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THE BREVARD COMMENCEMENT

The commencement exercises of the Brevard Graded School took place last week, and the exercises were all of a very high order. The attendance at the various exercises was very large, and a nice little sum was turned over to the Betterment society after all expenses had been paid.

The commencement exercises began with a recitation and declamation contest between the Nonpareil and Athenian Literary societies last Wednesday night, and, as recorded last week, the Athenian society won both contests. In the declamation contest Walter Duckworth declaimed "The Battle of Waterloo" and Oscar Jolley had for his subject "The Black Horse and Its Rider," these two speaking for the Nonpareils. Overton Erwin declaimed "Regulus to Scipio" and Carl Hardin spoke on "Illustrious Names in North Carolina History," these two speaking for the Athenians. Messrs. D. L. English, W. M. Henry and H. Q. Adams acted as judges in this contest.

This contest was followed by the recitation contest, four young ladies striving for the honors in this contest. The decision in this case was even more difficult to reach than in the other contest, there being so much talent displayed on both sides that it was very hard to determine who should have the decision.

Miss May Burns recited "The Ride of Jennie McNeil" and Miss Agnes Kilpatrick recited "Easca," these two speakers being Athenians. Miss Olivia Hancock recited the same piece she used at the county commencement, "The Puritans' Guest," while Miss Frankie Kilpatrick recited "King Robert of Sicily," the last two named speakers representing the Nonpareil society. Mrs. Fitch Taylor, Mrs. E. H. Norwood and Mrs. C. D. Chapman were the judges in this contest.

There were no exercises of any kind on Thursday, the day being spent practicing for the exercises to follow. On Thursday night the smaller grades gave a very pleasing entertainment, consisting of a cantata and two pantomimes. "The Jolly Picnic Party" was the title of the cantata, and "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Furl That Banner" were portrayed in pantomime.

On Friday morning the graduating class exercises took place and the five young ladies who had successfully completed the course prescribed by the school were given diplomas. The following young ladies were in the class: Misses Docia Case, Frankie Kilpatrick, Margaret Blythe, Agnes Kilpatrick and Pearl Faulkner.

The graduating exercises were started by all joining in singing "America," after which devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. D. Chapman.

Instead of the usual class history and class prophecy, the graduates had each prepared an essay, three of which were read as a part of the graduating exercises. Miss Docia Case read an essay on "Fame;" Miss Pearl Faulkner had selected as a subject "Traits of Indian Character," and Miss Margaret Blythe's subject was "The Value of Music in Life." All these essays were of a high order and showed that the writers had spent much time in preparing them.

After the reading of the essays Misses Agnes Kilpatrick, Flora Duckworth and Frankie Kilpatrick sang "The Happy Miller," a very appropriate and pretty piece of music.

After these exercises Rev. Lov D. Thompson introduced Dr. Henry N. Snyder, president of Wofford College, Spartanburg, the commencement orator. Dr. Snyder's address was one of the very best ever heard in Brevard. His subject was "Getting Together for a Big Job." His speech was right to the point, and he showed the part to be done by the pupil, the teacher, the parent and the trustees in order

to have a successful school. We regret very much that we cannot reproduce his speech in full.

After this address Rev. R. D. Cross presented the diplomas to the graduates, and Mr. T. H. Galloway presented the gold medal offered to the pupil making the best per cent on department. This medal was won by Leonard Brown, a second grade pupil, who had been present every day of the session and had not been tardy at any roll call.

Friday night the smaller children presented a cantata, "Midsummer Eve," and the higher grade pupils presented "Dot, the Miner's Daughter," in a very pleasing manner.

The commencement exercises were all of a high order, and the children and teachers are to be complimented on the way in which they carried out their parts. Over seventy dollars was taken in on Thursday and Friday nights.

INSTITUTE NOTES

Prof. Trowbridge returned recently from the Missionary Council of the Southern Methodists held at Birmingham, Ala., greatly encouraged as to the future of the Institute. The new administration building is to be begun this summer and the council will send a committee from the building board sometime before July to select location, decide upon plans, etc. The council also recommended a considerable increase in appropriation for current expenses, and an additional special appropriation for primary work.

The Institute exhibit at the council was considered the most varied of any school represented there, and was very cordially received and admired. The council showed great interest in all departments of the school.

Prof. Trowbridge will go to Atlanta this week to attend a special conference in the interests of missionary work among the mountains. This is a preliminary conference to the sociological congress of the southern states to be held in Atlanta following the first mentioned.

A series of special religious services was held at the Institute last week, conducted by the Rev. R. D. Cross and the Rev. L. D. Thompson. Much interest was manifested and a large number of conversions ensued.

Allen Moir left recently to accept a position with the Southern railway in the engineering department with headquarters at Greensboro. While we regret his departure we feel gratified by his success in obtaining such a good place so early in life.

