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LIFE AT VADE MECUM

RUSTICATING IN COTTAGE

Party of Eleven Young Ladies Having Perfectly Grand Time—Violent Vicissitudes of Pleasure Poachers.

Eleven young ladies—Misses Margaret and Maud Petree, of Germanton; Harriett Ross, of Walnut Cove; Josie Neal and Rebecca Stack, of Monroe; Mary and Virginia Martin, Bertha and Lou Binkley and Jessie and Blanche Pepper, of Danbury—are spending a week over at Vade Mecum Springs in a cottage, keeping Old Maid's Hall, and having a de-lightful time.

Long had this trip been planned, long discussed, long looked forward to, and every detail carefully arranged. In its contemplation was the very essence of romanticism, and the very core of frantic idealism. Reclining on the verandah of the cottage they would sip pink tea from slender flacons, and watch dreamy-eyed the granite mountain as it wrapped its lordly form in the misty mantle of the valley. The great glorious golden moon would roll over the battlements of Moore's Knob, flooding the landscape with amber, and lighting the circuitous trail for the careful footsteps of multitudinous beaux.

But, alas! how deceiving are the dreams of life when they run up against the stern realities. How fleet-footed is idealism, when fact knocks out fancy.

The first meal, when all the party had gathered round the festive board, was not without incident. Twenty-two eyes stared at each other in horror, which later gave way to mute appeal, and the only word there spoken for full five minutes was: "Lend me the fork."

Suddenly the present disconcertment was rendered of mild consequence when some one chancing to glance out doors, threw up her hands and screamed: "The chicken has escaped." But cooler heads and rare presence of mind prevailed over the general chaos, and the crowd was marshaled into various squads to go in pursuit. By this time the fowl, frightened out of its wits by the pandemonium that had ensued, was making remarkable evolutions, gyrations and other kinds of barn dance on the lawn, not knowing exactly which direction to take. The girls came out at the different doors like Apaches rushing to help their husbands and brothers scalp. Up and down the hill the poor Plymouth Rock was chased and finally caught.

On the second morning the discovery was made that the ants had reached the preserves, that a lizard was in the pantry, and that the bread brought from home was exhausted, and some new biscuits would have to be baked. Minor consternations quickly rose up in rapid succession like this: Somebody had forgotten the salt, a rat had de-

voured the butter, a stick of wood would have to be used for a rolling pin. Seven of the party at once contracted nervous pre-posteration, and went to bed. A Council of Hysterics was called, and after various resolutions and despairs, it was finally unanimously agreed upon to send a committee to a neighbor's house and request the loan of a broom.

The second day passed without serious mishaps, and at a call meeting on the verandah the following resolutions were passed:

1. That we shall abstain from butter. It is not a healthful article of diet, and often produces indigestion.
2. That every person of this assembly who shall wilfully and knowingly scream, except upon appearance of rattlesnakes, lions or mice, shall be fined 10 cents, proceeds to be invested in butter.
3. That mountains shall be of two kinds only: Grand and perfectly grand.
4. That the mails are a fake.
5. That the fruit crop is not as large as reported.
6. That salt is one of the most necessary ingredients of food.
7. That one of the severest tests of human patience and dignity is when the stove pipe falls down.
8. That there is no place like home.

Sandy Ridge Route 1.

Sandy Ridge Route 1, July 21. —Farmers of this section are busy threshing the golden grain. They think the yield is good.

Miss Lelia Joyce gave an ice cream supper Wednesday night, July 20th, in honor of her birthday. Among those present were Misses Kate Martin, Alpha and Dee Brown, Dovie and Lillian Martin, Nannie Lawrence, Lot-tie and Nellie Knight, Louvie Merritt, Ruby Brown, Pearl Rhodes, Messrs. Jas. R. Morefield, H. C. Nelson, Frank, Sam and George Hill, Grover Ferguson, Charlie Martin, Frank Nelson, Charlie Lawrence, Ralph Brown, Jesse Knight, Johnny Moore, Arthur Martin, Joe Aldredge, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown, Mrs. G. F. Brown, Mrs. H. R. Nelson, Mrs. Sam Martin, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Martin. All seemed to enjoy themselves. Miss Joyce received many presents.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Allison, of Rusk, N. C., who have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. G. W. Lawrence, left Thursday for Petersburg and City Point, where they will spend a few days before returning home.

Miss Mary Martin has been on the sick list for the past week. Hope she will soon recover.

A SCHOOL GIRL.

