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## CHAUTAQUA NEXT WEEK

### Three Big Days of Good, Clean Entertainment for the Good of the Town.

Canary birds are placed in coal mines to protect the lives of the miners. If the atmosphere becomes foul, the canary stops singing and begins to show unmistakable signs of distress. Then the miners know the atmosphere must be changed quickly or they must get out.

A chautauqua is to a town what a canary is to a coal mine. If the intellectual and moral atmosphere of this town is such that a chautauqua cannot live in it, then we must change the atmosphere or get out. To get out is not convenient and we might find the same conditions elsewhere.

For the first time in the history of the town the citizens will be given an opportunity next week of showing whether they appreciate the bringing to their doors a series of first class entertainers at a price of sixteen and two-thirds cents per entertainment. The attractions offered in this course are the equal of chautauqua attractions in cities many times larger than Brevard—in fact these same attractions have dates or have recently closed engagements in large cities in this and other states, and they come to us highly recommended as being of the very highest type of chautauqua attractions.

While the sale of season tickets so far has not been phenomenal, there is almost certain to be a rush at the last moment, and it is almost as certain that some will call for tickets when no more are to be had. In order to be sure about it every one who expects to attend at least five or more attractions should see a ticket seller today and get tickets for the entire course. The tickets are transferable.

Tickets may be bought at the following places: Brevard Banking Company, Frank D. Clement's Jewelry Store, Duckworth Drug Co., or the Maule-Brodie Drug Co., as from the following individuals: Mrs. D. G. Ward, Mrs. T. H. Shipman, Mrs. Goodie Cavanaugh, Mrs. Welch Galloway, Mrs. Henry N. Carriger, Mrs. O. L. Erwin, Mrs. O. L. Jones, Mrs. J. M. Allison or Miss Della Cash.

There is a prize of five dollars in gold offered to the person selling the highest number of season tickets, and two fifty to the next highest, and this is open to anyone who cares to enter. Mrs. C. M. Cooke, Jr., is in charge of this contest, and anyone wishing to compete for the prize may receive tickets from her and learn the particulars of the contest.

Following is a brief sketch of the various attractions on the program for the three days entertainment:

#### FIRST DAY ATTRACTIONS.

In the morning Rev. R. L. Davis, superintendent of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, the man who has led the temperance forces in our state since 1896, will deliver a lecture on national prohibition. There will be no charge for this address and everyone is invited to come and hear this distinguished speaker.

In the afternoon there will be an address "The New Agriculture," by Frank Burlington Vrooman, Dr. Vrooman also lectures on "Armageddon and After" in the evening. His brother, Ben Carl Schurz Vrooman, is the assistant secretary of agriculture, and is devoting his energies to help the farmer. Dr. Vrooman has traveled far and gathered material with the intuition of a bee that sucks sweetness from the flowers. He is a student of current problems, and speaks with authority. He is a graceful, eloquent speaker, who uses English with the skill an expert handles tools. He gives what the men of this generation most need, popular information on great questions of the day, and gives it with eloquence and sanity, assisted by a magnetic personality.

Bessie Leigh belong to the new school of readers. An audience never finds as B. Leighs to this

charming little woman, with a face that mirrors all the clouds and sunshine of tragedy and humor.

Miss Nell Whayne was prima donna soloist with the Metropolitan Grand Opera quartette, and was one of the soloists at the famous Southern Cotton Palace at Waco, Tex., during the past season.

Harry S. Robinson is one of the most artistic and pleasing violinists now before the public. His violin is a delight to all who appreciate and love music.

#### SECOND DAY ATTRACTIONS.

Prof. A. C. Reynolds, superintendent of the Cullowhee Industrial School, is well known throughout Western North Carolina as a leading educator and public speaker of note. The committee on arrangements is indeed fortunate to be able to secure such a good speaker for educational day, and the people of the county should take advantage of this opportunity of hearing him. His lecture on "The Right Education of a Child" will be open to the public.

