

Young People To Enlarge Activity In Sunday Schools

At Meeting Here Sunday Make Arrangements For County-Wide Conference.

Registrars Are Named

For The Several Churches In The County To Go About Work Of The Conference.

One hundred and thirteen young people between 16 and 24 years of age representing 21 churches of practically every denomination in Randolph county voted unanimously Sunday afternoon, February 5, at a meeting in the Methodist Protestant church, Asheville, to hold a county-wide Young People's Conference, March 21-22, beginning Wednesday night and extending through Thursday with a session in the morning, one in the afternoon, and a banquet at night, according to Miss Ione Alverston, Young People's Superintendent for the North Carolina Sunday School Association, who was present at the meeting. Arrangements have been made with the Asheville M. P. church to hold all sessions of the conference, including the banquet, it is said.

Miss Alverston states that the Young People's Conference is a new type of work for the State Sunday School association. Only five other places in the State have held such conferences and are as follows: Raleigh, Goldsboro, Burlington, Greensboro and Winston-Salem.

The conference will be for the young people between 16 and 24 years of age and their leaders. All who attend except pastors will be expected to register previous to the conference and pay the registration fee of \$1.00, which gives each delegate the banquet, program, badge, etc.

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Mammoth Still And Operator Taken By Deputy Sheriffs

Still Is Of 125-Gallon Capacity And Has All The Accessories—Man Caught.

Deputy Sheriffs R. E. Routh and E. A. Walker brought in to the sheriff's office Monday morning one of the largest and most complete distilling outfits captured in Randolph county in recent months. The still, a copper outfit of 125-gallon capacity, and all the accessories, was taken early Monday morning when Walker and Routh raided about a half mile from White's Chapel church, in Columbia township. Two men and probably three were at the still which was in operation when the officers swooped down on it. The operators of the outfit took to their heels, and all escaped except Charlie Kivett, who was caught after a lively race and brought to Asheville, where he was lodged in jail in default of \$500 bond.

The outfit was just going good when the officers found it. The fire about the still had been started long enough to bring the contents of the copper outfit to the boiling point when the business was interrupted. In addition to the still itself and all its accessories, the officers found 25,000 gallons of beer stored in hogheads and Coca-Cola barrels, 1,000 feet of rubber tubing, and barrels, kegs and other whiskey containers galore. There was every evidence that the still had been operated at the place for some time and that it had been doing a big business and prepared to do more.

Routh And Walker Get Another Mammoth Still

Deputy Sheriffs R. E. Routh and E. A. Walker captured another mammoth still yesterday afternoon. The outfit which was found two miles south of Liberty was a 300-gallon steam distilling plant. There was nobody at the still at the time of the raid, although there was ample evidence that persons had been at the plant and that a run had been made only a short while before. The plant was being dismantled for removal to another site. At the still place were found also 17 fermenters, 12 large barrels and a number of other containers.

Little Ramseur Girl Is Killed By Train

Struck By Shifting Box Car Tuesday Morning While On Her Way To School.

Ramseur, Feb. 7.—A deplorable accident occurred here this morning when Edna, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Welborn, was run over and killed by a train at the railway crossing at the cotton mill. The little girl was crossing the tracks on her way to school in company with several other school children. A string of box cars was standing partly on the crossing. The little girl started round the rear of the cars, and just as she had gotten behind them a shifting engine up ahead hit the cars, knocking the little girl down on the track. The wheels of a freight car passed over her body, causing death almost instantly. The community is saddened by her death.

Contract Let For Supt.'s Residence At New Game Farm

C. H. Wood Is Low Bidder At \$5,000—To Be One Story In Height And Brick Veneer.

Contract was let Monday to C. H. Wood for the construction of the superintendent's residence at the new State game farm, on the county home tract, two miles south of Asheville. The residence will be one story in height and of brick veneer construction. The contract price is \$5,000. Work will be started on the building just as soon as the weather permits. Contract will be let the latter part of the week for other structures, such as outbuildings, pens, coops and runs. W. C. Grimes, superintendent of the farm, will take active charge of the work on the new project the latter part of this week. Pens, coops, runs, etc., for game will be constructed under his supervision.

