

COUNTY TEACHERS IN SESSION

Teacher Training and Betterment Work Discussed—Excellent Address By Dr. Weeks—Social Lunch Given By The Woman's Betterment Association.

Perhaps the best meeting of the County Teachers' Association in two years was held in Asheboro last Saturday.

The attendance was as large as could be expected, but not as large as in the previous meeting. The increased interest and efficiency of the work more than balanced the slight decrease in attendance, and really made the meeting the best ever held.

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DR. WARE'S APPOINTMENTS. Presiding Elder of Greensboro District Arranges Schedule for First Round. The following schedule for the first round (four appointments have been filled before we go to press) of the Greensboro District to be made by Rev. Dr. W. R. Ware, presiding elder:

- Uwharrie Circuit—Salem, December 18, 19. Asheboro Station—December 19, 20. Greensboro—Spring Garden St., December 26. West Greensboro Circuit—Muir's Chapel 3 p. m. December 26. Coleridge Circuit—Rehobeth, January 1, 2. Liberty Circuit—Liberty, January 2, 3. Randolph Circuit—Pleasant Hill, January 8, 9. Denton Circuit—Pleasant Grove, January 9, 10. Pleasant Garden Circuit—Rehobeth, January 15, 16. Greensboro—Walnut Street, night, January 16. Rameour and Franklinville—Rameour, January 22, 23. Randleman and Naomi—January 29, 30. Asheboro Circuit—Central Falls, January 30, 31. Reidville Station—February 6, 7. Wentworth Circuit—Salem, February 5, 6. Ruffin Circuit—Lowe's, February 12, 13.

Mr. James T. Johnson, a son of Mr. Maugum Johnson, of Matthews township, was killed by a freight train in Hertford county, on last Thursday, and was buried last Sunday at Love's Creek church. He had been in the service of the railroad only a few days when killed. Even before his body was brought home for burial a lawyer from near the place of his death came to this county to make a contract with the deceased's father for suing the railroad company for damages. Such unseemly and unprofessional conduct exceeds any "ambulance chasing" that we have ever heard of!

Chatham Record. The name of this unprofessional attorney should be published, and brother lawyers would do the profession a service by publishing his name.—Editor Courier. To Run For Congress. Judge E. B. Jones of the superior court at Winston-Salem is being urged by his friends to enter the race for the democratic nomination for congress in the fifth district. He admits that he will accept the nomination. Mr. W. F. Carter, a prominent lawyer of Mt. Airy is being talked of for judge of superior court to succeed Judge Jones. Entertainment at Liberty. The Liberty High School will give a play on Wednesday night, December 23. The title, "Santa Claus and Uncle Sam" suggests that it will be appropriate as well as entertaining. The play is divided into three parts, and will be interspersed with selections from primary grades. The proceeds are to defray the expenses on the auditorium.

Property in the State Increased in Value. The Secretary of the North Carolina Tax commission, Mr. Henry Clay Brown states that the valuation of property in the State for the year has increased \$744,857. County Taxes total \$2,677,091. Municipal taxes \$2,473,796. State taxes \$3,494,312. Income tax only yielded, \$36,383.

Notice—Bank Meeting. The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Randolph will be held on Thursday January 13th, 1910 at the office of the bank at 2 p. m. for the purpose of electing officers, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before it. W. J. Armfield Jr, Cashier. Asheboro, N.C. Dec. 15, 1909. See the Coupon elsewhere "A slogan for Asheboro." Fill the blank out and get five dollars for your thought if you give the best slogan for Asheboro. Send in by January 1.

Our Popularity Contest.

The Courier is inaugurating a great Popularity Contest and will give away a \$400 Piano and other valuable prizes to winners.

