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## MEETING OF TEACHERS

On Friday and Saturday of last week the members of the Transylvania county teachers' association held the last meeting of the current school year. The place of meeting was, as usual, at the Brevard graded school building.

Friday morning the snow, which had begun the night before, was still steadily falling, and the prospects of a full meeting were unfavorable. Never the less, a large percentage of the teachers from the schools still in session reported for duty.

The opening exercises on Friday morning were conducted by Rev. E. H. Norwood. In the preparation of the program the committee had counted on the presence of Mr. Sams, supervisor of rural schools, and the usual discussions of subjects by the teachers had been omitted. Mr. Sams, however, was unable to be present, and thus a considerable empty space was left in the program. The day was saved by the arrival of Mr. A. C. Reynolds, principal of the Calhoun Normal and Industrial Institute. Mr. Reynolds addressed the teachers on the subject of "Growth." For an hour he held the attention of his hearers, giving them thoughts full of wisdom and practical value. Mr. Reynolds is a man not only of wide experience as teacher and administrator, but he is full to overflowing with love for school work, and without any effort on his part he inspires others with some of his own enthusiasm.

During Friday's session there was a meeting of the county betterment association, conducted by the President, Miss Georgia Bell; a discussion of "Country Life and the Country School," one of the books of the reading course, by Mr. T. C. Henderson; and a Model Class in English Grammar, taught by Miss Doris Edwards.

Friday evening was devoted to a Longfellow entertainment and a social meeting of the teachers.

Rev. C. D. Chapman conducted the devotional exercises on Saturday morning. This session was designed to be a joint meeting of teachers and committeemen, but the number of the latter was small on account, doubtless, of the wintry weather. Those present were: Mr. G. S. Tally of Blantyre, Mr. A. D. Lyday of Penrose, Messrs. C. K. Osborne and E. O. Allison of Davids River, Mr. J. M. Zachary of Calvert, and Mr. W. H. Duckworth of Brevard.

Several subjects were discussed in the joint meeting, but the one commanding the greatest interest was the subject of a uniform county special school tax of twenty-five cents on the hundred dollars for the purpose of lengthening and equalizing the school terms in the county. Superintendent Henderson said that he believed, with such a tax, every school in the county would be enabled to have an eight months session. He said that there was in the county property amounting to a million dollars on which no special tax was collected. Mr. Reynolds was called on to give his views, and he did so with convincing power. At the close of his remarks a resolution was read to present a petition to the county board of education asking that steps be taken to hold an election on the special tax. The resolution was passed unanimously.

At one o'clock the association adjourned, to meet again some time in August.

## Methodist Minister Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Rev. James A. Lewis, Milica, Minn., writes: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been a needed and welcome guest in our home for a number of years. I highly recommend it to my fellows as being a medicine worthy of trial in cases of colds, coughs and croup." Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a trial and we are confident you will find it very effectual and continue to use it as occasion requires for years to come, as many others have done. For sale by S. M. Macfie. adv

## BREVARD INSTITUTE NOTES

The finishing touches are being given to the preparation for the presentation next Monday evening of Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew." This is one of the most attractive of the Shakespearian comedies, being full of fun and of choice bits of by-play. More time has been devoted to this play than to any one previously given by the school. The students have had time enough to get acquainted with the thought of the great dramatist, and are working hard to get just the proper expression of that thought. The cast includes quite a number of students who were very highly complimented for their part in the "Merchant of Venice" last winter, and in addition is bringing in a number of talented students who were not in the school at that time. While the Institute recognizes that it requires some audacity for a high school to present a Shakespearian drama, it feels that these real pieces of literature should be familiar to students in such a school and to citizens in an enlightened community like ours. It requires a good deal of work to get up any sort of a play, and this effort counts for more in working on something worth while.

The severe weather of the past week has delayed considerably the progress of the new building, but it is being erected in a workmanlike manner, and will probably be ready for use at commencement time. In every respect it is a building to be proud of.

