

FACTS ABOUT TRANSYLVANIA

Brevard—July 17.—The crops of this section of North Carolina have improved remarkably even though they are still late, after the late winter and discouraging weather conditions during the spring. The June crop conditions improved seven per cent as the weather was very favorable excepting for some spotted hail hit sections. The crop forecast is favorable at present as announced by the state's Co-operative Crop Reporting Service, at Raleigh, N. C.

Transylvania County has 12,060 acres of corn or 95 per cent compared with last year, averaging 82 per cent in condition. The Tobacco crop averages 100 per cent in condition. The acres are estimated to be 12 per cent of the 1919 crop. The condition of the wheat crop at harvest was 87 per cent of normal.

The North Carolina corn acreage this year is four per cent below last year's and indicates 89 per cent of a full crop prospect. The forecasted fifty-seven million bushels production is three per cent better than was made last fall. The present farm price is \$2.27 per bushel or 32 cents more than a year ago. The United States acreage is slightly increased from last year but the present condition of the crop forecasts five per cent less production.

The state's cotton crop acreage is perhaps increased slightly with a 74 per cent condition. This was a year ago. The improvement during June was four per cent. The hail suffered around Lenoir county averaged heavily. The South's crop showed one per cent increased acreage, last year, but the crop improved during June from the lowest condition on record to the extent of over eight per cent. The present condition is slightly above the ten year average.

The Tobacco crop that put us to front and brought so much wealth into the northern and eastern Carolina is increased five to six per cent in acreage with a condition of 80 per cent of a full crop. This means that we have a good crop prospect if prices hold up, we will have other high rank in the crop's value. Perhaps we may yet convince the turkey of the importance of the crop in this state since we are increasing the last year's acreage by more than four per cent.

RAILROAD MASS MEETING IS POSTPONED

Owing to the severe rain storms during the past two weeks it was decided to postpone the Railroad meeting which was to take place on Thursday, July 22nd, 1920. It is planned to have a goodly number of the South Carolina Boosters here on Saturday, August 14th.—Transylvania's Old Home Day.

PLAN FOR INFORMATION TO TOURIST AND VISITOR IN BREVARD

A large bulletin board has been placed at the depot, reading as follows: "Information Free to Visitors. Call at Public Library, Court Square." Another board has been placed in library yard reading as follows: "Visitors place call inside for information as to hotels, boarding houses, cottages, rooms and also taxi service to all points of interest."

A secretary will be in charge to give free information to all who desire it. This will be done in a fair, unprejudiced, and impartial manner, giving all a square deal.

Phone is being installed by which the hotels and boarding houses can phone the office each day, how many rooms they have to let, and how many boarders they can accommodate.

Owners of public service cars are requested to furnish the secretary with cards, giving a list of all points to which they will take people giving mileage, and price, according to number in party. Any improper or exorbitant charges, willful misinformation or lack of gentile conduct on the part of auto drivers when reported, will be dealt with by the office.

Other cards as follows: By all ministers, giving hour of service at their respective churches. All doctors, giving address and phone number.

Workmen, who may be called for repair or job work.

All lawyers, giving excuses and regrets for being out of town the next six weeks.

Let's all pull together, and make our visitors feel that they are being treated with the courtesy and consideration of invited guests—which they are.

Respectfully submitted by,
R. H. ZACHARY, Chairman.

VIOLATION OF VITAL STATISTICS LAW

Raleigh, July 17.—The highest fine yet imposed in a local court for a violation of the state vital statistics law was imposed during the week on Dr. B. W. Tugman of Warrensville, Ashe county, who was assessed \$50 and the costs in two cases for failing to report birth where he was the attending physician.

The case of Dr. Tugman was aggravated by the fact that last summer he was convicted and given a nominal fine for a similar offense, and in the present instance prosecution was instigated only after the repeated efforts had been made to get him to comply with the law.

"It is the inherent right of every baby born in North Carolina to have its birth promptly and properly registered," declared Dr. F. M. Register, state deputy registrar of vital statistics, in commenting on the prosecutions being instituted by his division of the state board of health. "In this case the state board of health has extended its activities to the most north-western county in the state. Its arm is long enough to reach across the mountains and say to the doctors and midwives who are derelict in their duty, 'you must treat every baby right and register its birth.' Failure to comply with the provisions of the law will not be tolerated, and prosecutions will be instituted in all cases of violations, regardless of who may be affected."

