

ENTHUSIASTIC RALLY ON FLATS OF SPRING CREEK LAST SATURDAY

FINE SPEECHES, GOOD CROWD AND ELEGANT DINNER

As advertised in this paper before, the good roads rally was held last Saturday on the flats of Spring Creek. The clouds in the morning held up later in the day and quite a good crowd attended, though the rain in the morning doubtless kept many away.

The program started off at the appointed hour (11 o'clock A.M.) with several selections by the Spring Creek String Band. This band is composed of the following:

Gordon Woody—harp and cornet,
Bob Wells—Violin,
Roy Willett—Guitar,
Hardy Willett—Banjo,
Monroe Webb—Guitar.

This band of Young men make really good music and their part of the program did much to enliven the day.

Mr. Jasper Ebbs, who had called the meeting at this place, after announcing the purpose of the meeting, asked that the people elect a chairman, whereupon Mr. Plato Reeves of near Leicester was given this position without opposition. Mr. Reeves ascended the truck which was used as a platform for the speakers and held forth in his usual jocular manner. In fact after amusing his hearers for a while with his anecdotes, he waxed eloquent in pleading for a road across Doggett Mountain. Mr. Reeves then introduced Hon. Harry Nettles, who represented Haywood County in the legislature. Mr. Nettles showed himself at home in speaking to such an audience and pledged himself to the support of the proposed road.

Next was introduced Senator Plato Ebbs of Asheville, a native of the ground on which the meeting was being held. Mr. Ebbs is well known and the work he has done in the legislature speaks for itself. He called

attention to the numerous instances in which he had sponsored or heartily supported measures which would provide better roads and better schools. He went so far as to predict that the proposed road now a dream would be a reality and that he would use all the power of his office toward giving the people of these sections of Madison the road which they now so much desire. The speaker, before closing his speech, discussed for a few minutes the proposed National Park and explained how he had worked for it and what it would mean to this section, and that the proposed road would be one of the routes to the Park. Mr. Ebbs spoke at some length, receiving a number of cheers as he touched on matters close to the hearts of his hearers.

Chairman Reeves sandwiched between all the speeches some of his amusing remarks and oratory and called on the last speaker was Judge Payne of Sevierville, Tenn. Judge Payne was a native of Madison County, having left the County about 40 years ago. He was familiar with that part of the County through which the proposed road would pass and he called upon the people of the sections of the county most interested to organize and push the matter. He could see no reason why it should not be done, and that Tennessee was on the way toward meeting North Carolina at the line and thus shorten the distance from Knoxville to Asheville. Despite the fact that he was speaking past the dinner hour and the people had been standing for more than two hours, his speech was well received and much enjoyed.

By this time, 1:30 or later, the people welcomed the announcement that dinner would then be spread—and what a spread it was! Fried chicken, roast beef, fried chicken, roast

beef, bread, biscuits, pickles, fruits, canned and otherwise, and pies, custards, cakes galore were spread and after all were filled, about as much was taken home as had been eaten.

One item of food on the table was a sweet potato, so large the writer asked what it was. The potato weighed 5 1-2 lbs. was grown by Mrs. H. C. Randall on the Forks of Sandy Mush and cooked by Mrs. C. H. Reeves.

The day was enjoyed by all present and all went away enthusiastic as to the proposed road.

COUNTY TO BUILD MARSHALL ROAD

Will Lend \$90,000 To Pave Highway 3 Miles To Boundary

Buncombe County commissioners agreed yesterday to advance to the State highway commission sufficient money to complete a 3-mile stretch of highway lying within Buncombe County on the Asheville-Marshall highway.

The anticipated cost, of approximately \$90,000 will not be advanced in one lump sum, but estimates will be filled as they are made, Chairman E. M. Lyda stated.

This action was taken following an appeal made to the commissioners yesterday by a delegation of citizens from Madison County. They advised that work on the highway would have to cease soon unless further funds could be obtained.

The paving in this county has reached to Flat Creek bridge, it is reported. This loan will make it possible to complete the work from that point to the Madison County line.

District Highway Commissioner Stikeleather stated yesterday that the work would be completed this year unless the weather should interfere.

Madison County citizens expect the completion of the highway to result in a very much increased traffic by way of Marshall through Madison County.

—The Asheville Citizen.

COURT HERE THIS WEEK

Superior Court convened in Marshall Monday, Judge P. A. McElroy presiding. This session was taken up with civil cases.

The first case tried was Kite vs Buquo Lime Co. of Hot Springs. This was a case in which Mr. Arthur Kite, an employee last March of said company, was injured when his right arm was caught between a belt and the pulley and badly lacerated, while he was attempting to screw down a grease cup while the machinery was in motion. Mr. Kite's contention was that the accident was due to negligence on the part of the company in not putting on the clutch which would have enabled Mr. Kite to stop that part of the machinery over which he had control while he was oiling it.

