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BOOK FAIR ATTRACTIONS

A Balloon Ascension Each Day—Singing Contest—Tournament and Other Attractions.

Secretary E. K. Hild reports a number of good, clean attractions which he has booked for the McDowell County Fair. One of the free attractions is a real balloon ascension for each day. The usual paper balloons will also be sent up as advertised. The fair will probably be held on Main street.

An interesting singing contest is promised and all choirs wishing to enter this contest should write Secretary Hild at once. This contest will be held Thursday, October 22, in the court house.

TOURNAMENT.

Besides the foot races and horseback tournaments, prizes will be offered for automobile tournaments. This will be a special feature for Thursday and Friday, the 25th and 26th.

The association was fortunate this year in securing the brass band of Old Fort to furnish music for both day and night.

The enterprising citizens of Marion have been very generous in helping to finance the fair this year. A list of the contributors will probably appear in next week's paper.

Changes in Premium List.

- DEPARTMENT E—LADIES WORK.
- No. 5. Crocketed counterpane, \$1.75, instead of 75c.
 - No. 21. Specimen battenburg, \$1.50, instead of 50c.
 - No. 31. One half dozen crocheted doilies, \$1.50, instead of 50c.
 - No. 33. Embroidered umbrella, \$1.00.
 - No. 34. Embroidered gown, \$1.
 - No. 35. Bureau set, \$1.25.
 - No. 36. Baby's carriage robe 75c.
 - No. 37. Baby's cap, 50c.
- DEPARTMENT I—EDUCATIONAL.
- All prizes go to school children. No others may compete.
- B.—No. 12. Best piece of embroidery, 75c.
 - D.—No. 9. Map drawing, 25c.
 - D.—No. 10. Basketry, \$1.00.
- DEPARTMENT I—SPECIALS.
- No. 4. Best horseback parade of school or club, \$5.00.
 - No. 5. School Busy Work exhibit, \$2.00.

Don't ask if the McDowell Fair is to be as good as usual. Go to work and make it better.

Court in Session.

The September term of McDowell Superior court for the trial of both criminal and civil cases convened here Monday with Judge Webb, of Shelby, presiding and Solicitor Michael Schenck, of Hendersonville, prosecuting on behalf of the State. J. A. Gettys was made foreman of the grand jury and B. T. Daves officer in charge. The criminal docket is made up of the usual number of minor cases, a large number of which was not pressed with leave, alias and continued, and the following have been disposed of:

Charles Sheehan, two cases for retailing, judgment suspended on payment of costs. J. M. Arroywood, c. c. w., judgment suspended on payment of costs. Southern Railway, obstructing public road, not pressed by agreement of defendant to pay costs. Ed. Hall, refusing to work road and two cases for a. d. w., guilty, sentence not yet passed. Bob Trout and Stella O'Dear, f. and a., defendants have married and judgment is suspended on payment of costs. A. B. Burton and Bob Trout, a. d. w., judgment suspended on payment of costs in both cases. Fleming Autry, same charge, not guilty. Whit Owenby and Tom Porter, a. d. w., Owenby fined \$15 and costs and Porter \$20 and costs.

New Election Officers Appointed.

J. P. Hennessee having declined to serve as registrar of North Cove precinct, T. M. Minish is hereby appointed in his place.

S. L. Brown having declined to serve as judge of North Cove precinct, James McKinney is hereby appointed to serve in his place.

W. H. Taylor having declined to serve as registrar of Dysartsville precinct, G. E. Satterwhite is hereby appointed to serve in his place.

W. F. Brown having declined to serve as judge of Nebo precinct, George Simmons is hereby appointed to serve in his place.

F. A. Hall having declined to serve as judge of Buck Creek precinct, Leonard Turner is hereby appointed to serve in his place.

J. W. Wise having declined to serve as judge in Bracketts' precinct, Ben D. Hogan is hereby appointed to serve in his place.

This September 17, 1914.

W. K. M. GILKEY, Ch'm.

MONDAY WAS A BUSY DAY

Political Speaking, Republicans Hold County Convention and Court Convenes.

Monday was a busy day for the politicians. Public addresses by Congressman Gudger, Hon. J. J. Britt and Judge Blythe, and a Republican county convention held the attention of a large crowd during the greater part of the day. Many people from the county were in town, drawn by the political events advertised for the day and by the fact that Monday was the first day of court. A delay in the arrival of Judge Webb gave the crowd the use of the court house until noon.

First came the address of Hon. J. J. Britt, Republican candidate for Congress from this district. He had a large, enthusiastic audience, and among the audience was his opponent, Congressman Gudger. His speech was well pleasing to his friends. He pledged himself to vote for a state-wide primary, and called his opponent to task for accepting mileage and for being absent from so many roll-calls. In the afternoon Congressman Gudger also had a good audience, and all the Democrats praised his speech very highly. He answered Mr. Britt's charge with regard to accepting mileage and being absent at roll-call by reading Mr. Britt's record in the State legislature, which showed that Mr. Britt had done about the same thing so far as principle was concerned.

