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## INTERESTING MEETING BOARD OF ALDERMEN

### PROPOSE TO PAVE PRINCIPAL STREETS

#### New Street Accepted From Depot to Whitmire Street—Other Business.

At the meeting of the board of aldermen Monday night a movement was started that will mean more to Brevard than anything undertaken for a number of years, if carried out. It was in regard to the matter of paving Main street from Mrs. Woodbridge's residence to the railroad, Caldwell street from Main to Depot, and Depot street from Caldwell to the depot. A special committee composed of Aldermen Ashworth, Cox and Kilpatrick was appointed to devise ways and means to raise the money necessary, the committee to report at the next meeting of the aldermen.

Considerable time was taken up by the board in hearing grievances of various citizens, and in almost every case the citizen got what he came for. Matters of a routine nature also occupied considerable time of the board. Following are the most important transactions of the meeting Monday night:

Welch Galloway appeared in behalf of the present owners of the Brevard Cotton Mills and asked that the tax assessment of \$30,000 against the mill property be reduced to \$20,000. He stated that the county commissioners had reduced their assessment from \$15,000 to \$30,000, and that inasmuch as only two-thirds of the property was inside the corporate limits he wanted the reduction made. On motion of Alderman Henry, seconded by Alderman Cox, the reduction was made.

Welch Galloway was requested by the board to see what authority the board had to make an ordinance regulating the storage of oil, gasoline, powder, etc., and to report to the mayor at once, who will call a special meeting of the board to enact whatever law is allowable under the statutes, as reported by Mr. Galloway.

It was ordered that a contract be made with Mr. Bromfield, the town to furnish water for his ice plant at a flat rate of \$50 per year. Mr. Bromfield agreeing to sell ice at 50 cents per hundred pounds.

T. H. Shipman appeared before the board in regard to opening a new street from the depot to Whitmire street. Mr. Shipman stated that Mr. W. S. Ashworth had given about three acres of land to the Southern Railway for the purpose of additional side tracks that the Southern contemplated spending about \$1,500 in this work. The Southern and Mr. Shipman agreed to give the town a forty foot street and have the same graded if the town would build two small bridges. This proposition was accepted by the board.

The tax assessment on the Fraternal building was reduced \$2,000, this amount of stock being owned by different fraternal organizations, and not being taxable property.

Dr. English spoke of the condition of a brick wall on Main street, and said the wall was tumbling down. Referred to the street committee. He also said that if the board would have a sidewalk graded on Johnson street the property owners would have gravel put on it. Referred to the street committee with power to act.

T. H. Shipman, Mayor Breese, Dr. English and R. L. Gash spoke on the bad condition of the streets leading to the depot. A special committee composed of Aldermen Ashworth, Cox and Kilpatrick was appointed to propose ways and

means to pave these streets.

The board contributed \$100 to the Greater Western North Carolina Association. Mayor Breese reported that the services of Mr. Samuel H. Cohen had been secured to carry on the work of the Association.

Prof. C. H. Trowbridge appeared before the board and stated that the proprietors of the Brevard institute wanted better fire protection before they would build another building. W. H. Harris, chief of the fire department, was ordered to make a test of the pressure at the Institute and to report what is necessary to give adequate protection. The board will be present to see the test.

A communication from J. L. Bell in regard to obstructions on Johnson street was referred to the street committee.

J. S. Bromfield complained of an obstruction on Depot street. Referred to the street committee.

The following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

J. F. W. Dorman & Co., \$2.00.  
State Laboratory, \$48.00.  
Eureka Fire Hose Co., \$400.00.  
Miller Supply Co., \$7.30.  
Stone Hardware Co., \$11.71.  
Brevard Lumber Co., \$3.20.  
L. E. Mull, \$2.50.  
Brevard Light & Power Co., \$67.00.  
Brevard Steam Laundry, \$2.50.

## FROM BROTHER CARPENTER

Editor Sylvan Valley News:

We have spent one month in Rosman and we are thinking more of the people each day. The people of the town and surrounding country are hospitable and kind.

We have a good school which is conducted by Prof. Gallamore and his two efficient assistants, Misses Lanning and Underwood. The school is doing well and the patrons are well pleased. The bright and hopeful students seem very much interested and conduct themselves in a way which indicates good parental breeding.

We have two Sunday schools, both doing well. One at the Baptist church and one at the M. E. Church, South. Eugene Morrison is the superintendent of the Methodist school, but he has been out two or three Sundays on account of his little boy that got his foot badly hurt. Drayton Randolph took his place. Augustus Paxton has charge of the Baptist Sunday school, and is attentive to his work.

