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### PIONEER SPIRIT

(By J. Hampton Rich)

Boone in his urge of a westward course lifted up his eyes and saw a thin line of frontier which was the Blue Ridge; to other pioneer souls this had been a wall of difficulty; to Boone it was a challenge, and he crossed it. Then he saw another line of frontier, the Great Smokies, and he crossed this.

Then a third appeared before his eyes on the horizon, the Cumberland. He crossed this. Then there met his eyes a horizon unspeakably inspiring to him. This view meant a new vision to him. He began to build forts on the blue grass plains of Kentucky, and to catch a vision of what this Republic carved out of a desert and a forest wilderness was to be.

The urge that made Boone feel restless when he heard the crack of a settler's rifle, or the bark of a settler's dog, to go still farther into the wilderness, was the spear-head of our American civilization.

### FUNERAL HELD MONDAY FOR MR. SAM THOMASON

The funeral services of Mr. William Samuel Thomason of Old Fort, who died Sunday at 10:30 a. m., were held at the Presbyterian church at two o'clock Monday afternoon. Mr. Thomason moved to Old Fort from Oxford, N. C., about 26 years ago. Since the death of his wife, sixteen months ago, he made his home with his son, Geo. W. Thomason, where he passed away. Mr. Thomason was a faithful member of the Presbyterian church and had many friends in Old Fort who will miss his presence in the town where he has lived for so many years.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Mary Klutz, of Salisbury; a son, Geo. W. Thomason, of Old Fort, and nine grandchildren.

The funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. M. E. Hansel, and interment was made in the Old Fort cemetery.

### REV. F. W. BRADLEY DIES AT HOME IN GASTONIA

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Mauney and family left Sunday to be at the bedside of Mrs. Mauney's father, Rev. F. W. Bradley, who has been in feeble health for a number of years. News of the death of Mr. Bradley was received in Old Fort on Sunday evening.

Mr. Bradley, who was a retired Methodist minister, had many friends in Old Fort who will regret the passing of this noble Christian man.

### MUSICAL COMEDY AUG. 7

The Old Fort Order of the Eastern Star will present a musical comedy, "All of a Sudden Sally," on August 7th. The play will be given for the benefit of the chapter and will be directed by Miss Alla Virginia Huie, of Texas, of the Elise Producing Co., of McRae, Ga. Mrs. G. W. Sandlin will assist in directing and selecting the cast for the play.

### STRICKLAND-EADY

The marriage of Miss Hazel Eady, of Jonesville, S. C., to Mr. Franz Strickland, of Lake City, S. C., on Thursday afternoon, July 24th was of much interest to their friends in Old Fort. Mr. and Mrs. Strickland, after a brief stay in Asheville and Old Fort, returned on Sunday to Lake City, where they will make their home.

### PLAYERS TAKE "BEATING"

According to studio gossip, the players of "Free and Easy" underwent no little "punishment" during the making of this comedy, the various sequences requiring more than the usual falls and slap stick routine seen in the average comedy. Karl Dane, for instance, had to permit himself to be blown up by a charge of dynamite; Trixie Friganza is the occupant of a dirigible whose bottom falls out after it has risen from the gorund Robert Montgomery is knocked out in a "free for all" while Buster Keaton falls off a moving train and in a rehearsal scene is mauled about by eight huge women in the manner of a punching bag. Everybody's Theatre, Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 4-5. —Adv.

### ARROWHEAD MONUMENT UNVEILED HERE SUNDAY

Over five thousand people attended the unveiling ceremonies at Old Fort on Sunday. It was a matter of much satisfaction to the people of this place that so many citizens of adjoining counties and states, many of whose ancestors traveled this trail on their way farther west, added their presence and co-operation in paying tribute to the early pioneer settlers.

The public square, in the center of which the large arrowhead monument stands, was decorated with flags and bunting. The speakers' stand was built in front of a large terraced lawn, which formed a natural amphitheatre that accommodated a part of the largest crowd that has ever assembled in Old Fort.

The address of welcome was delivered by Dr. D. M. McIntosh, chairman of the Old Indian Fort Memorial Association, and in his complimentary address expressed appreciation of the assistance given the local association by J. Hampton Rich, of Winston-Salem, who is chairman of the Boone Trail Memorial Association. Mr. R. E. Simpson, of the Southern Railroad, and the Harris Granite Company of Salisbury.

