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## A CORRECTION

In the News last week we reprinted a story carried by the Asheville Citizen stating that Mr. Donald Campbell had taken a long term lease on the railroad and saw mill of the Gloucester Lumber Co. The News was unable to verify the statements before publishing, but supposed the facts contained in the Citizen were correct and let it go at that, giving the Citizen due credit.

It now appears that there has been a mistake somewhere, and in order that the true facts may be known we are printing in full a letter to the Citizen by Mr. J. S. Silverstein, the president of the Gloucester Lumber Co. The letter follows:

"Editor Asheville Citizen;

"We were very much surprised to have a number of enquiries from our lumber friends as to why we, the Gloucester Lumber Co., had gone out of business, and if it were so, stating that they had seen, and sent us an article from your paper of Sunday the 21st, in which it is stated that Donald Campbell had taken over the operation of the Gloucester Lumber Co. on a boundary of some twenty thousand acres which it had purchased from G. W. Vanderbilt. As this has caused us a great deal of annoyance and may lead to considerable loss, we are surprised that you would print anything of such character without first assuring yourself of its authenticity, and will ask you to please make correction as soon as possible.

"For your information will state that the Gloucester Lumber Co. is operating its business as usual, but for its convenience has given a contract to Mr. Campbell to log, deliver and saw the timber on a small portion of the twenty thousand acres which it has purchased from Mr. Vanderbilt, and Mr. Campbell is simply jobbing the work in this section and has by no means taken over the Gloucester Lumber Co., nor any of its assets. The Gloucester Lumber Co. has contracted such work to different parties for some time, and the only difference is that Mr. Campbell has it on a larger basis. We give you the above information so you can make proper correction. Yours truly,

"GLOUCESTER LUMBER CO.,  
"Jos. S. Silverstein, Pres."

## CHURCH FINANCES

A mass meeting at the Brevard Methodist church is called for the second Sunday in October for the purpose of considering the matter of church finances. The Western North Carolina conference in annual session is to convene at Trinity church, Charlotte, N. C., November 26, and the Brevard Methodist church is desirous of presenting at that time and on that occasion a good report. This can be made possible by the hearty cooperation of the whole membership.

For a number of years the Brevard charge has sent its pastor to the annual conference with everything in a financial way paid in full. This year must be no departure from that praiseworthy course.

Through the Sylvan Valley News we make an appeal to the membership and all others who are in sympathy with the church and its work to assemble at the Brevard Methodist church October 12 for conference and consultation.

Will not each one before or on that occasion pay his assessment in full for the year? It is now less than two months till the annual reckoning takes place. Let every member resolve to meet his assessment, whatever that is, and not throw the burden on a few who have too much loyalty to the cause to suffer a shortage in the report of the church.

This will be an easy matter if everyone will do his full duty. You have not heretofore, possibly, but this time make this your joy job.

Shall we look for you at the Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock? Come.

## BREVARD BUSINESS MEN WILL ORGANIZE

### INDUSTRIAL AND SOCIAL CLUB PLANNED

#### Initial Steps are Taken For the Formation of a Boosters' Club for Brevard.

A movement that means more to Brevard and Transylvania county, possibly, than anything that has ever been started before was launched at the court house last Thursday night, when a number of representative business men, in fact nearly all the business men of the town, met together and decided to organize in order to better work for the town and county's interests on the many occasions when concerted action is needed.

The meeting was called by Mr. Henry N. Carrier, at the solicitation of other business men. Thirty-five men were present and all agreed that an organization of some kind was badly needed in Brevard and that the present time would be a good time to organize.

A temporary organization was perfected by the selection of Thos. H. Shipman as chairman and Ora L. Jones as secretary, after which a general discussion was participated in by almost everyone present. The various details of such an organization, probable cost of equipment, etc., were discussed at length.

The sentiment of the meeting seemed to be in favor of renting three or four rooms and fitting them up as club rooms for the use of members and their out of town friends. The question of cost was taken up and it was found that the probable cost, figuring on a basis of thirty charter members, will be somewhere in the neighborhood of twenty dollars, with dues amounting to about one dollar per month.

After some discussion it was decided to postpone the organization for one week, and that in the meantime a soliciting committee should canvass the town for members, all members so secured to be considered as charter members.

The following soliciting committee was appointed: Henry N. Carrier, C. C. Yongue, T. W. Whitmire, Dr. Goode Cheatham and O. L. Erwin.

On motion of F. L. DeVane the following gentlemen were asked to determine the cost of furnishing the club rooms: J. A. Miller, Jr., J. W. McMinn and Henry N. Carrier.

