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## EDUCATIONAL COLUMN

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### Marion Study Club.

The second meeting of our club was held last Thursday afternoon and proved to be a meeting of meaning and success. Miss Barnard's lesson on "How to Teach Poetry in Primary Grades" was thoroughly "felt, heard and understood." The poem given special study was "The Land of Story Books," which was taught as it should be to children. The teaching of sixth grade English was discussed and plans made for that grade of work. Lastly but not the least enjoyed came the story telling. "The Sleeping Beauty," by Miss Lusk, and "The Red Headed Woodpecker," by Miss Barnard, were told in an entertaining and impressive way.

The program for May 20th follows: Common Mistakes in English, Vera Corpening, Mamie Lusk and Blanche Houk. Study of "Corn Lady." Games for Social Entertainment, Rosa Houk and Grace Lusk. Story Telling by all members. Songs for Intermediate Grades.

All teachers are invited to join us. Rosa Houk, Sec.

### Nebo Study Club.

The Nebo Study Club met on Friday, May 14 at the dormitory at 4 30 p. m. We had a very interesting meeting, although some of our members are away at present on visits. The program was carried out in a very helpful manner. Miss Barnard gave a lesson on "How to Teach Poems." Miss Lottye Wilson had charge of the story telling period.

After singing some songs the following program was decided on for Friday, May 21: History Stories in Primary grades. Study of "The Corn Lady." Each member make school program. Outline of Chapter V in "Teaching the Common Branches." Story telling by each member.

H. L. T.

### Convicts Are Sent to McDowell.

The directors of the State's Prison in session at Raleigh last week made an order for 25 convicts to work on the section of the Central highway between Old Henry station and Ridgecrest where Old Fort township has provided \$20,000 and the Federal Government \$10,000, making \$30,000 that is available, to gather with the work of the 25 State convicts, for the construction of this important mountain link in the highway stretching from the coast at Beaufort across the State to the Tennessee line.

It is understood that as work progresses the state will contribute more convicts as they can be spared.

### Gunter-Mangum.

Dysartsville, May 17.—C. W. Gunter of Old Fort and Miss Maggie Mangum of this place were married Saturday at the residence of Rev. J. R. Denton, who performed the ceremony. Those present were Miss Ethel Gunter of Old Fort, sister of the groom, Mrs. S. S. Denton, Mrs. J. B. Daves and Miss Inez Daves of Dysartsville. Many congratulations. May long life and much happiness be their lot.

### Complimentary to Miss Gibbs.

Referring to an entertainment at Virginia Interment College, Bristol, Tenn., one night last week, in which Miss Pearl Gibbs of this place was one of the performers, the local paper's account of the recital contained the following, which will be read with interest by Miss Gibbs' many Marion friends:

"Last night there occurred at Virginia Interment College another very interesting recital in which the performers were Miss Pearl Gibbs, pianist, and Miss Virginia Beverley, violinist. A large and appreciative audience was present and applause and flowers were in plentiful evidence.

"Miss Gibbs played five piano selections in which she displayed unusual keyboard confidence and marked technical finish. Variety of style was not lacking in her selections and Miss Gibbs rendered them with a splendid degree of tone graduation reaching from the most subdued pianissimo, in the Berceuse to the big forte passages in the Polonaise which she played with verve and martial swing. The young pianist gave a splendid account of herself in the Il Trovatore fantasia which was given an intelligent interpretation in which appealing emotion as well as fire and dash had ample play."

### State News.

During a ball game at Spencer Cecil Perkinson, a boy, was struck on the head by a bat flung by a batter and his skull was fractured.

The Newton Enterprise will hereafter be a semi-weekly newspaper. George F. Cochran will be associated with F. M. Williams as editor.

A National society to preserve the old Wiley Jones home, for a time the Paul Jones home, in Halifax county, North Carolina, has been organized.

The Cannon Manufacturing Company is reported to have taken over the Kannapolis Mill of the Patterson Manufacturing Company. The consideration is said to have been \$245,000.