The usual short course for teachers will begin March 3, 1914, and will run for twelve weeks. Special review course will be offered in all the common school studies on which state and county examinations are given, and regular work in pedagogy will be open to those taking the course. At the same time students can enter any of the academic or agriculture courses then in operation without extra charge. Fees for the course will be \$2.50 per month for tuition, and \$7.50 for board and rent. This tuition fee is remitted entirely for those who present on entrance a certificate from County Superintendent Henderson that they have taught to its completion a session of school in Transylvania county within the past twelve months.

Since the first of February two students in the stenography course have accepted good positions. Miss Nancie Warlick has a position in South Carolina, and Miss Eunice Grist is very pleasantly located in Henderson, North Carolina. They both are good stenographers and will develop into very valuable help.

## JURY LIST

The following names have been drawn for jurors at the coming session of court. The regular spring term of court will commence on Monday, April 13, 1914.

First week—M. B. Baynard, P. C. Orr, H. W. Paxton, W. M. Aiken, G. T. Barton, George Bishop, N. D. Chapman, D. R. Bryson, L. F. Osteen, D. C. Sims, J. C. Tinsley, W. H. Collins, J. L. Cantrell, William Shipman, J. L. Garren, Ed Aiken, J. M. Kilpatrick, J. A. Breedlove, J. T. Lyday, A. F. Powell, W. C. McCall, J. M. Calloway, M. O. McCall, W. C. Reese, W. B. Drake, S. M. Simpson, A. N. Collins, L. D. Davenport, E. P. Masters, B. P. Bishop, W. F. Garren, R. T. Aiken, T. P. Galloway, W. P. Mull, L. D. Gillespie, S. R. Owen, J. S. Heath, E. J. Whitmire, Perry Merrell, J. N. Whitmire, R. T. Barton, J. J. Patton.

Second week—T. Coleman Galloway, C. K. Osborne, R. J. English, E. H. Miller, J. P. Guthrie, J. L. Kilpatrick, C. D. Davenport, C. D. Allison, R. P. Kilpatrick, R. R. Galloway, J. M. Jennings, T. E. Patton, Jr., E. E. Gillespie, G. A. Miller, J. W. Jones, E. L. Galloway, J. T. Aiken, R. J. Allison, C. C. Yongue, C. W. Henderson, R. R. Wilson, M. F. Gillespie, C. F. Woodfin, E. T. Henning.

Remember the great Selica Sales begin at 12 m. promptly.

## Betterment Association.

### FIGHTING THE CIGARETTE EVIL

The bad effects of smoking cigarettes, especially by the young, have long been known, but until recently no really effective means have been discovered of eradicating the evil. Practically the only efforts that have been made have been the passage of laws in certain states prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors. Other states prohibit minors from smoking cigarettes, while there is a nation-wide effort to create a sentiment against their use. No one of these, however, has proven really effective.

About five months ago the Anti-Cigarette League of Chicago established a clinic which is now doing practical service in destroying the liking for cigarettes. The story of its work is told in an interesting article by Mr. Herbert H. Smith in a recent issue of the Continent. The cure, while simple, is said to be wonderfully effective. The patients who come to the clinic, many of whom are prominent business men, and some of whom are well known women of the city, are given a chemical solution with which to wash their mouths after each meal. The solution consists of silver nitrate, one-eighth of one per cent. The wash is not a specially unpleasant one, but when a person has washed his mouth with the solution the smoking of a cigarette afterwards creates a most unpleasant taste.

It has been discovered that habitual smokers are large consumers of tea, coffee, meats, and highly seasoned foods. The treatment of the clinic consists in discarding, for a week or two, the use of these foods and substituting fruits, cereal foods, milk, etc.

