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JACK BRUTON CAPTURED

Jack Bruton, colored, alias Jack Berry, the alleged slayer of Ella Austin and Susie Bell Corpening, both colored, was caught near Brevard last Sunday by Champ Logan, a colored detective, and was taken to Asheville and lodged in the Buncombe county jail Sunday afternoon.

Logan is said to have had considerable trouble in making the arrest, having to shoot Bruton through the left hand with a shot gun. After he was shot the alleged murderer ran into a house where he locked himself up. Logan, with the aid of friends, forced an entrance and placed handcuffs on the negro.

Bruton appeared to be little concerned over his capture and refused to talk about the killing or where he had been since the crime. It is thought he has been hiding near Brevard for several days, as it is understood he has relatives in this county.

The double murder which Bruton is charged with occurred at a negro dance hall on French Broad avenue in Asheville on May 21, at which there were scores of negroes. Bruton is said to have gone to the dance hall with the Corpening woman, and after their arrival at the dance hall he is said to have asked his companion not to enter. She is said to have made an attempt to enter over his protest when he shot her with a pistol, killing her almost instantly. The other negro woman was at the counter in the dance hall and was struck with a stray bullet which killed her instantly. At the coroner's inquest which was held June 1, the jury returned a verdict to the effect that both negroes met their deaths at the hands of Bruton.

ETOWAH ITEMS

A very beautiful wedding was solemnized at the home of Rev. W. H. Pless on Sunday morning, June 8, when Miss Mand Case of Pisgah Forest became the bride of Mr. Harvey L. Souther, also of Pisgah Forest. Rev. W. H. Pless performed the ceremony. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Case. Mr. Souther is a son of John Souther of Fletcher. Mr. and Mrs. Souther left for Pisgah Forest immediately after the ceremony.

W. E. Taylor spent a few days at home last week, returning to his work on Davidson river Sunday night.

Homr McKinna made a business trip to Brevard Saturday.

Miss Cannie Allen is visiting relatives in Brevard.

T. D. Jackson has been on the sick list. We hope he will soon be well again.

D. D. Simpson, together with his choir from Holly Springs, joined the Etowah choir in singing Sunday afternoon. Everybody enjoyed the singing.

What has become of Jolly Bill?
L. B.

THE RECORDER'S COURT

Only one case came before the recorder Monday morning, and quick disposition was made of it. Boyd Barton was charged with carrying a concealed weapon, to wit, a razor. After hearing the evidence the recorder pronounced the defendant guilty and sentenced him to the county roads for two months. The defendant seemed to think the recorder was too generous, and decided to try his fortunes in a higher court. Appeal bond was fixed at \$200.

Daily Thought.

A man should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong which is but saying, in other words, that he is wiser today than he was yesterday.—Pope.

Probably.

The man who spends his life pursuing fame probably does so because he never gets a chance to turn off on a by-path that appears to lead straight to wealth.

ANNOUNCEMENT AND REQUEST

The executive committee of the Transylvania Baptist Association held an important meeting in the Brevard Baptist church, June 9, 1913. Three pastors were present to aid in some matters.

In carrying out the will of the association to elect an associational evangelist for the months of July, August and September, they elected Rev. H. H. Honeycutt, a native of Madison county, N. C., but recently from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, where he has been studying for two years. He comes well recommended and well prepared, having done such work in Alabama during vacation.

It will not be possible for him to hold meetings in all our Baptist churches, but the executive committee is very anxious that a good meeting shall be held this summer in every church. A number of the pastors have offered their services to the executive committee to hold meetings where they are needed. So we, the executive committee, appeal to any pastor that has no arrangements for meetings and the deacons and members of any pastorless churches to apply to us for a man to conduct a meeting, and we will send you one. Please address Mr. T. C. Henderson, Quebec, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ASSOCIATION.

CEDAR MOUNTAIN NEWS

Winter is a visitor at Cedar Mountain this week.

Mr. John Hunt reports some frost on Little River this week.

Mr. Rowley Hooker has returned home from a long stay at Caesars Head.

Mr. Percy Drake and a company of friends passed through this section yesterday on their way to Caesars Head.

The young people of this section enjoyed a musical entertainment at Miss Eva Jones' home Tuesday night.

Mr. Ellison McCrary of Saluda, S. C., was a visitor at Cedar Mountain Monday.

Cedar Mountain is blooming with summer visitors.

Mr. V. B. McGaha and Mr. Nelson Holden were visitors here Tuesday.

