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ANNUAL MADISON COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

All indications point to a record-breaking attendance at the Annual Madison County Sunday School Convention which is to be held on Saturday and Sunday, August 10 and 11. The convention will be held with the Flats of Spring Creek Baptist church, fifteen miles southwest of Hot Springs, N. C. The opening session will be held at eight o'clock Saturday night.

According to announcement made by the officers of the county Sunday School Association, the program has been prepared with the idea of having "a convention for the discussion of practical Sunday School plans and problems," the plan being to have something in the convention that will help workers in all departments of the Sunday School.

Among the prominent speakers on the program will be Miss Daisy Magee, Children's Division Superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, Dr. J. H. Hutchins, and Hon. J. Coleman Ramsey. During the convention these workers will discuss various phases of Sunday School work.

As has been previously announced, an attendance pennant will be awarded to the Sunday School having in the sessions of the convention the largest average attendance of representatives, sixteen years of age and over, according to miles traveled. Attendance records will be taken at each session of the convention. The contest is open to all Sunday Schools in the county, except the Sunday School with which the convention is held and others within one mile. The pennant will be presented at the close of the session on Sunday afternoon.

The full program for the convention is as follows:
Saturday Night, August 10
8:00—Devotional.
8:15—Developing Christian Character,
(a) Importance, (b) Means,

(c) Results. Miss Daisy Magee, Raleigh, Children's Division Superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association.
8:50—Record of Attendance.
Announcements.
9:00—Adjourn.

Sunday Morning, August 11
10:30—Devotional—Mr. J. A. Dennis
10:45—Practical Plans for Building Up the Sunday School—Dr. J. H. Hutchins.
11:15—Period of Business.
Reports of County and Township Officers.
Appointment of Committee.
Record of Attendance.

11:35—The Sunday School: (a) Rating, (b) Organization and Staff, (c) Administration, Miss Daisy Magee.
12:10—Offering for Support of County and State Sunday School Associations.
12:25—Announcements.
12:30—Adjourn.

DINNER AT THE CHURCH. EVERYBODY COME AND BRING A BASKET
Sunday Afternoon, August 11
2:00—Devotional—Mr. J. A. Dennis.
2:15—Effective Organization and Activities for the Adult Class. Hon. J. Coleman Ramsey.
2:45—Song.

2:50—The Young People of the Sunday School: Their Needs and How to Meet Them. Miss Daisy Magee.
3:20—Discussion of Sunday School Problems. Led by Miss Magee.
3:45—Business Period:
Reports of Committees and Election of Officers.
Presentation of Attendance Pennant.
Place of Next Meeting.
4:00—Adjourn.

A. W. WHITEHURST,
County President.
STELLA CARVER, Co. Secretary.

MADISON COUNTY WOMAN WINS FIRST STATE PRIZE

MRS. EDWIN JARVIS OF CALIFORNIA CREEK EXCELS IN DRESS CONTEST

Mrs. Edwin Jarvis of California Creek, Madison County, won first prize last week in Raleigh in the State Dress Contest. She was there attending the Woman's Short Course and in competition with women from all over the state of North Carolina. Mrs. Jarvis walked off with the first prize. It will be remembered that Mrs. Jarvis won first prize in a similar contest recently in Madison County. This speaks well not only for Mrs. Jarvis, but also for Miss Frances Crafton, Home Demonstration Agent for Madison County. People of Madison County should take advantage offered them by the Home Demonstration Agent. It is only by cooperation on the part of the people that the services of Demonstration agents can be made effective.

The News-Record congratulates Mrs. Jarvis and Miss Crafton.

CAPTURING STILL, LIQUOR, AUTOMOBILES AND MEN

Sheriff Ramsey informs us that in the last month, the Sheriff's department has captured 8 stills, 75 gallons whiskey, two automobiles, and 16 men.

REVIVAL AT RECTOR CHAPEL CLOSED MONDAY NIGHT

The revival meeting at the Rector Chapel church, a short distance south of Marshall, which has been in progress for about eight days, came to a close Monday night, stated the Rev.

HOW TO REDUCE TAXES

We have heard promise after promise for tax reduction for many years, but still they have increased until it is a burden for many people to meet the high cost of living and pay their taxes. There is a way that this situation can be overcome if the people will get right down to business.

We are located in an agricultural community and must develop the farming industry on a business basis and apply the proper culture to our farms to obtain the most profitable results.

Experience has taught us that we can obtain the best results and the most profits from our farms by raising cattle, sheep and poultry. I want to give you below some actual results in figures of what some of our citizens have done.

Mrs. T. A. Woody of R. F. D. No. 4, for the first six months of this year sold eggs and hens from her flock of 186 hens \$542.37, bought all the feed used at cost of \$199.24, leaving her a net profit of \$343.13. She also milked an average of 8 1/2 cows during this time and received cash for cream sold and milk used \$43.58 and paid for feed \$54.00, leaving the sum of \$389.58 as net profit. The total profit from hens and cows for the six months was \$732.71. Not so bad. This would be a pretty good sized tax.