Contracts were let by E. D. Cranford, member of the Game Commission, and Major Wade H. Phillips, director of the State department of conservation and development, who have been designated by the department to take full charge of the matter.

Chicken Pox And Measles In County

Health Officer Reports 12 Cases Of Latter And 35 Of Former During January.

Diphtheria Falls Off

The monthly report of Dr. G. H. Sumner, County Health Officer, to the Board of Health in session in Asheville Monday, discloses that while diphtheria and scarlet fever are on the decrease in the county, the number of cases of measles is growing. Twelve cases of measles were reported in the county during January, nine cases of scarlet fever, one of diphtheria and 35 of chicken pox. This latter disease shows quite a pickup for the month. It has broken out largely among school children in certain sections of the county.

Six visits for instruction were made during the month to schools in the county by Dr. Sumner. He completed during the month nine diphtheria vaccinations. Examination of 165 school children was made in January. Twenty-six visits were made to the jail and five to the county home on professional business by Dr. Sumner. A great deal of laboratory work in the office was done during January.

The report shows that expenditures by the health department so far during the fiscal year has reached a total of \$2,607.71. It shows also that had this work been done by private practicing physicians the cost of the same work would have reached nearly \$5,000.

Officers Elected To Head Chamber Of Commerce During The Year.

At a meeting of the new board of directors of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce held Friday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, W. L. Ward; vice president, W. J. Armfield, Jr.; secretary, Dr. M. G. Edwards; recording secretary, T. A. Burns; and chaplain, Rev. J. E. Pritchard. Mr. Ward succeeds Mr. C. C. Cranford, president the past year. Mr. Arthur Ross was president of the chamber of commerce the first year of its existence, he being succeeded by Mr. Cranford.

Father Of Mr. J. A. Holder Died Sunday

At His Home In Forsyth County—Funeral Held Monday At Mt. Tabor Church.

W. H. Holder, 67, father of J. A. Holder, of Asheville, died at his home near Winston-Salem Sunday following an illness of more than a year. Mr. Holder had been engaged in farming all his life, and was a highly esteemed citizen of the county and community in which he lived. Funeral was held at Mt. Tabor church Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. J. D. Williams and Rev. M. E. Meyers.

Mr. Holder leaves the following children: Mrs. T. L. Speas and Mrs. M. E. Arrington, of Winston-Salem; J. H. Holder, of Raleigh; and J. A. Holder, of Asheville; and one sister, Mrs. Mattie Jones, of Clemmons.

Home Burned

News reaches Asheville that the home of Isaac Deaton at Eber was destroyed by fire Sunday night, the fire originating from a defective fuse. The greater part of the home furnishings was saved. A bucket brigade, hastily organized, prevented the spread of the flames to outbuildings on the Deaton place.

Suing for Damages

Mrs. Ralph Jordan, of Sanford, who is suing for \$50,000 damages for injuries sustained in an automobile accident on Sept. 15th, about twenty miles east of Sanford, when her car collided with a truck belonging to C. C. Hatch, formerly lived in Asheville. She was Miss Gladys Smith and resided here for some time with her aunt, Mrs. Eliza Moffitt.

Randolph Folks Make Request For School Buildings

Schools In Coleridge Community Want Consolidated District And New Building.

No Money Available

But Are Given Promise They Will Be Kept In Mind—Other School Matters.

The Randolph county board of education in meeting in the court house Monday with the County Superintendent, T. Fletcher Bulla, authorized Mr. Bulla to condemn additional land, in compliance with the law regulating school matters, for use of the Randolph school. A board of appraisers is to be appointed to assess a fair valuation of the land so condemned for school purposes.

