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FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 1923 ECONOMIZING AT THE START:

The County commissioners, Lyday, Ashworth and Galloway, at the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 2nd, start the new year and administration off by economizing.

THE FARM AND HOME DEMONSTRATORS

The question of keeping a county and Home Demonstrator in Transylvania county jumps up about once a year.

This is of vital interest to all the tax-payers of Transylvania county and ought to be settled once and for all time by those most interested and mostly by the farmers themselves.

While the town of Brevard is probably overwhelmingly in favor of keeping both these offices, there is a strong sentiment against one or both of the Home and Farm Demonstrators out in the country, the by-ways and hedges, etc.

It is very easy to get up strong positions either for or against, and this has been demonstrated time and again during the past five or six years.

The present Commissioners have discontinued the present personnel of these two offices after the fifteenth of January, 1923. On Monday, January 15, the three county commissioners will meet to decide whether it is necessary for Transylvania county to continue to employ a home and farm demonstrator, or just one of the offices or to discontinue both.

citizens directly interested. The Commissioners explained, however, that the question of who shall fill these positions is squarely up to them and it is up to the tax-payers to decide whether they really want a home and farm demonstration office kept in the county or not; and it is not a question of the personnel at all.

The Commissioners, naturally, expect to say who they shall employ, the kind of work expected, etc.

The present Home and Farm Demonstrators have many friends who seem at all times very anxious to become enthusiastic over the wonderful results of their work and especially Mr. Lindley receive great credit for being a "veterinary" or live stock doctor. In fact, this side issue of his work is stressed too much and the real fundamental value of his advice and work is overlooked, it seems to the News.

Th movement inaugurated for cooperative growing and marketing could certainly use a farm demonstrator. Mr. R. E. Lawrence, a former agent, did much to promote this idea and there are many who were sorry to see him leave, although a change in the county administration made his resignation a necessity.

It is up to all the tax-payers, not the towns, to decide this vital question and it is hoped that those who are opposed to employing a home and farm demonstrator, will come out in the open and tell the Commissioners their opinions.

The News believes that much is accomplished by these offices and believes in progress. The present home and farm demonstrators receive approximately \$2,400.00 a year it is said; part is paid by the state and the rest by the county. While the "Brevard News" is in favor of keeping a county agent, we are not at all interested in who that agent shall be. We agree with Mr. Lindley that if there is a demand for a change he will gladly step out in order to let the work go on.

Whatever is done, let us hope that the question will be decided once and for all time.

FORMER CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

The older citizens of Transylvania county will learn with regret that Dr. L. A. Harris died at his home in Buncombe county on December 29, after an illness of several months.

Dr. Harris was a native of Transylvania county, having been born near Cherryfield eighty-six years ago. He spent his young manhood here, received his early education from Robert W. Hume, then taught school for several years, studied medicine and graduated at Jefferson Medical College and started to practice here but at the outbreak of the Civil War, he enlisted as a Surgeon in the Confederate Army and was in Col. Robert Coleman's Regiment, stationed at Knoxville. He was afterwards promoted to captain and raised a company of cavalry, the members of which came from Jackson, Transylvania and Henderson counties, and for his ability he was promoted to the rank of major at the death of Major Roberts, and held this rank until the end of the war.

Dr. Harris was a first member of Bunns Rock Masonic Lodge of this county and was secretary from 1867

to 1869 and installed the officers for years; and his sword that he used during the war is now used by the Tyler of said Lodge, and for the last sixty years, Dr. Harris was a member of Blackmere Masonic Lodge at Weaverville and took an active part in all Masonic work.

After the Civil War ended Dr. Harris settled near Weaverville and for fifty-seven years he served the people of his community as only a country physician can do, riding day and night in all kinds of weather and relieving the sufferings of his fellow-men. He was recognized as a physician of ability and was County Physician of Buncombe county for many years, and was also Government Medical Examiner for Pensions.

Dr. Harris also took an active part in the business affairs of his community, in addition to his professional duties and at the time of his death was President of the Farmers & Traders Bank of Weaverville.

Funeral services were conducted by the members of Blackmere Lodge and the floral offerings were many and beautiful and indicated, in a slight manner, the high esteem in which Dr. Harris was held.

Dr. Harris was married twice, his first wife being a Miss Weaver and his second wife a Miss Stepp, the latter being still alive. There are four living children by his first wife and three by his second.

Our esteemed fellow-citizen, Mr. W. Hume Harris is the youngest son of Dr. Harris by his first wife.

Dr. Harris also lived and labored that he enjoyed the highest confidence and esteem of his neighbors and all who knew him, and his life is an example which can be followed by those who live after him with profit and honor to themselves and benefit to their community.

