

MRS. H. O. CURTIS PASSES AT HOME HERE ON TUESDAY

Mrs. H. O. Curtis passed on Tuesday afternoon, after an illness of several weeks.

Mrs. Curtis, who before her marriage in 1906, was Miss Bertha Buchanan, was born in Jackson county, on September 16, 1884, daughter of the late William Buchanan, and Mrs. Buchanan. She was removed to Sylva in 1920, and has lived here since that time.

She had a large number of friends in Sylva and Jackson county, and was known as a good neighbor, a woman of vetted to her family, and a devoted mother and of children. She will be greatly missed in Sylva, where she had labored so faithfully. She was a member of Sylva Baptist church, having moved her membership from River Hill, where her family moved to Sylva.

Mrs. Curtis is survived by her husband, Henry O. Curtis, by three daughters, Mrs. James E. Buckner, of Canton, William and Jack Curtis, of Sylva, by her mother, Mrs. Cordelia Allen Buchanan, one brother, C. C. Buchanan, Mayor of Sylva, two sisters, Mrs. E. L. Wilson and Mrs. T. O. Wilson, both of Sylva, and a large circle of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted at the First Baptist church, yesterday afternoon, by the pastor, Rev. J. G. Murray, assisted by Rev. Geo. R. Clammer, Rev. T. R. Wolfe, Rev. W. C. Reed, and Rev. A. M. Burleson, former pastor of the church. Interment was in the Keener cemetery. Rev. J. A. Gray conducting the burial service.

The large crowd of people who gathered at the church, attested the universal affection and esteem in which Mrs. Curtis was held by the people of Sylva and Jackson county.

LYRIC THEATRE LEASED

Dr. Grover Wilkes and John J. Hastings, owners of the Lyric Theatre have leased the building and equipment to Mr. P. J. Henn, a Georgia theatre operator of 14 years experience.

Mr. Henn will take charge of the theatre on September 1, and will make his home in Sylva. He operates theatres in Canton, Aeworth and Rossville, Georgia.

PAYMENTS ON WHEAT BEGIN THIS FALL

The campaign to adjust the wheat acreage of North Carolina so that commercial growers may receive a parity price for the grain is beginning to take shape.

John W. Goodman, district farm agent for the State College Agricultural Extension Service, has been located at Salisbury, center of the wheat growing area for this State, and is mapping plans for the adjustment campaign. County farm agents are explaining the contracts and method of procedure in the principal wheat growing counties and are receiving assistance from the college extension specialists.

According to I. O. Schaub, director of the adjustment program, the contracts will offer growers 20 cents a bushel this fall and either 8 or 10 cents a bushel next spring on an allotment of 1,973,059 bushels which is approximately 54 per cent of the average past five-year production in North Carolina.

In the contract, the grower will be asked to reduce the acreage planted for the 1934 and 1935 crops by the percentage that the Secretary of Agriculture may declare is necessary to control production. In no case will this reduction be over 20 per cent of a grower's average acreage for the past three years.

Checks will begin to be mailed to the wheat growers as soon as the wheat control associations have been formed to administer the plan locally and the contracts have all been signed and accepted.

Mr. Goodman says full details of how the plan will work may be found in the federal publication, "A Balanced Harvest" which has been prepared by the agricultural adjustment administration and is now being distributed by county agents in the main wheat producing counties.

WEEK BY WEEK

(By DAN TOMPKINS)

Journalists and some statesmen in Europe are predicting a new war in the very near future. Some even say that war is more imminent than it was in 1914. May the Lord forbid! We can think of nothing that man could do to himself that would bring greater calamity to the race than a war, at this time. Anyway, how can the world finance a war, when it can't finance a peace?

Winston-Salem, Wilmington and Gastonia have joined the list of cities in the State that have refused to vote the supplement to give their children possible school advantages not enjoyed by other North Carolinians. The text books are uniform in this State. They are designed for an eight months' course of study. Perhaps this is the reason so many parents think that to pay to supplement the term to 9 months would be useless.

Two Army officers, by use of the convenient Arkansas divorce laws, have traded wives, and done it legally. No comment necessary.

More jobs at better wages, is the aim of the NRA plan. Thus it behooves all of us to back the NRA. Join the NRA. Trade with the folks who are flying the Blue Eagle. It is an insignia of patriotism and a willingness to cooperate for the benefit of the whole nation. As the experience of the race from the very dawn of history will testify, human selfishness is man's worst enemy, and is the bottom of nearly all our troubles, financial, governmental and spiritual. Human selfishness is the only thing that can prevent the success of the NRA.

