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ASSOCIATION WILL BE ADVANTAGEOUS

MAYOR BREESE TALKS INTERESTINGLY

Talks of Advantages From Greater Western Carolina Association

In speaking of the advantages of the Greater Western North Carolina Association, Mayor W. E. Breese, Jr., says:

"The many advantages which Western North Carolina will derive from the success of the Greater Western North Carolina association have not been fully appreciated as yet by our people.

"The association is not a mere 'boosters' organization, but an association of business men, conducted along sound business principles for the purpose of advertising and developing this section of the state.

"Thinking business men know that individual effort does not compare with the combined co-operative efforts of many.

"Therefore this association is composed of business men from each county and any section of each county in the association, so that no township will not be represented.

"Co-operation, advertisement and transportation are the three main objects of the association and the natural result will be development, not merely the development of any one or two of our attractions, but the development of all our many resources and thereby every property owner, every breadwinner and wage-earner will be benefited by the success of the association.

"We people of our mountain counties should know more of each other, more of our methods of conducting our different occupations, the farmer of Transylvania should know more how the farmer of Haywood raises his prize-winning apples, the hotel man of Hot Springs should know how the hotel man of Hendersonville gets his guests, the business men of Waynesville, Sylva and Hillsboro should know more of how the business men of Asheville secure their business, we can each and every one benefit by learning what our neighbors are doing.

"So the first object of the association is to beget the necessary spirit of co-operation. Nature has been lavish to us in her gifts, but we lose much of the benefit of our natural advantages unless we bring them before the people of other sections, we must not hide our lights under a bushel, but we must advertise, we must let the outside world know what we have to offer to the investor, to the homeseeker and to the pleasure seeker and tourist.

"It costs too much for any one town or county to advertise thoroughly by itself alone, so the association proposes to combine the advertising of the seven counties and get out advertising matter in large quantities in attractive form and to have same thoroughly distributed over those sections of the United States which should be interested in this country.

"In said advertising, the entire section will have a general writ-up and then each county, city and town will be given space for such special matter as it may desire and in proportion to its subscription.

"The association proposes to advertise by booklet, newspapers and by a traveling representative.

"Besides the advertising of our resources to the outside world, the association proposes to devote its attention to internal development also.

"We intend to use every effort to advance the cause of education, good roads, health and sanitation, agriculture, apple raising, horse,

cattle and hog raising, mining, timber and lumber business and everything that can benefit us.

"Therefore by co-operative advertising we can best let the world know what we have, and by co-operative action we can develop Western North Carolina and make it one of the most prosperous sections of this beautiful southland.

"However, the assistance of every citizen is needed to make this association a success and all our good people must help the officers in making the Great Western North Carolina Association what it should be and any and all suggestions for its improvement will be gladly received."

RAILROAD NEWS

The following is taken from a recent issue of the Knoxville Sentinel, and will prove interesting reading to the people of this county. The business mentioned was transacted in Nashville, Tenn.:

"Articles of consolidation were filed Tuesday in the office of Secretary of State Hallum Goodloe by the Tennessee & North Carolina railroad of North Carolina. The two roads were one practical effect, being but one stockholder who is not interested in both systems. The Tennessee section of the road extends from Newport to the North Carolina line, in the county of Haywood, near the Pigeon river, a distance of nineteen miles. The North Carolina section extends to Canton, N. C., and will be built to Waynesville, N. C. The capital stock of the consolidated road will be \$2,250,000, or the same as the combined capital stock of the two roads. Offices will be maintained at Newport, Tenn., and Asheville, N. C."

GOSPEL MUSIC

BY P. P. ORR.

"I will sing with the spirit and will sing with the understanding."—I. Cor., xiv:15.

Music is indispensable to the Gospel worker. He who can neither sing nor play is handicapped. We as Christian workers have neglected the art of music and are greatly in need of an old-fashioned revival of songs along this line. Too many times has it been the case that neither preacher nor laymen were competent to lead the music department or push it on to success, consequently this part of the church service is made to drag. Music is the life of any church or community.

David says "sing unto the Lord a new song by playing skillful with a loud noise." Our scripture text says "I will sing with the understanding." This necessitates a knowledge of music; this seems to be the great lack of the day. We know so little about music we cannot sing with the understanding. Music soothes and polishes the better side of humanity. Music is the art of showing by a systematic combination of sounds the affection of intelligence receptive and cultivated being. Music is irresistible. Music moves us—we do not know why. We feel the tears and cannot trace the source. Music is God's best gift to man, the only art of heaven given to earth; the only art of earth we can take to heaven with us. Music is a God-given art; it is characterized in the Scriptures as a medium through which we worship God. God has always blessed music when in the hands of good men. Music is a great feature of attraction. Its melodies carried by the breezes has caused many a poor creature to halt and think. The Gospel songs have been the cause of many men and women to accept of Christ. Many good Christians have died singing the praises of God. Let us learn more of the art of music so we may sing with the spirit and the understanding.