Mrs. J. A. Dennis received during the past seven months 1022 dozen eggs from 125 hens and has reduced her flock to 47 hens, the cash received from sale of eggs and hens amount

ed to \$403.70. All feed used was bought at an expense of \$176.00, leaving a balance for profit \$227.60. This kind of work will relieve the tax burden.

Mrs. Woody and Mrs. Dennis have kept an accurate account of all their business and any one can see from their experience that there is plenty of money to be made on a small investment on the farms. These good ladies will be glad to give any one all the information necessary for them to handle their chickens and cows profitably. This report should make some of our men take notice.

Madison County has about 5000 farms. If half this number would get to producing eggs and cream on the same basis that Mrs. Woody and Mrs. Dennis have, there would be brought in to this county each year \$2,000,000.00 dollars of new money. This would more than double the amount brought in from tobacco and would be coming in all the year.

Money is very scarce in Madison County for no other reason than we have nothing to sell to bring money here.

I want to urge every farmer in the County to cooperate with those who are erecting the Farmers Warehouse and all work together to make a market for your products and get the farming industry of our County on a business basis.

The Citizens Bank is anxious to assist any farmer who will show his willingness to get his business on a paying basis. We have helped many who are making money and want to help others.

Come on, let's all work together! Give the old cows and hens a chance, and watch your taxes go down.

A. W. WHITEHURST.

Songs of Plain Folks

By James Lewis Hays



General Joe
General Joe is in the garden
With a hoe—
Old and bent, bewhiskered, shaky.
General Joe.
"Ain't you got no work?" he asked me
Months ago.
Sort of quavery—and—who could
Tell him no?
General Joe's a willing worker—
Does his best—
But his frail old arms too often
Have to rest;
And I love to see him leaning
By the wall.
Like a shadow where the other
Shadows fall.
General Joe fought in the army
Long ago;
Comrades all have had their summits—
Had to go.
Sometimes, now, his sickle falters;
He, I know,
Listens for a silver bugle—
General Joe.

PATIENTS AT RECENT CLINIC OF N. C. STATE BOARD OF HEALTH IN MARSHALL

BOARD BREAKS RULE IN GIVING OUT LIST

Below we are giving a list of the children who underwent operations at the clinic recently held in Marshall for tonsil and adenoids. We had hoped to publish this list two weeks ago, but we have at last been successful in getting the list from the State Board of Health. We suggested publishing this list to the lady in charge here and she thought it would be a fine thing to do so, but it seems that she was not aware of a ruling that the State Board of Health has with reference to this matter. A letter dated July 23, 1929, from the Board gives some reasons why they object to the names being used, but at the same time they send us a list with permission to use it as we think best, and as we had promised to publish it, we can see no good reason for refusing to do so. The list follows:

LIST OF CHILDREN IN MADISON COUNTY RECEIVING OPERATIVE TREATMENT

White: Leighton L. Rice, Marshall; R. J. Rice, Jr., Marshall; George Lippard, Hot Springs; R. K. Waddell, Bluff; Ross Buckner, Bluff; Fred Anderson, Jr., Bluff; George Wilson, Marshall; Nervine Wild, Marshall, Rt. 2; Evelyn Roberts, Mars Hill; Hilda Mae Clarke, Mars Hill; Hope Holcombe, Mars Hill; Marie Holcombe Waverly; Melba Lewis, Hot Springs; Willard C. Rector, Jr., Marshall, Rt. 1; Harry Lee Giezantner, Marshall; James W. Giezantner, Marshall; Blanch Rogers, Marshall; Mabel Swann, Marshall; Edith Hensley, Marshall, R. 1; Florence Marie Rice, Marshall; Ruby Buckner, Mars Hill; James Hurley, Bluff; Catherine Lewis, Hot Springs; Emma Kate Rice, Marshall Rt.; Frank Randall, Barnard; Willard Myers, Alexander, R. 2; Bob Bryan, Marshall, R. 4; Billy Roberts, Marshall, R. 5; Earl Norton, Wadwell; Beulah Reese, Walnut; Ruby King, Mars Hill; Grace V. Ramsey, Mars Hill; Ralph Freeman, Marshall, R. 3; Willard H. McHone, Marshall; Clyde Briggs, Marshall; Jean Bryan, Hot Springs; Eula Mae Buckner, Big Pine; Melva Buckner, Big Pine; Louise West, Marshall; Billie Huff, Mars

SEVEN PRISONERS ESCAPE MADISON COUNTY JAIL

OWNED UP TO HAVING TWO OF NUMBER ARE CAUGHT AND RETURNED

THE LIQUOR TOO QUICK—COMPLIMENTED THE OFFICER ON HIS POLITENESS

A dispatch from New Bern says: "These state officers—highway patrolmen—are the stuff," said a well known eastern Carolina rum runner here today, and he had an excellent reason for thinking so. The new state patrolmen are getting active in this district and rum runners are not immuned. So in the course of his official duties, a patrolman alongside a roadster being driven by a lone occupant, and the officer said to him, "Pull up," and the rum runner promptly obeyed.

