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Work Approves Smoky Mountains Area

TEMPLE INTRODUCES MEASURE

SYLVA IS NEAREST TOWN TO PARK

The park commission has made its report, recommending that a national park be established in the Great Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee, has urgently made by Smoky and Plott Balsam Mountains Scenery Work.

Congressman Temple, republican, of Pennsylvania has introduced the bill providing for the establishing of the Park in the house.

Representative Weaver states that he is confident the bill will pass both the house and the senate at the present session.

The park is being endorsed and its creation urged by the press of Eastern America.

Sylva will be the nearest town in North Carolina to the park as the boundaries are established in the bill introduced by Dr. Temple.

The great, public, out-door playground for the Eastern half of the United States is taking on definite form.

Every Western North Carlina county except Henderson has raised or subscribed its quota of the park purchase fund, and Henderson expects to raise her part, Saturday.

TEXT OF MEASURE

The Temple bill, as now drawn reads:

"That when title to lands within areas hereinafter referred to shall have been vested in the United States in fee simple, there shall be, and are hereby established, dedicated and set apart as public parks for the benefit and enjoyment of the people the tract of land in the Blue Ridge in the states of Virginia being approximately 521,000 acres recommended by the secretary of the interior in his report of April 14, 1926, which may or any part or parts thereof be accepted cehdeh of the United States in a manner will preserve the same as shall be known as the Shenandoah National Park and the tract of land in the Great Smoky Mountains in the states of North Carolina and Tennessee being approximately 400 acres recommended by the Secretary of the interior in his report of April 14, 1926, which area, or any part or parts thereof as may be accepted by the United States in accordance with the provisions hereof, shall be known as the Great Smoky Mountains National Park; provided, that the United States shall not purchase by appropriation of public moneys and within the afresaid areas, but such lands shall be secured by the United States only by private public donation.

Sec. 2. The secretary of the interior is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to accept as hereinafter provided in behalf of the United States title to the lands referred in the previous section hereof and purchased with the $1,200,000 fund has been subscribed by the state of Virginia, and the Shenandoah National Park Association or others, and with other contributions for the purchase of lands in the Shenandoah National Park are with the $1,056,693 which has been subscribed by the state of Tennessee and the Great Smoky Mountains Conservation association and the Great Smoky Mountains (In North Carolina) and these being aphutions for the purpose of lands in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park area.

Sec. 3. That the administration, protection, and development of the said parks shall be executed under the direction of the secretary of the interior, by the National Park Service, subject to the provisions of the act of August 25, 1916, entitled "An act to establish a national park service, and for other purposes", as amended; provided, that the provisions of the act approved June 10, 1920, known as the Federal Water Power Act, shall not apply to these parks; and provided further, that the Shenandoah area to be administered and protected by the national park service shall be for the Shenandoah National Park area, 250,000 acres, and for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park area, 300,000 acres; provided further, that no development of either of the said parks and no acceptance of any portion of the remainder in such areas shall have been accepted by the secretary.

Comes Near Sylva

"Sec. 4. The secretary of the interior may for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act employ the commission authorized by the act approved February 21, 1925 If no objections are raised the words here written shall become law. The boundaries of the proposed Smoky Mountains National Park follow the South bank of the Pigeon River from Tennessee to the mouth of Cataloochee Creek in Haywood county. It runs up stream to the mouth of the little Cataloochee where the highway crosses; thence in a southerly direction along this highway and the Cataloochee and Caldwell fork to its head on the boundary line between Haywood and Swain. The line then goes to Soco Bald to the corner of Jackson, Swain and Haywood counties; thence to Balsam Gap, where the Appalachian Scenic Highfay intersects the county line. It then runs along the scenic Highway to the Asheville and Murphy branch of the Southern railway. The right of way of the railroad is followed, on the north side, to a point near Sylva. The line then goes southerly and follows to the Tuckasegee River Valley to the forks of the highway then along the highway to Soco Creek then west along the boundary between Jackson and Swain counties where it joins the Oconalufta River it passes through Birdtown to Cooper Creek, near its junction with the Tuckasegee River, then to the boundary line of Swain and Blount counties.

Senator Ernst, of Kentucky has introduced a similar bill in the senate.

BALSAM

Mr. W R. Middleton. President of Draughan's Business College, Winston-Salem, and his wife spent Tuesday here with his brother, Mr. Ed Middleton.

Miss Sallie Christy has returned from a visit with relatives in Emory Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bryson passed through Balsam last week enroute to Andrews after spending some time at Emory, Va.

Mr. C. A. Balloach and Mr. Walter Bush of Massachusetts motored up from Daytna, Fla, Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mathis a daughter, Catherine Victoria.