Another method is to have the patients secure a supply of gentian root which they chew when they feel the desire to smoke. The chewing of the root takes away temporarily the craving for tobacco. The Chicago clinic frequently has as many as thirty patients a day, most of whom come of their own accord, requesting help in curing themselves of the desire to smoke cigarettes. The cure, so far as reports have been received, appears, where it has been used properly, to have become permanent.

The clinic makes an effort to give all its patients a thorough understanding of the dangers of smoking cigarettes. Scientific investigation of the smoke produced by the burning of the cigarette shows that while the nicotine it contains is harmful, it is far less virulent than are the carbonic oxide and other products of its combustion. The carbonic oxide is a poisonous gas caused by the loose structure of the cigarette. It enters the blood through the lungs and the damage done is in direct proportion to the quantities inhaled. A drug caused by the burning of the wrappings of the cigarettes is acrolein. It is this drug that makes the smoke irritating to the air passages and in considerable quantities is extremely dangerous. The smoking of cigarettes especially by the young, consequently irritates the nervous system and causes restlessness, inability to concentrate thought, lessening of the heart action, decrease in the capacity of the lungs, and other evils.

This campaign which has begun so auspiciously in Chicago is to be carried to other cities of the country through clinics and special meetings. A number of cities in Indiana already have arranged for assistance from the league's officers. At the same time the organization is assisting in enforcing the state law of Illinois in regard to smoking by minors, and in six weeks after prosecutions were brought it is said that cigarette sales of one chain of stores in the loop district of Chicago fell off ten per cent., which is the same as saying that sales decreased an average of 8,500 cigarettes a day. Practically all of these previously had been sold to minors and contrary to law. The use of tobacco among school boys

is also being diminished through special officers employed by the league who may arrest any one under eighteen years of age seen smoking in a public place.

The Anti-Cigarette League is also making an effort through the Young People's Societies of the country to enlist young people in what is known as the "Million Club." This club is an organization of young people who organize to abstain from the use of cigarettes and liquors. An ingenious part of the scheme is the organization of circles of ten which circles are to assist in extending the membership of the league.

Details of the methods used and how to establish clinics, etc., may be had by application to the Anti-Cigarette League, Chicago, Ill.—Christian Observer.

## RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On February 1st, 1914, God in his love, called to her Heavenly home Mrs. Albert Jenkins, the mother of our beloved Brother, A. N. Jenkins. Now, in the memory of the mother of our worthy brother, be it resolved by Dunns Rock Lodge No. 267, A. F. & A. M.

1. That we, the officers and members of Dunns Rock Lodge, while our hearts are bowed in sorrow with Brother Jenkins, yet we bow in submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, remembering that whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth.

2. That we extend to Brother Jenkins, on whom this stroke falls so heavily, our sincere sympathy.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Brother Jenkins, a copy spread on the minutes of the lodge, and a copy furnished to the Sylvan Valley News for publication.

T. S. WOOD,  
T. D. ENGLAND,  
ORA L. JONES,  
Committee.

## CONTEST ENDS

The grafonola contest that has been in operation for the past several months at the Brevard Hardware Co.'s store came to an end Wednesday afternoon, when the \$200 grafonola, a sewing machine, two watches, a toilet set, a set of silver tea spoons and a set of silver coffee spoons were awarded to the winners.

Mr. H. L. Allison won the first prize, the grafonola, having a total of 8,869,000 votes. The sewing machine went to Mr. C. C. Yongue, who had voted 6,236,135 votes. Mr. W. H. Grogan came in third with 4,451,055 votes and carried away the fifteen jeweled watch, while Postmaster Chas. E. Orr won the fourth prize, the seven jeweled watch, with 4,267,535 votes. The toilet set was won by Miss Ida Garren, who succeeded in securing 3,030,480 votes. Mrs. J. F. Morgan won the set of silver tea spoons with a vote of 2,876,390, and Miss Mamie Galloway was awarded the set of silver coffee spoons, receiving 2,862,420.