On motion of O. L. Erwin the following committee was appointed to select suitable rooms for headquarters: C. C. Yongue, O. L. Erwin and Frank D. Clement.

The following by-laws committee was appointed to draft a constitution and suitable rules and regulations to govern the organization: C. M. Doyle, D. G. Ward and Henry N. Carrier.

Ora L. Jones was appointed by the chairman to write other organizations for pointers on organizing and running such an organization.

All these committees, with the exception of the by-laws committee were given a week to report.

On calling the roll of all present the following gentlemen joined the club as charter members: J. M. Allison, J. S. Bromfield, Frank D. Clement, Henry N. Carrier, Goode Cheatham, Frank L. DeVane, C. M. Doyle, O. L. Erwin, E. F. Gillespie, A. E. Hampton, Fred Johnson, Ora L. Jones, J. W. McMinn, S. M. Macfie, J. A. Miller, Jr., T. H. Shipman, D. G. Ward, M. E. Weston, T. W. Whitmire, C. C. Yongue.

Since the meeting last Thursday a number have decided to join the organization and it is believed the club will start with at least forty members.

## NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

### Formal Breaking of Ground Will Take Place Saturday.

At two o'clock on Saturday, October 4th, ground will be formally broken for the new \$34,000 administration building to be constructed at once for Brevard Institute. It is probable that guests will attend from Hendersonville and from Asheville, and everybody in Brevard is urged to be present. The beginning of this large and commodious building marks the commencement of a new era in the history of the school, and therefore, to a large extent in the growth of the town.

The building will have two full stories besides a basement, and an elevation of the central part of the structure will form part of a fourth floor. The basement will be devoted to the vocational departments, domestic science, dress making, millinery, printing, manual training and laboratories. The first floor will contain the floor of the chapel, the offices and reception rooms, and the primary and normal departments. The second floor contains the balconies of the chapel, the recitation rooms and the high school assembly room. The top floor is devoted to society halls. The building will be heated by steam and supplied with water and every sanitary convenience. It will be of brick and thoroughly well planned throughout.

Contracts were let last week, the bulk of the work being let to J. M. and R. P. Kilpatrick, local contractors. Their bid was approximately \$29,000. It is a source of much satisfaction that the town has a firm which can take hold of so large a proposition, and there is no doubt that these men can carry it through to the satisfaction of every one. J. W. McIntyre of Hendersonville secured the plumbing contract. The General Fire Extinguisher Co. of Charlotte will do the heating, and the McKay Company of Asheville will put in the electric lights and wiring.

Extensive repairs will also be made on the present building, which will be used as a girls' dormitory after the new building is in use. The old building will be brick veneered and will have a new roof.

The exercises Saturday will consist of songs and marches by the school, addresses by citizens of the community and perhaps others, and will be followed by having the students line up along the edges of the foundation to have a photograph taken. It is hoped that the citizens may be present in large numbers, and that the affection with which the present building has been considered may from the first be extended to include the new building and the enlarged Institute.

## MR. JAMES W. MORRIS

Mr. James W. Morris, one of the older citizens of Transylvania county, died at his home about three miles from Brevard last Tuesday. Mr. Morris was a man that made many friends, being a quiet, hard-working citizen, honest in every detail. He never had any trouble with any one, and consequently his name was never on a court record. He served in the Confederate army in a South Carolina regiment, but for the past several years has been a citizen of this county.

He is survived by his wife, five daughters—Misses Leo and Bell, Mrs. Gordon King of Blantyre, Mrs. Arthur Smith of North Brevard and Mrs. Vernon Neill of Pisgah Forest—and four sons—Waverly, John, Church and Elzie, all of Pisgah Forest.

Something doing every minute at the W. N. C. Fair, Asheville, October 7-10. Wholesome fun, entertainment and instruction for everybody.

## GOVERNOR CRAIG WANTS GOOD ROADS

### ISSUES A VERY IMPORTANT PROCLAMATION

#### Sets Apart November 5th and 6th As Good Roads Days.

In a proclamation issued last Saturday Governor Locke Craig calls on every able bodied man in the state of North Carolina to lay aside his usual avocation, take a shovel and work on the public roads in his neighborhood on Wednesday and Thursday, November 5th and 6th.

The governor has declared these days to be holidays, and every man who is able to do so should go out to the roads on that day and show the world that they are good roads advocates. The women folks will be glad to prepare dinner and bring it out and spread it, picnic fashion, in the shade by the road. These two days can be made very enjoyable if all will participate.