We are glad to say that the little daughter of Mr and Mrs. Charlie Brown who has been very ill is now convalescing. Her parents took her to the home of Mrs. Bryson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Allman, at Addie where she could be nearer her physician.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Coward have moved to Moses Creek.

Moved to Canton, last week

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. C. Duncan, little daughter Beatrice and Mr. Sparks returned from a visit to relatives in Beta.

Mrs. Sara Bryson and Master Glen Moseley and spent the day

Mrs. Ellen Barnes, Miss Allie Barnes, Mr. Frank Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Reece motored to Asheville, Sunday

Mr. John T Jones and son Verne, went to Waynesville

Messrs. William Hannah of Waynesville and Johnny Sams of Kinston visited Mr C H Perry, Sunday

Mrs. Maybelle Perry went to Sylva, Monday

Mrs. Charles Perry and Charles Jones motoreded to Sylva, Monday

Mrs. Hattie Beck went to Waynesville Monday.

Mrs. H P. Ensley and sons Herbert and Elsie motored to Sylva Monday.

Mrs. N. R Christy and Mrs. Bryson Beck returned Monday from Almond where they went to see their sister Mrs. J. W. Cuthberson who is very ill. Mrs. Cuthbertson was taken to the Mission Hospital in Asheville Monday accompanied by her husband and her brother, Mr. Grady Queen.

Mrs. Addie Mehaffey came over from Canton Sunday to see her father Mr. E. M. Smathers who has been very sick for some time.

WANTED:—Young men and young women Bookkeepers, Stenographers and Salesmen, learn in a few weeks in the Oldest Business College in North Carolina's Largest City, small fee, easy term. Board and room for boys and girls in the dormitory reasonable.

HOWARD'S BUSINESS COLLEGE
Winston-Salem, N. C.

ENSLEY HEADS COMMERCE CHAMBER

John B. Ensley was elected asjresident, Harry E. Buchanan as vice-president, E. E. Brown as secretary, Blaine Nicholson as treasurer, and P. E. Moody, Cole Cannon, A .M. Simons, J. Claude Allison and Thos. A. Cox as directors of the Sylva Chamber of Commerce, at the election

These gentemen will serve the Chamber until the end of the year on the second Tuesday in April, 1927.

In the evening, at the dinner hour, the annual meeting was held, and it proved to be one of the most pleasant as well one of the most profitabe meetings that has been held since the chamber was launched upon its successful career of service last July

Dan Tompkins, the retiring head of the Chamber presided and presented a short resume of the most important things tha have been accomplished during the nine months that the body has been organized. Reading from synopsis of the year's work as prepared by Harry Buchanan, chairman of the board of directors, he stated that a resolution had been passed and a committee appointed which committee had met with the county authorities and the state highway commissioner, working out a plan for a loan from the county to the state and assuring the completion of hard surfaced road from Sylva to Cashiers Valley and from Sylva to Balsam, at an early date, thus finishing the state highway system in the county and affording paved roads in every direction out of Sylva to the county line.

The speaker stated that the chamber had in cooperation with the county agent, organized a get-together meeting of business men and farmers, they being guests of the chamber at a dinner, at which a number of experts from the state department were speakers, and since that meeting 71 pure bred Jersey cows have been placed on the farms of the county by the county agent.

The chamber had entertained the Atlanta Journal motorcade, as it proceeded to Asheville over the Appalachian Scenic Highway, The Main Street of Eastern America, and had thus secured a great amotunt of valuable publicity for the town and the county.

The presiding officer referred to the Charlotte Good Will Tour, of thirty cars, htat was sponsored by the chamber from which resulted a closer relationship between Sylva and Charlotte and the donation of a beautiful Courtland Heigh s lot by Mr. Buchanan and Col. Harris to the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce for the site of a club house; and the distribution of literature and advertising matter of Sylva and Jackson County at the Made In Carolinas Exposition.

Another outstanding accomplishment to which the speaker referred was the survey and mapping oof the city, which was recommended to the board of aldermen by the cicic committee of the chamber, and which the president characterized as a most valuable piece of constructive work, which will be worth thousands of dollars to future Sylva.

The chamber has had prepared and printed 10,000 copies of the map of Jackson county, by T. A. Cox showing the entire county, and with valuable information about our advantages and opportunities.

A full page in the Carolina Booster edition of the Charlotte Observer, of which 50,000 copies were distributed in Florida, was prepared and made a most attractive advertisement of Sylva and Jackson County.

A boy's camp, to be located in Sylva, beginning with the summer of 1927, has been arranged for.

The chamber appointed a comittee to work with county chairman E. L. McKee in securing the pledges for Great Smoky Mountains National Park Purchase Fund; and the county's quota was oversubscribed.

The civic committee and the board of aldermen arranged for the purchase of a lot for the building of a public comfort station, which is to be constructed in the near future.

