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TEACHERS STRONG FOR EIGHT MONTH COUNTY SCHOOLS

DISCUSS SCHOOL PROBLEMS.

Final Teachers Meeting Held Saturday Considered Most Enthusiastic in Two Years.

The final meeting of county teachers for this year held Saturday at Central school here was considered the most enthusiastic meeting held in two years. Practically every teacher in the county was present. The major part of the entire meeting was the strong endorsement of an eight months school term for rural schools. Other topics discussed included the Paint-Up campaign, promotion in grades, standardizing elementary schools and the meeting of the North Carolina Educational Association.

Promotion in Grades.

Four teachers discussed promotion in grades and gave some very interesting facts concerning the promotion of pupils. Mrs. M. A. Jolley in taking up the first grade said that promotion should be based upon knowledge achieved, mental ability to acquire, and in a discussion of each subject explained her method of teaching and leading up the pupil to advanced work. Mrs. F. H. Hunter, handling the third grade, followed the same thought but emphasized the importance of following the course of study as outlined by the state and was of the opinion that all promotion should be based on the outlined course of study.

Eight Months School.

Dividing his talk under three heads, Prof. Lawton Blanton, principal of the Lattimore school, made clear the advantages of an eight months school term. Why Cleveland county needs an eight months term was explained in the mental tests made by the state university. These tests show that the seventh graders of the rural school are really fourth graders. In order to remedy this rating and give the rural child his rightful chance at an education Mr. Blanton declared the county must have an eight months term as elementary schools are the foundation of all other education. That it is practical to have an eight-month term the speaker portrayed from experience. Where an eight-month term is held in rural districts by dividing the time the farmers have been enabled to send their children to school and to harvest their crops. "Farmers in communities where it has been tried can assure others as to its success," Mr. Blanton said. That we can afford an eight months school, and cannot afford to do without it, was clearly brought out by the facts and figures not to be disputed. Taking an estimate by educational officials that a school child makes \$9 each day while in school, it was shown that with 8,000 rural school children in a term increased two months at an approximate cost of \$50,000 would earn \$2,500,000.

Endorse Paint-Up Campaign.

Along with their endorsement of an eight-month term and consolidation, the teachers as a body offered their support to the Paint-Up campaign, that will be stressed over the county this week. O. Max Gardner, chairman of the county board of agriculture, detailed the Paint-up campaign to the teachers and asked their support. The sign-up work, which is that every district report the number of painted and unpainted houses in that district. A prize will be given the district that turns in the largest number of painted or newly painted houses by November 15.

Standardizing Schools.

Prof. I. C. Griffin, superintendent of Shelby schools, discussed before the teachers the standardization of elementary schools. After explaining why elementary schools should be standard as well as our high schools, Prof. Griffin stated that he was of the opinion that the elementary schools should be standardized through consolidation. With consolidation it would be possible in the majority of cases to have seven teachers for seven grades, or a teacher for each grade, thus giving the school a standard rating.

A report of the meeting of the North Carolina Educational Association at Raleigh was given by Prof. J. H. Grigg, principal of the Shelby

PIEDMONT DEBATE ON NEXT FRIDAY

High School Debaters at Piedmont Will Discuss Problem of Athletics in U. S. Colleges.

The Pierian Improvement debate will be held at Piedmont high school next Friday, March 28, according to an announcement by the secretary, Elbert S. Eskridge. The young debaters will take up the subject of athletics in American colleges and universities and will defend and attack the stress now being put on inter-collegiate athletics. Their subject is one of wide discussion all over the country. The complete program for Friday is as follows:

Address of Welcome by President H. F. Bean. Declaration: The City versus the Southern Country. Home by T. C. Caldwell. Debate—Resolved: That the colleges and universities of the United States are laying too much stress on inter-collegiate athletics. Affirmative: F. D. Elliott, C. D. Forney, Jr., and G. O. Blackburn; negative: L. K. Clodfelter, C. A. Bridges and F. D. Sain.

Vocal solo: "Two Marionettes" by Miss Beulah Rowland.

