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This Week



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ROMANTIC OIL BETTER AGE COMING BIGGER THE BETTER SOME OTHER THINGS

Professor Compton, of the University of Chicago, says that man is just beginning his career on earth, and our children 50,000 years from now will be as far ahead of our ancestors of 50,000 years ago.

"These times are the ancient times when the world is ancient," as Bacon said. At the same time they represent the babyhood of man. If we could see our descendants of 50,000 years hence we should probably scarcely recognize them as our own.

And as for our descendants of a million and a hundred million years from now—science says the earth will last as long as that—they will probably be as unlike so many rhinoceroses.

Anthony Binba, editor of a Communist newspaper, to be tried for blasphemy under a law 229 years old is accused of denying the existence of God. His lawyer will say that the Constitution which guarantees free speech, rules out the blasphemy charge.

Why not leave the care to the Ruler of the Universe, in whose omnipotence the vast majority believe. He has power to wither Mr. Binba, as the barren fig tree was withered. But it is possible that omnipotence is not much interested in what Mr. Binba believes.

The way to make foolishness, blasphemous or other, important, is to take it seriously.

The Government, fighting the National Food Products Corporation, explains that the plan is to fight a tendency towards trusts, rather than to attack trusts already existing.

The battle against big business, which is the real name of the trust, was fought and lost long ago.

Modern business, to succeed, must be big business. The Government's business is to supervise big business control it, and encourage it, not discourage it. No business in the United States is as big as it ought to be.

Congress devotes \$31,000,000 to aircraft. Not enough, but better than nothing. And the total appropriation for the navy \$316,900,000!

The idiosyncrasy of the just figure is made clear by the fact that if war of the modern kind should come, the airships would have to protect our hundreds of millions' worth of ships floating on the water. Only submarines and flying machines would be of any value.

In any real business, managed by competent business men, such trash as our battleships would have been junked long ago.

Even the prosaic oil business is romantic. You know of the oil wells that the Rockefeller have "brought in" within the Arctic Circle. It would cost fifty millions to run in a pipe line. But at least the Rockefellers know that there is an Arctic reserve.

At Ventura on the Pacific Coast Shell Oil Company's docks were washed away. Its tankers could load no oil.

Associated Oil says: "Bring your tank ships here, we'll load them." Associated runs a pipe line half a mile out on the bottom of the sea, has a flexible pipe anchored at the surface and fills tanks, storm or no storm.

Nearby are wells driven down thru the water, pumping up oil from below the Pacific. Submarines some day will find much wealth for enterprising prospectors.

Professor Ross, sound thinker of the University of Wisconsin, has cheer for this troubled world.

It is getting better, he says. A hundred years hence, the average man will enjoy benefits of civilization "now enjoyed by only the most advanced people."

Religions are less violent in their hates than they used to be. The average length of life is increasing. Child welfare is considered more important than any particular detail in baptism or any squabble about the nature of the Trinity.

NORTHWESTERN BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

First Baptist Church, North Wilkesboro N. C. March 11-12, 1926

Program

Thursday March 11—Morning
10:00—Worship, Rev. J. L. Shinn
10:30—Why we are here, J. N. Barnette.
11:00—Conference, Why I am Here, Reports and needs from Sunday Schools.
11:30—Work with Children, Sophia Berghauer.
11:45—Our Baptist Sunday School Program, E. L. Middleton.
12:15—Adjourn for dinner.
Afternoon Session
1:30—Worship Rev. Jarvis
1:45—The Why and How of Trained Workers, Rev. J. M. Hays.
2:15—The Sunday School Training for Service Dr. C. E. Mandy.
2:50—Three Simultaneous Open Conferences:
(1) Sunday School organization and Management—J. N. Barnette
(2) Teachers and Teaching—E. L. Middleton
(3) Elementary Work, Sophia Berghauer.
3:30—Adjourn.
Evening Session
7:30—Worship
Prof. J. C. Wright.
8:00—The Sunday School Reaching and Utilizing Church Members, Rev. F. M. Huggins.
8:30—A Call for Workers, J. N. Barnette.

Friday March 12—Morning Session
9:30—Worship, Rev. Chas. Holland
9:50—The Pastor and the Sunday School, Rev. W. L. Griggs.

