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SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

The special committee, composed of H. W. Plummer of Asheville, C. H. Ray of Waynesville, P. F. Patton of Hendersonville, W. T. Lindsey of Tryon, H. Shipman of Brevard, C. C. Buchanan of Sylva, Guy V. Roberts of Marshall and J. H. Wood of Asheville, appointed at the recent meeting of the Greater Western North Carolina Association to arrange the last report of the manager, Col. Sanford H. Cohen, in pamphlet form and distribute it over the section before the next meeting, has written the following letter to accompany each of these reports and both are now being sent out to the people of the section:

"The Greater Western North Carolina Association sends greetings to the people of Western North Carolina, and congratulations on the period of prosperity that has everywhere been so evident in this section during the two years the organization has been in existence working as a co-operative organization for the general interests and betterment of this favored section of America.

The working of this association, composing the counties of Buncombe, Henderson, Haywood, Polk, Jackson, Madison and Transylvania has been a united effort to show the world, not only the wonderful climatic and scenic advantages offered in every part of the section, as a tourist and pleasure resort, but also to show the natural agricultural advantages, the horticultural offerings, the mineral resources, the industrial opportunities, the transportation facilities, timber offerings, and real estate propositions that are possessed by this section almost surpassing any part of the United States.

"To this end this organization has been at work for two years, and has met with comparative success. The work is just in its incipency, however, and we are calling the attention of property owners everywhere—whether agricultural, horticultural, city property or any other kind of realty—to the great number of people who are making inquiry as to this section, and the opportunity that this association extends in calling the attention of the world to its possibilities.

"The association is anxious for the co-operation of every citizen in Western North Carolina, and would appreciate it if every citizen of the territory would inquire of the boards of trade of the several communities or of the association.

"The association is also anxious that the people of Western North Carolina join in facilitating the work by giving such information to its officers as they think may be to the advantage of the organization.

"We are enclosing herewith a report of the last meeting of the association, held on January 6, from which may be gleaned some idea of the scope of the work accomplished, and in prospect, and beg at the same time to call your attention to the fact that there will be a mass meeting of the association held in Asheville on February 23, when the work of the association will be thoroughly discussed, and we will at that time have the distinguished honor of having Mr. Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railway company with us, and will be glad if you can find it convenient to attend this meeting, and lend encouragement to the work so auspiciously inaugurated."

NEW BOOKS

The following new books have recently been shelved at the Transylvania Confederate Memorial Library: "White Linen," "Lad-die," "Broken," "The Trail," "Hell fer Sartre," "The Light of the Cumberland," "Days of My Life," "Happiness," "Hagar," "The Country," "Hon.," "Little Lord Fauntleroy and Pirate," "El," "Virginia," "The Devil's

MASONS SET PACE

Provide \$500 for Curing Needy Tubercular Brethren.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons at Raleigh, one of the most significant actions taken was the providing of \$500 to pay for the treatment of needy and worthy tubercular Masons at the state sanatorium at Montrose, and also the appointment of a committee to devise some plan for endowing beds at the institution.

The funds provided by the state are utterly inadequate to provide entirely for the treatment of our tubercular sick, and hence it is necessary that those entering the institution pay a minimum fee of \$1 per day. The usual cost for sanatorium treatment for tuberculosis, equal to that furnished at Montrose, ranges from \$2 to \$3 or even \$4 a day. Thus it will be readily seen that this action on the part of the Masons is an excellent forward step, not only from a humanitarian but also from a business view point. Some fraternal orders, trades unions and other organizations build and maintain expensive sanatoriums themselves, but in this state it is far cheaper to divide the expense with the state.

This action on the part of the Masons is especially commendable, as it doubtless marks the beginning of such benevolence among other fraternal orders, clubs, churches, etc. To the Masons, however, belongs the credit of taking the initiative in this good work.

EAST FORK FACTS

As I haven't seen anything from this little "burg" in quite a while, guess I will give you a few items.

There will be a box supper at East Fork school house Saturday night, January 31, proceeds to go towards helping to re-cover the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gillespie and three little ones spent Sunday with Mrs. Gillespie's sister, Mrs. Chas. Garren.

The Ladies' Aid Society quilted a quilt the little Sunbeams had made for the orphanage Friday, January 16, at the school house. Rev. J. N. Lee and wife were present, Mrs. Lee's help being very much appreciated.

Mr. J. T. Gillespie and family contemplate moving to Rosman in the near future. We regret very much to give them up.

Mr. Coats Cassell of upper East Fork is contemplating leaving for the far west in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gillespie, who have been residing at Greenville for several months, have moved back to Mr. Gillespie's father's on East Fork. We gladly welcome them back.

Miss Maudie Ballard spent Sunday with her friend, Miss Eva Garren.

