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FARMERS' INSTITUTE

We wish to call the attention of our readers to the Farmers' Institutes to be held at Selica Saturday, July 27, and at Penrose Monday, July 29. The institutes this year promise to be better than ever yet held, but to have them so it will be necessary for the directors to have co-operation of every one who desires to see our agricultural conditions improved. Special attention is called to the Women's Institute feature of these meetings, and the women living on the farm are urged to attend. The women's institutes are of far more importance than the institutes held for the men. Their lines of work are of far more importance than making corn or other grain, or any line of agricultural endeavor. Their work is the building of the home and the rearing of the family, and they should be properly equipped for this very important work.

As an inducement to get them to come out a prize of \$1.00 is offered for the best loaf of bread baked and exhibited by any woman or girl living on the farm. Town women cannot compete for this prize. The following conditions are to be observed: The exhibitor may use any kind of yeast she prefers, but salt rising bread will not be given a premium. Not that it is not good bread, but the directors want to get the women in the habit of making bread easier than by the salt rising process. That process is too slow, laborious and uncertain.

The following score card will be used in judging bread: Flavor 35 points; crust—color, depth, texture 20 points; lightness 15 points; grain and texture 10 points; crumb—color and moisture 10 points; shape and size 10 points. Size recommended: $7\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$. This size is not obligatory.

The meetings will be held at 10 o'clock. Since this will necessitate some provision being made for dinner, it has been suggested that the farmers bring a basket of dinner and hold a farmers' picnic, when the farmers of the different sections could come together and discuss farm questions. Should this program be carried out the day would be profitable to everyone present.

SAPPHIRE NEWS

Capt. Ragweed, under command of Col. Rain, has won the battle. This section is badly in need of sunshine.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Miller spent a few days at the home of William Rice, near Cashiers, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Fisher have returned home after spending the fourth with friends at Rosman.

Nellie Grimshawe is visiting her home folks at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Miller attended the revival meeting at Union Sunday.

Cleave Nicholson has returned home after spending a few days at Selica.

Granville Fisher visited his parents at Lake Toxaway recently.

Mrs. Carne and three children, of Chicago, are stopping at Fair View. Paul Fugate of Sapphire is spending a few days at Montvale.

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Dunn and Miss Alberta Dunn of Fairfield have gone to Waynesville to spend a few days.

Mr. Nathan Galloway of Rosman is spending a few days at Montvale.

Mrs. Patton Crisp and Mrs. Corne spent Saturday with Mrs. Morrow at Fernland.

E. M. Backus has sold his beautiful home, Camp Sapphire. Mr. Backus will be greatly missed in this neighborhood.

Thomas Grimshawe, of Flat Rock, visited his brother, Dr. Grimshawe, at Montvale recently.

Arthur Miller made a flying trip to Brevard Monday.

William Burlingame spent Sunday with homefolks at Montview.

Mittie Nicholson has returned home after spending a few days at the home of William Parker.

WHIPPOORWILL.

FRED EMBLER KILLED BY COLLAPSE OF WALL

SERIOUS ACCIDENT AT ROSMAN

J. B. Allen and Carts Miller Seriously Injured, But Are Expected to Recover.

A serious accident happened at Rosman last Tuesday in which four persons were injured and one lost his life.

A brick wall was being constructed for a drying kiln for the Gloucester Lumber Company, and several men were at work upon it, under the direction of J. B. Allen, who had the contract for the work. Owing either to some defect in the construction or to the bad effects of damp weather, the wall, which was about twenty feet high, gave way and fell in a heap. Some of the workmen were caught under the falling brick and received serious injuries. Fred Embler, a boy of fifteen, was crushed about the chest, receiving internal injuries which resulted in his death.

Those injured were: J. B. Allen of Hendersonville, contractor and bricklayer, badly hurt about the leg and hip.

Carts Miller, aged 16, dangerously hurt on the head.

A brother of Contractor Allen and Virgil Bannin of Boilston, slightly injured.

Carts Miller's case was considered so doubtful that he was taken Wednesday morning to a hospital at Asheville.

Fred Embler, after the accident, was taken in charge by his relative, Rev. Mark Osborne, and put on the afternoon train to be carried to his home at Hendersonville. Mr. Osborne accompanied him. The young man was unconscious from the time he was put on a cot in the baggage car, and died as the train passed Penrose. The body was taken on to Hendersonville.

The deceased was a son of J. P. Embler, a well known carpenter of Hendersonville. His stepmother was a daughter of the late H. C. Osborne, and formerly a resident of Penrose. He was a member of the Baptist church at Hendersonville.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Embler of Hendersonville express their thanks to the people of Rosman for kindness shown their son Fred at the time of the accident which resulted in his death.

