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R. P. SMITH TO PREACH AT COMMENCEMENT

R. P. Smith of Asheville, pastor of the Asheville Presbyterian church and moving spirit in religious work in western North Carolina for many years, has consented to preach the commencement sermon in the church on Sunday, May 27, of this year.

Smith's ripe years, full of experience, spirituality and of love and devotion and sacrifice for the spiritual and physical needs of the mountaineers makes his choice to deliver the commencement sermon a specially fitting one, it is felt by Murphy people following the custom long followed here, a minister representing one of the active denominations in the county is chosen in order for the commencement sermon. Two years ago the Methodist minister, Rev. Manly of Waynesville, preached the commencement sermon; last year Rev. A. G. Martin, of Waynesville, performed this duty for the local school. This year a Presbyterian minister has been chosen.

The next week or so it is hoped an announcement may be made of the commencement speaker. Efforts are being made to secure a minister of outstanding ability in the county to deliver the commencement sermon.

ROAD WORK ON TWO W. N. C. ROAD LINKS

Work will be started immediately on two oft-traversed western North Carolina highway links. The Times reported late Saturday.

Grading is progressing rapidly on the No. 28, between Murphy and Tennessee line, and paving materials for another section of Route 28, between Cherokee and Cayles and No. 287, running north-south, is being placed for a paving job that is to get under way immediately. An appropriation of \$73,000 for the job was recently made by the state highway department.

Work on two important highway projects in western North Carolina is now progressing with great rapidity, it was learned Saturday. Grading and grading of the state No. 10, from the Buncombe county line to Canton, are now nearly completed. Contract for the paving job will be let Tuesday.

G. Stikeeather, ninth highway district commissioner said Saturday that the Canton project would be completed late in July. Work on an important link of No. 10 will be through with all possible expedition, he said. The paving of No. 10 and the grading of the route from Murphy, will be started as soon as spring weather arrives.

The completion of the Canton project will put an end to the last unimproved road on Route 10, between Asheville and the Georgia line beyond Murphy. The highway is paved virtually all the way from Moorehead City, on the Atlantic Ocean, and is known as "the street of North Carolina."

Work on No. 28 is opening up the route south and parallel to No. 10. This route connects with No. 20, another across state highway that Cave, runs through Hendersonville, Brevard, Highlands, Franklin and to Murphy. The extension of the Tennessee line is expected to be one of the state's most traveled roads.

Improvements on this road will come steadily, Mr. Stikeeather said, and eventually, it will be entirely paved. Construction of a fine highway in Tennessee to connect it is now being seriously considered in the neighboring state, Asheville Times.

22 GALLONS IS CAPTURED BY OFFICERS

Charlie Logan Lodged in Jail Charged With Possession—Others Taken in Strenuous Campaign

Local officers have been waging a strenuous campaign against violations of the prohibition laws during the past week, and the net result is the capture of six men and more than twenty-two gallons of whiskey.

Wednesday, Officers Wilford Cooper, Neil Sneed, Cody Clayton and George Crawford, acting upon a tip, went to the home of Charlie Logan with a search warrant and found 22 gallons of feontrabrand hidden in the smokehouse. Logan was placed in jail, despite his protest that he knew nothing of the liquor, and his bond was fixed at \$500.00, which he had not made a short time prior to going to press.

Wednesday, Officers Cooper and Crawford apprehended Henry Logan and Lee Sutherland, Logan charged with violation of the prohibition law and reckless driving, and Sutherland charged with violation of the prohibition law. Both waived preliminary hearing and were bound over to superior court. Logan's bond was fixed at \$400.00 and Sutherland's at \$200.00, which they made.

Wednesday night Officers Sneed, Cooper and Crawford took into custody Jasper McClure and Charlie McClure on a charge of violation of the prohibition law. They both made bond of \$200.00 each.

Wednesday, Officers Sneed, Cooper and Clayton arrested Frank Crooks, of Blue Ridge, Ga., who has been in this county for several weeks, on a charge of driving an automobile while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

LIONS CLUB LADIES NIGHT LAST TUESDAY

Sumptuous Banquet Served at Regal Hotel—Short and Interesting Talks Feature of Dinner

Last Tuesday night the Lions Club assembled with their guests at the Regal Hotel for a sumptuous banquet, the occasion being ladies night. Several guests were present, including husbands and wives of the cast of the play entitled "Deal 'Em Over," recently sponsored by the club.

Following the unusually appetizing repast, a number of short talks were made.

President Fain announced the annual donation for prizes to the local school by the Asheville Lions Club, and expressed his appreciation of the favors shown by the club during his recent illness.

