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Interesting News Items as Reported Each Week by Our Correspondents in the Several Sections of the County

Valle Crucis

Miss Lula Taylor and Miss Beatrice Shull of the Post Graduate Hospital of New York arrived Tuesday to spend their vacation of four weeks. Friday evening Aug. 22 at eight o'clock in the dining room of the Mission School will be given a musical of unusual interest. Solos and choruses of old time songs and ballads will be sung in appropriate costumes. The program will close with a minuet. Admission will be twenty-five and thirty-five cents, the proceeds to go to the new church building fund.

The troupe of Boy Scouts of Valle Crucis are camping by the swimming pool near Mr. J. M. Shull's.

Among the arrivals of guests at the Mission School are: Miss Virginia H. Roberts and Mrs. Anne R. Davis of Henderson N. C. Mr. Wilson, headmaster Haverford school for boys, Haverford, Pa., Mr. Walter W. Haviland, principal Friends Select School, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Graf, Miss Marie Graf of Salisbury, N. C., Miss Nannie Goitner, Hickory; Mr. Jake Geitner, Arch deacon William A. Harding of Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. Harding Hughes and their baby son of Greensboro, N. C.

Dr. and Mrs. Isaac Hall Manning, Isaac Hall Manning, Jr., John Taylor Manning and Howard Edward Jones Manning of Chapel Hill, N. C. are camping at Warren, Pa. in the Valley.

Other guests in the valley include Dr. and Mrs. Collier Cobb, Collier Jr. and Miss Mary Cobb of Chapel Hill, Mrs. Wentworth Pierce and Miss Dorothy Pierce of Brooklyn, Miss Florence Landis and Miss Norma Burwell of Washington City.

Mr. and Mrs. Curatan and daughter of South Carolina are guests at Mrs. T. C. Baird's.

Mr. and Mrs. Bart Hewey and four children of Statesville, Mr. Dewitt Ramsey and Leroy Steice of Statesville are guests at Mrs. T. H. Taylor's.

Deep Gap

Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Davis of Kernersville are visiting relatives at the Deep Gap. Rev. Davis is the son in law of the late W. P. Welch having married his daughter who was the only child by his first union.

Rev. Davis preached a short but inspiring sermon at Gap Creek Baptist church last Saturday night. The text of his discourse was "God's love and His Kingdom."

Rev. Davis gave many illustrations of God's wonderful works and his love. Every one present admired his way and manner of putting things before his master's congregation.

Miss Theodosia Watson who last week had an urgent call to the bedside of her sick sister came back to school on the week end and is now carrying on her regular duties.

Several visitors were at Deep Gap last Sunday evening. A number of the party came down from Boone. We are always glad to see these folks down from Boone and other points, so come again.

We wish to announce with great pride that the Deep Gap Tie and Lumber Co., Inc. of this place has completed their railroad extension here and is now building their ware house at the end of their line.

In the next issue of the Democrat we are going to give a write up of the officers of the company and a personal history of the men who advanced the project that means so much for our section and country. They are the men that put Deep Gap on the map. Look for this write up.

On Saturday the 23rd inst, in the evening the pie and ice cream supper will be held as usual at Rocky Point school. Everybody come out and enjoy this social and help out in a good cause. Proceeds go to the benefit of the school. Come and help Mr. Dallas Welch the young man here had quite an episode in a Ben Purtle case as it seems but Dallas

Purtle case as it seems but Dallas says it was no Ben Purtle but a case of his "Bringing Up Mother" or that is the way we quoted him from what he said. Go slowly Dallas for every cloud has a silver lining and there is silver in the silvery moon.

Mr. W. A. Watson who has been writing quite often for the Democrat has received many words of praise from your readers as to his writing. He would like to know from the readers what writing they like best and we will try and follow suit. We can write on most any subject.

Meat Camp

Rev. Geo. H. Cox, D. D. of Salisbury, preached a very forceful sermon at the Lutheran church here last Sunday afternoon. Despite his age 86 years, he is a deep thinker and an unusually good talker. We were glad to see the aged minister in the mountains and hope to have the pleasure of seeing him back again.

Mr. Willet Adams and family of near Charlotte visited friends and relatives in the community the past week.

Mr. Bob Ragan of Missouri is visiting on Meat Camp. We are glad to see him among us again. Mr. Spencer Miller, Misses Margaret Beach and Anna Mac Sherwood, teachers of the Winebarger school, spent the week end at their homes on Cove Creek.

Mr. Calvin Moretz of Mabel visits at his brother's Messrs Eugene and William Moretz.

Miss Louise Hodges of the Tugman school, spent the week end in Boone at her home.

