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Blowing Rock School to Present "Witch Blood"

Blowing Rock, May 1.—"Witch Blood," the one-act play written and produced by Miss Pearl Webb, former teacher in the Blowing Rock school, but now a student at the Teachers' College in Boone, will be presented in the school auditorium here Thursday night. The play has already had two successful showings in Boone.

Before "Witch Blood," two one-act plays will be presented by high school pupils.

The Children's Literary Society met last Friday afternoon, at which time the following program was given: Song, "My Bonnie," by all; prayer, Grace Reid; jokes, Irene Jenkins; string music—guitars, Estha Dula, Gladys Pitts and Terrance Triplett; accompanying, Blair Suddeth, Mary Lou Young and Mae Tester, who sang. Debate, Resolved that capital punishment is just or unjust. Affirmative, Elizabeth Greer and Mae Tester; negative, Estha Dula and Merrill Gragg. The decision was in favor of the negative. Poem, "My Pa," Blair Suddeth; reading, Pauline Greene; solo, "Don't Let Your Deal Go Down," Estha Dula, accompanied by guitar; song, "Yankee Doodle," by all. A number of visitors were present.

Rev. C. H. Moser of Boone was the principal speaker at the second meeting of the Blowing Rock Parent-Teacher Association in the school auditorium Tuesday night. Before Rev. Mr. Moser's address, Miss Edith Knight, accompanied by Mrs. H. W. Horton of Boone, sang "Mother Machree" and was called back by the applause for another song.

Mr. Moser then addressed the gathering on the relationship between the parents and the teacher and brought out his points in a forceful and entertaining manner. He was followed by Rev. Mr. Keys, who spoke a few impromptu words. The program was closed with a declamation, "The Victor of Marengo," by Paul Foster.

At the end of the program, the members and guests repaired to the library room, where doughnuts and coffee were served by Mrs. Howard Holshouser and Mrs. Cameron Williams. After a half hour of social chat, the gathering adjourned.

Ed Starnes, proprietor of Ed's Cafe, has returned from the south with plans for opening a modern bakery in the cafe. He brought an experienced baker with him, and Tuesday began tearing out the dining booths to make way for the baking equipment.

A very successful meeting at the Presbyterian church, conducted by Rev. Mr. Keys of Bristol, closed Wednesday night. A wide interest was manifested in the meeting by all denominations. Rev. Mr. Hicks and Rev. Mr. Moser, together with a large number of other Boone people attended several of the services. A number of additions were made to the church.

The two-story addition to W. L. Holshouser's store is rapidly approaching completion. The brick walls were expected to be finished this week, so that the workmen could start on the interior finishing.

Much interest is being shown in the town election, which will be held here next Tuesday. Miss Doris Greene, registrar, announces that an unusual number of voters has registered for the election.

About 150 citizens have registered in order to vote in the town election to be held here next Tuesday. So far only one ticket has been announced for mayor and board of aldermen, and whether any other candidates will be announced or voted for, is not known.

Mr. Duke Hollar was taken to Grace Hospital, Banner Elk, last week, where he was immediately operated on for appendicitis. His condition was rather serious, but he is now slowly improving.

Mr. Spencer Galvan was very seriously hurt last week when he was thrown from a truck which ran over him. Mr. Galvan was sitting in the back of the truck, driven by Chas. Young. Young started to turn around and Galvan was thrown off.

NEXT WEEK NAMED CLEAN-UP PERIOD

Mayor Hodges Requests All Property Owners to Clean Up Premises and Place Rubbish Convenient for Hauling Away

By order of Mayor John W. Hodges, the week beginning Monday, May 6th, is designated as a general clean-up period for the city, during which time all property owners are requested to make their premises signify and to collect all rubbish and plunder therefrom. Trucks will be provided and the citizens are requested to co-operate by placing the rubbish at convenient points along the streets so that it may be easily collected.

This order applies also to vacant lots and the mayor and other town officers are anxious that all residents of this beautiful city lend a willing hand in this effort to make it more beautiful.

EXPEDITION WILL EXPLORE SMOKY MOUNTAIN PARK

Plans for an exploring expedition in June into the wildest and most rugged parts of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park area in Western North Carolina, are announced by the Asheville Times, sponsor of the adventure.

The principal objective of the expedition will be the discovery, if possible, of Indian picture writings, which according to Cherokee Indian stories, exist on the unexplored and precipitous cliffs in the Smoky Mountains, but concerning which there is no authoritative record. They will also seek Indian relics and study the animal and tree and plant life in those sections of the Great Smokies which have been visited by few if any white men.

