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INSTITUTE CLOSSES

Betterment Association Meets-- Men to be Admitted as Members Resolutions of Appreciation

The most practical and successful teachers' institute ever held in Asheboro closed last Friday after a session of two weeks. One hundred and thirty-three teachers were enrolled, and excellent work was done.

A meeting of the Woman's Betterment Association of Randolph county was held Thursday afternoon. Encouraging reports of the work in the schools of Asheboro, Liberty, Ramoth, Trinity and Farmer were heard. Several organizations had no representative present.

The most important feature of the meeting was the adoption of a motion to admit men as full-fledged members of the association. Heretofore men have only been admitted as honorary members. Some of the male teachers of the county declared that if they were to have anything to do with the betterment work they wished to be active members, and the ladies by a practically unanimous vote decided to receive their brethren in the work.

Officers for the ensuing year elected as follows: President, Mrs. Kate Norment, Trinity; vice-president, Mr. G. W. Bradshaw, Asheboro; secretary and treasurer, Miss Elbie Miller, Asheboro.

It was suggested that since the men were active members they should be put "in harness" at once; and hence Mr. Bradshaw was elected president.

Friday afternoon Prof. N. C. English and Capt. J. Parkin, both of Trinity, addressed the teachers, telling them what in their opinion, committees should expect of a teacher. Several teachers responded, telling in a few words what the teacher should expect of the committee. The gist of the whole discussion was that the teacher should be as well prepared as possible and do the best work in his or her ability while the committee should stand by in loyalty and cooperation. Prof. English also made a short talk on the benefit of local taxation. Several committeemen were present at this meeting.

At the closing session Miss Indiana Young came forward and read the following resolutions:

We, the teachers of Randolph county, wish to express our appreciation to the conductors of this institute for their untiring efforts for our improvement.

Therefore be it resolved: That we tender to Miss Cross our heartfelt thanks for her helpful kindness to us, and for her most attractive presentation of the subjects taught.

Be it further resolved: That we extend to Mr. Wooley our sincere appreciation of his intense interest in our work and thank him most cordially for his unflinching courtesy and consideration to us.

Signed on behalf of the teachers
J. R. Johnson,
Melita Parkin,
J. C. Allen,
B. G. Leonard,
Kate Norment,
Annie B. Benbow,
C. R. Hinshaw,
Indiana Young.

The institute conductors, Mr. Wooley and Miss Cross, then responded telling of their appreciation of the earnest work on the part of the Randolph teachers. Miss Cross said that this was the ninth institute in which she had assisted, and that she was better satisfied with the work done at Asheboro than at any other place.

All those who attended the institute regularly and passed the examination on professional work done were granted a renewal of county certificates which they held.

Fifty-four candidates—some who had never taught, others who held second grade certificates and wished to try for first grade—took the regular county examination under Superintendent S. T. Lassiter, on Saturday.

Names of Teachers Enrolled

The following are the names of the teachers who attended the institute for the teachers of Randolph county. No teachers except those found in this list or those who have attended some other institute or summer school within the past two years can teach in the public schools of the county this year:

Lena Brown, Ollie Scott, May Curtis, Carrie Everhart, Cuma Reitzel, Ollie Moffitt, Kate Cox, Mrs. Kate Norment, Melita Parkin, Mary Mendenhall, Phama Cox, Maude Nance, M. U. Kanoy, Mary Newlin, H. H. Cranford, Fannie Hannah, Partha Wall, Mattie Thayer, Berta Wrenn, Maude Hall, Blanche Miller, Clarence Macon, Nannie Lambert, Gertrude Farlow, Cordella Craven, Ila Bird, W. W. Scotten, Maude Phillips, Mammie Edwards, Lillie Pugh, Marie White, Beesie Laughlin, Eliza Edwards, Indiana Young, Rosa Barnes, Hope Hubbard, Margaret Parfiah, Maleta Macon, Ethel Daniels, Nora Wood, Ethel Wood, Nellie Clark, J. C. Peesree, Earl Baldwin, B. G. Leonard, Eva Coltrane, Loucie Coltrane, Callie Vuncannon, Fieta Fox, T. J. Arnold, H. L. Johnson, Sallie R. Fox, Priscilla Hill, Mattie Black, Naomi L. Johnson, Leonora Bray, Myrtle King, Bertha Yow, Cozy Fox, Mabel Stuart.

The above did not miss a single day.