Rev. Woosley of Boone is not assisting in the Hopewell meeting as the writer understood last week. However a Rev. Mr. Brown is assisting and the meeting is still going on at this writing.

We are glad indeed to see the improvement in the roads going on up Meat Camp. The roads are being made wider and improved in a general way.

Mr. and Mrs. Kemp Wilson of Zionville, the former principal of the Chestnut Grove School have moved into a house on Mr. D. L. Greene's farm and are making it their home during the continuation of the school.

We are sorry to state that on Sunday night the tenth some person or persons broke into the Meat Camp post office and the store of Mr. A. W. Hodgeson and succeeded in getting some cash and merchandise. We hope the guilty one or ones will be brought to light and served as the law provides.

Mrs. Mary Isaacs and granddaughter of Silverstone visited the former's sister, Mrs. Frank Miller, during the week end.

Messrs Walter, Fred and Cleveland Moretz and Miss Winnie Moretz of the Mount Pleasant community attended services here Sunday.

Mr. Oscar Cornell who has been in Montana for some time, was a visitor here Sunday.

Mrs. Poly Moretz of Boone spent the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Winebarger.

Rev. Roby Eggers filled his regular appointment at the Meat Camp Baptist church on last Saturday and Sunday.

COMMUNITY MEETING

There will be a community meeting at Rocky Point school on Saturday afternoon and evening Aug. 23. Superintendent Smith Hagaman and County Agent John B. Steele have been invited and will make talks on subjects of community interest. The speaking will begin about eight o'clock Saturday evening. Ice cream will be on sale by five o'clock in the afternoon. It is hoped that every member of the community, and especially every patron of the school, will come out Saturday and help make this meeting an even greater success than the first meeting was. A most hearty welcome will be extended all visitors.

NEWS FROM THE TRAINING SCHOOL

Regular Weekly Letter From the Appalachian Training School With Other Items from the Town and Surrounding Section.

Boone seems to be the mecca for campers and the radiating point for sight seers and mountain climbers believing as they do that is one of the most accessible points for the country in general over the Boone Trail highway and convenient to many points of interest in the mountain section. Summer tourists from many states come to Boone during the summer and without exception are delighted with its summer climate and the beauties of the scenery that surrounds. The Appalachian Training School's being located here adds to their interest and many come to look over its rapidly growing plant. Rev. J. S. Johnson of Mountain View Junior College was at the school and conducted devotional service and talked to the student body. Dr. and Mrs. Haviland of the Friends Select visitors and the doctor made an address at chapel. Dr. Van Duesen of Syracuse University, a former teacher in the Training School summer session, was gladly welcomed and addressed the school during chapel exercise and preached at the Baptist Church Sunday night. Rev. Huggins of the Boone Baptist church visited the school and conducted chapel service. Miss Wilson of the East Carolina Teachers' College and her brother, Dr. E. M. Wilson, now of Philadelphia but a native North Carolinian, are spending some time at Boone and Mr. Wilson made a fine talk to the school. To add to the interest of the chapel exercises Prof. James Moore, voice instructor at the school during the summer, gave several solos for the pleasure of the student body. Dr. J. D. Rankin, of the Training school faculty left on Friday on an auto trip to the City of Washington to spend several days.

The students of the summer school with the large number of visitors have added greatly to the interest in attendance and the various church services, both the Sunday School and preaching services making them more helpful to all. The several Sunday School classes have had greatly increased numbers in attendance, for example the class composed of the young ladies of the Methodist church usually enrolls from 10 to 60, but this summer at one time there were 161 present. This is largely true in all the churches.

Game Fish Swim Up Stream

It's easy to drift as the current flows. It's easy to move as the deep tide goes. But the answer comes when the breakers crash. And strike the soul with a bitter lash. When the goal ahead is endless fight. Through a sunless day and a starless night. Where the far call breaks on the sleepers dream. "Only the game fish swim up stream"

The spirit wanes where it knows no load. The soul turns soft down the easy road. There's fun enough in the thrill and throb. But life in the main is an uphill job. And its better so where the softer game. Leaves too much fat on a weakened frame. Where the far call breaks on a sleeper's dream. "Only the game fish swim up stream"

When the clouds bank in and the soul turns blue, When fate holds fast and you can't break through— When trouble sweeps like a tidal wave. And hope is a ghost by an open grave, You have reached the test in a frame of mind. Where only the quitters fall behind. Where the far call breaks on the sleeper's dream. "Only the game fish swim up stream"

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C. C. H. S. WILL OPEN MONDAY SEPT 8TH

Matters of Interest Regarding Accrediting, Home Economics Department, New Building and the Status of Last Year's Graduates.

