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The Western Carolina Bible Conference now in session here has come up to the most sanguine expectations of its most enthusiastic supporters. There is no doubt of the fact that we here at Sylva have been enabled through its instrumentality to enjoy the blessings of hearing some of the finest things in the exposition of the Old Testament Scripture and the Gospel of Christ. The majority of the men who have done the speaking and preaching are men who have been given by this section to other parts of the world and who have come back here at this time to give us the benefit of their experience. And every one who has been so fortunate as to attend these meetings has enjoyed them greatly. If you have not been attending the Western Carolina Bible Conference, you have missed much and should try to be present at the rest of the services for it will certainly do you good to come in touch with these men.

Did you ever try to run a Country Newspaper? Possibly some of you did. Well did you succeed in satisfying everybody? Most assuredly you did not. If you did however it was because you weren't worth half the devil your community or else your paper was published in Utopia or you are the biggest liar that ever talked. Not that we are kicking or tired of the job for we are not. It's a heap easier to sort half way run a country newspaper that it is to work for a living, any how a lot of folks are mighty good to us. Believe us it sure does make a fellow feel good to have some fellow that he did not know was his friend to come in and "Put his hand on your shoulder in a friendly sort of way" when you are feeling blue and out of sorts and say "Old man I like you and your paper and I want you to send it to me for another year. Keep on trying. Do the best you can and remember I am your friend." It makes tears start into your eyes and gives you a queer feeling up the middle of your spine. But it puts new life into a fellow and he can go about his work with a song in his heart and work, you can do more in ten minutes that you could in a week before he came and "Put his hand on your shoulder in a friendly sort of way."

The schools at some parts of the county opened for the fall session this week. All reports are to the effect that the prospects are most favorable for a successful year. The Compulsory school attendance law will help some. And a whole lot of responsibility is on the teachers. They have claimed all along that they could not teach children and get good returns out of them when they are absent half the time, and this is undoubtedly true. However this difficulty has been removed by the General Assembly and it is up to the teachers to give us what they have promised. However that is not the point that

we are trying to make. It is this. Nobody can do anything unassisted. A teacher must have the cooperation of the members of the community he is trying to serve or else his school will necessarily be a failure and it won't be the teachers fault. The parents and patrons of a school owe it to themselves, the teacher, society and to the children to get right in behind the teacher and school committee and back them up with their encouragement and their hearts. Your heart must be in your work if your work is to be a success. The most important work in this or any other county is the training of children to be men and women. The teacher can't do it all or anywhere near all. The parents and others of the community must do the major part. Let's all get together and make a record this year in school work that will be a credit to the county and that will prove a valuable asset in years to come.

REST AT LAST

King Death's a friend who puts an end to all our vain endeavor; the beastly grind is left behind forever and forever. Death ends the pain, the grief, the strain, the grasping and the giving; when dead, no more we worry o'er the grievous cost of living. The dead men sleep while planets keep a whirl, each on its axis, they break their hearts to make enough to pay their taxes. They do not sweat o'er dun and debt they have no hope of cashing, or rend their hair in black despair, or keep their mothers man might write like this all night and prove that death's a daisy, but men who shirk life's care and work are timid, cheap and lazy. The men who sigh and wish to die should haste and kick the bucket; if life's a fake that makes them ache, they surely ought to chuck it. The man who's sane does not complain when troubles round him gather; he likes to show his grit and so he whips the whole blamed slather. He lives his life, enjoys the strife, and when it's time to travel, he does a while in flossy style and sleeps beneath the gravel.—Walt Mason in News and Observer.

Secretary of the Treasury, McAdoo has called bankers from fifty-nine cities in the South and West to Washington to confer with him in regard to distributing money in the banks in various parts of the country to assist in handling the crops.

CONTEST DISCONTINUED

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Jackson County Journal Company held here Saturday it was decided that it was best to discontinue the contest that the Journal had just inaugurated. None of the contestants had turned in any votes and therefore can turn in their collections to the Journal and will be paid a commission of 25 per cent on subscription accounts collected and 10 per cent on job work and advertising accounts, or if any subscription, either new or renewal, where the subscriber does not want the paper and only subscribed to assist a friend in the contest, such subscriber can apply to the contest and receiving such subscription and receive his money so paid.

"Were all medicines as mercurious as Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy the world would be much better off and the percentage of suffering greatly decreased," writes Lindsay Scott, of Temple Ind. For sale by ALL DEALERS.

W. N. C. FAIR CATALOGUE

The Journal is in receipt of a copy of the 1913 catalog of the Western North Carolina Fair Association, which will hold its third annual Fair at Asheville on October 7, 8, 9 and 10.

The catalog of ninety-six pages, bearing an attractive picture of four views representative of Western North Carolina on its front cover, is full of interesting information relative to the Fair and in the announcement of a number of new features, bears evidences of a departure in many respects from the stereotyped form of agricultural fairs.

The catalog contains nearly a thousand classes in which different exhibits can be made and for which cash premiums aggregating approximately 4,000 are offered. The number and variety of exhibits for which premiums are offered has been considerably increased over those of last year and the amount of the premiums has been appreciably increased.

The products of nearly every industry or form of human endeavor in this section have been covered by various departments of the Fair which it is predicted will be much larger and more representative of the whole of the Western North Carolina than any previous exhibition.

The Boys and Girls Department is an innovation for agricultural fairs and by reason of the varied line of exhibits for which handsome premiums and diplomas are offered, it is believed that it will finally become one of the most interesting features of the Fair and serve the purpose of interesting boys and girls of this section in those things which will tend to greater progress and development along many lines.

Another new feature of the Fair work is the college scholarship contest in which free scholarships will be given in a number of the leading educational institutions in the State.

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