

The Jackson County Journal

\$1.50 Year in Advance in The County.

SYLVA, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, JULY 14, 1934

\$2.00 Year in Advance Outside The County.

DECISION REACHED TO SUSPEND S. C. I. FOR PRESENT YEAR

Sylva Collegiate Institute will not open this year, in accordance with a decision reached at a recent meeting of the trustees. However, it is anticipated that the school will open for the 1933-1934 session, after plans for financing the institution have been worked out and presented to the associations in this part of the State.

It became necessary to close the school this year because of the fact that there are State high schools in practically all localities; to the withdrawal of the Home Mission Board of financial support, and because of the falling off of collections on accounts due the school, it was pointed out by members of the board of trustees.

The trustees plan to lay the matter of financing the school before the Baptist associations, in the immediate future.

Sylva Collegiate Institute was first opened for the training of students in 1890, at a time when there was no school of any consequence in Sylva, and when high schools were almost unknown in this region. It filled a pressing need for many years, and a great many of the civic, political, and religious leaders of the mountain country were trained within its halls.

However, the spread of the educational movement throughout the State brought adequate educational facilities within the reach of practical every boy and girl. Then came the present financial distress, which has prevented every person and every institution from contributing to the school, and during the trustees to reluctantly decide to open the institution during the coming school year.

It is with genuine regret that the people here learn that S. C. I. will not be open this year. The school has been a valuable asset to Sylva and to the Western North Carolina. It has done a great work in the past, and expressions are heard from every part of the hope that some plan may be devised whereby the school may go on to a greater future, either in its present capacity, or as a junior high school.

MOTHER OF SYLVA MAN DIES IN MACON COUNTY

Mrs. James W. Gribble, 74, died today at her home at Iotla, in Macon county, after a long illness. Mrs. Gribble was the mother of J. W. Gribble, of Sylva, former Clerk of the Superior Court of Jackson county.

The funeral of Mrs. Gribble was held by Rev. A. S. Solesbee, this afternoon, at Iotla Baptist church. Surviving Mrs. Gribble, besides her son, Mr. J. T. Gribble of Sylva, are her husband, another son, J. W. Gribble, of Iotla, two daughters, Mrs. W. Winston-Salem, and Mrs. T. B. Hixon, of Higdonville, one brother, Mr. T. B. Hixon, of Higdonville, one sister, Mrs. Margaret Bryson, of Franklin, several grandchildren, and other relatives.

BOYS MAY GET ROBERTSON HALL AT W. C. T. C. NEXT YEAR

Following is an excerpt from a letter that is being mailed to all girls who have been enrolled at Western Carolina Teachers College during 1933-34:

"Now is the time to help Colloquy. Unless there are more girls next year Mr. Hunter has promised that they may have Robertson Hall if they can get as many as one hundred twenty-five girls to come. It looks as if they will be able to do it because they have a new coach, Mr. Poindexter, who has already seen fifty boys about next year. The thing for us to do is to get so many girls here that we will crowd Robertson and Mr. Hunter both. Then some other plan can be made for the boys after Davies Hall is filled."

The enrollment campaign for next year between the boys and girls looks fair to be a very lively one.

Second Ballot Bill



Will Rogers, cowboy humorist, doubts the correctness of a second guess being best. On the second ballot at the Democratic convention, Oklahoma switched its 22 votes from Murray to Rogers—"and still I didn't win out," says Rogers.

FORMER SYLVA PASTOR DIES

Rev. J. A. Cook, former pastor of the Sylva Methodist church, died at six o'clock yesterday afternoon at his home in West Asheville.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 o'clock, tomorrow, Friday morning at Haywood street Methodist church, Rev. Carlock Hawk, Rev. T. A. Groce, and Rev. W. A. Rollins, officiating. Interment will be in Green Hill cemetery.

Mr. Cook was pastor of the Sylva church for four years, during and immediately after the war. During his pastorate, and largely due to his indomitable will and hard work, the present church building was erected, replacing a one room frame church.

Mr. Cook is survived by his widow, Mrs. Julia Yost Cook, and the following sons and daughters: J. A. Cook, Florence, S. C., George C. Cook, of Greenville, S. C., R. H. Cook, of Shelby, C. M., and W. P. Cook, of Asheville, Mrs. C. A. Davis, Princeton, W. Va., Mrs. Ruth Smith, Mrs. O. G. Daniel, and Mrs. Fred M. Felmet, of Asheville.

