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EDITORIALS

ODDITIES IN LIFE
OF R. A. EDWARDS

Seldom do we write an editorial in regard to departed friends, but there are several strikingly unusual facts connected with the life of Mr. R. A. Edwards, whose funeral we attended last Thursday. Mr. Edwards was the father of 20 children and the grandfather of 20 children. He was married twice, but never changed the name of either wife, both being second cousins and Misses Edwards. Not any of the children or grandchildren were deformed or imperfect physically in any respect. Seventeen of the children survived him and the three who died were of the second marriage. He was twice a member of the Board of County Commissioners. His first term was 1913 and 1914; second term 1933 and 1934. He was well spoken of by his neighbors, relatives and business associates. The funeral was at the new Bull Creek church building which houses what is known as the old faction of the church, and interment was at the cemetery of the old church building which houses what is known as the progressive, or new, church membership. The Rev. Perry Sprinkle, pastor at the old church building, is the youngest son of the Rev. Jack Sprinkle, who is pastor at the new church building, and has two other sons who are ministers, one of whom, the Rev. Everett Sprinkle, had charge of the funeral services Thursday. It is unusual for so many oddities to come in the life of a citizen whose record is one of the best in Madison County. Nothing but words of praise could be heard of the deceased, and those words were voluntary and spoken from the heart. He was a man of even temper, cool and deliberate judgment, inoffensive and companionable to friends and relatives—a character greatly to be admired and emulated.

TOO LATE
FOR MERCY

It must be embarrassing to a governor to be deluged with telegrams before an electrocution. The three youths to be electrocuted tomorrow were convicted by a jury in their own county, and the case has been reviewed by the state Supreme Court. It is a case in which there is no doubt as to the guilt of the condemned. We shudder at their plight and sympathize with their parents, other relatives and friends of the families concerned, but the stern law has been violated in such a horrible manner that if these youths were freed, we would as well repeal the law as to capital punishment. Their own wilful acts have placed them where they are, and other youths should heed the warning of their fate.

ITALY AT WAR
WITH ETHIOPIA

The news flashed around the world Thursday that Italy is actually at war with Ethiopia, two towns being bombed from planes. What the end of this senseless mess will be, nobody knows.

COUNTY
FARM NEWS

BY
Your County Agents

ELECTRICITY ON OUR
FARMS

Madison farmers are being offered an opportunity by the government to give electricity to the rural people. This can be done if enough farmers living in a community are interested in this federal project. A number of farmers have already heard about this project, and have been in the county agent's office to find out more in regard to it. At present all that can be done is to get interested parties to sign up and send or bring the survey into the County agent's office. Any one desirous of having electricity on their farm can secure survey forms at this office. A representative of this project said the closing date to apply is October 24, and this should be attended to at once.

Most of the farmers of this community are not using electricity from a power line. There are many advantages of electricity over kerosene lamps or other ways of lighting up the house. Besides out buildings can be lighted, and not near the danger from fire. Much electrical equipment can be used in the house to relieve hard work.

The question of cost is naturally considered first. In regard to the cost of installing and using electrical current will say that in a few years the cost to you will be only the actual expense for power used on your farm.

Many other counties all over the country are taking advantage of this project by the government. In the opinion of the writer it is a big step in the right direction. It behooves you farmers to act cooperatively at once to get electricity at your door. We are for anything that can promote rural life and make farming more worth while.

FARM FORESTRY

Often when we speak of planting trees on certain lands that are washing we get the reply that it is all nonsense.

All of you have seen the poor old red clay hills that cannot be sodded very easily and if they should be sodded that sod gradually gives away and gullies appear.

You have also seen wooded areas that were formerly a gullied area but now the gullies are filled or at least stopped by pine needles, leaves and rotten wood. This condition should prove to you that the planting of trees is a good way of stopping soil erosion.