10:20—The Standard of Excellence as a Program of Work, M. L. Jones.

10:40—Conference—Objectives for 1926, J. N. Barnette.

11:20—Achievements and Problems:
(1) The Best Thing in My Sunday School—Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

(2) What the Sunday School Means to My Church—T. J. McNeil.

(3) Our Greatest Need—Rev. G. C. Teague.

(4) Our Most Difficult Problem—Rev. N. C. Teague.

11:45—Magnifying the Country Sunday School, E. L. Middleton.
12:15—Adjourn for Dinner.

Afternoon Session
1:15—Worship, Rev. T. S. Crutchfield
1:30—An Associational Program of Sunday School work, E. L. Middleton.

2:00—Conferences as Thursday afternoon.

2:30—Things We Ought to Do When We Get Home, J. N. Barnette.
3:00—Adjourn.

Announcements
1. Entertainment will be furnished those who attend. Let every one who plans to spend the night notify Mrs. C. E. Jenkins North Wilkesboro N. C.

2. One free will offering will be taken for the printing and postage used in advertising the meeting.

3. Free tracts will be there for all who want them.

SILVERSTONE ITEMS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Davis a boy.

Mr. Ira Elson from North Dakota is visiting his father in law Mr. J. S. Price. Glad to see him back after an absence of eleven years.

Mrs. Hard Perry and children have been visiting friends and relatives in and around Silverstone.

Mr. Charles Perry and Albert Wilson left for Ohio a few days ago.

Mr. Hard Mast visited his invalid sister on last Sunday.

People of this section are making lots of maple sugar.

The Sunday School here is progressing nicely under Superintendent L. S. Ponnell.

Mr. A. A. Perry and family have moved to Boone to take charge of the jail.

Misses Edith Davis, Edith Greer, Eunice Wilson visited Mr. and Mrs. Roby Wilson last Sunday.

Mr. E. H. Perry and son Dave of Lenoir visited Mr. A. L. Wilson on last Sunday.

Mrs. Cora Wilson and daughter Gladys visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Holden Davis last Friday.

Stockholders Meeting Blue Ridge Farmers Association

The stockholders of the Blue Ridge Farmers Association are hereby called to assemble in annual meeting at the court house in Boone, N. C. at 1:30 o'clock Saturday March 13 for the purpose of electing officers and effecting a reorganization with a view to operating the Watauga kraft factory.

By order of Directors, This the 4th day of March 1926.
W. L. WINKLER, V. Pres.
H. NEAL BLAIR, Secy.

NEWLAND

The Editor of the Democrat was called to Newland, the capital of Avery county, on business last Monday and had the very great pleasure of spending two days and a night with the hospitable people of that growing little town. It has been our privilege to visit many towns, in and out of the mountains, and are frank to say that we know of none more beautifully located—nestling as it does among the everlasting hills, on the historic Old Fields of Toe. It has the distinction of having the greatest elevation of any county site east of the Rockies. Its citizenship is progressive, there being no factions when the good of the county and town is to be considered. They "go up against" a proposition as one man and generally get what they seek. The homes are supplied with sparkling water from the surrounding hills, which flows in abundant quantities for domestic purposes, but they are not yet satisfied on that point, and are now featuring a big gravity system for fire protection and commercial purposes. Occasionally you hear this remark: "We have a number of good boarding houses as can be found in any small country town, but a tourist and commercial hotel for Newland is one of our crying needs"—and we expect to hear of its construction in the no distant future, while the organization of a Building and Loan, a Merchants' Protective Association and many other things are not only being talked, but will materialize. The latest move is looking to the purchase and installation of a modern newspaper and job plant which they hope to have in operation by late spring or early summer. The order for equipment will go forward within the next ten days. This is another long step for Newland and Avery county. The progressive citizens of Newland have done considerable advertising by folders and otherwise and are now enjoying a right good summer tourist trade.

Had it not been for the woodman's axe destroying the virgin forests that surrounded this favored location only a few years ago, Newland would easily "have the hulk" on any of our numerous beautiful mountain towns. With the progressive spirit that abounds there, her scenic beauty and great altitude, and with the capital that has been and is being attracted to Avery county, Newland is destined to become one of the most beautiful and attractive resort towns in the mountains.