QUALLA

The text of a splendid sermon, delivered by Rev. L. H. Hipps, Sunday morning, at the Methodist church, was "We are laborers together with God."

On July 7th, Mr. Estes Talbot was married to Miss Ruby Blanton in Clayton, Ga. They were accompanied by Miss Irene Oxner and Mr. Grady Ward.

Mrs. Osear Gibson, who has been seriously ill for several days is thought to be slightly improved at this writing.

Miss Llewellyn Rhodes of Sylva visited Mrs. G. H. Martin last week.

Miss Nell Edwards of Waynesville spent the week end with Miss Mary Emma Ferguson.

Rev. L. H. Hipps and Mr. Baxter Nation of Barkers Creek were dinner guests of Mr. P. H. Ferguson Sunday.

Mr. L. L. Shaver and family and Miss Louise Hyatt called at Mr. W. H. Hoyle's.

Miss Mary Freeman of Franklin visited among relatives last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hoyle, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Johnson and Mr. Carl Hoyle have returned from a visit with relatives in Brasstown, and in Georgia.

Mr. J. E. Hoyle and family have returned to Thomasville after spending a week among relatives.

Mr. D. M. Shuler spent the week end with relatives in Gray Court, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes and Jim Ed of Cherokee visited at Mrs. J. H. Hughes.

Mrs. D. C. Hughes called at Mr. James Battle's.

Mr. Jack Battle was guest of Mr. Carl Hoyle.

Messrs Clyde and Harley Shook of Bushnell visited at Mr. Jno. Ayers.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Johnson were dinner guests at Mr. Luther Hoyle's Sunday.

Mr. Elbert Keener and family of Cramerton visited at Mr. James Keener's last week.

May Yet Wage Fight & Prohibition In This Session

TODAY and TOMORROW

By Frank Parker Stockbridge
Names . . . nation-wide study

What is the commonest name in America,

Right—Smith. But in Brooklyn, N. Y., and the Borough of The Bronx there are more Cohens than Smiths, and in The Bronx, almost entirely populated by Jews, there are also more people named Schwartz and Miller.

A study of the telephone books and city directories of the whole nation has just been made, and shows that the names which appear oftenest are, in order of their frequency, Smith, Johnson, Brown, Williams, Jones, Miller, Davis, Anderson, Wilson and Moore.

Smith is a universal name. It means the worker in metals and it is the same whether written Smith, Schmidt or Faber. Johnson is usually Scandinavian in this country, but it is also English and Scotch. The Browns may have started out as Brauns or Le Brun, but are more likely to be of English descent. Williams and Jones are straight Welsh, as are the Davises.

The Millers are another international family, Muller and Moulinaux being other spellings. The Andersons and Wilsons are Scotch, of course, and who ever heard of a person named Moore who didn't trace back to the Emerald Isle?

Many readers have written me to ask the value of old stamps in their possession since I wrote something about the prices some rare stamps bring. I am not an authority on stamps, but experts tell me that the value of any given stamp is what it will bring at auction, where stamp prices are fixed.

Most stamp dealers are honest, but one man who sent a very rare stamp to a dealer found himself victimized. The dealer paid him \$165 for the stamp, then sold it for \$7,500. The original owner sued the dealer and the courts have ordered him to pay the difference.

The best way to find out whether an old stamp has value is to send a photograph of it to the American Philatelic Society, Denver.

Within three miles of my home farm stand the ruins of the mill in which the first woodpulp paper ever manufactured was turned out. A young German engineer came into this paper-making region of the Housatonic Valley in Massachusetts about sixty years ago with an idea that revolutionized the newspaper business and immensely cheapened all kinds of paper.

We still make most of the high-grade writing paper, and all the paper on which money is printed, in the mills of Berkshire county, Lincolnton and cotton rags, such as the clippings from the shirt and collar factories in Troy, provide much of the base material for writing papers, but most of the paper on which books are printed and all that is used in news papers, is made of wood.

Canada makes most of it, because Canada still has great spruce forests and we have cut most of ours down. But Dr. Charles A. Herty, famous chemist, has found out how to make white paper from southern pine, and the time will come when the big "newsprint" mills will be in Florida and Georgia instead of Canada.

CLINIC FOR CRIPPLE CHILDREN

The Parent-Teacher Association and County Welfare Officer, N. Don Davis, are sponsoring a clinic for crippled and deformed children, which will be held by nurses and surgeons from the North Carolina Orthopedic hospital, at the Sylva High School building, beginning at 9 o'clock on Friday, July 29.