Charles B. Hanford, the celebrated tragedian, takes his audience into the classic dramas—the realm of tragedy, romance and comedy. He is well known as one of the greatest actors of the American stage, and has won for himself a multitude of friends throughout the country.

The mysterious Milburns make an attractive couple who delight the children and entertain their parents. Among the magical novelties are tricks which puzzle the mind and cheer the heart.

#### THIRD DAY ATTRACTIONS.

The Lyric Glee Club of Philadelphia is composed of four fine young fellows, and they are known far and wide for their fine voices, clean comedy and witty wisdom. From "The Old Church Bell" to "Tipperary" the program is full of charm. Afternoon and night the Lyrics give a big program. Don't miss this feature.

Dr. George P. Bible, chautauqua director, is one of the most popular and best known lecturers of this country. His lectures on "Life and Opportunity" and on the "Elements of Success" are perfect gems. Dr. Bible is to be with us for the entire three days of the chautauqua and will be in direct charge of the various events.

Tuesday, August 3—Agricultural Day.

MORNING.  
10:30 Farmers' Institute. Address by Rev. R. L. Davis, superintendent of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, on National Prohibition.

AFTERNOON.  
3:00 Lecture, "The New Agriculture," by Dr. Frank B. Vrooman.  
4:00 Concert by the Bessie Leigh Concert Company.

EVENING.  
8:15 Concert and Entertainment by the Bessie Leigh Company.  
9:00 Lecture, "Armageddon and After," a story of the great war, by Dr. Frank B. Vrooman.

Wednesday, August 4—Educational Day.

MORNING.  
10:30 Educational Rally. Address by Prof. A. C. Reynolds, president of Cullowhee Industrial School, on "The Right Education of a Child."

AFTERNOON.  
3:00 Forty-five Minutes of Fun and Magic with the Mysterious Milburns.  
3:15 Impenetrable, Story by Reclia from Grove and Gray, by Charles B. Hanford, the famous actor.

EVENING.  
8:15 Magical Illusions and Prestidigitational Performance by the Mysterious Milburns.  
9:00 Grand Scenes from Shakespeare's Comedies and Tragedies by Charles B. Hanford, the celebrated tragedian.

Thursday, August 5—Town Booster's Day.

MORNING.  
10:30 Addresses on Boosting "The Old Home Town" by local speakers; each one limited to five minutes and everybody invited to say a word for Brevard and Transylvania county.

AFTERNOON.  
3:00 Grand Concert by the Lyric Glee Club of Philadelphia.  
3:15 Lecture, "Elements of Success," by Dr. George P. Bible, chautauqua director.

EVENING.  
8:15 Lecture, "Life and Opportunity," by Dr. George P. Bible.  
9:00 Concert and Entertainment by the Lyric Glee Club.

## SUPERIOR COURT

### Regular Two Weeks' Term of Court for Trial of Criminal and Civil Cases.

The regular August term of Superior court convened promptly at ten o'clock with his Honor Judge W. F. Harding, of Charlotte, presiding. Solicitor Michael Schenck, of Hendersonville, was on hand prosecuting for the state, and A. E. Ewe, of Asheville, was appointed court stenographer.

The court was quickly organized, the grand jury selected and the charge of his Honor delivered to the jury, and everything was ready for the transaction of actual business by eleven o'clock. The following citizens of Transylvania county were elected to serve as a grand jury at this term: G. W. Wilson, foreman; Frank Wilson, J. M. Bryson, Fielding Paxton, B. A. Gillespie, J. M. Kilpatrick, F. J. Whitmore, J. C. Owen, S. M. Lance, W. L. Turner, O. H. Galloway, J. M. Batson, H. S. Jordan, G. W. Whitmore, D. Gillespie, W. A. Whitmore, John Ashworth, A. B. Corn.