M. K. Gandhi has been released from his 1 year jail sentence, following a seven day fast, which he had contended he would pursue until death released him. The British government fears this little, emaciated piece of humanity more than it fears any power on earth. The Mahatma has millions of followers in India, and it is the fear of what would happen if he should really starve himself to death that caused the British to release him. The death of the Mahatma, which could be attributed to British incarceration, might easily start an explosion that would rock the Empire to its very foundations. The British, who are wise in the ways of Statecraft and human nature, know this.

A mob in Hollywood threatened a drunken flier. It is no wonder that the indignation of people can be brought to the pitch where fear of mob violence is felt, if intoxicated men insist upon steering motor-propelled vehicles, in air, on land, or water. The danger is too great to other people.

Deshoulieres said: "No one is satisfied with his fortune, or dissatisfied with his intellect." Which proves if it proves anything, the eternal dumbness of all of us.

As horrible an accident as has happened in North Carolina in many a day was that at Lumberton which resulted in seven deaths, when a truck loaded with men and boys crashed into the side of a passenger train. The driver states that the track was obstructed by houses. The view to all grade crossings should be clear; and all drivers should exert the utmost care when approaching grade crossings.

HILLIARD WILL PREACH

Rev. S. H. Hilliard will occupy the pulpit at the Methodist church, Sunday morning, in the absence of Rev. T. R. Wolfe, the pastor. Rev. Mr. Hilliard, a citizen of Sylva, is one of the oldest and most prominent ministers in the Western North Carolina Conference.

WILL HOLD ROGERS REUNION

The Rogers family reunion will be held at the home of Mr. J. E. Rogers, at Whittier, on the first Sunday in September.

All the family connections are invited to be present, and to bring picnic dinner, which will be spread on the lawn of the Rogers home.

DRY FORCES WILL HOLD CONVENTION HERE ON SATURDAY

The first convention of the United Dry Forces of Jackson county has been called to meet in the court house, in Sylva, Saturday afternoon of this week, at 2 o'clock.

It is contemplated that the dries will begin perfecting their organization at that time, by the election of a county chairman, the election of a candidate for delegate to the constitutional convention, if called, and the possible election of a county, and township committees to carry on the campaign against repeal, until the polls close on November 7.

REV. JACOB GARTENHAUS TO PREACH AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus will preach at Sylva Baptist Church next Sunday night. Mr. Gartenhaus is the only representative of Southern Baptists to the half million Jews of the South. Mr. Gartenhaus spoke in Sylva four years ago and was also in Cullowhee two years ago. His life story is a close parallel to that of Saint Paul's. It will strengthen the faith of any Christian to hear him. This will be a treat that seldom comes our way and it is hoped that many will take advantage of it.

WOMEN MAKE CLOTHES FROM HUSBANDS' SUITS

Here Demonstration Club Women are using their husbands' discarded suits to make attractive clothes for themselves.

"For many years farm women have been taking their husbands' old suits and cutting them down for the little boys—now they are utilizing the suits for their own wear," said Miss Willie N. Hunter, clothing specialist at State College.

She pointed out that men's clothing usually is made of good material and that careful cutting and designing can be used to economic advantage although the knees, sleeves and seats of old suits may be worn.

"The coat of the man's suit can be used to cut the woman's coat and the skirt can be cut from the trousers. Sometimes if a sleeve is worn, it is necessary to design a sleeve for the woman's coat with a deep cuff.

"A plain gored skirt pattern is safest to use, but often it is necessary to put on a yoke to obtain the right length. However, the skirt may be cut with just a yoke in back and sometimes the skirt length may be secured without a yoke.

"The first process in making the woman's suit from the man's is to rip and clean the suit carefully and thoroughly. Dry cleaning is recommended, but some woollens will wash nicely with soap and water if handled carefully.

"After the suit is ripped and cleaned, press the material and be sure that there are no wrinkles in the material. Then place the pattern on the material and cut."

A suit of this type was recently modeled by a Lee County Home Demonstration Club woman at the Short Course Dress revue at State college. It was attractive and did not cost a penny.

Miss Hunter advises that farm women avoid that home-made look in making their suits by careful workmanship. Thorough pressing must be done. Each seam and process should be pressed as the suit is made and after it is finished a thorough all-over pressing is needed, she says.

B. Y. P. U. OF SCOTT'S CREEK SPONSORS STUDY COURSE

The Baptist Young People's Union of Scott's Creek Baptist church sponsored a study course of the B. Y. P. U. Manual. The Daily Bible Readers' leader, Lyle Ensley, who had already taken the course, taught the lessons each night from August 8-15. There were twenty-eight participants, all of which passed, and fourteen made almost perfect scores. This is just a beginning of the study courses the B. Y. P. U. is going to sponsor. It is hoped to make study courses a strong point in the Standard of Excellence for the B. Y. P. U.

