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## Mr. A. B. Scroggs To Wed Winston Lady

The following invitations have been received by friends in Hayesville:

Mrs. Cora E. Yarborough requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of her daughter Mamie Irene

to Mr. Arthur Bee Scroggs on Saturday morning, May the twenty-sixth

nineteen hundred and twenty-eight half after ten o'clock

at Mt. Tabor Church

Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Mr. Scroggs is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Scroggs of Hayesville. He received his education in the Hayesville High School, Young Harris College, Young Harris, Ga., and University of North Carolina. He has held the position as teacher of Science in the Hayesville High School for the past two years and has been re-elected for next year.

Mr. Scroggs will leave Wednesday, May 23rd, for Winston.

## SHIPS CAR LOAD OF CATTLE THURSDAY

Mr. Jess Rogers, of Whittier, N. C., bought 40 head of nice beef cattle from Mr. R. L. Anderson, of Ogden, on Thursday of last week. Mr. Rogers shipped these cattle to Jackson County Friday to be pastured.

## MRS. L. P. HALL IS FOUND DEAD IN BED

Mrs. L. P. Hall, age 70, wife of Rev. L. P. Hall, of the Pine Log community, this county, was found dead in bed by Mr. Hall last Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Hall was in the habit of lying down for a rest in the afternoon and as usual had been taking her rest when found by Mr. Hall.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon by the pastor of the deceased and interment was in the Pine Log cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, Rev. L. P. Hall, three married daughters of this county, and three sons of other states.

## Dog "Human"—And How!



"Duke," who helps H. L. Strong run the railroad station at Azalia, Mich., is shown here stamping tickets. He also understands telegraphy, unlocks doors, sets the semaphore to hold fast trains, flags some others in his spare time and then doubles up as a "red cap" by carrying luggage. Besides, he is very handy about the house.

## A CORRECTION

In an item last week, it was stated that Mr. R. N. Tiger caught 49 fish, Mr. A. J. Bell 9 fish, and Mr. R. E. Crawford 29 fish. A very serious mistake was made in the above as to who caught, how many fish. Mr. Bell was the man that caught 29 instead of Mr. Crawford. Mr. Crawford was the one that was not quite so "Lucky."

## PUPIL FAILURES IN OUR SCHOOLS

Year after year veiled tragedies go on in our schools. These are the failures of children to make their grade. When we once realize the moral effect on the child of failure to pass to a higher grade, we can understand its seriousness.

We know failure in the business world can cripple the fighting spirit of a business man and blight his future. The plight of the discouraged student is less obvious. That it is just as real and just as potent educators are well aware, though parents may not be.

The Federal Bureau of Education figures indicate that out of 1000 children who enter first grade only 311 enter the eighth. Fifty-one (51) or approximately one-sixth of those drop out before entering high school. Out of the 260 entering high school only 107 graduate. Approximately half of these enter college and only a third finish.

It will be seen that educational mortality is strikingly high. Eliminating the economic factor, it is unquestionably true that one of the chief causes is inability to make the grade.

Parents and laymen are prone to lay the blame for this on the teacher or on the educational system. They do not perhaps realize that education is two-fold—in the home as well as in the school. The facts heretofore mentioned are familiar to educators and the schools go to great lengths to supply the remedy. But without the cooperation of the parent the school is handicapped.

We are now approaching the season of greatest fatality in school life. Parents who are concerned over their children's failure are apt to think of it in terms of an extra period of schooling, the monotony of the repetition of work, or as injurious to family pride. They rarely reckon on the effect on the morale of the child or the expense of "repeaters" to the community.

Regardless of the cause of failure, the fact remains that it is one of the greatest calamities that can enter a child's life. The pupil is dubbed a failure at an impressionable age. The result may be an inferiority complex, hard to throw off. If failure is hard on an adult, it is correspondingly hard on the child. If failure in business results in loss to other members of a community, likewise failure of pupils means loss to the taxpayers.

Several factors operate to prevent school failures or to reduce them to a medium. One is the cooperation of parents and school authorities. Report cards, whether expressed in grades, letters, progress charts or any other form that these reports may take, are indicative of the child tendencies. When these reports show close proximity to the danger line, frequent conferences between parent and teacher may save the day for the child as well as the taxpayer.