The company's contention was that Kite put his arm through the belt knowing how dangerous it was and that his injury was not due to their negligence.

In the case of W. A. Kite vs The Buquo Lime Co., Mr. Kite was suing for \$10,000.00 and was awarded \$500.00.

In the case of Mary Walker vs Elsie Farmer, Mrs. Farmer agreed to pay Mrs. Walker \$500.00.

In the case of Hattie Kin vs The Standard Oil Co., the plaintiff was awarded \$300.00.

Court adjourned Wednesday afternoon after the remainder of the cases had been continued.

DEATH OF MISS JOHNNIE JARRETT

Early Sunday morning the Death Angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jarrett and took their beloved 18-year-old daughter, Miss Johnnie Jarrett. The cause of her death was tuberculosis, she having been sick about one year. The funeral was Monday, Oct. 25, at 3:00 P. M., conducted by Rev. J. A. Martin, and the body was interred at Antioch Baptist Church, 4 miles south of Marshall.

The deceased is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jarrett; two sisters, Alice and Hattie, students of Marshall High School; and six brothers, William, Chester, Kermit, and three others whose names could not be obtained.

Miss Jarrett was a student of Dorland-Bell Institute at Hot Springs, until several months ago, when illness prevented her continuing her studies there.

REFLECTIONS OF A MOUNTAIN SCHOOL TEACHER

By Jack V. Joyce

We sure did hear some fine speeches while attending the Teachers' Convention in Asheville last week. Dr. Briggs of Columbia University was a treat to hear. A thought that has mentioned which has struck me was "Whatever is not worth remembering is not worth teaching." So many of our schools today have so much unnecessary matter on the curriculum, matter which no one will ever have a bit of use for. What is the use of loading up a child's mind with unnecessary matter?

On Sunday morning I went to the First Baptist Church in Asheville and heard Dr. R. J. Bateman preach on the subject, "The Call of the Trumpet." A wonderful message indeed. JOY was the keynote of the whole sermon. The sermon was based on the last Psalm, the Psalm which contains so many times the statement, "Praise ye the Lord." I wish that the sermon he preached could be broadcast over the whole of the United States of America. I think the membership of the First Baptist Church of Asheville are surely to be congratulated on the splendid house of worship which they are erecting to the glory of God.

Well, the time is getting nearer and nearer when the people shall go to the polls. Have you decided who in the best man to represent you in the State Legislature at the next session? Are you going to vote for the man who has the welfare of the Good Old North State at heart? Is he a man with a vision? Ask both of the candidates how they stand on the school question and vote according to their answer. Let's send men to the Legislature who will make it possible for the children—the rulers of the State of to-morrow—to have an eight-month school in every school district.

What is your vote worth? How much is your vote worth? How much will you sell your vote for? We in America love to boast of the fact that every man's vote counts the same. All right, that being the case, the poorest man's vote is worth as much as the richest man's. Vote! Find out who is the richest man in all America. You will find it to be probably John D. Rockefeller or Henry Ford and they are worth in the tens of millions. Now if anyone asks you to sell your vote, ask them that price for it. See how many will give you that for your vote.

Remember VOTE FOR THE MAN AND NOT THE PARTY. THE MAN GETS THE OFFICE, AND NOT THE PARTY.

A STATEMENT

I wish to state to the citizens of Madison County that I am 75 years of age and a Democrat and have always supported the nominees of the Democratic party. Any statement to the contrary is without any foundation.

JASPER EBBS.

A group of farmers in Franklin County will net \$10 per thousand feet for pine timber because of working together in selling their product.

EASTERN STARS ENTERTAIN

The Marshall Chapter of Eastern Stars celebrated the opening of the new Masonic Hall Tuesday evening by inviting a few outside friends to enjoy with them the festivities after the routine of business and initiating new members had been carried out. As the inside activities of the organization are not given out for publication, the writer will confine himself to what he saw, and leave the matter of riding goats and climbing greased poles etc. to the imagination. Whatever the ordeals may be on the inside, the seven candidates, (if that is the right name) who became members on said occasion seemed to get through without a scratch and seemed to be in the best of spirits (no double meaning here) after it was all over. In fact, Mr. Dillard and Mr. Edney and Mr. Hensley were all able to stand up and speak when called on during refreshments.

This was the first time the writer has walked in on candidates about to be initiated, but we had been invited and we suppose we are at liberty to tell what we saw.