Delegations from Shiloh, Bethel, Coleridge and other districts in the Coleridge vicinity came before the board to petition for the building of a consolidated school house somewhere in the community. The board was compelled to turn down the petition for the reason that there is no money available for such building. The delegations were promised that their section would have attention when funds were at hand to do the necessary work.

The board decided to give notice for receiving bids on the school buildings at Liberty and Ramseur for the colored race on March 1st. These two school houses will be erected through loans from the State literary fund and donations from the Rosenwald fund. A representative of the Rosenwald fund is expected in the county soon to take up the matter with the school authorities.

The County Line school, known as Oak Shade, between Guilford and Randolph county, the board was notified, has been moved within the Guilford side a distance of two miles. Randolph pupils who have been attending this school will have to be transported by truck either across the line to the same school or to Trinity. The county superintendent was authorized to take action best suited to the conditions prevailing. It is probable that the students will be taken to Trinity school.

The board instructed that the old negro school lot of one and one-half acres in Cedar Grove township which 30 years ago a negro school was operated be deeded back to G. W. Hoover, by whom it was given to the school authorities in the beginning.

2 New Boy Scout Troops Formed In Asheville Lately

One At M. P. Church And Other At First Baptist—They Have 24 Members.

Four Troops In Town

"Scout Week" Being Observed Here—Ends With Sermon Sunday Night.

This week, Feb. 6 to 12, inclusive, is being observed the country over as "Scout Week." It being the 18th anniversary of Scouting in the country. The week marks also the inception of two new Scout troops in Asheville, one at the Methodist Protestant Church and the other at the First Baptist. These two new troops together with the troops at the First Methodist and the Presbyterian churches make four troops for Asheville. C. J. Lovett is Scout Master of the troop at the Methodist Protestant church, while C. D. Reeder leads the Scouts at the First Baptist. These troops were organized Thursday night of last week, the M. P. troop enrolling 16 members and that at the Baptist church half that number.

During the organization period of these two new troops meetings will be held Tuesday night of each week for four weeks, the first of these meetings having been held last Tuesday night. More Scouts will be enrolled, and it is anticipated that both the new troops will show a full complement by the time the organization period is ended.

Troop 24, which is the one at the First Methodist, has a window at Coffin and Scarborough's store decorated this week for the Scout anniversary. The window contains examples of woodcraft, is tastefully and attractively arranged and has called forth much favorable comment from those who have seen it.

To bring "Scout Week" to a conclusion in Asheville, Rev. B. C. Reavis will preach a Scout sermon at the First Methodist church next Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock, the subject to be "The Bridge of Success." While the local Scout troops together with the Scout Masters will be present in the body and the sermon will be primarily for them, the public in general is invited to come out to hear Mr. Reavis.

New Ford Brakes Not Contrary To Laws Of The State

Says Woodrow McKay, Who States At Least 6 Other Makes Have Same Style.

The Lexington Dispatch quotes Woodrow McKay, Lexington Ford dealer, as stating that the new Ford brakes are not contrary to the North Carolina statutes, and that State authorities will not make Ford change the brakes on his new car. At least six other makes of automobiles, using four-wheel brakes, have the same system as the new Fords, according to Mr. McKay. The State can't make Ford change brakes on his new car unless he requires the same of others. The former brake style, before advent of the four-wheel brake, required that in addition to the regular foot brake that a car be provided with an emergency brake. This emergency braking has been done with a separate appliance. In the new Ford model the entire braking system is done with the foot lever, but the four-wheel brakes used, it is said, are as fully effective for quick stopping as the old emergency brakes and can be applied more quickly.

Free Advertising

Think Bennett Is Getting Plenty Of It These Days.

Bennett, Feb. 6.—Mrs. E. A. Livingston is visiting Mrs. J. M. Yow and Mrs. W. W. Auman, in Asheville. Rev. E. A. Livingston preached last Sunday at his new charge, Lemons Springs Baptist church, eight miles south of Sanford.

