

Jackson County Journal.

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SYLVA, N. C., APRIL 27 1923

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INDEPENDENT TICKET IN FIELD

Sylva is in town politics up to her neck, and those acquainted with the geography of the town will admit that she has some neck.

Last Monday night the democrats of the town met and nominated a ticket for the town election. The first partizan ticket that Sylva has ever had for town officers. W. R. Sherrill was nominated for Mayor, D. M. Hall, C. L. Allison, A. W. Cope, H. E. Buchanan and R. C. Allison were put on the ticket for aldermen.

Mayor George W. Sutton countered the move of the democrats by calling a mass meeting of citizens of the town, to meet at his office, last Friday afternoon, at which a committee was appointed to make recommendations for the personnel of a "citizen's ticket," which was to be composed of an equal number of democrats and republicans; and the meeting adjourned until Monday night, giving the committee until that time to arrive at its conclusion.

On Monday night the committee reported that it had decided upon Geo. W. Sutton for Mayor, C. W. Denning, Dr. A. A. Nichols, Prof. R. F. Hough, Alvin Ensley and J. D. Cowan as aldermen. The report of the committee was adopted and the above ticket was named to oppose the democratic ticket in the election to be held on May 7.

Of the ticket nominated by the citizen's mass meeting Mr. Sutton, Mr. Ensley, a Dr. Nichols are republicans, and Prof. Hough, Mr. Denning and Mr. Cowan are democrats.

MRS. SALLIE A. STEDMAN IS DEAD

Mrs. Sallie A. Stedman, widow of Mr. Frank A. Stedman, died at Hayesville on last Monday. She was about eighty-five years of age and had been in feeble health for several years.

Mrs. Stedman was well known here having moved, with her family, to Sylva, from Raleigh, about thirty years ago, and since that time having made her home in this section of the state. She is survived by two children, Rev. C. E. Stedman, of Clay county, and Mrs. Frank E. Hearn, of Eatonton, Ga., three children, Frank, W. R. and Mrs. S. W. Enloe having preceded her to the grave several years ago.

The funeral and interment occurred at Hayesville, on Tuesday.

FROM REV. ELZIE MYERS

Dear Mr. Editor:—Will you please give me space in your paper for a letter to my friends in dear old Jackson? I don't think I have ever lived in a place that got hold of the strings of my heart as Jackson county did. I have often thought of its lofty mountains and beautiful valleys, but I have thought still more about the noble men and women over there, whom I am glad to call my friends, I never knew the county had such a hold on my heart strings until I had to say good bye and leave. I hope my friends have not forgotten me and my little family. I want to tell something of what I have been doing over here:

The first thing I did was to finish the parsonage which had been built several years ago but had never been completed. We spent \$250.00 on this work. This accomplished my next job was to build a church. Several preachers had made a start at it, and would get so far, and would stop. But when I started, I made up my mind that I was going to put the thing over. The contract has been let, and as I write this letter the carpenters can be heard tearing down the old building. The new church is to be brick veneer with Sunday School rooms to take care of our Sunday School work. It is to be modern in every respect.

I would appreciate a letter from any of my friends who may read this note. Tell me what the church is doing, and are the people well and happy.

With best wishes for your paper and kindest regards to all my friends in dear old Jackson, I am,
Sincerely yours,
ELZIE MYERS.

MEDFORD BEGINS EXCAVATION

The Medford Furniture Company has begun excavating on their lot on Main street, preparatory to the erecting a brick business building.

MRS. JOHN B. ENSLEY PASSES

Mrs. John B. Ensley died at her home here Sunday morning, after a short illness, of pneumonia and complications. While it was known that she was seriously ill, the news of her death came as a shock to many people of the community. The funeral was conducted Monday afternoon, at the Baptist church by Rev. W. Ross Yokley, Rev. Thad F. Deitz and Rev. O. J. Jones, and interment was in the Keener cemetery.

Mrs. Ensley, who was, before her marriage to John B. Ensley, in 1882, Miss Mollie Queen, a daughter of the late James Queen.

