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WESTERN CAROLINA BIBLE CONFERENCE OPENS JULY 31

Caleb A. Ridley, Walter N. Johnson, W. E. Abernethy, J. E. Abernethy, William Louis Poteat, Jeter C. Pritchard.

Where or when could one expect to find a more noble array of speakers? And these are just a few of those who will be on the program.

"Cale Ridley," the mountain boy known in Jackson and Macon counties. Now the pastor of one of the largest churches in the South and a master of the pulpit and platform.

Walter N. Johnson, pastor of the Wake Forest Baptist Church. The author and deliverer of that marvelous sermon at the last session of the Baptist Convention, taken from Revelations: "He that hath on ear, let him hear what the Spirit sayeth unto the Churches."

W. E. Abernethy, perhaps the most magnetic speaker and fluent orator in North Carolina.

J. E. Abernethy, an orator and preacher who has preached all over the Western North Carolina Conference from Murphy to the East; the Pastor of the M. E. Church, South, at Gastonia.

William Louis Poteat, an intellectual giant. A most logical and forceful speaker; one of the leaders of thought in North Carolina and the South; the president of Wake Forest College.

Jeter C. Pritchard, Judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals; a jurist of renown; a powerful layman; a man who is always in demand at the Y. M. C. A. meetings and conferences where Christian people are gathered together for work and inspiration.

These and others are the men who will do the talking at the Western North Carolina Bible Conference at Sylva, beginning July 31, and lasting for ten days.

It is expected that the largest crowd of people ever in Sylva will attend the meetings.

There will not be a dull moment the program is full.

The arrangements for the music are being made. Mr. Rogers, Mr. Ridley's assistant pastor, will direct the singing.

The evening services will be of an evangelical nature.

RECEIVES ELECTRIC SHOCK.

During the most severe electric storm that has visited this locality in a long time, six of the boys at Camp Jackson received a shock about noon Tuesday, "Boots" Davidson and Jerome Morris were the only two who were rendered unconscious. Morris recovered in a few minutes but Davidson was in a critical condition for several hours.

The current entered the tent, the tent, where the boys were standing, by means of the electric wire, after entirely ruining the transformer on the outside.

Davidson has recovered and seems to be suffering no ill effect from his shock.

CHARGED WITH BURNING CHURCH.

Asheville Gazette News July 14

One of the greatest upheavals in the colored population of Asheville occurred this morning when the Buncombe county grand jury returned true bills charging arson against Bishop C. R. Harris of the Western North Carolina conference and one of the leading churchmen of A. M. E. church in this state; W. J. Trent, one of the prime movers in the organization of the local Y. M. I., who is now in Atlanta; Noah Murrrough, W. P. Pegram, W. P. Brooks, Elijah McDowell, Dr. J. W. Walker, Parker Johnson and Caleb Martin. They are charged with burning the A. M. E. Zion church, Hopkins chapel, on Mountain street about four years ago.

Warrants were at once issued for the men and all of the local men arrested this morning, while warrants were sent to Salisbury and Atlanta for Bishop Harris and W. J. Trent.

The arrests came as the result of the work of Frank Jordan, deputy state insurance commissioner. Mr. Jordan has been devoting his time to the case for the last six months and with the assistance of local parties was able to work out enough evidence to warrant the grand jury in returning true bills this morning. It is understood that the church that burned was insured for \$2,000 sometime prior to the fire; that the city had condemned it and that later on the trustees of the church, of which all the defendants, with the exception of Bishop Harris, are members took out additional insurance to the amount of \$8,000, making a total of \$10,000 on the building.

About 60 days after this, it is alleged, the building burned, which was about four years ago. A large fish fry was held at the church one night and later on during the night it caught fire and burned. The report current at the time was that the building caught from the stove used at the fry.

On the sight of the burned building the trustees of the church have erected a beautiful building that it is estimated cost between \$12,000 and \$15,000.

The firms of Glenn and Sales and Fortune and Roberts have been employed by State Insurance Commissioner James R. Young to prosecute the cases. Efforts will be made to have the cases tried at this term of court, if the defendants who are out of the city can be brought here in time.

SYLVA WINS AT WAYNESVILLE.

The Sylva boys went over Saturday and took a fall from the Waynesville lads to the tune of 16 to 8.

OXFORD SINGING CLASS

The Singing Class of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, with their usual good concert, delighted a large audience at the auditorium Saturday night.

MURPHY DIVISION STOPS ELIMINATED

Announcement was made at the office of Division Passenger Agent James H. Wood, of the Southern Railway company, yesterday to the effect that with the establishment of passenger trains No. 31 and No. 32 on the Murphy division, local stops of trains No. 19 and No. 20 between Asheville and Waynesville will be eliminated with the exception that the trains will make regular stops at Hominny, Canton and Clyde with a flag stop at Lake Junaluska. However stops will be made to receive passengers for points west of Bryson and to take off express packages.

Under the new arrangement, train No. 19 will get to Murphy at 10:40 p. m. fifteen minutes earlier than at the present time.

The changes will go into effect Sunday, and it is stated that they were made in the interest of time, the runs of the trains being made under the new schedule with fewer stops than during the past.

FRANK ENLOE.

