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Peek's Chapel News

The farmers here are behind with their work on account of the heavy rains and continual wet weather but crops in general are looking fine and a large harvest of wheat is expected.

The Sunday School at Peek's Chapel is progressing nicely, with Mr. J. G. Woody as Superintendent and such a force of good teachers. We are proud of them especially our Junior Boys' and Girls' teacher. We feel that they have the teachers they need, as they are to be the men and women of tomorrow they need the best. The last two years have been the most prosperous of many years for the Sunday School.

The Davis Chapel Singing Class from near Marshall met with the Sunday School and Church on June 11th, and a nice program of music was rendered. The Pastor Rev. R. D. Ponder was present and took for his text "Heaven," and requested the Davis Chapel Class to sing that wonderful song, "How Beautiful Heaven must Be." If it had been customary for the people of Peek's Chapel to shout I think there was a number present who would have liked to have been on the job while the class sang that song.

One visitor when spoken to of the splendid Sunday School remarked, "I don't know so much about the Sunday School but they certainly have a good pastor," and that is just what the people here think.

The Davis Chapel class with some of their friends from Marshall were nicely entertained in the homes of the people for dinner. It is hoped that in the near future this splendid singing class will meet here with several other singing classes for and all day song and speaking service.

John said, "I must work the works of him who sent me while it is yet day." That is what the people of Peek's Chapel are doing.

A Subscriber.

Auto Turns Turtle But Three Baptist Leaders Are Unhurt

Minor Scratches Suffered By Asheville Men in Accident

Although an automobile in which they were riding turned turtle, Rev. Benjamin Sargee, Rev. J. J. Gentry and Rev. S. T. Hensley yesterday escaped injuries and suffered only a few minor scratches. The Asheville men were returning from a conference in Madison County and the automobile turned turtle when they attempted to pass two wagons on Tilson's Hill between Mars Hill and Marshall.

The top was crushed, windshield broken and the car was at the foot of a four foot embankment, but after a few hours work, the machine was repaired so the trip to Asheville could be completed and the party arrived in the city about 6 o'clock with Rev. Mr. Gentry at the wheel.

It was stated last night that two wagons were on the road and as an attempt was made to pass them, dirt on the side of the embankment gave way and the car fell to the bottom. Rev. Mr. Gentry, who was driving was pinned under the car and miraculously escaped injury. Rev. Mr. Sargee and Rev. Mr. Hensley were not pinned under the car and with the aid of others rescued Rev. Mr. Gentry.

Two Significant Facts

According to the NEWS LETTER Madison County paid out \$1,819,900 in cold cash in 1920, for articles which could have been produced in this county. This large sum, a sum which if kept at home would make us rich in 20 years, went out of the County for "bread and butter, hog and hominy and hay and forage." This is not a creditable showing for our county. We shall be poor as long as this process continues. A vigorous Farmer's Federation, led by an enthusiastic and capable Farm Agent, could save the farmers each year many thousands of dollars in buying necessary farm supplies, and many more thousands in standardizing crops and in co-operative selling. This county is suited to farming stock growing, fruit growing, and should be prosperous. And it will be sometime, when our own people learn to pull together in vital matters. What concerns the farmer and makes toward his success, makes for the success of every business and profession in Madison County, for the population is wholly rural. Do the people of this County want to save a round million dollars a year? Are they willing to work together to bring this about? Are there men of vision and leadership who will free us from the economic bondage which we willingly accept as ours by inheritance?

Taxes concern everyone; it is interesting to compare the rate in the various counties. In Madison County we pay \$1.54 on every hundred dollars for school and general county purposes. Only two counties in the State have a higher rate. In the counties that touch Madison the people have a much lower rate: Yancey, \$1.00; Buncombe, 84 cents; and Haywood, 75 cents (less than half what it is in Madison) while in Alleghany, one of the finest of our mountain counties, the rate is 41 cents. Do we have more to show for our investment in this County? No one should object to taxes as long as every dollar is being used for the common good. And it is the duty of every citizen to see that this is done. Not a dollar spent wisely in good roads, schools, or community betterment in morals, health, better farming and housekeeping should be begrudged. But is it worth twice as much to live in Madison as it is in Haywood, or four times as much as in Alleghany? The fact that Madison has lost in population steadily for twenty years, while the other counties have gained would seem to argue against us. Here are the facts, judge ye.

