

ASSOCIATIONAL CONVENTION WELL ATTENDED

The first B. Y. P. U. Associational Convention of the Three Forks Association met at Cove Creek Baptist church last Sunday in an all day session.

Prof. I. G. Greer addressed the meeting at 11 o'clock. Prof. Greer commended the work that the B. Y. P. U. is doing and gave some very encouraging words to the young people.

Dinner was served on the ground. At 1 o'clock a demonstration program was given by the Boone B. Y. P. U.

It was a pleasure to have with us on that day Mr. Ed Preston, B. Y. P. U. Field worker for North Carolina.

The B. Y. P. U. workers feel very grateful to Misses Elsie Farthing, Vera Sherwood, Blanche Horton, Messrs. Smith, Laxton for the special music rendered.

After a business session in which the officers were elected for the coming year the convention adjourned.

It was an inspiration to have our young people together and we hope that the work which is only in the beginning, will continue to grow.

DEEP GAP NEWS

Mr. Joe Greer and Miss Eva Church made a visit to Stony Fork last Sunday.

Miss Dollie Greene and Miss Sallie Wellborn who have been in training for nurses at the Lincoln Hospital are now at their respective homes on a two weeks vacation.

The rocky Point consolidated school building is rapidly going up. We appreciate the efforts of the force to see the building completed according to contract.

The writer wants to congratulate the publishers on their special educational edition. It was a dandy issue and one of special interest to the Appalachian State Normal and the county and state at large.

We also wish to say that the Democrat is a medium that brings the desired results for advertisers. We ran a three line ad in it for two insertions, but thanks to its pulling power the car we advertised was sold before the second insertion appeared in print.

A Mr. Johnson a prominent educator paid Mr. A. E. Wellborn a short visit last week, and while here purchased some old furniture of Mr. Wellborn for his own special use at a very fancy price.

Mr. Vurley Smith and family of Patterson are in this section on a visit among their relatives. We are always glad to have them in our midst and hope they will come often.

FEDERAL PRISON OVERFLOWS

An addition to the Federal penitentiary will be necessary before long in view of the tremendous increase in the number of inmates.

The present buildings were constructed to house only 1800 but now twice that number are behind its gray walls. Luther White, superintendent of federal prisons after a recent visit here said he would ask Congress for an appropriation to build an addition.

The increase in the prison population, the largest in its history is due mainly to prohibition, nearly half of the inmates being confined for violation of the liquor laws.

MUCH ACTIVITY AT THE APPALACHIAN NORMAL

These are active and busy days on the campus of the Appalachian State Normal School with the thirty instructors and 649 teacher students working faithfully at their various duties in carrying on the work of the summer school.

One of the growing businesses of Boone is the plant for the making of curios by Messrs. Greene Bingham and South. Their large plant is expected to be ready for occupancy and thus the enlargement of their growing work during the present week.

WORTH WHILE CLUB

A most enjoyable occasion for the members of the Worth While Club was last Friday afternoon when they were so royally entertained by Messrs. Farthing and Hahn in their usual hospitable way.

The program—somewhat varied—was enjoyed by all. The devotional was conducted by the president and Mrs. Bennett. This was followed by a most enjoyable musical program.

The guests who had enjoyed the afternoon to the fullest were now served a most delicious ice course and dainty confections.

The guests though reluctant to leave found that they must do so, but were thrilled when it was announced that we were to meet next time with Mrs. Zeb Farthing, with Mrs. Don Farthing as associate hostess.

THINKS TREES HAVE SECRET OF LONGEVITY

The best source of information on longevity has been overlooked. Out in California are sequoia trees that had attained the ripe age of 525 years before Christ was born.

And now an Oregon scientist, realizing what a valuable source of information has been overlooked, is, in effect, interviewing these trees and trying to wrest from them their secret.

In his laboratory at Eugene, Ore. Prof. J. Dudley is analyzing the Sequoia sap. He has a theory that these trees contain something deposited in their cells that defies the tooth of time.

Professor Dudley can isolate the long-life substance, he hopes to be able to make some application of his discovery to humans for the prolongation of their lives.

Mrs. T. C. Blackburn and children Margaret and Billie of Hickory are visitors for a few days with relatives and friends in the city.