She was born on August 23, 1865, and when about four-teen years of age she was converted and joined the Baptist church. Being a woman of many admirable traits of character, she was much loved among an unusually large circle of friends, the church, crowded to capacity, and the floral offering attesting the esteem in which she was held in this, her native section.

Mrs. Ensley is survived by her husband, John B. Ensley, and seven children, Mrs. H. M. Hooper and Lhester, of Akron, Ohio, Cynthia, of Cincinnati, A. B., of Charlotte, Blain, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Alvin and Hattie Florence, of Sylva, all of whom were at their mother's bedside when the end came.

WILL OBSERVE GARDEN WEEK

Raleigh, N. C. April 26.—The week of April 22 to 28 has been designated as National Garden Week in the United States. It will be observed in North Carolina by the official proclamation of Governor Morrison and by efforts of extension workers of the State College and State Department of Agriculture to devote more than usual attention to the planting of gardens and the beautifications of the farmstead. D. C. Matthews, chief of the Division of Horticulture, gives as the purpose of Garden Week, the encouragement of the orderly planting of vegetables, flowers and ornamental plants. There is now on foot in North Carolina a movement to encourage the Live-at-Home idea and this takes in the main ideas of Garden Week. There is also a garden campaign being conducted at this time by the negro farmers and this National Garden Week comes at the same time to aid and further encourage the work that the State has already begun.

Prof. Matthews says that some of the things which may be easily done this week are: Clean up the waste and barren places and beautify them with grass, flowers or vines; Start an all-year garden so that some vegetables may be served each day in the year.

He gives the following plan to be used during the week: "Clean up—get rid of all rubbish, broken fences and other unsightly objects. Brighten up—paint the buildings, plant the barren spots and give the farmstead and home an air of neatness and orderliness. Keep it up—don't stop when garden week is over. Make this just a beginning. Plant perennial flowers and shrubs as these come every year and get better as they get older. Beautify the place and success will follow."

WORDS OF APPRECIATION

We wish to express our thanks through your columns to our friends for their many acts of kindness, assistance and sympathy shown our dear wife and mother during her sickness and death.

We extend our thanks to our many friends, Church and Sunday School and different Sunday School classes for the token of sympathy conveyed to us by their appointed representatives.

The heart of our home is gone and nothing can be said or done will fill the vacuum, but the knowledge of knowing we have friends who sympathize with us in the sad loss which has made our home desolate, brings a gleam of comfort in the midst of our sorrow.

Every kind act performed, every attention shown, every word of sympathy expressed has found lodgment in our hearts and will last as long as life endures.

We especially feel consoled through the comforting words and prayers of Rev. Yokley, Deitz, Jones and Queen.

Affectionately,
JOHN B. ENSLEY and Family.

CHEOAH NEWS

The farmers of this place have been pretty busy getting their ground ready to plant their crops.

Mrs. W. H. Jones visited Mrs. Will Garland Monday evening.

Mrs. Rose, and daughter in law, took dinner with Mrs. Philips Sunday.

Mr. Carl Jenkins, of Stecoah, visited the Sunday School at this place last Sunday.

Mr. W. H. Jones made a business trip to Seola, and other places last Thursday, returning home Sunday.

Mr. John Wilson, of Beech Creek is very ill. Hope for him a speedy recovery.

Miss Inez Carpenter spent Monday with her sister, Mrs. Larah Stewart.

A large crowd enjoyed a very nice singing at the Baptist Church Sunday evening.

Miss Edna Jones took dinner with Miss Inez Carpenter, Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Hyde is very sick.

Miss Vola Buchanan took dinner with Miss Dollie Garland, Sunday.

Mr. Dock Stewart and Herbert Carpenter contracted Mr. Jones' lumber hauling.

There was preaching at the Baptist Church here last Saturday and Sunday by Rev. Oscar Crisp the pastor.

The Sunday School at this place is progressing nicely.

