

COMING HOME NEXT WEEK TO BE WITH LOVED ONES AGAIN

Hundreds of Handclaps Will Mark Meeting and Greeting of Friends

REV. J. C. OWEN EXPECTED TO VISIT OLD SCENES HERE

Others Cannot Come, But Are Writing of Their Interest In the Home Town

Word is coming from every section that people are coming back home next week, to see the section and visit the folks which they left in years gone by. Many families are expecting relatives and friends, and making preparations for their reception. There will be reunions of families separated for many, many years. There are outstanding men and women in other sections, men and women who, as boys and girls roamed the hills and traipsed the valleys of Transylvania county.

Mr. Luther Aiken, prominent citizen of Brevard, is making every preparation to entertain those who are coming to visit him. One man in particular that Mr. Aiken hopes to see is the Rev. J. C. Owen, now living at Easley, S. C. In speaking of this noted minister, Mr. Aiken said:

"He is one of the biggest men that this county ever produced. I admire him because he was the first native son to graduate at a standard college, the first to go to a foreign mission field, the first to have an honorary degree conferred by a college. Mr. Owen, I believe, holds a higher scholastic degree than any other native son of Transylvania county. He is recognized as one of the county's greatest evangelists, and has carried the banner of Transylvania county aloft in many fields of achievement. There are many other fine men and women who will be here, but somehow I admire Mr. Owen most of all, because of the great success that has come to him. He has reached his pinnacle because he is a fine, clean, Christian man."

It would make interesting reading, should this paper be able to pay tribute to all the men and women who were reared here and who have made their marks in other fields. Perhaps other citizens will furnish such sketches about men they know and

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HOWELL BOYS TO BE TRIED THURSDAY

Assailants of George Shuford on Trial in Jackson County Court

Trial of the Howell brothers for murderous attacks made on George Shuford and his truck driver, W. M. Pearce, recently, is to begin in Sylva this Thursday, and several friends of the Brevard men are attending the trial.

The Howells are charged with having assaulted Mr. Pearce first, and then dangerously wounding Mr. Shuford when he went to the rescue of his driver. The Brevard men were driving along Highway 28, and had crossed into Jackson county, when the Howells, it is charged, passed them and the trouble ensued. Mr. Pearce was driving a truck, and Mr. and Mrs. Shuford were following in Mr. Shuford's car. The men stopped Pearce, it is said, and were beating him up. Mr. Shuford made effort to help his driver, and was knocked in the head with an iron, and then slashed in both sides with a knife. He was in the Transylvania hospital for several days, at first his family and friends having but little hope of his recovery.

The Howells were captured three days after the brutal attack at the home of their father in Haywood county, Sheriff T. E. Patton, Deputy Sheriff Tom Wood, Yancey McCrary, Crockett Hendrix and other Brevard men kept the hunt going until the men were located, identified by the Shufords, and lodged in jail.

The men who are charged with the crime are said to bear bad reputations, being known as dangerous fellows in their fighting moods.

After the trial Mr. Shuford will return to work with the Whitmore Motor company, where he was connected for many years as salesman of the Chevrolet cars. He is one of the most popular men in the county, and numbers his friends by the hundreds.

SOME ONE SPOILING THE PLEASURE OF ALL FANS

Some one in Brevard is making it utterly impossible for fans to get the results of the World Series ball games being played between the Athletics and the Cubs. An old set is being used by some one in town that simply knocks other radios into a cocked hat, and spoils the pleasure of all the people of the town who are trying to "listen in" on the big games.

It is believed that whoever it is causing this disturbance will gladly stop it when it is known they are spoiling the pleasure of their friends all over town.

