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NEW COMMISSIONER

W. L. Talley of Penrose at this week's meeting of the board of county commissioners resigned his place as commissioner.

The clerk of court, in accordance with his power of appointment, has appointed as Mr. Talley's successor J. S. Fisher of Hogback.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

The county board of education met last Monday in Superintendent Henderson's office. Chairman T. H. Galloway and J. H. House were present, Edwin Poor being absent.

The board made an order for fixing times and places for meetings of various committees to elect teachers. The dates and places will be fixed by the Superintendent.

The board made an order for holding a county teachers' institute here for two weeks this year, and agreed to the date named by the State Superintendent for beginning the institute. This date is July 12.

An order was made to pay the expenses incurred in making needed improvements in the Superintendent's office.

The board filled a few vacancies in committees. F. D. Gillespie was appointed in place of G. W. Hayes at East Fork number one, and T. J. Harris in place of N. A. Miller at Hogback number five.

The committeemen of Calvert school appeared before the board asking for help in making contemplated additions to the school building. The request was granted. Two acres of land will be added to the school property and a primary room will be built on to the present house. A contract for doing this building will be let at an early date.

FREE CIRCULATING LIBRARY

A much needed work will be accomplished soon in the establishment of the Peoples' free library, under the auspices of the Brevard Cotton Mill Company, for the operatives of the cotton mill or any others desiring the benefits of the same.

The library enjoys the hearty cooperation of Mr. J. W. Burnett, who will contribute books and magazines. It will be located in Mr. Burnett's office.

All church societies, organizations or individuals are hereby earnestly requested to contribute books and magazines. They may be taken direct to the cotton mill, or left at this office.

The library will be open for the reception and distribution of books at 3 to 5 p. m. on the first and third Saturdays of each month. This work will be under the supervision of Mr. Harold V. Snelburg.

W. O. W. MEETING

There will be a district meeting of the Western North Carolina Log Rolling Association at Rosman on April 26th.

The night session will be open to the public and all are cordially invited to attend. Several prominent speakers will be present, among them E. B. Lewis, sovereign manager of Kingston, N. C., V. E. Grant, head adviser, of Hendersonville.

Stomach Trouble Cured.

Mrs. H. G. Cleveland, Arnold, Pa., writes: "For some time I suffered from stomach trouble. I would have sour stomach and feel bloated after eating. Nothing benefited me until I got Chamberlain's Tablets. After taking two bottles of them I was cured." For sale by all dealers. adv

Rheumatic Pains Relieved.

Why suffer from rheumatism when relief may be had at so small a cost? Mrs. Elmer Hatch, Peru, Ind., writes: "I have been subject to attacks of rheumatism for years. Chamberlain's Liniment always relieves me immediately, and I take pleasure in recommending it to others." 25 and 50 cent bottles. For sale by all dealers. adv

INSTITUTE NOTES

A series of evangelistic meetings, conducted by the Rev. J. P. Rodgers, of Canton, N. C., assisted by Rev. W. M. Robins, of Brevard, is being held this week at the Institute.

A number of out-of-town people came down to attend the play Monday night; among them, George Smith a former student of the Institute. Mr. Smith was in the cast of Merchant of Venice and Taming of the Shrew. He is at Weaver College now.

Mrs. C. R. Sorrells, Miss Clayton and Mr. Clayton, of Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nichols and Mr. Cobbe, of Pisgah Forest, attended the play Monday night.

The "Rose Maiden" will be given early in May. Rehearsals are progressing finely, and it is expected that it will be a very interesting performance—as the music is of very high order and many of the songs are very "catchy."

CLOSE OF SELIGA SCHOOL

An interesting affair was the school closing at Seliga Friday evening of last week. The criticism was the late beginning which was after eight. The opening was a welcome address well delivered by one of the girls. Then followed some interesting class songs. Then came the prize speaking contest by two young ladies and two young men. The speeches were all well delivered but the ladies came out ahead.

After the speeches came more singing. "The Holy City" was sung accompanied by the organ and pantomime well executed by nine girls. Then followed the dialogue "The Old-time Country School" which produced great merriment. After this we were introduced to one "Dr. Snowball," whose name is one of the bluest of the blue in his temporary paragon. He and two other "darkies" entertained well for a time.

A scarf drill by thirteen young ladies came next, and while it almost made our heads swim to follow them in all their windings, marches and counter-marches, kneeling and rising, grouping by twos, threes and fours, twisting and plaiting and undoing the scarfs, marching under raised arms, between and around, and beside each other, yet we eagerly watched for the next movement for twenty minutes and were not tired.

Then followed a brief address by the scribe on "How to be Happy."

The last feature was the awarding of a prize to the contest winner of the evening and rewards to those who had reached a certain standard in attendance and punctuality during the year.

That feature was especially commended as regularity and punctuality are two necessary elements in success and are not to be obtained in any other way.

