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THE BOYS' CORN CLUB

List of McDowell Boys Who Will Join Club and Contest for Prizes—Rules, Etc.

We take pleasure in publishing below a list of the boys of McDowell county who will join the Boys' Corn Club and contest for the State and County prizes. Besides the State and County prizes six cash prizes are offered in the county. Of course every good citizen will encourage the boys who join to do their very best in the cultivation of their acre.

The list will not be closed until February 1, and any others who wish to enter can do so by giving their names to D. F. Giles at his office in the court house, or by writing him a letter, saying that they wish to join the club.

THE PROGRESS takes this opportunity to announce that it will give a five dollar cash prize to the boy who gives the best write-up of how he prepared and cultivated his acre. We will, from time to time, give write-ups and notices of the progress that is being made by the boys in this organization and contest. It is very gratifying to us that this progressive step has been taken in McDowell county.

The list of applicants to the Club follows:

Marion—Roby Conley, Thomas Conley, Edgar Hicks, Ben Price, James Bowman, Fred Crawford.

Old Fort, Route 1.—Harlen Young, Leland Greenlee, James Greenlee, Otis Dobson, Bryan Dobson, Thomas Fleming, Fred Moody, Lester Buchanan, Murray Mackey, Joseph Greenlee, and Fred Biddix.

Dysartsville—Crawford Landis, Clyde Satterwhite, Key Landis, Lennie Cowan, Cronge Laughridge, Pitts Satterwhite, Frank Laughridge.

Craig—Fred Morris, Garland Bright, Oscar Morgan.

Sugar Hill—Robert Hensley, George Marlow, Herbert Wilson, Carl Crawford, Dean Crawford.

Nealsville—Herbert Mosteller, James Bird, Russell Nanney, Fred Morris, Parks Morris, Charley Hensley, Robert Brackett, Ben Goforth and Jesse Goforth.

Ashford—Jay English, Garvel English, Vernon Wilson, McKinley Lonon, Harry Caldwell, Sam Brown, Earl Swofford, Alvin McGee, Green Chapman.

Old Fort—Forest Lytle, Roy Hensley, Frank Thompson, Harry Burgin, Hugh Hensley, Floyd Vess, George Lytle.

Old Fort, Rt 2—A. T. Lytle.

Nebo—Everett Padgett, Berry Hunter, Tom Stacy, Fred Hensley.

Dome—Bert Ledbetter.

Black Mountain—Fred Garrison.

RULES OF CONTEST.

1. All members must be under 18 years of age, August 1, 1912.

2. Each boy must plant one acre of corn, (4840 sq. yds) doing all the work himself, except that small boys may hire their land broken.

3. Each member must keep a record of his work, amount of manure, and fertilizer used and make out a report on the special blank which will be furnished him.

4. Each member must read the instructions sent him by the Department of Agriculture.

Bridgewater News.

Bridgewater, Jan. 23.—Miss Florence Hemphill spent last week at Shelby with her sister Mrs. Geer.

Lillie and George Hunter attended the funeral of their grandmother Mrs. Sarah Haliburton at Nebo last week.

U. E. Ballore, of Winston-Salem, spent Thursday night here with relatives.

W. Lyerly made a business trip to Asheville last week.

Miss Cordie Simmons, of Raleigh, is here visiting home folks.

Rev. Weaver of Nebo failed to fill his regular appointment here at the Baptist church the second Sunday. The crowd was very much disappointed. We shall expect him the second Sunday in February.

Mr. Weslie Snipes has been seriously ill for the last week but is slightly improving now.

A. E. Rowe was in Glen Alpine on business last week.

J. N. Yelton was in Marion for a few days this week.

Dr. Riddle of Morganton was up to see Mr. Robinson who is seriously ill with heart disease.

W. W. Hemphill spent Monday in Marion.

Misses Olivia Patton and Iowa Sigmon of Nebo visited friends in Bridgewater Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hildebran of Purcellville, Va., are here visiting.

Katherine Lyerly, the two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Lyerly, while running about the room fell against the heating stove and was very badly burned last week.

Mrs. C. D. Hemphill went to Marion Saturday.

A. P. Hunter spent Saturday in Marion.

Miss Pearl Tate owing to ill health resigned her school work where she has been teaching in North Cove.