Quite a little enthusiasm was displayed by the contestants in the closing hours of the contest, no one seeming to know just where his opponent stood, and consequently it was not known who was the winner until the contest had closed and the final count taken.

A similar contest which has been conducted by Mr. W. P. Welt will come to a close today (Friday) and the awards will then be made in his contest.

## The Best Cough Medicine.

"I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy ever since I have been keeping house," says L. C. Hames, of Marbury, Ala. "I consider it one of the best remedies I ever used. My children have all taken it and it works like a charm. For colds and whooping cough it is excellent. For sale by S. M. Macfie. adv

The business and residence lots to be sold at Selica Saturday are on Deaver and Symington streets near Selica Station. If you miss it you will regret it. Free lunch to everybody.

## FRUITLAND NOTES

Dr. C. B. Waller, pastor of the First Baptist church of Asheville, paid us a visit last week. While here he gave an inspiring lecture on "The Stuff Men Are Made Of." Each one enjoyed it, and all hope that he will come again.

Since the last writing Misses Lillie Pickelsimer and Seva McCall have been added to our roll of students from Transylvania. This increases our number to fourteen.

A department of expression has been added to the school. Miss Bertha Hargraves of Ashland, Ohio, arrived last week and began her work as instructor.

The young ladies gave a formal reception last Saturday night which was enjoyed by all. Among many other interesting features was the poets contest. Mr. A. P. Bell composed the verse that won the prize.

Prof. Woodward filled his regular appointment at Saluda Sunday.

We are expecting to have Dr. Cowan of Greenwood, S. C., with us in a short time. He comes for the purpose of holding a series of revival services.

Skating and sleighing have been the principal sports among the boys since the snow has been on the ground.

Anniversary exercises of the Phi and Chi literary societies of Fruitland Institute will be held February 22, at 7:30 p. m. Following is the program:

Welcome address by president.  
Oration—"There Are No Aips," J. L. Osteen, Phi.  
Oration—"Industrial Education," T. B. Williams, Chi.  
Debate—"Resolved: That the right of suffrage should be granted to the women of the United States by an amendment to the constitution." Affirmative—C. O. Ridings, Phi; C. J. Young, Chi. Negative—J. L. Case, Chi; F. M. McNeill, Phi.  
Marshals—J. H. Brown, Phi, chief; F. W. Clayton, Chi; C. G. Pool, Phi; W. E. Taylor, Phi; J. J. Allen.  
BILL WRAY.

## TO MRS. ALBERT JENKINS

I had a friend—a beautiful friend—  
With whom I spent rare gladdening hours;  
God gave her a wealth of charming grace—  
My beautiful friend among the flowers.  
But now she is gone! Ah me! Ah me!  
God grant her sweet peace amid Paradise bowers.  
As long as life lasts I cannot forget  
My beautiful friend among the flowers

## FOR UNIFORM TAX

We, the undersigned, appointed by the county superintendent of Transylvania county, do hereby offer the following resolutions to the teachers and committeemen of Transylvania county:

Be it resolved, that we, the teachers and committeemen of Transylvania county, believing that if a special county school tax of twenty-five cents on every one hundred dollars worth of property be imposed in lieu of the present district taxes, that school property could be improved and school terms lengthened and made equal throughout Transylvania county, and believing that such a tax is desired by a majority of Transylvania county people, we petition the board of education of Transylvania county that said board will take all necessary steps for securing an election whereby the will of the people in regard to aforesaid special tax may be learned.

A. B. RILEY,  
DORIS EDWARDS,  
J. R. SLOAN.

This resolution was unanimously adopted by the joint meeting of the Transylvania County Association of School Committeemen and the Transylvania Teachers' Association in session Saturday, February 14.

## Don't You Believe It.

Some say that chronic constipation cannot be cured. Don't you believe it. Chamberlain's Tablets have cured others—why not you? Give them a trial. They cost only a quarter. For sale by S. M. Macfie. adv