BID ON COURTVIEW PROPERTY RAISED

The \$82,000 bid on the Courtview Hotel property was raised to \$86,100, or five per cent, Saturday by W. N. Dorsey, local real estate agent, acting for W. C. Corbett. According to information secured from Mr. Dorsey, who is acting as agent for Mr. Corbett, the property will be re-sold at public auction at the court house here on Thursday, Apr. 10, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The property which fronts 120 feet on Marion street and 200 feet on Lafayette and includes the Courtview Hotel, stores and office buildings, is considered as one of the most valuable pieces of business property in Shelby. It was first sold for division on Monday, March 3 to Wm. Lineberger, Mal Spangler and Jack Palmer, who at the time owned one-half interest. The bid of \$82,000 was left open for 20 days for a raise of five per cent.

Elinor Glyn Film At Princess Theatre

The Princess theatre bill for this week includes some interesting and high class pictures. Today, Tuesday, Jackie Coogan, the youthful star, appears in "Long Live the King," which is being shown here under the auspices of the Cecelia Music club. This is a special picture and the sale of tickets by Cecelia insures a good attraction.

Wednesday, Lionel Barrymore and Alma Rubens portray the leading parts in "Enemies of Women," Russia and the revolution form the spectacular background for the Golden special, written by the author of "The Four Horsemen." The most ravishing beauty in Europe, war and the goddess of chance play stellar roles.

INDIAN PREACHER IS CREATING AN INTEREST

Mr. D. H. Crowder of Lawndale, said he was in Lincolnton Sunday and heard an Indian preacher named A. L. Locke of Pembroke, this state, who is conducting a meeting there. He was particularly impressed with the Indian and says he got his consent to come to Lawndale some time and conduct a meeting. Mr. Crowder says he is one of the finest preachers he ever heard and being a full blooded Indian makes him especially interesting.

High school who pointed out that the entire body of teachers meeting in Raleigh voted to place all schools in the state on an eight-months basis.

IMITATION FLOOR HIDES RUM CARGO

Deputy Sheriff Dixon Locates Four Gallons Under Second Floor of "Stripped Down" Car.

In recorder's court last week I. J. Dawson and M. C. Dawson were charged with receiving, possessing and transporting. Both were given eight months sentences by Judge B. T. Falls, and an appeal was taken by Dawson. A little sleuthing on the part of Deputy Sheriff Ed. Dixon resulted in their capture.

According to the officers the two had been suspected for some time owing to consistent travel over certain roads, and with a search warrant in his possession Deputy Dixon halted the "stripped down" Maxwell car Saturday week ago. The two appeared willing for their car to be searched, the deputy said and a search around and through the car for several minutes proved fruitless. Finally the deputy took a crawl underneath, where he discovered a suspicious second floor, in which he found a can containing the sought beverage. When the two learned that the hiding place of their cargo was discovered, they informed the officer how to proceed further in the secret floor, where a total of four gallons was found. The county gets the "stripped down."

Jim Robinson, colored, was nabbed with one-half pint in his possession last Thursday, and on the charge of receiving and possessing was given four months.

John Blanton, charged with public drunkenness on two counts, was fined \$75 and the costs. Burwell Scroggins on the same charge was found not guilty as was Dan Waters. Minnie Hampton, said to be of Ellenboro, was taxed with the costs for public drunkenness.

WANT COTTON OIL OBLIGATION HELD

Attorneys File Application With Federal Judge Webb, Asking That Contract be Carried Out.

Attorneys O. Max Gardner and O. M. Mull, representing a number of farmers of two counties, today filed an application with Judge E. Yates Webb, of the United States district court, requesting that the court force the receivers of the Southern Cotton Oil company to carry out the seed exchange obligations alleged to have been made with farmers all over this section. The decision of the court will be of vital interest to farmers all over the South as the ruling in this instance would ordinarily apply to other branches of the company.

Following an old custom hundreds of farmers of Cleveland and Rutherford counties, Messrs. Gardner and Mull allege, have stored their cotton seed with the Southern Cotton Oil company under contract of exchange of seed for cotton seed meal to be used for fertilizer purposes. Under an order of the United States court, they say, the mill has been forbidden to carry out the exchange or agreement with a consequent embarrassment to many farmers who expect to use their meal as an element of their fertilizer. There has been considerable discussion of the predicament in which the receivership placed the farmers, at the filing of the application is the first legal move towards having the alleged obligations carried out.

