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TO BOOST RESOURCES OF THESE MOUNTAINS

WEEKLY NEWSPAPER MEN FORM ORGANIZATION

Enter Upon Exploitation of Western Carolina and Promotion of Newspaper Business.

The Western North Carolina Weekly Press Association is the name of a new organization, the object of which is to more extensively exploit some of the many exceptional advantages of this section and to promote the interests of the publishers of weekly newspapers in Western Carolina.

At a meeting attended by nearly all the publishers of this section, the organization was perfected in Asheville last Friday at a session which lasted through Saturday morning. The meetings having been held at the Lauripon hotel.

It did not take the newspaper men long to decide upon a name and organization for boosting the best resources of this section. They will meet quarterly and visit counties represented by the publishers. In April the newspaper men will be guests of Canton, where Editor Horace Senelle will obtain permission to take them through the great plant of the Champion Paper company.

Three months later the men will meet at some place to be decided upon and visit some industry and then all the newspaper men will go back home and give an interesting account of the resources, industries and opportunities in the county visited. Every paper has subscribers in various states of the union and in this way the work will be more thoroughly informed as to what Western North Carolina has to offer.

The effectiveness of this plan may be seen when it is shown that the News goes weekly into 27 states, the District of Columbia and the West Indies. Assuming that the other papers covering many states, it is reasonable to believe that every state in the Union will read of Transylvania county when the newspaper men visit Brevard and some of its industries.

In addition to boosting the sections which they represent, the newspaper men will increase their efficiency by the intelligent discussion at least quarterly, of their trials and tribulations, a credit, stock in the paper for which they can't raise the price, etc.

The organization meeting was one of much interest to the newspaper men and they entered heartily into the work. The accomplishments exceeded the expectations of all present and considerably more good was accomplished than the News anticipated when it first sprang into existence. Nextly every paper in this section grasped the idea and saw something worth while as a result of which the organization was not difficult to perfect.

The officers and the papers which they represent are:
President, Noah M. Hollowell, Sylvan Valley News.
First vice president, Broadus H. DePriest, Shelby Aurora-Highlander.
Second vice president, R. L. Sandridge, Bryson City Times.
Secretary, Orla Jones, Sylvan Valley News.
Treasurer, W. F. Little, Tryon News Bee.
Executive committee, J. G. Brown, Carolina Mountaineer; Waynesville; Gordon F. Garlington, French Broad Hustler, Hendersonville; R. D. Marsh, Gauleyford Sun.

Historian, Dan Tompkins, Jackson County Journal, Sylva.
Poet, J. D. Boone, Carolina Mountaineer, Waynesville.
Orator, Horace Senelle, Canton Observer.

Others present not mentioned in the list of officers were:
E. B. Gilbert, Madison News Record, Marshall; J. E. Craigmiles, Mitchell County Banner, Bakersville; Ed. Pugh, Cherokee Scout, Murphy; J. H. Shelton of the Black Mountain News. Informed the association that he wished to be enrolled as a member since he was detained on account of illness.

The association appointed Edwin Gill of the Asheville Advertising Agency as representative in the field of foreign advertising and as purchasing agent for the newspaper men should they decide to buy co-operatively.

CHAPMAN MEMORIAL UNVEILED MONDAY

Interesting Unveiling of Tablet to Memory of Wife of Rev. C. D. Chapman—Dr. Hunt's Tribute.

The bronze tablet in memory of Mrs. Frances Eugenia Chapman, who died on March 28, 1915, was unveiled at the high school building on Monday afternoon by the Brevard Betterment association, of which Mrs. Chapman was for a long time president.

The exercises were held on the second floor of the school building and were attended by the teachers, pupils and a large number of friends of the deceased.

The ceremonies were directed by Mrs. Jos. S. Silverstein, who in calling the meeting to order briefly stated the object of the occasion and which Rev. A. W. McDonald led in prayer, which was followed by the favorite song of the deceased, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

Wm. E. Brees, Jr., in a few well chosen words highly extolled the life of Mrs. Chapman and told of her good works, conspicuous among which he mentioned her accomplishments in bringing about closer relations between the denominations of this community.

The veil was removed from the beautiful bronze tablet by Miss Henrietta Chapman, godchild of the deceased.

Miss Silverstein read a tribute prepared by Dr. C. W. Hunt.