BOONE BAPTIST CHURCH

There were 228 present in Sunday School last Sunday. That was very good for the day but we want to make it better. Let us make it 300. Will you not come out and help us realize this goal. The adult women had 28, and the adult men 22. So far the women are ahead. Let the men bestir themselves to get more out.

The attractive bulletin board at the church shows that the church extends a sincere welcome to all to worship with us.

Read the board. It changes twice a week. Call attention to it to your friends.

Strong resolutions were passed by the church on Sunday urging upon Congress that the 13th amendment should stand and that the Volstead Act should not be modified. These resolutions will go to our Congressmen.

Mrs. J. D. Dougherty, Mrs. I. G. Greer, Mrs. J. M. Moretz and Mrs. F. M. Huggins left for Raleigh Monday morning to attend the annual W. M. U. Convention of North Carolina.

Remember the Sunday School Convention at North Wilkesboro March 11 and 12. Every teacher and officer of the Sunday School should attend.

Dr. Maddy has a place on the program and at an hour to be arranged will address the pastors. We hope, therefore, to have as many pastors of this county to attend as possible.

Blowing Rock
Sunday School 10 a. m.
Pastor preaches at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to the people of Blowing Rock to attend these services.

LIVINGSTON CLUB

The Livingston Club met Monday afternoon February fifteenth with Miss Margaret Clay. It was a very interesting meeting. After the devotional a miscellaneous program followed given by the girls. Everyone enjoyed the program very much. After spending a social hour in jokes and making plans for the future Miss Clay carried out the Valentine idea very nicely in serving cheese and permuto sandwiches, in heart design, pickles, cake whipped cream, and cherries. Everyone left, declaring Miss Clay a very delightful hostess.

GRADED SCHOOL CLOSÉS— NEWS OF THE NORMAL

The first commencement of the Boone Graded School, held the past week, showed that most excellent work had been done during the past year. One night, the fourth fifth and sixth grades gave splendid exercises that would have been creditable to much older boys. The graduating exercises the following day for the seventh showed the best of training. When the time for their programme came the class of 34 took charge of the exercises themselves and carried them through even to the accompanying the aid or suggestion of any teacher. And they did this in such a way as would indicate that they were used to doing such things, when the fact is that this was about the first appearance of most of them in a programme of this nature. Their recitations and declamations were well rendered and their songs impressively sung. Mr. Ira F. Johnston of Jefferson, N. C. delivered the address. Mr. Johnston is a graduate of the high school department of the Appalachian State Normal and is now a prominent lawyer in Jefferson. He took for his theme "No Short Cuts" and delivered on this important subject one of the strongest and most impressive addresses heard on commencement occasion. Medals were awarded for the best declamation and recitation, the medal for the former being won by Miss Freda Farthing and the latter by Master Jake Haganman.

The President recently showed at chapel at the Normal a piece of wood cut from the tree under which the noted Daniel Boone killed a bear.

Rev. F. M. Huggins of the Baptist Church and Mr. C. C. Burne, book-keeper in the Budget office in Raleigh were at chapel exercises on the 26th and Mr. Huggins conducted devotional exercises.

Basketball games were played by the young men of the Normal with Milligan College team, the Milligan team refusing to finish the game when the score stood 29 to 27 in favor of the Normal team. A game by the young ladies with the team from Davenport College, Lenoir, resulted in a score of 23 to 22 in favor of the Normal girls.

The people of Boone look with disfavor on the efforts of the anti-prohibition forces to have Congress modify the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States and do not hesitate to express their disapproval, as indicated in the following resolutions:

"Resolved, that we look with grave concern and disfavor on the persistent and determined efforts of the anti-prohibition forces of the United States, to procure legislation, by the present session of Congress, legalizing the manufacture and sale of liquor in the so-called modified form, thus thwarting and rendering null and void the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution.

Second, that we urge our Congressmen and Senators, to use every possible means to see to it that no law is enacted that will in any way weaken the Volstead Act as it now appears in our Constitution."

These resolutions were passed by all the churches of the town the past Sunday and by the Boone Chamber of Commerce in their regular meeting on Monday evening, showing the people of Boone and this county believe in standing squarely for the constitution of the country and the good of our children and the younger people rather than weakly yielding to a distorted appetite, and thus bringing ruin to thousand and serious injury to the morals of a great country.