The charge to the grand jury was one of the shortest ever delivered to a jury in this county, lasting only thirty minutes. In it his Honor told briefly the duties of the grand jury as to the handling of the bills of indictment coming before them. The court called attention to the duty of the various justices of the peace to furnish the clerk of the court a true account of all cases tried before them, and directed the jury to investigate the records and if any have failed to report an indictment should be presented. Attention was also called to the duty of all guardians to make an annual statement to the clerk of the court of all money and property in their wards, and the court directed that all who have failed to make this report be indicted.

After the charge to the grand jury the regular Travis jury was selected and the first case called was that of State vs. Owen Orr, charged with an affray. This case was an appeal from the recorder's court where he had been fined \$10 and costs. The defendant pleaded guilty to the charge and judgment was suspended on payment of the costs, at the request of the recorder.

Thurman Bell was tried for using vile and indecent language near a church contrary to a statute recently enacted by the legislature which makes it a misdemeanor for any person to use vile or indecent language at or near a place of worship. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and he was fined \$10 and costs.

In the case of the state vs. J. W. Owen, charged with slander the defendant was called and failed. Judgment nisi, \$10 and capias. The case was continued for the next term, as was also the appeal from the judgment of the recorder taxing the defendant with the cost in the case of State vs. Bob Rykard.

John N. Bechal and C. O. Alexander who had been summoned as jurors at this term were called and failed and each were fined \$10, and a nisi, sci fa and capias were issued. Sue Owen, a witness in the case of State vs. Taylor Banther, charged with disturbing religious worship, was also called out and fined \$10 and a judgment of nisi, sci fa and capias was entered.

The solicitor requested that a nol pros with leave be entered in the following six cases: State vs. Tom Conley, killing stock; State vs. Asbury Cantrell, retailing (two cases); State vs. Flora Dancan, retailing, and State vs. Crawford Morton, assault (two cases).

In State vs. Yancey McCrary, charged with breaking into the depot at Pisgah Forest, the jury found that there was not sufficient evidence to convict the defendant, and consequently he was discharged. The evidence in the case was substantially the same as was brought out before the recorder. The case was hard fought throughout by attorneys for defense and the solicitor.

The following other cases were

disposed of at the hearing of the court on Tuesday:

State vs. H. H. Nelson, carrying a concealed weapon, appeal from recorder; jury trial, not guilty.

State vs. Taylor Banther, drunk and disorderly, appeal from mayor of Rosman; jury trial, not guilty.

State vs. Jordan Smith, disturbing religious worship, continued.

State vs. Hess Aiken, disturbing religious worship, continued.

State vs. Taylor Banther and Mack Reid, affray, plea of guilty entered by both defendants. \$10 and costs.

State vs. R. R. Fisher, public nuisance, continued.

## THE AMERICAN NOTE

The text of the latest note from the United States to Germany appeared in last Saturday's papers, a copy having previously been sent to the German government. In this note it is stated that the United States government will regard as "deliberately unfriendly" any repetitions by the commanders of the German naval vessels of acts in contravention of American rights, and that the United States will contend for the freedom of the seas "from whatever quarter violated, without compromise, and at any cost."

The note is in the nature of a final statement by the United States of the interpretation that will be placed by this government on future transgressions of American rights, and repeats that the American government will leave nothing undone to stand by the position it has previously declared.

Among the points in the note are:

1. The assumption by the United States that Germany, by declaring her submarine warfare to be a retaliatory measure against the alleged unlawful acts of her enemies, has admitted that the destruction of unresisting merchantmen without warning is illegal.

2. The German submarine commanders already have proven that they can save the passengers and crews of vessels and can act in conformity with the laws of humanity in making war on enemy ships.

3. The United States cannot allow the relations between the belligerents to operate in any way as an abbreviation of rights of neutrals, and therefore any violation of the principles for which the American government contends, resulting in a loss of American lives, will be viewed as "unfriendly."

