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## EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

**Teachers' Institute Next Week—**  
Closing Exercises at Old Fort and Glenwood Friday.

The Teachers' Institute at Marion will begin Monday, April 24, and continue two weeks. On account of attendance of Supt. Byron Conley and Mr. I. C. Griffin upon the National Educational Association at New Orleans the institute date was changed from April 17th to the 24th.

Instead of working separately as in the normals, the instructors will all have work at different hours every day of the institute. The work will be practically the same as in the normals but in a more condensed form. All teachers who have not attended either Nebo or Old Fort are expected to attend the Marion institute.

There will be a general meeting on May 1, 2 and 3 at which all teachers are supposed to be present. For this meeting Mr. L. C. Brogden and Mr. E. E. Sams, of the State Department of Education, Mr. T. E. Browne and Mr. Oliver, of the State Agricultural Department, and Miss Mary Owen Graham, assistant county superintendent of Mecklenburg county, have been secured for lectures and general information work along the particular lines in which rural schools should be interested. It is urgently requested that all teachers be present.

At Old Fort on Friday, April 21, will be given a closing exercise by the primary and intermediate departments of the Old Fort graded school. The program begins at 7:30 o'clock. "The Cruise of the Trundle Bed," a cantata by the two departments, promises to be especially attractive. In order to help out in stage equipment for another year a very small admission fee will be charged.

Glenwood school will close Friday, April 21. The exercises will begin with an entertainment by the school on Thursday night, the program consisting of songs, recitations and a play, "Out in the Streets." There will be an educational address Friday morning at 11 o'clock followed by a picnic dinner. On Friday night at 8 o'clock the school will give a concert and an interesting program is promised.

The Teachers' Normals at Nebo and Old Fort both closed last Friday. The teachers at both places have done a month of solid hard work, and at both places expressed their pleasure at the work done, and the benefit derived for another year. The place to look for results of these teacher's normals is in the schools this next term, and both superintendent and supervisor will feel in a great degree an immense amount of satisfaction if the teachers by a better and higher grade of work done in the schools this year show that they profited by the efforts put forth by the instructors in these teachers normals.

An entertainment by the primary and intermediate grades of Nebo High School will be given Friday evening, April 21. All are cordially invited to be present.

## Presbytery Adjourns.

Concord Presbytery adjourned Thursday evening at 5:30 after having a very interesting session. From the very beginning business was dispatched with unusual celerity, yet nothing was neglected that deserved attention. One of the most interesting sessions was devoted to the cause of Home Missions, and it is a safe prediction that this Presbytery will in the near future begin some mission work in the South Mountain section in Burke county.

The commissioners to the General Assembly were elected as follows: Ministers: Revs. L. L. More, J. C. Story and C. B. Heller; alternates: Revs. Byron Clarke, C. C. Myers; ruling elders: F. P. Sherrill, J. H. Beal and S. E. Miller

Reports from the several churches in Concord Presbytery are very gratifying, and all the workers feel inspired and encouraged to make improvements along every line during the coming year. The reports are as follows: Churches, 62; ministers, 39; elders, 266; deacons 257; new members added during the year, 629; total membership, 8,374. Offerings as follows: foreign missions, \$11,675; home missions, \$10,415; education, \$11,883; other benevolences, \$1,854; pastor's salaries, \$26,774; incidentals, \$18,392; total, \$80,993. Since there are but 7,490 resident members, this makes an average offering of nearly \$11.00 per member.

An adjourned meeting of Presbytery will be held at Statesville May 16. The next regular meeting will be held at Poplar Tent, September 12.

## Delegates to County Convention.

Precinct meetings for the purpose of electing delegates to the Democratic county convention in Marion on April 22 were held last Saturday afternoon in the different precincts in the county. The delegates chosen will elect delegates to the Democratic State convention.