Rev. Higdon of Morganton preached here at the Presbyterian church Sunday 21st. He will preach here regularly every third Sunday. We are awfully glad to have him with us as our church has been without a pastor for some time.

Mrs. Florence Boyd of Richmond, Va., was here for a few days last week.

BETTY.

Garden City Tidings.

Garden City, Jan. 22.—Well, Mike failed to appear last week as it has been so cold the poor old fellow has not been able to do much but sit in the corner and shiver and grunt with "rheumatiz."

Those of our neighbors who have been on the sick list for the past week are H. A. Gibbs, Miss Dora Gibbs and little Ruth Hennessee, but we are glad to be able to report them all improving.

Frank Poteat's family are all sick with measles.

We were pained to learn that the infant child of Ed Long was seriously but we hope not fatally burned last week. We have not heard exactly how it occurred but hope it's recovery will be speedy.

W. E. Brown and family have moved to their new home in Henderson.

John Elliott of the Marion graded school, visited homefolks here Saturday and Sunday.

Frank Chapman made a business trip to his place on the creek Thursday and Friday. We are expecting him to move his family here in April.

MIKE

Dr. Pratt Convalescent.

Chapel Hill, Jan. 20.—Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, who has recently undergone an operation at Rex Hospital, is now convalescing, and expects to be able to return to his duties within the next week or ten days.

CONGRESSIONAL TALK

Hon. W. T. Crawford May Enter Race—Receptive Candidates Are Looking On.

Increased impetus has been given to congressional situation in the "scrapping tenth" by the arrival of Congressman Gudger from Washington.

There are respective candidates looking on with keen interest, it is said by those who claim to be on the inside of the political arena.

Some of the intimate friends of Samuel L. Rogers, of Macon county, formerly corporation commissioner, say that they would not be surprised to hear of his announcement as a candidate at any time. Mr. Rogers recently spent several days in and around Asheville. While here he stated that he would act in the matter according to the wishes of his friends.

Considerable importance has been attached to the report that Judge J. H. Merrimon, of Asheville, is a receptive candidate, and it is understood that such a report has not been limited to Buncombe county.

As some of his friends in other parts of the district have called on him in regard to his probable candidacy. When seen by a Citizen representative, Judge Merrimon stated that he was not a candidate for the nomination, that he was not a congressional aspirant and was expecting nothing along this line, but would state, as he had stated to inquiring friends heretofore, that if the nominating convention should get into such a turmoil that a nomination could not be reached among the candidates, he would accept the same, but he wanted it understood that he was not seeking the nomination.

Commissioner of Labor and Printing M. L. Shipman, whose name has been mentioned in connection with the congressional race, has set at rest all rumors as to his probable candidacy by declaring that he is satisfied with his present position.

Solomon Gallert, of Rutherfordton, who was in the race against Mr. Gudger two years ago, has declared himself out of the race, so has Walter E. Moore, of Jackson county, but Solicitor Felix Alley, of Jackson county, has not committed himself, which some interpret as meaning that he is surveying the situation carefully.—Asheville Citizen.

News comes from Waynesville that former Congressman W. T. Crawford is considering many appeals and that he may soon enter the congressional race.

Less Whisky, More Beer.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The American people consumed considerably less whiskey but a good deal more beer during December, 1911, as compared with the closing month of the previous year, according to reports to the bureau of internal revenue.

The tax paid on distilled spirits—whiskey, etc.,—withdrawn bonded warehouses in December last brought the government \$15,095,000, a decrease of \$1,410,000 as compared with December 1910. The income from fermented liquors, including beer, malts, etc., increased \$228,775, however.

Marion, "Border Land of the Sky."

The Manufacturers' Record will get out a special edition on Feb. 22nd, 1912, relative to the South and its prospective development; a quarter page will be given to Marion and McDowell County, and will no doubt be arranged so as to attract attention to our section of the State. The following will be artistically arranged as descriptive of Marion and McDowell County:

"THE BORDER-LAND OF THE SKY"
MARION, N. C.

Situated at the foothills of the Blue Ridge on two trunk lines of railroad and one branch line, having sixteen daily passenger trains; 8 hardwood manufacturing plants; 1 cotton mill; two banks; two hotels, accommodations the best; fine undeveloped back country of farming, stock-raising and fruit-growing lands; purchasable undeveloped water-power; manufacturing sites for sale along the railroads; cost of living low; labor cheap; local co-operation guaranteed and assured; ideal climate, both Summer and Winter; fine resort country. For full information and particulars write Chamber of Commerce.