The Courier will give all workers, including the contestants, valuable premiums, full details of which will be found in this issue of The Courier. Many inquiries have been received, and several nominations have been made, which we give below:

- LIST OF CONTESTANTS. Miss Nellie Jordan, Trinity. Mrs. Emma Coltrane, Glenola. Miss Lola Troutman, Asheboro, Route 1. Mrs. Ida Cox, Ralph. Mrs. Cora Hill, Pineson. Mrs. Nonnie Hill, Rachel. Mrs. Linnie Dorant, Farmer. Mrs. Edna Prossell, Michfield. Mrs. Emma Pierce, Seagrave. Mrs. Laura Stinson, Randleman. Mrs. M. B. Givins, Trinity. Miss Christine Winslow, Lanesville. Miss Bertha Lisk, Seagrave, Route 1. Miss Luna Cole, Dewey. Miss Olive Moffitt, Asheboro, Route 1. Miss Mary White, Glenola. Miss Flora Zane, Randleman, Route 1. Miss Maud Miller, Fallers, Route 2. Miss Florence Warren, Staley. Mrs. W. P. White, Rameour. Miss Maudie Curtis, Rameour. Miss Maggie Albertson, Trinity. Miss Betsey Shamburger, Hill's Store.

Look over them and make other nominations. Clip a coupon from the paper and nominate your favorite. The sooner you start to getting subscribers the better.

Everybody should take the Courier. Those who do not take The Courier should be induced to do so. The voting begins this week. Make your nominations today.

Send in your own name and go to work for subscriptions to vote for yourself. A ballot box is kept in The Courier business office and a careful record will be kept and results will be announced each week. Start the ball to rolling today.

Farmers Organize. The Guilford county Farmers Union was organized last Saturday. Officers were elected for the ensuing year, as follows: President—J. W. Wharton. Vice President—C. I. Weatherly. Secretary—T. L. Archer. Conducter—C. U. Hinshaw. Chaplain—C. E. Hockett. Door Keeper—Robert Gilchrist. Trade agent—J. A. Hoskins. Lecturer—J. S. Ferguson. Executive committee—Otis Rockett, P. L. Holt and O. F. Ross.

Harris-Robbins. Wedding invitations which are of much interest to many in this city have been issued as follows: "Mr. and Mrs. James H. Robbins invite you to be present at the marriage of their daughter, Saidie to Mr. Charles U. Harris, on Wednesday afternoon; December twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and nine, at five o'clock, Edenton Street church, Raleigh, N. C."

Married. Mr J. N. Mendenhall, a prominent manufacturer living at Lexington N. C. was married on Tuesday of this week to Miss Jessie Hunt, a popular lady of the same place. There were no cards and the marriage was a quiet one and with only a few friends present. The couple left after the ceremony on a northern trip.

Died. Reuben Cox of Asheboro died suddenly on Friday afternoon as he was leaving work at the Home Building and Material Company. He was 66 years old. The funeral was at Holly Springs on Sunday conducted by Rev. Jno. Tilden and Mrs. Angel. The family desire to thank their many friends for many kindnesses.

Robbed and Beaten by Negroes. While Mr. F. H. Watlington of Winston-Salem was going from his store on East Seventh and a half street to his home on Highland Avenue last Saturday night, he was set upon by three negroes who dragged him 50 yards and beat him severely robbing him of \$70 or \$80 in cash, his bank book and some insurance papers.

Franklinville News—Shot Himself—Other News. Rev. J. T. Bynum preached an interesting sermon at the Baptist church Sunday night. Mr. H. L. Jackson, of Worthville, spent a few days last week in the city visiting his uncle Mr. D. H. West who has been sick for quite a while.

Misses Hannah and Ann Maness visited friends at Cedar Falls Sunday. The Drug Store has just purchased a nice line of toys and other Christmas goods and are selling them at reasonable prices.

Franklinville high school will give a play at the academy Thursday night before Xmas. Everybody is invited and a good time is in store for everyone who attends.

Misses Hannah Maness and Minnie Tippet went to Rameour Saturday. Mr. Ed Read, of Greensboro, spent Sunday in town.