The tannery is doing well under the efficient management of Mr. Silvestein. He is always wide awake to any and everything looking to the improvement of the town and the building up and betterment of society. He is also president of the Gloucester Lumber Co. of this place. They seem to be doing a good business.

I have had the pleasure of spending one night in the aggressive and progressive town of Brevard.

I spent the night with C. A. Shuford and his good wife. No minister can spend a night in their home, however discouraged and depressed he may be, but that he will feel better next day. While enjoying their hospitality we thought of the good Shanammite woman who treated the old prophet with so much consideration. While with them Bro. Shuford remembered his pastor in a substantial and material way by handing him \$5.00 on salary, and Sister Shuford, ever awake and mindful of the preacher's needs, gave him \$5.00 for the parsonage.

May their long and useful lives be lengthened out, and as they look toward the setting sun God grant that the haloes may deepen in richness and the earth-born visions of eternity, with all its glory, may ripen into a grand and precious reality.

For fear that this article is too long I will close. More anon.

C. M. CARPENTER.

## PYTHIAN LODGE STARTS MEMBERSHIP CONTEST

### TWO TEAMS WORKING IN COMPETITION

#### The Lodge Will Also Produce an Amateur Theatrical at an Early Date.

Brevard Lodge No. 224, K. of P., has just started a membership contest, the membership of the lodge being divided into two teams, and each to work under a captain. The lodge has also decided to give a public entertainment, to which a nominal charge will be made, the funds obtained to be applied to the purchase of some needed paraphernalia for the third rank team.

The membership contest was started last Tuesday night with much enthusiasm, and will end May 7. The losing team is to entertain the winners, the nature of the entertainment to be decided later.

The scores are to be recorded as follows:

For each new member ..... 25 points  
For each new member secured by card ..... 15 points  
For each member present at any regular meeting ..... 5 points  
The Keeper of Records and Seal is to act as official score keeper and any application secured by him is not to be counted in the contest.

The two teams are divided as follows:

TEAM No. 1	TEAM No. 2
D. D. Bracken, Capt.	R. L. Gash, Capt.
W. M. Bradley	S. A. Allison
J. S. Bromfield	W. E. Breese, Jr.
C. C. Case	E. W. Carter
C. C. Cantrell	A. M. Chapman
J. E. Cox	J. E. Clayton
Welch Galloway	John C. Deaver
W. E. Garren	V. Fontaine
L. M. Glazener	C. C. Kilpatrick
W. H. Harris	A. O. Kitchen
R. P. Kilpatrick	J. W. McMillan
S. M. Macfie	C. S. Osborne
G. H. Paxton	T. E. Patton, Jr.
T. B. Sumney	T. L. Snelson
W. L. Wiley	T. W. Whitmire

Brevard Lodge is the youngest K. of P. lodge in the state, having been instituted October 17th, 1911, but its members are all enthusiastic over the progress made. As yet its membership is small and the purpose of this contest is to get in some new members and also some of the members of the old Transylvania Lodge which died some time ago. Members of the old lodge wishing to come into the new are urged to confer with some member of the new lodge.

The attendance each Tuesday night has been exceptionally good, considering the small membership, and the work done by the new lodge will compare favorably with that done by lodges much larger and better equipped.

The following declaration of principles has been adopted by the new lodge:

The order of Knights of Pythias, founded in friendship, charity and benevolence, which it proclaims as its cardinal principles, strives to gather together into one mighty fraternity worthy men who appreciate the true meaning of friendship; who are cautious in word and act; who love truth; who are brave in defending right; whose honor is untarnished; whose sense of justice will prevent, to the best of their ability, a personal act or word injurious to the worthy; whose loyalty to principle, to family, to friends, to their country, and to the constituted authorities under which they enjoy citizenship, is undoubted; and who, at all times, are prepared to do unto others as they would have others do unto them.

The special entertainment proposed is to be in the nature of a play. After careful consideration of a number of plays suitable for amateurs, "A Woman's Honor" was selected by the committee having the matter in hand. This play will be produced at an early

date, just as soon as the players have time to prepare themselves. All the male characters are taken from the lodge. The following is the cast of characters:

Gen. Mark Lester	W. L. Wiley
Pedro Mendez	Ora L. Jones
Dr. Garcia	Claude Cantrell
Gilbert Hall	D. D. Bracken
Robert Glenn	E. W. Carter
Gregory Grimes	W. M. Bradley
Ebenezer	C. S. Osborne
Oliver Lester	Miss Mattie Waters
Sally Lester	Miss Agnes Kilpatrick
Maria Mendez	Miss Allie Cantrell

## POULTRY RAISING

In an effort to encourage and increase poultry raising in the south, the Southern Railway Company, through its land and industrial department, has issued a folder for wide distribution calling attention to the superior advantages offered in the states traversed by its lines for the profitable development of this industry.