President in the Northwest



President Coolidge, this time on a special train, as he arrived in the northwest. He was received with open arms by great crowds at St. Paul and Minneapolis.

TRUSTEES A. S. N. S. ASSEMBLED TUESDAY

The new board of trustees of the Appalachian State Normal School met Tuesday night of this week. All members were present except T. C. Bowie, who was kept away on account of pressing business.

Those present were W. C. Newland and J. M. Bernhardt of Lenoir; V. C. Henkel of Statesville; T. H. Coffey, Blowing Rock; E. S. Coffey, Boone, Eugene Transou, Sparta.

In a body they inspected the new building—looked over grounds took supper with the domestic science department, after which they met in the school office, all put their hands on the Holy Book, and Russel Hodges of the Peoples Bank administered the oath of office.

The new organization was made as follows: Chairman of the Board, T. H. Coffey; vice chairman E. S. Coffey; Executive Committee, J. M. Bernhardt, W. C. Newland, E. S. Coffey.

The present faculty was approved and plans made for spending 10,000 on roads and walks through the grounds, for inclosing campus and keeping unnecessary travel out, and for a better protection at night for the dormitories.

There was no diversion of opinion about any matter. It is a body corporate and most congenial, and has the greatest faith in even a larger institution.

BROOKSIDE HAPPENINGS

The state highway engineers are now surveying state highway no. 69 between Jefferson and Boone. They have completed the survey as far as Todd and will move toward Boone in a few days.

Wonder what the readers thought last week when the splendid old Democrat arrived carrying twelve pages and every inch filled with something worth while.

The longer you postpone subscribing for the Watauga Democrat the longer you will be behind the times.

Our splendid friend and neighbor O. N. Wagner had the misfortune to lose his saw mill one night last week by fire.

Mr. Reuben Miller our township supervisor is making some fine improvements on the public roads and in addition are constructing a new one by way of Pilot Mountain church.

If A. T. Parker smiles when he shakes hands with you it might be an indication that a new baby girl has arrived at his home.

Mrs. Tatum of Kansas is now a pleasant visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tatum of Brookside. She is a very intelligent lady and is making many acquaintances in the community.

Mr. C. M. Blackburn is grading the location for his new dwelling house near the old site. Cam is progressive gentleman and we may look for a modern dwelling.

INJURED IN FALL FROM TREE

Prof. W. L. Winkler was right seriously hurt Tuesday by falling from a cherry tree. A limb broke and he fell about twenty feet landing on a pile of timber. It was thought at first that his injuries were very serious, but he was taken to Grace Hospital at Banner Elk, where the surgeons gave him a thorough examination and found that he was a badly bruised and gashed man, but no bones broken. At least, that is the report reaching us today.

FAME OF CAROLINA 'CORN' SPREADS TO FOREIGN LANDS

Greensboro, June 16.—People of the west and Canada explored the North Carolina Shriners who attended the annual Shrine meeting in Los Angeles for "North Carolina moonshine" members of a Greensboro party of shriners who made the trip, just returned here, say. Even in wet territory, on Mexican soil, they would come up to Oasis temple train, which was made up in Charlotte and beg for the stuff with a kick in it. In other parts of the country, North Carolina moonshine is regarded as the most potent drink there is. In Juarez the Mexicans were willing to put aside their fiery mescal for it.

On the return trip, when the train crossed the Canadian border at Emerson near Minneapolis, customs and revenue officers came through the train and checked up to see that no aliens were brought in. Every passenger was counted and baggage inspected.

"Mr. Schiller," said Frank M. Hood of this city who made the trip, talking to the official at the border, "I am a law abiding citizen and I have—"

"Don't let me see it," Schiller said. "I have two bottles and I want to surrender them." Mr. Hood kept on, and he gave the astonished official two souvenir bottles of rank Tar Heel corn liquor, highly prized by the man who got them.

The bottles contained an ounce each, just enough for a snail.