The clinic is for all children under 16 years of age, and who are of sound mind, but are crippled or deformed, and parents and guardians are urged to bring any such children to the clinic on that date.

He asks the cooperation of all good people in his work.

SALEIGH, N. C. Carrie Broughton, Chairman State Library

Washington, D. C., July 13.—The most exciting question among political gossips: is: Will Congress try at this session to adopt a constitutional amendment on prohibition for submission to the States next fall?

Both parties have pledged themselves to the submission of such an amendment. Why can't it be done right away?

The difficulty will be in framing an amendment which can obtain a two-thirds vote in both Houses, which is the majority required by the Constitution for the submission of a constitutional amendment.

The Democratic platform calls for an amendment explicitly repealing the Eighteenth or Prohibition Amendment, although coupled with this is the demand that "the Federal Government effectively exercise its power to enable the States to protect themselves against importation of intoxicating liquors in violation of their laws."

The Republican platform, however, specifically says: "We do not favor a submission limited to the issue of repeal (or repeat) and declares that the proposed amendment should contain provisions retaining in the Federal Government power to preserve the gains already made in dealing with the liquor traffic, while allowing States to deal with their problem as their citizens may determine, subject to the power of the Federal Government to protect States where prohibition may exist."

To submit a constitutional amendment would require the affirmative votes of 290 members of the House of Representatives and of 64 Senators, two-thirds of the membership of each House. Neither party has enough votes in the present Congress to put such a proposal through as a party measure.

The Democrats have 218 Representatives and the Republicans 214. The Democratic representative could be counted upon to support a wet amendment at this time, it would still take the votes of 72 Republicans in addition, to put it through.

In the Senate neither party has a majority; there are 47 Republicans, 47 Democrats, one Farmer Labor Senator, and one vacancy. It would take all the 47 Democrats and 17 of the Republican Senators to give a two-thirds vote of approval to such an amendment.

Nevertheless, it is possible that something of the sort might be done during this month of July if a determined effort were made to get rid of the subject now, and so remove it from the Presidential campaign permanently. In view of the apparent popular interest in this subject, to the exclusion of all other campaign issues, those who would like to see the election result turn upon the questions of economies and deep-seated political principles would be glad to have the prohibition topic wiped off the boards immediately.

To achieve that result, it is believed that a great many dries and middle-of-the-rovers would be willing to make concessions and modify their personal views, if any hope were held out that by so doing a constitutional amendment which would put the whole question up to the people of the States could be drafted and adopted at this session. That is regarded as much more feasible, strange as it may seem, than the amendment of the Volstead act at this session, even though it would require only a majority of each House to change that.

The Democratic party platform proposal advocates the immediate modification of the Volstead act to legalize the manufacture and sale of beer and other beverages "of such alcoholic content as is permissible under the Constitution." The Volstead act declares that any beverage containing more than one-half of one percent of alcohol is intoxicating and is, therefore, illegal.

The contention of the wets is that an alcoholic content of six or seven per cent, which was the usual strength of lager beer in the old pre-prohibition days, or even of ten or twelve per cent, which is also about the proportion of alcohol in the so-called "light wines," is not in fact intoxicating, as such beverages are or

Chairmanship



James A. Farley, New York City, was rewarded for the winning fight he made as pre-convention manager for Roosevelt by being elected Chairman of the Democratic National Committee to conduct the party campaign.

W. C. T. C. LIBRARY RECEIVES VALUABLE SET OF BOOKS

Cullowhee, July 14.—The library of Western Carolina Teachers College recently received a gift of an eleven volume set of "Messages and Papers of the Presidents" from Miss Carol Snider of Robbinsville. The splendid set of books is valued at almost a hundred dollars and the generosity of Miss Snider in donating them to the library here is highly appreciated by College officials and students.

The eleven volume set of "Messages and Papers of the Presidents" was published in 1912 by the Bureau of National Printing and was prepared under the direction of the Joint Committee on Printing, of the United States Senate and the House of Representatives.

PRISON EVANGELIST HERE THIS WEEK

Captain Dan McDonald, Evangelist to prisons, visited Sylva Monday afternoon in the interest of prison work. Mr. McDonald is founder and superintendent of the Piedmont Prison Mission, with headquarters at Charlotte. The Captain will return in the near future and put his work before the county officials and general public. He went to Bryson City from here.