Maurice Bill, a well-known farmer and trucker of Cumberland, was attacked by two negroes one night recently near Fayetteville while driving home.

The negro population in North Carolina in 1910 was 697,843, that being 31.6 per cent of the total population, and 144,123 of that number were mulattoes. There were 339,581 males, and 358,262 females.

The Salvation Army entertained about 150 children of the Edgemont section of Durham at a picnic. This occasion was one of the annual spring picnics or "treats" for the little folks of the mill section of the city.

Washington.—A most encouraging crop statement, just out, estimates that the wheat crop of North Carolina will be 11,000,000 bushels at \$1.50 per bushel this year against 7,332,000 bushels at \$1.12 per bushel last year.

The work of rebuilding the Asheville-Weaverville highway which recently was authorized by the board of county commissioners and which will be carried forward at a cost of approximately \$35,000 has been started.

Miss McCormick, 19-year-old daughter of Dan McCormick, of Woodlawn, who accidentally shot herself in the left hip one day last week with a pistol, is reported as getting along very well and will recover.

Reports from London would indicate that the militant suffragettes have been lost in the excitement.

## NEWS FROM THE COUNTY

### Brief Mention of Some of the Happenings in McDowell County—Items About Home People.

#### BRIDGEWATER

Bridgewater, May 18.—Miss Rebecca Hennessee of Garden City is here where she will spend a few days with her aunt, Miss Carrie Tate.

Mr and Mrs. Charlie Scott of Glen Alpine, spent Sunday here with the latter's sister, Mrs. Abner Seals.

Miss Cora Ballew of Harvard is here visiting relatives this week.

Fred Wakefield, of Joy, visited friends here Sunday.

M. F. Tate and daughter, Miss Carrie, spent the week-end at Glenwood.

Miss Lou Giles and brother, Mark, and Earl Austin of Gibbs spent Sunday in Bridgewater with friends.

Bob Kincaid made a business trip to Glen Alpine Saturday.

Miss Cecelia Ballew was shopping in Morganton Friday.

Harrison Winkler has returned to his home in Lenoir after spending a few days here with his father.

Miss Ruth Martin is visiting in Marion this week.

#### HARMONY GROVE

Harmony Grove, May 17.—Miss Margie Bowman, and Mr. William Lawing, both of this place, were married at Nebo May 6th, Rev. G. H. Weaver performing the ceremony. Their many friends wish them a long and happy life.

Miss Zeldia Yelton left Sunday for Asheville, where she will take up work. The hour for Sunday school at the Baptist church has been changed from ten o'clock to nine-thirty Sunday morning.

A. J. Simmons of Chapel Hill is spending some time here with relatives.

The people of this community are rejoicing that work on the good roads is almost completed.

#### SUNNYVALE

Sunnyvale, May 15.—We have been having some rainy weather this week.

Miss Emma Murphy of Busick was a visitor here this week.

Little Geneva Elliott has gone to Old Fort to make her home with Mrs. Carrie Burgin.

Alonzo Good of Armstrong was here on business this week.

John McFalls lost a fine cow last week.

A drove of cattle belonging to Messrs Morgan and Conley passed here this week enroute for the Blue Ridge where they will be put on pasture.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Sowers, a son.

#### Farm Notes.

The sale of shorthorn cattle at Asheville last week proved satisfactory and interesting to buyer, seller and visitor. The fifty-five head averaged \$120, the highest price paid being \$200 for a six-months-old bull.

A little "dubbins" rubbed in the horses ears will keep the gnats away. The evil smell of the fish oil does the work. Five cents worth will last all summer. Many thanks to William Clark for the above. Try it. A merciful man is merciful to his beasts.

B. G. Conley finds plaster keeps off the striped cucumber beetle that get on all vine crops. Any dust as soot, ashes, air slacked lime or road dust helps. The dust formed by frequent swing of the soil is good. Pull the dirt up close to plants to protect the stem.

