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TREES

I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree;
A tree whose hungry mouth is pressed
Against the earth's sweet flowering breast,
A tree that looks at God all day,
And lifts her leafy arms to pray.
A tree that may in summer wear
A nest of robins in her hair
Upon whose bosom snow has lain,
Who intimately lives with rain,
Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree.
—Joyce Kilmer.

NATIONAL THRIFT WEEK

A great amount of the poverty and distress that the charitable organizations and welfare officers are called on to aid is largely due to lack of thrift. An old philosopher once wrote that "the highest step on the summit of charity's golden ladder is to aid a man that he may earn an honest livelihood and not be forced to the dreadful alternative of holding out his hands for charity." Certainly it can be said that we help others most when we help them to help themselves.

By experience welfare workers have learned that the best way to combat poverty is to encourage in individual industry. There will always be those who temporarily, at least, will need charity. But when we encourage thrift upon the part of any individual we are most likely removing him forever from the possibility of ever becoming a charitable object, making the number of individuals dependent on public charity fewer and adding to the sum of human happiness.

OLD FORT VS. CROSSNORE

On Friday evening, Jan. 17th, both basketball teams of the Old Fort High School journeyed to Crossnore to play the teams of the Crossnore High School.

The girls' teams played first, the game resulting in a victory for the Crossnore team. The Old Fort girls made a good showing in spite of the fact that examinations and "hard study" had hindered their practice for a while.

The boys' game was quite exciting and although the Old Fort boys fought until the last minute, the Crossnore boys were victorious.

Although our teams suffered defeat, everybody enjoyed the trip and are anxiously waiting for the next basketball games.

The boys' team was as follows: Van Hughes, Captain; C. Griggs, R. Griggs, Guy Grant, Avery Porter, Woodrow Harris, Jonah Taylor, Carlyle Nesbitt.

The girls' team: Nellie Blankenship, Geneva Stepp, Edna Tate, Elizabeth Raymer, Jessie O. Davis, Selma Finch, Eliza Jane Burgin and Nelle Porter.

SEWING CLUB ORGANIZED

On Jan. 10th at 3 o'clock a number of ladies met with Mrs. B. Y. Allison and Mrs. Paul Allison for the purpose of organizing a sewing club. Those present decided to name the club "The Liberes Labores Sewing Society". It is the aim of the society to meet twice each month and to spend an hour or two in making gifts which they can use as Christmas gifts.

The first meeting of "Liberes Labores Sewing Society" will be held with Mrs. J. L. Lackey on Friday afternoon, January 24, at 2 o'clock. Every one present at Mrs. Allison's thoroughly enjoyed the whole affair. Mrs. Allison had said she had a surprise for the ladies, and the surprise was a real feast of delicious refreshments.

Col. D. W. Adams entertained with a luncheon and theatre party in Asheville on Wednesday in honor of his daughter, Mary Virginia, who was celebrating her 16th birthday. The following guests from Old Fort enjoyed Col. Adams' and "Binkey's" hospitality: Misses Polly Ann Greene, Hazel Swann, Stella Sherrill and Juanita Adams.

The Old Fort school always enjoys Dr. McIntosh's visits to the chapel exercises. On Wednesday morning Dr. McIntosh gave a very interesting and helpful talk on colds and their prevention. Dr. McIntosh told of several ways in which each student could do a part in helping to prevent the spreading of colds.

WOODMEN CIRCLE MEETING NEW OFFICERS INSTALLED

On Monday evening, Jan. 13, the members of Rhododendron Grove No. 70 held their first regular meeting of the year.

Officers for the ensuing year were installed as follows: Mrs. Lee Jordan, past guardian; Mrs. B. Y. Allison, guardian; Mrs. Mary Porter, adviser; Mrs. Chas. T. Stepp, financial secretary; Dr. D. M. McIntosh, banker; Miss Daisy McDaniel, attendant; Mrs. Gorman Ledbetter, assistant attendant; Mrs. Howell White, chaplain; Mrs. Mattie Porter, inner sentinel; Mrs. Julia McDaniel, outer sentinel; Mrs. Lola Lonon, Mrs. Henry Ragle and Miss Emma Epley, managers; Miss Edyth Arwyn Stepp, grove reporter.

Mrs. Paul Allison was initiated into the mysteries of Woodcraft.

During the social hour refreshments were served by Mrs. Chas. T. Stepp and Mrs. B. Y. Allison.

The meeting adjourned to meet again on January 27th at 7 o'clock. The first hour will be given to practice work of marches, etc., after which all members of the Circle and also the juvenile members, with a few especial friends, will enjoy a program gotten up for the occasion and light refreshments.

Every member is urged to attend every meeting. Don't forget that the meetings are held regularly on the second and fourth Monday evenings at 7 o'clock in the W. O. W. hall.

