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THERSDAY, AUGUST 20, 1903.

Taus issue of The News will probably reach most of our readers Tuesday night and we wish to call attention again to the importance of attending the Educational Rally which will take place on Wednesday, August 19th. The programme 2 p. m. Dinner. is au interesting one and all who attend will be benefitted in many

ways. Everybody ought to take active interest in the great cause of education. It is the duty of every citizen and every parent to OF NORTH CAROLINA. do all in his power to further the interests of this great cause. One way of doing this is to attend the Educational Rally on Wednesday and to influence all your friends

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to attend.

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THE WRECKS ON SALUDA MOUNTAIN.

Another wreck has occurred on Saluda mountain just below Melross and near the same spot where so many trains have been destroyed lately and where many a brave and faithful employe of the Southern Railroad has been hurried into eternity while trying to do his duty. At present three families are mourning the death of loved ones which were suddenly taken from them by the wreck last week.

The agony suffered by these victims will never be known to anyone but themselves, but that it was intense is evident from the fact that most of the bodies when found are mangled and bruised almost beyond recognition. Yet all this suffering and loss of life does not seem to move the Southern Railroad officials to any other action than that of clearing away the debris. And trains are now running on the same track as if nothing unusual had happened. A few thousand dollars will probably be given by the Southern to the afflicted families, but this will not put back the members that were taken away nor will it prevent other disasters.

The wrecks on this mountain are increasing at an alarming rate and stringent measures should be taken to avoid the loss of human life which this "death hole" has caused. If there is no other remedy, then the state and county ought to condemn this portion of the road and compel the Southern Railroad to take another route.

This continual loss of life should and must be stopped at all hazards. The time to act in this matter is now. The state officials who have the power to act in such cases, have allowed this Saluda mountain "death hole" to exist too long and further delay will probably be at the sacrifice of other lives.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference of the Green River Circuit will be held at Bethlehem by Rev. T. E. Wagg, P. E. on September 12th and 13th. All the church officials of the charge are earnestly requested to attend. In connection with the Conference there will be a missionary mass meeting on Friday, September 11th, conducted by Rev. W. H Willis of Marion, N. C., missionary secretary for the Morganton district, to which everybody is invited. Services will begin at 10 a. m. each day, with dinner on the grounds. Rev. Willis is to have a large missionary map of the world which is well worth the attention of the public.

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EDUCATIONAL RALLY PROGRAMME.

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.25 10.30 a. m. 10.45 . ..

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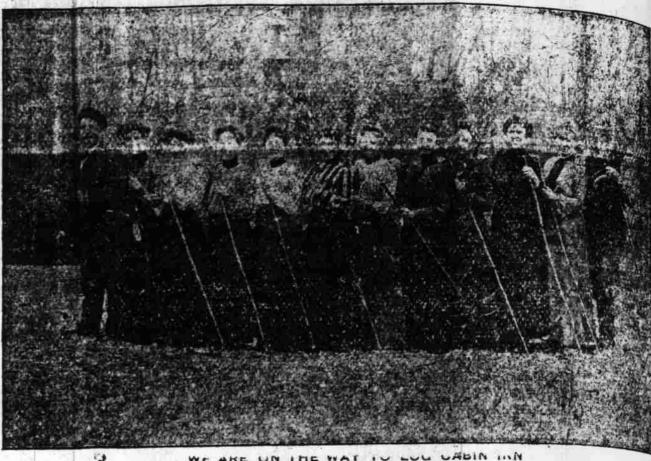
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