Mr. Ben Kent of the Normal was taken to the hospital on Saturday and operated on for appendicitis. He seems to be getting on well.

Diversified Road to Prosperity

Hoard's Dairyman

The dairy farm industry as practiced by John Wuethrich was not built in a day, nor was his splendid herd of cows already such. He early realized that diversified farming, with the dairy cow as the foundation, is the best road to prosperity. Not having the capital to start in with a herd of registered pure breeds, he started in, like many other dairy farmers have, with scrubs. Nor was he satisfied. Gradually the scrub herd developed into a grade herd of Guernseys. After this came a sale of the Guernseys and then starting in with pure-bred Holsteins. His herd is now headed by Belle Farm Distinction.

Belle Farm Distinction is a grandson of May Echo Sylvia. The milk production record for 1, 7, 30, 60, 90 and 100 days made by May Echo Sylvia were world records, when they were made. In the 7 day division her record was 1,005 lbs. milk—the equal of 41 pounds of butter. In the 100-day division she produced 12,898.8 lbs. of milk with a butterfat

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The race between the reds and the blues grows in interest. Up to date the Blues are ahead of the Reds and seem to be able to keep ahead. But the Reds are plucky and resourceful and may speed ahead just any Sunday. The object of the contest is to see which side can get the larger number of recruits for the Sunday School by the last Sunday in March. A banquet is the prize that is offered by the Sunday School to the winners.

Sunday School meets every Sunday at 10 a. m. The singing is good. The Bible study is better. Everybody is welcome to join the school any Sunday.

The morning sermon by the pastor Elder R. N. Baldwin will be "Paul's Second Trip to Ephesus." At night he will preach on "Paul Ends His Third Missionary Journey."

The church wishes to announce to the public that it will furnish a limited amount of Adventist literature free to a limited number of people who wish to read it. Literature explaining the second coming of Christ, Conditional Immortality, the Condition of the Dead, the Punishment of the Wicked, the Home of the Saved, can be furnished free as long as it lasts. Write for what you want and it is probable that you can get it. Address all requests for free literature to Rev. R. N. Baldwin, Pastor Adventist Christian Church, Boone, N. C.

DEEP GAP BREEZES

Mr. A. G. Miller the merchant here has recently purchased two lots in the state of Florida. We hope his investment down there will prove very satisfactory. Florida is a great state—the sunshine and mild climate is worth the price one pays for land. This land of flowers is a winter haven for those who like to bask in the sunshine and balmy weather in the winter.

Mrs. Cordia Wellborn is very much indisposed at this writing, however it is hoped she will soon be well again.

Married recently Mr. Hugh Norris to Miss Pearl Church. They are a very popular couple and their friends wish them much happiness along the journey of life.

An automobile which had been side-tracked beside the State Highway for several weeks by some unknown party was being carried away by parts by other unknowns. Messrs. John L. Watson and Grant Miller, decided it best to block and tackle the car, which was a Studebaker coup and pull it up to the road again and keep it safely for the owner, who can get the car by paying them for their trouble.

Miss Fawn Watson has been indisposed some of the time recently. We hope she will be better and stronger when the weather becomes more settled here.

Mr. John Day who has had a cancer on his cheek for some time had it treated by the plaster method and it proved to be a complete success. In less than 30 days the treatment did its work and he is a happy man now.

Mr. F. W. Moretz, local lumber man, has been shipping a lot of water oak logs to Bristol. He pays very good prices for this kind of timber.

Mr. A. G. Miller has been getting radio receptions from Mexico and Cuba.

Miss Rose Mitchell is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Watson, her grand parents.

Mr. Ralph C. Greer, the Raleigh medicine man, recently made a round here. Mr. Greer is a worker with his line and is putting out lots of drugs, etc. for his firm.

There have recently been more operations taken at Deep Gap on land. We hope that things will pull along until something really happens here. Once a development is started the section will go over the top.

The weather here has had a touch of snow and very cool. March is with us now which brings winds to dry things up. Spring time is on the way and we should all be happy.

content equivalent to 500.5 lbs. butter. Her one day record is 152 pounds milk.