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS

Miss Bessie Lyday of Penrose, who has been teaching music in the Enterprise graded school, Raleigh, has returned home.

All members of the K. of P. Lodge are urged to be present at a meeting to be held next Tuesday night at their hall, Fraternity building.

St. Philips church, fifth Sunday after Easter, April 27, 1913. Morning prayer with sermon at 11. Subject, "The Ascension." Sunday school at 4. Friday, April 25, St. Mark's day. Even song with address at 5. Subject, "The Ministry to Sorrow, Christ and the Two Disciples." Rogation days: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Prayer each day at 12 o'clock. Thursday, "Ascension Day." Holy communion with address at 11.

Pains in the back, and the irregularities to which women are subject, with all their attendant miseries, yield at once to DR. SIMMON'S SQUAW VINE COMPOUND. It is as pleasant to take as the juice of a sweet orange. Price \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by S. M. Macfie.

FIRST DISTRICT MEETING

Of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

The first meeting of the First District of the North Carolina Division United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held in Brevard at the chapter house on Saturday, April 26, at 12 o'clock. The chapters included in the first district are:

Asheville Chapter, Asheville.
Cullowhee Chapter, Sylva.
Davis-Dickerson-Mills Chapter, Rutherfordton.
Haywood Chapter, Waynesville.
McDowell Chapter, Marion.
Margaret Davis Hayes Chapter, Hendersonville.
Transylvania Chapter, Brevard.

Representatives have also been invited from Canton, Murphy and other towns where chapters are soon to be organized.

About twenty delegates are expected. They will arrive at 11:19 a. m. Saturday, be met at the station by delegates from the Transylvania chapter.

Each and every member of Transylvania Chapter is urged to be first at this first session of the First meeting of the First District. Help to make ours the first chapter in all other lines, as we are already the first to own a chapter house and first to form a memorial library. The morning session, from 12 to 1:30, will be taken up with organization and business and is open only to delegates and members of the local chapter. At 1:30 the meeting will adjourn for a social hour and the Transylvania Chapter will serve a luncheon to the visiting ladies.

Mrs. E. B. Glenn of Asheville, who was appointed by Division President Mrs. Marshall Williams as first director of the first district, will preside and the meeting will be called to order at 12 o'clock.

At 2:30 p. m. there will be an open meeting in and around the chapter house. All members of Transylvania Camp U. C. V. are cordially invited to be present, as are friends of both "Daughters" and "Veterans."

The opening prayer of the afternoon session will be made by Rev. W. H. Davis, chaplain of the camp, and a short address will follow by Mr. J. M. Hamlin, its commandant. There will be five-minute reports from the chapters on what they are doing and what they intend to do. Mrs. Glenn will give an outline of the work of the district, and the real "Hamlet of the Play" will be the sketch of Mrs. Wm. M. Parsley, founder of the first chapter U. D. C. in North Carolina, honorary president of the North Carolina division, and in whose honor this twenty-sixth of April, her birthday, is celebrated.

"We must close with a jubilee," so there will be just as many songs as we can "shout and sing" before we must adjourn at 8:30 to get the 4 o'clock train.

On the reception committee will be the officers of the Transylvania Chapter U. D. C.

Miss Annie Jean Gash, president.
Mrs. A. H. Caldwell, first vice president.
Mrs. C. C. Yongue, second vice president.
Miss Margaret W. Breese, secretary.
Miss Annie L. Shipman, treasurer.
Mrs. Ora L. Jones, registrar.
Mrs. T. E. Patton, Jr., historian.
Miss Sarah Osborne, custodian.

The following "Daughters" have also been asked to serve on this committee: Mrs. O. L. Erwin, chairman; Mrs. W. E. Breese, Jr., Mrs. W. H. Davis, Miss H. M. Deaver, Miss D. Gash, Mrs. D. A. Gash, Mrs. M. J. Glazener, Mrs. Wm. A. Johnstone, Mrs. J. A. Miller, Mrs. S. F. Norton, Mrs. G. C. Witmer and Mrs. M. A. E. Woodbridge. ANNIE JEAN GASH, Pres. Transylvania Chapter U. D. C.

OTIS PATTON DEAD

Mr. Otis Patton, the seventeen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Patton of Pisgah Forest, died at the home of his parents last Sunday morning. The news of his death came as a great surprise, to his many friends and relatives, as his condition was not considered serious until just a short time before his death.

The young man had only been suffering about a week with a carbuncle on his chin, and this in some manner became infected, causing blood poisoning which resulted in his death. Everything possible was done by his physician, Dr. E. S. English, to relieve him of his suffering, and Dr. M. H. Flether and a trained nurse of Asheville were called in consultation but nothing seemed to relieve him.

The funeral services were conducted on Monday morning by Rev. W. H. Davis, pastor of the Davidson River Presbyterian church, and the interment was at the Davidson River cemetery. A very large number of relatives and friends attended the funeral. The following were the pall bearers: J. A. Miller, Jr., T. E. Patton, O. L. Erwin, William Deaver, John Maxwell and W. H. Duckworth.

