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The Federation Of Wesley Bible Classes To Meet July 7-10

The sixth annual meeting of the Western North Carolina Conference Federation of Wesley Bible Classes which convenes at Lake Junaluska July 7, 8, 9, and 10, beginning with the introductory session in the large auditorium Monday night, July 7, at 8 o'clock and concluding with the business session Thursday morning, July 10, bids fair to eclipse in point of attendance and scope of program any annual meeting thus far held. The program not only covers a wide range of thought but includes a number of talented speakers from a wide range of territory.

Those engaged are Dr. George R. Stuart, Dr. Ashley Chappell, Dr. F. J. Prettyman, Dr. O. J. Chandler, George L. Hackney, O. V. Wooley, Charles F. Lambeth, D. F. Giles, Maj. Made H. Phillips, J. R. McCrary, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, Rev. C. M. Pickens, O. S. Gates, Mrs. C. C. Weaver, Mrs. J. F. Spruill, Mrs. J. M. Mull, and Miss Maud McKimmon.

There will be three separate sessions of the Federation each morning, one for the adults, another for the young people and the third for those interested in work with children. The adult section will be directed by George L. Hackney, president of the entire Federation. The young people's section will be in charge of Miss Maud McKimmon, director of Religious Education at the Tryon Street Methodist Church, Charlotte. The elementary section will be led by Miss Virginia Jenkins, elementary superintendent of the Western North Carolina Conference.

The afternoons will be open for recreation. At the evening the combined sections of the Federation will assemble for inspirational addresses. The music of the Federation will be in charge of Prof. Andrew Hemphill and his double quartette.

The purpose of this annual meeting is to serve as a clearing house for the aims, ideals and activities of the organized Bible classes in the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church. The Wesley class commemorates the founding of the Methodist Church by John and Charles Wesley in a Bible Class in Oxford College, England, some two hundred year ago.

The Wesley class movement, while just fourteen years old, now numbers over 16,000 classes in the Southern Methodist Church, over 700 of which are in the Western North Carolina Conference. Delegates from these classes attend the Lake Junaluska meeting each year. There is no limit to the number of delegates a class may send since hotel accommodations are ample and reasonable. Reduced rates on the certificate plan for those going by rail and good roads for those going by automobile, together with the beautiful location in "the Land of the Sky" serve to make Lake Junaluska an ideal outing for religiously inclined people of moderate means.

The officers of the Federation are George L. Hackney, Lexington, president; Clyde R. Hoesy, Shelby, first vice-president; Mrs. A. N. Perkins, Greensboro, second vice-president; Mrs. E. O. Chandley, Asheville, recording secretary; Mrs. J. L. Thompson, Lincolnton, corresponding secretary; E. F. Allen, Lenoir, Treasurer; O. V. Wooley, superintendent of Sunday school work in the Western North Carolina Conference, who organized the Federation at Lake Junaluska six years ago, is the general executive secretary in charge of the Federation and its work.

To Elect Members Of Board Of Education In Graham County

At the primary election on July 5th the members of the Board of Education of Graham County are to be nominated, according to plans being made now by the board of elections. There are six candidates for the three places on the board. These are R. R. Rogers, A. J. Slaughter, C. S. Denton, W. T. Collins, D. Jenkins, and Gib Cable. Mr. N. E. Millaps is chairman of the Board of Elections.

AGED CITIZEN OF MURPHY IS LAID TO REST

W. A. Turnbull Was Nearly 78 Years Old At Time of Death—Succumbed to Apoplexy

The mortal remains of Mr. W. A. Turnbull, one of Murphy's oldest citizens, was laid to rest in the cemetery at the Methodist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, after the funeral services had been conducted at the home by his pastor, Rev. E. M. Stedman. Mr. Turnbull was approaching the 78th milestone at the time of his death last Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. He was stricken with apoplexy about 11 o'clock Tuesday before his death on Saturday, and never regained consciousness.

Mr. Turnbull is survived by six children and two sisters, his wife having preceded him to the grave some years ago. The sisters are: Mrs. Sallie Ketrion and Mrs. Mattie Standridge, of Hayesville; the children are Mrs. Winslow Hall, Kinsey; P. F. Turnbull, Miami, Fla.; Norman N. Turnbull, Copperhill, Tenn.; J. V. Turnbull, Struthers, Ohio; Mrs. Samuel Hunt, Murphy; and Glen Turnbull, of Struthers, Ohio. Besides these members of the immediate family, Mr. Turnbull is survived by many grandchildren and other relatives and friends, who mourn his departure.

