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OLD SPINNING WHEEL AGAIN AT BRASSTOWN

The Folk School at Brasstown is having this week an exhibition of handwork made in many parts of the mountain section, in other parts of the United States and in a large number of foreign countries. The Community Room is full of colorful scarves, aprons, quilts, coverlets, table-runners, bureau covers, bibs and various other articles.

Two of the new type of light foot-power looms are set up, one lent by Miss Lucy Morgan, head of the weaving at the Appalachian School, Penland, N. C., and the other by Miss Clementine Douglas, who is well-known in Asheville from her attractive shop, The Spinning Wheel. Miss Morgan was unable to remain this week as she had planned but Miss Douglas has been showing the many who wish to take a hand again in what they used to do in their younger days, how these new looms work. She has also given some interesting talks on weaving in this and other countries. She has studied in Scotland, Greece and Italy and has a rare collection of old looms such as we see only in ancient pictures.

Two of our own looms are being set up, by way of comparison, and every one who can card well is taking a hand at making up a few rolls. The whir of the spinning wheel is a pleasant sound in the big room. Some of the wool used was shorn off the Folk School's new pure-bred Shropshire sheep, washed, dried, carded, spun and woven in one day.

This is the beginning in Brasstown of a revival of the hand work for which the mountains were famous in old days, and which is now so popular in other sections. The Folk School in its winter course will teach weaving for the girls along with sewing and cooking, reading, writing, history, geography and arithmetic. The boys will have an opportunity to learn craft work in wrought iron in addition to their construction work, surveying, mechanical drawing, gymnastics and agriculture. Applications are already being received from a number of places, in this state and outside.

BRASSTOWN

During the month of June the Brasstown Creamery Station shipped \$318.33 worth of cream.

Daily during the week of August 6-11, there will be different exhibits of handcrafts at the Folk School. Miss Douglas, an expert weaver, of Asheville, N. C., will be here to give lessons in weaving on two old looms now at the Folk School. Also pottery with an old time wheel will be used. Dr. J. P. Anderson, pastor of the Presbyterian church, of Murphy, will be here Wednesday at two o'clock to speak, and Rev. Howard P. Powell, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of Murphy, will be here Friday at two o'clock to give an address.

The Brasstown Farmers Incorporated Association is constructing a farmer's warehouse and mill for the purpose of storing grain for the community, and of doing the grinding for the people all about. Some are working out their shares with the Association. This will be a great upbuild, as well as an economical undertaking for the people of Brasstown.

Mr. Victor Scroggs, son of Mr. L. L. Scroggs, Brasstown, N. C., and Mr. P. R. Preston, foreman over division of Delco Light Company, Knoxville, Tenn., were visitors at Mr. Scroggs over the week-end. Mr. Victor Scroggs has had a position with the Delco Light Company for about three months.

BIG FARMERS MEETING CALLED TUESDAY AUG. 14

Assistant Director, James M. Gray, Raleigh, who is at present in charge of County Agent work in this section, plans to be in Hayesville on Tuesday, August 14th. He hopes to meet the farmers and business men at the courthouse at 10:30 A. M., for the purpose of discussing with them a program or plan of county agent work.

Mr. Gray is a native of Macon County and has had many years experience in supervising and directing county agent work in the mountain section of Western North Carolina before being promoted to a higher position in Raleigh. He will want your suggestions on the line of work which you want done in your community as well as in the county as a whole.

Many counties have an agricultural Advisory Board composed of leading farmers from each township. The duty of such a board is to meet with the county agent monthly or quarterly to plan and discuss the county agent work. At this meeting, while Mr. Gray is here to assist, it might be well to organize a board for Clay County.

Please discuss the importance of this meeting with your neighbors and show your appreciation of county agent work by making a special effort to be present.