The Cove Creek High School will open for the fall term on Monday September 8th. Every student is earnestly urged to be present on the opening day and may I suggest to the parents the importance of seeing that your child is present on that day. The first few days of a school term are very important because the grading and classification of students the buying of text books and the ground work for the whole year must be done then if the best results are to be obtained.

It is our desire that the coming year may prove to be a year of accomplishment and service of the highest degree. There is no reason why this ambition cannot be realized. The Board of Education has very generously added to the school plant by the erection of a new building and the installation of an up-to-date Home Economics equipment. To my mind there is no more important and far reaching part of a school's activity than the training of girls along this line. The library and science facilities are also being enlarged.

The faculty will be practically the same as last year. Miss Gertrude Bundy of Jamestown, N. C. will be in the Home Economics Department. Miss Bundy is a graduate of Guilford College with post graduate credit in Home Economics from the North Carolina College for Women.

We extend to the parents, patrons and friends of the school a cordial invitation to visit the school at any time and a special invitation to be with us on the opening day.

For the information of the graduates of last year in regard to attending a part of this school so that they may be considered graduates of a standard school and also for the benefit of those who may doubt the school being made accredited during the coming session, I would like to have the following letter from Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, Supervisor of High Schools, published.

S. F. HORTON, Principal. Dear Mr. Horton

The Board of Certification considered yesterday the matter of allowing the graduates at last year's class at the Cove Creek High School to return to the school next spring and complete requirements for graduation from a standard school. The Board passed a resolution which provides that if the students spend three months of twenty days each in your school, taking four regular high school subjects getting credit for the same, they may be allowed graduation from the school. I trust that the students will return and get such benefit as standard high school graduation confers.

Let me mention the matter of accredited rating for the Cove Creek School at the close of the session 1924-25. The school would have been accredited at the close of the past session had not one of the teachers failed to secure a High School Teacher's Certificate. If, therefore, the teachers employed in the school for the session 1924-25 are properly certified, the other requirements for accredited rating have been met, the school will be placed upon the accredited list and the graduates of the school in the class of 1924-25 will be graduates of a standard school entitled to all the rights, privileges and benefits which such graduation from a standard high school confers.

You are at liberty to publish this letter in the newspaper or to use it in any other way that your judgment may suggest.

I was disappointed that the Cove Creek School could not be accredited at the close of the past session and I am delighted at the prospect of such rating for the school at the close of the next session.

J. HENRY HIGHSMITH, Supervisor of High Schools, Raleigh.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10 a. m. B. Y. P. U. 6:45 p. m. Church worship 11 a. m. and 6:45 p. m.

Subject Sunday morning "My Lord and My God." Sunday night "Modern Prodigals"

We extend a cordial invitation to all to worship with us.

ALEXANDER BUYS 300 MORE ACRES

Mayview Park Owner to Create a Greater Resort. Green Park Golf Course Park of Late Purchase—Now Owns Vast Tract.

The following is taken from a recent special from Mayview Manor to the Charlotte Observer:

Definite plans toward creating the greatest summer resort and playground in the mountains of western North Carolina were consummated here last night when W. L. Alexander owner of Mayview Park and the Mayview Manor, purchased 300 acres of land from the Blowing Rock Development company, including the golf course at Green Park hotel.

The announcement of the purchase was made today by Mr. Alexander. The Mayview Park area consists of 3117 acres and with the addition of 300 acres near the Green Park hotel Mr. Alexander's holdings within the immediate environs of Blowing Rock will total 617 acres. Besides this property Mr. Alexander owns 1600 acres of land along the John's River, thus bringing his entire mountain interests hereabouts to 2,217 acres of land.

The figures in the Green Park property deal were not divulged. Mr. Alexander has been negotiating for this property for some time. His greatest ambition is to place western North Carolina on the map with one of the finest mountain playgrounds in America. The Green Park links will be revamped and the course will be converted into one of the most desirable as well as the most difficult courses anywhere. In a few years he hopes to popularize the links to the extent that state, invitation and national tournaments may be played there.

Whether he will erect a new hotel on the property, he is not ready to announce. However other development work will go forward and improvements will be installed that will make the 300 acres among the most attractive and desirable in the Blowing Rock region.

In addition to the land purchase Mr. Alexander announced that the Western Union will inaugurate immediately a 24-hour service out of Blowing Rock with a direct line to Charlotte. Such a service will make it possible for summer visitors and residents here to be in constant communication with the outside world if desired.

Blowing Rock has long been known as one of the most picturesque mountain communities in America, occupying a strategic position on the very top of the Blue Ridge and on the very rim of cloudland. With the new activity in progress and new publicity and advertising campaigns launched, Blowing Rock is destined to be known from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, if Mr. Alexander's plans are consummated.