J. L. Kearns, F. M. Wright, J. W. Phillips, Myrtle Jones, Esther Cranford, Agnes Moring, L. L. Farlow, Cammie Nance, Lou Gray, B. C. Scotten, J. C. Hammond, Berta Royals, Mary Bunting, Kate Nance, G. M. Fox, C. C. Low, J. N. Cagle, Luna Cox, Lanta Winslow, H. E. Craven, D. M. Weatherly, Maude Hickens, J. C. Allen, D. E. Highfill, Lydia Lassiter, Alma Barker, Essie Cox, S. S. Cox, Esther Horney, Annie Spencer, Mrs. E. M. Siler, Woosley Marley, Ida Ridge, Mrs. Bird Hardin, Blanche York, Mary Parks, Bertine Shepherd, Fred Loflin, G. F. Garner, G. Ridge, Jesse Luther, C. L. Surral, Catherine Burns, May Ridge, Stacy Lowdermilk, Emma Ridge, Swanna Lowdermilk, S. L. Varner, Bertha Smith, Gladys Page, Virgie Dickens, Beesie Murcheson, Eva Hill, Mamie Ellis, Frances Walker, Annsah Lambert, Laura Stinson, Lillie Miller, Annie Benbow, Etta Ferree, Virginia Redding, Elizabeth Bunch, Mary Begwell, Ora Lowe, N. F. Farlow, Nora Williams, G. W. Bradshaw, Gertrude Ridge, Ronie Yow, J. R. Johnson, W. R. Neece, Total 133.

Certificates of attendance were given to 106.

Hookworm Crusade

On Monday, August 12 the counties of Cleveland, Buncombe, McDowell, Scotland, and Yancy made provisions for the free examination and free treatment of hookworm disease. Funds amounting to \$1,200 were made available for cooperating in the campaign.

Dr. W. P. Jacobs, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, will be one of the assistant state directors of the campaign against hookworm disease.

In Honor of Alpha Delta Club

Miss Harriet Hammer entertained the Alpha Delta Club at a party at her home on South Fayetteville Street, last Tuesday morning. The club colors, green and gold, were carried out in the decorations. Several tables on each of which was a jardiner filled with golden rods, were placed on the porch and a spirited game of "42" was enjoyed by the club members and a few other invited guests. The prize for the highest score, a photograph of the hostess, was won by Miss Annie Spencer, while the poetry, a sunflower picked in a dainty box, fell to Miss Nettie Swain.

After the game, refreshments consisting of sandwiches, iced tea, and olives were served.

MIKE WRITES PAT

Discusses the Political Situation, Especially "Big I"

Mr. Patrick Dooganahield, Asheboro, N. C.

Dear Pat:
We've got another party. I thought it was all fooliness for the great hunter, "Big I," to organize such a thing after he had ruined the G. O. P. But it has turned out a good thing after all. I didn't notice what a good move it was till I got to looking at the list of Tedyite delegates, just look at it, and guess what I mean.

Well, it's too good to keep till I hear from you, and so here goes my reason. It will give a lot of men another chance. They have joined every party ever organized in this country, and like Alexander the Great, or some other great man, when he had conquered the world and wept because there were no more to conquer, they seemed sorry that there were no more parties to join. Now comes Tedy along with a new party of his own, and these men rushed into it like hungry pigs to a feed trough.

And now they sing, "Once More We're Happy." More than that, they can beat the Democrats two to one telling how bad the old Republican party and William Howard Taft have been. But don't it tickle you to think what a great man they said Taft was four years ago? And now don't it amuse you to think what a change William has made in these few short years? I'm a notion to join the party just for the fun of the thing.

But this new party has done more good than merely giving the "jinks" another party to join. It has dug the grave for the G. O. P., one of the biggest enemies the masses have ever had. The poor old elephant when last we saw him was so poor he looked like he could eat ten baits of hay at one meal.

But better still, it has made a two-ring circus right here in Randolph county that will give the voters more amusement than any show that ever came to the county. It reminds me of a railway wreck I saw once. The locomotive ran into an open switch. The front wheels started on the side-track, and the rear wheels on the main line. It didn't go but a few feet until it was lying across the track, a complete wreck, with its trucks buried a yard or more in the ground.

So it will be with those two crowds that met in those two conventions the other day, the one at the armory, the other over the National Bank. They remind us of a man trying to walk to Greensboro and High Point at one and the same time. When he gets to the fork of the roads, and one foot starts up one road and the other foot starts up the other road, I should like to have you tell me what the consequence will be. Will there not be a split? And don't you think this progress-radical party will split?