MANY VISITORS AT FOLK SCHOOL

The Folk School has had so many visitors this past month that it has been impossible to keep a record. Among others who have come are: Miss Lucy Margon of Penland, N. C., Mrs. Esther Freas of Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Blackmore of Isabella, Tenn., Mrs. H. G. Sights of Paducah, Ky., Mrs. W. K. West, Miss Theresa West and Mrs. Anson Morgan of Alto, Ga., Miss Doris Sutton of Larchmont, N. Y., and Miss Ruth Hunter of Brooklyn, N. Y. Miss Ruth Alden Coolidge of Medford, Mass., and Miss Helen Green of Montclair, N. J., left last week after a months visit. They were very much delighted with the country and pleased with the work of the school. Miss Marian Hunter of Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending the summer and Miss Hannah Morris of Philadelphia has just arrived for the remainder of the summer. Mr. Raymond Ritchie of Viper, Ky., drove through with a friend last week to visit Mrs. Deschamps of the Folk School, and Mrs. Deschamps parents, also of Viper, Ky., and Mr. Truman Ritchie are now here.

CANTON HI'WAY LINK IS OPENED SATURDAY P. M.

Opening of the new Canton-Asheville Highway which has been under construction by the State Highway Commission for several months, was opened Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, according to announcement made by J. G. Stikeleather, Commissioner for the 9th District.

Completion of this link of highway gives a high grade route all the way from Asheville to Murphy. A small section of it at the underpass on the Murphy branch of the Southern Railway will not be hard-surfaced at present in order to permit the fill to settle.

Heeny, it is rumored, hopes to marry an American girl. His fight with Tunney has evidently whet his appetite for punishment.

BENNY KLINE KOS EDDLEMAN IN 2ND ROUND

Walker Gets Decision Over McToy In the Semi-Finals of Saturday Night's Show

Benny Kline, of Atlanta, got the decision by a knockout in the second round over Dave Eddleman, of Charlotte, in what was scheduled to be a ten round main bout at Andrews last Saturday night before a house of nearly a thousand people.

In the semi-finals, Henry Walker was given the decision over Victor McToy, both of Andrews, in a six round bout.

Clyde Wheeler knocked out Fred White, both of Andrews, in the third round of a scheduled 4 round contest.

Henry Belamy and Guy Pullium, both of Andrews, went four rounds for a draw.

Fred Luther, of Andrews, won a decision over Charlie Mose, of Smokemont, in a four round contest as the curtain raiser.

Tot Wilson, of Asheville, a boxer who has appeared in the Andrews ring, refereed the preliminaries, while Mr. Hirsch, of Los Angeles, Calif., was referee in the main bout.

G. E. Lail, promoter, and Dr. W. C. Morrow, assistant promoter, stated that the boxing exhibition of Saturday night was one of the best shows along this line that had yet been staged at Andrews. The boxing was staged in the old Lail garage, which has been fitted up and seats installed for this purpose.

Other boxing exhibitions will be held there from time to time, Mr. Lail stated.

NEW SILO NOW COMPLETED AT FOLK SCHOOL

The new silo at the Folk School is just completed. The corn is laid by and promises an excellent crop, both for ensilage and feed. The small grain, rye, oats and barley, was thrashed last week.

Owing to a gift of 29 pure-bred Shropshire sheep, the School is able to furnish some very fine ewes from its grade flock, bred to a registered Hampshire ram and flock belonging to a breeder of pure-bred Hampshires near Asheville.

Mr. Bidstrup, director of the farm, has also for sale out of the School's blooded Berkshire stock, one young boar, and eight young sow pigs, all open to registration entry and all guaranteed to make good brood sows, and four gilts ready for breeding. Inquiries may be made at the School, Brasstown.

PLAY AT HIGH SCHOOL ON 16

The play "All on Account of Pully" will be given Thursday night August 16th, in the Hayesville High School Auditorium.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend. A small admission will be charged.

The same play, which was given Saturday night at Myers Chapel by the Intermediate Senior Class, was a great success. Quite a large number were out to enjoy the play.

NOTED VA. CHURCHMAN CALLS 'DRY' 'LEADERS BACK INTO PULPITS'

(Reprinted from the Asheville Times by request.)