They are going to reorganize the B. Y. P. U. next Sunday.

Mr. Dave Garland and Leon Barton of this place, and some others went to Tepton fox-hunting Saturday afternoon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carringer, a son.

Miss Viola Jones spent Sunday with her friends, Misses Stella and Lola Hyde.

Mr. John Orr, of Buffalo, visited his parents Monday.

WHITESIDE COVE

We have been having some very rainy weather for the past few days.

Mrs. D. A. Edwards is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. D. C. Picklesimer.

Mr. Harry Hill passed through here Friday.

Mr. Daniel Edwards motored to Cashiers Sunday.

Mrs. E. G. Lombard spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. T. H. Bryson.

Miss Canty Bryson spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. E. G. Lombard.

The young folks of Whiteside enjoyed an egg hunt given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Picklesimer's, Easter.

Mr. C. Edwards and Will Watson visited at Mrs. E. B. Norton's, at Shortoff, Sunday with Miss Cleo Edwards.

Miss Coral Lee Picklesimer spent Sunday with Miss Cleo Edwards.

Mr. Luna Watson motored to Cashiers Sunday.

Mr. Fbb Bumgarner was in Whiteside, Sunday.

Mrs. C. E. Edwards spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. S. I. Lombard. Our Sunday School was reorganized on April first. Hope to see a large attendance.

Mr. D. C. Picklesimer made a business trip to Lake Toxaway Thursday.

Mr. Fred Edwards was in Whiteside, Sunday.

Misses Ruth and Dorothy Lombard visited their grand-mother, Mrs. S. I. Lombard, Saturday.

Mr. Elgie Cash has gone to Wallula, S. C., on business.

Messrs. Troy and Trui Edwards were in Whiteside, Sunday.

The folks had a community day at the Middlesex school in Nash County recently when the men pulled off their coats and plowed, dug and hauled all day while the children cleaned up the grounds. The Home Agent and Landscape Specialist of the State College and State Department of Agriculture made plans for improving the grounds. Seven other schools were also helped in the same way.

The farmer who doesn't worry much today is the one who has a monthly income check from chickens, cows, hogs and a big check when his cash crop is sold.

"And congressmen take off their hats,
Acknowledging its power."
What! The home town paper.

SHOAL CREEK

Our school is preparing for Commencement exercises to take place the twenty sixth and twenty seventh.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Hyatt, Mr. Luther Hoyle and Mr. Lonnie Crisp joined at Rev. W. A. Anthony's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bird of Bryson City, were guests at Mr. C. A. Bird's, Sunday.

Mrs. R. E. Owen, of Waynesville is visiting her father, Mr. J. M. Worley.

Mrs. J. C. Johnson dined at Mr. G. T. Cooper's, Sunday.

Prof. W. R. Henry, of Proctor, spent the week end with Mr. J. O. Terrell.

Mr. P. H. Ferguson and family attended Epworth League at Whittier, Sunday night.

Mrs. G. C. Wiggins and Miss Lucy Wiggins dined at Mr. J. K. Terrell's, Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Moore made a trip to Bryson City, Saturday.

Prof. and Mrs. C. R. Bird dined at Mr. J. H. Hughes', Sunday.

Mr. K. Howell and Mr. Rans Mathews, were guests at Mr. S. M. Crisp's, Sunday.

Mr. D. A. Martin, of Cherokee, called at Mr. W. C. Martin's, Sunday.

Mrs. A. M. Gibson called at Mr. W. F. House's, Sunday.

Messrs. Golman Kinsland and Claude Terrell attended a musical at Whittier, Wednesday night.

Miss Mary Emma Ferguson visited Misses Moselle and Phyllis Moody Sunday.

Mr. James Freeman has moved to Ducktown.

Sunday was a fine day. The Sunday Schools were well attended also a goodly number at the afternoon service.

WILMOT

Rev. Thad Watson preached an interesting sermon at the Baptist Church Sunday.

Mr. Dewey McKay of Hazelwood, spent the week end with relatives here.