PAPERBOARD JOINS NRA

The Sylva Paperboard Company, in order to comply with the provisions of the NRA plan, has adopted the 40 hour week basis, thereby increasing the payroll of the company in Sylva from \$1500 to \$2,000 a week, and giving jobs to from 30 to 40 additional employees.

Thus the NPA, in this one plant alone, has reduced materially the number of unemployed in and around Sylva, and has added a considerable sum to the buying power of the people.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING IS HELD HERE TODAY

A meeting of leaders of Baptist young people's organizations of the Asheville Division, Woman's Missionary Union, is being held today, at the Baptist church. Representatives of the eight associations, comprising the Asheville Division arrived this morning, for the all-day session, the delegates being from the associations including McDowell county on the eastern border of the Asheville Division and all the counties west of McDowell.

Mrs. Eugene Coker, of Fairview, Buncombe county, who is the chairman of the young people's organization in this division, is in charge of the program.

THE ROTARY WHEEL

The young peoples' choir of the Sylva Methodist church, directed by Miss Rachel Hevner, and accompanied by Miss Louise Stein, entertained the Rotary club at their Tuesday meeting with a group of very amusing and delightful selections. The program consisted of an opening "Hello" song, the "Anvil Chorus" from the opera "Il Trovatore," "Lead Me Gently Home Father," a hymn written by W. L. Thompson, "Oh! Dear, What Can the Matter Be," an old English song arranged by F. Henri Klieckran, a solo entitled "Who Knows," beautifully rendered by Miss Rose Garrett, "Susan Jane," a secular song of the Virginia Negroes, "Sweet and Low" by Alfred Tennyson, "Funiculi, Funicula" an Italian song arranged by Henry S. Sawyer, and a closing "Good Night" selection. The musical program was greatly enjoyed by the Rotarians and it is our expressed desire that these young people appear again on our program with their melodies.

E. L. McKee reported on the flag raising celebration held at Walhalla last Thursday in commemoration of the completion of the South Carolina stretch of Highway No. 106 which connects highway No. 102 with the Wade Hampton memorial highway. Several members of the Sylva Rotary attended this outing.

R. L. Spalsbury proposed that the members of Rotary from Cherokee and Cullowhee combine forces in an attendance contest against the members from Sylva and Dillsboro districts. The proposition was heartily accepted by all the Rotarians and, although no winners' lot was decided upon, the opening date of the contest was set for September first.

Mr. A. Greer made up his attendance for the Thomasville Rotary Club with us, and Bill Fisher brought Mr. Odell Richardson to our meeting as his guest.

SYLVA-DILLSBORO SCHOOLS TO OPEN NEXT THURSDAY

The children of Sylva and Dillsboro will go marching back to school next Thursday, August 31, it has been announced from the office of county superintendent M. B. Madison.

The opening date of next Thursday includes the Sylva Central High school, Sylva elementary and Dillsboro elementary schools.

A meeting of the teachers of these three schools will be held in the auditorium of the Sylva school next Monday morning, August 28, at 9:30 in the morning.

AGED NEGRO DIES

Uncle Lewis Rogers, the last survivor of the slaves in Cullowhee township, was found dead in a cornfield, last Monday morning. The aged Negro had evidently suffered a heart attack.

Sylva-Walhalla Highway Offers Trip Of Unusual Scenic Beauty To Tourists

40 YEARS AGO

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The meeting at the Baptist church closed last Sunday with 22 professions and 14 additions to the church.

Messrs. J. R. Long and M. H. Morris each went to market with a car load of cattle during the past week, the former to Augusta and the latter to Richmond.

The post office department declines to make any change in the schedule on the Cashier's Valley route, regarding the present railroad schedule as possibly temporary.

Rev. John Bryson, D. D., of Huntsville, Ala., accompanied by Miss Mary and Daniel Bryson, of Bryson City, was here at the association, where he delivered a fine address on foreign missions.

Mr. W. B. Morris is the boss water melen raiser. We had one from him Sunday which weighed 32 pounds.

Mr. T. B. Wilson, of Big Ridge, reached here Wednesday night on his return from a trip of several months to the west. He concludes that the disadvantages of that section outweigh the advantages and that North Carolina is the best place after all.

Intelligence was received by relatives of the family in this community last week of the shooting at a picnic near Murfreesboro, Tenn., by a cousin, of W. M. Burns, who formerly lived and was engaged in business here.

Married, at the residence of the bride's father at Glenville, on Thursday, August 17, 1893, at 6 P. M., Miss Arlesha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Watson, to Dr. J. H. Fouts, of Franklin, N. C.

Mrs. Cleveland presented the president with a fine boy, at Buzzard's Bay, on August 17.

