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MADISON COUNTY RECORD

Published Every Friday, by THE RECORD PRINTING CO. J. R. SWANN, Business Manager.

We challenge the Enterprise, the official organ of the Court-House Ring and the claim speculators of the county, to point out a single instance in which we have made a mis-statement of facts, or have mis-quoted the records of the county.

Congress has unseated Rhea, democrat, and seated Moss, dem-pop-republican from Kentucky. This is another case of highway robbery similar to the Pearson steal in this State.

Judge Fred Moore has rendered a decision removing Geo. H. Smathers as receiver of the Western Carolina Bank. Extravagance and general bad management were the charges preferred.

On May 20th the United States will turn over the administration of affairs in Cuba to the newly elected Cuban officers and we will soon see if the much talked of Cubans are capable of self government. They will no doubt put up as good an administration as Neely and Rathbone and a few other carpet-bag thieves sent over from this country to civilize them.

The Morganton News-Herald talks right out in the "meetin" to candidates about free advertising in which it says that the candidates should pay for their advertising just the same as a merchant does, and we arise to second the motion. Go "way down" into your jeans, boys, and bring up the "squids" and we will let your friends say a lot of nice things about you if we can't ourselves.

The Enterprise of last week says that THE RECORD was established to advertise Swann's goods business and Zachary's law practice. Admitting this to be true would not indicate that Merchant Swann and Lawyer Zachary were pretty enterprising citizens to run a newspaper for their exclusive use? We know of some people in this vicinity that can't even run a newspaper much less a store or a law practice.

The Democratic friends of Solicitor Gudger are outspoken against the Record. They claim that he is a loyal democrat and a good Solicitor and yet they say that paper has never said a kind word about him—Enterprise

We were not aware of the fact that many democrats are "outspoken" against the Record. Though we presume that if there are any democrats in the county, who are under control of the sheriff or who belong to the Court House Ring that they would be "agin" the Record. We are not expecting that any part of the Court House Ring will be for us.

The schools are running longer than ever before. This shows that our county officers are all doing their duty in collecting the taxes and they're all Republicans too. The Democratic Board of Education simply appropriates the money among the districts after it is collected—Enterprise

According to the above, the extra two hundred thousand dollars, appropriated by the last legislature for the benefit of the public schools of the State, on account of the new Constitution, of which Madison is entitled to about twenty five hundred has nothing to do with giving more money to the public schools. Neither has the tax paying feature of the new Constitution anything to do with it, according to the Enterprise, but it is all due to certain county officers for the way they collect the taxes. If those county officers would only make their reports as required by law the people could tell how they

are getting on collecting taxes and what is being done with them, without such efforts as the above being made for them. As to whether the above statement was made from pure and unadulterated ignorance or whether it is a wilful and deliberate attempt to fool the people are questions the Record is unable to decide.

Everyone knows, who pretends to be informed about state matters, that the last legislature, in view of the fact that the new Constitution had been adopted appropriated one hundred thousand dollars for the benefit of the public schools of the State, Madison's part of which was about \$1,250, and in order to aid the weak schools in the small districts the legislature appropriated an extra hundred thousand dollars to be distributed among the schools of the State that did not have sufficient funds to run a school for four months and Madison ought to have as much out of the extra hundred thousand dollars appropriation as she was allowed of the other, which would make in all about \$2,500 that Madison will get from the State, which will of course increase the lengths of the public schools of the county for next year. The above is a fair sample of what that crowd will claim, regardless of the facts in the case. Would it not be a little more just to have the officers to make their reports required by law than to make such statements as the above when every one knows what such statements are made for?

Collecting Fund to Pay Poll Tax For Negroes.

From News and Observer.

It turns out that Pope, the Charlotte Republican arrested for swindling, upon the charge of the postmaster at Madison, was not a swindler at all, but the accredited "sand-bagger" of the Republican Executive Committee. It seems that he went out to raise the "stuff" from Federal office-holders and turned it over honestly to the disbursing officer to be used for political purposes. Referring to Republican plans, yesterday's Charlotte News says:

"With the avowed purpose of paying the poll taxes of the negroes who are liable to disfranchisement on this ground, the Republicans of the State have had out collectors to obtain funds from Federal office-holders in North Carolina.

"That this is undeniable was learned by a News reporter today, the information coming from a source that cannot be doubted.

"It is the intention of the Republicans to endeavor to save the day by being enabled to keep in line all the negroes who are able to read and write and who are liable to disfranchisement because of failure to pay their poll taxes.

"The fund is to be distributed at various points in the State, where the agents will take up the receipts of the negroes who fail to pay their taxes. After paying the same for them the receipts will then be held against the negroes to influence the trend of their votes.

"It is said the fund collected so far has reached a large amount."

From other sources comes the information that the Republicans, particularly in the West, are very active in using the money extorted from Federal officials to pay the poll tax of Republican voters. It seems that the Legislature, by misadventure, failed to make the payment of poll tax by committee a misdemeanor, as should be done. This opens the door for the Republicans to raise a large corruption fund without punishment.

To the Democrats of the State: Be up and doing! Form committees at every precinct who will see every white voter who has not paid his poll tax and urge him to pay before May 1st, and thereby save his vote. It must be paid anyhow and will be collected later but unless paid by May 1st, nobody failing to pay, will be permitted to vote in November.