#### W. R. BAILEY,

#### Farm Demonstrator.

#### Weather Report.

Thomas McGuire, Sergeant U. S. Army, reports the temperature and rainfall at Marion station for the week as follows:

Maximum,	89 degrees
Minimum,	49 degrees
Rain,	0.82 inches
Sunshine per cent	.85

### Planning for Fifth Annual Fair.

The McDowell County Fair officials are making definite plans for the next fair which will be held here about the middle of October. The premium list is being revised now and suggestions as to changes or additions to the list should be handed to the secretary, Byron Conley, as early as possible. Several of our subscribers have made inquiry as to whether McDowell would have another fair this year, and the officials have answered: "Yes, the biggest, best and brightest fair ever held in our county."

This means, of course, that the farmers, house wives, teachers and others must all co-operate with those in charge and bring exhibits truly typical of McDowell's great resources. Try to make this your fair by taking an active interest in it.

### Congressman Britt Has Secured Four Rural Routes.

Asheville Gazette-News.

Congressman James J. Britt has just received notice from the post-office department at Washington of the establishment of four new rural routes in his district. One of the routes is from Weaverville; one from Culberson, Cherokee county, and two from Nebo, McDowell county.

These routes will go into effect just as soon as the boxes are erected and the other preliminaries arranged and will supply approximately 350 families.

### North Carolina Market.

Asheville—Cotton, 94c; corn, 94c-1.02 1/2 bu; oats, 70c bu; beans, 12 bu; peas, 12 bu; sweet potatoes, 75c-1.10 bu; Western creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15-17 1/2c doz.

Charlotte—Cotton, 94c; corn, 94c bu; soy beans, 11.75 bu; sweet potatoes, 1.50 bu; Western creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15c doz.

Durham—Cotton, 94c; corn, 1.10 bu; oats, 68c bu; peas, 12 bu; sweet potatoes, 1.20 bu; Western creamery butter, 35c lb; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 17 1/2c doz.

Elmore—Cotton, 94c; corn, 1.10 bu; oats, 75c bu; peas, 12 bu; sweet potatoes, 1.10 bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 20c doz.

Fayetteville—Cotton, 94c; corn, 94-98c bu; oats, 65c bu; peas, 12 bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15c doz.

Greensboro—Cotton, 94c; corn, 1.10 bu; oats, 70c bu; sweet potatoes, 1.25 bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15c doz.

Hamlet—Cotton, 94c; corn, 1.05 bu; peas, 12 bu; sweet potatoes, 1.25 bu; Western creamery butter, 35c lb; N. C. creamery butter, 34c lb; eggs, 20c doz.

Hendersonville—Corn, 90c bu; oats, 72c bu; soy beans, 12.25 bu; peas, 12.25 bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15c doz.

Lumberton—Corn, 1.10 bu; peas, 12 bu; eggs, 15c doz.

Maxton—Cotton, 94c; corn, 1.02 bu; oats, 75c bu; soy beans, 12 bu; peas, 12.25 bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15-20c doz.

Monroe—Corn, 1.10 bu; peas, 11.75 bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15c doz.

Newton—Cotton, 94c; corn, 1.10 bu; peas, 11.75 bu; eggs, 15c doz.

Raleigh—Cotton, 94c; corn, 92c bu; oats, 68c bu; peas, 12 bu; sweet potatoes, 1.50 bu; Western creamery butter, 34c lb; N. C. creamery butter, 31c lb; eggs, 18-20c doz.

Rutherford—Cotton, 94c; corn, 1.02 1/2-1.05 1/2 bu; oats, 69 1/2c bu; peas, 12 bu; eggs, 15c doz.

Scotland Neck—Cotton, 94c; corn, 90c-1.10 bu; oats, 70c bu; soy beans, 12 bu; peas, 12 bu; sweet potatoes, 1.10 bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15c doz.

Statesville—Cotton, 94c; corn, 90c bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15c doz.

Vanceboro—Cotton, 94c; corn, 90c bu; oats, 80c bu; soy beans, 11.50 bu; peas, 12.50 bu; sweet potatoes, 60c bu; Western creamery butter, 33 1/2c lb; eggs, 15c doz.