The tablet, which was placed in the hall on the lower floor bears the following words:

In Memory of Frances Eugenia Chapman, President of the Betterment Association, 1907-1915.

Dr. Hunt's tribute, as read by Mrs. Silverstein, follows:

"In paying tribute to the memory of our departed friend, Mrs. Chapman, I feel that one word, when taken in its full meaning, would express our feelings—that one word, love. We loved her and she loved us, and only in our hearts can we read her true worth to us all when in our midst, and our loss now that she is with us no more."

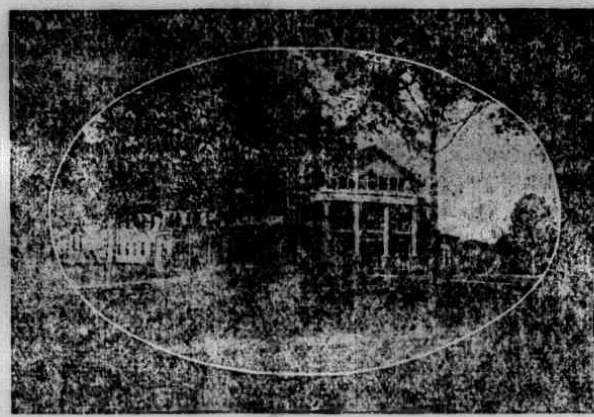
"This lasting tablet of bronze is dedicated to her memory by her grateful friends, cannot record her blessed memory more permanently than it is graven upon our hearts. Our hearts will ever love and cherish her memory, her model life, loving deeds, helpful to all. A devoted wife, sharing and lessening her husband's cares and trials, as a mother her love and devotion was unending; as a neighbor and friend she gave that sincere devotion only found in an unselfish heart, a heart filled with devotion to her family, church and community and love for all mankind. A heart that tried her to works of charity and love when patiently borne sickness sapped her strength, hiding her own suffering, she daily labored in her chosen field. She did good in all seasons; during the pitiless winds and cold of winter she bestowed comforts upon the needy. She loved her neighbor, the beautiful mountains and their people. Little children she loved most of all; for them she always had a kind word and a smile, and when needed a helping hand.

"The flowers of the sweet summer time will ever speak of her, for were not these messengers of love and comfort from her devoted hands to the little sick children to whom she was ever a ministering angel of love? I feel that all little children, so dearly loved, will think of her whenever they see the sweet flowers bloom.

"As in life, so in death was she an example to us all—her patience and fortitude during days of intense suffering borne up by faith, born of a life of rectitude and righteousness. Faith that she was entering upon that eternal life prepared for the just, she held death as a servant, not as a victor.

"Death to this well spent life was its crowing glory."

W. A. Davidson Gets Lease on The Franklin



W. A. Davidson of Jacksonville, Fla., who ran the Franklin hotel of Brevard last summer, has leased this popular hostelry for a period of five years.

Mr. Davidson writes R. L. Gash of the new lease and states that he expects to visit Brevard about the first of May and make some improvements under contemplation.

Mr. Davidson while conducting the Franklin made numerous friends last year who will be interested to learn that he has leased the property from the Southland Trust company of Charlotte.

The News recently told of the purchase of the hotel property by the Charlotte firm from Greenville parties.

POLITICAL POT BOILING OVER IN TRANSYLVANIA

Nine Candidates Throw Hats in Ring and Bee Is Buzzing Loudly Around Heads of Aspiring Fellows.

The News this week carries nine announcements from democratic candidates for office in Transylvania and the political bee seems to be buzzing loudly in other quarters.

Would be officeholders have not announced for the important positions of county commissioner and representative in the general assembly.

For the place of county representative, the race seems hard to break, but the names of George Wilson, Ralph Zachary and Ora L. Jones have been mentioned.

It is understood that T. S. Wood will ask the people to support him for nomination for the office of commissioner, but no announcement has been authorized.

Cos Paxton is understood to be grooming for the office of sheriff, but no official announcement has been authorized.

The "deer pepet" as well as the would be hunters, alias bosses, are beginning to gather in little knots around in such alleys, offices and some times on the square, so it is believed that the "official" slate will soon have been perfected and doped out to the voters.

PLAN SINGING SCHOOL

A number of Brevard people are interesting themselves in having an interdenominational singing school here this summer. Subscriptions are being received for the school, the date and details of which have not been arranged.

BREVARD INSTITUTE NOTES

Prof. Trowbridge went to Lake Toxaway last Thursday to take part in the closing exercises of the Lake Toxaway School.