TREES AND SHRUBBERY ON JEFF. DAVIS HIGHWAY

The North Carolina Division of the Daughters of the Confederacy has spent \$1500 in planting trees shrubbery on State Route 75, known as the Jefferson Davis Highway. These improvements were presented to the State Highway Commission Jan. 17th at the granite marker the Daughters placed near the Virginia line some years ago. Mrs. J. H. Anderson of Chapel Hill, state director, of the U. D. C. highway committee, had charge of the program. R. A. Doughton of the North Carolina Department of Revenue, accepted the gift in behalf of the State Highway Commission. District Engineer D. M. Rea, of Durham, and State Forester J. A. Holmes of Raleigh, also attended this meeting. All members of the Jefferson Davis Highway committee were present and Oxford Chapter, being nearest to the place of meeting, attended in a body. The Oxford Boy Scouts acted as guard of honor.

COON RE-CAPTURED BY OWNER AFTER 8 YEARS

Mr. Bynum Elliott of Stone Mountain while coon hunting last Friday night was much surprised when he found that the coon he had shot from a large tree was wearing a collar which he had placed around its neck eight years ago. On the collar was Mr. Elliott's name. The coon, which was a pet for two years, made its escape six years ago.

GIVE FERTILIZER NEEDS OF DIFFERENT CROPS

A series of eight circulars containing fertilizer recommendations for the various types of soils of North Carolina and the leading crops has been prepared by the North Carolina Experiment Station at Raleigh. Copies of the circulars may be had free of charge by writing C. B. Williams, at State College

NEW BOOKS AT LIBRARY

New books placed on the shelves of the Old Fort Public Library this week are: The Prodigal Girl, by Grace Livingston Hill; The Glenlivet Murder, by Phillip Oppenheim; Fighting Caravans, by Zane Grey; The Black Camel, by Earl Derr Biggers. The Black Camel is a Charlie Chan mystery story. The library is open during the winter months on Saturday afternoon. New shelves have been built and new books are being added each month. Return the books you borrow promptly, and watch the Old Fort Library grow. Remember, it is your library; help make it a success.

B. J. Curtis, of the Southern Industrial Location Company, of St. Louis, and Tampa, Fla., is expecting Mr. Craig P. Gilbert of Washington, D. C., to spend several weeks in Old Fort as his guest. Mr. Gilbert is an official of the Industrial Company which Mr. Curtis recently represented.

Supt. F. R. Richardson of Marion was a visitor of Prof. and Mrs. S. B. Smithey on Sunday.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Chas. Jenkins on Tuesday evening. Eight members were present.

Mrs. Alma Jordan is ill at her home on West Main street.

Mr. Will Sandlin of Andrews is visiting his mother, and sister, Mrs. Mattie Sandlin and Mrs. Henry Ragle.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crawford and Mrs. C. C. Wyche of Spartanburg, S. C., were guests of their mother, Mrs. J. R. Crawford, on Sunday.

Earl Nesbitt visited homefolks this week enroute to State College where he will re-enter for the spring term.

Col. D. W. Adams made a business trip to Asheville on Friday.

Mrs. Maggie Long of Marion was in Old Fort Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Padgett of Marion were visitors in Old Fort Sunday. Mrs. C. H. Burgin spent Monday in Asheville.

Edward Gray of Shelby was a visitor in Old Fort Sunday.

Mrs. Percy Marr of Almond, N.C., was the guest of Mrs. Percy Grant Sunday.

W. H. White left Sunday for Almond, N. C., to visit his brother.

Mrs. Watkins of Marion visited her daughter, Mrs. Dennis Haynes, Sunday.

Miss LeRoy Bates of Moragnton spent Sunday with her parents here. Mrs. Davis Bright of Marion visited relatives here Sunday.

Miss Katherine Finch spent last week-end in Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Lail of Asheville, were visitors in Old Fort Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Rhinehart spent last week-end in Canton.

Misses Viola and Eula Grant visited friends in Marion Sunday.

Walter Burgin and Otis Grant visited friends in Hendersonville during the week.

Miss Lucy Gray of Elkin was a visitor in Old Fort Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Banks, who have been visiting in Danville, Va., have returned to their home here.

Chaney Dover, who has been working in Tennessee, returned to Old Fort Wednesday.

W. F. Grant of Marion visited his parents here during the week.

Mrs. D. A. Lewis accompanied Rev. D. A. Lewis to Elk Mountain last week end.

T. N. Moore of Asheville was in Old Fort Thursday.

John Melton of Black Mountain made a business trip to Old Fort on Tuesday.

Miss Mae Davie Arney visited friends in Spruce Pine Friday.

Col. D. W. Adams made a business trip to Spruce Pine last Friday.

Miss Marita Frye of Hickory and her friend, Miss Wagg, were visitors in Old Fort Saturday.

Misses Carrie Saunders, Miss Bula Kanipe and Merrill Kanipe spent the past week-end in Charlotte.