A farm forest is not only useful in controlling soil erosion, but it is a farm crop in itself. All of you know that lumber is valuable today and that it is becoming more valuable every day. Of course it is a crop that cannot be harvested every year (except for the thinnings) such as your tobacco or corn but when it is harvested it is a crop equal in value to many tobacco and corn crops.

The best trees to plant in this section for timber are white pine, and short leaf pine. Locusts and walnuts are also very adaptable here. The locust is a great soil builder as well as a maker of fence posts. The walnut is especially valuable as a producer of nuts and as a producer of lumber.

Next Tuesday, October 8, Mr. R. W. Graeber, Extension Forester, will be in the county and a meeting will be held at the farm of Mr. J. E. Carter, Long Branch, at 9:30 o'clock.

We think that every farmer should be interested in farm forestry to the extent that he will attend this meeting. We are sure Mr. Graeber will have something in store for all of us.

Livestock Meeting

There will be a county-wide livestock meeting in Marshall Monday, Oct. 7 at 2 p. m. in the court house for the purpose of outlining the county livestock program for the coming year. It is the policy of your county agents to find out first what you farmers want and then with your cooperation try to

work to this end.

Mr. Guy Roberts, president of County Hereford's Association is very anxious to have such a meeting.

The topic of breeding cattle will especially be given consideration as a number of farmers are interested in purchasing pure bred bulls.

59 At Mars Hill
From This County

Mars Hill, Sept. 26, (Special)—Among the 542 students enrolled for the 79th session of Mars Hill College Madison County ranks first in the number enrolled with 59 in attendance.

A report from the registrar's office shows the following in attendance at the close of the first week of the session: Athelena Briggs, Mavis Allman, Ruth Anderson, Jamie Anderson, George Carter, Leonard Carter, Ben Clarke, Eugene Coker, Philip Dixon, Glenwood Edwards, Willie Edwards, C. J. Ellen, Elizabeth Fleetwood, Robert Fleetwood, Marguerite Gibbs, Willard Higgins, Mary Huff, Richard Huff, Willard R. Higgins, Charlene Metcalf, E. S. Morgan, Martha Navy, Jerome Peek, Jane Pope, Janette Ramsey, Edward Smith, Francis Summerlin, Golda Tillery, Willie White, Jack Whitt, James Whitt, Mars Hill; Craig Briggman, Letz Allman, Winifred Gahagan, Annie Hamlin, Howard Haynie, Walter Phillips, Edith Redmon, Ernest Roberts, Julia Roberts, Verlie Roberts, Thomas Rudisill, Marjorie Sawyer, Jean Sprinkle, Aulburn Wyatt, Marshall; John Radford, Kenneth Redford, Clarence Young, Lula Young, Grover Gillis, William Anderson, Ivy; Lois Church, Marjory Odell, Hot Springs; Owen Duck, Walter Duck, Buckner; James Ray, Paint Fork; Guy Tweed, White Rock.

There are 73 counties of North Carolina, 19 states, the District of Columbia, and four foreign countries represented among the students. Records show this year's enrollment to be the largest in the history of the college.

MARS HILL

Mrs. Williams, of Maiden, N. C., has come up to pay a visit to her new grandson and her daughter, Mrs. Woodson Ammons.

Professor Hoyt C. Blackwell has brought home from the hospital his wife and little daughter, Hannah Brown.

Mrs. George Leiby and little son have been visiting Mrs. Leiby's mother, Mrs. Wilkins, at the College.

Mrs. E. C. Coates, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Florida for the past month, is expected to return the latter part of this week.

Pastor Olive is in Canton this week, engaged in a revival in the Baptist church there.

Mrs. Albert Felch, known about here as "Miss Ida Lee", left recently to join her husband in Florida. She will be missed by her many friends from her place in the bank. Since she is a lover of flowers and has made use of her artistic talent in landscaping her own yard, and making it a beautiful spot. How fitting it is that she should make her home for a while in the "land of flowers".