Miss Maud and Carrie McNeely spent the week-end at the home of their parents in Lake Toxaway.

The Institute sent off Monday a large exhibit from the various departments to Atlanta, to the Woman's Missionary council or the M. E. Church, South, in session there.

Miss Louise Williams, a former student from Lake Toxaway, came in Monday to remain through the spring term.

The Adelpian society will give a program, Saturday, March 25, at 7:30 o'clock, open to patrons and students and invited guests of the Adelpians.

The honor roll for February includes the following names: Fannie Bane, Lamar Galloway, Ruth Brooks, Thelma Parker, Roby McLean, Abnerene McCraw, Maggie Nance, Fannie Webb.

MERCHANTS PLAN TO GET OUT ALL THE DEADBEATS

Movement on Foot to Publish Credit Rating Book of Buying Public Throughout Transylvania County.

J. C. Bell of the Merchants Mercantile Agency in Brevard and other parts of the county working up a book with reference to the credit standing of the people.

It is desired that the merchants join the agency and furnish information as to the promptness and ability of people to pay their debts. This is to be compiled in book form for the information of business and professional men joining the agency.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL VISITED CONVICT CAMP

Members of the Brevard Baptist Sunday school went to the convict camp at Conestee Sunday afternoon and led by the pastor, Rev. A. W. McDonald, conducted services for the benefit of the convicts.

Six automobile loads of people went and the convicts were taken from their tents by Superintendent Reid and placed where they could enjoy the services, which consisted of prayers, songs, talks and a short sermon from Rev. Mr. McDonald.

ROAD OVERSEERS USING MACHINERY TO GOOD EFFECT

Van Whitmore, road overseer for Brevard township, is using the road scraper to good advantage of late. Some of the leading roads of this township have been placed in fair condition by the use of the scraper, which has slightly crowned the roads and has filled the ruts.

Mr. Whitmore has used the road machinery and road hands recently on the Rosman, Charlie Orr, Mill Hill, Elm Bend and Asheville roads. He reports road activity in adjoining townships.

NEGRO POLITICAL DELEGATE

(Spartanburg Herald.) Twenty-eight negro delegates from the Fourth Congressional district, which includes Spartanburg, Greenville, Laurens and Union counties, met yesterday morning in the negro Odd Fellows' hall on South Church street, and elected James A. Briar of Greenville a delegate to the national republican convention in Chicago. Briar will go unaccompanied.

TRANSYLVANIA BOYS NOW IN WASHINGTON

Elzie B. Cox Writes News About What Transylvania County Boys Are Doing in the Golden West.

Editor, News:

In writing a few words to the people in my home town, I want first of all to congratulate you people of Transylvania county for being able to get and keep such a big, able, broad-minded editor as you have had since the Sylvan Valley News was first established. The growth of any town is due first of all to a live and wide awake newspaper, and its editor is its chief asset, and we Transylvania boys out here in Washington believe that our people will get behind the new editor and boost him and work hard during the coming year for the success of the Sylvan Valley News.

My brother, Frank W., and I, who are both employed by the State under the Fish and Construction Department here, went over to Morton, which is about one hundred miles south of Seattle, to look after some work in that town. The fish industry in this state is enormous. There are now thirty-five fish hatcheries of which twenty-nine were built by the state and six by the government.

Governor Ernest Lister is making good in all departments. Over in Morton the writer met Paul Orr, son of the late John J. Orr of Transylvania, who is principal of the Morton high school, and as southerners all feel as though they are one large family, Paul suggested that we take a day or two off and he would take us up to Randle and Vance, or what they call the big bottom country, where quite a number of Tar Heels reside. On Saturday morning about 6 o'clock, with the snow 12 inches deep, with a big sleigh and a heavy spoked western harness pulled by twelve composed of Paul and my brother J. Orr, their three daughters, Messrs. Alton, Opal and Berna Orr, and four teachers, Messrs. James Blauitt, Isabel Westing, Alta McLeod and Emma Stenomonson, and Messrs. Archie Moore, Frank W. and Elzie B. Cox, all started for Vance, which is 25 miles east of Morton.

When we arrived at Vance we met our good old friend and neighbor, Clifford Orr, son of Jasper Orr of Brevard, who is one of the most prosperous farmers in the big bottom country. There at Mr. Orr's the writer felt perfectly at ease talking with people from his home town and looking at photographs of old friends in Brevard, one group of which especially appealed to me, being that of the Confederate soldiers reunion at Brevard in 1911.