CHURCH HOLDS SERVICES ON WHITESIDE MOUNTAIN

The Tuckaseegee Baptist church held its Sunday School and preaching services on Whiteside Mountain, last Sunday, a congregation of 102 being present. The Young Men's class of the Sunday School had 18 members present. The sermon, at 11 o'clock, was preached by Rev. W. N. Cook.

The occasion was said by those present to have been a most enjoyable one.

The Democratic party's proposal is to amend the law and legalize beverages with an alcoholic content higher than the present one-half of one per cent near beer.

Some observers predict that there will be a more bitter fight over that proposal than there will be over the constitutional amendment. There are many members of Congress in both Houses and of both parties who are uncompromisingly dry. They will accept and vote for a constitutional amendment putting the question up to the States, because they believe that it will be impossible to obtain the ratification of such an amendment by three-fourths of the 48 States. There are more than twelve States, they believe, which will never ratify prohibition repeal, either through the Legislatures or by conventions elected by the people; and it takes three-fourths of the States to ratify any change in the Constitution.

So while wets and dries find themselves in harmony on the question of resubmission, the dries still think they are strong enough to block any attempt to make the statutory restrictions on liquor any wetter than they are now.

DISTRICT MEETING OF JUNIORS TO BE HELD AT HIGHLANDS

A district meeting of the Junior Order United American Mechanics will be held at Highlands on next Thursday, July 21. C. W. Snyder, State Organizer, and S. F. Nicks, State Councillor, will be present at the meeting. Public sessions will be held in the afternoon, and the business session at night.

The district is composed of the counties of Jackson, Swain, Macon, Clay, Cherokee and Graham; and H. E. Monteith, of Sylva is the District Deputy. Mr. Monteith states that during the past year the district has had an increase in membership of approximately 200, and that the Sylva Council has shown a gain of 35 members.

During the year the Order has presented Bibles and flags to 12 schools in the district.

The State membership of the Order is over 50,000, and there is at least 1 council in every county in North Carolina. Dr. C. E. Brewer, president of Meredith College, is National Councillor, the highest office in the order.

Mr. Monteith urges all members to be present at the district meeting in Highlands.

ERECTING FINE NEW FILLING STATION ON MAIN STREET HERE

Cannon Brothers are nearing completion the beautiful, new filling station, on the corner of Main and Walnut Streets, on the lot owned by the First Baptist church of Sylva.

A few weeks ago a contract was entered into by the church and Cannon Brothers, whereby the gasoline and oil people were granted a lease on the lot. Excavations and the erection of the station were immediately begun, and the station will be finished and opened within a short time.

Cannon Brothers are the distributors in this territory of Shell gasoline and oil.

UNION MEETING TO BE HELD AT SOL'S CREEK JULY 29, 30, 31

The Jackson County Union Meeting will be held at Sol's Creek Baptist church, July 29, 30 and 31.

The program is as follows:

- Friday
- 10:30 Devotional, Rev. Sterling Melton
- 11:00 Introductory sermon, Rev. T. F. Deitz. Alternate: W. C. Reed
- 12:00 Dinner
- 1:15 General theme: Sabbath Observances. Old Testament Sabbath, L. H. Crawford; J. G. Murray.
- 2:00 New Testament Sabbath, John Harris; Ben Cook.
- 2:30 Necessity of the Sabbath, Calvin Massingale; Western Parker.
- 3:00 Respect for the Sabbath, H. P. Crawford; W. C. Reed. Business and adjournment.
- Saturday
- 10:00 Devotional, R. C. Morgan. Business session. Sabbath Observance cont'd.
- 10:30 The proper method of observing the Lord's Day, A. C. Queen, Dock Burrell.
- 11:00 Sermon, Rev. J. G. Murray
- 12:00 Dinner
- 1:15 The Sabbath as related to the growth of our churches, T. F. Deitz; Herbert Brown
- 2:00 Sabbath Observances as related to the development of our people, D. C. Hooper; I. K. Stafford
- 2:30 Sabbath Observance as related to our Sunday Schools, Wiley Owen, W. H. Smith
- 3:00 Sabbath Observance as related to our moral laws, David Dean; Hugh Monteith.

CANS AT HOSPITAL

Many people brought cans of fruits and vegetables to the hospital last year. The management states that the cans are now empty, and that the owners can call and get them. The hospital will appreciate it if the people will get the cans, refill them, and again donate them to the work. The hospital people state that the canned goods that were received last year were a great help during the winter and spring months.