There is only one hope. There are a large number of the members in the "Big I's" gang who have joined parties and twisted about politically till they are as pliable as rubber. When the Taft foot gets a little distance up the road toward Greensboro the "Big I" foot will stretch and stretch out in length, thus insuring the trip to both cities without any damage to the hybrid gang. But won't that be a long leg? Of course you understand that I am just using the trip to Greensboro and High Point as an illustration to show how they are going to manage the affair. They're not going to these two places anywhere else.

Theodore, the Big I, has shown to the world what a modern Julius Caesar can do. If he can't make a political party nominate him he can ruin it, and drive it down to defeat. He is the greatest man of the kind the century has produced. He has shown the American people that he could make Taft President, and now he is going to show them that he can keep him out of the office.

There hasn't been a man like him since the days of the Emperor Nero. (Old Dinger Bill says it was Nero, and Zeke says it was Nero.) They've got things mixed. He walked over to Rome, and spat at the Pope, and then stirred up the Egyptians almost as bad as Moses did, so that he drove his two-

Picnic at West Bend.

Large crowds attended the Sunday school celebration and picnic at West Bend near town last Saturday.

There was preaching in the morning by Rev. Amos Gregson, followed by a short but excellent talk by the pastor, Rev. Mr. McNeer.

Following the morning services, a sumptuous picnic dinner and feast of luscious watermelons was served. There was plenty for all and some left.

The school was disappointed by the enforced absence of Solicitor Hammer and Mr. J. A. Spence. However, the time allotted to them was well employed by an interesting address by Mr. J. M. Allen, of Asheboro.

It was a delightful day for all who were present, and renewed interest has been aroused in behalf of the Sunday school.



Hon. Locke Craig our next Governor, who will speak in Asheboro Saturday, September 7.

...ed circus across the continent of Europe, and gave the potentates lectures on running their business. When he got back to America everybody close to him knew that he was mad at Bill, because Bill hadn't sent a delegation to the wilds of Africa to search for him in the jungles and ask him how to run the government. Well, whether it would have been wise for Bill to do that or not, he's paying for not doing it.

Let me close this letter by saying that you Democrats may laugh all you please, but one thing sure, Tedy has got the money. George W. Perkins and the Harvester Trust are right behind him with the dough, and when it comes to the money question "Big I" will have it by the millions. More than that, they are going to spend it right and left, and that is why you see certain men running to get on his band wagon. They've observed such proceedings until they can tell where the shower is going to fall with a lot more accuracy than Willis L. Moore can tell when it is likely to rain.

Then all the trusts that Taft has been playing hide and seek with in the courts are tired of playing, and since Taft won't quit the game, they've gone over to Tedy, and they are to furnish the dough and he is to furnish the hot air. It is a business understanding they have with the Big I. They are to have a protective tariff of any size they want, and he is to be boss. The man who does not think Geo. W. Perkins is a progressive is out of his right mind. He has been noted for progress in making his bank account grow. If the Democrats and the common people lose this election I wouldn't give you ten cents for the future of the Democratic party or the common people either. It is to be the sixteenth decisive battle in the history of the world. If the mighty hunter and hot air artist wins we just as well make him emperor, czar, or anything else he wants to be.

Of course I have not yet decided whether I'll join the "Progressives" or not. It all depends on how they talk to me. I'm almost sure that all the rest expect something for their trouble, and I don't care to join it until I am sure it will pay.

But I'd like for you to tell me one thing—what will the postmaster and revenue officers do?
Very truly yours,
Mike Dooganahield.

RANDOLPH S. S. CONVENTION

Over One Hundred Delegate Attend Twenty Third Annual Convention at Randleman

On Thursday, August 23d, the twenty-third annual convention of the Randolph county Sunday School Association met in the School Auditorium at Randleman. About one hundred delegates were present.

Rev. R. A. Taylor conducted the devotional exercises. Dr. W. I. Sumner welcomed the delegates in a most cordial manner. Prof. Weatherly not being present, Mr. John Cooper, of Seagrave, responded to the address of welcome with a few appropriate words. The address of the morning was "The Ideal Sunday School" by Mr. Elijah Moffitt, of Asheboro. Mr. Moffitt pictured an ideal Sunday school to perfection and brought out many points of interest and benefit to the delegates.

The afternoon session was opened at 2:30 by Mr. L. F. Ross, Asheboro, who conducted the devotional exercises. Ten-minute addresses were made by the following: Messrs. J. J. White, Trinity; E. C. Williamson, Worthville; M. S. Sherwood, Randleman; Rev. R. M. Andrews, Furlington. Each talk was instructive and very practical, something to be carried home to the various schools and be put into practice.