Petitions for paving the principal streets of the town aggregating about five miles, were circulated, and presented to the town authorities, and the program will soon be under way, as the contract has been awarded, and the sale of the bonds advertised.

These were presented as but a few of the things that have been accomplished, in nine short months since a cooperative effort for the building of a city in Sylva, was started.

Mr. E. L .McKee introduced a resolution memoralizing the county highway commissioners to join with commissioners of Oconee county, S. C. in putting the old Sloan Turnpike in condition for travel this summer, and asking that the road be named the Wade Hampton Memorial Highway. The resolution was unanimously adopted. It is a certainty that this near approach from the South to Jackson county will be in travelable condition this summer, affording a wonderful scenic highway, putting all Jackson county points, and Noo. 10 Highway, at least 14 miles nearer to Walhalla and most of the South Carlina and Gergia cities, than the presenet routes of travel.

The auditing committee made an excellent report of the financial condition of the chamber and the president stated that the board of directors had held a meeting in the afternoon, and that all accounts of the chamber had been paid, or that there was money in the banks to pay them all, leaving the new officers a clean slate, and perhaps a few dollars surplus.

The books were opened and, though not half of the old members of the chamber was present about $1500 was pledged for the carrying on the work next year. It is believed that at least $1000.00 more will be paid in for membership, enabling the body to employ a full time manager and go forward with greater Sylva.

The new officers were announced by the election judges, and delivered enthusiastic and optimistic talks.

STEELE COMPANY BUYS ACERAGE

The purchase of 800 acres of timber land on No. 10. near Addie by Steele and Co., of Asheville, from the Sylva Realty Coopany, has been announced by L. F. Steele. The purchase was made as an investment or possibly for development as a high class summer camp, Mr. Steele said.

The tract adjoins the proposed Smoky Muntains National Park area and also the great development just above property has a half-mile front started by Mr. Hood of Florida. The tract on No. 10, and controls its own watershed.

A unique feature of the property, said Mr. Steele is that there is a 75 acre plot at 5,000 feet elevation, which is practically level.

The Hood development in this section is now attracting wide attention attracting widespread interest. The a feature of it is a scenic highway starting at Balsam Gap and following the crest of the Plott Balsam Mountains to Black Rock. This scenic highway, which is now under construction is 6,000 feet elevation. It will be eight miles long. Four miles of this have already been graded.

Mr. Steele stated that the 800 acre tract is so magnificently situated and adapted for a high class summer camp that his company may decide to develop it in that way He said he believed that it will prove a wonderful investmene in any case, inasmuch as the moutainous sections of Western North Carolin a are now drawing people and capital from all over the country.

BROWN ATTENDS CHEVROLET MEET

American newspapers are being used regularly; and in addition to the great campaign, every Chevrolet dealer is a consistent advertiser, putting the campaign into every city, town and hamlet in the United States. More than 4000 motor car industry, Mr. Brown, of the Cullowhee village and hamlet in the United States.

David H. Brown, of the Cullowhee Motor Company ahs returned from Charlotte, where he has been attending the annual conventioon of Chevrolet dealers from North and South Carolina.

D. H. Grant, vice-president and sales manager, was accompanied to the meeting by his staff, and was the principal speaker at the banquet and convention.

During 1926 the Chevrolet Motor Co. is to conduct the greatest newspaper advertising campaign that has ever been planned in the entire his-

QUALLA

Qualla instead of Shoal Creek will be the heading of our items in the Journal in the future, as we do not live on the waters oof Shoal Creek and Qualla High School is near our center we think Qualla more appropriate.

We had about decided last week that the Journal had a bad case of "flu" until it came in at "the eleventh hour to give an account of itself. Glad it was nothing quite so serious. (Our Qualla correspondent guessed right the first time. "Flu" is just exactly what the Journal did have nothing else but--Ed.)

Dr. and Mrs. Hemingway of Chicago visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes, Friday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Church and family who had been visiting relatives in Winston Salem spent Friday night at Mr. R. G. Ferguson's enroute to their home in Andrews.

Rev and Mrs. E .W .Nordham of Whittier visited at Mr. J. H. Hughes Wednesday.

Miss Cumi Howell is visiting relatives in Asheville.

Mr. G. T. Cooper and family of Sylva were guests at Mr. York Howell's Sunday.

[illegible] spent a few hours among relatives.

Mrs. [illegible] last week [illegible] Will Farmer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hughes made a business trip to Sylva.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Ferguson were guests at Mr. J. L. Hyatt's Sunday.

Prof. W. C. Reid Mr. Frank Hall Mr. and Mrs. Reid gave a picnic on Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hughes Sunday.

Mr and Mrs. Jno. Monteith and Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Monteith of Forney were week end guests of Mrs A. J. Hoyle.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes Prof. L. E. Pope and Mr Carl Hoyle were dinner guests at Mr. R. F. Hall's Sunday.