CULBERSON MAN DROWNED IN LAKE TUESDAY EVENING

Body Carried to Culberson Home For Burial—Father Overcame by Sad News

Eighteen year old Rossie Loudermilk, of Culberson, was drowned in the artificial lake of H. C. Moore in the Peachtree section early Tuesday evening while he and several of his companions were in swimming. The boys went to the lake to take a swim after finishing their work with the Tucker & Laxton contractors on the Andrews municipal power dam on the Hiwassee River about six miles above Murphy. It is reported that Loudermilk was a rather poor swimmer. His companions made an effort to rescue him when they saw him sink into the middle of the lake, but without avail. A rescue party recovered the body about two o'clock Wednesday morning. The body was brought to Murphy Wednesday morning and prepared for burial, after which it was carried to the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Loudermilk, at Culberson. Funeral services were held at the Shady Grove Church near the home Thursday.

It was reported here that the news of the boy's untimely death overcame the father, who is subject to heart trouble and he was reported as practically in an unconscious condition. This information could not be verified over long distance telephone. The associates of the unfortunate victim of the deep made up a purse of \$113.75 to pay the funeral expenses of the young man, as a token of the esteem in which they held him.

Copperhill Slips One Over On Local Team

The Copperhill baseball club took the big end of a four to six score from the Murphy club in a closely contested game on the Copperhill grounds Wednesday afternoon. The score was almost neck and neck until the seventh inning when the Copperhill pitcher caught a pretty one on the nose for a homer, with one man on the bases. Murphy threatened the lead of their opponents in the ninth but the rally was checked after the local team had succeeded in forcing over one run.

Murphy's line up included Barnhart, catcher; McDolphin, pitcher; Wheeler, firstbase; Davidson, second base; Marr, shortstop; Harris, third base; Leatherwood, left field; Brendle, center field; and Fain, right field.

Cherokee County S. S. Association To Meet in Andrews

The Cherokee County Sunday School Association will convene for the third annual session in the First Baptist Church at Andrews on Thursday, July 17th, for a two days meeting. Already several townships have held meetings of the township associations and appointed delegates to the county convention in Andrews. The Shoal Creek Township held its convention last Saturday and Sunday, June 28 and 29, and from the interest manifested in that township meeting, the attendance at the county convention in Andrews should be quite representative.

This association was organized three years ago by representatives from the state association in Raleigh and is non-denominational in its interests and work. The state association will have two representatives at the Andrews meeting to take part in the program. Miss Flora Davis, assistant superintendent of the state association, and who has taken a leading part in the life of the Cherokee Association, will return this year as one of the chief speakers before the association meeting. Professor D. W. Donaldson, director of Religious Education, Washington College Institute, and a representative of the state association, will also be one of the leading speakers on the program. Besides these state representatives Sunday school superintendents and teachers and pastors from the various churches over the county will take part.

President John H. Dillard and secretary Arthur Akin, of Murphy, Vice President D. H. Tillitt, of Andrews, are in charge of the program for the county meeting. These officers are calling on any others who may be interested in Sunday school work to make any suggestions with regard to the program.

Continuing the plan begun last year, officers have announced that a penant will again be presented to the Sunday school having present in the convention the largest number of representatives sixteen years of age and over, according to the number of miles traveled. The number of representatives from each Sunday school multiplied by the number of miles traveled from that church to the convention church will receive the penant. Those schools within one mile of the place of the convention will not compete for the penant. This feature is expected to stimulate considerable friendly interest in the association meeting.

Swain Family Holds Annual Reunion

The annual Swain family reunion was held at the home of Mrs. Lillie Berrong of Peachtree Sunday, June 29th. Forty-six members of the family were present to renew acquaintances and enjoy the day. A sumptuous dinner was served at the noon hour. Among those present were Mrs. Lillie Berrong and eight children of Peachtree; Mrs. T. W. Wilkins, of Pittsburg, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Swaim, of Ocala, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Swain and two children, of Murphy; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swaim and three children of Murphy; Mr. and Mrs. John Sneed and five children, of Regal; Mrs. Emma A. Jones and three children of Forney, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sneed and son, of Andrews; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Watson and two children, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spivia and two children, of Murphy. Twenty-six of the forty-six members of the family present were grandchildren.

Murphy Will Play Double Header With Andrews July 4th

Arrangements have been completed for a double-header baseball game between Murphy and Andrews on July 4th on the Andrews ground. The first game will be played at 10:30 in the morning and the second at 3:30 in the afternoon. A large attendance from here is expected. The two teams are apparently rather evenly matched and good games are expected.

