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CAPT. RAINES HERE

Capt. H. E. Raines of the Charleston Citadel Academy spent last Friday in Brevard in the interest of the French Broad Summer Camp, the new camp school that is to be located near Wilson's bridge. While here Capt. Raines announced that he had let the contract for the erection of the permanent buildings to J. M. and R. P. Kilpatrick, the local contractors, and that work will begin within the next thirty days, in plenty of time to have everything in readiness for the opening about the middle of June.

The camp school will doubtless open with a large enrollment, many inquiries now being received from the parents of boys in all sections of the country, especially in the South.

While Capt. Raines was here a number of Brevard citizens met in the Brevard Club rooms for the purpose of discussing with him the best method of co-operating with him and his associates in making the French Broad Summer Camp a success. At that time Capt. Raines announced that Capt. Hodges had withdrawn from the partnership existing between himself and Captains Moore and Letellier, but that this would in no way interfere with the plans as originally agreed upon.

In order to avoid the possibility of any legal tangles in the future in regard to the ownership of the property where the school is to be located, it was decided that a holding company, composed of the twenty-five men who entered into the agreement to purchase the property, be organized and chartered at an early date, and papers carrying out this agreement were ordered drawn. This move was made in order to preclude the possibility of any legal tangle that might be caused by the death of any one of twenty-five men, it being the opinion of the legal profession that in the event of the death of one of the twenty-five the heirs of the deceased would have an equity interest in the property. By the chartering of a holding corporation this would be impossible.

FROM BROTHER OWEN

Editor Sylvan Valley News:

After some time I am glad to find time for a word with you. Since I last wrote I found it necessary to heed the doctor's advice and take a rest.

It has been my privilege to spend several days each at two of our excellent schools recently. At the beginning of February I went to Six Mile, S. C., where we have a prosperous and growing school. In this we have nearly one hundred and fifty of our brightest boys and girls, some of them from the Lake Toxaway community. From this school are going young men and women who are already making their influence for good felt. It speaks well for the school that for six years in succession the prize for the highest scholarship, in the state university, has been held by one of its pupils.

A few days ago I closed a fruitful meeting in Carson-Newman College at Jefferson City, Tenn. This is a co-educational school in which are enrolled about four hundred and thirty students. It will mean much for the future lives of these young men and women to spend four years in daily contact with such men and women as are to be found in the faculty of this college. It was a pleasure to hear one of the leading members of the faculty before the assembled community express his conviction that to educate the head and leave the heart unconverted is a sin.

The simmering of the political pot here and elsewhere reminds me that this is "election year." Let me express the hope that in old Transylvania, as elsewhere, only the best type of our citizenship will be nominated for any office. It is time all recognize the fact that no others are fit for public office. If we have not clean men enough for our public offices it is a disgrace. To put any other in office is a shame. Yours for the highest standards,
J. C. OWEN.

ELECTION FOR UNIFORM TAX

On last Monday the county board of education met to consider the advisability of asking the commissioners for an election on the question of a uniform school tax for the county. Local district taxes are now paid in eighteen districts of the county at rates varying from twenty cents to thirty cents on the \$100 valuation of property. A uniform rate for the entire county would be a much better system; and would result in a quickening of educational interest in the county, and certainly in toning up and advancing the whole county school system.

After carefully considering the proposition the board decided to ask that the people be given the privilege of an election to decide the question which is considered to be "one of the most progressive yet contemplated by any county in the state." Therefore the following petition was agreed to and presented to the board of commissioners:

"To the Board of Commissioners, Transylvania County, N. C.

"Gentlemen: We, the undersigned, members of the board of education of Transylvania county, respectfully petition your honorable body to order an election under Chapter 71, Public Laws of 1911, to ascertain the will of the qualified voters of the county on the question of levying and collecting annually a special uniform county tax for schools of not exceeding twenty-five cents on the \$100 valuation of property and not exceeding seventy-five cents on each taxable poll, the same to be apportioned to the schools of the county in the same manner as are the general county school funds; the special district taxes to be discontinued, as provided by law, in case the election carries for the said special tax.

"This March 9, 1914.
"(Signed) T. H. GALLOWAY, Ch'n.
"J. H. HOUSE,
"EDWIN POOR,
"Board of Education."

The board of commissioners, after considering the above petition, ordered an election to be held on Tuesday, April 28. Registers and judges were appointed and a new registration ordered, as required in the law providing for such an election.

If, at the election, the special county tax is voted, providing longer terms for the country schools, enabling more of the boys and girls to complete the elementary school course and be prepared for the high schools, it will be desirable and necessary to establish at Brevard a first-class central high school containing four years of high school instruction. The central school would eventually develop into a combined high school and farm life school for the county. We have the assurance from N. W. Walker, state inspector of high schools, that "in the event the people of the county vote the special tax with the understanding that a central high school is to be located at Brevard, the state will make the appropriation for this purpose."