After supper Clifford joined us and we all went up to the Orr ranch where quite a number of Transylvania people had gathered for the southern round up, and they gave us a royal hearty welcome, which made us feel as though we were back in the "land of the sky."

The following morning we disbanded, part of us going down to Clifford's and some to Henry Moore's. At noon the Morton party took dinner at Randle at the home of Prof. Orr's father-in-law, B. F. Moore.

The following were the Tar Heels and their towns: Mrs. J. J. Orr, widow of John J. Orr; Prof. Paul J. Orr, Jud Orr, and Geo. Orr, his sons; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Orr, and their son and daughter, James and Louise; Mrs. Jennie Orr Green; Mrs. Mildred Green, Messrs. James Green, Julius and Cloud Orr, E. B. and F. W. Cox, all of Transylvania county. Mr. Wimer and Jud Siler of Waynesville.

James R. Justice, a nephew of Joe Duckworth of Brevard, is making good in the stationary and book business; John J. and W. L. Jordan of Bennettsville, S. C., are with the Phillips Shoe Co. here in Seattle. S. H. Morgan of Marietta, S. C., is getting along nicely with the Puget Sound Electric Company. Walter F. Williams of Kesley, S. C., is here attending the Queen Anne High School; Mays Waldrop of Cherryfield, N. C., is working on the city street cars as motorman for the Seattle Electric Company.

With best wishes to the Sylvan Valley News, the paper that reaches the reader, pluses the reader and helps the country grow, grows with the country, clean, broad and progressive.

Respectfully,
ELZIE B. COX.
Seattle, Washington.

CO-OP'TIVE CREAMERY HAS BEEN ORGANIZED

TO HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING ON MONDAY

Backed By Men of Three Counties—Three Stockholders in Transylvania.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Blue Ridge Creamery, co-operative, directors and officers were elected as follows: S. G. Rhodes, president; Mont Brittain, vice president; C. F. Baldwin, secretary-treasurer. The above with the following will constitute the board of directors: Grover C. Glenn, O. E. Blythe, T. P. Ward, Dr. A. S. Wheeler of Baltimore estate.

A draft of by-laws was drawn up and O. E. Blythe and C. F. Baldwin were appointed a committee to complete the draft and submit the same to a lawyer for approval. Several applications for buttermaker were considered, but nothing definite was done. Arrangements were made to take over the property of the Blue Ridge Creamery in Hendersonville on the first of April. The first annual meeting of the stockholders was called for the first Monday in April to be followed by a meeting of the directors. A meeting of the directors and stockholders is called for the 27th of March to complete final details of organization and make the preparations for taking over the plant on the first of April.

This is organized as a co-operative creamery for the farmers of Henderson, Buncombe and Transylvania counties. Transylvania is represented by only three subscribers—Col. S. T. Everett of Pennington and Messrs. J. T. Justus and C. F. Baldwin of Brevard. It is very much to be hoped that more of the farmers of Transylvania will see a light and put their shoulders to the wheel and push the development of the dairy interests, which is of the greatest material interest to every man in our county.

It is the surest route to success in farming and it is the one type of farming that gives the farmer a cash return for his work each month. The co-operative creamery can only succeed by united efforts of those men who own cows and are making butter. Appeals have been made for some time to Transylvania farmers to come forward and take part in the organizing of the co-operative creamery; so far no man has lifted himself out of the uninterested crowd. It is about time that our county showed up a few men who are interested enough in the advancement of the farming interests to take at least one share of stock in this and not look altogether to the absolute assurance of a money return, but give that much help to public spirit in the way of trying to develop a good idea. Six months from now the chances are that the creamery will be much more important to the farmer than the individual farmer will be to it. What it needs help is now when indifference is about the only common quality to be found in our section.

It is very much desired that a few men at least in Transylvania show enough interest in the general uplift to give of their time on Monday, March 27, and attend the stockholders meeting in Hendersonville. Look into the question, and at least show a little human interest in a live progressive movement. It is planned to begin as soon as possible to hold one dairy meeting, or school in Brevard each month for several months, but let the people show the men who have been giving of their time freely for the last six months to start this co-operative movement that Transylvania county is willing to be discovered.

CHAS. F. BALDWIN.