Mrs. Allie Hupchins has returned from a visit to her son Dr. Will Hutchins at Kingsport and expects to make a visit soon to her son Dr. Jim Hutchins in Marshall.

Mrs. B. A. Fleetwood, who since the installing of our telephone system has been the main day operator, has been ordered by her physician to take a month's complete rest. She too will be missed from her post, but her many friends are hoping that at the end of her rest period she will be able to resume her work.

Mrs. J. H. Stines spent last week in Asheville, visiting her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stines.

Miss Melba Holt returned Saturday from a month's visit to relatives in Georgia.

BUSINESS CHANGES

The space formerly used by Mr. Albert Felch as a barber shop, has been rented by Mrs. Groves, of Asheville and has been converted into a "variety shop" which name truly represents the line of goods carried in the shop. One is really surprised at the large number of articles arrayed in such orderly fashion in so small a space.

Mr. John Ammons is to occupy the old George stand which is being renovated. Since he is already occupying one stand next to this one, his space will be doubled when the corner stand is finished.

Mr. Guy George is taking the place of Mrs. Felch in the Bank.

Mr. Floyd Holcombe has recently purchased the pressing club machinery of the late "Steamboat" McDowell (col.). He has bought much new equipment and expects to make a real "go" of the undertaking.

SOCIETY HONORS THE OLIVES
The woman's missionary society, which has social meetings only on special occasions, met on the lawn

SAVE
YOUR EYES

You need them always. And yet so many handicap themselves daily by suffering eye strains without the welcome relief of glasses. It costs no more to have your eyes examined by a specialist. If needed he will prescribe restful, correct glasses.

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DR. T. GILBERT HARPE
Optometrist
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back of the church last Monday afternoon for the purpose of presenting some blankets and other articles to Mrs. Olive for their "racking box" for China. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Guy George, Mrs. Summerlin, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Carr, and Mrs. Wall, and the fifty ladies present enjoyed a short social period together, keeping uppermost in mind thoughts of the opportunity of the Olives in their return to their former work, their joy in the work and their love for it. These qualifications along with their desire to serve while here and their earnestness about the Kingdom work, have endeared them especially to those concerned about the mission work in other lands.

Get Busy And
Have Electricity
In County Homes

Field men began work in Western North Carolina counties this week where citizens had submitted the application form and preliminary survey for electric line extension, according to Mr. C. W. Burton, consulting engineer of the N. C. Rural Electrification Authority, who was in Asheville Monday.

Mr. Burton stated that the fieldmen will give first attention to those communities where the citizens have applied for an application form, and have sent it in properly filled in with a list of people desiring electric current. He stated that as the Federal funds covering this field work for a very limited time, that communities which do not file for application forms have a visit from the field men in the near future. When the field men immediately may not be able to have certified the preliminary survey forms sent in by the citizens of the community, the N. C. Rural Electrification Authority will be ready to help the citizens secure electric line service.

Application and preliminary survey forms have been mailed to all County Agents, or they may be obtained directly from George M. Stebbins, western member of the state board, care of the Farmers Federation, Asheville, N. C.

Mr. Burton suggested that application forms completed during the next few days should be sent directly to Mr. Stephens at Asheville instead of to Raleigh, as called for in the directions on the form.

Merrell Family
Plans Reunion

The third annual reunion of the Merrell family will be held this year at the R. P. Merrell and Annie Merrell old home place on Big Branch, two miles east of Mars Hill. The event as planned should be bigger and better than any yet.

Among the prominent speakers who have been invited are Honorable E. Y. Webb, of Shelby and President Moore, of Mars Hill College, as well as teachers and ministers of prominence in this county.

A historical sketch will be given by Prof. Ernest Merrell, teacher of History and English at Lexington. There will be two quartets and dinner on the grounds.

Mars Hill Lions
Drill For Wingate

Mars Hill, Sept. 30 — (Special)—Victorious over Appalachian Frosh in their second start of the season 12 to 7, the Mars Hill College Lions will dig deeper this week and work harder to prepare for their game Saturday with Wingate at Mars Hill.