D. T. Roughton, president of the Old Indian Fort Memorial Association, introduced Rev. Clarence Sturges McClellan, Jr., who delivered an appropriate oration on the Pioneer spirit, and the wonderful changes that have been wrought in the last hundred and fifty years. J. Hampton Rich made an interesting address on "The Pioneers of the Appalachian Mountains, and paid tribute to three brave pioneers, David Crockett, Christopher Guist, and Daniel Boone. We do well, said Mr. Rich, to honor the memory of Daniel Boone and his compatriots, those brave and hardy pioneers who caught a glimpse of God's wonderland beyond the Alleghenies.

Hon. Zebulon Weaver made a delightful and informative address on "Pioneers and Their Descendants"—a part of his address being to the thirty Indians who were seated on one side of the speakers' stand, several of whom were friends and former classmates of Congressman Weaver. Other speakers who made eloquent addresses were J. G. Stikeleather of Asheville, E. L. Lattimer secretary and representative of Governor Richards of South Carolina, and C. C. Boone of Black Mountain, who is a descendant of the family of Daniel Boone.

A message to the people of Old Fort from R. E. Simpson, General Manager of Lines West, was read by Mrs. Geo. W. Sandlin. Mr. Simpson, who was unable to attend, is known to his many friends in Old Fort as "Ed Simpson", and his letter expressing sympathy and interest in the old home town was appreciated by the people of Old Fort.

The Indians were introduced to the large audience, and the pipe of peace was smoked by the chief of the Catawba tribe and chief of the Cherokee tribe, while a news reel company from Atlanta took a "shot." The monument was unveiled by little Miss Margaret Nesbitt. The invocation was given by Rev. E. J. Ingle, and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. C. Umberger, both of Old Fort.

### REVIVAL SERVICES BEGIN NEXT SUNDAY

Revival services will begin at the Methodist church in Old Fort Sunday, August 3, and extend two weeks.

The evangelist will be the celebrated Railroad Evangelist, the Reverend Harve Stanbury, of Asheville. Associated with him will be Mrs. C. L. Steidley, a well known Christian worker in the Methodist Church, who will have charge of the music and the work with women and children.

Every one is cordially invited to attend these services and to take active part therein.

We give a special invitation to all the railroad men to come out and hear their old comrade.

J. C. UMBERGER, Pastor.

### HOUSE PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crawford entertained a group of friends with a house party at "Camp Mile Hi" the past week. After spending two days at the delightful camp on the pinnacle of the Blue Ridge, they returned to Old Fort on Saturday.

Some natives of Isbel Island in the Pacific live in trees, among the branches of which rude huts are built.

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Miss Emma Allison and Miss Edith Rowe Grady spent Thursday in Asheville.

George W. Brown of Asheville and Boch Muller of Omaha, Nebraska, were visitors in Old Fort Friday. Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Sweeney, of Johnson City, Tenn., spent the week end in Old Fort with homefolks.

Miss Catherine Finch has returned to Old Fort after having spent a week in Asheville as the guest of her cousin, Miss Mary Stowe.

Miss Lynn Stone, niece of Mr. S. Stone, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stone this week.

L. J. Whisnant attended the furniture show in High Point last week.

Mrs. S. F. Mauney and her sister, Mrs. Mattie Tomlin, of Statesville, her house guest, visited their father, Rev. Frank Bradley, in Gastonia, on Thursday.

Prof. and Mrs. G. B. Strickland of Pine Level were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Miller last week.

Mrs. Nadine Jones is spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. J. R. Crawford.

John Taylor, of Spartanburg, S. C., was in Old Fort Monday.

Joe Lee Grant visited friends in Asheville over the week-end.

Hugh Hensley made a business trip to Marion Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonie Poteat and small son, of Gastonia, spent Saturday night in Old Fort enroute to Hendersonville.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Thompson of Akron, Ohio, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Gosorn.

John Carrell of Staunton, Va., was in Old Fort Monday.

Misses Natalie Epply, Marion Nelly and Edna Rowe, all of Asheville, spent Sunday in Old Fort as the guests of Mrs. Don Gosorn.

Mrs. A. A. Leathers and Mrs. C. W. Morrison of Dixon, Tenn., left last Friday after spending two weeks with their mother, Mrs. Fuller.

Earl Nesbitt and Crawford Fortune, students of State College, Raleigh, have returned to Old Fort for the remainder of the summer.