The best qualified Boy Scout in Western North Carolina will be a member of the expedition. The exploring party will consist of two members of the Times' editorial staff and the Boy Scout. The Boy Scout organization in Western North Carolina will conduct contests in every troop in every town and county in this district. Prizes and medals will be awarded to the best Boy Scouts in each troop, town and county. The winning scouts in the local contest will then compete with the winners from other towns and the winner in the final elimination will be given the expedition trip with all his equipment and expenses furnished.

The exploring party will establish a base camp at Indian Gap, on the crest of the Smokies accessible to pack horses. From this point the explorers will travel afoot with their equipment on their backs. They will use homing pigeons to send occasional reports to Asheville and for emergency communication if necessary. They plan to be gone about a month.

Horace Kephart of Bryson City, noted author, outdoor sportsman and authority on the Great Smokies, is chief advisor to the Times in routing and planning the expedition.

Dr. Hentay A. Brown, 82, pastor emeritus of the Baptist churches of Winston-Salem, and one of the best known and most beloved ministers of the state, died early Thursday afternoon at the home of his daughter in the Twin-City. He was a Confederate veteran and for more than 40 years was pastor of the First Baptist church of Winston-Salem.

The truck was backed over him before he could move out of the way. Mr. Galvan was rushed immediately to Boone, where the doctor there found no broken bones, but thought perhaps he might be injured internally.

Mrs. Sallie Reeves and daughter, Miss Lena, have returned to Blowing Rock, after having spent some time with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Ernest Davis of Hot Springs, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Gillet and little son, Jack, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lige Reid last Sunday.

Mr. Z. T. Greene and family have moved back to their farm near Blowing Rock after spending the winter near Granite Falls, where Mr. Greene was principal of Grace Chapel elementary graded school.

Miles Love Arrested on Whiskey Charge

Miles Love, erstwhile resident of the Peach Creek section, but lately living across the line in Tennessee, was arrested Friday night by Sheriff Farthing and Deputy H. A. Hagaman, at the home of Avery Presnell, this county, and is now held in jail at Newland on a charge of manufacturing whiskey. The warrant was issued in Avery county. Love having been found at a distillery in this state. He is also said to be wanted in Carter county, Tenn., on a charge of wife beating.

MOTHERS' DAY AT METHODIST CHURCH HERE NEXT SUNDAY

In 1908 Miss Anne Jarvis, a school teacher in Philadelphia, celebrated the first Mother's Day in memory of her mother. Believing that others shared her own feelings, she began a movement to have others celebrate the day throughout the nation. The appeal struck a responsive chord in every heart, and the movement soon gained international scope; so that today, 21 years after its inception, and within the lifetime of its founder, Mother's Day has become a world-wide institution. And why should it not be? While the day itself is comparatively new, yet motherhood itself is as old as the human race. Across the centuries we trace its influence, and wherever we come upon it we find the truest faith and the deepest love.

Oftentimes in the rush and hurry of this busy life, we take too many things for granted. In the days that come and go like the ticking of the clock we have a tendency, almost criminal, to neglect to rightly bestow our affections. We seem to wish it to be understood by our loved ones that we love them, and in view of this we fail so many times—too many times—to pause long enough to indicate perceptibly our love. Especially is this true with reference to our mothers, the builders of civilization. Through the thoughtfulness of Miss Jarvis, one day in the year has been designated as Mother's Day, a day when we pause, think of mother, express in tender terms our love for her, her day—her day, her glad day.

Next Sunday morning at the Methodist church, at 11 o'clock, a Mother's Day service will be held. The pastor, Rev. Claude H. Moser, will preach a special sermon to the mothers of the church. While May 12 is the day designated as Mother's Day, this special service will be held May 5th for the reason that the pastor will be away on the second Sunday. Last year this service was not held for the same reason. We must not neglect it this year. A special service is being arranged, reserved seats for the mothers of the church will be provided, special music will be rendered by the choir, and every arrangement is being made that this service may be their service. It is urged that every mother be present on that day and occupy a seat in the pews reserved for her. Special announcement of this service is being sent to every mother in the church with the hope that every effort will be made to attend the service next Sunday morning. It is also urged that all children, young and old, worship with their mothers on this day, at this service. May we make this day, Sunday, May 5, a church-going day for Methodism in Boone.—Contributed.

Raleigh special to Greensboro News. David H. Blair's expected resignation as commissioner of internal revenue worries Raleigh Democrats who are wondering if the quiet Quaker is not coming back to North Carolina, hop into the United States senatorial race and give the Democracy the worst scare, if not a big beating, that it has had since Marion Butler succeeded Ransom. The Raleigh Republicans favor District Attorney Irvin B. Tucker and all Republicans appear to desire a peaceful Democratic primary without any opposition to Senator Simmons. Ordinarily the Republicans would favor the biggest primary fight in the history of North Carolina but an unopposed Simmons would be exactly to the Republican liking. They would have a very fair chance of beating Mr. Simmons or any other Democrat in the 1930 election. Eastern North Carolina is in mind to do western North Carolina's trick. The western counties gave the Hoover majority, and the east is very sore over Simmons.