Yours truly,

P. P. ORR.

Brevard, N. C.

SOUTHERN WILL RUN SPECIAL DAIRY TRAIN

TO BE COMPLETELY AND MODERNLY EQUIPPED

Will Fully Demonstrate All Possibilities of Dairying in the South.

Realizing the need of the south for more and better dairies and the large profits which can be made in that favorable region by dairymen who will fill the great demand of the cities for dairy products, President Finley of the Southern Railway Company, following the custom of that company in furthering in every way the growth and development of its territory, has equipped a Special Dairy Car, which, beginning the first of February, 1912, will be run over the length and breadth of this great system, spreading the doctrine of more and better cows and, by means of lectures, demonstrations, and exhibits, doing everything possible to develop and improve the dairy industry along its lines in the southeastern states.

This Dairy Special will be under the direct supervision of Dr. C. M. Morgan, of Washington, D. C., the Southern railway's dairy agent. Dr. Morgan will be assisted by two regular dairymen in conducting the work, and from time to time the car will be occupied by two dairy experts from the United States Department of Agriculture, the state boards of agriculture and from the agricultural stations of the various states along the Southern railway, the plan being to have the utmost co-operation of all forces for the campaign which will inevitably result in larger profits and increased prosperity for southern dairymen through a better knowledge of their especial problems and how to meet them.

The Dairy Special is fitted up with a complete farm dairy, every piece of machinery and apparatus necessary to the economical production of milk, cream and butter having been installed under the direction of Dr. Morgan. There will be a separator, churns, testers, sterilizer, pasteurizing apparatus and exhibits of various kinds of improved machinery for dairying. On the car walls will be charts and large views dealing with dairy subjects, showing the fundamental principles of breeding dairy types, feeding animals, the care of dairy cattle and pictures of famous animals in the dairy world. No feature has been omitted for instruction in better dairying.

The special will also have stereopticon lantern and slides, permitting illustrated lectures at the various stops by Dr. Morgan and the other experts who will accompany the car. Free testing of milk brought to the special will be another important feature of the work, by means of which practical advice based on actual conditions can be given each man. Cows will be examined and reported on and instructions as to their care given.

Advance schedules of the stops will be prepared and full advertisement given the train in the towns at which lectures and demonstrations are to take place. The press along the route will be kept informed in advance and all possible publicity secured for the benefit of the dairyman. It is expected that large crowds will be present at these stops and everything is being done to give thorough attention to every detail of the work.

Every man interested in dairying in any way should by all means be present at these free lectures and demonstrations to listen to talks, to see the improved machinery and labor-saving devices and to secure advice on any problem connected with the dairy industry.

WEATHER OBSERVATIONS

As there has been so much discussion recently as to weather conditions now and in the past, the excitable man saying yesterday "was as cold as h—," while in the summer he characterized a warm day "as hot as h—," I thought a resume in brief of conditions might interest you and quiet the nervous who might have paid heed to the exaggerator or the knocker in our midst.

The snowfall according to the government records from Dec., 1904, to date is as follows:

1904—Dec. 12	Trace
Dec. 15	1/2 inch
Dec. 17	3.00
1905—Jan. 1	2.00
Feb. 8	2.00
Feb. 12	1.27
Feb. 13	0.36
Feb. 19	0.25
March	None
Dec. 31	3.50
1906—Jan. and March trace, but none for balance of year except on Nov. 14, 3.98 inch.	
1907—January	None
Nov. 12	0.50
Dec. 4	2.00
Dec. 18	Trace
1908—Jan. 7	0.25
Jan. 31	3.50
Feb. 1	1.00
Feb. 5	3.00
Feb. 10	7.50
Feb. 19	6.25
Nov. 27	Trace
Nov. 13	Trace
Dec. 22	Trace
1909—Feb. 7	Trace
Dec. 18	1.75
Dec. 25	Sleet
1910—Jan. 23	Trace
Jan. 28	3.00
Feb. 11	7.50
Dec. 6	Trace
Dec. 19	Trace
1911—Feb. 11	1.50
Feb. 19	Trace
March 30	Trace
1912—Jan. 6	Trace
Jan. 7	1.50

A total of 50 and 21-100 inches in eight years, or an average of 6 and 2-100 inches per year. When the term "trace" is used, it means less than 10-100ths, and is immeasurable practically.