Following is the proclamation of the governor in full:

Whereas the modern highway is essential to material prosperity, and to the advancement of the social life of every community; every people that aspires to join the forward procession and that hopes for the opportunities of our time is beginning to realize the necessity of improved roads; all sections and all progressive citizens are demanding them and determined to have them; the whole country has awakened to their importance; everywhere there is a generous rivalry to have the best, and everywhere enthusiasm for them is apparent, and increasing; and

Whereas the people of North Carolina are losing, according to reliable estimate, twelve million dollars annually on account of bad roads—this vast sum paid as a tribute to mud:

Now, therefore, recognizing the universal sentiment for road improvement, and realizing the benefits which must result therefrom to all the people, I, Locke Craig, governor of North Carolina, do set apart Wednesday, the 5th day of November, and Thursday, the 6th day of November, 1913, as GOOD ROADS DAYS, and do appoint these days as holidays and days of festival throughout the state, to celebrate the beginning of an era wherein improved highways shall be built in every neighborhood, that all the people of farm and city may enjoy the opportunities which they bring.

I call upon all patriotic people throughout the state to work upon the public roads and refrain from all other occupations on these appointed days; and I call upon every able-bodied man to shoulder his shovel, and march out and strike a blow for progress. Let the farmer, the merchant, the lawyer, the doctor, the minister of the Gospel, the rich and the poor, and the men of all the walks of life enlist as volunteers in this mighty army for grand accomplishment.

Let no man be above this work, nor forget his duty to himself and to his neighbors. It will be an honor to every man on these days to labor with his fellow-man to banish from the country the curse of bad roads and the evils that accompany them.

Let all the people of every station, high or low, be moved by the same patriotic impulse to work for the common weal. To all the benefit will come. Let all participate.

I do appoint and set apart these days, the 5th and 6th of November, that the people may have an opportunity to give substantial expression to the universal desire and determination of the state, in ac-

tion inspired by hope, and rejoicing that will resound in one unbroken chorus from the mountains to the sea.

I call upon all the women to participate. In every hour of danger they have inspired the men of North Carolina with faith and courage; in this day of realization, they with their children will come to lend to this noble cause the charm and encouragement of their presence. They can provide good things to eat, and decorate every worker with a badge of honor.

Let every citizen do his duty, and these days will be long remembered for the impetus they gave to the cause of good roads and a finer civic spirit.

I call upon the county commissioners of every county in the state to issue a proclamation urging the people to go out on the 5th and 6th days of November and labor for the welfare of their respective counties and communities, as well as for the whole state of which they constitute a part.

I call upon the president of the Farmers' Union to issue his proclamation to the farmers of North Carolina, and to their various local organizations, that this great body of our citizenship, constituting as it does the bone and sinew of the state, may join with energy and enthusiasm in this movement. More than any other class of our people, they are dependent upon the country road. More attractive homes, better farming, and a finer rural life will result from the building of modern highways.

Let the work be completely organized so that it will reach to every neighborhood, and be conducted in a systematic and business way, to the end that at sunset of the second day there will be no community in all the state where the hand of progress and toil has not left its mark in permanent road improvement, and the progressive spirit its impression in the hearts and minds of the people."

I call upon the ministers of the Gospel, the educators, and the press of the state to use their mighty influence for this work, which means not only material development, but moral and intellectual development.

I call upon all good roads overseers, good roads associations, boards of trade, chambers of commerce, and all associations and organizations for the public welfare and civic betterment to give this movement the energy of their influence.

I call upon the mayor of every town and city of North Carolina to issue his proclamation that his people may enlist in this organization, and in the building of roads upon which the prosperity of town and city depends.

Let every North Carolinian show by his work that he is for the improvement of his state. "Let us labor that we may enjoy the fruits of today, and our children a fuller fruition tomorrow."

Done at our city of Raleigh, this the 27th day of September, in the year of our Lord, 1913, and in the one hundred and thirty-eighth year of our American independence.

LOCKE CRAIG, Governor.

## BOILSTON NEWS

Jack Frost was a visitor in this section last week.

A revival meeting is in progress at Boilston conducted by Rev. H. H. Honeycutt.

Mr. and Mrs. Luthier Scruggs of Canton are visiting their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Scruggs.

Carl Haynard has returned from the hospital and is slowly improving.

Fred Scruggs, who has been working on Davidson river, spent Saturday night and Sunday at home.

Girlie Shipman and A. C. Rickman, who have been working at Pisgah Forest, spent Sunday at home.

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