

The Jackson County Journal

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BAPTIST ENCAMPMENT AT SYLVA

Extensive preparations are being made by Sylva Collegiate Institute for the entertainment of the great host of Baptists of Western North Carolina who will be assembled there at the Baptist Encampment Aug. 7-12. Prof. W. C. Reed, principal of the school, is confident that all the dormitories of the school will be filled to overflowing and urges those who are expecting to attend to make reservations at once. Rooms will be provided in the homes of the good people of Sylva for all those who fail to get accommodations in the school dormitories.

Sylva Collegiate Institute is destined to become the Mecca for the Baptists of all Western North Carolina; according to an expression of Perry Morgan, State B. Y. P. U. Secretary in a recent visit to Sylva, "I see no reason why this encampment should not be made an annual affair and I will do all in my power to make it possible."

In addition to the numerous speakers and instructors mentioned in former issues, Dr. G. A. Martin, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Waynesville has been secured to lecture on the Bible each day at 11:30 A. M. This is quite an addition to the faculty as Dr. Martin is a talented and an attractive speaker and his lectures will be informing and inspiring.

Special features are being added to the program from time to time. Among these is a demonstration B. Y. P. U. program to be given by the Cherokee Indians under the direction of Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Lee missionaries to the Indians under the Home Mission Board and a playlet entitled, "Farmer Brown's Conversion to the Doctrine of Stewardship" given by the Intermediate B. Y. P. U. of Sylva. It is expected that the Y. W. A. of Cullowhee will give the missionary playlet, "Ann of Ava" sometime during the week. Perhaps other contributions will be made by other young peoples' organizations of other churches. Everything possible is being done to make this a great week, combining recreation, information and inspiration.

CULLOWHEE NEWS

An essay, written by Miss Florence Lewis, of Dudley and setting forth the advantages of Wayne county won out in the recent contest at the Cullowhee State Normal School, according to an announcement made at chapel this morning. It was judged to be the best among a large number of papers handed in presenting interesting material about various counties of North Carolina. Miss Lewis was presented with two valuable works on social science.

J. H. Wilson, of Bryson City, writing about Swain county, won second prize, a set of the recent publications of the English and History departments of the Normal.

Miss Katie Beaman of Clinton, was awarded third prize, a book of poems, and a volume on social science, for her essay on Sampson county. Mrs. C. W. Kittrell of Tryon, Polk county was given honorable mention.

The contest was launched by the History department, under the leadership of Professor E. H. Stillwell, in order to familiarize the students with their own home counties. Much enthusiasm was evidenced. The idea was a result of a chapel program at which students from a large number of counties spoke briefly on outstanding characteristics of their home counties. The judges, elected by the contestants, were: Miss Donnye Worley, Professors R. L. Madion and J. S. Seymour.

STATE SINGING CONVENTION TO MEET HERE

The state singing convention will meet in the court house in Sylva on the second Sunday in August, according to an announcement made by Mr. J. M. Crawford. The exercises will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning and will continue through the day.

FARM TOUR TEACHES MORE THAN FARMING

Raleigh, N. C., July 26—When the rush of labor on the farm is lessened and the sun gets hot, farm tours begin in North Carolina.

These tours do more than instruct in new and better ways of farming, say extension workers at State College. The getting of new ideas and of seeing how other farmers attack their problems is, of course, the most valuable feature of the tour but the friendship and comradeship of the tour is something never to be forgotten by those taking part.

A party of forty four farmers and a few business men of Wake County has just returned from a trip down through the sandhills of North Carolina, into South Carolina and back up through the western part of the home State into Tennessee and return. Wherever the party went, it was received cordially and entertained to the limit of their resources by the host farmers. "We want you to see what we have and to enjoy yourselves while you are with us," was in effect, what the host farmers said. Every courtesy was shown the visitors. Luncheons were provided, sleeping quarters made available and guides took pleasure in pointing out and explaining the things of interest to be seen in a community.

"But in addition, our party had a good time among themselves," says County Agent John C. Anderson, who headed the tour. "We organized a quartet in each of the two buses and these groups vied with each other in singing honors. Going through the mountains of Western Carolina, one could hear the old Gospel hymns sung with fervor and the sound reverberating among the giant hills of the section. There were good natured jokes played on different members and even when the trip became irksome, the men made the best of the situation and had some fun out of the occasion. I am sure that the men on that party will never forget the trip."

HOG PRICES APPEAR TO BE ON MEND

Raleigh, N. C., July 26—The price of hogs on the larger markets patronized by swine feeders in North Carolina looks to be advancing. The price on the Richmond market has advanced above the average for this season for the past seventeen years.