A committee was appointed to have charge of the Lions Annual Easter egg hunt this year, as follows: E. P. Hawkins, chairman; C. K. Hoover and H. P. Cooper. This committee are to select three ladies to co-operate with them on the committee.

Lion Witherspoon introduced a motion, which carried, that the secretary be instructed to write President Coolidge a letter, inviting him to come to western North Carolina this summer and take the trip over North Carolina's Main Street highway from Asheville to Murphy.

Lion Edw. E. Adams, treasurer, reported a neat little sum in the treasury, and said that he did not rise to ask for any donations, nor was he in favor of making any. He also suggested that the Lions use their good offices in helping to organize a dramatic club for Murphy, and this topic came in for quite a good deal of discussion, each speak-

ARBOR DAY IS OBSERVED BY SCHOOL

Score or More of Trees From Nearby Mountains Planted on Grounds

The local schools celebrated Arbor Day Friday by the planting of native trees on the campus, more than a score of trees thus being put out. The trees used were maples and dogwoods taken from the nearby mountain sides. In most cases these were planted so as to contribute to a common plan.

The grades housed in the high school building each planted two maples, one on either side of the walk, leading from the high school to the auditorium. In the course of a few years it is expected that these will form an avenue of maples and make an attractive approach to the high school building.

The grammar grades planted their trees on the plot lying along highway No. 10, which plot it is hoped to develop into a sort of arboretum. Last year a number of native shrubs and plants were placed in this plot. It is expected that the planting and development of this section will be completed in another year or so. Other trees were also planted along the driveway on the school property lying behind the Vaughn and Candler residences.

Simple little exercises accompanied the plantings. In many cases each of the boys in the grades would each take turns in digging the hole or in refilling it, while the teacher and the entire grade formed a semicircle around the operations. The children, under the directions of their teachers, secured their own trees. Quite a bit of interest was manifested in these plantings and it is expected that the aid of the children in protecting the trees until they are large enough to protect themselves will thus be secured.

In previous years Arbor Day has been celebrated in the local school but never in quite so elaborate a way, nor in the past has quite so much interest been shown in the plantings as shown by the children this year. In part this may be explained by the fact that Arbor Day this year was in the spring whereas in the past it has usually been observed in the fall. In the spring the planting season gets hold of most people and undoubtedly this change in the Arbor Day celebration is most likely going to prove very fruitful of interest and activity throughout the state as it has here.

er pledging his co-operation in its organization.

A committee, headed by Lion Witherspoon, with Lions Hawkins and Gray as members, was appointed to foster a movement to have the people of Murphy plant dogwood and other trees and shrubbery in their yards, gardens, and otherwise beautify the town. This committee is the outcome of a suggestion of Mr. Witherspoon several weeks ago that the people of the town be asked to co-operate in a movement to make Murphy more beautiful by planting trees and shrubbery, especially dogwood. He expressed the hope that in a few years from now Murphy would be known as the "City of Dogwoods."

Among the other speakers were Mrs. W. M. Axley, Mrs. E. C. Mallonee, H. P. Cooper, T. W. Axley, R. W. Gray, Ralph Moody, and others.

Those present were Mr. E. C. Moore, Mr. V. M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. D. Witherspoon, Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hyde, Mr. Robert Austin, Miss Eloise Fain, Miss Rosamond Cooper, Mrs. W. M. Axley, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moody, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fain, Mr. Mark West, Dr. Edw. E. Adams, Mr. E. W. Sipe, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Elkins, Mr. and

HEALTH COURSE CONDUCTED AT BRASSTOWN

Miss Kidder Public Health Nurse of Kentucky, Taught Health and Home Nursing

The Woman's Community Club of Brasstown hated to see the end of February come because it meant the public health nurse was leaving. It is difficult to estimate how much every member valued the course in health and home nursing which Miss Caroline E. Kidder, a public health nurse of Kentucky, gave so efficiently during the month of February. Every Tuesday and Thursday, rain or shine, a group of women gathered at the farmhouse of the John C. Campbell Folk School.

The living room was very cleverly changed into a sick room—a convenient hospital for the nurse, and a comfortable and beautiful one for the patient. Many were the lessons in home nursing.

There was so much interest among the women that the men asked for a talk also. In Brasstown we all know "we are never too old to learn," so fathers and grandfathers as well as big brothers gathered around the open fire in the Community Room, where Miss Kidder talked to the group for nearly two hours.

