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## EVANGELISTIC INSTITUTE AT SILOAM CHURCH

Interesting Program Prepared for  
Presbyterian Institute Wednesday,  
October 6th.

The following program for Evangelistic Institutes in Concord Presbytery of one day each will be observed in the Siloam Presbyterian church on Wednesday, Oct. 6th:

10:00 a. m.—10:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises.

10:30 a. m.—11:00 a. m.—Address. Subject: The What, Why and How of Evangelism. Rev. Jno. W. Moore, Missionary from Japan.

11:00 a. m.—11:30 a. m.—Address. Subject: Sunday School Evangelism and how to make a Sunday School an Evangelistic Force in the Church. Rev. J. A. McLean, Morganton.

11:30 a. m.—12 m.—General Discussion.

Recess, and Dinner on the ground. 2:30 p. m.—3:00 p. m.—Devotional Exercises.

3:00 p. m.—3:30 p. m.—Address. Subject: How to prepare for and conduct an Evangelistic Meeting. Dr. E. M. Craig, Hickory.

3:30—4:00 p. m.—Address: Subject: How to follow up an Evangelistic meeting in a Church so as to conserve results. Rev. J. C. Story, Marion.

4:00—4:30 p. m.—General discussion.

The Presbyterian churches of Marion, Old Fort, Clinchfield Mills and Sevier are requested to send delegates to this institute. Dr. J. M. Clark will preside.

## WELLS AND ELLIOTT GO TO STATE PENITENTIARY.

Dave Wells, of the North Cove section, who was tried last week for the killing of his son several months ago in his home section, was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to five years in the State penitentiary. The case caused considerable sensation. It was one of those in which women and moonshine liquor played their usual parts.

J. C. Elliott of Knoxville was found guilty of bigamy and received a sentence of eight years in the pen. From the evidence brought out it seems that Elliott was a professional bigamist. Six or seven marriages were accounted for at the trial. The last marriage took place in Marion the latter part of last February when Elliott was wedded to Miss Edith Rice of Kentucky. Miss Rice and her father were present at the trial to testify against Elliott. The case was a hard legal battle and was attended by a large crowd throughout. Elliott made no denial of the charges made against him but pleaded insanity.

## PLAN BEAUTIFICATION OF STATION GROUNDS.

Mrs. Henry Fonde, landscape gardener of the Southern Railway System, traveling out of the general superintendents office at Knoxville, Tenn., was in Marion Tuesday conferring with local agent Flagler with reference to plans for beautification of the station grounds around passenger station at Marion.

A flower bed is being made, and seed bed being made ready along the main line east of the passenger depot. This bed will be about 40 feet long and 7 feet wide. Mrs. Fonde will plant flowers and put out bulbs this fall, that should afford a beautiful bed of blossoms by early summer.

The Southern Railway is doing this work at stations along its right of way, already having lovely gardens at Hickory, Old Fort, Statesville, Swannanoa and other stations on the Asheville division.

It is hoped that the ladies of the Civic Club will co-operate with Mrs. Fonde in this work and assist her in keeping the grounds contiguous to railway grounds clean and attractive in order that persons passing through our city on the trains may receive a favorable impression.

## TEACHERS AND COMMITTEEMEN MEET SATURDAY, OCT. 2

The first general meeting of teachers for the year will be held at the auditorium of the Marion Graded school Saturday, Oct. 2, at 10:30 o'clock a. m. The school Committeemen will meet with the teachers in joint session.

Dr. J. H. Highsmith, of the State Department of Education, will be present and address the teachers and committeemen on school matters. Dr. Highsmith will take up the new salary schedule, certification of teachers and the recent school legislation in detail. He will also speak on other matters of vital interest to those who will attend this meeting. Mr. D. F. Giles, member of the State Board of Examiners, will discuss the work and organization of the professional training of teachers with emphasis on the reading circle. Messrs. Highsmith and Giles are school men who are well known to the profession and those attending the Saturday meeting will be greatly benefited by hearing these educators.

Mr. C. C. Lisenbee, president of the association of School Committeemen, is on the program and will respond on behalf of the school committeemen.

Letters have been sent out by the County Superintendent notifying the teachers of this meeting. Mr. Lisenbee has also written to the committeemen asking for their attendance upon the meeting. It will be the most important meeting of the year as matters that directly affect the educational work in the county are to be discussed. The teachers are required by law to attend and have been so reminded by the County Superintendent. It will be the first joint meeting of teachers and committeemen that has ever been held in the county. It is expected that every teacher and every committeeman not providentially hindered will be present.

## MR. S. B. GRANT PASSES.

Mr. S. B. Grant, aged 78, whose home was in the Cedar Creek section of Rutherford county, died last Thursday morning at 2:30 o'clock. Mr. Grant was well and favorably known throughout not only his home county, Rutherford, but McDowell as well, where he has many friends who will regret to learn of his passing.

Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. Grant had been ill for some time his condition was not regarded as serious until about a month ago when it was realized that he could not live long. His death was caused by kidney trouble.