"The trend of hog prices now appears to be definitely upward," says W. W. Shay, swine extension specialist at State College. "This means that we shall have good prices again in September. For seventeen years, September has been the month of highest average prices. The timid farmer has been worrying without cause and the speculator who has bought both hogs and corn is worrying with good reason."

Mr. Shay states that there has not been a single year since 1909 when hogs were intelligently fed to a Mr. Shay states that there has not been a single year since 1909 when hogs were intelligently fed to a weight of 200 pounds and were sold during April or September, that they failed to bring more than the current market price for the corn which they consumed. In fact, he states, the hogs under these conditions, have increased the profit on corn over 40 cents per bushel.

Despite the fact that cold storage holdings of pork were 38 percent greater on July 1 of this year as compared to last year and that receipts of hogs at the 68 leading markets were 19 percent greater in June of this year over last year, the outlook is still good for the Tarheel hog feeder. The cold storage holdings are only 8 percent greater than the average for the last five years and the receipts of hogs are 9 percent less than for the last five years.

If the hogs are properly handled and fail to return a profit on corn greater than the profit of selling it as grain, it will be the first time in 18 years, states Mr. Shay.

TWO NEW RESIDENCES

Two new residences are being erected on Savannah Road, in the Courtland Heights subdivision, one by Mr. Gilbert Bess, and the other by Miss Ada Barrington. Both residences will be occupied when completed by the owners.

METZ PREDICTS GREATER SYLVA

Mr. Charles J. Metz, Atlanta business man, who is the owner of large acreage and a lovely camp on Hurricane Creek, was in Sylva the first of the week. Mr. Metz is enthusiastic over Sylva and Jackson county, and predicts a remarkable and unparalleled expansion here in the next few years. The Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the completion of the roads through Georgia connecting with highway 185 at Franklin and the completion of 106 from Sylva to the South Carolina line, are given by Mr. Metz as the chief factors in the expected growth of this county. It is his opinion that the main thoroughfare from Atlanta will be over 185, and that where we now have hundreds of cars, there will soon be thousands coming into Sylva. He expects 106 or the Wade Hampton Memorial Highway to be one of the most important of the interstate highways leading into Western North Carolina.

"I haven't a foot of land to sell, either," added Mr. Metz. "I bought mine for my own home, for the enjoyment of my friends and myself."

The growth of Sylva from a small town to a city of 25,000 population within the next fifteen years is one of the things that Mr. Metz sees written in the cards.

WORK CONTINUES ON 28

Franklin Press. Stories have been in local circulation to the effect that work on No. 28 in Macon county between Franklin and Hayesville had ceased.

For a few days these stories held true, but the steam shovel is now busy about a mile from the Wallace Gap on the west side of the Nantahala mountains. The shovel will work to the gap and then proceed westward toward Black Gap. Mr. Champion in charge of the convicts, states that he is now making preparations to move the convict camp from its present location to the west side of the Nantahalas, somewhere in the vicinity of the Littleton place.

There now appears to be little doubt but that the road will be graded at least to the Macon-Clay line. It is understood that a force of hands are at work in Clay county on this highway in the direction of Macon county line.

Work between Franklin and Highlands on Highway No. 28, is proceeding slowly through the Cullasaja Gorge and has now reached a point almost opposite the lower Cullasaja Falls and about three quarters of a mile from Brush Creek.

The trip to the shovel at work in the Cullasaja Gorge can be easily made in an automobile. Visitors to Franklin will find this one of the most stupendous engineering feats in highway construction ever undertaken anywhere in the country.

HIT AND RUN DRIVER LEAVES SUFFERING VICTIM

Shirley Shook, cook at the Blackwood Lumber Company's Rich Mountain camp, is in the Candler-Tidmarsh Hospital in a precarious condition, as a result of his Ford roadster having been crowded off the road and down a 25 foot embankment on the Cullowhee road, Sunday night.

The wreck occurred about half way between Sylva and Cullowhee, when Shook was returning to Rich Mountain from Sylva. It is stated that a big car, coming toward Sylva, crowded Shook's roadster off the road and proceeded in the direction of Sylva without stopping. The names of the occupants of the other car have not been learned.

Shook, who did not regain consciousness until late Monday, is said to have sustained a broken jaw bone, cuts, bruises and lacerations and probable internal injuries, and his condition while more favorable today is said to be still precarious.

Prices for hogs in September appear to be on the mend. Where farmers have plenty of corn there is no better way to sell it than as pork.