QUALLA

Rev. R. G. McClanrock preached at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon, on the theme "Christ Manifests Himself." He was accompanied to his appointment by Rev. W. J. S. Walker of Mocksville, who is assisting in revival services at Whittier this week.

Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Hyatt, Mrs. J. G. Hooper, Messrs. Carl Hoyle, J. U. Whitesides, K. Howell, J. O. Howell and Oscar Gibson attended the Tuckasegee Baptist Association at Beta last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Martin visited Miss Della Owen, Tuesday.

Mrs. K. Howell has returned from visiting her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Allen at Almond.

Mrs. Bonnie Blye and son of Pochester, N. Y., is spending a while with her sister, Mrs. Lucy Shelton.

Mrs. Miriam Springer of Clyde, spent the week end with Qualla relatives.

Miss Mary Emma Ferguson visited at Lake Santoclah last week.

Mr. J. O. Terrell left Tuesday for Asheville, where he will begin teaching at Oakley in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. York Howell and Mr. Frank Owen and family stopped with Mr. H. G. Ferguson, Sunday.

Mrs. Will Leatherwood of Waynesville has returned home after a visit with relatives.

Mr. Wayne Rhinehart of Canton spent the week end with home folks.

Mrs. Mary Noland of Canton visited at Mr. D. L. Oyner's, last week.

Miss Gertrude Ferguson was guest of Miss Geneva Turpin, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Moore of Whittier called at Mr. John Bradburn's Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Crisp visited at Mr. Luther Hoyle's, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. D. M. Shuler and Mrs. J. K. Terrell called on Miss Della Owen and Mrs. L. W. Cooper, Tuesday.

Most Jackson county people think this county to the Southward ends in Cashier's Valley; but as a matter of fact the distance from Cashiers to the South Carolina line is practically the same as from Sylva to the Tuckasegee Falls. This territory of unsurpassed beauty and charm, though well-nigh forgotten for a generation, was well known to our fathers, who traveled it in going to the Walhalla market; and it was over the same rocky road, now Highway 106, that North Carolina's first summer tourists, the Hamptons, Prestons, Calhouns and others, came into our county.

Leaving Sylva, Highway 106 crosses Highway 28 at Cashiers and continues south to the state line. Thence onward Highway 2, of South Carolina leads to Charleston and the coast. From Cashiers south the road traverses one of our few remaining virgin forests, following for miles the very top of a long ridge, from which the traveller may catch an occasional vista of long range.

This section of highway between Walhalla and Cashier's Valley has been named the General Wade Hampton Memorial Highway, a fitting honor to the memory of a great man, who was familiar with every foot of the region, which the road traverses. It was over this route that he went from his summer home at High Hampton to accept the nomination as Governor of South Carolina in 1876.

About six miles from the State line on the South Carolina side a large Reconstruction Camp has been built. This camp also bears the name of Wade Hampton, and it was there on August 17, that a beautiful stone marker bearing the name of General Hampton and these dates "1876-1933" was unveiled with appropriate and impressive ceremonies, including the raising of the flag of our country.

On this occasion an interesting and interested observer was an old colored man, clad in a flaming red shirt, the last survivor of a band of 143 Negroes who voted for Hampton for Governor in the Red Shirt campaign of '76.

Capt. Wade Hampton is in charge of Capt. Sledge, and is not only admirably situated, but appears to be most efficiently managed.

There are 183 boys in camp there. Col. R. T. Jaynes, who has been most active in securing the establishment of this camp, states that the boys will be used in constructing the Wade Hampton Highway from Highway No. 2, near Walhalla to the North Carolina line. The government has instructed Capt. Sledge to arrange to care for 60 additional men from Northern camps, during the winter, making a total of 243 for the road work.

In the early fifties of the last century, a railroad was projected from Walhalla through Rabun Gap to Knoxville, and the great Stump House Tunnel construction was begun about 1853. Work was suspended when the War Between the States came on, and the project was never resumed. The Stump House tunnel was to be two miles in length, and all but about 1500 feet was completed. This tunnel was driven through granite, and great piles of splendid road construction stone remain piled at the mouths of the tunnel and the top of the several shafts along its route. This immense accumulation of granite is now being crushed in a huge crusher, operated by the government, and will be used to lay a surface on the new Wade Hampton Memorial Highway.

It is the hope of Western Carolina, and especially of Jackson county, that Highway 106 will be completed to the State line by the time the work is finished on the South Carolina side.

A great throng of South Carolina people and a goodly number of North Carolinians were in attendance on the occasion of the unveiling of the Hampton marker, and were jubilant over the prospect of this important and historic highway being completed rapidly.

Any one traveling over this road from Cashiers to Highway 2, in South Carolina will be greatly repaid, and the trip can be comfortably made in dry weather.