The big home demand for poultry products with prices higher than on other markets, and the ideal conditions prevailing in the South for raising chicks at low cost are two of the good arguments set forth in the folder. It is a fact that every Southern city of any size imports annually thousands of dollars worth of eggs and chickens. Eggs will average throughout the year at least five cents more per dozen than in the North. The Southern poultryman has a market near his plant and does not have to consider long hauls and uncertain markets.

For the small poultry raiser who is satisfied to make a living only at first, gradually building up his business with his profits, the initial cost of a poultry plant in the southeast should not run over \$500, according to an estimate given in the folder. Many prosperous Southern poultrymen began on as low as \$100 first capital. Several acres of land, a small laying house and runs is about all necessary for poultry raising on a small scale in the southeast, and such a plant will make a healthful, pleasant living for the family and under intelligent management will in a few years result in a large industry.

The Southern Railway Company is very much interested in the development of the poultry industry, as it is in other industries and activities of the people served by it, and Land and Industrial Agent M. V. Richards at Washington, and Western Agent Charles S. Chase, Chemical Bldg., St. Louis, are prepared to give all possible assistance without charge to prospective poultrymen desiring to locate in the southeast.

## FREE SCHOLARSHIP PROPOSED

Washington, Feb. 1.—President Finley, of the Southern Railway Company, announced today that, as a means of supplementing the extensive work being done by the company for the advancement of agriculture in the territory traversed by its lines south of Potomac and Ohio rivers and east of the Mississippi, it has been decided to inaugurate Southern Railway Scholarships in the State Agricultural College in each state traversed by the lines of the company.

Mr. Finley will take this matter up at once with the president of each agricultural college concerned, asking him to permit the company to pay for the scholarships and to select the young men to be benefited by them. The scholarships, which are to cover the full four-year course in agriculture, are to be awarded in accordance with plans to be agreed upon between the presidents of the colleges and the railway company and are to be given to young men residing in counties traversed by the lines of company, and who would otherwise be financially unable to avail themselves of an agricultural college training.

As soon as arrangements have been definitely perfected, full details as to the scholarship or scholarships to be awarded in each state, will be announced.

## BOYS' CORN CLUB IS PROGRESSING NICELY

### LIST OF PRIZES OFFERED BY STATE

#### Many Meetings Have Been Held, and a Number of New Names Added.

In the various sections of the county which have been visited by Supt. Henderson and Mr. Mason, the boys seem to be greatly interested in the proposition of growing corn, and it is to be hoped that this interest will be kept up until the crops are grown and harvested and the reports made. It can be safely stated that every boy who enters the contest with a determination to win and keeps up that determination to the end will win whether he receives one of the county or state prizes or not. The knowledge gained in the contest by the work done and the bulletins read will doubly pay any boy for the time spent. Besides this he will have also the corn which he has raised on his acre.

As four-fifths of the people of the south are engaged in farming, and as agriculture is the basic occupation of our country, our educational system should not fail to recognize this fact. If the farmer is ignorant it means a terrible cost to himself, to the soil, and to the community in which he lives.

Our red hills and "sworn out" lands are a severe indictment against ignorance on the farm. While we had large areas of virgin soil to support only a small population, it did not appear so important that the farmer should be educated; but now that the best land has been cleared, the population increased, and the virgin soil destroyed by erosion and wasteful methods, the need of educated farmers is imperative.

Some one has said that our system of education, in part, is responsible for the condition of some of the farm lands in this country. While a large majority of our people have been farmers, our scheme of education has ignored agriculture, and a large number of our brighter children have been alienated from the farms, not seeming to realize the fact that all the people in all occupations are absolutely dependent on the farmer—that "the farmer is the man that feeds them all," and that farming, if carried on intelligently and scientifically, will yield larger dividends than Standard Oil bonds or Consolidated Steel stock.

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## DR. MCLEAN MAKING GOOD.

Dr. G. W. McLean, a former resident of Brevard, who moved to Fitzgerald, Ga., last fall and opened dental parlors in that city, seems to be making good there. Dr. McLean is well and favorably known here, and the following clipping taken from one of the Fitzgerald papers will be read with interest by many of his friends here:

"Dr. G. W. McLean has added another large office to his dental parlors on the fifth floor of the Garbutt-Donovan building and now has three rooms, the new office being just across the hall from the others. Mr. McLean moved to Fitzgerald only a short time ago, and is building up a nice business."

It is said that the best way to preserve apples in winter is to wrap them in newspapers so as to exclude the air. The exception is made, however, that the newspaper must be one on which the subscription has been paid, else the dampness resulting from what is "dew" may result in spoiling the fruit.

Printers ink marks the path to riches and fame. Try it.