Mr. Grant was the father of six children, postmaster T. L. Grant, of Old Fort; W. F. Grant, of Marion; Mrs. R. L. Murphy, of Richmond, Va.; Mrs. E. M. Davis, of Marion; L. M. Grant, of Uree; Mrs. W. M. Gilbert, of Chesnee, S. C.

The funeral was conducted Friday by Rev. C. P. Holland of Old Fort and interment was made at Stone Mountain.

Mr. Grant was for many years a beloved and consistent member of the Baptist church.

## HOLLER-PRUETTE.

A pretty wedding was solemnized Saturday evening, September 25, at 7 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. S. D. Boyd, in York, S. C., when Miss Ila Pruette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Pruette, became the bride of Mr. Frank Holler, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Holler, of Marion, N. C. The wedding service was read by Rev. Lisle, pastor of the Baptist church, in the presence of friends and relatives.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Holler left on train No. 35 for a trip to Asheville and other points in North Carolina. After October the first they will be at home in York, S. C., where Mr. Holler holds a position with the Cannon Manufacturing Company.

Their many friends wish them much happiness through life.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE COUNTY

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

#### OLD FORT

Old Fort, Sept. 28.—Miss Lizzie Biddix spent the week-end with Miss Mary Burgin at her home in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Riley have moved into the house belonging to Mrs. John Ray.

Mrs. John Ray has joined her husband, who is doing evangelistic work in Alabama.

George Gildersliene, Mr. Butler, the General Attorney for the Old Fort Tannery, and John Artz, made a trip to Mt. Mitchell last Tuesday.

Miss Emily Mashburn, who is a graduate nurse of the Mission hospital of Asheville, came home Saturday to take a six weeks' rest.

Grayson Bailey has returned from a trip to Columbia, S. C., where he attended the reunion of the 81st division.

Royce McDaniel spent Wednesday in Marion.

The Girls Basket ball team gave an ice cream supper Friday evening on Mauney's lawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Kimball and Miss Bateman of Chicago, went to Ridgecrest on the train and tramped back by way of Catawba Falls, guided by Clyde Miller, Jr.

Clyde Miller, Sr., was suddenly called to Florida on account of the death of his father.

The Green River Baptist Association will convene Thursday, Sept. 30, with the church at Old Fort.

Misses Millie and Bula Kanipe and Mae Allison left Tuesday for Greensboro where they will resume their studies at North Carolina College for Women.

Mrs. W. A. Fleming and son Morris and Mrs. G. I. Stepe and son, Paul, spent Monday in Asheville.

J. H. Horwood, member of State tax commission, passed through Old Fort Monday on his way to Newbern.

Mrs. White and little son of Asheville spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Young, in Old Fort.

Jack Miller of Salisbury spent Monday in Old Fort.

Carl Bradley of St. Louis is at home on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bradley.

Several people from Old Fort and vicinity went to Asheville Tuesday to attend the reunion of the 30th division.

Fred Marley of Lenoir arrived Monday for a brief stay. He is with his sister, Mrs. I. L. Caplan.

#### GLENWOOD

Nealsville, Sept. 27.—Glenwood high school is progressing nicely under the management of the new principal, Miss Celestia Penny, and her associates.

Rev. J. M. Brown is holding a series of meetings at the Clinchfield church.

A. P. Poteat, station agent of the Southern Railway, is planning to look after the fertilizer interest of the farmers in Glenwood this season.

Miss Edith Lonon, of the Glenwood school, spent the week-end with homefolks near Sevier.

Adam Nanney, of Union Mills, brakeman on the Southern railroad, spent a few hours in the village pleasantly Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Goforth visited friends at Union Mills Sunday.

Miss Mattie Tate, of the faculty of the Glenwood high school, spent the week-end with her friend, Miss Elsie Stacy, at Nebo.

Mrs. J. H. Raburn, who has been spending some time with her son, B. F. Raburn, in Columbus, Ohio, returned home Friday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Hoke Brown.

The farmers in this section are busy this week in the fodder fields.

Your correspondent learns that Elliott and Sig Westmoreland were "on the job here" last Sunday.

Miss Vina Raburn of the Rutherford hospital and friend, Miss Elliott, spent the week-end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Raburn.

Miss Freeman spent the week-end with relatives at Logan.

Marion Hogan has purchased the T. L. Upton store house and we understand he will open a stock of goods in the near future.

Miss Gilkey, of Marion, music teacher of the Glenwood high school, arrived today to take charge of the music department.

Mrs. D. J. Hunt and two children, Jessie and Judson, of Cliffside, are spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Gardin.

#### ASHFORD

Ashford, Sept. 27.—We are well pleased to see the beautiful sunshine this morning.

J. O. Wilson made a business trip to Marion Saturday.

Misses Faye and Beatrice Brown spent the week-end with homefolks here.

Mrs. C. W. Wiseman spent the week in Marion visiting.

Miss Alda English spent the week-end with homefolks here.

Bob Carpenter of Johnson City is at home to stay a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin McGee moved to Old Fort last week.

T. D. Crockett spent the week-end with homefolks here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Swofford moved to Pitts last week.