R. L. MOORE.

Madison Baptist Laymen Organize

Madison County Baptist brotherhood was formed at an enthusiastic meeting of laymen at Marshall yesterday, Dr. J. T. Henderson, who has charge of the laymen's movement of the Southern Baptist convention, and Rev. J. J. Gentry, Baptist evangelist worker, of Asheville, were speakers at the meeting.

Dr. W. A. Bama was selected as president. The next meeting will be held Sunday, July 2, at Mars Hill.

OFFICIAL VOTE OF MADISON COUNTY, JULY 1st 1922.

	REP.		SHERIFF		COM.		CONSTABLE	
	PAUL E. BRUCE	JOHN A. HENDRICKS	R. N. CATON	R. R. RAMSEY	J. B. McDEVITT	JOHN E. RECTOR	GEORGE HENSLEY	FRANK RUNNION
Township 1 Ward 1	172	232	198	215	202	201	256	101
Township 1 Ward 2	179	44	91	144	221	16	105	83
Township 1 Ward 3	75	69	66	80	69	74	64	49
Township 1 Ward 4	35	82	78	42	65	51	56	63
Township 2 Ward 1	162	19	23	149	177	7		
Township 2 Ward 2	66	62	34	91	91	35		
Township 3	57	144	115	98	158	56		
Township 4 Ward 1	22	4	16	12	6	15		
Township 4 Ward 2	40	81	55	71	44	75		
Township 5	71	19	26	64	74	11		
Township 6	15	32	21	29	1	45		
Township 7	71	142	150	72	127	88		
Township 8 Ward 1	40	33	16	61	27	44		
Township 8 Ward 2	3	25	1	29	15	14		
Township 9	116	95	104	143	121	74		
Township 10 Ward 1	53	24	16	61	59	14		
Township 10 Ward 2	69	79	34	112	127	18		
Township 11	136	74	102	109	95	87		
Township 12	86	47	47	83	120	14		
Township 13	27	36	25	36	18	44		
Township 14	51	39	84	62	52	41		
Township 15	60	50	70	46	61	46		
Township 16	51	93	92	55	74	68		
TOTAL	1657	1525	1414	1864	2004	1138	481	296

Bluff Items

Mr. Editor will you please print these few items from Bluff.

The people of Zion Church had a general meeting, singing and picnic on Sunday June 25th. Many people here from all up Spring Creek and Meadow Fork Creek. Also from Haywood County, Singing classes from Bethel, Hot Springs and Ottingers Chapel came and sang with the Zion class. Singing begun at 9:30 a. m. Rev. C. L. Miller, preached to the large congregation at 10:30 to 11:15 his text was Dan. 10-27. Subject "Interpretation of Gods word, made a good impression on the people at 11:30. Hon. Ira Plemmons of Hot Springs, gave a short but interesting talk on Sunday School work. Then singing until 12 o'clock, when our good women served dinner on the ground for all. People that was visitors made some very complimentary remarks about the dinner, think all got enough to eat, Dannie Gillespie hauled water and with ice furnished by the Sunday School, in the water, it was drank fast. After dinner the four classes arranged the seats in the house and sang until 2:30 p. m., when Hon. Japer Ebbs made us one of his interesting talks as only Mr. Ebbs can make, then singing until 4:30 p. m. when we adjourned for home. The crowd was estimated to be from 500 to 800 hundred people. We thank the people for coming to see us.

No wheat in our settlement much account. Corn is doing well, most to much rain for getting up good hay.

