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PUBLIC STATEMENT

Of the Board of Trustees North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, April 25, 1924

The Board of Trustees of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League fully endorses the resolutions adopted by the Anti-Saloon League of America in the Washington Convention, January 12-16, 1924, which declared unequivocally for constitutional government.

We desire to emphasize our endorsement of the Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead Act and the strict enforcement of both. We urge the voters of North Carolina to support for State and Federal legislative offices candidates who by record and public statement stand for these measures.

We believe in the strict enforcement of the Turlington Act. The Legislative Committee appointed by this body in November, 1922, did its work thoroughly and successfully, and deserves the thanks of every citizen in the state. Now we urge these citizens and the executive officers to see that the provisions of this measure are used in every county to rid the State of bootleggers and blockaders.

The sheriff of the county is vested with power and authority to break up the outlawed liquor traffic. He is under oath to "search for and seize any distillery or apparatus used for the manufacture of intoxicating liquor in violation of the laws of North Carolina." We urge all citizens to require of sheriffs the faithful discharge of this duty and hold them responsible also for the activity or failure of their deputies. We believe the people should support in primaries and elections candidates for sheriff who abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors. If making and selling liquor is unlawful, the consumer is a party to the crime. Not only candidates for sheriff, but candidates for judge, solicitor, and recorder should publicly go on record for vigorous enforcement of prohibition laws.

We urge our teachers throughout the State to provide their schools with suitable programs that "Law and Order Day" may be observed. We favor an appropriation that will enable the Superintendent of Public Instruction, as the law provides, to furnish such programs. Reverence for law is essential and must be taught. Especial attention should be given to the teaching of the effects of alcohol on the human system, both in public opinion will understand the reasons for prohibition and wish the law enforced.

The people must be brought to a deeper sense of civic responsibility. Those who vote are the only ones who really count as citizens of the republic. As long as approximately half of those who are entitled to exercise the right of suffrage fail to qualify and vote, Christian citizenship must arouse itself and make every nonparticipating citizen realize that he is a civic slacker. We urge all citizens to meet this responsibility at the primaries, June 7, 1924.

Walnut Items

I shall only give a short sketch of the Commencement of Walnut High School, as it would be too lengthy to go into all of the details.

The exercises were all good and well attended. The Baccalaureate Sermon on Sunday night by Dr. C. O. Gray was very instructive and highly appreciated by the large audience who heard him. The Dedication Service on Sunday evening which was participated in by a number of speakers was very interesting and impressive. Quite a number of the Junior Order of the American Mechanics of Asheville, took a lively part in the service and presented to the school a large flag and Bible, which we appreciate very much.

The prize which was a ten dollar gold piece, given by Ramsey Bros. and McClure in the Reading Contest was awarded to Miss Martha Catherine Ramsey. The address to the graduating class by Prof. A. J. Hutchins of Asheville was a real treat to our people, and he will find a big welcome, should he return to Walnut again. The play on Monday night was good, and the proceeds amounted to \$93.29. The last act on Tuesday night, which closed a successful school year, was the presentation of diplomas to the graduating class by Superintendent Homer Henry. The following are the names of the graduating class: Ashley Roberts, Everett Thomas, Myrtle Fortner and Bertie Fortner.

We can not speak too highly of our principal, Miss Epps Haws and the other teachers for their faithful service which has made our school a great success.

Brigman Bros. are now building a large shop and repair building, near their store house.

Ramsey Bros. are making preparation for a garage building. This building will be made of concrete blocks. They will handle the Ford Car.

Uncle Sam Rigsby, one of the oldest citizens of Walnut died last month. He was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church, and was highly respected by all who knew him.

Mr. T. W. Haws of Fall Branch Tenn. attended the Commencement of Walnut High School. Mr. Haws is the father of our principal, Miss Epps Haws.

A number of young people spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. McDevitt on May the third. The occasion was a birthday party in honor of their son Tom.

Our next preaching service at Dry Branch will be the third Sunday Morning in this month. This will be our time to partake of The Lord's Supper, and we are expecting Rev. Wesley Hyde of Walnut to preach the sermon.