The supply of souvenirs gave out before Chicago was reached, where the Shrine temple had appropriated fifty thousand dollars for entertainment of visiting Shriners, everything free. The Chicagoans would not let the visitors spend a nickel and there never was such a blowout, Mr. Hood said.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

Mrs. McD. Little was hostess to the Friday Afternoon Club June 12, and cordially welcomed each guest at the door. The pleasant summer time that June brings was evident in the hearts and voices as well as in the atmosphere and costumes of all those present and a happy busy hour was spent before time for the program.

The hostess had prepared a program of music and poetry appropriate for the summer time and it was given in the following order: Piano Solo, "Traumerli" by Mrs. Linney.

Reading, Lowell's June by Miss Annie Stanbury.

Piano solo, Moon Dreams, and Under the Stars, Mrs. South.

After this the hostess introduced an appropriate June contest in which several ladies tried for high score. Lots were drawn and Mrs. B. J. Cannon was the fortunate one who received a beautiful copy of Nesbit's "A Friend or Two."

The hostess assisted by Mrs. F. A. Linney and Mrs. O. L. Hardin served a delicious two course luncheon—the first consisting of a salad course with wafers, nut bread and iced tea. The second course pleased every eye with its strawberry ice cream and cake.

At a late hour the meeting adjourned to meet next time with Mrs. Sproles.

The great American picture "The Birth of a Nation," perhaps the only production of filmdom that has lived and remained popular for any length of time will be shown at the Pastime Theater next week. Read ad in this issue. Those who have not seen this picture should avail themselves of this opportunity.

NEGRO ATTACKS MRS. ROSCOE LITTLE AND THEN SHOOTS SELF

Salisbury, June 13.—Mrs. Roscoe C. Little, mother of several small children, was attacked this morning by Joe Shack, a negro man, who was yesterday discharged by Mr. Little, for whom he had been working.

The attack, which was with alleged criminal intent, occurred at the Little country home on the Bringle's ferry road, near Salisbury, the old Chilsom home place. Mrs. Little successfully fought off her assailant, and her calls for help brought neighbor women to her aid.

The negro, after liberating Mrs. Little, secured a pistol, which he fired at her and then re-entering the home, fired a bullet into his own head, producing a wound which physicians say will prove fatal.

The wounded negro was found in the house by Sheriff Krider when he answered the telephone calls for help from the women. The officer found the pistol by the negro's side and also a butcher knife in his coat pocket.

Last night a man was discovered by Mrs. Little in her room, but he made his escape before Mr. Little could intercept him and before Mrs. Little could identify him. It is thought now that the intruder was Shack.

The negro was discharged because of his desire to loaf and shirk work. It was explained, but he was considered harmless during the time he was employed about the home.

Shack was brought in town and jailed by Sheriff Krider.

The negro choked and beat his victim and threw her down, it is charged.

LATER—The fiend who committed the assault died from his self-inflicted wounds, thereby saving him from the lynching he deserved.

Mrs. Little was formerly Miss Kerley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kerley of Blowing Rock, and the blood has boiled in the veins of many a friend in Watauga since the news of the tragedy reached them.

V. C. SUMMER SCHOOL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Valle Crucis summer school for religious education will be held this year July 4th-16th. The school is under the direction of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, North Carolina and Upper South Carolina. It is open to all Sunday School teachers and to all seeking religious educational advantages.

Many clergy, including three bishops, will be in attendance.

The faculty will be composed of the following: The Rt. Rev. Kirkman G. Finlay, D. D.—The Bible.

The Rev. Homer W. Starr, Ph. D.—Church School Ideals.

Rev. G. Floyd Rogers—Training for social service.

The Rev. Willis G. Clarke—The Prayer Book.

Miss Ann Morton Stout—The Pupils.

Mrs. Rita McK. Griffith—The teacher.

Mrs. Frank N. Challen—Young Peoples Service League.

Mrs. M. B. Hutchinson—The Mission of the Church.

The Registration fee is \$2. Board and room July 4-16, \$17.50. Registrations should be made now to the Rev. J. P. Burke, Rector of the Valle Crucis School for Girls.

One of the special features of the Summer School will be the laying of the cornerstone of the new church at Valle Crucis on Sunday morning July 12 at eleven o'clock. This service will be held on the porch of Auchenat Hall and special addresses will be made by the bishops present. After the service the people will go to the place where the cornerstone is to be laid. The new church is being built near the spot where the first church was built in 1842.