The deceased is survived by his parents, three sisters, Misses Emma, Bessie and Louise Patton, and two brothers, Messrs. Harry H. and T. E. Patton, Jr., all of Pisgah Forest.

The News joins the many friends of the deceased in extending sympathy to the relatives of the deceased.

CARSON CREEK ITEMS

Again death has visited this community. Mrs. Tilden Reese died Sunday morning, March 30. The remains of the mother and Lewly-born babe were laid to rest in the Carson Creek cemetery Monday, March 31. Mr. and Mrs. Reese had only been married one year and ten days. Their life together was one of simple happiness.

Mrs. Bud Cassel has been quite sick for the last week, but we are glad to say she is improving.

The Sunday school has been reorganized with Mr. Mitchell Cassel as superintendent. We trust that the people will become more interested in this work and everybody help in making it a success.

One of the important features of our last church service was the ordination of three deacons. All were young men. We hope they may be spared to give a long life of service in this office.

PEDESTRIAN.

CEDAR MOUNTAIN ITEMS

We are having some very fine weather at this writing.

Prof. J. W. Burns is visiting Greenville this week on business.

Mr. Haliburt Hunt, with his family and mother, have come to Cedar Mountain to spend the summer.

J. A. Burns is visiting friends and relatives here this week.

Miss Lottie Heath visited her cousin, Miss Carrie Burns, Tuesday afternoon.

Hello, Wild Willie, where did you jump from? You had better go back to your den.

Miss Ida Lance and her little nephew, Cecil, made a call at Miss Leslie McGaha's Sunday morning.

Misses Phoebe and Reba Burns are visiting their sisters at Brevard, Misses Mae and Audra Burns.

Mrs. Nancy Bishop went to Brevard Thursday on business.

We'll come again next week if we are still living.

BILLIE'S NIECES.

For biliousness, malaria and constipation, the proper remedy is SIMMON'S RED Z LIVER REGULATOR. The first dose makes you feel better and a little more of the same medicine cures you completely. Price, large package, \$1.00; small size, 25c. Sold by S. M. Macfie.

LIVE STOCK DEPARTMENT

Bureau of Information and Ready Aid to Farmers and Stockmen.

The recently expanded live stock department of the Southern Railway Company has as its purpose the promotion of the live stock industry along its lines, and it solicits the co-operation of every citizen who is interested in having this great and necessary industry come into its own that it may be of its greatest benefit to all concerned.

The Piedmont section of the south-east, by its natural qualifications, is pre-eminently a live stock section, for here pure water flows freely, the soil affords good natural grazing, as well as responding well in the production of all the forage and grain crops, and markets are comparatively handy.

The only other requirement is improvement of the breeds, and this is provided by the use of pure-bred, well-formed sires on the native stock. It is remarkable what results from improvement in slaughtering come from the practice of this feature.

The department desires to give aid to this branch of agriculture in any manner that conditions call for, which includes information regarding feeds or feeding, breeds or breeding, marketing, care of stock, etc., in fact, to do any and all things tending to have more and better live stock throughout the section.

At the present time we are emphasizing the use of better breeding stock and are prepared to locate such stock as may be wanted by inquirers, on short notice, as well as by assisting them in choosing same, if they so desire.

Inquiries on any matter pertaining to live stock should be made to either Live Stock Department Southern Railway, Atlanta, Ga., or Dr. C. D. Lowe, Morristown, Tenn., who is the local representative.

MURDER AND SUICIDE

R. H. Liverett, 77 years old, a wealthy and respected farmer of Henderson county, ended his life at his home near Hendersonville Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock after shooting and fatally wounding his son, John, aged 48, with a double barreled shot gun.

The lower part of the son's face was shot away. Mr. Liverett and his son had some dispute in a field near their home. After firing at his son Mr. Liverett endeavored to turn the weapon on himself. A daughter wrested the gun from him. He then walked to the house, secured another gun and emptied its contents into his body.

He is survived by a widow, three sons and two daughters. His son is married and has several children.

John Liverett died late Tuesday night from the effects of the shooting.

P. H. THRASH IN TROUBLE

Under the charge of selling whiskey and of having on hand more than the law allows, P. H. Thrash, of Asheville, was tried in Rowan county court Tuesday and fined \$400 and costs.

A notice of appeal was given though officers do not believe this will be taken. Monday night Sheriff McKenzie seized fourteen barrels of whiskey belonging to Thrash and arrested several employees at the plant where found. Preparations were being made to ship the whiskey to Chattanooga and government officials found irregularities in the handling.

A portion of the liquors was ordered destroyed, the remainder will go forward to the Chattanooga firm. A revenue officer was on hand when Sheriff McKenzie took charge of the place.

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