J. R. Peace and family visited relatives near Fall Creek Sunday. Rev. Victor Andrews, of Bear Creek, R. F. D., was in town last week. He recently resigned the pastorate of the Baptist church at Norwood on account of ill health, and will probably locate somewhere in Chatham and become a member of the Sandy Creek Baptist Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jones, of Camp Bragg, visited Mr. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jones, Saturday and Sunday.

Several cars of cedar logs have been shipped from this place recently. Bennett has been well advertised recently on account of the bank robbery. The insurance company has made good the loss sustained by the bank and business is going on as usual as if nothing out of the ordinary had happened.

J. J. Lamplsey, road supervisor of Robeson county, died Monday at Lumberton following an operation to remove an abscess on his brain.

Are Native Quail More Elusive Than Mexican Species?

Are Mexican quail more elusive than the native species? Local hunters are not informed in this particular, but will have opportunity to tell you all about it next season. E. D. Cranford, member of the State Game Commission, advises that a shipment of 4,000 quail is on the way from Mexico and will be released in North Carolina. One thousand of these birds will be brought to Asheville to be liberated in Randolph and adjoining counties. Local farmers and hunters will anxiously watch the experiment. There has been a great deal of complaint in recent years that the quail population of Randolph is thinning out. Hunters are unable to find many of the elusive little game bird, while farmers report very few coveys on their farms. Quail are recognized as one of the best of the farmer's feathered friends and they are more concerned over the life of this species of wild life than over any other. Mexican quail should prove a most welcome addition to the wild life in the county.

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The program for the evening was interspersed by vocal and musical selections. Mrs. I. D. Wagger delighted those present with two violin solos, accompanied by Mrs. R. S. Ferree on the piano. Vocal solos by Mrs. H. L. Ingram, with Mrs. R. J. Hilker at the piano were also enjoyed. Two selections rendered by a quartet composed of Dr. O. L. Presnell, J. A. Spence, J. O. Redding and E. L. Moffitt were especially pleasing. Mrs. R. J. Hilker accompanying on the piano.

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Nathan T. Groce, Of Worthville, Is Dead

Passed Away Tuesday Night At The Home Of His Son In High Point—Age 79.

Nathan Taylor Groce, of Worthville, died at the home of his son, Herbert Groce, in High Point, Tuesday night at 10 o'clock following a stroke of paralysis suffered Saturday afternoon, the day after he had gone to the Furniture City to visit his son.

He was born in Chatham county July 21, 1849, a son of the late Alvis and Kate McCandless Groce. For a great many years he conducted a mercantile store at Worthville, but had retired two years ago. He was a member of the Worthville M. E. church.

Surviving are three sons, A. R. and Clarence Groce, Worthville, and Herbert Groce, High Point; two daughters, Mrs. W. H. Burrow, Worthville, and Mrs. E. L. Hayes, Randleman; three brothers, Thomas, Colon and Leander Groce, Burlington; and one sister, Mrs. D. C. Hilliard, Worthville.

Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at 2 o'clock at Union church in Worthville by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Widenhouse. Burial will follow in the Worthville cemetery.

Heart Attack Fatal To Sec. Of State Everett

W. N. Everett, 62, Secretary of State of North Carolina since his appointment in 1923 by Governor Morrison, died Tuesday night in Raleigh from heart disease with which he had suffered for some time. Mr. Everett was born in Rockingham Dec. 29th, 1865. He was a farmer, legislator, manufacturer and State official. Mr. Everett was a member of the Methodist church and was a power for good in that great church organization. A trustee of the University of North Carolina for 20 years, he was ever interested in that educational institution. Mr. Everett was several times mentioned for the Governorship, but never aspired to the office, ever deferring to others who were making the race. State offices in Raleigh were closed yesterday and will be closed until after the funeral today in honor of the deceased statesman.