Editor The Brevard News:

"Will you allow me space in your paper for a few words in reply to an article which appeared in your paper of last week in regard to the Purity Products company charging the tax payers so much for the coal furnished the schools. Will say to start with that the tax payers got full value for every cent they paid the Purity Products company. And if they will search the records in Mr. McNeely's office they will see. We do not ask them to take any body's word, for the records are there to speak for themselves. And then ask some coal dealer in Hendersonville or Asheville what they think about the price they paid. Also see if you can find out what you have been paying for the coal that was bought for the schools for the last two or three years. What I found in the office never said how much you paid for, nor what you paid per ton for it. It just said so many hundred dollars for coal for schools. Now, is the cheapest the best? We could have sold the county cheaper coal. I certainly do not think it would have been a good buy to have bought it. Mr. McNeely used good judgment in buying dealers, and I suppose he bought from the man making the lowest price. I certainly think Mr. McNeely used good judgment in buying the quality he bought. He had the opportunity to buy the same kind of coal from the other dealer. The reason he didn't is because he bought where he got the best buy. "Now, if the tax payers had gotten for the past six or eight years as square deals on everything as they did on this coal, they surely would be far better off than they are, and you wouldn't see so much land sold for taxes every year. (Signed) W. L. MULL, President, "Purity Products Co."

SOUTHERN PUBLIC OFFICIAL NOW HERE

Mr. J. M. Gaines, of Charlotte, manager of the Brevard Branch of the Southern Public Utilities company, has arrived in town and assumed charge of the affairs of the new concern here. Mrs. Gaines, a bride of but a few weeks, is with her husband, and they are living at the Walmire hotel.

Offices are being opened in the Walmire Building, alterations being made to accommodate the retail part of their business as well as general offices for the concern. Electrical devices of all kinds will be carried in stock and sold to the patrons of the utilities company.

Mr. Gaines expressed pleasure in being selected for the post in Brevard, being especially impressed with the beauty of the place and the fine spirit of the people. The young people will be great additions, also, to the social life of the community.

HOLDING REVIVAL AT THE INSTITUTE

Rev. E. L. Kirk of the Acton Methodist church, Asheville District, is here assisting the faculty at the Brevard Institute in the conduct of a special series of meetings which will continue throughout the week.

Mr. Kirk is a young man, but with a wide experience in working with young people. His messages are forceful and convincing, and it is expected that the efforts of the week will be productive of marked results in the lives of the student group.

INDIAN FAIR IN PROGRESS

Many people are attending the Cherokee Indian Fair, now in progress in Cherokee. This annual event is one of the most interesting affairs staged in Western North Carolina, and always draws a big crowd.

The fair will last through Friday.

Minutes of 1928 District Meeting Secretary of First District

Singing America
Greetings from the Hostess Chapter Mrs. Joseph S. Silversteen
Acting Regent Waightstill Avery Chapter
Greetings Mr. W. E. Breeze
Member of Society of the Cincinnati
Response Mrs. Ralph M. Pfaff
Regent Edward Buncombe Chapter
Address Mrs. Charles R. Whitaker
State Regent
Vocal Solo Mrs. Hugh Walker
Address Mrs. Ralph VanLandingham
Vice-President General
Greetings Mrs. R. Duke Hay
State Historian
Greetings Mrs. T. Lenoir Gwyn
State Librarian
Vocal Solo Mr. Alvin Moore
Greetings from Distinguished Guests
Adjournment for Lunch.

2:30 P.M.

Reports of Chapter Regents:

Mrs. Ralph N. Pfaff Edward Buncombe Chapter
Mrs. Frank A. Ewbank Joseph MacDowell Chapter
Mrs. Charles E. Quinlan Dorcas Bell Love Chapter
Mrs. E. W. Blythe Waightstill Avery Chapter

Reports of Committees

Round Table Discussion and General Business

Adjournment.

BOARD RECEIVES PATTON'S REPORT

Gets New Tax Bills—\$201,984.81 Amount To Be Collected for 1929 Taxes

Sheriff-Tax Collector T. E. Patton, Jr., made settlement with the county commissioners at the regular meeting Monday, turning over the last of the collections made on the 1928 taxes, and received from the board the 1929 accounts. This year's taxes, to be collected for 1929, amount to \$201,984.81, not counting the corporation taxes.

Report was made that there is an amount of nearly eight thousand dollars uncollected or unsettled on the 1928 taxes. Much of this, it is said, is in bad checks, checks being held for collection, and personal taxes. The personal taxes uncollected are in small amounts, and owed by citizens throughout the county. The tax collector was instructed to clear up these items at once, and it is probable that actions will be started against several citizens who have failed to pay their last year's taxes.