4. The representations which the American government has made in previous notes for disavowal of the intention to sink the Lusitania with Americans aboard and the request for reparation are reiterated with renewed insistence.

5. The American government realizes the unusual and abnormal conditions which the present conflict has created in the conduct of maritime war and is willing to act as an intermediary as between the belligerents to arrange a modus vivendi or any other temporary arrangements which do not involve a surrender by the United States of its rights.

6. The proposals made by Germany to give immunity to American ships not carrying contraband, and to four belligerent ships under the American flag, are rejected with the emphatic assertion that to accept such suggestions would be to admit Germany's right to set aside the American contention based on fundamental principles of international law—that neutrals may travel anywhere on the high seas on unresisting ships of any nationality, even if carrying contraband.

The note is about 1,200 words long. While nowhere in it is there any direct intimation of the course which the United States will pursue in the event of another disaster similar to the Lusitania tragedy, there are emphatic statements throughout the communication pointing out that the discussion of the principles involved has been virtually concluded and that future conduct of German submarine commanders will determine the responsibility for the continuance of friendly relations between the two countries.

## NEGRO SHOTS WHITE MAN

### Bryan Morrison, of Rosman Shot By "Shorty" Cabe Last Saturday.

Bryan Morrison, the eighteen-year-old son of H. E. Morrison, of Rosman, was seriously wounded, and Henry Cabe, a negro, more familiarly known as "Shorty," is in the Brevard jail, as a result of a shooting affray that took place on the main street of Rosman last Friday night about nine o'clock, the negro having been captured by officers in Greenville, S. C., on Saturday and brought to Brevard. The negro claims he shot in self-defense, and the wounded man is not able to make a statement.

Upon inquiry from a number of Rosman citizens more or less familiar with the particulars of the case, the News is as yet unable to tell just how it happened, and the true story will, probably, not be told until the case is called in court. According to our informants there are at least two versions of the story.

According to one story it appears that as a negro girl was passing down the street young Morrison and companion threw a small cinder, which struck the girl on the arm, and that she later told the Cabe negro about the occurrence, whereupon he proceeded to arm himself with a .32 calibre revolver and started out to get satisfaction for the cinder incident by shooting four times at young Morrison. Only one shot took effect, however, striking him in the right breast and then ranging downward.

Another version is that young Morrison is the leader of a gang of young fellows who have been making attempts to run this particular negro, as well as all other negroes, out of town, and since the advent of this particular gentleman of color numerous attempts have been made to rid the town of him, and that at the time of the shooting Morrison and a companion were engaged in throwing rocks at him.

As to which of the stories is true, or whether either of them, or neither is correct the News does not pretend to say. It may be that both are true in part or the facts may be entirely different when established. Both are based on rumor. So far as the News is informed there is only one eyewitness to the distressing affair.

The first known of the shooting was the call to Dr. C. E. Lyday. Young Morrison's companion telephoned that he was shot. When help arrived he was carried to his home, and a posse of citizens armed and spent the rest of the night and a good part of the next day in scouring the woods for the negro. In the meantime a detailed description of the missing negro was sent to all nearby points and about noon on Saturday Sheriff Roark, of Greenville, S. C., found the negro in that city. After being arrested he admitted he was the man wanted, but stated he shot in self-protection.

It is hardly possible that Cabe will be given a hearing at this term of court. He will doubtless be held without bail pending the recovery of the injured man.

## SHOULD PUT HIM BACK

Dear Brother Jones:

There is great dissatisfaction about T. C. Henderson out of his office. All admit that he is the best superintendent the county has ever had, and one of the best in the state. The reason assigned is that he has had the place long enough and they ought to put in a new one, whether he is qualified or not. I don't believe that a man can hold an office too long when he discharges the duties of his office, when he can do it as well or better than anybody else. I fully believe, with many others, that the best thing the board can do is to re-appoint T. C. Henderson.

F. M. JORDAN.

President Wilson returned to the white house Monday after spending several weeks in New England.