Wadesboro—Cotton, 94c; corn, 92 1/2-98c bu; oats, 67-69c bu; peas, 12.25 bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 15-18 1/2c doz.

Wilmington—Cotton, 94c; corn, 96c-1.10 bu; oats, 72c bu; soy beans, 11.50 bu; peas, 12.25 bu; sweet potatoes, 1.10 bu; N. C. creamery butter, 35c lb; eggs, 20-25c doz.

Wilson—Cotton, 94c; corn, 90c bu; oats, 67 1/2c bu; soy beans, 12.25 bu; peas, 12.25 bu; Western creamery butter, 34 1/2c lb; N. C. creamery butter, 33 1/2c lb; eggs, 15c doz.

Hickory—N. C. creamery butter, 31c lb; eggs, 15-17c doz.

Roanoke, Va.—Cotton, 94-94c.

Chicago, Ill.—No. 2 white corn 79 1/2-76c (delivered in Raleigh 93 1/2-90 1/2c); No. 2 yellow corn 79-76c (delivered in Raleigh 93 1/2-90 1/2c); butter, 22-25c (creamery); eggs, 15-18 1/2c (fresh).

New York—Butter 31c (extra); eggs, 22-23c (extra).

New Orleans—Butter, 30 1/2-31c (fancy creamery); eggs, 15 1/2c (Western).

The Southern Baptist Convention, now in session at Houston, Texas, decided to hold its next meeting at Asheville, N. C.

## STATE NEWS OF THE WEEK

### Items Concerning Events of Interest and Importance Throughout the State.

The State Department of Agriculture is of the opinion that with fair seasons there will be a full fruit crop throughout the State.

Mr. N. J. Rouse of Kinston thinks he could win the Democratic nomination for Attorney General, but has decided not to be a candidate.

Franklin McNeill, late chairman of the corporation commission and now a practicing attorney in Raleigh, is the latest suggestion for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination.

The truck crop specialist of the bureau of crop estimates of the Department of Agriculture reports that North Carolina has 5,100 acres in watermelons and 2,250 acres in cantaloupes this year.

A charter was issued Thursday for the Biltmore Hay and Grain company, of Biltmore, capital \$10,000 authorized and \$1,000 subscribed by Clarence McCall, C. S. Reed and others.

Jo. M. Morgan, who worked under many aliases and made a specialty accident insurance companies, was arrested in Charlotte Saturday for using the mails to defraud and is in jail. Morgan, it is said, claims to have secured \$50,000 to \$60,000 from accident companies by fraudulent methods.

Annie Wilson, daughter of G. W. Wilson, a prominent farmer residing four miles from Newton, was killed by lightning Saturday morning when a bolt struck the barn at the Wilson home, setting it on fire. The flames were extinguished and medical aid summoned, but the child was quite dead.

A bucket of dirty water was the unusual weapon used in an assault on Mrs. Texana Pate by S. O. Brink, according to evidence introduced in the Buncombe Superior Court in Mrs. Pate's case against Brink, in which she was awarded damages in the sum of \$1,800 for injuries sustained as a result of the assault and slander at the hands of the defendant.

In the Supreme Court room in Raleigh Wednesday evening, the bust of the late Judge W. P. Bynum was formally presented to the State. It is the gift of the North Carolina Bar Association. Hon. Thos. Settle spoke on the life and character of Judge Bynum, J. Crawford Biggs of the Bar Association made the presentation address and Gov. Craig the address of acceptance.

Congressman Robert Newton Page, of the Seventh North Carolina district, has definitely decided not to become a candidate for the governorship to succeed Governor Locke Craig. He has made known his determination in a letter to a friend in the state, and thus puts an end to the gossip and speculation which has been rife coupling him up in a race with Attorney General Bickett and Lieutenant Governor Daughtridge. He gives as his reasons the fact that he will be busy in Washington with his congressional duties during the time it would be necessary for him to make the campaign, and that he will be of more value to his constituents in his present position.