Julius Linea while out bird hunting one day last week accidentally shot himself in the foot inflicting a severe wound but no bones were crushed and it is hoped he will be well in a few days.

W. C. Burrow has gone to Sanford to do a job of brick work. Both of our Sunday schools are in fine shape and are doing good work. Moore, Chapel will have a Xmas tree and will give a treat to their scholars Friday night before Xmas. On the same night at the M. E. church a treat will be given and an offering to the children's home accompanied with appropriate exercises.

Mr. Henry Slack and Miss Lulu Elkins were united in marriage last Wednesday night at the home of the bride's mother. Rev. J. F. Alldred officiating. The bride is the pretty and accomplished daughter of Mrs. Emma Phillips and the groom is a son of Mr. T. A. Slack, both of the parties are of this city and are among our best people. Mr. Slack holds a responsible position in the tanning room of the Franklinville Manufacturing Company. They will make their future home in this place.

Mrs. Clark, wife of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina Walter Clark, died at her home in Raleigh Friday, of Pneumonia. The deceased was 53 years old and a daughter of the late Gov. Wm. A. Graham.

FEARFUL WRECK

WEDNESDAY MORNING ON SOUTHERN.

Near Brown's Summit. On yesterday morning the six passenger coaches of train No. 11 southbound, fell through a bridge across Reedy Fork, near Brown's Summit, in Guilford county. The accident was either due to a broken or spreading rail, the railroad people say.

Up to 6 o'clock yesterday there were recovered from four coaches 11 dead and 23 injured, who were taken to Greensboro hospital.

Among the killed were: U. E. Sexton, an insurance man of Denton.

Richard Eames, Jr., mining engineer of Salisbury.

John Broadnax, a distiller of Richmond.

V. E. Helcomb, lawyer, Mt. Airy. Conductor Nowland, of the Richmond sleeper.

Charles Bagly, trainman, Manchester. Auditor H. C. White of Southern, Charlotte, N. C.

Superintendent Cone, of the Richmond Division. All the killed were in the sleeper; none in the day coaches were killed. This is unusual. None of the passengers in one of the coaches have been rescued at six o'clock Wednesday when we closed our papers.

Hardin-Cameron. The following invitation has been received by ironsides of the contracting parties in Asheboro: Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cameron request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Byrde to Mr. Walter Harrison Hardin on Tuesday afternoon, December twenty-first Methodist Protestant Church Liberty, North Carolina.

Greensboro Lady Attacked by Negro. While Miss Effie Lowe, a young white girl, was on her way to her home on Chestnut street about 6:30 one night recently, she was attacked by a young negro shortly after she had left the car line. He attempted to choke her but she screamed before he could shut her wind off, which so frightened him that he ran away. He has not been captured.

A similar occurrence happened when Miss Williams had her satchel snatched from her hand on Walker street by a negro.

Brokaw's Wife Says She Wants Money. On Monday of this week Mrs. Mary C. Blair Brokaw left the witness stand after being on the stand five days at Mineola court house, N. Y. where she is suing W. Gould Brokaw for divorce and \$60,000 a year alimony. She declared he was cruel and made life intolerable. Mr. Brokaw declares the suit was instituted not in good faith but to get money.

Mr. Edgar Moore, at Bynum, is the champion hog-raiser thus far reported to The Record this season. He killed four hogs last week that were only a few days over a year old and whose combined weight was 2,012 pounds. The heaviest one weighed 577 pounds and the average weight of the four was 503 pounds. Mr. Moore bought these hogs when they were two months old; and fed them on corn, oats and chipmuff and their total cost was a little less than seven cents a pound. —Chatham Record.

Barn Burned. The barn belonging to Mr. Daniel Smith of East Newmarket township was burned Friday night, December 10th, with all the hay, corn, fodder etc. and one valuable mare.

MT. GILEAD NEWS ITEMS.