Deploring the purposes and idea behind the dry conference held in Asheville this week, Dr. W. M. Forest, professor of Biblical history and literature at the University of Virginia, and one of the best known churchmen in that state, wrote to Bishop James Cannon just before the meeting here deploring the intrusion of preachers into politics and declaring he would support the party, The Times learned Friday.

Dr. Forest's letter is an open answer, he says, to a circular letter sent out by Bishop Cannon and Dr. Barton boosting the cause of the meeting here.

"I am weary of the unchristian, unpatriotic, unconstitutional bigotry which would penalize an American citizen for his religion by debarring him from politics," Dr. Forest declares.

He warns that a crusade such as the conference planned will rend and tear the church; that it will not accomplish its alleged purpose, that it means "prostituting the religion of Christ to politics"; and that the temperance cause will not be served by defeating the Democratic nominee.

Dr. Forest concludes with the plea that the bishop and his dry "crusaders" reconsider the matter and "turn to persuasive teaching of the gospel and away from the desertion of God for politics."

After explaining that he is a member of one of the most ultra Protestant communions, Dr. Forest declares he will vote for Smith because he is "the standard-bearer of that party which, even at its worst holds out more hope than its rival for the administration of government in the interests of all the people."

His statement in part follows:

"As for my reasons for not supporting your dry conference, they are many. I believe you are wrong in claiming that Southern Democracy and Southern temperance will be served by the defeat of Smith.

INFORMATION ON TAX SALES CERTIFICATES

Says Twenty Percent Penalty Imposed Is Being Misunderstood

The following statement to County Accountants by Charles M. Johnson, executive secretary of the County Government Advisory Commission, Raleigh, has been received for publication:

"It has been brought to our attention that in some counties, a flat penalty of 20 per cent of the total amount of the tax sales certificates is being imposed upon taxpayers at the time they redeem their property which has been sold for taxes. Hence, we are sending out this circular letter to correct such misapprehension of the law.

"Section 8037, Chapter 221, Public Laws of 1927, requires that the certificates of sale shall bear interest at the rate of twenty per centum per annum on the entire amount of taxes and sheriff's cost for a period of twelve months from the date of sale, and thereafter shall bear interest at the rate of ten per centum per annum until paid or until final judgment of confirmation is rendered, but every holder of a certificate other than county, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision, shall, in case said action is not instituted within eighteen months from the date of the first certificate of sale, only receive after the expiration of eighteen months, on all amounts expended on or in connection with said purchase, interest at the rate of six per cent per annum.

"The law is plain therefore, that it is not intended that 20 per cent of the amount of the certificate be collected from the taxpayer if he pays the taxes and cost three months from the date of the certificate. Only one-fourth of twenty per cent of that certificate can be collected; three months being one-fourth part of twelve months."

STUDENTS MAY ATTEND SCHOOL WITHOUT PAY

At the regular session of the Board of Education Monday, August 6th, it was definitely decided that all students of Clay County have the privilege of attending the Hayesville High School with out paying tuition.

Signed by Committee.
P. C. SCROGGS,
JAMES PENLAND,
J. R. CHERRY,
J. B. GRAY,
T. M. MOORE.

of humiliation, confession and supplication. Of humiliation in the sight of God and men because the holy cause of preaching and teaching religion to lead mere political reforms.

"Of confession to God and in the presence of men for putting your confidence in an arm of flesh, grievously sinning against the Spirit by trying to drive men by law instead of winning them to the principles of Jesus by the persuasive power of the gospel.

"Of supplication that God may grant forgiveness to His faithless ministers, graciously receiving them back into His service where they may spend the remainder of their days striving to recover the lost radiance of the Christian religion—the old time power of the Spirit of God granted to His ministers to transform men and make them temperate in all things."

Tom Heeny lost to Gene Tunney—and made no abi. That's what we call breaking all traditions.

Should Change Purpose
"I therefore, beg you to turn your Asheville conference into a meeting