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## GREAT DAY AT MARS HILL COLLEGE WEDNESDAY OF LAST WEEK

### Baptist State Convention Holds Session In Madison Town

#### Dr. Blackwell Delivers Masterly Address

Wednesday afternoon of last week was a gala day for Mars Hill College and for the town of Mars Hill. A session of the Baptist state convention, which was meeting in Asheville and held in the main auditorium at Mars Hill. All adjoining rooms had been thrown open and light refreshments had been prepared. The room was filled with a choir made up of College students, enough seats being retained for the speakers of the occasion. It was a happy thought to have the convention meet there to discuss the topic of Christian Education. All the Baptist schools of the state were ably represented. The principal address was delivered by Dr. Luther Little, of Charlotte, who has preached in Marshall. The address was masterly. Mars Hill College was represented by Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, and as his address was such a masterly presentation of the College, its past, present, and hopes for the future, we requested that he let us have the address for publication in this paper. The address follows:

#### Dr. Blackwell's Address On Mars Hill College

Mr. President,  
My dear brethren and friends of this Convention: Seventy-nine years ago, in the hills of Madison County, a child was born. This child, like many another, was born of prayer, the prayers of farseeing and devout mountain parents who wanted Christian training for the children of unborn generations. This child was first called French Broad Baptist Institute, but, like the Hebrews of old, when the founders saw that the offspring of their prayers was going to develop beyond their fondest dreams, they gave it a more excellent name, and so it is that we have today this Aepagus of the South, Mars Hill College.

In the fall of 1856, the doors of the first building, a small, rectangular brick structure, were opened to receive students. Mr. W. A. G. Brown, of Tennessee, gentleman, scholar, Christian, was in charge. After two years, Mr. Brown was succeeded by the Reverend J. B. Marsh, of New York state. During Mr. Marsh's administration, a large dormitory and president's home were built. But alas! the War between the States came on, the school was closed, the dormitory and president's home were burned, and the original building was badly mutilated and left without furnishings. Nothing daunted by the desolation, poverty, and wreckage of the war, the founders re-opened the school within three months after Lee's surrender.

For the next thirty years the educational light on this hallowed hill-top burned brightly, grew dim, flickered, and grew bright again. But through these years there was light, and that light was ever in keeping with the fervent spirit of the prayers of the first founders of the college. During this period, another child of the hills of Western North Carolina was born. Under the guidance of such teachers as R. L. Patton, Charles E. Taylor, Mills, and Royal, R. L. Moore was made ready to receive the mantle of these earlier builders, and for thirty-eight years he and his God-given companion have labored here faithfully, sacrificially, heroically, with the result that today Mars Hill men and women belt the globe in the interest of the Kingdom of God; and at this very hour, five hundred and sixty-eight fine young women and young men are on our campus from seventy-three counties of North Carolina, nineteen states, the District of Columbia, and four foreign countries, getting ready to take their places in the world to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God. Those acquainted with the history

#### HONOR ROLL

##### The News-Record

Beginning with our issue of October 17, we are publishing below the names of people who subscribe or renew their subscriptions to The News-Record within the last week. By keeping your subscriptions paid up you will greatly help your local paper. Of course, those whose subscriptions are paid in advance are already on our honor roll.

Arles Edwards, Mars Hill, r-1  
William Redmon, Cullowhee  
Mrs. Charles Dickson, Tulsa, Okla.  
A. J. Ramsey, Marshall.  
Mrs. Frank Hart, Jr. Elizabethton, Tennessee.  
Shad Franklin, Marshall, r-3  
Mrs. John E. Rector, Marshall, r-1  
A. A. Gregory, Marshall.

#### To Preach at Peeks Chapel

##### Spelling of name of Minister Corrected

In an article that came out in the News-Record last week I wish to make some corrections in the name of the Indian preacher that is to preach at the Sunday School Rally to be held at Peeks Chapel, December 1st. The right spelling of the name is: Sagoyewatha, and he is a Cherokee Indian, and not a Croatan Indian as came out in the paper.  
Sagoyewatha.  
(Rev. W. H. Sanderson—English)

## MARS HILL

### Church Resolutions

#### Rev. and Mrs. L.B. Olive

Rev. L. B. Olive with Mrs. Olive and the children have lived in Mars Hill for more than three years. His ministry during that time has been a comfort to the sick, a stimulus to the discouraged, light from the scriptures to those in spiritual darkness, and food for spiritual growth to those who desired to grow in grace. He has been faithful to his convictions, and fearless in the proclamation of the truth as it is revealed in Jesus Christ.