High School Students Will Give the Exercises for North Carolina Day at the Institute December 17. Miss Elizabeth Stanback, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Raleigh, Greensboro and other points for the past few weeks has returned home.

Miss Mabel Greene left Friday for her home in Raleigh, spending a day and night in Troy with her uncle, J. C. Parker. December 17th at the Institute the High School students will render the exercises published for North Carolina day. Following this will be a recital given by the music pupils.

Rev. J. A. Lee was sent back to take up his old work. We are very glad to have Mr. Lee back with us, and we hope his work for the coming year will be pleasant and profitable.

Mrs. J. A. Starbuck, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. M. Lushor, of High Point, returned home a few days ago. Mrs. R. N. Page was here Saturday for the purpose of organizing a Ladies Missionary society at the Presbyterian church.

There will be a Christmas tree at the uptown school house at 10 o'clock. The Christmas tree at the uptown school house will be a success. The Christmas tree at the uptown school house will be a success. The Christmas tree at the uptown school house will be a success.

The Drug Store and Bruton & Co. expect to open up business in the stores belonging to F. McCauley by the first of January.

Herbert Armstrong who has been suffering very much with his eyes, has been to Baltimore for treatment. Messrs. Hunsicker and Stacy of Salisbury have been in town for the purpose of selling and tuning pianos.

Farmer Items—Bob Elliott Dies at Night. The Christmas exercises of Farmer High School will be given on Tuesday night, December 21st. At 7 o'clock will begin the Christmas entertainment given by the primary grades.

Following that will be a play, "Our Awful Aunt." Free entertainment. Everybody invited. Bob Elliott, son of the late Claud Elliott, was found dead in his bed last Saturday morning. It was a shock to his many friends.

Charles Shamburger spent Saturday and Sunday at W. E. Kearns' on business. Several of our people attended the Fiddlers' convention at Bombay Saturday night. All report a nice time.

The Christmas tree at Concord will be on Friday afternoon, December 24th at 2 o'clock. Farmer High School will observe North Carolina day Friday afternoon, December 17. W. E. Kearns is confined to his room at present, but we hope to see him out again soon again.

Rev. J. A. Sharpe made a business trip to Greensboro last Monday. Joe Russell and N. R. Kinney attended the Junior meeting at Farmer last Saturday night.

Trinity News. To the regret of their many friends here Mr. Arthur Marsh and family have moved to High Point. Alvin Paul, who has been off at school, is at home again.

Mr. and Mrs. George McLain, of Greensboro, are at the Parker House. Their many friends are glad to see them in town again.

Mrs. H. E. Ballance, who has been visiting Mrs. J. W. and D. M. Ballance, left for her home in Greensboro some days since.

Mrs. John Paxson and little daughter, Louise, of Norfolk, Va., are visiting Mrs. I. N. Young. Mrs. Paxson has many warm friends in the place to whom her visit gives great pleasure.

Roy Haines, of Faison, N. C., came up a few days ago to visit Mrs. Parkin. Mrs. James White recently went to Richmond county on a visit.

John White came home for a few days' visiting recently. Rev. Mr. Fincher and family have gone to their new home.

Why Not Items. J. C. Cornelison and wife visited relatives at Ophir last week. Louie Owens and wife, of near Kanoy, spent Saturday night at J. A. Kings.

Quite a number of the young people from here had special business on Fork Creek Sunday.

Mrs. T. N. Slack has returned home from visiting her parents near Kemps Mills. J. A. Auman and wife spent Sunday at E. R. Yow's.

J. H. Redding has returned from a trip to South Carolina. The closing exercises of Why Not Academy will be held Wednesday night, the 22nd instead of the 23rd.

W. W. Redding is spending a while here. L. A. King has purchased a nice team of horses.

Miss Bessie Davis, of High Point, had a very narrow escape on Monday. While waiting for a freight train to pass she was struck by No. 23 and knocked down and dragged about fifteen feet under the engine.