At the meeting in Marion the following delegates were elected:

B. B. Price, W. F. Wood, John Tate, J. W. Winborne, J. W. Pless, D. E. Hudgins, W. K. M. Gilkey, J. Q. Gilkey, W. W. Neal, G. S. Kirby, W. L. Morris, S. L. Copeland, H. F. Little, Wm. Clay, Fred Hemphill, Thomas Morris, Frank Gibson, G. S. Tate, G. C. Conley, S. E. Whitten, Sam Poteat, G. M. Carson, W. A. Houck, T. J. Gibbs, Frank Dysart, B. P. Davis, E. J. House, W. E. Landis, W. W. McConnell, Thomas Wall, W. H. Hill, Charles Pearson, D. T. Harris, Oscar Atkins, John Hogan, C. E. Warner, J. L. C. Bird, L. E. Turner, R. B. Clark, F. J. Chapman, H. H. Tate, W. O. Leibetter, Arthur Nichols, T. M. Hemphill, W. T. Morgan, Jno. T. Smith, J. W. Streetman, W. B. Ratliffe, M. F. Morphew, J. F. Jonas, G. B. Justice, J. G. Reid, M. L. Justice, Theo. Conley, C. D. Corpening, J. E. Neal, A. L. Gilkey, S. C. Elliott.

Following is the executive committee for Marion: J. W. Winborne, chairman; B. B. Price, G. C. Conley, G. S. Tate, W. W. McConnell, W. H. Hill, W. M. Clay, S. E. Whitten, D. T. Harris, and G. S. Kirby.

G. G. Pendergrass has returned from Miami, Fla.

## NEWS FROM THE COUNTY

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

### NEBO

Nebo, April 17.—The recital given Friday night by the pupils of Miss Pearl Gibbs music class was enjoyed by a large crowd. All the music was good, but special mention must be made of the last piece, "Il Trovatore," by Miss Gibbs.

M. L. Hildebrand and little son, John, of Bridgewater were in Nebo Monday. Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Wilson of Sprucepine are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wilson.

Miss Maggie Goforth and Will Landis of Dysartville attended the recital Friday night.

Reed Harris of Union Mills was a visitor here Sunday.

Rev. A. P. Sorrels preached at the Baptist church Sunday at 11 o'clock to a good sized audience.

Miss Delia Gibbs spent the week-end with her sister, Nelle, who is here in school.

Collett Parks was a visitor in Nebo Sunday.

Miss Ruby Giles spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks at Fonta Flora.

C. M. Hemphill is in Statesville this week.

Mrs. J. S. Bowers and children of South Carolina are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Patton.

### DYSARTVILLE

Dysartville, April 17.—J. F. Parker and family returned home last week after spending sometime with relatives near Old Fort.

C. A. Jaquins is recovering from a stroke of paralysis.

Rev. Mr. Hull is able to be out again after a long spell of sickness.

Mrs. J. W. Jarrett and daughter, Miss Willie, were shopping in Marion Saturday.

C. N. Duvall visited relatives here last week.

Keet Fortune of Virginia visited relatives here Sunday.

The Epworth League was organized here last night. We hope to see all the young people join in and make an earnest effort in doing good work for His cause.

R. E. Roper made a business trip to Morganton last week.

Frank Upton is home from Rutherford College.

H. B. Brackett made a business trip to Marion Saturday.

### TROMPSON'S FORK.

Trompson's Fork, April 16.—Mrs. M. C. Sigmon and daughter, Iowa, and Miss Hattie Taylor were guests of Mrs. A. E. Rowe Monday.

Wesley Janes of Irish Creek is visiting his brother, W. C. Janes.

Dallas Rowe visited homefolks here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. James Mull of Morganton visited her daughter, Mrs. John Cuthbertson, the latter part of last week.

Quite a number of the people of this place attended the recital at Nebo Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Brown were shopping in Marion one day last week.

J. H. Hemphill of Marion visited relatives here Friday.

Robert McGallard, age 72, who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis, died Tuesday at his home near this place. He is survived by a wife and five children.

Robert Toney and Lafayette Simmons made a business trip to Morganton Saturday.

### STROUDTOWN

Stroudtown, April 18.—The Sunday School at Stroud's Chapel is progressing nicely since the spring weather has opened up.

Mrs. Woody Poteat and little son, Harold, left Sunday for Waynesville where she will join her husband who is employed there.

James Hobbs of Bloomington, Ind., is visiting relatives here.

G. L. Poteat is attending Federal court in Statesville.

Mrs. J. M. Earley has been on the

sick list, but is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. Arthur Poteat and Mrs. J. L. Flowers and little son spent Sunday in Asheville.

Mrs. Charles Pendergrass left Monday for Statesville.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Hild and children spent Sunday in Greenlee.

Mrs. Will Earley is on the sick list.

Miss Edna Gibson, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Snipes, attended the burial of Mr. Robert McGalliard at Nebo, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Odom spent Sunday in Stroudtown.