Mrs. Hart Taylor left Wednesday for Nashville, Tenn., where she will spend several weeks with Mr. Taylor who is engaged in road construction work at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sandlin and P. H. Mashburn spent Wednesday in Rutherfordton.

Miss Lenore Keatley who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Lila B. Keatley, in Havre de Grace, Md., the past month, returned to Old Fort Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Sweeney and Miss E. Rowe Grady spent Tuesday evening in Marion.

Supt. A. V. Nolan of Marion was in Old Fort Wednesday.

Mrs. Lloyd Reed of Black Mountain is visiting her sister, Mrs. Etta Kelly.

Mrs. W. W. LeFevre and Mrs. Louise Rix spent Thursday in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Goodson of Asheville left Thursday for Sarasota, Fla., where they will spend several months.

"Billy" Gilliam was in Old Fort Thursday. Mr. Gilliam stated he was making an effort to locate all the unmarked graves of Confederate soldiers buried in the Bethlehem and Bethel cemeteries, as requested by the U. D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Fisher spent Sunday in Biltmore.

Mrs. Eddie Ragle has returned home after spending several weeks in Franklin, Ga., where she was the guest of her parents.

Mrs. Whitmire and daughter, Olive, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Epley on Sunday.

Frank Wilkerson returned to Old Fort Saturday after spending several months in Ohio and Detroit, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Moore and family of North Wilkesboro were guests of Prof. and Mrs. S. B. Smithey last Sunday.

Mrs. Georgia Grant of Old Fort accompanied Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Greene of Marion to Florida on Sunday.

Miss Mary Stowe and John Stowe of Asheville visited relatives in Old Fort on Sunday.

F. P. Sweeney left Sunday for Johnson City, where he has accepted a position.

Miss Natalie Epley of Asheville was a visitor in Old Fort Monday.

Miss Mary Stowe and brother, John Stowe, of Asheville, were guests of Miss Catherine Finch on Sunday.

Miss Sue Zachery and Jerry Elliott of Asheville visited the former's sister, Mrs. Ed. Norton, on Sunday.

Misses Norma and Mary Jane Hamby of Black Mountain were guests of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Padgett, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Arney and family attended the funeral services of J. E. Arney, father of Mr. Arney, which were held at Glen Alpine on Monday.

Miss Louise Laughridge, who is attending Greensboro Normal, spent the week-end in Old Fort with her parents.

Rev. M. E. Hansel of Concord has accepted the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Old Fort, and will move his family here very soon. They will occupy the manse.

Dr. D. M. McIntosh attended the banquet given by Dr. F. Webb Griffith, in honor of Dr. W. A. Applegate, chief surgeon of the Southern Railroad, at the Battery Park Hotel in Asheville on last Saturday evening.

Eleven head of short horn cattle were purchased by Alleghany county farmers recently to build up the beef cattle industry of the county.

A REQUEST

Old Fort people are requested to send news items for the Old Fort News page, in the Marion Progress, to Miss Gertrude Dula, editor of this page, and not direct to the Progress office. This is to avoid the same news item being printed twice on the page. Mailing boxes for Old Fort News items will be found at the Old Fort Drug Store and the Bradley Drug Store. Postoffice Box 191, Old Fort, N. C.

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NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by Roy Griggs, dated Nov. 17, 1925, to Grover C. Tabor to secure the payment of certain indebtedness therein mentioned (said mortgage deed being of record in the office of the Register of Deeds of McDowell County, N. C., in Book 35 at page 26) and default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, the undersigned mortgagee will, on February 8th, 1930, at 12 o'clock M. at the court-house door of McDowell County, in Marion, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to-wit:

A certain tract of land lying and being in Crooked Creek Township, McDowell County, North Carolina, described as follows: Being a certain 50 acre tract of land adjoining the lands of Sherrill and Owensby and known as the Curtis tract, and fully described in a deed from Clyde Miller and wife, C. F. Noblett and wife, to Grover C. Tabor, dated the 23rd day of July, 1924 and registered in McDowell County in Book 64, page 380, to which deed reference is here by made for full description.

Said sale to be made to satisfy the indebtedness above mentioned. Posted this 6th day of January, 1930.
GROVER C. TABOR, Mortgagee.

OUR 1930 CHRISTMAS CLUB IS NOW OPEN

Join now in one of our classes ranging from 10c to \$10.00, payable each week, and have your Christmas Money all ready next year.

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Give them the once over.

Boys' Pants \$3.50 quality at \$1.50.

SHOES

Broken lots in shoes at a clean-up bargain price.

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Mrs. W. Crawford
Old Fort, N. C.

Tax Notice!

The tax books of Crooked Creek township are in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Fred Lytle, who will be at Grady Nichols' store in Old Fort all day on Saturdays.

O. F. Adkins,
Sheriff McDowell County.

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Write for price list on Federation Blood Tested Day Old Chicks—Rocks, Reds, Wyandottes and White Leghorns.

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