Misses Bessie Sellers, Cora Gibson, Messrs. Julius Watson and John Queen went kodoking Sunday afternoon.

Mr. McKinley Farley is spending a few days with home folks.

Misses Nannie M. Nation and Nellie Sutton of Barker's Creek attended services here Sunday.

Mr. Jesse Farley made a business trip to Canton Saturday.

Mrs. Walter Raby was the guest of Mrs. Lon Revis, Monday.

Miss Bessie Sellers called at the Misses Brown's Monday.

Mrs. Cook visited her daughter, Mrs. Iva Lee Nation, Sunday.

Mr. Fred Bradley and family have moved to the Dee Denton place.

Mrs. Alma Watson dined at Mrs. J. T. Revis', Sunday.

Little Ferry Lee Revis spent the week end with her aunt, Mrs. J. R. Bumgarner.

Bessie Farley and little son, Willard, spent Saturday night with Mrs. Dee Denton.

Little Eleanor Ward, of Barker's Creek, spent a few days with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Ashe.

Mrs. Roy Blanton visited her brother, Mr. Bedford Bradley, Thursday.

Mr. Dewey Beck, of Barker's Creek returned Sunday to his work here.

Mr. Harv Johnson visited at Mr. R. B. Ward's, Sunday.

Mr. Talmage Sherrill was in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis and family have been spending a few days with his father, Mr. Turner Lewis, of Whittier.

Rev. Thad Watson spent Saturday night with Mr. Thomas Gibson.

Mr. Ellis Patterson has gone back to Ravensford, where he will stay for a while.

Mrs. Sophronia Harris spent Saturday with Mrs. Tom Farley.

Mrs. Ida Gibson was in town Friday.

Miss leona Dills and Mrs. Raynor were in town Saturday.

Misses Nellie and Bonnie Bumgarner attended services here Sunday.

BRYSON TO BUILD

D. G. Bryson is contemplating erecting a brick business building on the lot now occupied by A. F. Clouse and Company's store, to be used by that firm.

JURY AGAIN MAKES MISTRIAL

A second jury, in the Recorder's court, trying Mayme Ensley and Rufus Robinson, on a charge of F. & A. again failed to reach an agreement, and for a second time a mistrial was ordered in the case, in which a mistrial was ordered a month ago.

Almost the whole of the time of the court, on Monday and Tuesday was taken up with the trial of this case in which more than twenty witnesses for the state were examined.

Robert Cabe was found guilty of obstructing a public road, which ran through his place, and judgement was suspended upon payment of the costs. The question that arose was as to whether the road through Mr. Cabe's property was a private or a public road, and after the decision of the court the parties agreed that the road should be used by the public until a public cart way can be laid out and constructed.

Ras Extime was fined \$5.00 and the costs for failure to work the roads.

Don Alexander and Rose Alexander were charged with F. & A. and a of the costs by the male defendant, judgement suspended upon payment not pros was taken as to Rose and

Floyd Jones, Geo. Smathers and Rufus Jones all plead guilty to drunkenness and judgement was suspended upon payment of the costs.

Geo. Mathis was found guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon upon Matt Collins, was fined \$50.00 and costs and took an appeal to the superior court.

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McGUIRE TO BUILD

Dr. McGuire, it is announced will immediately begin the erection of a business and office building at the present site of their dental office.

BALSAM

The entertainment and box supper here Saturday evening were quite a success. There were only twelve boxes and all sold at a good price but Miss Grace Mehaffey's was sold at the highest, which was \$9.75. A box of candy was voted to the "biggest" man which caused much laughter. This was voted to Rev. A. C. Bryson who sold the boxes. A cake was voted to the prettiest girl which was presented to Miss Grace Mehaffey. There were quite a number of people from Waynesville, Hazelwood, Sannook and Willets. We wish to thank one and all for their liberality. The total proceeds amounted to \$47 which will be used toward painting the Baptist and Methodist Churches.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mills Friday, April 20th, a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Rickards have returned from Florida. Their daughter, Miss Kate, who has been in Columbia, S. C., for some time returned with them.