In Revival Here



Rev. Myles D. Blanchard (above) of Boston, Mass., and Rev. Gordon O. Reed of Live Oak, Fla., opened a series of evangelistic meetings Tuesday night with the local Advent Christian church. Mr. Blanchard is connected with the Advent Christian General Conference of America under the auspices of the board of home missions. Mr. Reed is secretary of the All-Southern Mission society with offices in Bridgeport, Ala. These evangelists have been together for a number of campaigns in Florida, Georgia and the Carolinas and, having a break in their schedule, came to Boone.

Both evangelists are ordained ministers. Mr. Reed will lead the singing and do the solo work. Mr. Blanchard will present the gospel message each evening at 7:45. Next Sunday Evangelist Blanchard will open a series of meetings in Lenoir and Evangelist Reed will carry on the preaching here in Boone.

The subject for Wednesday night will be "How Big Are You?" The public is invited to hear these men and their messages in sermon and song.

PROTECT BEAN CROP FROM MEXICAN BEETLE

As the early garden beans begin to come through the soil, the Mexican bean beetle begins to come from winter quarters and to feed upon the tender leaves of the young beans.

"By the middle of May, most of the beetles have left their winter quarters, the last emerging about the first of June," says C. H. Brannon, extension entomologist at State College. "This beetle is the most serious enemy of beans in North Carolina. Since coming into the state in 1921, it has spread practically over the entire state and has caused tremendous damage. Every person who expects to grow beans, should plan to protect his crop by spraying or dusting with poison. Under favorable conditions, the pest will increase at an enormous rate and will totally destroy a crop of beans if no control measures are used. If the beans are sprayed or dusted in time, however, a full crop may be harvested regardless of the beetle."

It is well to keep in mind, says Mr. Brannon, that the Mexican beetle feeds on the under side of the leaves. Usually both the spiny larvae and the adult beetles are found feeding together. When damage is severe, all parts of the bean plant above the ground are fed upon and the plant may be completely destroyed. The beetle prefers the common garden, lima or butter beans with a second choice of the beggar weed. Where infestation is heavy, the insect may damage cowpeas and soybeans.

To control the beetle, the poison must be applied to the under side of the leaves. Magnesium arsenate has proved to be the safest and most effective poison, but calcium arsenate may be used if properly mixed with lime, recommends Mr. Brannon.

Effective methods of fighting the beetle are given in extension folder 22, published by the extension service at State College, Raleigh, and those interested may have a copy of this publication on application to the agricultural editor.

HAYES-GRAGG

Married on last Wednesday Mrs. John Gragg of Hodges Gap to Mr. Joe Hayes of Lovell, Rev. E. C. Hodges performing the ceremony.

It has become a city of its inhabitants no longer expect the school teachers to be good examples.

Change of Opinion in Regard to School Bill

County Superintendent of Schools Smith Hagaman has just returned from Raleigh where he attended the "School of Economy" of the county superintendents and chairmen of boards of education. Concerning the meeting Mr. Hagaman says:

"It was a week of real study and comparison of county school financing. There was a very distinct change of attitude on the part of many county superintendents in reference to the Hancock school bill. This change has come about from a better understanding of the bill and its effect on the schools of the state. The new school law, while intended as an economy measure, was not intended as a measure that would in any way injure the schools, and most of the school folks now see no danger of damage to school efficiency.

"Under the new law there will be a strict application of the best possible business administration in every department of school conduct to the end that school taxes shall be reduced, and I have not been able up to this good hour, to find a taxpayer who will object to this.

"It was the consensus of opinion that it was a worth-while meeting, in fact a very valuable study."

SPAINHOURS' ALMOST READY FOR OPENING

Announcement of the opening of Spainhours' new store in the H. W. Horton building is to be made within a few days, according to Manager R. F. McDade.

From available information it would appear that the new store will be more modern and complete than those usually found in towns twice the size of Boone. The ready-to-wear and millinery departments will be greatly improved and will occupy the mezzanine floor and will be in charge of Miss Helen Patterson. A thoroughly modern shoe department is to be added for men, women and children, and will be under the direction of a competent shoe salesman. This department will specialize in unusual sizes and widths, varying in ladies' lasts from triple A to triple E. The Queen Quality and Enna-Jetticks line will be featured.

It is understood that elaborate plans are being made by the management for entertainment on the opening date.