Messrs. Lonie Bishop and Weldon Lee went on a fishing trip last Saturday and secured thirty-five mountain trout, one of which was sixteen inches in length. The writer thinks that is a very fine mountain trout.

Mr. C. J. Kilbourne and his company of Y. M. C. A. boys from Greenville spent Monday night in Cedar Mountain, leaving Tuesday morning for their camp on William-creek.

Caesars Head hotel is open for this season. Mr. H. M. Geer is the proprietor.

UNCLE BILLIE.

St. Philips church, fourth Sunday after Trinity, June 15. Litany and holy communion with sermon at 11. Subject, "Well Doing as a Sacrifice." Special offering for district missions. Sunday school at 4. Wednesday, June 11, St. Barnabas day. Service at 11. Friday, June 13, evening prayer with address at 5. The seventeenth annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the missionary district of Asheville will be held in St. Philips church. Missionary service and address on Tuesday evening, June 24, at 8:30. Thirty-five or forty delegates are expected. On Wednesday morning, June 25th, coporate communion at 7:30. The nineteenth annual convention of the district of Asheville will meet in St. Philips church on June 25th and 26th. Wednesday, June 25, morning prayer at 9 a. m. Convention organized 9:30. The formal convention service at 10:30 with bishop's address and holy communion. Evening prayer with missionary address at 8:30. The public is cordially invited. About thirty clergymen and thirty-five laymen are expected.

FREIGHT RATE CONTROVERSY

Asserting that in their negotiations with the legislative commission in regard to freight rates to North Carolina points they have acted in the best of faith, the presidents of the railroads operating in North Carolina have addressed a letter to Mr. W. C. Dowd, editor of the Charlotte News, giving a full history of the negotiations.

The railroad presidents quote the full text of the agreement made with the legislative commission on February 26th and state that under it they made a proposition embracing substantial rate reductions but which was not satisfactory to the commission. The commission then made a proposition which the railroads after careful study concluded they could not possibly accept and they gave their reasons in full to the commission in writing.

As the commission was not willing to accept what the railroads offered and the railroads felt that they could not accept the proposition of the commission, both sides believing their positions correct, there was then an issue as to what was just. As the interstate commerce commission is the only tribunal with authority to decide such questions, ought not this issue, the railroad presidents ask, be submitted to it. In their letter to Mr. Dowd the railroad presidents promise if this question is submitted to the interstate commerce commission to co-operate in every possible manner to expedite its hearing and to accept the commission's decision, whatever it may be, without appeal.

J. W. PLESS FOR CONGRESS

It looks now as if the political dial of the Tenth Congressional District were going to point to McDowell county and ask her to lend one of her citizens to represent the district in congress. Throughout the district many of Congressman Gudger's personal and political friends have the feeling that he will not be nominated again. Hon. J. W. Pless has been spoken of many times for this and other political honors, but never before has the call been so urgent, and from so many leading citizens. McDowell will be honored in having the other counties of the district call upon her for a candidate and Mr. Pless' numberless friends in McDowell and elsewhere will await his final decision with much interest.

Years ago Mr. Pless was strongly urged to enter the race but he was not willing to do so. McDowell has never before, so far as we know, offered a candidate for congress. Mr. Pless has been a hard worker for his party and his friends, but has steadfastly refused anything for himself. He is well known in the district as a lawyer and speaker, and it is known that he has, for some time, been receiving the most urgent and complimentary calls from leading democrats outside of this county, while great numbers of democrats in McDowell are actually demanding that he permit them a chance to bring him and McDowell county this high honor.—Editorial in Marion Progress.

Women who are worn out with the double burden of household work and a body that is suffering from the misery of disorders in the female generative system, are strongly urged to try the beneficial effect of DR. SIMMON'S SQUAW VINE COMPOUND. It is just the remedy they need to correct the internal disorder and put strength in the body to perform the duties of the household. It lightens the work by fitting the strength to the task. After a short course with this excellent restorative, work becomes a pleasure because health and sound physical conditions have taken the place of sickness and despondence. Price \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by S. M. Macfie. adv

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

As announced in last week's issue of the News, the county teachers' institute will open Monday, June 16th, and continue for two weeks. The sessions will be held, as heretofore, at the Brevard graded school building. Mr. C. H. Trowbridge of Brevard Institute, has been appointed conductor and Miss Hattie Aiken assistant.

On the morning of the first day of the institute there will be introductory exercises, to which the public is invited. The following program is expected to be carried out:

Devotional exercises, by Rev. C. D. Chapman.

Address of welcome, by Mr. W. W. Zachary.