Mrs. Millie Garren has been spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Leon Gillespie.

Mr. Eli Huggin and wife are keeping house near Mr. W. M. Sitton's. JACK'S WIFE.

BREVARD HIGH SCHOOL

The school committee of Brevard graded school and the county board of education have bought from R. L. Gash a nice tract of land containing about two and a half acres between Broad and Gaston streets and to the rear of the graded school building and F. E. B. Jenkins' residence. This purchase gives to the school a fine site of about three and a third acres, room for the present graded school building, a new high school building and a good athletic field. It is the intention of the county superintendent to try to get established here a central public high school for the county, and steps will be taken at once to see if this can be done.

TEACHERS' MEETING

The last meeting of the Teachers Association for the school year will be held February 13 and 14. The following program has been prepared:

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13.

10:00 to 10:20—Devotional exercises, Rev. W. M. Robbins.

10:20 to 11:00—"Country Life and the Country Schools," T. C. Henderson.

11:00 to 11:45—Address, E. E. Sams.

11:45 to 12:30—"Importance of Teachers Attending Summer Schools," A. C. Reynolds.

Noon recess.

1:30 to 2:00—Betterment Association.

2:00 to 2:30—"Model Class in English," Miss Doris Edwards.

2:30 to 3:00—What are you doing to promote "corn club" and "tomato club" work in your district? Each teacher should answer.

3:00 to 3:30—Roto song, Miss Mary Blair.

EVENING SESSION, 7:30 P. M.

Biography of Longfellow—Miss Nanny Jordan.

Longfellow quotations—Teachers.

"Hiawatha's Childhood"—Miss Edwards.

Duet—Misses Davis and Rice.

"Hiawatha"—Miss Florence Jackson.

"Excelsior"—Miss Bertie Brown.

"The Bridge"—Quartet.

"Paul Revere's Ride"—Mr. Raines.

"The Builders"—Miss Allie Cantrell.

"Evangeline" (selection)—Miss Elizabeth Hyman.

"A Psalm of Life"—Mr. Bowen.

"The Day Is Done"—Miss Winifred Carter.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14.

Beginning at 10 a. m., after devotional exercises conducted by Rev. C. D. Chapman, there will be a joint meeting of the County School Committeemen's Association and the County Teachers' Association.

The topics to be discussed at this joint meeting will be the following: "Along what definite lines can the school committeeman labor to improve the educational opportunities and advantages of the children of his district as well as the county at large?" "What work is the teacher doing, or what can she do, to bring about definite and permanent improvement in the child's educational opportunities?"

All the committeemen of the county are requested to be present at this meeting and are asked to come prepared to take part in the discussion. All the county teachers will, of course, comply with the law, which requires them to attend all teachers' meetings. It is to be hoped that not one teacher in the county will be absent from this our last meeting for the year.

THE COMMITTEE.

CARSON CREEK NOTES

L. E. Bagwell made a business trip to Brevard on Monday.

F. V. Batson who has been suffering with rheumatism is improving.

A singing school is in session at this place, conducted by C. M. Cassell.

Eddie Batson and family have recently moved into this community. We are glad to have them with us.

Rev. J. N. Lee filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning and delivered a very interesting sermon.

The friends of J. C. Bagwell, of Brevard, will be glad to know he is improving after suffering with la-grippe for several days.

There will be a box supper at the church Jan. 24, 1914. Cake, coffee and cocoa will also be served. The funds made will go to finishing the church. SUNFLOWER.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy has no superior for coughs and colds. It is pleasant to take. It contains no opium or other narcotic. It always cures. For sale by S. M. Macfie. adv

MR. J. M. WHITMIRE

Another Veteran of the Confederacy Passes Away.

James Marion Whitmire, a well known citizen of this county, died at his home near Quebec December 26, after a brief illness.

He was born December 11, 1837; died December, 26, 1913, at the age of seventy-six years. He was a good Confederate soldier and served through the civil war and was always a firm believer in Southern rights. He volunteered at the first call and stayed until the close of the war. He was looked upon as one of the most industrious men of this county and believed in honest labor for a living.

In 1856 he was married to Susan Kannimore of Transylvania, and unto them were born three children. Before his return from the war his wife and children died, in October 1863.

He was married to Nancy Young of Buncombe county in 1865. Six children were born of this marriage. Out the six only two are living. His last wife died September 12, 1910.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Cora Whitmire of Quebec, N. C., and Mrs. Lious Reid of Lynn, S. C., one brother, Mr. Henry Whitmire of Rosman, N. C., and one sister, Mrs. Margaret Cooke of Swain county, N. C.

He was a devoted husband, a loving father and a good neighbor. His relatives and many friends were always welcome at his home.

He was laid to rest in the Whitmire cemetery at Rosman, N. C., by the side of his wives.