MR. YOUNT TALKS TO CIVITANS

Rev. J. A. Yount, pastor of Grace Lutheran church here, was in charge of the program at the meeting last week of the Civitan club. He made an interesting and helpful talk along the lines of boys' work, emphasized the previous week by Mr. Stanley A. Harris, National Boy Scout executive. Following Mr. Yount's address, informal talks were made during the appointment of a county farm demonstration agent. It was pointed out by Mr. G. P. Hagaman that one of the reasons why Watauga had not secured a Kraft cheese plant was because the company refuses to go into counties where there is no farm agent. The club at a recent meeting unanimously endorsed the farm agent idea, and it is expected that the organization will keep up the fight until some definite action is taken by the county commissioners. The meeting this week will be held at the Daniel Boone hotel at 12:45 p. m.

SCHOOL CLINICS

A pre-school clinic will be held at the following places on the dates named:

Boone school, May 8.
Cove Creek school, May 9.
Blowing Rock school, May 10.

There will be a doctor and state nurse at each of the above places for the purpose of making a physical examination of all school children who will enter school next term for the first time. This examination will be free to the children.

Parents are asked to bring their children to any one of these places. Examinations will start at 9 o'clock a. m.

No treatment will be given at these clinics, only a thorough examination of the children and advice of a doctor as to corrective treatment.

Parents, if you value the health of your child, do not neglect this.

SMITH HAGAMAN,
Secretary Board of Health.

BOONE HI SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Closing Exercises Begin Next Sunday Evening With Baccalaureate Sermon by Dr. W. O. Gordon; Senior Play Thursday Evening

The commencement program of the Boone high school will begin with the baccalaureate sermon which will be delivered by Dr. Will O. Gordon of Cove Creek. This service will be held in the Boone Methodist church on Sunday, May 12, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

On Thursday evening, May 16th, the senior play will be presented. This will be given in the college auditorium at 8 p. m. The play is entitled, "The Family Honor," which has for its theme, "Truth crushed to earth shall rise again." Mr. Winn allows an orphan girl to bar disgrace in order to hide his daughter's theft and preserve the family honor. A strong love affair, which runs through all five acts, becomes very tragic at times. Into this is woven delightful comedy, which is supplied by two colored characters, who do not allow a dull moment during the entire play.

Following is a list of characters: John Winn, a nearby farmer who dotes on family honor, Luther Jeffcoat.

Nell Winn, his daughter who loves Jack Dane, Nell Privette.

Sara Seal, her companion, loved by Jack Dane, Inez Gragg.

Jack Dane, young doctor just out of college, Walter Edminsten.

Duke Duval, Frenchman, who wants a wife, Len Hagaman.

Maggie Winn, spinster sister of John Winn, Iva Dean Wilson.

Judge Ways, friend of the Winns, Roger Green.

Buzz Greene, Duval's colored help, Council Cooke.

Pattie White, Winn's colored help, Pearl Cooke.

The play is under the direction of Miss Nell Coffey and Professor Hewitt, and they are promising the public an evening of delightful entertainment.

The class day exercises will be given on the evening of May 17th, in the college auditorium, beginning at 8 o'clock. The senior class, consisting of forty members, will render this program.

The literary address will be delivered on Saturday, May 18th, in the college auditorium, beginning at 10:30 a. m. The speaker will be announced later.

MEAT CAMP NEWS

Meat Camp, May 1—Miss Zilda Wilson of the Beaver Dam section spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Grady Wilson.

Rev. Lloyd B. Cole of Boone R. F. D. 2, will preach at Pleasant Valley M. E. church next Sunday, May 5th, at 3 p. m. Also he will hold prayer services at Hopewell church on the same day at 7:30 p. m.

Born, April 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Will Wineberger, a 13-pound daughter.

Rev. L. A. Wilson preached at Proffit's Grove Baptist church Saturday, April 27, at 11 a. m.

It is understood that a revival will begin at Proffit's Grove church on the night of May 19th.

NORMAL NOTES

Mr. James Moore's music class gave an interesting and entertaining program in the college auditorium Monday evening, which was thoroughly enjoyed by a large audience.

Miss Mary Davis, piano pupil of Mrs. I. G. Greer, will give a graduating recital next Monday evening. Prof. A. R. Smith will assist with several vocal solos.

Mr. J. K. Perry of the Cove Creek section was at the college on Tuesday and made a talk to the students. The aged gentleman is a good friend to the college and is always welcomed.

ROAD WORK SUSPENDED

Mr. T. H. Coffey of Blowing Rock has made two trips to Raleigh within the past few days, going before the highway commission trying to get work resumed on the Yonahlossee road. The contractors failed some time ago and, of course, abandoned the work. Mr. Coffey is hopeful that work will begin again in the very near future. Deputy Sheriff H. A. Hagaman attached all the property of the company Tuesday, save two steam shovels, and deposited it on a lot in Blowing Rock.