Rev. J. A. McMillan, of Asheboro, delivered an address on "Organized Church Work. Mr. McMillan spoke of the vital importance of organized work in a forceful manner.

Thursday evening the session was opened by song service. Rev. R. M. Andrews had charge of the service. Mr. Andrews explained the work of the home department and showed the importance of this phase of the work. He made a thrilling address on "Jesus' Way of Teaching," telling how Jesus gathered the people in his great arms of love and riveted their minds on heavenly things.

Friday morning the devotional service was impressively handled by Rev. R. A. Taylor; followed by a discussion by Rev. R. M. Andrews on "County and Township Officers." Mr. Hugh Parks, Jr., of Franklinville, took up the pledge for the support of the work. The secretary, Miss Loula Andrews, of Asheboro, made an interesting report of the year's work.

The report of the elementary work was given by Miss Berta Ellison, of Franklinville. Miss Dora Redding reported the home and visitation work. Mr. L. F. Ross reported the work of adults. Rev. T. M. Johnson reported the teacher training work. Rev. C. H. Whittaker had charge of the devotional part of the service Friday afternoon. Mr. T. J. Covington, of Trinity, spoke of "The Boy Problem." Mr. Covington gave out many valuable suggestions of value on this subject.

The last session, Friday evening, opened with a song service. Rev. Mr. McMillan made a most interesting and helpful talk on "Faithfulness in Little Things." Three-minute talks were made by the township officers and delegates.

The following officers were elected: E. O. York, Randleman, president; Prof. T. J. Covington, Trinity; E. C. Williamson, Worthville; Prof. G. F. Garner, Seagrave, vice-presidents; F. M. Wight, Moffitt, secretary and treasurer.

The gold banner townships were Coleridge and Grant. Those receiving silver banners were Concord, New Market and Cedar Grove.

Road Meeting

There will be a road meeting at Trinity on Saturday, August 31, that being the day appointed for Democratic primary. All in favor of good roads and Democratic rule will be present. Road meeting will be held at 1 o'clock p. m. All road overseers in township will be present. Respectfully,
W. N. ELDER, Road Super.

Randolph County Democracy

By Bruce Craven.

In response to the request of the editor of The Courier for all interested in the welfare of the Democracy of our county to make suggestions for candidates etc., and in appreciation of a number of good Democrats who have mentioned my name for the State Senate, I desire to say that I am not a candidate for any office, and cannot afford to give the time to it, but I want to express myself briefly as to some of the issues on which our party should take a decided stand.

First and foremost the party should bind the candidates for the Senate and House to oppose cutting off any of Randolph and putting it into a new county, and no one should be nominated who is not earnestly opposed to any such movement.

The county officers should all be placed on salaries as a matter of business and common sense as well as economy, and there should be a moderate reduction from the present rate of fees the people have to pay.

The common free schools of the county and the whole state should be kept free from political manipulation, and should be improved and made more servicable to common people, and there should not be any further appropriation to high schools and colleges until these schools for all the people are better provided for than they have been.

There should not be any wild opposition to corporations, but all corporations, making their profits from privileges individuals do not have, should be required to at least pay taxes in proportion to the taxes paid by the poor people.

A statewide primary law for both parties on the same day and for all officers, should be enacted, and in connection with it a corrupt practice act that will prevent the wrongful use of money in elections. If the State Bill should not be passed, the law should be enacted for Randolph county anyway, and this method will give the poorest voter an equal opportunity to use his influence with the ones who generally control politics.

We need some effective road legislation for Randolph county that will be satisfactory to the majority of the people, and a moderate bond issue for this purpose, the proceeds to be used to help the townships in their road work, and to build the more important highways.

The Torrens Land Title system should be adopted for the state. This provides for the guaranteeing of land titles so that the land may be disposed of or the deed deposited as collateral for a loan without delay or expense, other than the first expense.

The party should take firm stand against the use of money on election day.

The nominees for the Senate and House should be men whose sympathies are not only with the people, but who will be able to take an active part in the legislation for the people's good.

Of course there will be some few to oppose these things, as the same ones opposed Woodrow Wilson and every progressive movement, but if the people show their demands and stand for them, all of these things for the people's good can be accomplished.

A colored marriage of unusual interest took place at the home of Delphina Hill, when her brother, William Lytle, was married to Mattie Pitts, widow of Lee Pitts, who formerly lived in Asheboro. Both of the contracting parties are highly respected citizens.