May those who survive him have the presence of the same divine spirit to tint the sunset of life when they shall cross the bar.

We should always be submissive to the "Will of Him who knoweth best." All that could be done to avoid suffering in his last hours was done by loving hands and kind neighbors.

Our sympathy is extended to the bereaved family, and may he rest in peace.

FROM ONE WHO KNEW HIM.

BREVARD INSTITUTE NOTES

The Institute enjoyed a brief but very pleasant visit from Mr. J. A. Livingston last week. Mr. Livingston was assistant principal of Brevard Institute for two years, and won a host of friends in the community. He was always interested in journalism, and is now city editor of the Wilmington Star.

Saturday evening, January 17, a very delightful reception was given by the post graduate class in honor of the seniors. Games were played and refreshments were served. The different class organizations are much more active this year than in any previous year, and are working efficiently to bind the students together.

The usual January busy spirit is upon us. Many of the classes are taking written tests this week, both societies are preparing for entertainments which they tender to each other about the first of February, and the expression department is using its own students and a number of others in preparing for the annual Washington's birthday play which they expect to have ready for Saturday night, February 21. "The Merchant of Venice" was so cordially received last year that another Shakespearian play is being prepared. As more time is being spent in the drill this year the presentation should be at least equal to that of any previous time.

The warm days of this week are stirring the athletic ambitions of the boys, who on Tuesday held a meeting for the discussion of the base ball season.

The students and teachers are very enthusiastic about Edward Baxter Perry's Medieval Legend program which was the January number of the Brevard lyceum course. Mr. Perry's ability as a pianist and as an interpreter of piano music has long been recognized, but his narration of these legends shows him an elocutionist and an orator of the highest rank.

SILER-ORR WEDDING

The following account of the wedding of Mr. Robert Orr of this county to Miss Mary Siler of Waynesville, taken from the Waynesville Courier, will be of interest to the many friends of Mr. Orr:

At "The Ferns," the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Sherrill, Miss Mary Siler and Mr. Robert Orr of Brevard, were married January 11th at 10:30. The wedding was quite a surprise to the many friends of the bride. The house was beautifully decorated in cut flowers and ferns. Mendelssohn's wedding march was beautifully rendered by Miss Mervine Ray of Gainesville, Fla. The bride wore a traveling suit of mahogany broad cloth with accessories to match, and carried brides roses. After the ceremony a buffet lunch was served. Only a few friends of both parties were present. Mr. and Mrs. Orr left on the noon train.

DOINGS AT ROSMAN

Mrs. Rich of Candler, who has been visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Carpenter, returned to her home last Saturday.

Mr. A. M. Paxton has succeeded Mr. Jenkins as postmaster.

Rev. E. H. Norwood of the Brevard Presbyterian church preached an excellent New Year sermon to quite a large congregation at the Methodist church last Sunday night.

Mrs. Robb of Mt. Zion, Ga., with her two children, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Chas. Haag, for the past two weeks.

The Rosman school is in progress since the holidays. Several new students have been enrolled.

The school has organized a glee club under the directorship of Mrs. Chas. Haag. Several of the young men and women of the town have joined also. They are very fortunate in having secured the service of two splendid violinists, Messrs. Haag and Bullock.

We are sorry to learn of the illness of Mrs. S. C. Neil, but trust that she will soon be well again.

The members of the Rosman high school are very grateful to the Gloucester Camp of the Junior Order of American Mechanics for the beautiful flag which was presented to them by this order on Sunday, January 4, 1914.

FLAG AND BIBLE PRESENTATION

There will be a flag and a Bible presented to Selica graded school on Sunday, February 22, the exercises beginning at 11 o'clock a. m. The flag is to be given by Transylvania Council No. 376, Jr. O. U. A. M., of Brevard, and the Bible by Gloucester Council No. 379, Jr. O. U. A. M., of Rosman.

The following is the program prepared and arranged by the committee for the occasion:

Song by Selica School—"Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Prayer by C. M. Carpenter.

Song by all present—"Holy Night."

Address by J. A. Johnson.

Song—"My Own Native Land."

Address by A. M. White.

Presentation of flag by T. C. Henderson.

Acceptance of flag by Miss Georgia Bell.

Song—"Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean."

Presentation of Bible by E. C. Neill.

Acceptance of Bible by C. R. Sharp.

Song—"Holy, holy, holy."

Hoisting the flag by the committee—A. M. Paxton and William Miller.

Song—"Flag of Our Nation Great."

Closing prayer by E. N. Corn.

BIDS WANTED

The county board of education desires bids on the building of a new one-room school house in District No. 2, Hogback Township. For specifications see T. H. Galloway, chairman of board of education, or T. C. Henderson, secretary of board, 1-23-14