The second primary is over and we trust every body is satisfied the way it went. We also trust our next Sheriff will not allow his deputies to spend all their Sundays hunting down violators of the law unless absolutely necessary. Mr. next Sheriff appoint men for your deputies that will execute the law without fear or favor to both friend and foe, but who will do this in the six days the Lord has set apart for us to do our work and go to Sunday School and Church on Sunday.

The Rev. Sprinkle is holding a Revival meeting at Liberty Church at present time. Trust he may have much success.

C. L. MILLER.

The Big Convention.

There are conventions of business men and conventions of professional men, conventions of religious and of educational associations, and conventions of various labor and sales organizations, but the Farmer's and farm Women's convention at Raleigh August 1, 2 & 3 bids fair to be the biggest of them all and why not?

Farming, altho the least lucrative, is the biggest and most important business of them all.

It needs attention and will receive it at this Convention. Railroads will grant reduced rates. Meals will be furnished by the College at 50c each. Lodging free. Each visitor will take sheets, pillow cases and toilet articles.

Slogan—"Times Rather Squally, help us at Raleigh."

Woman Sheriff?

It seems incredible and it sounds impossible but nevertheless it is true that a woman is a candidate for a sheriff of Mitchell County. It is so printed in the veracious Mitchell County Chronicle wherein appears the proclamation and platform of Miss ESTALINA BAKER.

Consider what we are coming to when a woman, and a lone one at that, is warranted in running for sheriff and especially of Mitchell County. Mitchell is a sparsely settled county, abundantly supplied with mountain hiding places where desperate characters take refuge when driven across the Tennessee line, and its sheriff has generally been a two-fisted man armed with two big pistols which he is frequently on to use. Of this type was GEORGE FARRCHAUD.

Times have changed indeed if Mitchell is to have a lady sheriff and the millennium must be approaching when a woman can keep the county clear of visiting desperadoes. Shades of the old timers, the by-gone blockaders, what would they think if they came back and found a woman preserving the peace and dignity of Mitchell County? All we can say is that we never would have thought it—"Miss Sheriff Baker"—is that what it is to be?

Government Hunter Kills Biggest Arizona Grizzly

The biggest and most notorious grizzly bear in Arizona was killed during the first week in June by a government hunter employed by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture, after considerable time and effort had been spent in trying to capture him.

The skin and skull of the bear were turned over to the predatory animal inspector for the district, who placed them on exhibit for a few days in a prominent store in Phoenix, Ariz., and then sent them on to Washington. This bear is positively identified as a grizzly, although its body was nearly black and its nose and flanks were cinnamon color. It weighed from 1,200 to 1,500 pounds and its skin measured 7 feet 3 inches from tip to tip. When standing on its hind legs the bear could have stretched up a distance of eight feet. The skull is 16 1/2 inches long.

The grizzly's persistent preying on live stock cost cattled owners at least \$25,000, according to conservative estimates. One man, however, upon whose range the bear lived most of the time expressed the belief that the bear had eaten fully \$75,000 worth of his cattle. The Biological Survey inspector re-

ported that the bear killed 12 head of cattle within one week, among them a pure-bred Hereford bull weighing 1,800 pounds. Cows and young calves, however, were the bear's favorite food. He would eat the udder of a cow or the stomach of a calf and then kill another animal. He never went back to the carcass a second time.

The Radio

The Electrical Department of the State College at Raleigh, is authority for the statement that there are several hundred radio receiving sets in the state.

That department has very kindly agreed to give a demonstration of the radio for the enjoyment of those who attend the FARMERS AND FARM WOMEN'S CONVENTION, August 1, 2 and 3.

The Western Carolina News

The first issue of The Western Carolina News, a Republican weekly news-paper, which will be edited and published in Asheville, appeared Monday, June 26th. WILL H. STEVENS, who has had more than 40 years of experience in the publishing and journalistic field, is editor and business manager of the new publication.