FRANKLIN PAPER RAPS OFFICERS

The Franklin Press, the only paper in Macon county, took occasion in an editorial last week to criticize the search by Jackson county officers on the streets of Sylva, the search of the car of W. T. Moore, cashier of the Citizen's Bank of Franklin.

The Press editorial comment follows:

"The search by Jackson county officers of the car of a Macon county citizen who is entirely above reproach serves again to call attention to the methods pursued not only by Jackson county officers but by enforcement officers all over the country. Most enforcement officers go at their job in a bull headed manner, regardless of the rights of innocent citizens, and thereby in the end make it more difficult to enforce the prohibition law. The Franklin citizen whose car was recently searched in Sylva is personally known to scores of Sylva citizens. It would appear that the officers might at least have tried to establish his identity before subjecting him to the embarrassment of a search before a large number of by-standers."

Jackson county officers state that the search of Mr. Moore's car was one of mistaken identity.

BALSAM

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Knight, July 23, an eight pound son Mrs. A. H. Mehaffey of Hendersonville is visiting relatives in Balsam and Haywood County.

Mrs. W. B. Farwell, Miss Nannie Knight, Miss Sallie Christy, Mrs. E. W. Christy, Mrs. D. T. Knight and Mr. G. T. Knight attended the S. S. Convention at Webster Friday.

Mrs. Eugene Ensley and little Doris were visiting in Balsam, Sunday.

Mrs. Irene Holmes and daughter, Miss Christy Holmes of New York City, who have been guests at Balsam Springs Hotel for some time, will leave Saturday. Having visited Balsam quite often many years ago, they have many friends here who regret to see them leave.

Mrs. L. W. Crawford of Willets was here Friday.

Tourists are coming in large numbers and Balsam will soon be "full up." But there is always room for one more.

Mr. W. N. Roundy of Davenport, Iowa who is summering at the Bryson House is fond of walking. He likes to walk so he can enjoy the beauty of our scenery all the more. He walked to Sylva, Waynesville and Willets last week. His next walk will be to Asheville.

CULLOWHEE SECOND SUMMER SCHOOL OPENS

Cullowhee, July 27—Monday morning found cars following swiftly on the heels of other cars on the picturesque road by the winding Tuckaseegee on the way to Cullowhee State Normal. When the first summer school closed Friday practically all the students and faculty took advantage of the opportunity offered by the brief interim for a week end vacation, and visited nearby points of interest. A number went to Asheville while others visited Highlands, High Hampton, Lake Fairfield, Chimney Rock and other places of scenic beauty in Western North Carolina.

Some of the students and teachers will not return for the second summer school but at least half of the members of the first summer school will be here. A large number of newcomers have indicated that they will attend the second session.

Several attractions have been arranged in addition to the regular program of week end trips provided by the school. Floyd Bennett, famed Arctic explorer, will give an illustrated lecture at the Normal on August 5th. Mrs. Francoska Kaspar Lawson, Soprano, of Washington, D. C. will appear in a song recital on August 8. Other numbers will be announced later.

Swimming, tennis, hiking horseback riding and other sports will furnish recreation for the summer school students.

NEW INSECT PEST DESTROYS STRAWBERRIES

Raleigh, N. C. July 26—The strawberry growing industry of eastern North Carolina is threatened with destruction by a root louse.

This is the startling information brought to State College by C. H. Brannon, extension entomologist, who recently made a trip through the strawberry section adjacent to Chadbourn.

"This pest, the strawberry root louse, is seriously threatening the growing of strawberries in North Carolina," says Mr. Brannon. "The pest is one of the plant lice which feeds on the roots of certain plants and this particular species feeds only on the strawberry plant. It passes the winter on the leaves and stems in the egg stage and after hatching out, the aphids or lice are planted down on the roots by ants which feed on the honey dew secreted by the lice."

Mr. Brannon states that this pest has been getting more numerous for several years and has now reached the point where it is epidemic. Last year damage by the pests caused one grower to lose over \$5,000 in damages and similar damage is recorded all over the Chadbourn section. Dead and dying plants may be seen in the fields and if the pest is not checked, it is likely that untold damage will result.

There are difficulties in controlling the louse, states Mr. Brannon. It is a root feeder and since the strawberry plants remain in the fields for several years, it is impossible to control the louse by deep plowing or by disking the land in the spring. In like manner, it is impossible to spray the plants to control the louse because it does its work underground.