Transylvania county should feel proud that she had so distinguished a son and one who has writ his name so large in the life and history of our sister county of Buncombe.

May he rest in peace and may his life be a guiding light to the present generation.

Drop a card to the County Commissioners either for or against the County and Home Demonstration offices.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BREVARD CLUB

The annual meeting of the Brevard Club, "Transylvania Business Men's Association" will be held next Tuesday night, January 9, 1923, at 8.00 P. M.

All members who are in good standing are requested to be present. The annual election of officers will be the main feature of the occasion. J. M. Allison and C. P. (Bob) White will serve another term as two members of the Board of Governors. A president, vice-president, secretary treasurer and three members for the Board of Governors will be elected.

Please be present and cast your ballot. Refreshments—NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT.

MOUNTAIN MANUFACTURES

(Charlotte Observer) Mr. W. H. Gray of Asheville has paid \$100,000 for the plant of the cotton mill at Brevard that has been owned and operated by Mr. W. C. Cleveland of Greenville, and the property will be taken over the first of the year. This mill, located in a remote section of the mountains, has been doing a good business with 5,000 spindles, but the new owner is going to enlarge its capacity by just double. Investments of this kind go to show that cotton manufacturing is an important item in mountain industry. Fact is, that wherever a

DEATH

At the ripe age of 82 years and a half years, Mr. J. W. Burnett passed away on January 3rd, at his home on Broad Street.

Born eighty-two years ago, June in the state of Tennessee, he was educated in the grammar school of his county and went into the printing business while a young man, when the Civil War was declared, he sided with his state and volunteered in the Union Army and served during the entire war and bore on his person the scars of honorable fighting, having been wounded several times and having one of his hands badly mutilated by a "minnie ball."

Mr. Burnett came to Transylvania county many years ago and besides being a printer and newspaper man of ability, was also a practical painter and decorator and had learned in the old school of printing an ink and how to mix his paints and inks and made whatever color he wanted.

Mr. Burnett was twice married. His first wife was a widow, Mrs. John Brown, with five children, whom Mr. Burnett helped raise; they are: W. A. Brown of Brevard, Mrs. Jason McCall of Pelzer, S. C., Miss Emma Brown of Pelzer, S. C., Miss Florida Brackeen of Brevard. She died before he came to this county, by which union there was one son who lives in California, and after coming here he married Miss Elizabeth Step of Henderson county, by which union he had one daughter, Mrs. Osie Miner Wright, who survives him.

Soon after settling in Transylvania, Mr. Burnett became interested in the newspaper business and established the Sylvan Valley News, which he owned and published for many years and made it one of the leading weekly newspapers of Western North Carolina.

Not only was Mr. Burnett a practical printer, with a thorough knowledge of printing in all its forms, but he was also a forceful and fearless writer, who expressed his views on all public matters freely and candidly, doing without fear or favor, always doing what he thought was for the best interest of Transylvania county, and he was never affected by selfish or financial reasons from publishing any editorial or news item which he deemed to be of public interest or for the public good.

He was a tireless worker and while engaged in the newspaper business, was in his office from twelve to eighteen hours a day, and, like many other prominent newspaper men, he freely burnt the "mid-night oil."

The columns of his newspaper were always open to public discussions and when he made up his mind as to the position he would take on any issue, he knew neither friend nor foe, but was guided solely in his views as to what was right.

Mr. Burnett traveled over a large part of the United States during his young manhood and was connected with several large dailies in the Middle West and early learned the value of advertising, and it was largely owing to his belief in the value of printers ink that Brevard was brought to public attention, and that we at last got a railroad built into our county. He was an ardent follower of Isaac Walton and thought out his editorials while sitting in his boat on the French Broad River fishing, and while he fished he meditated and found this gave him an opportunity to think calmly and quietly of the

presenting themselves to the river was the first man who had a boat on the French River and had he maintained it, there is little doubt that he would have fully succeeded in getting a boat of such draft and speed could have been successfully used on our river, as he was a believer in the possibilities of the French Broad a great boon to our people by affording facilities for pleasure boating.

He was a man of few words and attended to his own business and cared none other in their affairs. His death Transylvania county has a man who has done much to build the county and whose great reputation would be the record of what he has done through his newspaper, built up our county and made it what it is.

Mr. Burnett was a member of the Bunns Rock Masonic Lodge and also took an interest in all charities and especially the work of the Red Cross.

Transylvania county has sustained a loss in his death, his qualities were but human and his virtues were outstanding.

May his soul rest in peace and may his record for good be his monument. W. A. BREVARD

J. W. BURNETT

Many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burnett and family are anxious that they remain in Brevard.