Well, as we entered the reception room on the third floor of the Masonic building, we were welcomed to comfortable seats by the wive and here we saw Mrs. Carl Stumr, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Dillard, Mr. Calvin E. Edney, Mr. J. D. Hensley, Mrs. B. V. Owensby, Mrs. R. S. Ramsey.

We were enjoying what all thought was an innocent conversation with these people, when Mr. W. H. Morrow came in and asked certain of the visitors to the cloak room and closed them in while the writer was invited into the kitchen and the door closed. There all alone for the space of at least two minutes, we had nothing to do but observe the contents of the kitchen. Our friend Morrow, who had been so kind as to invite us, showed his real confidence in this scribe by trusting him all alone in the room where the eye and appetite were sorely tempted by that delicious salad, with and with. With the

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door was opened and we were again invited into the reception hall, the above named people had all disappeared. About that time in came Mr. and Mrs. Earle Brintnall, Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Smith and little Miss Willie Mae White, Prof. and Mrs. D. W. Kanoy, and they with Mrs. Cora Allison, Mrs. H. L. Story, Mr. John Holmes, Miss Edna Gage Morrow, and the writer had quite a delightful time waiting for the Eastern Stars to invite us in.

Finally the doors were opened and we were given a most hearty welcome into the beautiful Masonic Hall. After hearty handshakes with friends and introduction to strangers, all were seated next to the walls and facing one another. While the good sisters served refreshments which the writer had left in the kitchen a piano selection was rendered by Mrs. DeWitt Austin of Charlotte, daughter of Mrs. J. N. West. Mr. John Holmes, a student at Mars Hill College, then sang accompanied by Miss Gage Morrow at the piano. Mr. Holmes is quite an artist and he was heartily encored. Mrs. Earle Brintnall was then asked to sing and she, accompanied at the piano by Mr. W. H. Morrow, delighted her hearers with her charming manner and voice, and was heartily encored to which she responded. Mr. Holmes then kindly rendered two more selections which were highly pleasing to the audience.

The worthy Matron, Miss Mayme Morrow, then called on the following for speeches, all responding: Mr. Calvin E. Edney, Mr. O. S. Dillard, Mr. J. D. Hensley. Among the visitors, Rev. H. L. Smith, Mr. Earl Brintnall, Mr. H. L. Story and Mr. A. J. Ramsey. Following this, Dr. Sams addressed the Worthy Matron and in a very fitting speech presented her with a vase of flowers, the gift of one of the Eastern Stars for her inspiring efforts and work for the five colors representing the five points of the star. The gift was graciously received by the Worthy Matron, who then called on Rev. H. L. Smith to dismiss the audience with prayer.

MCDEVITT IS STILL AFRAID OF THE LIGHT

HIS CAMP RESORTS TO DIRTY POLITICS AND SLANDEROUS STORIES

There is being circulated, and I understand is to be printed in this issue, an affidavit made by Mr. H. C. Cody regarding a damage case which I settled for him as his attorney. First I will present an affidavit of what was paid to and for Mr. Cody.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that I have examined the claim records of the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company and the following is a true statement of the settlement made to H. C. Cody, formerly an employee of the Catawba Construction Company, the settlement being made through Mr. C. R. Edney, attorney representing the said H. C. Cody.

Draft for \$100.00 was made payable to H. C. Cody August 14, 1926, and same was delivered to Mr. C. R. Edney, Atty., representing H. C. Cody.

The record further discloses that medical bills and hospital bills were paid direct by our claim of fee, checks being payable in each case and same being delivered by our claim department to the interested parties aggregating \$103.00, this, with the payment of \$100.00 above mentioned, constituted the full settlement of the claim.

UNITED STATES FIDELITY & GUARANTY CO.
By THOS. W. TATE, Agent & Attorney in fact.

STATE NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY BUNCOMBE,
Subscribed and sworn to before me, J. Chas. Bradford, a Notary Public in and for Buncombe County, North Carolina, this 28th day of October, 1926.

J. CHAS. BRADFORD,
Notary Public.
My Commission expires Sept 20, 1928

The whole amount totaled \$203.00. Mr. Cody received \$50.00 cash, and \$103.00 hospital bill totaling \$153.00. I received \$50.00, less than 25%, for my services as attorney.

Briefly stated the transactions between Mr. Cody and me were as follows: Mr. Cody came to me saying that he has stuck a pick through his foot while working for a "company," and that lawyer Brown of Asheville said that no damage could be collected. Mr. Cody said he wanted me to take the case. I made two trips to Asheville before I could discover the "company." I found it to be the Catawba Construction Co. I found that this Company carried insurance on some of its employees in the U. S. Fidelity and Guaranty Co. The agent of said insurance Co. told me that the company was not

IT PAID HIM TO SOW EARLY

Wheat planted in October has given better yields in North Carolina than wheat planted in November. This has been the result of experiments by the research workers of State College and now comes the evidence directly from good farmers in the State.