The order for the election and the names of the registers and judges appointed for the various precincts of the county will appear in the News next week.

ST. PHILIPS CHURCH

Third Sunday in Lent, March 15, 1914. Litany and holy communion with sermon at 11. Subject, "Self Surrender in Sacrifice." Sunday school at the rectory at 3:30.

Week Day Services—Friday, March 13: Sewing meeting at the rectory at 3:00. Litany with address at 5:00. Subject, "The Love of the Guest Chamber." Wednesday, March 18: Mission study class at the rectory at 3:30. Penitential office with address at 5:00. Subject, "The Service of the Guest Chamber."

What good can I get from Lent? You can learn the power of prayer. Lent is a season of prayer—of earnest prayer—of honest prayer.

Deep longings of the soul find utterance and relief. The soul's sincere desires come to the ears of the God of Sabbath who alone can answer. Such is prayer always. Such it is especially during the time when the mind dwells upon the picture of a suffering Saviour, when the very sight makes the ear more attentive to the utterances of His lips, and we hear Him speak of pardon for sin, compassion for the penitent, and love for the returning child. Such it is especially when closer communion with God makes us long to be more like God, and when a true view of life creates in us the desire for that true life in our souls.

Lenten prayers create desires as well as express them—desires for pardon, for confession, for love, and draw our lives heavenward in their very expressions. This good you want, and can find in Lent.

GEORGE W. VANDERBILT

George W. Vanderbilt, owner of the Biltmore estate, Pisgah Forest, etc., died in Washington last Friday afternoon at one o'clock and was buried at Newdorp, Staten Island on Monday, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. R. R. Swope, rector of All Souls Church, Biltmore. Mr. Vanderbilt had undergone an operation for appendicitis a few days before his death and everyone believed he was rapidly recovering from the effects of the operation, and no one thought there was any danger until just a few minutes before death came. He is survived by his wife and one child, a daughter.

Mr. Vanderbilt was a great friend of Western North Carolina, and his locating here in 1885 and the building of his beautiful residence near Biltmore has attracted more attention to this section than possibly any one other thing. At his death he owned approximately 140,000 acres of land in this section, several thousand of which lies in Transylvania county. His land extends from Brevard to Asheville without a break. He spent many thousands of dollars in building roads through his property and otherwise improving it.

Mrs. Vanderbilt has announced that there will be no change in the policy of the Biltmore estate, but that she will spend much time at her \$5,000,000 residence in Biltmore, and the farms, nursery, dairy, poultry, stock and other departments will continue as before.

WE HAVE FAITH IN THIS STOMACH REMEDY

A woman customer said to us the other day, "Say, you ought to tell every one in town about Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets. I would myself if I could." That set us to thinking. So many people have used them and have so enthusiastically sounded their praises both to us and their friends, that we had an idea you knew all about them. But, in the chance that some of you who suffer from indigestion, heartburn, dyspepsia, or some other stomach complaint, don't know about them—we are writing this.

They contain Bismuth and Pepsin, two of the greatest digestive aids known to medical science. They soothe and comfort the stomach, promote the secretion of gastric juice, help to quickly digest the food and convert it into rich, red blood, and improve the action of the bowels. We believe them to be the best remedy made for indigestion and dyspepsia. We certainly wouldn't offer them to you entirely at our risk unless we felt sure they would do you a lot of good. If Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets do not relieve your indigestion, check the heartburn, and make it possible for you to eat what you like whenever you like, come back and get your money.

Sold only at the more than 7,000 Rexall Stores, and in this town only at our store. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00. S. M. Macfie, Broad and Main streets, Brevard, N. C.—Adv.

A DISTINGUISHED GATHERING

One of the most largely attended and enthusiastic gatherings ever held in Brevard was the meeting of Dunn's Rock Lodge No. 267, A. F. & A. M., last Friday night. This being the regular communication for March, in itself an interesting occasion, the meeting also had other important features in that there was work in the Master Mason's degree, the work being done by members of Mt. Herman Lodge No. 118, of Asheville. About thirty members of this lodge came over on the evening train for the meeting of the local lodge, all returning on a special train which left Brevard about one o'clock the following morning.

The work done by the members of Mt. Herman lodge was a revelation to a number of the younger Masons, and brought back many pleasant recollections of big meetings in the past to the older ones. The following officers of Mt. Herman took part: W. A. Ward, Master; Dr. B. F. Hall, Senior Warden; J. W. Grimes, Junior Warden; E. J. Nottingham, Jr., Senior Deacon; Dr. E. O. Chambers, Junior Deacon; E. H. Miller and R. F. Haskell, Stewards. The lecture was given by Past Master J. W. Grimes of Mt. Herman Lodge, and was one of the most impressive ever given in the local lodge.