It is understood at the College that the insect laboratory maintained at Chadbourn by the United States Department of Agriculture has been given authority to do all in its power to work out a method of eradicating the louse and Mr. Brannon states that the experts at this laboratory have begun tests looking for a control method.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION ELECTS OFFICERS

With the election of F. I. Watson, Dillsboro as president, Mrs. D. T. Knight, Balsam, as Vice-President, and R. U. Sutton, Sylva as secretary, the Jackson county Sunday School convention adjourned last Friday after a two days session at the Webster Methodist church.

Other officers elected were: Division Superintendents: Children's, Mrs. J. R. Jones, Sylva, Young People's, W. C. Reed, Sylva, Adult, W. H. Rhodes, Sylva, Administrative, D. G. Bryson, Beta.

Township President: Qualla, C. A. Bird, Barker's Creek, Russell Sutton, Dillsboro, J. M. Crawford, Scott's Creek, R. R. Fisher, Sylva, J. T. Gribble, Webster, Monroe Madison, Green's Creek, Swanston Brooks, Savannah, Mrs. R. O. Hidgon, Cullowhee, W. A. Hooper Mountain, Mrs. Julia Stewart, Hamburg, Mrs. J. M. Cunningham, Cashiers Valley, T. A. Dillard, Canada, Hamilton Crawford, River, John A. Hooper, Caney Fork, Nelson Henson.

The pennant for the largest attendance at the convention was awarded to the Speedwell Sunday School. Beginning at 8 o'clock Thursday evening the convention continued through Friday with interesting and instructive discussions of Sunday School problems, and with devotional exercises.

The convention will meet next year with the Dillsboro Baptist Sunday School.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

Those who have not handed in their Epworth League Labor Day remittance, will please do so this week. We have done well and have displayed a very loyal spirit.

MRS. D. D. ALLEY, PRESIDENT

Harry Keaton, a club member of Pasquotank county, produced 3,180 pounds of seed cotton on one acre last year.

The American Soybean Association meets at Washington, North Carolina, on August 9th.

FIRST SUMMER SCHOOL ENDS

The last recitations Thursday and examinations Friday ended the first six weeks of the summer term at Cullowhee State Normal School, the most successful in the history of the institution. 356 students attended. A number of students left and a number of new ones came in. Registration for the second summer school was held Monday and Tuesday of this week. The second part of the summer term, closing August 31st has an enrollment of 200 to 250 students. A class of thirty will graduate and receive normal school diplomas in August.

The faculty of the second summer school includes a number of the teachers who have been at Cullowhee for the first term, and also a few new teachers. Those coming in for the second term are P. L. Elliott, head of the English department, Mars Hill College, English; C. B. Collier, Dean of Alabama State Teachers College, East Tennessee State Teachers College, Education; Nell Parkinson, Critic Teacher, Peabody College, Education. The teachers remaining are E. H. Stillwell, history; J. S. Seymour, Education; Mary Graves, Education; Frank H. Brown, Biology; Lydia A. Baneroff, Fine and Industrial Arts; Cleo Rainwater, Education; Lisbeth Parrott, English.

A number of applications for the fall term have already been received. Fall term begins September 12.

HIDGON SELLS INTEREST TO CHARLOTTE MAN

It is reliably reported in business circles that J. S. Hidgon, local Ford agent, and garage owner, has sold half interest in his business to H. D. Thrasher of Charlotte. Mr. Thrasher who has been connected with the Ford sales forces for several years, will be manager of the new concern, and will move his family from Charlotte to Sylva within a short time. The business, it is understood, will soon be incorporated under the name of The Hidgon Motor Company.

BUCHANAN ERECTS BUILDING

M. Buchanan, Jr. is erecting a two story business building of concrete and brick on his lot on Main street, at the north side of his garage building.

MEDFORD FIRM MAKES IMPROVEMENTS

The Medford Furniture Company is installing a freight and passenger elevator in its building and is making other improvements. The new elevator will serve the four floors of the Medford building.

GULF COMPANY INSTALLS GREASE RACK

Mr. S. W. Enloe, Jr., announces that the Sylva Service Station is installing a grease rack, and making other improvements on the property at the station recently purchased by the Gulf Refining Company.

HAWK WILL PREACH SUNDAY

Rev. J. C. Hawk, a returned missionary from Japan, will occupy the pulpit at the Sylva Methodist church Sunday morning according to announcement made by the pastor, Rev. W. M. Robbins. The pastor is extending an invitation to the public to come to the service.

The Mexican bean beetle has gone eastward as far as Cumberland county. Wherever the pest has spread the garden beans are seriously damaged.

John Shaw, a club member of the Redwood section in Durham county, is said to have the best pig in the county.

Twenty-seven ladies and 500 boys from Franklin county made a tour through parts of Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania and into Washington during the week of July 11.