"L. L. Miller of Davie County secured a premium of six bushels of wheat per acre by sowing in October as compared to sowings made in November," says E. C. Blair, extension agronomist at State College. "Mr. Miller began to plant a field of sixteen acres on October 15, of last year. After he had planted some eight acres rain drove him out of the field and frequent other rains kept him from finishing the job until about November 15. The remainder of the field was planted between November 15 and 20."

As the wheat ripened this spring, states Mr. Blair, it was noticed by Mr. Miller that there was a decided difference in the two plantings. Mr. Miller therefore decided to cut and thresh them separately. The land sowed at the two intervals was also measured accurately. The early sowing yielded wheat at the rate of 23 bushels per acre and the later sowing yielded at the rate of 17 bushels per acre. There was no difference in the soil, in the fertilizer used nor in the seed planted. The increase of six bushels was due entirely, states Mr. Blair, to the fact that one plot was planted earlier than the other.

Mr. Blair states that some farmers may be undecided about sowing until there has been a good rain, but where the seed bed can be properly prepared, the wheat should be planted at once. When rains come, the land may be kept wet for two or three weeks which will be too late for best yields. All experimental work shows that late sown wheat never yields as well as that planted between October 20 and November 1.

One brood sow and two litters of pigs per year cost little but will aid much in providing a plentiful supply of meat on the home farm.

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able for any damage, but was willing to do the right thing and therefore was willing to stand the expense of Mr. Cody's doctor bills and hospital fee, which amounted to \$103.00. Finally the agent agreed to give \$50.00 for loss of time. I went to Mr. Cody and told him that he would have to pay none of the hospital fees or doctor bills and that I could get \$50.00 cash for him. He agreed to take it, but said that it was such a small amount, and that he would have nothing left to pay me for my service after his grocery bills were paid. I told him that I would try again and if he could not get more than \$50.00 for him my service would cost him nothing. The following is a sworn statement of the understanding that was reached by us:

AFFIDAVIT AS TO AGREEMENT

Personally appeared before me this day Calvin E. Edney, who says that it was agreed if he could collect only \$50.00 in a damage case of Mr. H. C. Cody against the Catawba Construction Co. his services as attorney would be free, and if he could collect anything above \$50.00 it was to be his fee, and that H. C. Cody gave him expressed authority to sign all papers necessary to get the \$50.00, as Cody could not write his name.

Calvin E. Edney,
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30th of Oct., 1926.

N. S. WHITAKER,
Notary Public.
My commission expires Feb. 17, 1927.

I succeeded in getting \$100.00 I endorsed the check as his attorney. I got the money, gave him a check for \$50.00 and told him I was satisfied if he was. He said the settlement was highly satisfactory. He told several citizens that I got \$50.00 for him, which he said no other lawyer could have done. Now he makes affidavit, I am informed, that I forged his name and defrauded him. But all that I did was simply this: I signed his name as authorized, and paid him the amount agreed upon, which he said was satisfactory.

This whole thing came out of Mr. N. B. McDevitt's political camp. Mr. McDevitt said he saw the affidavit before it was circulated, yet his henchmen and political workers are still circulating it, and he disclaims and denies all credit for it. That is his brand of politics anyway. He gets someone else to circulate a false report, and then denies knowing anything of it.

I suggested in a circular about a month ago that accusations ranging from "chicken thievery, arson, sedition, rape and murder," would be hurled from the McDevitt camp. I would not be surprised in the least now for accusations of sedition, seduction, rape and robbery all to be hurled at me. It has been said that McDevitt's camp is as full of slanderous stories as a polecat den is of stinks. If nothing else but slanderous stories will save McDevitt I may turn the searchlight of publicity on his record and character.

CALVIN E. EDNEY.

- FOR SHERIFF -

This is to let the voters of Madison County know that I am a candidate for Sheriff of the County on the Democratic Ticket.

Your Support, Ladies and Gentlemen, will be appreciated.

L. S. ROBERTS

MARS HILL, N. C.

This is to certify that we, the undersigned citizens and voters, know Mr. L. S. Roberts of Mars Hill, to be a Christian gentleman of high character, thoroughly reliable, and we heartily endorse him and commend him to the good people of Madison County for Sheriff. Mr. Roberts is in heartiest sympathy with the enforcement of the prohibition law.

J. E. OWEN
L. N. CALE
M. S. WHITAKER
R. Y. TILSON
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