The commissioners transacted much other business of a routine nature.

MR. LOUIS CARR ON VISIT IN BREVARD

Mr. Louis Carr, head of the big Carr Lumber company, with still larger operations in New Mexico, is spending the week here, planning to leave Saturday night on his return trip to the west.

Mr. Carr's New Mexico mills cut nearly three million feet of lumber in August, which is a fair average of the output. When asked how long the operations in the west would continue, Mr. Carr said: "There is timber enough in our boundary to keep me going at full speed as long as I live, and then keep my children busy as long as they live, and then keep my grandchildren busy as long as they live."

New Mexico is a great country in every respect, Mr. Carr says. Fruit grows fine, vegetables are grown there and shipped all over the western half of the nation, while agriculture is conducted as a real business basis. Mr. Carr reports business good in the southwest, and money plentiful.

But, Mr. Carr says, he is always glad to get back home, and see his many friends here. It was here in these mountains that the genial giant first scaled the heights of success, and became an outstanding figure among the really big business men of the country.

COUNTY COURT IN WHIRLWIND SET-TO

Eighty-odd Cases Disposed of—Tightening up on the Bondsmen

Cases were disposed of in County Court Monday and Tuesday in great rapidity, some eighty-odd cases being disposed of in the two-day session. None were of general interest, however. One case in which probable cause was found resulted in binding two young men of the Cherryfield section over on the charge of second degree burglary.

Action of the court is tightening up on bondsmen where the defendants were not in court gave rise to the assertion that hereafter a man must be of pretty substantial sort in order to induce any one to go bail for him. Friends do not mind standing good for a fellow's appearance in court on a given day, providing the fellow is to be there. But when large numbers fail to attend, and their bondsmen are called upon to "cough up" the amount of the bail, then it is that men swear off. Chances are that many who persist in violating the law in the future will have to spend the time in jail until their cases are called on account of the treatment some defendants have handed out to their friends who went bail for them.

TO ENTERTAIN THE FIREMEN AT LUNCH

As this is Fire Prevention Week, the meeting of the Kiwanis club is to be devoted to a study of this important question, and James S. Bromfield, chief of the Brevard Fire Department, is in charge of the program. Civic clubs, schools, women's organizations, and many other agencies are stressing the importance of fire prevention measures throughout the nation, and statistics show that much has been done in the past in reducing loss by fire because of the observance of this week.

Chief Bromfield is expected to give information as to the best methods of fire prevention and make suggestions as to how the public can assist the fire fighting forces in saving property from destruction.

As a mark of appreciation of the services of the Brevard Fire Department, all members of that important group have been invited to be guests at the club meeting today. The meeting will be held at The Central Cafe, Gus Roman's place, at noon.

Wednesday. The children are as follows:

Walter Merrell, Miss Mary Merrell, John Merrill and Virgil Merrill, all of this county; and Tom Merrill of Biltmore; Leon Merrill, of Umatilla, Fla., and Vernon Merrill of West Palm Beach. In addition to these there are three grand children who were reared in the home of the deceased, L. V. Merrill of West Palm Beach, and Harold and Paul, bright young boys at the Merrill home.

Perry Merrill, a brother of "Uncle Baxter," lives nearby, and he is now the only living child in what was a family of fourteen children. The deceased joined the Baptist church when he was but a little boy, and had lived a most useful and beautiful life. Always a good neighbor, Mr. Merrill was noted for his generous hearted treatment of all about him, and in the days before the undertaking business reached its present perfected state, Mr. Merrill was called upon to make many coffins in which to lay away members of the families in his neighborhood. Being an expert in woodworking, the task of making coffins for his neighbors when death visited their families seemed to fall to him, and it is said of him that none of his work was ever permitted to keep him from going to the aid of his neighbors in trouble.

The Merrills in this county were among the first settlers here, and descended from the old Benjamin Merrill who took such an important part in the fighting waged by a company of men known as The Regulators, early settlers who objected to English rule and taxation even before the Revolutionary War was waged, and showed their objection by defying Governor Tryon.