The Lions were impressive in spots in their win over Appalachian. They started slowly but finished fast to draw the game out of the fire in the last minutes of play. The Frosh scored first, on a sustained drive down the field in the second quarter with Snipes carrying the ball over and Oliver converting the point after by placement.

Mars Hill came back strong however, to score their first touchdown a few minutes later. Wirtz "laid out" to make a pass from Clark and sprint 25 yards to the goal. Try for extra failed.

From this point the game saw-sawed back and forth until the final minute of play. With the ball in the Lions' possession in the middle of the field, they suddenly came to life and started an offensive which was to culminate in the winning score 30 seconds later. Wirtz went back in punt formation to pass and hurled a long forward to Parker who was downed on the ten yard stripe. On the next play Wirtz took the ball on a long dash around left end and scored standing up. Try for this extra point failed. A few seconds later the final whistle blew.

Work for the Lions this week will be routine. Offensive and defensive work, blocking tackling and the addition of a few new plays will be the order of the week. Coach Roberts also plans to give his men some work against Wingate plays.

The game with Wingate on Saturday will open the conference season for the Leos. Thereafter the Lions play eight conference games in defense of their conference championship. Last year the Lions were undefeated in this state, winning four and tying one in their five starts. They are determined to do as well or better this year.

The Lions are expected to win this first conference game but only after a fight. The Wingate team is reported to be much stronger this year than last. The Lions defeated Wingate by a comfortable margin in their last encounter, but if one-game predictions hold true Mars Hill will win by only a few points.

The Mars Hill second team was defeated by Tusculum College Varsity Friday, 13 to 0. The Lion Cubs put up a terrific fight before succumbing to the Pioneers.



"WOE IS ME!" wails Sally, newest member of the ballet, "Here it is time to go on, and I'm losing my skirt! If I dance out of it, I'll dance out of my job!" Says the maid, "It'll just take me a second to tack it with Clark's O. N. T. best 6-cord, and you won't lose this skirt, with all your twisting and bending. Clark's thread sews it to stay!"

Golden Wedding
Is Celebrated FLAG-POND TENN.

MR. AND MRS. J. H. ENSLEY PASS
50TH ANNIVERSARY AT
RED OAK HOME

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ensley, prominent farm owners of the Red Oak section of Buncombe county, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Sunday at their home near Alexander.

The couple's six children, a few friends and relatives joined with them. Their second wedding ceremony was performed at high noon by the Rev. W. C. Cox of Weaverville. Gold was the color scheme of the luncheon. Many friends called during the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ensley have resided in the Red Oak section for more than 40 years. Mrs. Ensley was formerly Miss Cornelia Wilde, daughter of the late Noah and Katherine Tillery-Wilde of Madison county. She received her education in the P. A. body schools and before her marriage she was a teacher in Madison county. Mr. Ensley is the son of the late Samuel and Rachel Cassidy Ensley of Marshall. He received his education in the county's public schools and at Mars Hill college. He is a descendant of William Henry Harrison, ninth president of the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. Ensley have six children. They are P. G. Ensley of Newport News Va., Mrs. L. H. Allman and W. S. Ensley of Alexander, C. C. Ensley of Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. O. S. Kuykendall of Haw Creek and Miss Bonnie Ensley of Asheville.

CORRECTION

Last week the News-Record made an error in the front page advertisement of Mr. Ellis W. Reese, County Tax Supervisor. The advertisement said that money in banks on April 6 must be listed for taxes or prosecution would follow. The date should have been April 1 (1935).