MR. AND MRS. J. P. EMBLER,
Hendersonville, N. C.

VALUABLE BOOKLET

In furtherance of the movement to advertise the beauties, resources and advantages of Western North Carolina, the Southern Railway company, through its passenger traffic department, has just issued for extensive distribution throughout the United States an extremely attractive and comprehensive publication descriptive of that region. The booklet contains numerous handsome illustrations of the South's mountain resort country, and describes in detail over one hundred and twenty-five cities and towns along the Southern Railway in that section, giving accurate information concerning the mountain trails and points of scenic interest.

The great industrial development now going on in Western North Carolina and the vast opportunities awaiting those who will come into the state and take up either manufacturing or farming is told in a most interesting way. The wide distribution which the Southern railway will give this publication is expected to attract an unusually large number of tourists not only for the summer season but as permanent residents.

THE COONTOWN MINSTRELS

The Coontown Minstrels met with a very unusual reception at the Auditorium last Thursday evening, when an audience numbering probably four hundred people came out to see a minstrel show. Everybody was in a happy frame of mind and were expecting to bring the fourth to a good finish by enjoying the show to the last. The hum of many voices was hushed by the rising of the curtain and everyone leaned forward expectantly to catch the very first echo of the program.

As the curtain went up the members of the company, eight in number, were seen sitting in a very cramped position, forming what was supposed to have been a semicircle. The first thing undertaken was a song, believed to have been a plantation melody, at least two people claim they heard the word "cot-tawn" used a number of times. The audience seemed inclined to forgive them for this outrage, and waited very quietly for the next number.

The next announcement card displayed read as follows: "No. 1. Booster Club of Coontown." This scene displayed a negro fast asleep with his feet on the table, who was declared to be the "laziest nigger dat eber drew de bref of life" by another black-face near-comedian who had a very penetrating lady-like voice. The audience even bore with this scene to the end, but everyone looked like their dog was dead.

When the company's star came out to deliver "No. 2. Stump Speech," and began by asking what they (the audience) was smiling at, it was too much. A very shrill cat call was heard, which was the beginning of the end of the Coontownites. This was followed by a shuffling of feet by the audience, hisses, jeers and clapping of hands. The star evidently thought he had made a hit and was being cheered, and so redoubled his efforts, notwithstanding the fact that another member of the company was making frantic efforts to get him off the stage. Just here the curtain was lowered on the second and final act of the show, and thus came to an end the show that promised so much real enjoyment.

The audience was asked to remain seated for a few minutes, while the members of the Brevard Amusement Co. held a hurried consultation, after which P. R. Ayres announced that there would be four reels of moving pictures, after which everyone present could secure "frost checks," which would admit the holders to the moving picture show or would be redeemed for cash. A majority of those present considered the event a "frost" and secured the checks.

The Brevard Amusement Co. wishes to state that this company came here with first class recommendations from places where the show had been put on, and that they are very sorry that it did not measure up to the Brevard standard. It is not believed that the company came here to deliberately deceive the people, but that they thought they had a good show. Before the performance every member of the company was very enthusiastic over their show, and they seemed very much surprised that it was not appreciated by the people here.

The members of the company left Brevard Friday, returning to their homes in Coontown where, it is hoped, they will remain.

The next attraction at the Auditorium, besides the moving pictures each night, will be "An Evening In Dixie," by the Daughters of the Confederacy, which will be repeated some time the latter part of this month. This show was seen here April 17th, and every one knows its merits.

For soreness of muscles, whether induced by violent exercise or injury, there is nothing better than Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment also relieves rheumatic pains. For sale by all dealers.

RAILROAD WRECKS WITHIN THE WEEK

ONE IN YARDS AT GREENSBORO

Forty One People Killed in Wreck on Lackawanna Railroad Thursday

Forty-one persons on the Buffalo Limited of the Lackawanna railroad were killed Thursday morning in a rear-end collision at Gibson's Narrows, two miles east of Corning, N. Y. Forty-one others were injured when a train made up of express cars and running at a speed of sixty-five miles an hour telescoped its way through three cars of the limited. The list of dead is likely to be increased.

Engineer Thomas E. Beach, a veteran of the system, was fatally injured and 50 passengers more or less seriously hurt at 3:40 o'clock Saturday afternoon when Southern passenger train, carrying between 350 and 400 passengers from Atlanta to Washington and intermediate points, plunged through an open switch at Greensboro and crashed headon into a freight engine drawing a long string of empty refrigerator cars south. The open switch clearly places the cause for the accident. There is a question about the responsibility which it appears will require an investigation to determine. Upon either Engineer Beach or Switch Operator P. C. Edgerton must fall the blame. Edgerton stated immediately following the wreck that he had opened the switch, which linked the southbound and northbound tracks that Engineer W. S. Ferguson, of the freight engine, might pass from the southbound track to the yards, it being necessary for him to pass over the northbound track.