Response by Rev. J. W. Briggs.

Value of Ideals, by Rev. E. H. Norwood.

On Friday, June 20th, there will be an educational rally, to which the public is invited, and which the school committee are expected to attend. Some prominent speakers are expected to be present, among them Mr. L. C. Brogden, who made such an able address at the county school commencement last April.

The institute work is definitely outlined by the state department of education, and consists of actual school room work, not theories. The teachers have lessons assigned, and recitations are conducted on practical methods of teaching.

The following books will be needed by the teachers:

McMurry's How to Study; Dodge's Primary and Comparative Geography; Milne's Arithmetic II; History, Our Republic; Hyde's Language Lessons I; Graded Classic Readers I, II and III; Prang's Progressive Drawing, I, II and III; Haliburton's Primer.

T. C. HENDERSON,
County Superintendent.

CLEANING HOUSE IN WINTER

In the distant future, when men, and especially women, will have become so civilized that they will do things right and at the proper time, house-cleaning will be done in midwinter. Then is the time when the deadly germ is least active, when the dust and dirt are less lively, and especially is it the best time to swat the fly. During the cold season the fly hibernates, but as soon as spring opens he gets busy.

Every fly killed in winter means a million, more or less, flies next summer. The disease-bearing pests are at that time lying about in corners, on the tops of door and window frames, and in closets. The broom will reach those wintering on the ceilings. This done thoroughly, there will be no propagation of the early spring brood in the house. As the warm weather opens the screens are to be put on early.

The house guarded, means should be taken to dispose of the outsiders. Two ways of disposing of the latter are open—to catch the flies in traps, and to prevent their breeding by keeping stable manure and other rubbish covered. Incredible numbers of flies are caught in the wire traps. The way to get rid of any nuisance is to give it a money value—and we import flies from Germany to utilize them for chicken feed. Why not use the very abundant home product? Chickens require animal food to provide for their own sustenance as well as their egg product; and flies do very well. Let this be understood, and let the housewife comprehend how large a supply may thus be obtained, and the fly-trap will soon be a universal part of the farm equipment. It is simple and inexpensive, and quite efficient.

A chimney burning out in T. S. Wood's residence caused the fire alarm to be sounded Wednesday. No damage was done.

BETTER BABIES

Highly interesting and instructive and unlike anything ever held in this state will be the "better babies" contest of the Western North Carolina Fair, which will be held in Asheville October 7-10.

This contest will not be a "beauty show" in any sense of the word. Personality, parental popularity, persuasive dimples and cunning ways will not count against uncompromising figures representing pounds, inches and energy. The object of the contest is not to display an array of beautifully curled locks and daintily arranged ribbons, but to stimulate the conservation of child life and raise the standard of health among the human race of North Carolina.

The contest will be held in connection with the department to be conducted by the Health and Sanitary Board of Asheville. In view of the importance of this movement, the state board of health is considering the advisability of leading its co-operation in order that the people of Western North Carolina might have an unexcelled opportunity for acquiring additional information on the subject of child development.

The details of the contest will be arranged and carried out by physicians familiar with the diseases of children and the examinations will cover questions of height, weight, circumference of chest and abdomen, symmetry, quality of skin and fat, muscular development, condition of scalp, teeth and throat; in fact, every point on the anatomy of the would-be prize-winners in which weakness or disease might lurk. The psychological examinations will cover attention, disposition, energy, ocular and facial expression, etc.

All examinations will be made on scientific lines and with all possible respect for the dignity of the parents and the safety and comfort of the children.

The great value of the contest lies in the opportunity given parents to see a scientific, honest comparison between children of the same age and with practically the same environments and opportunities for physical development. Here may be studied the effects of different methods of feeding, sleeping, outdoor life and other interesting subjects, all of which more or less have to do with child development.

Many fairs of the west have adopted the "better babies" feature with most gratifying results, as they have been conducted without personal feeling and the many jealousies that unavoidably creep into a "beauty" contest. The weak points found in the examination of children are pointed out to the fond parents, who are anxious to learn more about raising the standard of child life, which subject has been neglected in some instances in the eager desire for knowledge pertaining to the dumb brutes, which class has been holding partial attention heretofore on the fair grounds.

Considerable interest has been aroused in this contest since the management of the fair announced that it would be inaugurated and many thoughtful mothers have expressed their intention of making exhibits in the "better babies" department. Arrangements are being perfected for many handsome prizes and the "better babies" contest will doubtless be one of the most interesting and beneficial features of the Western North Carolina Fair.

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