The world's most successful medicine for bowel complaints is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It has relieved more pain and suffering, and saved more lives than any other medicine in use. Invaluable for children and adults. Sold by all dealers.

BIG CROWD COMING

GRAND RALLY AND PICNIC

Prominent State Speakers To Be Present and Address the People—Mayodan Band To Furnish Music—Two Ball Games—Dinner Table Being Erected.

The Farmers' Union people are going to spread it on thick here next Saturday. They are expecting the largest crowd that has ever assembled in Stokes—even eclipsing the crowd at the ex-Confederate Reunion last year and two years ago, when it was estimated that from 5,000 to 8,000 people were present.

One or more speakers of State-wide reputation will be in attendance and address the gathering.

The Mayodan band has been engaged to furnish music for the occasion and a letter received from the manager yesterday stated that they would arrive here Friday night.

The Union has about 2,400 members in the county, and even if the attendance is confined to the membership, a large crowd will be present. But the members are coming and will bring with them their wives and daughters, their children and friends, and if the size of the crowd reaches 10,000 persons, it need not be surprising.

President Amos, Secretary Rothrock, and the other managers of the event, request the Reporter to extend an urgent invitation to the people to bring an abundance of rations to feed the immense gathering. The table is being built, and when completed will be three feet wide and 400 feet in length. The table will be spread in the grove adjacent to the M. E. church, and will be a cool, pleasant place.

Two games of baseball—Walnut Cove against Sandy Ridge and Mayodan against Big Creek—have been arranged for the occasion, both of which promise to be interesting.

NO NOMINATION YET.

Congressional Convention Still Refuses To Name Candidate For Congress—Very Little Change In Vote.

A telephone message to the Reporter from Greensboro today (Wednesday) states that the Democratic Congressional Convention, which met there yesterday for the second time, still refuses to name a candidate for Congress in the 5th District, and that there is very little, if any, change in the vote for the respective candidates over that cast at the previous meeting of the convention.

Announcement.

The mill was started Monday, July 25th.

Yours truly,
C. H. SHEPPARD.

Fruit jars—one quart 60c. half gallon 80c. dozen. Jar rubbers and caps, jelly glasses 25c. dozen. L. R. Coe Dalton.

INSTITUTE CLOSES

TEACHERS RETURN TO HOMES

Prof. Howell Goes to Kinston to Conduct Institute, and Miss Lindsay to Home Near Madison—Two Weeks Of Profitable Work By the Young Men and Young Women Teachers of the County.

The Teachers' Institute closed Friday at noon, Friday afternoon and Saturday forenoon, being taken up with examinations by Prof. Smith of those who wished to be examined at this time. A large number of the teachers underwent the examination.

The close of the Institute was viewed with sincere regret by the people here, as well as many of the teachers. There were some splendid characters in that little band who won lasting friendships among the Danbury people.

It was the consensus of opinion among the teachers that the work done by Prof. Howell and Miss Lindsay had done great good, and that if it is put into practice the public schools of the county will be signally benefited.

At the close of the Institute, the following resolution was drafted and passed unanimously by the teachers:

"Whereas, the 1910 session of the Stokes County Teachers' Institute is now closing after two weeks of efficient instruction, of pleasure mingled with labor, and withal of great intellectual and social benefits and advantages;

"Therefore, Be it resolved that we tender a unanimous vote of appreciation and thanks to our excellent instructors, Prof. Harry Howell, Miss Auvella Lindsay and Supt. J. T. Smith, for their noble and unselfish work.

"We deeply realize the benefits we have received and that the schools of our county will revive if the principles which they have introduced are observed in our teaching. We wish for them the greatest success and happiness wherever the duties of life may call them."

O. L. PULLIAM,
MISS BLANCHE PEPPER.
E. C. BYERLY.

Committee on Resolutions.
Danbury, N. C., July 22, 1910.

Appointments For Speaking.
Mayodan, N. C., July 23.

Editors Reporter:

Please announce in your paper that I will meet the people at the following places:

Pine Hall, Monday, August 1, 2:30, P. M.

Fulp, Tuesday, August 2, 2:30, P. M.

Mt. Tabor, Wednesday, August 3, 2:30, P. M.

Germanton, Thursday, August 4, 2:30, P. M.

Chaffin's, Friday, August 5, 10, A. M.

Isom's School House, Friday, August 5, 3 P. M.

Yours fraternally,
C. W. GLIDEWELL.

25 lbs. best granulated sugar for \$1.45. L. R. Coe.

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SAD AFFAIR NEAR SMITH

Robert Martin, Seventeen-Year-Old Son of Thomas Martin, While Swimming In Pond, Sinks In Sight of Companion—Body Recovered.