With the switch open No. 36 dashed into view. Operator Edgerton says the red board was up and that the train on the northbound track was never given the white board. Under the Southern block system an engineer under no circumstances must fail to stop when the red board is displayed. The white board gives a free right of way. About the statement of Edgerton a controversy has arisen, with Engineer Beach for all time unable to offer his version. He died at the hospital at 10 o'clock last night. The operator was unable to reset the switch, it is claimed, because the freight engine stood upon the switch rod and inside the switch track. Otherwise he says he could have replaced the switch and kept the ill-fated engine on the northbound track.

Three persons were killed and more than a dozen seriously, some perhaps fatally, injured in a headon collision between two interurban cars on the Marion, Bluffton and Eastern Traction line in the city of Marion, Ind., Sunday afternoon.

The collision was between a regular car and one loaded with merry-makers, bound for Goldtwite park, an amusement resort, one half mile east of Marion, and occurred on a straight track. No cause was assigned for the accident.

The two cars were telescoped, the heavy interurban passing half way through the lighter park car. The park car was crowded and contained many women, but only one was seriously hurt.

Shortly after the wreck it was reported that some of the injured had been robbed. One man said he saw a woman robbed of her purse, which she said contained \$100. The police are investigating.

Dysentery is always serious and often a dangerous disease, but it can be cured. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has cured it even when malignant and epidemic. For sale by all dealers.

TRAGEDY IN ASHEVILLE

As a result of two pistol wounds inflicted by Clyde Melton last Friday night about 8 o'clock, Ed B. Swinney died Saturday morning at the Mission hospital, where he had been taken for treatment immediately after the shooting. Both were Asheville men, and the shooting took place near the corner of West College and North Main streets, Asheville. There were two or three eye witnesses to the tragedy.

One witness stated that Swinney turned to run, that he was shot first in the back by Melton, shot once more after he fell, and that Melton crossed the street and fired another time, which shot missed and struck a brick wall nearby.

Swinney appeared in police court Friday morning as a witness against Melton's brother, Horace, in a whisky selling case, and it was his testimony that caused the police judge to give Melton a long sentence on the road. Melton was arrested by a policeman soon after he fired the third shot, and stated that he had shot Swinney because he was advancing on him with a knife.

GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION

We would like to call the attention of all North Carolinians who are interested in the state's progress and development to the annual convention of the North Carolina Good Roads Association, which is to be held in Charlotte August 1 and 2. Already a large number of delegates have been appointed to this convention, and it is expected that a large number will attend. Automobile runs are being arranged from our larger cities. It is expected that the governor will be present, and Senators Overman and Simmons, who will discuss the building of roads from a federal standpoint; Hon. John H. Small, and at least one thousand good roads enthusiasts from all sections of North Carolina, who are earnest in their efforts to get the state out of the old ruts and unprogressiveness which has cost and is costing the citizens of the state such vast sums. Every citizen of the state interested in its progress and the achievement of the fundamental condition to progress—good roads—is invited to attend as a delegate.

JOSEPH HYDE PRATT, Sec'y
N. C. Good Roads Association.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Mr. Samuel H. Fuller, a member of Middlesex Lodge No. 3, I. O. O. F., died at the home of his son, Mr. R. S. Fuller, on the 12th day of June, 1912, and

Whereas, the town has lost a good citizen, and his son a loving father, and the Odd Fellows a faithful member,

Therefore be it resolved, that we, the officers and members of Conestee Lodge No. 237, I. O. O. F., express our appreciation of the faithful work of our departed brother while in our midst;

That we regret his departure, but submit to the will of Providence; that we commend his loved ones to bow to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Sylvan Valley News, and spread on the minutes of our lodge.

REV. J. R. OWEN,
T. D. ENGLAND,
CHAS. JOLLAY,
Committee.

PENROSE POINTERS

The crops are looking fine considering the rainy weather.

Samuel Owenby is very sick. O. W. Clayton is building a fish pond at his father's.

Miss Georgia Morgan and Gordon Justice of Turnpike, N. C., and Lon Curtis of Aberdeen, Wash., were visiting at W. L. Talley's last week.

Miss Ava Ashworth and Miss Rosa Shipman of Brevard were visiting at Penrose last Sunday.

ROBIN HOOD.