Proceeds from the sale of automobile license plates and gasoline tax brought in \$4,073,607 in revenue to the State of North Carolina in January, which was far ahead of any previous month in the history of the State revenue department.

Watch For First Instalment Of New Story In Courier

It was announced in last week's issue that the first instalment of the thrilling story "Red Hair and Blue Sea" would appear in this week's issue of The Courier. However, the publishers of the story and we shall be unable to let our readers have the beginning of this interesting romance until next week.

This is the first time in recent years that this newspaper has furnished its readers with a serial story. And this one is a clear knockout. Don't miss the first instalment next week. Thrilling—Daring—Romantic—Fascinating—all the qualities necessary to hold you spellbound—to keep you breathlessly waiting for the next issue. It is a romance of intolerable suspense—not a dull moment during the entire series of instalments. Get ready to read the beginning in your favorite home newspaper next week.

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Will Law Permit Mr. W. C. Grimes To Hold Down His Two Jobs

Whether W. C. Grimes can hold an elective office as member of the board of commissioners for Randolph county and at the same time hold down the job as superintendent of the State game farm and stay within the law is a matter that the Attorney General will have to decide. Nobody doubts Mr. Grimes' ability to perform the duties required by the two jobs and to stay within the law as far as he is personally concerned while at his work, but whether the statutes will permit him to hold two jobs, one elective and the other appointive, is another matter. So County Attorney I. C. Moser has put the matter up to Attorney General Brummitt. Mr. Grimes assumes his official capacity as superintendent of the game farm the first of March, and the Attorney General will have ample time to rule on the matter in question.

Good Progress Being Made In Obtaining Sunday Observance

Ministerial Association Keeps Working On The Matter—New Officers Elected.

The monthly meeting of the Asheville Ministerial Association was held Monday in the director's room of the First National Bank. The following officers were elected for the year: President, C. L. Gregory; Vice President, B. C. Reavis; Secretary and Treasurer, O. G. Tillman.

The committee on Sunday Observance reported that the drug stores are being up with the movement, some being closed practically all day, while the others close during the hours of worship. The garages and filling stations have not as yet all been seen about the matter, so that a plan could be worked out. The committee was continued with promises to see all the owners and endeavor to reach some satisfactory plan.

Randolph Farmer Makes Best Record Growing Tobacco

The biggest yield of tobacco made in this section this season was made undoubtedly by George W. Arrington, farmer of Randolph county, according to a statement made yesterday by R. W. McFarland, of the Winston-Salem tobacco board of trade. Arrington finished selling his crop, which yielded 10,148 pounds, an average of 1,968 pounds to the acre. For these eight acres of tobacco he received \$3,672.86, an average per hundred pounds of \$36.20.

Republicans Choose Raleigh

The North Carolina Republican executive committee in meeting in Greensboro yesterday chose Raleigh as the place of the State Republican convention and April 11th as the date. One of the several resolutions passed at the Greensboro meeting was that providing for enlarging the State committee to 80 members, eight from each of the 10 congressional districts. Mr. J. S. Lewis, of Asheville, is one of the members from the seventh district.

Mrs. Carrie Wall, 46, Dies In High Point

Was Born And Reared In Randolph County—Buried At Level Cross Monday.

Mrs. Carrie Wall, 46, widow of John L. Wall, died in a High Point hospital Sunday afternoon from pneumonia. Mrs. Wall, although born in Randolph county, had lived in High Point several years. She was a daughter of the late Edward Wood and his wife, Martha Wood.

She leaves her mother, Mrs. Frank Dorsett, of Randleman; one son, W. J. Wall, High Point; one daughter, Mrs. E. S. Wilson, Jr., High Point; three brothers, Will, Joseph and Lee Wood, of Randleman; and three sisters, Mrs. Lelia Lineberry, Greensboro; Mrs. Asenith Vickery, Randleman; and Miss Mary Wall, of High Point.

