away. It is our desire to close all correspondence on said matter next Saturday, April 3rd. Quite a number of the principals, teachers and students have made liberal contribution to the aforesaid Memorial. In order that each and all of the principals, teachers and students in this county be given an opportunity to contribute, we are getting out this notice. I might say here that Transylvania county has done its bit, or will have done it when all the schools of the county have made their reports. We want to thank you, each and all, for the hearty co-operation which you have shown in the aforesaid matter. A list of the schools and what the schools contributed as a whole will be published in one of the issues of the Brevard News in the very near future. It is our desire that every school in the County be represented. If your school has not been represented please send in your contribution in order that it may be represented when the list of the schools is published. Please report all of your activities concerning the aforesaid matter to the undersigned.

Most cordially and sincerely yours,
HAZEL ALBERT, Director Aycock Memorial Campaign in Transylvania County.

POULTRY NOTES

Now while eggs are cheap is the time to hatch your chickens. The chickens hatched this month will lay before Christmas. Set all the old hens you can scrape up at the same time you start your incubator. When the hatch comes off brood them all together in your home-made brooder I told you about in my last article.

America consumes more eggs than any other nation in the world. Even the rotten ones can be used in tanning leather. Keep your eggs in a cool place. Eggs exposed to heat "stale" rapidly.

Eggs in winter mean profit; the lack of them loss. Hens have a regular grist mill inside of them. If you place your ear close to the body of a fowl at night you can plainly hear the grinding going on in the gizzard. But look out the marshall doesn't catch you, he might misinterpret your motives.

Peanut meal makes an excellent substitute for beef scrap for poultry. Use it in your cooked feed mixed with shorts in the proportion of one to four.

Seasoning the food with pepper or using tonics of any kind, are unnecessary for fowls that are healthy. When fed on highly seasoned food, the hens become sluggish and inactive. The best tonic is variety of food, fresh water and clean insect proof quarters at night.

Quite a crowd of interested spectators gathered at the front of the Court House on Monday to witness and participate in the sale by auction of the two store buildings and vacant lot belonging to the estate of W. P. Weilt, late of Brevard. Lawyer Len English was the auctioneer and spirited bidding ensued. The brick building was bid in by W. H. Duckworth for 13,750.00; the frame building to J. S. Broomfield for \$3,025.00; and the Jim Aiken's lot to Chas. E. Orr for \$2,125.00.

The stock of goods in the Weilt Gent's Furnishings Store was bought by A. E. Hampton at 66 3-4 on the valuation.