Miss Jennie Cathey visited Misses Battle Sunday.

Miss Lorena Bradley Gertrude and Ruth Ferguson and Annie Lizzie Terrell were dinner guests of Miss Martha Heritage Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. Jones of Nation's Creek spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. D. L. Cooper.

Mrs. Albert Reagan of Olivet spent Sunday with Mrs. W F. House.

Mr. Frank Battle has returned to Asheville school after a visit with home folks

AGENT ADVISES SOY BEANS NOW

County Agent C. W. Tilson advises the planting of soy beans this year, said Mr. Tilson:

"The past two years have been so unfavorable on grass and clover that the acreage of these crops is very small in Jackson county. As a result of this our land will suffer badly for want of a cover crop to turn under and our stock will suffer for feed nextwinter unless our farmers sow something to turn under and also for feed that will come this year.

"Soybean vines are far better for the land to turn under than either and grass or either by itself. Soybean hay is worth exactly twice as much to feed cows or growing cattle as clover hay and four times as much as grass or Timothy hay. Why shouldn't anyone sow beans for this? For every crop of beans you can turn your land turn a crop under in the next three years. By this practice if you ever say soybeans didn't build up your land you are just mistaken.

"Soy bean seed are cheap this year and we believe they will continue to be. But don't make the mistake of buying untested, cheap selling seed. Your State Department of agriculture has made tests of beans in every section of our soybean region and found that one third of the beans on the market are old beans or damaged beans and unfit of seed. They are making seed tests and recommending only those germinating 94 per cent or over. Now you may order on lots of advertising you may see in farm papers or buy soy bean seed cheaper than the seed we have tested and know are good, but you will get seed of a very cheap quality. For this reason your state department and county agent are advising farmers to demand soybean seed of good quality and guaranteed germination test."

POULTRY CLUB PLANS SHOW

During the early part of December the Jackson County Poultry Association will hold its second county-wide show in Sylva and plans are being made for it by the officers of the Association.

The following announcement has been promulgated by the Association:

Entries for exhibit are not limited to members but are open to every body. Notice is given this early in order that everyone may have ample time to hatch chicks from their own eggs, or buy eggs or chicks, with the show in mind. It is the belief of the association members that this year's show will prove to be a very attractive affair and an expert, professional judge will be in charge.

"The awards will be as follows: First old pen Blue Ribbon; Second old pen, Red Ribbon; First Young Pen, Blue Ribbon; Second Young Pen, Red Ribbon; First Cockere, Blue Ribbon; Second Cockerel Red Ribbon; First Pullet, Blue Ribbon; Second Pullet, Red Ribbon.

"In addition to the above there will be awarded a cash premium (amount to be determined later) for the best Young Pen, regardless of breed, and a special cash premium of sweepstakes cockerel, and for sweepstakes pullet.

"Young Pen will mean birds hatched in 1926 Old Pens will mean those hatched in 1925 or any previous year. The terms Ceokerel and Pullet will mean birds hatched in 1926. Old singles may be entered but may not compete. The term Pen will mean one male and four females. While any breed or variety of fowls in any class may be exhibited, as standard pens or single birds, prizes ribbons and sweepstakes will be confined to the breeds and varieties listed below. No exhibitor may enter or show in competition any other way than in pens or one male and four females or single birds.

"It is probable that the association may determine later to award an honorary third prize, and it may be added that in addition to ribbons, first and second prize exhibits and sweepstakes will be given the official certificate of the association as to the place won, and results of the show will be published.

"All birds exhibited must be in the show room by 6 o'clock the day before, and no entries will be accepted on the morning of the show. A capable man will be in charge of feeding and watering.

"Details of the egg show will be announced later.

"In tee American class: Barred Plymouth Rocks White Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, White Wyandottes.

"In tse Enlgish Class: Buff Orpingtons.

"In the Medieterranean Class: Single Comb White Leghorns, Single Comb Brown Leghorns; Anconas Black Minoreas.'

R. C. Allison, President
B. H. Cathey, Secretary.

CULLOWHEE HAS OPEN AIR THEATRE

Cullowhee, April, 13,—Cullowhee State Normal School is hoping to be able to give its pagent of Western North Carolina which is to constitute a great portion of the commencement program in its new out-door theatre which has given us a natural amphitheatre in the beautiful ravine between the Moore Dormitory and the Kinsey Building. Workers have been busy with teams plows harrows rakes and hoes recently trying to get the open air stage in shape. Grass has been seeded and it is hoped that the weather man will assist in putting a carpet of green on the ground before the 1st of May, the the date of the commencement. However the school officials and students are determined not to be done if possible to prevent it; for in order to be ready for any eventuality, preparations are being made either to give the pagent at another point on the campus or in the auditorium, in case the new theatre cannot be used.