Can Ship Boose into Dry Territory.

Beer is a commodity and railroads must carry it when offered for transportation, from one state into "dry" counties of another state regardless of the laws of the latter state. The Supreme Court of the United States made this ruling Monday regarding a proposed shipment from Indiana into "dry" counties.

Rocky Pass News.

Rocky Pass, Jan. 22.—The regular appointment of Rev. D. S. Richardson was filled at Glenwood church Sunday.

Charlie, the little son of J. H. Hensley, has been very ill but is some better.

J. B. Huskins and sister, Ollie, made an extensive visit to relatives at Seveir and Woodlawn recently.

Miss Hattie Haney of Demming visited Misses Ollie and Carrie Huskins, Sunday.

We are glad to see the warm sunshine again after a long season of cold and snow. Hope the roads will soon be much better than now.

Mrs. Mamie Hensley, who has been very ill, is very much improved.

Eck Cooper and family have moved to Marion.

News is rather scarce in this neighborhood as the cold weather has had most of the people snut in.

ROSA.

Examine Your Own Prejudice.

Every one is forward to complain of the prejudices that mislead other men or parties, as if he were free, and had none of his own. This being objected on all sides, it is agreed that it is a fault and a hindrance to knowledge. What now is the cure? No other but this, that every man should let alone others' prejudices and examine his own. The only way to remove this great cause of ignorance and error out of the world is for every one impartially to examine himself.—Locke.

Now is a mighty good time to talk good roads, and we are reminded that it would be a good time to experiment with the road drag in this county. The inventor of the drag says that its use should never be suspended on account of mud. It packs the mud, and a few hours of sunshine and wind make them hard.

Decided Hit.

"Did Algy make a hit at the literary club?" "I guess he did. He pronounced 'Les Miserables' in a brand new way, and then alluded to it as Victor Herbert's masterpiece."

REPORT ON FACTORIES

Interesting Resume of Miscellaneous Manufacturing Plants in North Carolina.

A summary of the reports of 681 miscellaneous manufacturing plants in North Carolina—these not included in the chapters on cotton and woolen, silk and knitting mills and furniture factories—has been issued by Commissioner of Labor and Printing M. L. Shipman, showing 34,269 persons employed, of which 1,256 are women and 1,484 children with high average of wages of males, \$2.61, and women, \$1.45, and low average of men, \$1.01, and women, 91 cents. General improvement in the condition and educational standard of the employee is reported. About half the plants report increases in wages and only one per cent. any decrease at all. As to power, 394 run with steam, 146 with electricity, 26 with water, 29 with both steam and electricity, and the others with gasoline and other power. The aggregate capital reported by 557 of the factories is \$51,787,491, the estimated value of the plants, \$22,858,324, and the output, \$53,152,581. Over 75 per cent. of these factories do not employ union labor.

Commissioner Shipman says it is gratifying to note the variety of articles manufactured in the State, but that there can but be an impression of the many articles that are not manufactured but are imported for the use of the people. Especially in this the case as to canning and preserving plants for foodstuff. He insists that there is an especially great need for very many more plants of this sort.

Bible Class—First Presbyterian Church.

Outline of lesson for Sunday, Jan. 28th. Subject: A day of miracles in Capernaum, Matthews 8: 14-17; Mark 1: 21-34; Luke 4: 31-41. Time: May 28. Place, Capernaum.

1. Jesus and his disciples attend the synagogue on the Sabbath.
2. The authority of our Lord's teaching.
3. The maniac interrupts the service.
4. Healing of the maniac.
5. The miraculous cure in Peter's family.
6. The gathering of the sick at sunset.
7. The early, silent prayer (Mark 1:35).

In this lesson we are to spend a Sabbath with Jesus, going with him to church, listening to his preaching, watching him when, interrupted by the maniac, he cast out the unclean spirit, and made the cure a powerful aid to his teaching. We then go with him to Peter's house and see him cure Peter's wife's aged mother of a fever and then spend the afternoon in quiet rest and friendly conversation. Towards sunset we look out into the beautiful twilight and see men bringing to the house great numbers of people sick with divers diseases and watch them while Jesus lays his hands on them and heals them. It was a wonderful day, an ideal Sabbath day.

Everybody invited. Class meets promptly at 10 a. m.