The scarf drill with the colors pink, white and blue, and the number thirteen forcibly reminded us of the early history of our country, and some of the figures produced the May pole. This and the pantomime of the "Holy City" seemed to the speaker to be worthy of special commendation while the whole program was good. Those who have made light of the mountain people should have been present to witness the excellent exercises and the polite and intelligent attention of the large audience which attended. Long live our country schools and our mountain people.

A. W. McDaniel.

MUNICIPAL CONVENTION

A convention of the democratic voters of the town of Brevard is hereby called to meet at the court house on Tuesday night, April 20th, 1915, at eight o'clock, for the purpose of nominating candidates for mayor and aldermen of the town of Brevard for the ensuing two years.

J. W. McMinn, Chrm'n.,
ORA L. JONES, Sec'y.
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SUGGESTED TICKETS

A voter of the town of Brevard has brought in the following suggestions for a ticket for the coming municipal election:

For Mayor, T. W. Whitmore. For aldermen: J. M. Kilpatrick, J. A. Miller, Jr., C. H. Trowbridge, S. C. Yates, J. W. Duckworth.

Another ticket suggested is as follows:

Mayor: C. M. Cooke Jr.; Aldermen: J. W. Duckworth, T. M. Mitchell, T. L. Snelson, F. E. B. Jenkins, W. S. Ashworth.

GENERAL NEWS

The advent of Easter was accompanied by a violent storm on the Atlantic coast. There were reports of loss of life in several places, and a number of vessels were wrecked or damaged. There was also a heavy fall of snow in the Pennsylvania and New York region. The city of New York celebrated a white Easter for the first time in years. Telegraph and telephone communication was interrupted on many lines by the wreckage wrought by high winds. In central North Carolina a record-breaking snow storm occurred, reports being that the snow fall at Raleigh covered the earth to the depth of two feet.

Through her ambassador to Italy, Prince von Snelow, Germany has been making persistent efforts to keep that country out of the war. Nevertheless, rumors are rife that German and Austrian subjects are constantly leaving Italy and that the ambassadors from those countries are making preparations looking to a departure. The cession of territory by Austria as a price of neutrality seems to be necessary to keep Italy from turning against her old enemy.

The Villa-Zapata representative in Washington recently received a message denying reports that the Zapata forces were about to evacuate Mexico City. The message stated that 15,000 troops were stationed in the city and suburbs, and that commerce and industry were in an encouraging shape.

A raid into Serbian territory by what were called Bulgarian irregulars took place a few days ago. The raid was repulsed by the Serbian troops, who pursued the raiders in the direction of Bulgaria. The Serbian government at once filed a protest to the government of Bulgaria, requesting the arrest and imprisonment of the persons responsible for the raid. The opinion was expressed by the Bulgarian minister to Rome that the invasion was the work of Macedonian bandits.

The eyes of the country have been turned expectantly on Newport News, Va., and the German cruiser Prinz Eitel, watching for a spectacular dash on the part of the raider for the open sea. The news from day to day for the past week kept the public informed about all the preparations for departure. But when Easter Sunday came and all things seemed ready for the dash, the Eitel continued to lie quietly at anchor. Meanwhile outside the harbor in the open sea the warships of the allies waited patiently for the merchant-sinker. The Prinz Eitel has decided to return, according to latest dispatches.

With the opening up of this week the Russians seem to be making some decided gains in the passes of the Carpathian mountains. The Austrians admitted defeat in the Beskid mountains, but claimed also to have repulsed several attacks and taken a few thousand prisoners. A complete passage through the Carpathian ranges would give the Russians an open field on the plains of Hungary.

The Turkish armored cruiser Medjidah was reported sunk by a mine near the Russian coast of the Black Sea the first of this week. The vessel had done some effective work in sinking Russian ships.

JUNIORS HAVE GOOD MEETING

The semi-annual meeting of District No. 19 of Jr. O. U. A. M. was held here Friday and Saturday of this week. Twenty-four delegates were in attendance besides a number of visiting Juniors.

A reception committee from the local lodge met the visiting delegates on the 6:30 train Friday evening and escorted them to the fraternity hall. At eight o'clock the delegates and the members of the lodge marched in a body to the auditorium for the exercises of the open meeting.

Several speakers addressed the audience of Juniors and their friends. The first was District Deputy State Councilor N. W. Fain of Asheville, who made a few introductory remarks. Then followed an address of welcome by Mr. W. E. Breese, Jr., in his characteristic graceful manner. Mr. Breese said there were especially sound reasons for an assemblage of Juniors in Brevard, Transylvania, he declared, was the most American of all the counties in the state, as North Carolina was the most American state in union. He explained that in Transylvania there were fewer persons of foreign birth in proportion to population than in any other county.