R. B. WILSON.

DINNER SUPPER AT LAKE TOXAWAY

A cream supper will be held at Toxaway school house Saturday night, July 24th for the benefit of the Lake Toxaway community.

of the best community fairs in the state last year was held at Toxaway, and the officers and committees are making preparations to have a bigger and better one this fall.

OUR COUNTY PAPER

Were it not for Brevard Institute, The city graded school and the Brevard News, our town would be an obsolete factor among towns. The schools are well patronized and are doing creditable good. The county paper has had its struggles innumerable, but through them all it has grown to be a very worthy enterprise. No one, save the publisher, knows what it costs to issue a first-class weekly paper. The citizens of the county would be lost without a paper to keep them informed in regard to county matters and every household in the county should take a copy for, and read the paper. It is a home-builder and a county builder.

Editors, like other people, make mistakes sometimes, but to take them as a whole, they are a very clever set. They give weekly or daily expressions of what is in them while their readers are not molested for their craniums. One man will say such and such an article hits the nail on the head. Another man will read the same article and pronounce it a fabulous production.

In reading newspapers we should remember that editors are neither omniscient, omnipotent nor omnipresent. Were they thus constituted they could very readily drive into the inmost secrets of every man's heart, and all these secrets would not do for public print. By the careful study of man editors sometimes get so close to the inward thoughts that they are accused of personal references when no such thought ever entered their minds.

The best study of man is man and we cannot sound the depths at all times without striking oil, and often the volume flows freely.

But, laying all jokes aside, there is no better educator than a properly edited newspaper and this is the goal to which the Brevard News is aspiring. Let every man in the county put his shoulder to the wheel and help the enterprise that is endeavoring to help them. This writer has no axe to grind and no financial interest in the paper. This article is prompted only by the desire to see our town and county grow from bloomage to fruitage and there is no medium that will bring about such a result as easily as a good county paper. It is a silent, but sure, worker. Its impress invades the minds of old and young without a noisy demonstration.

To be in accord with our fine climate our town and institutions must be of the first order. Nowhere in all the land can a finer climate be found. The days are pleasant and the nights are delightfully cool.

The land is productive and it is a rare thing that we are afflicted with any dry spells. Everything we need to eat can be raised here in our midst. The conditions are just as favorable for the production of great men and all that is needed is an effort in that direction. The whole truth of the matter is that we have become staid in our habits and do not realize our possibilities. Let us wake up to a full sense of the privileges we enjoy and move onward and upward. It is well and good to make money, but do not let that be the preeminent thought of our minds. We are created for a higher and nobler purpose.

This is written by a well-wisher of Brevard and Transylvania county.

DON'T FORGET SATURDAY, AUGUST 14th

The Committee has about made arrangements for one of the best brass bands, in the State, consisting of thirty good musicians, in the State to be in Brevard on August the 14th, and it will be here all day and you can count on hearing fine music. The speakers have not yet been decided on as yet but you can rely on hearing some good talks on timely subjects. Begin now to make your arrangements to be here and bring the whole family.

Remember Concert class of Odd Fellows Orphanage. At High School Auditorium. Saturday night, 8 P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Harrison, from Alabama, are visiting at the homes of T. B. and O. T. Crary.

The Charlotte Camp has opened up on Elviria Lake for a few weeks. This lake is located on C. M. Siniard's Farm.

MOTORIZED FARM TOUR

Wm. A. Band
Please give the following publicity through your publication: Asheville first Motorized Farm Tour will leave Asheville promptly Monday morning July the 26th. The schedule of the tour is as follows; arrive at Weaverville 9.30 A. M. depart 12.00 Noon; arrive Barnardsville 1.00 P. M. depart 3.00 P. M.; arrive Mars Hill 4.00 P. M. depart 6.00 P. M., arrive at Marshall 7.00 P. M. and hold a night show on the night of the 26th. Depart from Marshall 12.30 P. M. on the 27th arriving at Leicester at 2.30 P. M. depart 5.30 P. M. On the 28th arrive at Candler 9.00 A. M. depart 11.00 A. M. arrive Clyde 12.00 Noon, depart 2.30 P. M. arrive at Canton 3.00 P. M. where night show will be held. On the 29th arrive at Fletchers 9.30 A. M. arrive at Horse-shoe 12.30 P. M. depart 3.00 P. M. arrive at Brevard 4.00 P. M. and will hold night show