The application to Judge Webb sets forth the facts with the request that the court order the receivers of the Southern Cotton Oil company to carry out the company's obligation to the farmers.

Fire Threatens Bank Building Third Time

For the third time in the history of the building fire threatened the Union Bank building Sunday afternoon, when smoke was seen emerging from the banking room on the first floor and fire department responded to the alarm. Smoke filled the building and it was fully 30 minutes before the small flame was located in the director's room. Only a small hole was burned through the floor. The damage was therefore slight. It was not even necessary for the water to be turned on. A large crowd gathered ready to assist the fire department in the fight, had the blaze been large enough to require the water hose. The origin of the fire has not been determined. No fire had been in the Union Bank stove since Saturday, but one of the bank's clerks was seen to enter the bank on Sunday and it is thought the fire had its origin from a cigarette carelessly thrown down.

STAR WANT ADS FOR RESULTS.

DISTRICT RALLY AT BESS CHAPEL

The district rally of the ninth district of the Methodist Protestant church will be held at Bess Chapel Saturday and Sunday, March 29 and 30, according to an announcement by Rev. J. D. Morris, of Fallston.

The program for the rally is as follows:

- Saturday, March 29. 10 a. m.—Song service and devotions by Rev. J. D. Morris. 10:30 a. m.—The object of this meeting. 11 a. m.—The prayer life of the church by Rev. J. M. Ridenhour. 11:30 a. m.—Evangelism by Rev. C. E. Phillips. Open discussion and noon hour adjournment. 1:30 p. m.—Song service and devotional. 2:00 p. m.—The budget a privilege and not a burden by Rev. J. M. Morgan. 2:30 p. m.—How to raise the Budget by D. B. Johnson and T. G. McAlister. 3:00 p. m.—Stewardship, time, talent and money by Edly Ivester and E. C. Cowan. 3:30 p. m.—Open discussion and adjournment. 7:30 p. m.—Song service and devotions by Rev. E. G. Cowan. 8:00 p. m.—Our college and Christian education by Rev. Laurence Little.

Sunday, March 30. 10 a. m.—Sunday school. 11 a. m.—God's call to the Ministry by Rev. J. M. Morgan. 1:30 p. m.—Song service and devotions by Robert Wood. 2 p. m.—Child life in the church by Rev. E. G. Cowan. 2:30 p. m.—State young people's convention at Weaverville by Moton Glenn. 5 p. m.—The minister's invisible salary by Rev. J. M. Ridenhour. 8:30 p. m.—What should we preach? How should you hear? by Rev. J. D. Morris. Adjournment.

7:30 p. m.—Sermon: The Supreme Case, Wining the Individual by Rev. C. E. Phillips.

Will Push Paint-Up Campaign This Week

The Paint-up and Clean-up campaign, which is sponsored by the Cleveland county board of agriculture, will be stressed over the county this week, using the schools as a medium of reaching the people informing them of the value of paint both for appearance and preservation. Wednesday, March 26, has been designated as sign-up day and every school district in the county is urged to enlist in the contest by getting the name of the owner of every painted and unpainted house in their district. The reports should be returned to the office of the county superintendent by Saturday.

A prize will be given to the school district reporting the largest number of painted homes; homes to be painted, and the largest percentage of houses painted between March 15 and November 15, 1924. An essay contest has also been arranged for the pupils in the rural schools for the best essays on beautifying farm homes by the use of paint. A \$10 prize is offered for the best essay; \$5 for the second, and \$1 each for the next five. The board hopes to have every farm home in the county painted by November 15.

W. O. W. Meeting Here On Thursday Night

An interesting meeting of the Cleveland county Woodmen of the World will be held at the hall of Camp No. 518 in the J. E. Webb building Thursday night, March 27, according to an announcement by T. O. Grigg, clerk.

W. H. Grogan, district manager of the Woodmen of the World will make the principal address, and will explain several new features that have recently been added to the largest fraternal insurance organization in world. Local Woodmen will also be on the program and refreshments will be served. The meeting will open at 7:30 and every member in the county is urged to be present.