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## NORTH HAYESVILLE

Mrs. W. F. Moore who has been right sick with measles is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Martin and children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin and Mrs. Mary Moore, Miss Laura Moore, and Mrs. Ed Moore were callers on Mrs. W. F. Moore Sunday.

Misses Ruth and Mary Moore are able to be out again after having measles.

Miss Laura Moore spent Saturday night with Miss Mary Bell Huskins.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Broyles and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Penland on Shooting Creek Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Scroggs visited their daughter, Mrs. Henry Martin at Andrews, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Fred Evans spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Evans.

## OTHER STUDENTS OF J. O. HICKS

Some weeks ago a request was made through the paper for the names of all students of the late J. O. Hicks who taught school in Hayesville and Clay County many years ago. Several names have already appeared, others are as follows:

Col. O. L. Anderson, Hayesville; Callie C. Ricks Adams, T. J. Bristol, Melvin Matheson, Mrs. Fannie Walker, Mrs. Ida Slagle and Mrs. Stanfield, of Andrews, N. C.; Mr. J. F. Shearer and wife, who was Miss Maggie Coleman, of Willacochee, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Scroggs, Hayesville. Mrs. Scroggs was before her marriage, Miss Margaret Lance.

Please send in your name if it has not already appeared.

## IMPORTANT CREAMERY MEETING

Those who have subscribed for stock, as well as others who are interested in building a creamery at Hayesville, are requested to meet at the court house at 2:00 p. m. on Saturday, May 19th, for the purpose of electing directors, adopting by-laws, and transacting any other necessary business.

## Traffic Over No. 28 IS Detoured by Sweetwater

For the past six weeks a score or more of men and a fleet of trucks have been hauling stone and preparing State Highway No. 28 from the Brasstown bridge to the Georgia line for a new surface known as the "Tar Heel Macadam." The section of No. 28 from Hayesville to Brasstown was closed to traffic Monday morning on account of work of pouring tar which has been started at Brasstown and coming toward Hayesville. All traffic will turn to the right at the detour sign in front of the Hayesville Auto Company garage and follow the yellow signs to Brasstown via Sweetwater. Rapid progress is being made in pouring tar, several miles having already received the first coat. With pretty weather, this piece of road will soon be finished and traffic will be turned back on No. 28.

## STATE LINE

Mrs. Will Logan was the guest of Mrs. Ed McConnell last Wednesday.

Miss Gladys Neal has been suffering with flu for the past week.

Mr. Wil Logan has been on the sick list for the past few days.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Avery Hall, Friday, May 11, a boy.

Mrs. Willie Thomas has been spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Edna Wood.

Misses Velma Logan, Clyde McClure, Edith Kimsey and Eva Matheson spent Saturday afternoon with Miss Gladys Neal.

Mrs. Ollie Hall visited Mrs. Maggie Hall Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Artie Murray, Mrs. Bertha Waldroup, and Mrs. Amanda Johnson were the guests of Mrs. Fina Waldroup and Mr. and Mrs. Bayse McClure Sunday.

Mr. Otto Waldroup and daughter, Miss Charm, have been attending the Cokesbury training school at Hayesville.

We are looking forward to a great revival at Mires Chapel. Services will begin Sunday night, May 20th. Everybody come and bring others.

## FIRES CREEK

Recent heavy rains have put the farmers behind with corn planting.

Messrs. Ivane Johnson and Dewey Ledford were visitors in Hayesville Tuesday.

Mr. Tom Herbert has gone to work on the railroad.