—B. E. Guthrie

To The Public

The Garage men of Marshall have agreed to close their places of business on the Sabbath from 10:00 A. M. to 2:00 P. M., in order to give the people an opportunity to attend the Sabbath Schools and Churches.

These men should be heartily commended for this action.

A SENSE OF HUMOR

BY EDGAR A. GUEST.

"What shall I give him now?" said God,
 "He has the strength with which to plod
 The ways of life; the love of right;
 The gift of song when skies are bright

"Wisdom is planted in his mind,
 This man shall be both true and kind,
 Earth's beauty shall delight his eyes,
 And to its glories he shall rise.

"He shall know right from wrong and he
 Defender of the faith shall be.
 What more on him can I bestow
 Before to earth I let him go?"

Then spake an angel, standing near:
 "Wisdom is not enough, I fear.
 Master, for all that he must do,
 Grant him a sense of humor, too

"Grant him to smile at petty wrong,
 The changing moods which sway the throng;
 When cares annoy him, show him then
 How laughable are angry men!"

Years after when his strength was tasked,
 "What keeps you patient?" he was asked.
 "What keeps you brave who are so tried?"
 "My sense of humor," he replied.

Sent to The News-Record by W. M. Anders from Detroit Michigan.

Get Out into The Open

There are still many people in North Carolina who have serious doubts about the benefit of fresh air, and especially of "night air." There are still homes where, upon the setting of the sun, every door is closed and all windows tightly fastened. Some of the windows never get opened throughout the winter, and the doors are used only as means of entering or leaving. Some of the people who insist upon such care to keep fresh air out of their houses probably read THE HEALTH BULLETIN, and are convinced in their minds that fresh air is a good thing—for the other fellow.

Maybe some have excused their action these past few months because of the cold weather and the difficulty and expense of keeping the house comfortable. Perhaps they have even promised themselves that when warm weather came again they would get outdoors and get some of the health-giving properties of fresh air which they had denied themselves all winter.

Well, it is high time a beginning was made. Spring is here. Now is the time for every one to forsake the house as far as possible, and let the air and sunshine of out of doors get a chance at rejuvenating the starved body.

A good plan—one of the best—is to have a garden. The raising of vegetables is most valuable from two viewpoints. It requires bodily exercises in the open, and it supplies for the table a most necessary variety of food. Incidentally, while thus benefiting physically a considerable dent can be made in the high cost of living.

There are folks so unfortunately situated as not to be able to work in either a flower or vegetable garden. The "cave-dwellers" in the modern apartment houses in our cities are denied such pleasures

For such there is nearly always available some outdoor game, such as tennis, croquet, baseball, or golf. Swimming pools have in the past few years made this excellent form of outdoor exercise available to thousands. And there is always the opportunity for walking.

But, above all, do not confine your experience of fresh air to the walking period. What is still more essential for good health is sleeping in the fresh air. If you do not have a sleeping porch available, build one. If this is out of the question, you can surely open wide the windows. Too much time is spent in sleep for it not to bring great returns in improved health. It is Nature's way of repairing the waste caused by the active day. Sleep in the open air is far more valuable and refreshing than sleep indoors.

Death Of Mr. Bob Buckner

On April 26, 1924 the death Angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Buckner and called from this world to that above the husband and father. He had been sick for only a few days and his death was a great shock to every one. Mr. Buckner was a consecrated Christian, devoted to his Sunday School and Church. Mr. Buckner we believe to be with the redeemed. He can not come to us but we can go to him.

He is survived by a loving wife and five children, four girls and one boy.

We miss the sunshine of his face, we miss him everywhere. Surely we long to go where he is, where there is no more sorrow, trouble or pain and where the Death Angel never comes. Not now but in the years to come it may be in the better land we'll read the meaning of our tears and there sometime we'll understand