#### L. Z. ELLER MRS. J. W. HUFF VERNON E. WOOD

### The Olive Family Leaves for China

Reverend L. B. Olive and family, who for a little more than three years have made their home here, left last Saturday to start on the first lap of a six weeks' trip leading to Chinkiang, China. For about two weeks they plan to visit relatives in this state. Then about the first of December they will leave Raleigh by train for San Francisco, allowing for a day's stop-over in Kansas City with a sister's family. They expect to sail December 13, on the President Cleveland, of the Dollar Line. As they go across the Pacific they will have a day's rest in Honolulu, and then probably another day in Japan. They are returning to the Baptist Mission in Chinkiang, China, where they served for about eight years before Mrs. Olive's health necessitated a return to America. Much has already been said in the Asheville papers and also in this column concerning them and their work, but too much cannot be said about their zeal and earnestness for the spread of the Kingdom. That truly seems to be their one objective in life.

### Business Change

The Mars Hill Cafe has changed hands again. Mrs. Airheart, of Atlanta, who came here several months ago because of her husband's connection with the Drug store, has taken over this stand. She had her opening last Friday and served tea and sandwiches amid daintily decorated surroundings. She has had much experience as manager of a tea room in Atlanta and expects to make a real "go" of this enterprise.

### Personals

Miss Louise Coates, who is taking business course at the Fessenden school in Hendersonville, came home for the week-end two weeks ago with her was her aunt, Miss Alma Freeman, of Greenville, S. C.  
Miss Clarine Reese, who is taking a business course in Asheville, spent the week-end at her home here two weeks ago.  
Mrs. Laura Harned, great aunt of several persons here and sister of the

## WALNUT-SCHOOL NEWS

### Sheriff English Gets Short Wave Radio For Automobile

#### Reward for Bank Robbers Distributed

The Parent-Teachers' Association held its regular monthly meeting in the high school auditorium Thursday, November 8.  
The visitors and new members were recognized by Mr. Wilson and Dr. Hutchins, P. T. A. president. We were very fortunate to have Dr. and Mrs. Fonder, of Fort Wayne, Indiana.  
Everyone enjoyed the program given by Messrs. Connell and Clyde Roberts and Lillie Maye Stines.  
The business meeting closed by the grade-count, a tie between the fourth grade, Mrs. Noville Hawkins and the eleventh grade, Mrs. Epps McClure.  
The meeting ended with a most enjoyable reception given in honor of the new faculty members.  
The following grad-mothers have been selected: 1st, Mrs. Bernice Payne; 1st, Mrs. Edd Ramsey; 2nd, Mrs. Luke Reves; 3rd, Mrs. Guy English; 4th, Mrs. E. D. Wilson; 5th, Mrs. Spurgeon Chandler; 6th, Mrs. Clyde McClure; 7th, Mrs. Ben Wayde Gahagan; 8th, Mrs. Edd Ramsey; 9th, Mrs. Lisenbee; 11th, Mrs. Marguerette Bryan.  
Thursday, November, 14 a Burns program, sponsored by Mrs. Emma Ramsey, was given in the high school auditorium.

### Union Thanksgiving Service

The usual union Thanksgiving service will be held Thanksgiving Day, 10:00 a. m. at the Methodist Church, Rev. Paul P. Thrower, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will deliver the message.

### Robert T. Gentry Dies

On Sunday night, November 10, 1935 at 7 o'clock, the death angel came to visit our dear Grandpa. He was 85 years, 1 month, and 7 days old. He spent his last days with one of his daughters, Mrs. Maggie Payne. Grandpa professed faith in Christ and was baptized at 30 years of age and lived a good Christian life and was loved by all those that knew him.

### Mrs. Don Fisher Passes Away

Mrs. Don Fisher, age 41, of the Seminary section, died about 11:30 o'clock Tuesday night, November 19, 1935, at her home, having been ill for about three months. She is survived by her husband and three children: Frank, Bertie Ruth, and Ava Kate. She is also survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Thomas; two sisters, Mrs. Ballard Smith and Mrs. J. H. Hutchins; and three brothers: R. E. Thomas, F. H. Thomas, and Roy Thomas, of the Walnut section.

### Wade Crow Died November 13.

According to a long attempt at poetry, Wade Crow died about four o'clock, November 13, 1935. The writer did not give anything about where he lived, his age, or his family, but we have learned from other sources that he was about 45 years of age and died in South Carolina, and the body was brought to Madison county, where he formerly lived, and was buried near Hopewell.