Everything is free and nothing will be sold or sales solicited on this trip. The motorcade is out for educational purposes only and want the public to ask all questions they can think of pertaining to the practicability of the motor truck. Moving pictures will be shown at night shows that will interest everybody. Mr. Chas. E. Graham an authority on farm economics and other notable speakers will talk at all stops. Each truck will be at the disposal of the various communities to haul their products or whatever they have and it is requested that all people get in touch with the local committee and list their jobs with them. Remember all hauling is free. A lighting plant will accompany the caravan for the purpose of illuminating the show at nights and to furnish power for the moving picture machine. Other motor driven devices that reduce a great deal of the work on the farm will be demonstrated. Each truck dealer in Asheville will be represented in the motorcade with the truck he handles and they have made up their minds to make this auto show one to be long remembered by all that attend the demonstrations. It is used to be that the rural district was compelled to go a long distance and at a very high cost to see such an exhibit that the Asheville Automotive Trades Association has gotten together. Twentieth century methods has caused a reversal of the old way and the big auto show is brought to your own back door and the trucks put to work in your own fields that you may get the knowledge that is so important to the successful farmer of today.

We thank you,
Asheville Automotive Trades Assn.
C. M. DOYLE BACK ON VISIT
C. M. Doyle has returned for a short visit to his home in Brevard after spending several months in Cuba, Florida and Texas. Mr. Doyle will leave for New York and other northern cities in a week or so. While C. Doyle is as silent as the Sphinx, at the same time we predict that he will again startle Transylvania in the way of a big business venture in the near future.

AETHELWOLD HOTEL

Tuesday arrivals
Mr. G. M. Hoke, Asheville, N. C.
Mr. T. R. Tweed Asheville, N. C.
Mr. B. A. Hamrick Forest City, N. C.
Mr. W. B. Lile Louisville, Ky.
Mr. R. T. L. Liston Jacksonville, Fla.
Mr. L. W. Humphrey Charlotte, N. C.
Mr. S. M. Crouch Asheville, N. C.
Mr. J. H. Harwood Bryson City, N. C.
Mr. J. Louie Mosely Camden, S. C.

DUNNS ROCK LODGE MEETING

There will be a call meeting of Dunn's Rock Lodge A. F. and A. M. Friday night July 23rd at 8:15

Work in E. A. Degree. Please attend.

CHAS. M. COOK, W. M.
Frank D. Clement, Secy.

Miss Mary Plummer, has returned to her home in Knoxville, Tenn. after a two weeks visit with Mrs. H. A. Plummer.

John Chambliss of Baltimore, Md. was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Plummer.

Mrs. Hunter of Blenheim, S. C. arrived Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. F. J. Hay.

THE BEGINNING OF THE END FOR THE OLD POLITICAL PARTIES

(Advance copy from the Dearborn Independent)

Disappointed by the utter absence of public spirit and responsibility in the national conventions of the Republican and Democratic parties, the independent American people have succumbed to a sense of deep disgust for partisan politics in general. This is a most wholesome reaction and it would promise well for the nation, were there not danger of a further reaction toward apathy.

The politicians count more confidently than the people realize on that interval of time which stretches between the summer conventions and the November election. If the election were to be held today, and if the law required half the number of votes to be cast as were cast at the last Presidential election before a candidate could be chosen, there would not be enough votes cast today to elect either of the candidates to the office for which the parties have chosen them.

The Republican Convention was openly and shamelessly dominated by the financial representatives of the powers that pull government influences like strings. The party's own methods were clogged and soiled with shameless money scandals. Progressivism and clean republicanism were snubbed, insulted and crushed at every turn. The delegates were cowered, wearied, driven and deceived. And the candidates who emerged from this chaos was even more colorless than the Republican Platform, if anything more colorless can be conceived.

The Democratic Convention was, if anything a degree worse, because there was an attempt made at San Francisco which had no parallel at Chicago—the convention was at least given a flaming opportunity to declare its adherence to the moral advance made by the American people with regard to the liquor traffic. But the hand of the defunct and disgraceful whiskey business was heavy upon the men who controlled that convention. Paid agents, who were both public officials and private retainers, were in evidence everywhere.