Mr. J. H. Barlow listed taxes last

## Picnic on Tusquite

On Wednesday afternoon, May 2, Miss Cochran, one of the teachers in Hayesville High School fulfilled her outstanding promise to the freshman class by taking this student body on an old time picnic. The students had been looking forward with fond anticipation for some time to this occasion as weather conditions upset plans time and again. All assembled in town at 3 p. m., and soon were on their way up Tusquite bound to see for the first time an overhead skidder. Leaving the cars at the Geo. Mostiller place the thirty-seven happy and gay students bought cross-tie tickets and travelled one mile on the railroad into the Hurricane. Mr. Miller of Andrews, a kind and congenial employee of the Andrews Hardwood Company, accompanied the teacher and students to the end of the railroad, where the logs were being pulled in by the strange steam monster, overhead skidder. To see the big logs come skidding in on wires, to hear the signal as the great and powerful machine worked with perfect precision, to see the mammoth pile of logs that had been gathered from over a wide territory, one naturally had to exclaim, "what a boon machinery is to man and beast." But it is sad indeed to any lover of nature to see great scars cut across the breast of nature. The giant oak, towering spruce, laid low. The loom that spins that delicate blue blanket, "azure hue," wrecked and torn to pieces by the onslaughts of man. As one of the students beheld this desolate scene, he instinctively exclaimed, that he was truly glad that the United States Government was purchasing thousands of acres, for parks and reserves, and that the cruel ax and saw would never find their way into these primeval forest.

About an hour after sundown the thirty-seven appetites struck supper time and the cooks and butlers got busy. In a short time coffee was made, meat broiled on sticks, eggs boiled and one of the best meals was spread beneath the friendly beech trees that stood near. The boys and girls failed to provide enough cups to drink the coffee, so some ingenious fellow suggested that pasteboard boxes be used to supply the liquid to their thirsty lips. From the amount some drank, it was very evident that nothing short of a gallon vessel would have been adequate.

After supper, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford led the young folks in games and songs. The marshmallow toast

Tuesday at Fires Creek school house.

Harlie Hicks is much improved after a recent operation.

Claud Hicks of Tusquite, visited his father, T. M. Hicks, Thursday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Carrol on Monday, May 7th a boy.

Mr. Harlie Thompson of Downings Creek was in our community

## To All True North Carolinians

Every day hundreds of careless folks cut down and destroy thousands of trees, shrubs and flowers along the highways of our state. Little long-leaf pines, Rhododendron, Dogwood and many, many others—destroy all kinds of trees and flowers, the most beautiful part of all our beautiful drives. The shame of this is that all of these soon wither and die, and most are cast aside, to lie withered and brown along the roadsides where a little while before they grew in gorgeous splendor.

### Help Us Stop This!

Go home and tell your family and your friends and neighbors about this. Tell them of this careless destruction, and tell them that there is a heavy fine for cutting down or digging up these flowers and trees. Get your own family to promise that they will uphold the law protecting trees and flowers. Get your neighbors to promise the same thing.

Show your loyalty to your state by helping to protect the living things that give us our scenery.

From the mountains to the sea—North Carolina the Beautiful. Let us keep it so.

Yours for good citizenship,  
The Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen.

## 2 KILLED, 1 HURT IN SUNDAY ACCIDENT

B. E. Ledbetter, 40, of Bryson City and J. C. Angel, of Andrews, were killed and Austin Shuler, about 30, of Bryson City, was seriously injured when the car in which they were riding, plunged down an embankment and crossed Hoopers Creek on State Highway No. 10 a few miles East of Bryson City about 4 o'clock Sunday morning. The machine was reported as going at a speed of 60 miles per hour when the accident occurred.

was one of the best features of the evening. The girls toasted the candy blocks and generously divided them among a number of the logging boys who came to see the girls and enjoy the fun.

These picnics and outings bind us together in love and friendship, as well as they give us recreation. Lets have them all along.

last week looking up a yoke of cattle.

Mr. Gad. T. Laney, of Rocky Branch, was in our community one day last week making pictures.

Mr. Wil Henson and wife and Miss Mae Henson were guests of Rev. R. B. Ledford and Mr. Jeff Brooks last Thursday.

### 50,000 TREES DEAD

There are some 50,000 dead trees of all species standing in the Bois du Boulogne. To save the passers-by from danger the authorities have just given the boulevard over to the woodcutters.



You will be breathless with excitement when you read Edison Marshall's thrilling mystery and adventure story of a beautiful girl—a great detective—a prowling tiger—a mysterious murder—

## THE TIGER TRAIL

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DON'T MISS IT!