The dam of Belle Farm Distinction is Little Gift of Spring Valley that has three yearly records of nearly 1,000 lbs. butter, one record being 1,049 lbs. butter. Mr. Wuethrich paid \$1,250 for the bull. He already has a large number of females bred to the bull. Belle Farm Distinction is said to have the highest milk record of any bull now in use in Wisconsin, his two nearest dams both holding world records.

John Wuethrich was born in Switzerland and came over to America with his parents when he was eleven years old. Before him four generations had been Swiss cheese makers in the Alps. Two of his brothers are now prominent cheese makers in Columbia county, Wisconsin, owning about 26 cheese factories John thought

COMMISSIONER HANES BRINGS GLAD TIDINGS

On last Friday afternoon the Board of County Commissioners, together with a number of the leading citizens of the town and county met at the Daniel Boone Hotel for a conference with Commissioner Hanes of this High way District.

The meeting was called primarily for the purpose of getting some definite information regarding the completion of the link of the Black Bear Trail from Boone to Jefferson. The contracts have been let for the completion of this section, three steam shovels going on the job. The successful bidders were Mulligan and Lewis. This road will be 20 feet wide with a gravel surface. According to Commissioner Hanes this road will be completed this year.

Mr. Hanes also gave out the interesting information that the Boone Trail from North Wilkesboro to Boone will be straightened out, surfaced and oiled next year, according to present plans.

The much talked of road from Valle Crucis to the Avery County line will be the opinion of the Commissioner. He routed an by Shulls Mills valley and by way of Danville Gap. Definite surveys have not been made, but the work is going on to that end.

Work on the streets of Boone will begin just as soon as the water connections are made. Boyd & Goforth of Charlotte will do the "tapping" and have signed contracts providing for the completion of the work by the first of April, and it is thought it may be done sooner. The Commissioner says Mr. Hanes is ready to go to work on the paving any time the town is ready and is giving 18 feet of concrete, charging us of course for the curbing and the remainder of the paving.

Mr. Hanes seemed very anxious to aid this section to the fullest and is really doing all in his power to develop it. He deserves the praise, rather than the criticism of the populace, especially in view of the fact that we are not paying state taxes. His kind consideration should be appreciated.

otherwise and went north landing in Greenwood almost broke, according to his own expression. For two years he worked in the cheese factory at Greenwood, during this time saving enough money and accumulating sufficient credit to enable him to secure machinery for a cheese factory of his own.

About this time he met a nice young lady and decided to get married. His wife had \$150. He added \$22 to this amount and made the first payment on an 80 acre farm. They sold a horse for \$175 and used this money to purchase furniture. Mr. and Mrs. Wuethrich have now been living on the home farm some fourteen years. They have two boys, John D. Jr., 15 years old, and Allen, age 10. Both of these boys are already in the dairy business. Both have heifers and calves and both are members of the Greenwood Calf Club. John D. Jr. showed a heifer calf at the 132d National Dairy Show and placed 19th in a club class of 56.

Some years after settling Mr. Wuethrich was taken ill with the flu. While recovering the following winter, he rented his farm and he and his wife went to Madison. There he attended the short course at the Wisconsin College of Agriculture, because as he says, he figured he could learn something about farming, and he did. When he returned, he bought a neighboring farm of 160 acres for \$28,000. In a little while, deciding to sell out, he disposed of the stock for \$12,000 and kept the crops which he had raised. He closed out the farm for a consideration of \$20,000. With notes he purchased another farm of 80 acres. In recent years Mr. Wuethrich has held several successful cattle sales.

This, in brief, is the story of John Wuethrich. He is recognized at home and abroad as a progressive farmer and a most excellent dairy farm manager. He is a member of the neighborhood breed club at Greenwood. He owns and operates a cheese and butter factory near his farms which furnishes an outlet for his milk. He is one of the leading breeders of the Clark County Holsteins. He has been a delegate to the national convention of Holstein breeders.

His barn is equipped with modern conveniences including drinking cups, sanitary stanchions, ventilating systems, manure carrier, and electric lights, and he uses a milking machine

The Clerk of the Court requests that all Justices and Mayors who have cases to return to the Superior Court do so at once so that he may docket them.