There was no question, not even the League of Nations, which received the slavish attention which booze received. The whole convention resembled more a "hang-over" from the saloon regime than a gathering of American citizen selected to formulate policies for the solution of the problems which harass the nation and the world. And a candidate, as unknown and as amenable to control as the Republican candidate, was put forth for the high office of President.

The defeat of McAdoo and the defeat of the movement to insert a wet plank in the platform were the two strong actions of the Democratic Convention, but these were neutralized by the election of Cox. Its source, however, is generally known, and the defeat of McAdoo was more than the defeat of a man; it was the defeat of a group whose exposure and the destruction of whose power is the most needed reform in the United States and the world today.

There is now no choice whatever between Republican and Democratic candidates, between Republican and Democratic platforms, or, for that matter, between Republican and Democratic parties. The people have been treated like children; their highest hopes have been flouted; their best beliefs have been buried beneath mountains of partisan slush and filth.

The question is, Will the people stand it? Have they submitted to so much bulldozing at the hands of the politicians and the parties that they have lost their sense of ownership of their own government?

There is no question whatever about the widespread public disgust; the question is, How will it emerge? Will it die down in apathy, or will it flame forth into the protest of a Citizens Movement with a Citizens' Candidate?

It is very doubtful that any party today has the definite cohesion of other years. We hear everlasting talk about "the party" from both Democrats and Republicans. But where is it? It appears that the "party" consists of the men who meet in national convention, and no one else. These "parties" do what

ODD FELLOWS CONCERT CLASS HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, SATURDAY NIGHT, JULY 24th, 8:30 P. M.

The Odd Fellows Concert Class, from the Orphanage at Goldsboro, will give concert in Brevard Saturday night. Doors will be open at 8 o'clock, and the performance begin at 8:30. The place is the High School Auditorium. Don't forget the time, the place nor the hour.

Tickets can be obtained from A. E. Hampton, opposite the court house, or at the door. Tickets will also be at the drug stores Saturday.

Brevard knows from experience that the Orphans Concert Class always gives a good performance. All receipts go to the general fund for the support of the orphanage. Be sure to attend.

"TOM" WALTERS, Native, Arrives

T. L. Walters, "Tom", of Columbus Georgia, has arrived in Brevard as usual to spend the summer. Mr. Walters declares that Brevard seems to be on the boom and that about all that is really needed is for some of our live real estate men to get busy. He also says that Brevard is being talked about as never before and if the people of this community will only realize the enormous resources of Transylvania there would be nothing that could stop a new railroad coming straight from South Carolina, because the folks here would support it unitedly.

Remember the Orphanage Concert at High School Auditorium Saturday night.

they please and then go out and bid for the suffrages of the American people.

There is no reason whatever why the choice of the American people should be limited to Cox or Harding, to the spineless Republican platform or the dead Democratic platform. The American people are big, their problems too pressing, to permit them to stand on either platform.

Third parties have fallen into disrepute because their sole purpose heretofore has been to boost somebody into office; when they failed to do that they were cast aside. Theodore Roosevelt led out of the Republican party the best blood in it, the young men of the party whose ideals had not been besmirched and whose loyalty to their country had not been weakened by party shackles. But when they proved to be numerically too weak to elect him, although they were morally so strong as to throw a creative shock into the conscience and will of the nation, he left them and went back. Since that failure, which was the failure of an individual and not a movement, third parties have been regarded with doubt.

But a movement of the American people, in rebuke of both the subservient Democratic and Republican parties, would not be the usual "party"—it would be the Nation seizing again its own control out of unworthy hands.

The old parties have no divine right. What a party convention does need not be received loyally, as if it were an act of the government. The people now know—all of the people know—that the last two national conventions were deliberate caucuses, secret in their real work, for the purpose of "putting over" on the people something that the people do not want, and against which they will be in rebellion before another four years.

Whether the people will take supinely what is given them, or exercise their free power to name their own candidate and make their own platform; whether they will require that their nose be rubbed still deeper in the contempt which the politicians have for them, or will make an end of the present race of politicians at once, is for the immediate future to reveal.

Will there be a clean-up at Washington under Cox or under Harding? certainly there will be no ouster of the secret rulers of the United States under a Republican or a Democratic regime.

If the people want a clean-up, they must act at once, they must act deliberately, they must act without reference to the precedents set by the discredited parties, and they must act with a confidence in their supreme control over all their affairs.