Mr. J. W. Burnett has been manager and vice-president of the Brevard Cotton Mills and such a prominent leading and useful citizen of this community for such a long time that his many friends are in great hopes that he will decide to remain in "The Land of Waterfalls" and invest in some needed industry and thereby give Transylvania many years of his progressive counsel and personality.

Mr. Burnett sold his interests in the Brevard Cotton Mill recently.

MISLEADING NEWS ITEMS:

In a recent issue of the Hendersonville News" quite a glowing news article appeared on the front page in regard to a most fearful epidemic of "bone fever" which supposed to be in progress at the local Brevard Institute. According to the item, over sixty cases of this malady was reported which caused the majority of the students to give up their Yuletide holidays in order to lend a helping hand to those afflicted.

Of course this was all nonsense and a grave error upon the part of the Hendersonville paper. Editor Hollowell, who has been quite ill and confined to his bed, explained the error by saying that some student from the Brevard Institute had evidently got an ordinary case of "Flu" muddled up with "Bone Fever"; and the Hendersonville Paper has hastened to correct the error.

The Brevard Institute has had less illness during the present term than the college has been blessed with for many years, and while there has been the usual spasmodic illness among a few of the students from time to time, which is natural among such a large student body, still Prof. Trowbridge informs the "Brevard News" that there has not been any serious epidemic since the great plague (Flu) of 1920.

LYCEUM COURSE

The Ernest Gamble Concert Company will give a concert in Brevard on Monday evening, January the 8th at eight o'clock in the High School Auditorium. There is no other musical organization so continuously before the public. Its concerts are not merely entertaining, but elevat-

ing and educational as well. most distinguished and foremost of concert singers. He has a voice of wonderful depth and richness, which, together with his charm of manner and magnetism, move multitudes.

Miss Clara Stadelman, while an American girl, has done most of her professional work in Europe. Her soprano solos contribute greatly to the program, and her vocal duets with Mr. Gamble add much to the attractiveness and variety of the concert.

Miss Verna Leona Page is the concert violinist of the Gamble Concert Company. Miss Page possesses a rarely precious old Cremona violin made by the master workman Jammaricus Gaetano, in the year 1736. This violin has a marvelously rich and sympathetic tone. In addition to the tone of the violin, Miss Page has an exquisite touch and her modest but striking personality readily wins the hearts of all her hearers. Her graceful yet soulful rendition of the standard selections of violin literature will not soon be forgotten.

MADE MANY GALLONS MOLASSES:

J. A. Bishop, manager of the Brevard Institute Farm, informed the "Brevard News" that on one and a third acre of ordinary farm land he made about two hundred and eighty five gallons molasses, fifty bushels of cane seed and seven hundred bushels of fodder.

OUR WEEKLY SERMON.

(Continued from First Page) Of-will, "Righteously." In right relations with others, and taking active measures to bring about right conditions in the place where we live, "Godly." Accepting the will of God as the standard of our lives, rather than public opinion, custom, etc.

This present salvation is achieved only by Christ. His is the saving of the soul; His, also, is the saving of the life unto its best.

III. GRACE ASSURES SALVATION. According to verse 13, the coming again of the Lord is the final stage in the believer's salvation. That is in the future, and is the salvation called by Peter, "the salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." This will save from the presence of sin.

O wonderful salvation! The salvation of our Christ that saves from the penalty of sin, from the power of sin, and from the presence of sin! Saves to the place where sin troubles no more; where it never again shoots its poisonous fangs into our souls; where it no more mars our happiness, shatters our hopes, spoils our plans, or destroys our peace. Saved from the presence of sin! Where our smiles will never again be driven by tears; where gladness is no more forced to give way to sadness; where joy is never replaced by sorrow; where song no more becomes sighing; and where no more hope within us dies. Grace assures the believer that this final salvation will be his when Jesus comes. Is it any wonder, then, that the true believer prays according to the Scripture, for the hastening of that coming? It is the blessed hope that keeps the believer's heart rejoicing, and it is that that makes his "golden age" to be in the future.

The salvation of the crucified Christ is regeneration; that of the indwelling Christ is sanctification; that of the coming Christ is glorification. His past work has saved us; His present work IS saving us; His future work WILL save us. That wonderful salvation! What marvelous grace!

"O the love that drew salvation's plan! O the grace that brought it down to man! O the mighty gulf that God did span on Calvary!"

"SAFETY FIRST"

The largest railroads in the country are now using this slogan. We think it is a good one. And why shouldn't it apply to your money as well as to your person?

When you place your money with this bank, you are certainly exercising due caution.

Yes, "Safety First" is a good idea in both instances.



Be cautious in all things. It will insure your success, prosperity and happiness.

The one who heeds the safety signal is the one who keeps out of the danger zone. When your money is concerned, as well as other things, let "Safety First," be your motto. And carry the motto out by banking with us.

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