REPORTS ON GARDENS ARE NOT ENCOURAGING

It is fair to state that our situation is not nearly so bad as some of the lower counties. However it is poor consolation to know that other people are going to be in the market if we have nothing to sell.

The frost has damaged the apple crop considerably, lowered the yield of potatoes, killed practically all early beans and other garden vegetables. Now it seems practically certain that the bean beetle is going to give a most courageous fight for the second crop of beans and the dry weather has retarded many of the other crops and there seems to be a universal shortage of cabbage plants.

Considering all these things it is easy to see that vegetables are going to be scarce in Watauga county this summer and fall.

We wish however, to encourage every farmer to fight the bean beetle. This can be done with calcium arsenic and a dust gun. It is worthless to apply remedies to the top sides of the leaves. In the second place, I wish to encourage everyone to plant any and every kind of vegetable that will mature yet during the season.

One vegetable that we should plant in large quantities or during the month of July is beets. These beets will mature easily in from 20 to 30 days or longer depending on the size you wish to secure and should be canned in large quantities. They should be used during the winter as vegetables or they may be pickled. I would also recommend that we secure the seed and sow just a little later large quantities of turnips. They not only make excellent food and keep well in the winter but during last winter and spring there was good sale for them in the surrounding towns. The seven top turnip should also be sown for turnip salad. This variety will make a great deal more top than can be secured from the other kind. However the root is worth very little.

Call one me when I can be of service to you.

JOHN H. STEELE, County Agent.

OUTLOOK PROMISING AT THE DANIEL BOONE

Guests continue to arrive in increasing numbers at the Daniel Boone and according to the management prospects are exceedingly bright for business during the coming weeks. Following is a list of guests registered there during the first three days of the week:

Johnson J. Hayes & Son, North Wilkesboro; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Brewer, Concord; R. F. Brower New York City; Martha M. Bierne, Baltimore, Md; R. E. Eller, Bristol, Va; D. J. Nimmo, Atlanta; F. B. Williams, Atlanta; J. A. Rousseau, Wilkesboro; G. R. Patterson, Johnson City; R. H. Reich, Winston-Salem; W. H. Thorn, Charlotte; Asher Ayres, Charlotte; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hunt, Greensboro; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Campbell, Port Deposit, Md; R. F. Willingham, Winston Salem; C. D. Burchell, Greensboro; J. K. Dixon, J. S. Hargett, C. F. Dixon, J. K. Warren, Trenton, N. C.; C. R. Barbee, Greensboro; A. W. Barnett, Mayfield, Ky; Hugh Royal M. A. Holcomb, Elkin, N. C.; T. M. Hunter, Charlotte; F. E. Neal, Knoxville, Tenn; A. S. Vaughn, Richmond Va; J. M. and J. D. Bernhardt, Lenoir; Chas. M. Fritchett, State Highway Commission; A. S. Matchette, Cincinnati; R. L. Doughton, North Wilkesboro; B. N. Welch, Raleigh; C. V. Henkle and Son, Statesville; Dr. J. W. Davis, Statesville; R. M. Conkle, Alexis, N. C.; Jas. T. Blackmon, Charlotte; J. J. Styers, Bryson City, N. C.; C. L. Sams, Raleigh; C. R. Helms, Statesville; Paul H. Cowan, Bristol, Tenn; H. E. Weller, Bristol, Va.; S. S. Jennings, North Wilkesboro, N. C.; P. T. Johnson and wife, Greensboro, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Press, Johnson City, Tenn; F. E. McGury, Bingham, Ky.; J. L. Locke and wife, Greenville, S. C.

Belated reports come of the death on the 6th of John G. Walker at his home near Crandall Post office, in Tennessee, at the age of 75 years. He is survived by a wife, six children and three sisters. Mr. Walker was a brother of James Walker, deceased of Watauga and has many relatives still residing in this county.

C. visited relatives in the community Saturday and Sunday. He conducted prayer service at the church Saturday night.

Mr. E. H. Simmons has been sick for a few days.

Mr. Grover Wheeler made a trip to Deep Gap Monday on business.

Mr. Kellie Carol of Linville, N. C.