Miss Doris Woodhead of Lynchburg, Va., is spending several weeks with Miss Audrey Gosorn.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kanipe spent Sunday in Shelby.

Mrs. George Moore spent Thursday in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Murphy and two children of Richmond, Va., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hensley. Abel Hyatt of Winston-Salem was in Old Fort Thursday enroute to Bryson City and Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. T. Case and two daughters, Gladys and Hurshey, of Hendersonville, are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. D. A. Silver of Marion was in Old Fort Thursday.

George Allison of Marion visited his mother, Mrs. Hattie Allison, in Old Fort last Thursday.

Miss Elizabeth Strickland is the guest of Miss Nancy Miller this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Harry B. Ditmore announce the arrival of a son, July 25th, in San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Miles and daughter, Mrs. Frank P. Hobbs, and small daughter, Betty Jane, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sandlin for the night Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Goodson and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Goodson and family were visitors in Old Fort Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Dula and family of Lenoir attended the unveiling ceremonies here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Coulter of Columbia, S. C., were visitors in Old Fort Sunday.

Frank Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Cody Craven and mother, Mrs. Maggie Allen, were among the many Asheville people present at the unveiling here Sunday.

Mrs. A. P. Oxner and Miss Frances Harman of Greenville, S. C., are guests at the Mauney House.

Mrs. F.H. Barber of Asheville was the guest of Mrs. Sue Sandlin last Sunday.

### NIGHT PARADE

What do they care if one drops out Of the glamorous Night Parade! The lights burn on, the dance goes on, and they laugh and they sing; And they stomp and they swing; And the joy of their youth they madly fling, as on, on, on, Marches the Night Parade! Youth and beauty and passion lure The saint, the sinner, the soiled, the pure; Virgin, vagabond, vulture, jade— All who march in the Night Parade! Everybody's Theatre, Friday and Saturday. —Adv.

### TWO PICKPOCKETS SENT TO MARION JAIL

The officers were on their job and did a neat bit of detective work on Sunday, arresting two pickpockets who evidently considered that the large gathering of people at Old Fort would prove a fertile field for their operations.

When T. A. Porter reported to Chief of Police Byrd that someone had picked his pocket, and described the pocketbook and money that was missing, Mr. Byrd, assisted by Sheriff Adkins and Deputy Ben Henley, of Marion, started in search of the thieves. Walking up through the crowd of people on Gosorn's lawn, Mr. Bird noticed two strangers who appeared uneasy, and seemed to be leaving hurriedly. They were followed by the officers, who saw one of the men throw away a pocket book. The two were arrested, who gave their names as R. E. Starnes and W. L. Modrell. The pocket book that Starnes threw away belonged to John Hoyle. Deputy Henley, who searched Modrell, found \$21 in the toe of his shoe and the rest of the money belonging to Mr. Porter in a pocket inside the waistband of Modrell's trousers. Mr. Byrd states that Mr. Henuley deserves much credit for his ability in searching suspects. The two men were tried in Mayor's court and sent to the Marion jail.

### THE GASTON DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS

The presence of the Gaston Post No. 23 Drum and Bugle Corps of Gastonia was much appreciated by the people of Old Fort. Their uniforms of red and blue were very attractive and added a wonderful note of color to the day's program. This jaunty company of about thirty men led by Captain Ben E. Bradshaw, paraded the streets at two o'clock as a preliminary to the day's program.

### BRIEF NEWS ITEMS

In France taxes are imposed on bachelors, old maids and childless married couples.

Victoria water lilies have leaves six feet across and will hold the weight of a child.

### Hints For Homemakers

By Jane Rogers



INSTEAD of pouring it hot over ice, try making iced coffee by chilling the coffee in the refrigerator. This will mean less dilution from the ice in the glass, and a much more refreshing drink. The coffee should be kept in an airtight container between brewing and serving, so that it will retain its flavor and aroma.

Beets are rich in vitamins A, B and C. Also they possess calcium, phosphorus and iron, all of which is more than enough to recommend them for both children and grown-ups. A small amount of sugar added while boiling, about a teaspoon to a cup of water, restores the garden sweetness they are almost sure to have lost in greater or less degree on their way from the garden to the saucepan.

### EVERYBODY'S THEATRE

OLD FORT, N. C.

### "Night Parade"

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D. A. SILVERS

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