Clean Railroad Stations.

From Asheville Citizen.

Of the more than 300 railroad stations in North Carolina how

many are attractive? How many are clean and comfortable?

In these questions there is no reference to the size or style of the station building—though many of them are too small and very inconveniently arranged. The reference is to the manner in which the buildings are kept and to their unattractive surroundings. Some of the station buildings, be it said to the credit of the agents, are kept in good order, clean and comfortable, and the grounds and premises in connection therewith are well cared for. But this is true of too few of our stations. Some of them where they are fairly good buildings, are not properly cared for. Not only are the rooms very poorly ventilated and the air foul-smelling, but the floors and woodwork are almost filthy, while it is hard work to see the approach of trains through the windows on account of deposits of dirt and smoke.

This condition of affairs ought, of course, to be forbidden by the railroad officials, but in case they do not remedy it the Corporation Commission ought to be able to do so. An ill-kept station is as bad, so far as the traveling public is concerned, as one too small or in an out-of-the-way place. The Commission has the right to order new and better stations built; it ought to have the right to compel them to be kept well painted and clean.

Barnard Items.

The school at Bell Institute, closed March 28. The commencement began the 26. The closing days and nights of our school will be long remembered by the people of our community and those who visited us.

The choir began the exercises the 26th, at 7:30 p. m. by singing the familiar old hymn, "Jesus Saviour, Pilot Me." The scripture lesson and prayer was conducted by Prof. R. F. Johnston. The choir then sang, "Homeward Bound." The superintendent then introduced to the audience, Rev. W. T. Rodgers of Knoxville, Tenn., who began his lecture in such an interesting way, the people were almost amazed as he stood before them. His subject was "Things seen and heard on a trip to Europe." Mr. Rodgers spoke about one hour and thirty minutes holding his audience almost spellbound and receiving loud applause all through his lecture. He closed his speech by saying, "America is ahead." The choir then sang "Home, Sweet Home." The audience was then dismissed by the benediction.

The choir opened the services on Thursday by singing the old hymn "Whiter than Snow," prayer was led by the superintendent. Rev. W. T. Rodgers then came forward and read his text from Isaiah 40, 31, subject "Mounting Upward." He preached a sermon that will be long remembered by those who heard it. The services were closed by the choir singing, "Home, Sweet Home."

The exercises were opened Thursday night at 7:30 with a song, "America" by the school. Prayer was led by Rev. W. T. Rodgers. The school then sang "God for us."

The Jervis declamation contest then began between the following speakers, L. G. Wardrop, Robt. Wardrop, Andrew Wardrop, E. M. Ramsey, C. S. Crain, J. D. Henderson, O. J. Wardrop and B. E. Guthrie. The judges were as follows: Rev. W. T. Rogers, of Knoxville, Tenn., Mrs. W. J. Darby, of Evansville, Indiana, Contractor Smith, of Newport, Tenn. The judges found it quite difficult in deciding between the speakers. After some time two of them decided in favor of C. S. Crain.

The primary department occupied the remainder of the program with drills, declamations, songs, etc. The exercises closed with a song by the children, "Now I Lay me Down to Sleep."

The exercises opened Friday 28, 7:30 p. m. with the sweet old song, "America" and prayer by the superintendent. The school then sang "Happy Greetings to All." Notwithstanding the terrible wind and rain the Chapel was crowded

with people and the program was well carried out. After the program was near through, Mrs. W. J. Darby, the president of the Woman's Board of Missions, addressed the audience with a very pleasant message and presented the Jervis medal and diploma to C. S. Crain, who completed the course of study at the close of this term. After the wreath drill the large audience faced the terrible wind, rain and darkness to their homes.

The faithful teachers of Bell Institute have done a great work during the past year, of which I am sure every citizen of this community is proud of and feel that they owe to the teachers their highest honor.

Give old Madison county a few more teachers like the teachers of Bell Institute and there will be no danger but what every boy that becomes of age after 1908 can walk up and vote as proud as anybody's boy.

The lady teachers will soon leave for their homes in the different states. The writer wishes them a pleasant and a happy vacation and a safe return to Bell Institute.

Mr. Jacob Davis who has been lingering with consumption for several months died March 28. Mr. Davis was a true Christian man and a good citizen. He will

be greatly missed in our community.

C. A. Nichols and J. M. Ramsey, our well known merchants made a trip to Knoxville a few days ago and purchased a nice line of goods.

I am informed that Mr. Rod Shelton will not put goods in the Haynie store.

C. A. Nichols and J. M. Ramsey are putting up a telephone line from Barnard to Jewel Hill.

The Laurel Company has extended their wire from Putnam to Dr. A. J. McDevitt's office at Jewel Hill.

Mrs. Emeline Allen, died near Leonard last Sunday morning, at 3 o'clock. She had been sick only three weeks with fever. She leaves a family and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Miss Rachel McDowell, the daughter of the well known Duff McDowell, of Marshall, died at the home of her brother, C. L. McDowell, near Jewel Hill, March 30. It is supposed that she died with brain fever, from being exposed in the terrible storm on Friday night of the commencement. She only lived about twelve hours from the time she was first taken sick.

B. E. GUTHRIE.

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Marshall, N. C., March 5th 1902.



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