The next speaker, Mr. R. R. Williams of Asheville, spoke earnestly of the principles for which the Junior Order stood. His address was noticeable for earnestness of manner, nobility of sentiment and fluency of utterance. Hon. J. J. Britt, congressman of the Tenth district, then gave the audience one of those thoughtful addresses for which he is becoming famous. He held up to view all the great principles of Juniorism. When he spoke of the flag, he treated the subject like a patriotic statesman; when he spoke of the public schools, he talked like an educator; and when the Bible was his theme, his audience might well have taken him for a preacher. He was followed by State Councilor Paul Jones of Tarboro, who was practical and enthusiastic by turns, and whose mellow, modulated voice wooed the hearers into forgetfulness of the passage of time and the length of the program.

It is indeed seldom that so many speakers of such ability are on the platform together. It almost amounted to a monotony of excellence and proved beyond a doubt that Junior order is not lacking in intellectual material. The impression made by the speakers was that the order stood for the best in American citizenship, and they said these things with evident sincerity.

The meeting was presided over and the speakers introduced by Mr. E. C. Neill, and music was furnished by the Brevard orchestra.

Saturday's sessions were all in the fraternity hall behind closed doors, with very little of their happenings to be told. One important development was a resolution to ask Asheville officials and Buncombe county commissioners for a better equipment of the Swannanoa farm school.

The meeting Saturday night closed with a banquet in the Dana's Rock building. At the board of cheer were all the delegates and visiting brethren, numbering about seventy-five in all.

The next district meeting will be at Biltmore the first Friday in October.

LIST TAKERS AND ASSESSORS

The board of county commissioners this week appointed the following list takers and assessors:

Brevard: F. E. Shuford, list taker; U. K. Osborne, assessor; Boyd: A. E. England, L. F. Lyday; Catholic's Creek: M. C. Whitmore, M. J. Glazener; Dunn's Rock: T. J. Wilson, Wales Mull; Eastatoe: Ed Whitmore, Charley Gravely; Glouster: J. M. Galloway, Vance Galloway; Hogback: T. B. Reid, Tilden McCall; Little River: Frank Shuford, W. R. Kilpatrick.

The county assessor, appointed by the corporation commission, is W. L. Aiken.

"AS YOU LIKE IT."

The Shakesperian play, "As You Like It," given by the pupils of Brevard Institute at the Auditorium Monday night was a success in every way, and when the fact that this was the first appearance of a number of players is taken into consideration, the success attained is remarkable. The cast, taken as a whole, was superior to any heretofore presented, and the team work showed very plainly that there has been some hard work done in preparation. The selection of the players for the various roles could hardly be improved upon, each player seeming to fit his part.

While good work was done by the entire cast the first mention should go to Miss Anna Nichols, who made a charming Rosalind, and Frank Dillard, who took the part of the lover, or at least one of the lovers, Orlando de Boys. Their work in these parts was especially good. Miss Linda Ward, as Celia, had a very difficult part which she portrayed in a very pleasing manner.

The hit of the evening was the love scene where Touchstone the court jester, (Dillard) Sheridan proposes to Audrey the country girl, (Miss Venie Johnson). This scene caused round after round of applause.

John Hamrick as Duke Senior and Roy Holland, the usurper, both deserve special mention.

The four young men who composed the male quartet rendered the musical numbers in the piece in an especially pleasing manner and added much to the enjoyment of the evening.

In the preparation of this piece Miss Caroline Trowbridge has shown again her ability in this line and the success of the play is largely due to her direction and training. The music was under the direction of Miss Mary Blair and was well taken care of. A large part of the credit should also go to Miss Annie Wilson who designed the costumes for the players. In fact everyone connected with the play in any manner should receive credit for there is honor enough for all.

AUDITORIUM NEXT WEEK

The Amusement Company has secured as another attraction the services of Mr. W. Powell Hale, the impersonator, who will render one of his programs at the Auditorium on Friday night of next week, April 16.

The Alkalest Lyceum system, in announcing Mr. Hale and his work as one of their chief attractions, has the following to say:

"Mr. Hale is a college bred man, and has taken special university work. He is also a graduate of the leading schools of expression. He taught oratory for four years, but the demand upon his time for platform work was so great that he abandoned teaching and has since devoted his time to the lyceum."

Mr. Hale's repertoire includes selections from the best of literature. Speaking from personal knowledge of his work, the editor of the News can recommend him most heartily, feeling sure that he will not fall below the anticipations aroused by the numerous laudatory press comments sent out by the lyceum. He strikes all the notes of the scale of emotion, and is comic, pathetic, tragic by turns.

Friday, April 16 at the Auditorium.

Paint or Not

Is a horse worth more or less after feed?

Hay and oats are high today, shall I wait today and feed him tomorrow?

That's how men do about painting their houses and barns and fences. Paint has been high for several years; and so they have waited. Some are still waiting.

Their property drops a trifle a year and the next job of paint creeps up, creeps up, creeps up; it'll take more paint by a gallop a year; they don't save a cent, and the property goes on suffering.

DEVOE.

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