Mayview Manor, standing as it does on the cliff of the world, nestling among the chestnut trees and the clouds, a great cluster of striking architecture set in a greater cluster of mountain laurel, rhododendrons and myriads of other mountain flowers, is one of the rare beauty spots in a rare and beautiful mountain community. The improvements at this hotel already make it distinctive, supreme in its comfort and yet also supreme in its picturesque setting.

Besides its own golf links, its scores of mountain trails, automobile roads, its tea club, its tennis courts, lake and swimming facilities—there is a theater, a spacious ball room, musical revues and concerts. If you are looking for the mountains, you will find them here. If you tire of the mountains, you can turn to the more modern forms of entertainment.

Augmenting his present holdings, Mr. Alexander will not only popularize the same, but he intends to call the world's attention to the general community of Blowing Rock. In the course of time he believes the mountains of western North Carolina will become as famous as those of Switzerland. Probably they cannot boast of as much snow but they can present a greater variety in scenic beauty.

"Oh, the depth of meaning in that word 'Saved.' From the guilt of sin saved from the love of sin, saved from the power of sin, and one day, when He comes, we shall be saved from the presence of sin."—Exchange.

ATTEMPT MADE TO ROB V. C. BANK

Bloodhounds Fail to Locate Men Who Entered the Valle Crucis Bank Last Week—Bank Officials Hope to Find Criminals.

On Wednesday night of last week some parties entered the Valle Crucis Bank at Valle Crucis armed with sledge, pick, etc. procured from a near by tool box, and made a desperate effort to open the safe. The combination on the front was beaten off, and then a small charge of dynamite was inserted and exploded in the little opening. As a result the lock was broken and the big door flew open. But at this point the robbers met their Waterloo. They gained access to the vault but the smaller and stronger safe on the inside back of their judgment as no attempt was made to open it, and the would-be robbers had to leave without a cent of booty.

Blood hounds were wired in from Johnson City the following morning and a trail was immediately picked up by them, but after following it several miles through the mountains it was lost on the highway, where it was supposed they had been picked up by an automobile.

The chief says evidence points to the guilt of three men. Of course it takes more than the evidence of a dog to convict a man in this state but we learn there are other developments.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR COVE CREEK COMMUNITY FAIR

The patrons of Cove Creek High School met Monday night August 11 for the purpose of organizing for a community fair. The following officers and committees were elected:

- J. S. McBride, President.
- G. W. Moody, Vice President.
- Mrs. Hattie Johnson, Secretary.
- D. C. Mast, Field crops.
- Amos Adams, orchard and garden.
- W. H. Mast, live stock.
- Don Horton, poultry.
- Mrs. W. L. Henson, canning.
- Mrs. A. J. Payne, pantry.
- Mrs. Nan Johnson and Mrs. Mary M. Miller, sewing.
- Mrs. H. E. Deal, flowers.
- Sam Horton, entertainment.

The next meeting will be held at the school building Tuesday night August 26. All the committees and everyone interested in the fair are urged to be present at this meeting as some very important things are to be decided.

ATTRACTIVE PARTY

Miss Mary Anne Trivett entertained a number of her friends at her home on Pine Street last Friday evening.

The guests were greeted by the hostess and shown into the reception room which was beautifully decorated with sweet peas and nasturtiums. The shades were drawn and a soft light was thrown from the chandelier. A number of thrilling games were played which were heartily enjoyed by all.

The hostess assisted by Misses Glenn Gilliam and Ruby Cottrell served delicious cake lemonade and candy.

The following guests were present: Misses Ruth Cottrell, Mary Council, Vera Cook, Ruth Robbins, Louise Coffey, Margaret Hahn, Bernice Gragg, Inez Gragg, Bonnie Jean Lewis, Alice Council, Grace Gragg, Pearl Norris, Ruby Cottrell, Ruth McGill, Antha Black, Hazel McGuire, Coline Wall, Willie Mae Shearer, Ruth Benfield, Glenn Gilliam and Messrs Chas Arnett, Charlie Foy, Glenn Lewis, Carl Payne, Grant Hodges, Dallas Cottrell, Charles Farthing, Council Cook, Roger McGuire, Gordon Taylor, Paul Fletcher, Raleigh Cottrell, Frank Robbins and Howard Cottrell.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Silver Creek Primitive Baptist Association will be held with Zion church near Rominger, N. C. on Friday Saturday and Sunday September 5th, 6th, and 7th 1924. No traffic will be allowed on or near the association ground. We want to make this the best association that has ever been with this church and hope that Sheriff Critcher and Mr. Ralph Bingham will be with us and see that the law is obeyed and that no drinking and disturbance be allowed.

A. L. PRESNEL