The second event of the day was the Republican county convention. This was called to order by Chairman C. C. Lisenbee, with W. M. Pratt and E. M. Crawford acting as secretaries. All the precincts were represented except Broad River. Upon motion the chair appointed as committee on resolutions Dr. George I. White, L. W. Williams and D. A. Kanipe. While the committee was preparing the resolutions Judge Blythe, of Hendersonville, Republican candidate for solicitor, being present, was called upon for an address. The resolution committee reported the following resolutions, which were adopted unanimously:

We, the Republicans of McDowell County, in convention assembled, this the 21st day of September, 1914, do hereby resolve that:

1st. We heartily endorse the wise

and economical course that our county commissioners have pursued during the present term.

2nd. We favor carrying out the strict provision of the law as to our public schools, and in every instance where they can be improved we urgently demand our officers to do so.

3rd. We favor the election of the County Board of Education and Superintendent of Public Instruction by a vote of the people.

4th. We are unqualifiedly opposed to the use of either money or liquor for the control of elections, and invite the Democrats to join us as heretofore in a written agreement to refrain from the use of money or liquor or any thing else only for legitimate expenses, in carrying on the campaign.

5th. We are opposed to the segregation of the taxes as outlined in the proposed amendment to our Constitution, and pledge our votes against it.

After the adoption of the resolutions, the convention proceeded to the nomination of candidates for the several county offices.

N. C. Jones was placed in nomination for the Legislature, but he declined, giving as his reason his desire live peaceably at home rather than endure the turmoil and worry of a political campaign. W. J. Souther was then nominated, but his name was later withdrawn. At this point J. G. Pyatt was nominated by acclamation.

The convention then proceeded to ballot for Clerk of Superior Court, there being two candidates, E. K. Hild and T. L. Epley. The ballot resulted in the nomination of E. K. Hild, the vote standing Hild 41 and Epley 5.

For Sheriff, J. A. Laughridge was nominated by acclamation; in like manner the following nominations were effected: Register of Deeds, J. Clay Conley; Treasurer, W. H. Hawkins; Coroner, Dr. L. L. Williams. The present Surveyor, A. B. Halford, was defeated by Ernest Crawford. For Commissioners the following names were placed in nomination: A. R. Bird, W. J. Souther, C. A. McCall, M. C. Caldwell, John Lonon, L. A. Chapman and J. M. Kanipe. Kanipe, Lonon and Chapman were nominated. The nomination of Kanipe was made over his protest, and he declared that he would not accept.

The proceedings of the convention were harmonious, there being but little dissatisfaction expressed. It has been hinted that one of the defeated candidates has threatened to bolt his party.

An examination of the above

ticket and a comparison of the same with the ticket nominated by the Democrats last week will convince any one that principles and not men will be the issue before the voters of McDowell county this fall.

Western North Carolina Fair.

Asheville, Sept. 19.—With arrangements rapidly nearing completion for the fourth annual Western North Carolina Fair which will be held at Asheville October 13, 14, 15 and 16, the indications are that the approaching exhibition will be largely attended.

Western North Carolina Day will be observed on October 15, and plans are going forward to make this a gala day at Asheville. For the accommodation of the immense throngs which are expected to go to Asheville from all of the surrounding counties, the management of the fair association has perfected arrangements for the operation of special trains on the Southern railroad, and the trains doubtless will be largely patronized.

The North Carolina Department of Horticulture, the Southern Railway Domestic Science, fruit culture and dairy exhibits and the State Test Farm special exhibits have secured space at the fair believing that they will be able to reach thousands of people in this manner. These exhibits are of great educational value to the housekeepers, agriculturists, horticulturists and stock raisers of this section of the State, and the management is fortunate in securing them for exhibition at the approaching fair.

Of more than ordinary interest is the announcement that Martin's Fireworks company will make a pyrotechnical display each evening. This concern is one of the best known in the country, and was secured at great expense.

Entries are being received from several of the counties of Western North Carolina, and so great is the volume of entries that it has been necessary to increase the floor space of several of the departments.

A collision of steamers on the St. Lawrence river Saturday resulted in the drowning of 14 persons, members of the crews and members of families of lighthouse keepers.

Get ready for the McDowell fair!

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

REMEMBER we do not hold ourselves responsible if you miss the BEST CHANCE OF YOUR LIFE by failing to attend

The Great McDowell County Fair

At Marion, Oct. 21, 22, 23, 24,

For information and catalogue, write or call on

J. L. MORGAN, Pres.

E. K. HILD, Sec.