Miss Edna Gibson has accepted a position with S. B. Penick & Co.

## Murder of Mother Charge Against Girl.

Sylva, N. C., April 17.—Charged with the murder of her mother Saturday afternoon, Sallie Bryson, the pretty and intelligent young daughter of Robert Bryson, of Hamburg township, is now in the Jackson county jail.

It is alleged that the girl was reprimanded by her mother for some trifling offense, and, it is said, discharged a gun at her parent while she was sitting at a sewing machine. The gun's contents lodged in the side of her mother's head, causing instant death.

At the coroner's inquest, held yesterday, the jury found that Mrs. Bryson came to her death from the effects of a gunshot wound at the hands of her daughter. The coroner's jury recommended that the girl be held for trial at the next term of Jackson county criminal court.

It is alleged the girl at the first admitted the crime, but later said the gun was discharged accidentally and this is the statement she now makes. There was no one in the house when the tragedy occurred except the girl and her mother.

## Highway Party Here Today.

The inspectors of the State Central Highway are scheduled to arrive in Marion today at 1 o'clock, and a meeting will be held in the court house at that hour. As many citizens of the county and town as can attend the meeting are urged to be present.

The party is composed of Joseph Hyde Pratt, State geologist; Mr. W. S. Fallis, State highway engineer; Mr. J. E. Winslow, senior chief of the National Division of Highway Maintenance, and Mr. James, chief of the division of National Highway Maintenance.

These gentlemen will have something to say about highway maintenance and it is important that as many of our people as possible hear them.

## Franklin May Get \$75,000 Building.

Washington, D. C., April 17.—Congressman Britt and Director of Census Sam L. Rogers, appeared before the public buildings committee house of representatives today and urged Britt's bill to appropriate \$75,000 for site and federal building at Franklin to be included in omnibus public buildings bill. Franklin is Rogers' home town. The committee seemed favorably impressed and agreed to consider the matter seriously.

Pay your poll tax before May 1st or the law says you can't vote in the June primaries or the November election.

## STATE NEWS OF THE WEEK

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

Reports today to Clemson College indicate that about 80 per cent of the peach crop of South Carolina was practically ruined by frosts last week.

Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri, one of the most forceful speakers in the United States senate, has accepted an invitation to speak at Salisbury, April 22. The invitation was extended through Senator Overman.

An amendment to the charter of the Black Mountain Railway company, increases the capital stock to \$1,550,000, of which \$550,000 is six per cent. preferred stock and \$1,000,000 common stock. J. Bis Ray is president.

The Morganton District of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, M. E. Church, is constantly increasing its borders of usefulness. The auxiliaries of this district have undertaken the support of their own individual missionary this year, and at the close of the first quarter, sent in a check for \$375, one-half the sum for the year's salary, one lady sending a check for \$200.—Morganton News-Herald.

## District Meeting U. D. C.

The U. D. C. District meeting will be held in Asheville Friday, April 28. Luncheon will be served at the Langren Hotel at 1:30. Members of the local chapter who expect to attend are requested to notify Mrs. J. W. Pless so the Asheville chapter may make preparations.

Following is the program for the day:

### MORNING SESSION.

Opening prayer.  
Song by the whole meeting.  
"Best Be the Tie That Binds."  
Address, "City Welcome," Mr. A. Hall Johnston.

Vocal Solo—Miss Porter.  
Address, Asheville Chapter U. D. C. Welcome, Mrs. E. B. Glenn.  
Response—Mrs. J. W. Pless.  
Song by meeting, "I'm Gwine Back to Dixie."

Address—Mrs. Laila Ripley Barnwell of Hendersonville.  
Luncheon.

Toast, "Our Veterans and Confederate Veterans' Home," Mrs. C. M. Platt of Asheville.

Toast, "Our Confederate Women and Confederate Women's Home," Mrs. Broadfoot of Black Mountain.

Toast, "Our Boys and Girls", Education, Miss Annie Jean Gash of Brevard.

Toast, "Our Future," Mrs. J. Q. Gilkey of Marion.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

President's report of chapters.  
Business reports.  
Song—"God Be With Us."  
Reception at Mrs. E. B. Glenn's residence.

Vice President Marshall again the running mate for President Wilson and Senator James Hamilton Lewis of Illinois as temporary chairman and "keynoter" at the Democratic national convention is the prospective arrangement for the St. Louis gathering, it is said.