### Grace Moore's Great Aunt Buried Sunday

Mrs. L. A. Bryan, of Mars Hill, was in Marshall Monday afternoon en route home from Parrottsville, Tenn., where she had been with her aunt, Mrs. Doyle Alley, district president, and Mrs. R. Binford, state P. T. A. Field worker will conduct a school of instruction in Marshall high school auditorium on Monday afternoon, November 25th. School principals, P. T. A. officers, chairmen of committees, room representatives and any person interested in P. T. A. work are invited and urged to attend. This is not a formal meeting but a friendly round-table discussion at which an experienced state worker gives instruction about P. T. A. work. Any person interested in this work could attend with profit.

### State and District Officers of P. T. A. to put on a School of Instruction in Marshall

Mrs. Guy V. Roberts, president of the County Council, hopes that there may be a representative group from every school in Madison. The meeting will begin at 2 p. m.

### Home Coming Day At Kalamazoo

Through the News-Record, Miss Mary Morris wishes to announce that all the old families, boys and girls, who have ever attended day school or church at Kalamazoo, are invited to a Home Coming Day this Thanksgiving, November 28. Please bring your children and a basket of lunch.

### Special Meeting P. T. A. Nov. 25

Mrs. W. N. Price, of Los Angeles, California, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. E. Ball, will speak to us in the afternoon about the mission work in California and Mexico. Mrs. Price and her husband, the late Rev. W. N. Price, spent over a quarter of a century in mission work among the Indians in California. We shall be glad to hear from any other former home folks returning that day.

## 300 PEOPLE IN MADISON NOW BEING PUT ON WORK RELIEF

### 11 Projects Now Underway In Madison County

#### Mr. J. O. Drake tells us that employment for around 300 people in Madison county is now provided by the WPA in eleven projects as follows:

1. Sewing Rooms in three sections.
  - (a) Marshall. In charge of Mrs. L. H. Giezentanner.
  - (b) Walnut. In charge of Mrs. Portia Chandler.
  - (c) Hot Springs. In charge of Mrs. Tom Russell.
  - These three are employing approximately 75 persons.
  2. Water Line at Beech Glen High School; in charge of A. W. Robinson, employing 35 persons.
  3. Forest Fire Crews; in charge of Wayne Peek, employing 16 persons.
  4. Grandview Road project; in charge of N. Alston.
  5. Laurel Road project; in charge of Carmel Jervis.
  6. Bluff Road project; in charge of Roland Peek.
  - These three road projects are employing about 90 persons.
  7. Spring Basin—county wide; in charge of Lee Wyatt; employing 12 persons.
  8. Mars Hill Street; in charge of L. J. Carter; employing about 35 persons.
  9. Hot Springs Forest Survey; in charge of F. Smith, employing 8 persons.
  10. Big Creek Road project; in charge of C. M. Wheeling, employing about 43 persons.
  11. Additions to Spring Creek high school; in charge of Horace Sams; employing 12 persons.
- Other projects will be started which will provide employment for the remaining approximately 300 now unemployed.

### Mrs. Belle Runion Passes Away

Mrs. Belle Runion, more than eighty years of age, and one of the most well-known and beloved women of Walnut Creek, died at her home about seven o'clock Wednesday morning, November 20. She had been ill only two or three days and her death was quite a shock to her many friends who had not learned of her illness. Mrs. Runion is survived by one son Mr. Robert Scott Runion of Raleigh, and the following three daughters: Mrs. Estelle Hunter, of Asheville; Mrs. Jennings Runion, of Hot Springs, and Mrs. Carol Love, of Saint Petersburg, Fla.

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## GUDGER BUILDING TO BE USED FOR ORPHANAGE PRODUCE

### TO BE OPEN THREE DAYS NEXT WEEK

Dr. W. A. Sams asks us to announce that the Gudger building in Marshall near the railroad station will be open three days next week for receiving produce to be loaded on a car for the Mills Home at Thomasville. The building will be open Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, November 25, 26, 27, and it is hoped that enough produce will be brought to fill a car full. Let all the churches and Sunday Schools in the French Broad Association be sure to pay attention to this notice.

## DID YOU FAIL TO LIST PART OR ALL OF YOUR PROPERTY FOR TAX?

I want 16 men, a man from every township in Madison County, to make a house to house drive to discover every piece of taxable property not listed for tax. I will pay a reasonable price for this work. The price will vary according to townships. Some townships are much easier worked than others. Apply for this work not later than Saturday of this week. It is my intention to select men who will give every man, regardless of politics or anything else, a square deal.

To those who have been notified to list their property for tax and have failed to do so, may I say, this criminal court starts next Monday, and the Grand Jury will be in session, and it appears now that I am going to have to turn in a few names from every township. I hope, however, this will not be necessary. I probably should have done this the last time the Grand Jury met, but I realize that money is hard to get and I do not want to cause court costs to be added to any one if it can be avoided.

### ELLIS W. REESE, TAX SUPERVISOR FOR MADISON COUNTY