Mr. H. P. Ensley, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Ensley, Mrs. Mary Woody and Messrs Hubert and Odell Ensley motored to Franklin, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Wright, of Willets visited Mrs. W. B. Farwell and Mrs. D. T. Knight, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. J. K. Kenney, of Asheville, is visiting in Balsam.

Mrs. R. L. Cope went to Asheville, Monday.

Mrs. Mary Robinson of Willets visited her daughter, Mrs. Ed Howell, Sunday.

Miss Emma McKay, of Hazelwood, who has been visiting friends in Balsam, returned home Monday.

Among those who went to Sylva Monday, were Mr. Ed Middleton, A. C. Bryson and J. E. Kenney.

Misses Grace and L. E. Mehaffey, Messrs Odell and Hubert Ensley and Coy Hedrick motored to Hazelwood, Sunday evening and attended the revival conducted by Rev. Edward Jenkins.

Mrs. Carrie Belle Sprinkle of Ag. visited in Balsam last week.

Mrs. Sara Bryson, who has been teaching near Candler is in Balsam for a short while.

GET-TOGETHER MEETING OF ALL FORMER S. C. I. STUDENTS

On Saturday evening, May 5th, at eight o'clock there will be a get-together meeting of all former students and graduates of Sylva Collegiate Institute. The meeting will be held in the administration building and all former students and trustees are urged to be present. Come and meet your old class mates on the Hill again for they are going to be there.

HERBERT HATCHER SHOT AT FAYETTEVILLE

The following account, taken from the Fayetteville Observer, April 18, will be of interest to readers of the Journal is 'Sylva,' where Herbert Hatcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hatcher, lived until a few years ago, when he joined the United States Army.

Fort Bragg, April 18.—With the arrest of two colored men of Fayetteville last night, a possible solution of the shooting of Private Herbert Hatcher, Q. M. C., may be reached. It will be remembered by a few that the soldier was shot in the mouth by an unknown assailant at 9 o'clock Thursday night, March 15, on the Wilmington road, about a quarter mile from Person street. The matter was not made public and the careful, secret inquiry being pursued by the Fort Bragg provost marshal's office was materially assisted by the Fayetteville police force.

The result is that Ernest and Paul Carver, negroes and brothers, will be brought before the Recorder Friday morning accused of the shooting. The negroes are lodged in the city jail in Fayetteville, after their arrest by the city police.

Private Hatcher was on pass in Fayetteville on the day of the shooting and drove a car to a soft-drink stand on the Wilmington road, leaving his companion, a young lady, in the car at the roadside. Coming out of the soft-drink stand after a few moments, Hatcher was greeted by a bullet from a 32-cal. pistol, the ball striking his jaw in two places. The shot came from the shadows and no trace of the soldier's assailant could be found.

Mystery akin to the usual Black Hand shooting shrouded the case for a long time. Hatcher had no enemies, his visit to the place was to make a legitimate purchase, negroes living in the neighborhood of the shooting could throw no light on the identity of the assailant. It became apparent that the word had been passed to keep mouths closed in that neighborhood. The provost marshal's office took up the case at once and the chase was on.

Uttering effort along the lines of persistent inquiry among the negroes of the district in which the shooting occurred, finally produced a slight clue. Two days after Hatcher was mysteriously shot, Paul Carver, a young negro living near the scene, had trouble with his wife and it became known that his brother, Ernest fled the city, fearing the arrival of the police in the marital disturbance case. This action on the part of Ernest directed suspicion toward him and a witness was found who saw Paul hand a pistol to his brother outside the soft-drink stand just before the shooting of the soldier.

The Carver home was watched and Ernest's return waited for. Yesterday, over a month after the shooting, Ernest came back and was promptly arrested along with his brother and brought to jail. The men are jointly accused of the attack on Private Hatcher. It was said at the provost marshal's office that much evidence is in hand against the two accused negroes.

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