July 8.—The people here were shocked Sunday morning by the sad news of the death of our former townsman Frank Enloe. He had been in very bad health for several years, and he went to Asheville about a year ago with the hope that the doctors there might cure him. He was brought back here Monday and was buried in the Whittier cemetery. Mr. Enloe was a native of Swain County, and was born in Ocona Lufty Township, where he grew up to be a young man. He was then employed as clerk in the D. K. Collins store at Cherokee, where he worked for several years. Finally he went into the mercantile business for himself and in a short while he moved to Whittier; and he remained in the goods business until a few years ago, when his health broke down and he went out of business. The funeral service was conducted in the Methodist church by Rev. Mr. Hoyle of Asheville. The remains were then turned over to the Masons (most of whom were from Bryson City) who took charge and conducted their burial services at the cemetery. Besides a wife and several children, he leaves two brothers and two sisters and many friends to mourn his death. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.—Whittier Correspondence to Bryson City Times.

COOKE PLAYERS HERE

The Cooke players have been in Sylva for the week and will complete the engagement Saturday evening.

They have showed all evening to good audiences. The program is changed each night and consists of some good vaudeville features and the presenting of a comedy each night. The first reel of pictures starts at 8:15.

A party of tourists from Umatilla, Fla., arrived at Sylva Wednesday, in their special car. There are seventeen in the party, all of whom will spend the remainder of the summer here.

PRAISES SYLVA AND CAMP JACKSON.

Sylva, N. C., July 8, 1914.

Editor Chronicle—I arrived July 1st at the little town of Sylva, N. C., near which is located Camp Jackson.

Camp Jackson, I feel, is an Augusta institution, instituted by the Sanford boys, for the purpose of recreation, education and all kinds of athletic sports for the boys of the country.

The camp is ideally located in the mountains of North Carolina, and especial attention has been paid to the sanitary arrangement. The dining-room and kitchen are screened thoroughly. A sanitary fountain supplied from a mountain spring a half mile away is one of the features. The spring which serves as the source of this fountain is cemented and protected in every way from contamination. This spring also supplies three shower baths. Sanitary toilets are located conveniently near. The tents which house the boys are spacious electric lighted and have wooden floors.

The camp has the use of one of the finest baseball diamonds in the state, and Camp Jackson has already scored one victory in this sport, defeating the crack amateur team of Sylva 8 to 0. Philpot was in fine form, yielding only three hits. On Saturday Camp Jackson and Camp Cherokee, the latter of Bryson City, N. C., will play here. Camp Cherokee has a fine team, having several college players, one of whom will next year be captain of the University of Virginia baseball team. A close and interesting game is expected.

There are four 45-minute periods each day, except Saturday and Sunday, lasting from 9 until 12 o'clock. And the mountain air seems to be inspiring the boys, for they are very much interested in their work and pay close attention to their instructors.

The weight of all the boys were accurately recorded, upon their admittance to the camp, and judging by the quality and quantity of the fried chicken consumed, these weights will be materially increased by the time they leave camp.

Knowing that so many Augusta boys are up here, I feel that Augusta parents will be interested to hear of these things. I am sure that any parents desiring to send their boy to such a camp could not do better than to send them to camp Jackson.

Very truly,
NOEL M. MOORE, M. D.—In the Augusta Chronicle.

RETURNS FROM EUROPE.

Judge Frank Carter, of Asheville, who has been spending a portion of the summer in Europe, will return this week and be ready for resumption of his work in the circuit of the State. Judge Carter spends a month or two generally in the summer tramping in the old country and comes back much improved.—News and Observer.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

The Republican Executive Committee, of Jackson County has issued a call for the holding of the Convention in the court house at Sylva August first.

FIRE ESCAPES AT SCHOOL

The school committee has been having fire escapes installed at the school building.

This is the one thing necessary to complete the building and make it modern, safe and convenient in every respect.

A. AND M.

The Agricultural and Mechanical College, in its growth, development, and social usefulness, has been almost a revelation to our State. It is just twenty-five years old this year. It is therefore by a good many years the youngest of our Colleges for men. It represents a new type of education. Yet, in the face of many difficulties, it has made for itself a most striking record. Its faculty now numbers sixty specialists in industrial education who were educated in the best universities of America. Its enrollment of students, counting all courses, is 738. Its buildings number 26. Its equipment is modern and practical. Its graduates are most successful. Its catalogue furnishes an interesting story of activity in the industrial life of our State

ONE WAY TO BEAT WHISKEY.

One of the readers of the Eustis Lake Region wrote the editor of that paper as follows:

"Editor Wood: To the married man who cannot do without his drink we suggest the following as a solution to the habit:

"Start a saloon in your own house. Be the only customer. You have no license to pay. Go to your wife and give her \$2.00 to buy a gallon of whiskey and remember member there's 69 drinks in one gallon.

Buy your drinks from no one but your wife, and by the time the first gallon is she will have \$8.35 to put in the bank and \$2.00 to start business again.

"Should you live ten years and continue to buy booze from her and then die with snakes in your boots she will have money enough to bury you decently, educate your children, buy a house and lot, marry a decent man and stop thinking about you."—Franklin Press.

Mrs. Lusk, of Cleveland Tenn. has been in Sylva for several days visiting her sister, Mrs. F. H. Leatherwood, Mrs. Lusk and Mrs. Leatherwood are now in Asheville visiting relatives.

Chief Justice Walter Clark of the supreme court bench of North Carolina would make a worthy successor to the late Justice Lurton, in the world's highest tribunal.