FLOSSIE SHELTON IN MADISON COUNTY JAIL

SAYS SHOOTING OF HUSBAND WAS ACCIDENTAL. HUSBAND RECOVERING IN GREENEVILLE HOSPITAL. PRELIMINARY TRIAL SET FOR SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST THIRD

Flossie Shelton, who shot and killed her husband, Fred Shelton on July 16, is in the Madison County jail awaiting a preliminary hearing Saturday morning. A great deal has been published in the Asheville papers about this affair, part of which was true and part otherwise. The facts in such cases are hard to get, and the dailies do well to give as many facts as they do; but it was rather amusing to read the Asheville papers in regard to this case. One paper would have it that Fred Shelton died at a Greenville hospital, following the shooting, and the other would come out saying that he was recovering. What the NEWS-RECORD is saying about whether or not Fred Shelton is dead, is obtained from his wife at the jail, she having been interviewed by a representative of this paper Thursday morning of this week.

FORMER MARS HILL STUDENT DIES

Mr. Ophard D. Buckner, former student at Mars Hill, who has been in the army for four years, died July 26, 1929. The sad but beautiful funeral services were held July 29 near his home. Ophard had numerous friends, and many were present at the services.

Professor R. L. Moore, who was there, said of him that he wrote him oftener than any other student, and that the excellency of his letters surpassed that of many a college graduate. At the funeral, Professor Moore read one of his recent letters in which his beautiful thoughts were expressed.

Ophard died at the early age of 24, but the influence of his pure, clean life will live on. During his stay in the Army in New York, he remained aloof from the wickedness of those about him. He went through terrible experiences in the depths of the largest and one of the most reckless cities on earth. Through it all, he developed an individuality which will influence those who knew him.

He composed many beautiful poems, among which was "A Tribute to Mother," which he once rendered to an audience. He was good in speaking and took part in literary work at Mars Hill. He also won medals in debating contests in which he was excellent.

The following is a part of one of his poems about his mother, who died while he was in the army:

O hark! My angel mother speaks to me,
And lays her tender hand upon my head.
Ah! 'Tis the same sweet, gentle voice that she
Caressed me with when o'er my infant bed
She bent to kiss my heavy eyes to sleep,
Or weep with them, if they had cause to weep.
O sweet reality! . . . O cause to grieve!
That love so sweet that only lived to love
And longed so lingeringly not to leave
Should soar, e'en as the softly cooling dove,
Whence none returns and whither all must go!

Speaking of "Specs"

Summer spectacles are important to the affairs of the season, and at the seashore, and in hills, mountains, and on the busy highways one befalls an almost universal acceptance of pyralis materials that remind one of tortoise shell, shell and crystal composite, gray pearl and amber.

During a terrific electric storm Tuesday afternoon, seven prisoners in the Madison County jail made their escape and left for parts unknown. The jail keeper was showing them mercy by letting them stay on the outside of the cells in the corridor. The bars to the windows on the outside have been sawed out a number of times and some of these bars have not been replaced, so the Sheriff says, and the prisoners had an easy time escaping while the jail keeper was off guard during the storm. Sheriff Ramsey tells us that the grand jury has called attention to the need of repairs to the jail, but the commissioners have failed to comply with their recommendations. Two of the prisoners were caught and returned, one being Buckner, charged with stealing chickens. The other one caught was a hobo who was sent on to Buncombe County. The five still at large are two named Gosnell and one Price, all charged with petit larceny, Albert Messer, charged with manufacturing liquor, and Corporal Chandley, who is mixed up in the Flossie Shelton-Fred Shelton shooting affair which occurred July 16. Twelve prisoners were in the jail Thursday, two having been put in Wednesday night. One of these is Steve Tweed, charged with stealing a car from Winston Cook July 20. Sheriff Ramsey caught him Wednesday at Waterville, N. C., and landed him in jail. He is wanted in Tennessee on several charges, it was said.

SPILL CORN MILL DESTROYED

FLAMES RAZE BUILDING OF GENNETT LUMBER COMPANY

Early Monday morning, fire of unknown origin destroyed the saw mill of the Gennett Lumber company on Mill Corn creek, near Big Laurel post-office. The loss was estimated at between \$10,000 and \$12,000, none of which was covered by insurance. Lumber in the mill was not damaged.

According to word received here Monday, the night watchman at the mill went to his home for a few minutes and upon his return to the plant he found it in flames. Efforts to extinguish the fire were of no avail.

Officials of the company were at a loss Monday as to what caused the fire. Plans to rebuild the mill will be made within a few days, it has been announced. The Gennett Lumber Company is an Asheville concern.

I guess I've lost another pupil, said the professor as his glass eye rolled down the sink.

Congress wants more peace and more battleships to enforce it.

—The Pathfinder

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