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DISCIPLINE

"THE ETERNAL PROBLEM OF DISCIPLINE" IS DISCUSSED

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Timely advice to teachers and especially inexperienced on discipline and school management.

There has been so much said on the subject of school discipline that I feel like passing the subject up, but when I begin to count the schools that failed in this county last year on account of poor government, I think ought to at least warn young teachers.

The problems of governing forty or fifty young boys and girls may seem simple to the average man. It is easy from the outside to give advice. It is easy to say that pupils will be well behaved if they are interested.

It is easy that disciplinary problems will solve themselves if the teacher's personality is right. But after all is said and done there will be some bad boys at least there will be in some of the schools. There will be boys who are careless, indifferent, inattentive and rebellious. What to do with these is a question that confronts the best as well as the poorest teachers of this county. While it is impossible to reduce the art of government to a science, there are certain principles that cannot fail to help the young teacher.

In the first place, the rights of the majority must not be invaded by the whims of the individual student. The school law allows the teacher to expel the individual to save majority. It follows from this law that disciplinary measures must deal with the individual. This is precisely the point at which many young teachers fail. They punish the group for the shortcomings of one boy. They scold and threaten the entire school instead of singling out the offender and treating him individually.

In the second place discipline should be checked in the bud. A certain teacher in this county has failed for the past three consecutive years because she let breaches of discipline go unnoticed at the beginning of school under the mistaken notion that after the pupils became acquainted with her that she could reduce the disorder. From the very beginning of school the experienced teacher notices every species of disorder.

SUGGESTIONS TO YOUNG TEACHERS.

1. Correct first pupil who misbehaves.
2. Stick to your program. When the time comes to hear the recitation bear it.
3. One of the best signs of a weak teacher is to see the desks and floor covered with bits and scraps of paper. Don't allow it.
4. If a pupil persists in annoying bring him to a seat near you.
5. Do not give orders and immediately change them.
6. If you give rules do not forget to give them.
7. Do not let the whole class be disturbed by one boy. Go after the boy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
If your school has no library, don't wait till you get one. To get a \$50 library you only have to raise \$10. The State and County are contributing \$40. **CONT'D ON 4TH PAGE**

LESS COTTON

THE TEXAS MOVEMENT FOR ACREAGE REDUCTION

RESOLUTIONS SET OUT

The agitation is for no cotton to be planted in 1915 or certainly not over 1-2 of this year's crop.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct.—An aggressive movement to bring about a reduction of next year's cotton acreage through special legislation of cotton belt legislatures was started in Texas the week beginning October 5 by leading members of the Southern Cotton Association which has recently been reorganized, and through the present movement intends to repeat its success of 1905.

The campaign was started in Texas Monday when Harvie Jordan, of Atlanta, president of the association; former Governor Noel, of Mississippi; Walter Clark, of Mississippi; John L. Hebron, of Jackson, Miss. and John H. Sherrard of Sherrard, Miss. began a tour of the state.

They were scheduled to hold mass meetings at McKinney, Sherman, Dallas, Fort Worth, Waxahatchie, Taylor, Paris, Marshall, Henderson, Temple, Waco, Corsicana, and other points. Delegations from those points will later appear before Governor Colquitt and the Texas legislature and urge that the substance of resolution which appear below be enacted into law.

The Texas campaign will be duplicated in every other Southern state. The association believes that only through legislation can the acreage be reduced. The next state to be visited will be South Carolina, the plan being to work east and west through the belt.

The resolution upon which legislation will be based, were adopted by the convention of the Southern Cotton Association at New Orleans on September 22-20. They are as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, The boll weevil, and other pests and diseases have for many years been destructive to the cotton crop in large portions of the cotton producing states, and their continuous spread now menaces the whole area devoted to the cultivation of cotton.

WHEREAS, Owing to the diminished demand for cotton and the increased requirements for food stuffs caused by the European war the planting of cotton for the year 1915 can be largely reduced or entirely eliminated without imposing undue hardships on the cotton consumers, and

WHEREAS, There is imperative necessity for early drastic action to destroy the boll weevil and other cotton pests, and

WHEREAS, Great benefits will be derived by the substitution of other crops for cotton during the year 1915, thereby reducing the cost of living and giving to farmers the advantages and benefits of crop diversification and restoring worn out lands to their former state of fertility besides greatly enhancing the value of the cotton crop of 1914 by establishing an equilibrium between supply and demand.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this Convention that it would

NOT TO SELL

FARMERS HELD VERY GOOD MEETING SATURDAY.