We were fortunate to have Miss Kidder at our regular Club Meeting, February 29, which met at the home of Mrs. J. W. Clayton. She told the story of Leeuwenhoek's life how in the seventeenth century he was the first to discover microbes; of Pasteur and what his discoveries have meant to the world; of the doctors and citizens who gave their lives to conquer yellow fever; of the many diseases we need not have today and why. There was so much discussion that some business had to be left until the following meeting. As usual there was a very happy social hour afterward.

In early March nine members of the Woman's Community Club drove over to the home of Mrs. Ferguson of Slow Creek to help in the organization of a similar Club there. Mrs. William Clayton, President of the Brasstown Woman's Club and Mrs. John C. Campbell, Director of the John C. Campbell Folk School, told how the Brasstown Club had been organized and outlined its work of the last twenty months. Fourteen women became charter members of the Slow Creek Community Club. Mrs. Ellis of Asheville, Supervisor of Home Demonstration work in western North Carolina, told of her plan for devoting a week each month for six months to Cherokee County. The Slow Creek Club and the Brasstown Club were both happy to have Mrs. Ellis agree to meet their clubs on each visit to the county. The Brasstown Woman's Community Club decided on the project "Home Conveniences."

Mrs. E. P. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Axley, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cope, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mallonee, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Christopher, Miss Jeness Cox, Mr. E. B. Gibbs and C. W. Bailey.

LADIES MEETINGS

Mrs. Sarah Porter Ellis, District Home Agent for Western North Carolina, has been secured to come and spend one week each month with the ladies of this county for the next six months and I am hoping that the ladies and girls over ten years of age will take advantage of this opportunity as we will not likely be able to get another of this kind for perhaps years.

She will meet the ladies and girls at the following places and time to discuss what class of work that they would like to take up, whether sew-

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY

Appoint Committee to See About Cutting Action on Marking Fort Butler—Other Business Transacted

The regular business meeting of the Woman's Club was held in the club rooms in the library building Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. This was the first meeting held in the new rooms on the ground floor and known heretofore as the assembly hall of the Library, which was recently renovated and repainted by the county Commissioners and turned over to the club.

The entire lower floor of the Library building, with the exception of the Mayor's office, and which was used by the county as a court room while the new court house was under construction, has recently been renovated and repainted and turned over to the club for its use as a permanent home. Heretofore the club has been meeting in the reading room of the Library but owing to the growing interest additional space was needed to accommodate the patrons of the library.

Among the important matters transacted by the club was the appointment of a committee, composed of Mrs. D. Witherspoon and Mrs. Richard S. Parker, to purchase the necessary china for the use of the club, and each member was asked to donate a spoon.

A committee, composed of Mrs. Ralph Moody, Mrs. Thos. S. Evans, Mrs. R. C. Mattox, Mrs. W. W. Hyde and Mrs. G. W. Candler, was appointed to wait upon the town council and ask that steps be taken to locate and place the marker on Fort Butler, and make other suitable improvements on the property to preserve this historical spot.

At the next meeting, which will be held the third Wednesday afternoon in April, officers for the coming year will be elected, and the following were appointed as a nominating committee and instructed to report at that time: Mrs. J. W. Davidson, Mrs. D. Witherspoon and Mrs. Richard S. Parker.

Mrs. C. W. Savage gave an interesting report on the activities of the Music Club, and told of the plans of the Club for the coming year. One of the next programs to be given by the club will be rendered on Easter night, at a union meeting of the churches of the town in the Baptist Church.

Following the business session the Club was delightfully entertained with a piano solo by Mrs. J. N. Hill.

The meeting was one of the most interesting the club has had in some time. Those present were: Mrs. E. B. Norvell, president; Mrs. J. B. Storey, treasurer; Mrs. H. G. Elkins, recording secretary; Mrs. G. W. Candler, Mrs. D. Witherspoon, Mrs. M. W. Bell, Mrs. R. C. Mattox, Mrs. C. W. Savage, Mrs. Ralph Moody, Mrs. J. P. Anderson, Mrs. J. N. Moody, Mrs. J. N. Hill, Miss Lula Fain, and Mrs. Thos. S. Evans.

ing, dressmaking, millinery, cooking, canning, house furnishing, home conveniences, or many other things.

Kimsey School House, Tuesday, March 27, 10:00 a. m.

Suit or Friendship School House, Tuesday, March 27, 2:30 p. m.

Martin Creek, Old School House, March 28, 10:00 a. m.

Marble School House, Wednesday, March 28, 2:30 p. m.

If the women of these communities are interested in having her conduct these meetings, and enough come out to make it worth her while we shall go on with our plan and conduct the club work there. If you are not interested, and the enrollment is small, we will have to carry the work to some other community.

R. W. GRAY, County Agent.