Mr. F. L. Moore, of Smith, who spent Sunday night here enroute to Raleigh, tells the Reporter of a sad incident near Smith Sunday morning about 9 o'clock when Robert Martin lost his life in R. W. George's mill pond. Martin, with a younger companion, visited the pond for the purpose of swimming. Martin was warned by the boy to not go in, but heedless, the young man plunged into the water and was quickly carried beneath the surface by a strong undercurrent near the dam. Seeing his associate sink, the boy had the presence of mind to go to his assistance with a boat, but no help could avail, and the unfortunate fellow was drowned. The body was recovered shortly afterwards by friends and neighbors.

Robert Martin was aged about 17 years, and was a son of Mr. Thomas Martin.

A Statement.

Germanton, July 25.

To the Republicans of the County of Stokes:

Since the adjournment of our county convention, I learn there is a report being circulated to the effect that prior and up to the time of the convention I was seeking the nomination for the Legislature; and that I had sent out cards to the delegates to the convention, stating that I was a candidate, and that after I had worked up some sentiment, that on the day of the convention I backed down, and would not allow my name to be presented. Now, in order that I may not appear before my party and the public in general in a false light, I make the following statement:

Prior to the convention I was repeatedly approached by my friends, and asked if I would accept the nomination for the House if the convention tendered it to me, and I invariably told them I was in no sense a candidate, and could not accept the nomination if offered me.

As to the cards, I am informed that there were some sent out to the delegates, and on those cards were written the words "Chap Bodenheimer for the Legislature." This was done without my knowledge or consent, and I do not know who sent them.

I also wish to state that I was not a candidate for commissioner or for any other position. Knowing as I do that the office of county commissioner is a very responsible position, and that the progress and upbuilding of the county is in the hands of the commissioners, I did not feel that I cared to shoulder any of the responsibility. However, as I did agree to accept, and was nominated and I am now in the race, any support that I may receive will be duly appreciated. I trust this statement is sufficient to make my position known to my friends.

Respectfully submitted,
CHAP BODENHEIMER.

TICKET NOMINATED

BY REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

Delegates to Judicial Convention Instructed to Vote for N. O. Petree for Judge and S. E. Hall for Solicitor—Candidacy of Maj. J. E. Alexander Endorsed—Harmonious Convention.

The Republican county convention was held here at the court house Saturday. John W. Kurfrees, of Germanton, acting as chairman of the convention and D. V. Carroll secretary. The convention passed off harmoniously, and the following ticket was nominated:

For Clerk—M. T. Chilton.
For Sheriff—C. M. Jones.
For Register Deeds—W. C. Slate.
For the House—J. M. Fagg.
For Treasurer—Geo. W. Neal.
For Coroner—Dr. R. H. Morefield.

For Surveyor—L. L. Lowe.
For Commissioners—John W. Gann, Thos. M. Lawson and Chap Bodenheimer.

The only contests were between the candidates for Treasurer and County Commissioners. The names of Messrs. George W. Neal, W. M. Mabe and John E. Tilley were placed in nomination for Treasurer, the former winning on the first ballot. Several other candidates for this office did not allow their names to go before the convention.

The names of Messrs. John W. Gann, T. M. Lawson, Chap Bodenheimer, H. T. Corn, J. I. Owens, S. H. Fagg, A. J. Fair, J. H. Covington, J. A. Slate and D. M. Tuttle were put in nomination and voted on for Commissioners. Messrs. John W. Gann and Chap Bodenheimer were nominated on first ballot and Mr. T. M. Lawson won on second. All of the other candidates were nominated by acclamation.

Delegates were elected to the State, Congressional, Judicial and Senatorial conventions. Those selected to the Judicial convention were instructed to cast the Stokes vote for N. O. Petree of Danbury, for judge, and S. E. Hall, of Winston, for solicitor. The delegates were not instructed as to whom they should vote for in the Congressional convention.

Resolutions were passed endorsing the administration of Judge Adams. The candidacy of Maj. J. E. Alexander, of Winston, for State Chairman, was also endorsed, though the delegates were not instructed to vote for him.

County Chairman N. O. Petree and Secretary D. V. Carroll, of the County Executive Committee, were each re-elected for another term.

Fine Crops Everywhere In County.

The condition of crops generally is very gratifying to the farmers. Wheat being harvested shows an unusually large yield, and excellent grain. Corn is probably the best in the history of the county, and the biggest acreage on record. Tobacco is better than an average crop.