Rev. J. F. Scott conducted the funeral services at Little River Baptist church, and the body was then laid to rest in the cemetery nearby in the beautiful Little River valley, where he was born and reared, and had spent his life.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS TO HAVE BANQUET

All in readiness for the dinner and business meeting of the Men's Bible class of the Brevard Methodist church. The meeting will be held at Mr. Breeze's camp, Maiden Hair Mills, this Thursday evening. The dinner is being prepared by Mr. Sam Allison, noted for his ability at making barbecue and sizzling. It is said that many squirrels will be in the pot, Dr. Zachary, Beverly Trantham and other one hundred per cent marksmen having been shelling the woods during the week.

All members of the class are expected to be on hand. Those who have not been attending class recently are given a special invitation and many men in the community who would like to become a member of the class are urged to attend.

Everybody is to meet at the church in time to leave there promptly at 7 o'clock Thursday evening. All who have cars are expected to bring them so there will be ample room for those not having cars.

NEWSPAPER LIFE TO BE SHOWN HERE

"Big News," a Pathe picture starring Robert Armstrong and Carol Lombard, will be shown at Clemson Theatre next Monday and Tuesday.

This is an amazing picture story of newspaper life, of a reporter who was accused of a murder of which he was innocent and of his wife who clung to him through thick and thin. It is a story of the inside workings of a big city newspaper office, where speeding typists, telephones and telegraph bring the news of the world to every fireside in the land. It vividly pictures a great tragedy with all its drama and thrills, which tried the souls of a faithful wife and her innocent husband.

this proposed plan during the coming year. It was suggested that the city officials might render some financial assistance to the Bureau toward the erection of a pool, and that other organizations of the town could be induced to lend their support and cooperation in the undertaking.

A committee, with Mrs. Katherine Griffin as chairman, was appointed to investigate and agitate the matter, with the end in view of getting the people of the community and elsewhere sufficiently interested to make of this project a surety. The other members of this committee include Mrs. L. B. Haynes and Mrs. Beulah Zachary.

Other matters of importance to the Bureau and to the community were transacted, and many discussed leading toward the general welfare and beautification of Brevard.

An interesting program was in charge of Mrs. C. C. Yongue, which was presented at the conclusion of the business session. Mrs. W. E. Breeze read an article on South African flowers and on "The Home and Its Needs," followed by readings by Mrs. Frank Jenkins relating to modern tendencies in education with reference to crime. Light refreshments were served by the committee following the program.

MRS. JOHNSON ON INSTITUTE STAFF

Her Coming Is Said To Add Strength to the Department of Music

Mrs. Julian Johnson of Rock Hill, S. C., has arrived in Brevard to take a place on the faculty of the school of music at Brevard Institute.

Mrs. Johnson, an honor graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston, has been prominent in both musical and church circles in South Carolina for a number of years. She was for several years a teacher in Winthrop college, and has been for fifteen years organist in Saint John's Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Rock Hill. In addition to these duties she has found time to serve as president of the Woman's Missionary society of the upper South Carolina Conference, which position she still holds.

Brevard Institute is very fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mrs. Johnson, whose addition to the department already so ably headed by Miss Merritt, gives the school one of the strongest departments of music to be found in this section of North Carolina. The steady growth of the department in the last two years indicates the interest being taken by the pupils in the fine arts.

The institute faculty now comprises a group including four Master of Arts degrees, and six Bachelors. For a school of this type, this is an extraordinarily well-prepared faculty, and the results of this selection are apparent in the character of the work that is being accomplished by the students.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN TO MEET ON FRIDAY

A call meeting of the Business and Professional Women's club will be held at the Chamber of Commerce room Friday night of this week at 8 o'clock, according to announcement made by the president, Miss Jeanette Talley. This is an important meeting and all members are urged to be present Friday night.

MASONS EXPECTED TO BE AT HALL FRIDAY NIGHT

Full attendance is expected at the regular communication this Friday night of Dunwo's Rock Masonic Lodge, when final plans will be made for the great meeting to be held one week later, when a full program will be given in observance of Home-Coming Week. It is highly important that many members be present at the meeting this Friday evening.