HOLD ON TO COTTON

The farmers are still enthusiastic and sticking together. But little relief in sight.

The farmers met Saturday in regular weekly session. Owing to the fact of the joint meeting of locals at 3B's the attendance was not so large as in former meetings but enthusiasm was not wanting. The extremely low prices of cotton don't shock the farmers. They don't intend to sell the fruit of their labor for half the cost of production. They have put the lid on tight and are awaiting developments.

Both the president and secretary were tardy and S. S. Weir called the meeting to order and appointed G. G. Page as temporary secretary.

J. B. Thomasson for the finance committee reported that cashier M. E. Herndon of the Peoples Loan & Trust Company from whom they are expecting loan arrangements had not returned from Richmond and that he had no report to make. Mr. Page reported on acreage curtailment by reciting the fundamentals of Lee County Plan which is in its embryo in Lee County, Georgia, and which is gradually spreading to other Counties. Nucleus of the plan is "ten acres to the plow" for 1915 cotton crop. He also stated that a bill had passed the House of Representatives in South Carolina and was then before the senate for a two-thirds reduction on next years crop.

The matter of the County Commissioners dropping the farm demonstrator was discussed and continued. Some of the farmers were of the opinion that the office should not be abolished while others were indifferent. The meeting adjourned to meet again next Saturday when a large attendance is expected.

NEW FREIGHT RATES NOV. 10

The new freight rate schedule will go into effect November the tenth, according to a telegram from L. Green of the freight department of the Southern at Washington to Secretary of the Progressive Association Leslie McGinnis.

The general trend of the schedule was published in the Herald several weeks ago. It showed that the concessions gained through the Association would save something like \$10,000 per year to Kings Mountain merchants and shippers.

RUFUS LEONARD WEIRDIES

Rufus Leonard, the eight months old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fletcher Weir died at their home near town last Thursday afternoon at three o'clock. He was seized with laryngitis some two days and half prior to his death. He suffered immensely through it and died in the severest agony. The little boy was a fine baby, a big robust healthy specimen and had never been sick before. Coming so

37 & 38 OFF

SOUTHERN PASSENGER TRAINS 37 AND 38 SUSPENDED

LAST RUN SUNDAY

On account of the dropping off of traffic occasioned by the war and low price of cotton.

Trains 37 and 38 running in their second sections over the Southern have been suspended.

They made their last trip Sunday. We have not been able to learn just how long this arrangement will be effective but it is probable that traffic conditions will have to improve materially before they are restored.

C. L. BRAGAW OFFERS A PRIZE

Our Fatherless Ones

At the meeting of Kings Mountain Presbytery several weeks ago, Rev. C. L. Bragaw, of Kings Mountain was elected agent for the orphanage in that presbytery. We feel that the selection was a wise one as Bro. Bragaw has always shown an abiding interest in the orphanage and stands ready to aid in any way he can. While most of the agents perform their duties as outlined by the church, we feel and have a good reason for the feeling that Bro. Bragaw is going to go out of his way to help our Home. In the first place he is interested in our children and wants to lend any encouragement within his power to cause them to make good use of their opportunities and better their lives. For several years, Bro. Bragaw has offered a prize to the child who writes the best essay for Our Fatherless Ones, and when we saw him at presbytery he told us he was going to put our paper in all the families in his church and would want to hear from the children through the paper. He has offered a fountain pen as a prize to the girl who writes the best essay for the paper between now and the end of school in May. Our boys have never taken any interest in this contest and in order to arouse their interest the editor will equal Bro. Bragaw's offer and give a fountain pen to the boy who writes the best essay. While the prizes are not so valuable they are a small consideration in comparison to the honor of being the best writer out of two hundred children and the honor of speaking through a paper that has 3,000 readers ought to be some inducement. It used to be the height of the writer's ambition to write something in school that would find its way to the paper, and we hope all of the children will display the same zeal and compete for the prizes. This contest will be under the supervision of the school teachers, and the rules will be given later. Only Eastern boys and girls are eligible.

Second installment of "Trey O'Hearts" will appear in next week's issue.

Unexpectedly it was an unusually hard shock to the family and neighbors. The funeral was conducted at Elbethel Friday afternoon by Pastor M. B. Clegg and interment followed in the cemetery held by

MARRIED

MR. VICTOR HAMBRIGHT AND MISS EDNA ROBERSON

ROCK HILL COUPLE

Marriage of much interest to Herald readers. Kings Mountain folks attend.