A short funeral service was held at the home of Mrs. Wall's daughter in High Point Monday afternoon, and the body brought to Level Cross church, in Randolph county, for interment.

Farmers In Large Numbers Attend A Farm Demonstration

Held In Asheville Yesterday By Asheville Hdwe. Company—Free Lunch Given.

Several hundred Randolph county farmers attended the power farming demonstrations staged at the Asheville Hardware Company by the local dealers and the McCormick-Deering farm machines and implement manufacturers yesterday. Free lunch was served the farmers at the noon hour. Demonstration of the strides made in farming with power during the past several years were given in the form of talks illustrated by motion pictures. The various phases of development in farming implements and machinery were traced one by one down to the present perfected tools and implements of the industry. Valuable information was given as to upkeep and use of various machines used in farming. Both the Asheville Hardware Company and the farmers are well pleased with the power farming demonstration which was something new for the county, although much power-driven machinery is in use on Randolph farms.

Brady Collects \$90,000 In Taxes During January

And Has About \$166,000 Yet To Go On Books—Board Hires Out Prisoners.

Confirm Farm Lease To State Game Commission—Tract Comprises 102 Acres—School Budget Report.

The Randolph county board of commissioners met in the court house in Asheville Monday with all members present. The commissioners having been advised that the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development had accepted the offer of lease of a part of the county home tract, two miles south of Asheville, for a game farm, passed a resolution instructing the chairman of the board and the clerk to draw up a lease for the land. A survey shows the tract to be leased comprises 102 acres. This tract will be leased to the State for 99 years with the understanding that it is to be used solely as a game farm or game preserve and that at the expiration of the lease, the land shall be returned to the county.

Tax Supervisor Worth was instructed to investigate the assessed valuation of the lands of Mrs. O. E. Murray, Mrs. J. E. Farham and James E. and C. C. Lowe, in New Market township, to ascertain whether they are valued on equality with adjoining lands.

Alfred Stenson, colored, was ordered released from the county home with provision that he is to report back at intervals for examination by the county physician.

The commissioners authorized the public welfare officer to work with the county attorney in disposing of property and collecting for same belonging to any inmate who may be permanently located in the county home either now or at any time in the future.

Tax Collections

Sheriff J. A. Brady's report to the board of commissioners disclosed that he had collected during January and turned in to the county funds a total of \$90,000. This leaves a balance of \$166,785.09 of the 1927 taxes remaining to be collected.

Hire Out Prisoners

E. J. Watkins, chairman of the board, and E. A. Routh, clerk to the board, were authorized by the commissioners to execute and deliver to the Wayne county highway commission a contract covering the hiring out of eight prisoners for the terms of their sentences at the remuneration of \$7 per month from the date of their delivery. These prisoners are Amos King, Hubert Sillmon, Charlie Kivett, Baxter McNeill, Grady Kimery, A. R. McNeill, Isley Lloyd and George Thomas.

Transfer of Funds

A resolution was adopted by the commissioners instructing the Asheville Bank and Trust Company to transfer to the account of Clarence J. Lovett, Clerk of Court, the moneys deposited in the institution belonging to the county in the name of the late Clerk, W. A. Lovett, for disbursement according to law.

School Budget Report

A report made by County Superintendent T. Fletcher Bulla of the condition of the school funds allotted by the budget made at the beginning of the year by the county board disclosed that the schools were keeping well within their means. Disbursements to date of the money allotted the schools have reached \$170,953.25, while the total budget estimate was \$230,586.54. Expenditures during January reached \$48,732.80.

Celebrates Birthday

Mrs. W. H. Grimes entertained a few friends at dinner at her home on Cox street Monday evening in celebration of Mr. Grimes' birthday. Those enjoying this delightful occasion were Dr. and Mrs. O. G. Tillman, of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Senter, of Charlotte.

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