COUNTY NOMINEES NAMED MONDAY BY REPUBLICANS

F. O. Christopher Made Chairman of Convention, W. M. Axley made Permanent Chairman

The County Republican Convention which met Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock in the court house, nominated candidates for the various county offices, elected a permanent chairman of its executive committee and adjourned in short order without a discordant note. The various precincts held conventions last Saturday and named delegates to the county meeting here on Monday. Temporary Chairman of the Executive Committee W. M. Axley called the convention to order and Attorney F. O. Christopher was elected as the presiding officer, while Mr. T. W. Axley was made secretary.

After the preliminary business, the following candidates for offices in the coming November elections were nominated: D. W. Swan, of Andrews for member of the general assembly; Ben Morrow, of Beaverdam Township, for Sheriff; A. M. Simonds, of Murphy, for Register of Deeds; J. S. Dockery, of the Grandview section for Coroner; Messrs. T. W. Axley, of Murphy, W. J. Martin, of Martins Creek, and Turned Holland, of Andrews, for County Commissioners; and Messrs. Will Lovingood, of Murphy, Andrew Davis, of Grandview, and John Hampton, of Brasstown, for members of the Murphy Township Highway commission.

Mr. W. M. Axley was elected permanent chairman of the county executive committee to succeed Mr. A. B. Dickey who resigned some months ago to become postmaster. Mr. Axley was at that time made temporary chairman and the convention put its Ok on him for the job.

Shoal Creek Sunday School Convention

By Ernest Allen, Clerk.

The Shoal Creek Township Sunday School Convention met at the Fairview No. 3-A Sunday School at 9 o'clock in the morning on June 28th, and the following officers were elected: W. R. Witt, chairman, and Ernest Allen, Clerk.

Some of the speakers were not present but the Lord sent others to fill their places, among whom was Rev. E. G. Clary, of Murphy, who made an interesting talk on how we may know Christ as our personal friend, and prepare ourselves for citizenship in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Col. Dillard's speech was a masterpiece and we greatly appreciated the fine things he said. The Colonel has the interest of the mountain people at heart, and he is always ready to lend a helping hand to the poor, or to those who are in need. He is one of North Carolina's noble sons, one who has helped to make our great state a noble name.

At 1 o'clock, all gathered in the grove and enjoyed a fine dinner. If some of the native sons of North Carolina are hunting for a life partner who is a good cook our advice is to look around Fairview.

On the morning of the 29th, Mr. R. L. Keenum stated the purpose of the day's work.

Rev. J. M. Underwood made an interesting talk on how to keep young folks in Sunday school.

Three delegates were elected to attend the county convention at Andrews.

Mrs. W. F. Hill read an essay on "The Great Need in Our Sunday School."

After which Rev. W. R. Witt, who was the principal speaker of the day, made a good talk on Missionary work. Adjournment was made to meet with Friendship Sunday School, August 30, and 31, 1924.

L. & N. Improves Station Crossing

The L. & N. Railway has greatly improved the crossing at the head of their yards in the wholesale district by the addition of much slag from the Copperhill mines. The tracks were partly taken up to add new ties before the slag was put in place. This not only makes a smoother crossing, but also will serve to keep down the coal dust in that vicinity.

Sixteen Candidates Formally Placed In Nomination

The names of sixteen men were formally placed in nomination before the Democratic National Convention in session in Madison Square Garden, New York City, during the past ten days before the balloting began. However, during the early ballots a few votes were scattered among other men who were not placed before the convention. Those offered in nomination on the floor were:

- William G. McAdoo, of California.
- Alfred E. Smith, of New York.
- Senator Joseph T. Robinson, of Arkansas.
- Senator Samuel T. Ralston, of Indiana.
- Willard Saulsbury, of Delaware.
- Governor Jonathan Davis, of Kansas.
- Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland.
- David F. Houston, of New York.
- Senator Woodbridge N. Ferris, of Michigan.
- Senator Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama.
- James M. Cox, of Ohio.
- Governor G. S. Silzer, of New Jersey.
- Governor Charles W. Bryan, of Nebraska.
- Governor Fred H. Brown, of New Hampshire.
- Senator Carter W. Glass, of Virginia.
- John W. Davis, of West Virginia.

WEEK OF TALK FORCES DEMOCRAT STOCK DOWN

Blundering of New York Convention, Sacrifice of Both Principle and Expediency, Spell Loss of Party's Great Opportunity.