The temperature record for the same time shows the lowest points reached to be as follows, despite the talk of zero, zero, zero.

MINIMUMS.

1904—Nov., 17 deg.; Dec., 12.
1905—Jan., 2 deg.; and again 3; Feb. 14th 5 degrees below zero, and on the 15th zero; March, 22 deg.; Nov., 15 deg.; Dec., 10 deg.
1906—Jan., 11 deg.; Feb., 8 deg.; March, 13 deg.; Oct., 22 deg.; Nov., 11 deg.; Dec., 8 deg.
1907—Jan., 15 deg.; Feb., 16 deg.; March, 29 deg.; April 29th, 20 deg.; Oct., 25 deg.; Nov., 16 deg.; Dec., 6 deg.
1908—Jan., 10 deg.; Feb., one degree below zero; March, 24 deg.; Oct., 26 deg.; Nov., 17 deg.; Dec., 17 deg.
1909—Jan., 7 deg.; Feb., 7 deg.; March, 21 deg.; April, 24 deg.; Oct., 18 deg.; Nov., 18 deg.; Dec., 2 deg.
1910—Jan., 19 deg.; Feb., one degree below for two days; March, 18 deg.; Oct., 15 deg.; Nov., 16 deg.; Dec., 7 deg.
1911—Jan., 11 deg.; Feb., 10 deg.; March, 19 deg.; Oct., 29 deg.; Nov., 11 deg.; Dec., 12 deg.
1912—Jan. 7th, 11 deg.; 8th, 12 deg.; 9th, 11 deg.; 10th, 6 deg.

In eight years the minimum has touched zero only four times. And yet the undersigned heard yesterday that zero was a yearly occurrence, and that snow had been known a year or so ago to remain on the ground (implying that it impeded travel) for ten to fifteen days. Even the most phenomenal snow of December, 1885, was gone in six days.

THE OBSERVER.

Jan. 10, 1912.

Every boy in the county should enlist in the corn contest, and show just what they are able to do.

CORN CONTEST FOR COUNTY IS ASSURED

EFFORT TO ENLIST ALL BOYS IN COUNTY

Mr. Mason and Supt. Henderson Will Visit Every Section In Whole County

The idea of a boys corn contest for this county is gaining ground rapidly throughout the county. The educational effect of having a large number of boys endeavoring to raise the best possible crop of corn in the county is realized to be of inestimable value, and aside from that there will be an immediate money return. First there will be the cash prizes to be awarded, and in addition the cash received from the sale of the crop will be no inconsiderable item.

As we have said before, it can be raised in this county large corn crops as in this section of the county there is much better corn than in many of the other counties. The boys of any county where. Combining things the contest in Transylvania should prove most gratifying.

A determined effort will be made to get the boys of every section of the county interested in the movement. The boy who won prize in Buncombe county raised a little over a hundred fifty bushels, and this is the best yield made by a boy in all western North Carolina. This record should be beaten in Transylvania, and it can be done. In order to get all the boys possible to endeavor to do this there will be a tour of the county made by Charles W. Mason, agricultural agent of the Southern railway in this territory, together with Mr. T. C. Henderson, superintendent of the county schools.

The first meeting will be held in Brevard at the court house at 2:30 on the afternoon of January 27. All the boys of the county who can attend this meeting are urged to do so, as well as all the grown folks who are interested, and there will probably be as much interest for the grown folks as the boys. At this meeting the general plan of the contest will be explained, the rules under which the contest is to be made, and the prizes announced.

Following this meeting Mr. Mason and Mr. Henderson will visit every section of the county, holding meetings and enlisting the boys in the movement. These meetings will be held at the following places at the times indicated:

Davidson River, 11 a. m., Jan. 29.
Penrose H. S., 11 a. m., Jan. 30.
Blantyre, 11 a. m., Jan. 31.
Little River, 11 a. m., Feb. 1.
Cedar Mountain, 1 p. m., Feb. 2.
Rosman H. S., 2 p. m., Feb. 3.
Calvert, 11 a. m., Feb. 5.
Selma, 11 a. m., Feb. 6.

AIKEN PROPERTY SOLD

The sale of several tracts of the Jim Aiken property was held by Commissioner J. W. McMan at the court house on Monday afternoon. The several tracts brought good prices as indicated below.

The property on Main street was purchased by W. H. Duckworth for \$2,000. The tract near the railroad on Main street was purchased by R. L. Gask at \$476. Another tract at about the same location was bid in by J. M. Thrash for \$120. The fourth tract was bought by Sam England for \$550, and the fifth tract by J. M. Thrash for \$351.

The cold this week was not un-mixed with joy, for the water pipes in the graded school broke, and the children revelled in a whole holiday on Monday.