Miss Frances Hicks spent the week-end with homefolks in Old Fort.

Dixon Brown, who has been ill with typhoid fever for some time, is some better.

Mrs. S. M. McCall spent last week with relatives and friends in Erwin, Tenn., Wing and Spruce Pine.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Presley spent Sunday in Avery.

Ray Hoke Brown visited relatives here last week.

Charley Doby left for Erwin, Tenn., where he accepted a position.

#### CHAPEL HILL

Chapel Hill, Sept. 27.—Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Holland and children attended the funeral service of the former's nephew, Private James Holland, who died overseas nearly two years ago. The remains were taken to Nebo and laid to rest Sunday in the family burying ground.

Frank Swann of Marion spent the week-end with homefolks.

Friends of Noah Turner will regret to learn that his health is not improving.

Miss Carrie Bright of Marion spent the week-end with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jamison of Nebo visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. England the latter part of the week.

Our school will re-open Oct. 4.

J. A. Taylor is very sick.

Mrs. T. J. Barnes is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. H. Raburn, at Nealsville.

#### WOMEN TO HEAR VOTING DISCUSSED.

The members of the Women's Democratic Club and all good women of McDowell county are invited to the court house next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. This meeting is called to give to women an opportunity to find out all the things they don't know about, when and where and how to register, about what's a ticket and why a ticket and other things that pertain to the art of voting. Some women may not count it a privilege to vote but every one should realize it is her duty to do so. Interesting speakers will be present to explain and answer questions.

#### PIE SUPPER AND SINGING.

A pie supper and community singing will be given at Glenwood school house Saturday night, October 2, beginning at 7:45 o'clock, in which the patrons and friends of the school will take part. Everybody cordially invited to attend. The proceeds will be used for the athletic club.

#### MRS. SHARPE SPEAKS TO LARGE AUDIENCE.

Mrs. Mary Settle Sharpe spoke to an overflow audience at the court house Monday night. Long before the hour set for Mrs. Sharpe to begin her speech the court house was filled with men, women, Republicans and Democrats.

Chairman C. F. James called the house to order and presented Hon. W. R. Chambers, who in glowing terms reviewed the great achievements of the present day climaxing his remarks with the enfranchisement of the women. Mr. Chambers then introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. Sharpe.

The large crowd furnished the inspiration and the stage was set for a great speech. A woman running for State office added sentiment and furnished curiosity to many. The speech from a political standpoint was a success, a success in that it sparkled with gems of generalities vague and indefinite criticism of the Democratic party for what it had failed to accomplish with no praise for the things that it had done. The speech however drew forth much applause from the Republicans and to add to the novelty of the occasion some Democrats amused themselves by helping with the cheering.

Mrs. Sharpe began by setting up a great ideal of independency for the woman in politics. She ended up in an effort to convince them that the only hope of the country, the future and the women lay in their voting the whole republican ticket from A to Izzard. She criticized the league of nations as being dangerous to the safety of the nation, and lambasted the state democratic inefficiency. Finally getting to the subject that the crowd came to hear her speak on, namely, schools, her endurance seemed to be about exhausted as she told of the poor system of schools in North Carolina and the inadequate salaries paid to teachers. Mrs. Sharpe paid her respects to the re-valuation act and the unnecessary increasing tax burden, but failed to make that part of her speech showing how she expected to increase the salaries of teachers without putting the burden on Mr. Taxpayer.

From the republican point of view the evening was a great success. The votes on election day will show however how much faith the audience attaches to fine speeches of generalities.

#### REGISTRARS FOR ELECTION.

To the Voters of McDowell County:

Notice is hereby given to the voters of McDowell County that the registration books will open Thursday, September 30th, and close October 23rd, in the various voting precincts of McDowell County. They will be opened on Saturdays at the voting place for each precinct. The newly created precincts in Marion and Old Fort townships have had registrars appointed, and all men and women living within those precincts who desire to register or who are qualified voters are requested to register at the new precincts as early as possible. Due notice by publication of these new precincts has been given, and the following registrars for the County have been appointed:

Marion No. 1—C. B. Mitchell.  
Marion No. 2—Chas. B. Corpening.

Marion No. 3—J. B. Farrow.  
Marion No. 4—G. A. Bradley.  
Marion No. 5—J. C. Burnett.  
Buck Creek—D. A. Snipes.  
Turkey Cove—T. T. Wright.  
Cedar Cove—R. T. Avery.  
North Cove—R. H. Hennessee.  
Nebo—J. F. Wilson.  
Higgins—C. B. Morgan.  
Dysartsville—J. D. Laughridge.  
Bracketts—W. C. Rayburn.  
Glenwood—E. G. Goforth.  
Montford—W. M. Wilson.  
Broad River—Jno. I. Nanney.  
Crooked Creek—C. E. Gilliam.  
Old Fort No. 1—L. C. Blackwelder.

Old Fort No. 2—B. C. Harmon.  
B. L. LUNSFORD, Chairman  
MCDOWELL COUNTY BOARD  
OF ELECTIONS.