By David Loth
New York, July 1—The first week of the Democratic National Convention has produced nothing but talk. And the only significance that talk has had has been to convince any impartial man who heard it that the party has lost a great opportunity.

When the delegates assembled for the opening session, they had the chance to nominate a man for President whose prospects for winning in November would have been excellent. Now no one who has watched the proceedings of the convention can retain much faith in its wisdom. The candidate will have to win public confidence for himself.

The bickerings that have characterized the gathering so far do not count. There have always been many factional squabbles in the Democratic Party and the men who have differed did not hesitate to heal the breach. They will not hesitate this time; the convention will doubtless disband with a fine gesture of harmony. But they have shown the inner workings of politics that are far from inspiring.

The Republican convention gave the same indications but less markedly for there was little to fight about in Cleveland. But here too the farcical nature of national party convention was demonstrated; and the millions of citizens who heard it on the radio witnessed the demonstration.

The Deadly Orator.
Four day of solid oratory that did not mean a thing and one day's talk that might have meant something if the senses had not been deadened by talk represent the sum total of the convention's achievements.

For hour after hour the speakers droned on; some of them talked rather well, but they were lost in the dull monotony of their fellows. Nominating speeches and seconding speeches of surprising length and dullness were punctuated by terrific outbursts of artificial applause that was hardly less boresome.

William Gibbs McAdoo was placed in nomination and well trained cheer leaders managed to drag out the applause for an hour. Perhaps for the first minute or two the "great demonstration" was genuine. McAdoo had a host of supporters in the big hall. But after that it was simply a question of keeping it up to make a show. It meant nothing; even

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WAR ON RATS IS DECLARED IN THE COUNTY

Miss Anna Mae Wright Visiting All Parts of County In Interest Of Campaign

Miss Anna Mae Wright, working in co-operation with the United States Department of Agriculture, is directing field operations against the rats of the county this week, the Chamber of Commerce, the Woman's Club, and other civic organizations of Murphy and other towns in the county are lending aid and supplying reinforcements to Miss Wright's army in her campaign against rodents, which annually destroy about \$1.85 worth of food each per year, according to statistics gathered by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Miss Wright came to Cherokee County on Thursday of last week and since that time has visited Andrews, Marble, Culberson, Ranger and other town in the county as well as a number of the country stores enlisting the support of the entire citizenship of the county in this campaign. Miss Wright's part in the campaign is simply to lay the facts before the people and tell them how rats may be destroyed. The individual householder must help out in the campaign if it is to be successful.

The plan she is advocating is a simple one. All that is necessary to be done is for persons whose premises are infested to judiciously use barium carbonate, a poison recommended by the Department of Agriculture. It is for sale at drug store, hardware and general stores. The directions for using it are simple: To one teaspoonful of any kind of food a rat will eat, such as meat, fish, cheese, cereals, apples, etc., add a small quantity of barium carbonate. Miss Wright suggests that at least three kinds of food rats will eat should be mixed separately and placed for the rats, and continued several nights with the kind it is found the rats will eat best.

After eating the poison, it was explained, the rats will seek water before dying. Instances have been recorded where the doomed rodents have traveled as far as two miles from the place of eating before succumbing to the attacks of the poison, said Miss Wright.

If the poison is used where fowls can get to it, it is recommended that the poisoned food be put in a small box and covered over with a large heavy box with holes on either side large enough for rats to enter. These boxes should be placed on runs at night and removed in the morning.

If thousands of these rats can be eliminated from the county during this intensive campaign, it will result in a great saving to the people of this section. It is estimated by the department of Agriculture officials that on an average there are two rats to every one person. On this ration there would be approximately 35,000 rats in the county. Multiply this by \$1.85, which is the estimated value of the food each rodent will eat in the course of a year, and we have a total of \$64,750 worth of food eaten by the rats of the county. Perhaps fully one-half of this represents groceries bought by the housewife at the stores for the use of the family. Figured on this basis, the situation becomes rather grave.

Baptist Church Making Preparations To Build Tabernacle

At a meeting of the Baptist Church in regular conference Wednesday evening definite steps were taken to provide seating capacity for the crowds that are expected to be here for the meetings that Dr. George Truett is expected to hold here about the first of September. At this conference the church decided to go ahead with the building of a tabernacle on the present church property and adjoining the present church building. The contemplated structure will seat approximately fifteen hundred people. It is expected that operations will begin on this addition in the near future. A building committee will be appointed in a few days