The visiting brethren and members all joined in partaking of light refreshments after the first section of the work was completed, oysters, sandwiches, coffee, etc., being served by the local lodge, after which the work was completed.

At the conclusion of the work a number of speeches by some of the visitors and local members were listened to with a great deal of pleasure and profit, after which the meeting broke up, every one declaring it had been one of the best meetings ever held in the local lodge room.

The following members of Mt. Herman lodge, attended the meeting: J. W. Grimes, W. F. Randolph, W. A. Ward, W. E. Potent, E. R. Wainwright, E. J. Nottingham, Jr., Dr. B. F. Hall, E. R. Hampton, O. C. Wilson, C. C. Meyers, C. A. Klutz, E. H. Miller, Victor Stern, E. E. Galer, J. C. Patterson, J. A. Singer, R. F. Haskell, Chester Brown, Dr. E. O. Chambers, Whitlock Lipinsky, R. L. Fitzpatrick, W. A. Mallonee, Dr. W. J. Honeycutt, R. I. Smathers, Dr. C. H. Honess, W. H. Clark and Chas. G. Lee. Other visiting Masons were A. H. Caldwell, J. F. Hays, C. H. Pack, A. M. Collingwood, J. L. Nowman, Gordon Crawford, M. M. O'Shields, C. M. Cooke, Jr., Donald Campbell and Frank D. Clement.

Mt. Herman extended an invitation to the third degree team of Dunn's Rock Lodge to come over to Asheville some time in the near future and confer the degree on some candidate in that lodge.

COSTLY CORN

The following tabulated statement is so thoroughly good that it ought not to be hidden away in the "temperance column" of the paper, but should be put in the most conspicuous place possible. Who wrote it we do not know, but it is one of those things on which no copyright is required or upheld.

From a bushel of corn the distiller gets four gallons of whiskey, for which the consumer pays \$16.40. This money is divided as follows:

The farmer gets.....	\$.25
The United States government gets.....	4.00
The railroad company gets.....	1.00
The distiller gets.....	4.00
The drayman gets.....	.15
The saloonman gets.....	7.00

But in addition to that:
The husband and father gets..... Drunk
The wife gets..... Hunger
The children get..... Rags
The jail, the prison, the poor-house, the asylums get..... Inmates
The taxpayer gets..... The bill
The man who votes license gets..... Foolcd

CHORAL SOCIETY

To the musicians and those fond of music in Transylvania county:

A movement is on foot to organize the Greater Western North Carolina Choral Society, and the people of Buncombe, Jackson, Haywood, Henderson, Madison and Polk counties have signified their intention of joining the society—the only county not represented is our good county of Transylvania.

The plan is to organize district societies in each county; said district societies will organize a county society and the various county societies will then organize the said "Greater Western North Carolina Choral Society."

The object of the society will be to interest the people of the various counties in both vocal and instrumental music and to have a series of musical meetings or conventions at such times and places in the several counties as may be determined and to furnish to our citizens first class music.

The formation of this organization will not only secure many musical attractions for us and aid in the musical education of our people, but it will also furnish an opportunity for us to meet the good people of the other counties in a social manner and let us become better acquainted with our neighbors which is a benefit in itself.

I will therefore ask all those who are interested in the organization of a musical society along the lines approximately set forth to please either write me a line or see me so that we can have a meeting and decide what we will do.

Respectfully,
W. E. BREESE, JR.,
President Greater Western North Carolina Association.

HOUSTON MOORE

From out the ranks of Dunn's Rock Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons Brother George Houston Moore has been called to lay down the working tools of life and another one of the ancient landmarks of the lodge has been levelled by the grave.

And whereas, in the death of our departed brother, who has been going in and out among us for forty years, the members feel that the timely admonitions of our deceased elder brother will be keenly felt; but the consolation comes that the works and influence of an upright, honorable life, such as his was, does not die when a new mound is raised above his ashes.

Therefore be it resolved:
First—That in the death of Brother Moore our loss will be great because he had travelled over the devious ways of life, and could advise us the hidden dangers that line its pathway.

Second—That while we bow in submission to the will of Him who neither slumbers nor sleeps while we toil amid the shadows, we cannot easily dispel the sorrows that come when these old fathers in Israel fall.

Third—That we commend for the consolation of those left to mourn his loss as a father, husband, relative or friend, the faith in the lowly Nazarine which was the stay and hope of our departed brother.

Fourth—That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our lodge, a copy sent to the widow and family, and a copy be printed in the Sylvan Valley News.

THOS. S. WOOD,
W. M. HENRY,
WELCH GALLOWAY,
Committee.

RECORDER'S COURT

State vs. Doll Swangum, appeal from magistrate's court to recorder, dismissed.

State vs. Coy Morton, escaping chain gang, judgment suspended on payment of costs, the defendant to go back to the roads to finish his sentence of thirty days.

State vs. James Dodson, larceny of a chicken, continued one week