Death of Mrs. Margaret Plemmons

Editor News-Record:—

Our Community was shocked on the 5th of April 1924, at the sudden death of Margaret Plemmons wife of S. E. Plemmons, she died very sudden from a hemorrhage. Mrs. Plemmons was the mother of eleven children, eight of whom preceded her, she is survived by her husband S. E. Plemmons, two sons and one daughter, Mr. Larkin Plemmons, Trust, N. C., Mrs. Marthy Webb, of Leicester Buncombe County, N. C., and Silas Plemmons, residence not known. She was 65 years old, and had belonged to the Baptist Church for 40 years. Aunt Margaret as she was called was truthful and honest and a true Christian industrious and kind to all. She with her husband has lived on the writers land for seven years and will be greatly missed by us all, she often talked of heaven where the faithful would rest from their labors, she was devoted to her church and a believer in flowers always, had flowers to give others and now in the yard where she lived you can see her labor, and beautiful flowers. Aunt Margaret was naturally intelligent with limited education, she was intelligent in conservation, read the Bible a great deal, and understood it, so the church has lost a faithful member, the community a kind hearted good neighbor. She is now resting from her labors and her works will follow her.

JASPER EBBS.

Mr. Z. T. McDarius's 64th Birthday

At the home of Mr. Z. T. McDarius on Sunday May the 4th day, it being Mr. McDarius's 64 birthday. His children set him a birthday dinner and all the relatives and many friends were invited.

The dinner was served in the front yard, it would be too much to try to express the wonderful and bountiful dinner there was more than 150 people bountifully fed and not half the dinner eat. The people from Asheville was Mr. Sam Radford and wife Mrs. Ruaner Davis, P. G. Coffee and others from Mars Hill, L. C. Huff, and many others from Paint Fork. Mr. J. E. Radford and G. M. Blankenship and wife and family from Grapevine Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Morgan, Thomas J. Murray with many other prominent men being present. Afternoon the people gathered in the Grove in front of the home of Mr. Sam Radford he introduced his school companion, Senator Murray, for a speech, you all know what Tom can do. There was others spoke Mr. Floyd Coffee, E. S. Morgan, J. E. Radford and Mr. Sam Radford who is a prominent lawyer of Asheville. The two Mr. Radfords made very interesting talks and was much appreciated by the large crowd. All the talks was real good, many compliments passed on the splendid good dinner. We only pass this way but once, and will pass no more. This was a good day for all who was present and much enjoyed by all.

Mr. McDarius is one of Madison County's best citizens and has a fine family.

This day will be long remembered.

A Subscriber.

Grape Vine Items

Our people are getting busy putting corn in the ground.

Mr. Garrett buckner is moving back to his farm.

Mr. Hubert Corn of Asheville was visiting relatives here Sunday.

Mr. Dolph Coats of Marshall and family was visiting his father and mother here last Sunday.

Mr. Joel B. Morgan who holds a job with the Sunburst Lumber Co. was at home a few days last week.

Mr and Mrs. E. S. Morgan was among the number at Z. T. McDarius's birthday dinner Sunday May 4.

Our Sunday School is taking on more life and prayer services are each Sunday night.

The young preacher, Mr. Everette Sprinkle preached for us last Sunday evening, if Mr. Sprinkles lives he will make his mark in this world for God.

We find the Madison County Singing Convention is bringing about a great interest, go to it boys we will look for you all at Walnut July the 4th.

—E. S. Morgan

Ivy News

The people of this community are very busy planting corn now.

It is a pleasure to see such pretty weather after a long winter has passed.

The fruit crop looks prosperous for this season.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Rice a daughter on April 18th.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ross Buckner a daughter on April 20.

We are glad to have Miss Edith Fisher of the Grape Vine section with us, she is a girl whom we all know and love.

Mr. C. K. Guthrie and niece, Miss Edith Fisher made a business trip to Marshall Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Thos. Guthrie is spending this week with her daughter, Mrs. P. A. Fisher of the Grapevine community.

A Subscriber

Cleaning Up The Scenery

There has been much agitation to remove unsightly billboards from scenic spots on beautiful highways which are being built in various states.

Without waiting for legislation on the subject, one of the largest users of signboards on the Pacific Coast, the Standard Oil Company of California, has removed over a thousand of its road signs.

Other large companies in this section, which is noted for its beautiful scenery, have indicated their willingness to follow the lead of the Standard Oil Company. Comment has been almost unanimous in favor of this action.

Nothing is more unsightly than a collection of fifty-seven varieties of signs as one enters every town or city, or at points where the eye is attracted by a beautiful view or some other object of interest.

It is altogether probable that better advertising results could be secured by spending the same amount of money in the rural newspapers of the various states.