A marriage of much interest to a number of our readers and of special interest to Rock Hill society was that of Mr. Victor Hambright and Miss Edna Roberson at Rock Hill, S. C. Tuesday evening of last week.

Mr. Hambright is the son of J. Beat Hambright of Grover and a nephew of G. Fred Hambright of Kings Mountain. He is a stockholder and assistant cashier in the Peoples National Bank at Rock Hill and is among its most prominent and promising young business men.

The bride is one of Rock Hill's very charming daughters and is well known and well liked by a large circle of friends. After the ceremony the couple left for a bridal trip.

Attending the nuptials from here were Messrs. G. F. and J. Beat Hambright, Misses Lois and Gertrude Hambright and Messrs. E. L. Campbell and Tracy McGinnis. Aforenamed gentlemen remained for the York County Fair Wednesday of which G. F. Hambright is a member of the Board of Advisers. The young ladies went to Rock Hill on Monday and returned Wednesday.

WRONG SNAKE STAMPED OUT

A right laughable thing occurred in a certain house in Kings Mountain last Friday night. That selfsame house is located near the Wesleyan church and the laughable affair occurred in the bed chamber of the householder who is none other than Mr. West Cobb. Mr. Cobb was neither drunk nor drinking but was cold sober and sound asleep. In the somnambulism of his mind, (for the body laye the aforesaid room), he walked up to a brush beside the road. Having a desire to remove the brush he took hold and began to pull raising a great rattle in the leaves, whereupon a huge snake having his domestic tranquility disturbed rushed forth to seek revenge. The aforesaid Mr. Cobb sailed into the viperous serpent and began to stamp and kick with all the stampability and kickability his said physique would afford.

Of course the job became too stout for one asleep so he awoke. He found no brush, no leaves, no snake, but plenty of stamp and kick, for his toe not the big toe, but the third toe exclusive of the big toe, was complaining mightily. U—m—umph! Upon investigation, for he really did investigate, he found the toe was the only material part of his somnambulant experience. The toe had done its part in killing the snake. A bad toe. It was not the great toe but the greatness thereof exceeded the greatness even of the great toe. Evidently Mr. Cobb did all the kicking that he dreamed he was doing, but he didn't have the "Jimmies".

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LINWOOD

MRS. LINDSY CONVALESCENT AFTER OPERATION.

ART PUPILS DO WELL

Many pupils spend week-end at home—Good life items too late for last issue

Mrs. A. T. Lindsay is rapidly improving from the operation of having her tonsils removed last Thursday. We sincerely hope that she will soon be entirely well again. The art pupils and Miss Massey, their devoted teacher, seem to be completely wrapped up in their work this year. They have been landscape painting several times this week. We hope that they will have an exhibit next spring of some of the beautiful views around Linwood painted from nature. Messrs. Paul White and Gray Castles spent the week end in Gastonia with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Spencer and Miss Eva Riddle spent the same time with Mrs. Fred Howell who lives in Gastonia. Miss Ruth Todd spent Sabbath and Monday in Charlotte.

The following young ladies spent the week end with their parents: Misses Kate, Pursley, Della Emmerson, Fay Kidd, Meigg Gamble, Rachel Pearson, Macie Oates, Eva Huggins and Mr. D. H. Ivey of Charlotte was over Monday and fitted the uniforms for the girls. The girls, are of a very neat cut and the girls were well pleased with them. We are very happy over the fact that we are going to have the uniform hats instead of the caps this year.

The Bynalinia Literary Society delightfully entertained the faculty and girls last Saturday evening in the parlor of the new building. Progressive conversation was engaged in for awhile, and then a guessing contest took place. The lucky party received a handsome box of stationery. At a late hour, the hosts garbed in white coats and caps served bananas and cream, and after while the girls returned to their rooms, pronouncing the young very charming entertainers.

KINGS MOUNTAIN VS LINWOOD

The Kings Mountain basket ball team went out to Linwood College last Friday and played the Linwood team. The score was 32 to 31 in favor of Kings Mountain. Boiling Springs team will play Kings Mountain here next Monday 3. P. M.

MRS. SMITH BREAKS LEG

Mrs. M. J. Smith of the Dilling Mill section fell Saturday morning and broke her left leg just above the ankle. The fracture is compound. She was engaged in scouring the floor and slipped down. Not only did she slip to the floor but slipped from the house floor out at the back door and fell fully a foot to the level of the back porch and came very near falling from the porch to the ground eight feet below. The accident was severe and her escape with no greater injuries is remarkable.