FINE DECORATION AT
PAINT ROCK SUNDAY

Decoration services were held at the Paint Rock Cemetery Sunday, September 22. A large crowd representing almost every section of Madison County and from many parts of East Tennessee were present. One of the most impressive services in history was witnessed. The decoration began at 2 p. m., and was presided over by Mr. Roy Ricker, the Rev. Fred Pegg of Alexander conducted the devotional services, reading the lesson from the Gospel of Matthew, after which prayer was offered by the Rev. Bob Freeman of Walnut. An inspiring address was delivered by the Rev. Pegg. Music was furnished by a mixed choir directed by Mr. Clarence Lawson of Antioch. Afterwards, the graves were decorated. We were glad to have with us White Rock Lodge of the Odd Fellows, who decorated the graves of departed brothers. After the decoration the crowd gathered to hear some fine speaking by the Rev. Chandler and Rice of White Rock Lodge. Benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Sam Chandler of Walnut.

About 10 ministers were present. They were the Rev. Sam and Lloyd Chandler, Bob Fregman, Harrison Lunsford of the Walnut and Barnard sections, Fred Pegg of Alexander, Walter Wilson of Bear Creek, Mr. Rice and Mr. Chandler of White Rock, Arthur Kite of Antioch and others.

ANDERS TO PREACH

Mr. Tom Anders will preach at Oak Ridge church the first Sunday in October at 11 o'clock and Sunday night. Everybody is cordially invited to attend these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Cody and children of Asheville were Foster visitors Sunday.

Announcement of the marriage of Mr. Roy Wilde and Miss Georgia Freeman has been received. The ceremony was performed at Lancaster, Washington, September 8, 1935. Mr. Wilde is the son of Mr. W. H. Wilde, formerly of this place. Mrs. Wilde is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Freeman of Lancaster.

A wedding dinner was served to relatives and friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Fender Sunday in honor of their oldest son Charlie to Miss Lala Capps of near Mars Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Fender had a Sunday dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Jake Cody and children, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hensley and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Riddle. Hilliard small son of Mr. and Mrs. Riddle, had the misfortune of "letting his arm dislocate and broken Thursday at school. Dr. Locke fixed it up and the boy is recuperating nicely, we are glad to say.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Proffitt and children visited relatives on Upper Laurel Sunday. Messrs. Fred and Emory Peek will leave for Virginia Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Swann and small son and Miss Ollie Bradley of Weaverville visited relatives and friends on Foster Sunday.

Misses Hazel and Nina Fender and Ruby Wilde were guests Sunday at dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fender.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory, of Marion, spent the week-end with Mrs. Gregory's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson.

Mr. Columbus Peek enjoyed Sunday dinner with Blake and Glenn Farmer.

Dr. Locke was called to see Aunt Margaret Fender Sunday. She has a broken wrist and ankle, caused by a fall.

Little Hilliard Riddle was able to attend school again Friday. We are glad he is well.

Mrs. E. M. Wilde was visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Fender Sunday.

Mr. Barner Fender is moving to Rice Creek, Tenn.

Mr. Fred Peek left Monday for Virginia.

Cards from Mr. Eldridge Lewis are signed, "The happiest guy in the U. S." El is serving an enlistment in the U. S. Army at Fort Slocum, N. Y.

(Omitted Last Week)
The Rev. Grady Fender of Marion filed his regular appointment at the Free Baptist Church Saturday night and Sunday. He was accompanied here by his wife and baby daughter and the Rev. Hoppe Poole.

The Rev. Walter Pack of near Marion has been visiting relatives and friends here for the past week, returning to his home Sunday.

Mr. Blake Farmer entered high school at Ebbs Chapel Monday.

Several persons attended the decoration at Craine's Cemetery Sunday afternoon. A nice time was reported. The graves decorated beautifully and a number of good talks were heard. Mrs. Cas Fender spent most of last week with her father, J. H. Farmer, at Flag Pond.

Mrs. Jeter Shelton, who has been at Marion, N. C., at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. L. V. Fender, returned home Saturday.

Mr. Rose Peek is able to be out again, on crutches. We hope these will not be needed long.

Mrs. Royd Fender of Flag Pond is visiting her father Mr. C. D. Lewis for a few days. Mrs. Fender has been very sick for some time.

J. H. HUTCHINS
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