Another Hord Becomes Officer.

Otis Hord, Gastonia young man, has been appointed as deputy sheriff and rural policeman for Ranko and vicinity, east of Gastonia. The police committee of Ranko and Mr. Hord met Thursday and made final arrangements following which the new officer will take up his new duties. Otis Hord, a son of Officer Adam B. Hord, has been employed for several years by the Gastonia roller shop. Otis Hord is the fourth Hord to become an officer in Gastonia and Gaston county.

NEGRO DRIVER IS BADLY BROKEN UP

Two Trucks Collide And Abraham Dilliton is in Hospital—Other Hospital Patients.

Abraham Dilliton, negro truck driver, is in the Shelby Public Hospital with a broken leg, broken shoulder bone and broken collar bone as a result of a collision between the Thompson Lumber truck and the Sanitary Meat Market truck Friday afternoon. Dilliton was seriously injured but his condition is improving and he is expected to recover.

Mrs. Ben Shylte who has been a patient in the Shelby Hospital for a month and who has been in a serious condition is rapidly improving.

Mr. Marshall Jones, 17 year old son of D. Y. Jones expects to go home this week. He has been in a hospital patient for about ten days with an injured ankle.

Miss Emma Dixon of Kings Mountain, an operative patient, expects to be released this week.

Horace McKee, son of W. D. McKee, operated on ten days ago is improving rapidly.

Mrs. M. A. Cline of the Eastside Mill, who has been a patient for three weeks, is improving.

Henry Sanders, operative patient, is doing nicely and will be able to go home in a few days.

Mrs. Maggie Dorgett is rapidly improving and is able to be out in the sun parlor.

Mrs. G. C. Smart of Lattimore is improving from an operation performed some time ago.

Miss Tracy Groce a waitress at the Cleveland Springs Hotel is undergoing treatment at the hospital.

Mrs. B. T. Falls was operated on Saturday for appendicitis and her condition is as favorable as could be expected.

Mrs. T. G. Hamrick who was operated on three weeks ago is doing nicely and expects to be dismissed this week.

Mr. E. T. West is a patient for treatment and his condition is quite satisfactory.

Mrs. J. L. Parker who is a patient for treatment has been suffering intensely for some time, but her condition yesterday was little more favorable.

Mr. Joe Beason of No. 2 township, after two operations is improving, his many friends will be pleased to learn.

Mrs. Paul Roberts, operated on a week ago and whose condition was quite serious, is some better.

Mrs. Pink B. McMurry is a patient for treatment and her condition remains about the same.

Mrs. Solomon Self Pneumonia Victim

Noble Woman Of The Prospect Community Was Buried At Kadesh Church.

Mrs. L. M. Self, widow of Solomon Self who passed away five years ago, died at the Shelby Hospital Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock following an illness since Christmas. The immediate cause of her death was pneumonia. She had been a patient in the hospital only a few days. Mrs. Self was a fine type of Christian womanhood, a devoted mother and neighbor who will be greatly missed in New Prospect church community where she and her family had made their home for many years, coming from upper Cleveland. Mrs. Self has a family of ten children who were the pride and joy of her life. Her body was tenderly laid to rest at Kadesh church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the funeral services being conducted by Revs. Green and Morgan amid a crowd of sorrowing friends. The crowd was enough to fill the church twice, the large attendance being a tribute to the high esteem in which she was held. She was 51 years, 2 months and 22 days old.

The following children survive: Mittie and Nelson Self, Mrs. E. D. Alexander, Mrs. R. L. Dedmon, Clarence, Sarah, Claude, Roy, Hattie and Bertha Self, together with six grand children, three brothers, Messrs. Josh Navy of Shelby, John and Dan Navy of Lincolnton, two sisters, Mrs. George Canipe of Shelby and Mrs. William Carswell of Morganton.

SHELBY WILL PLAY COLLEGE OUTFIT

Meet Newton Junior College Aggregation Here, Play Union Mills On Saturday.

As inclement weather interfered with the first game scheduled the Shelby highs will play their first base ball game of the season here Wednesday afternoon with Newton Junior college. The strength of the visiting club is an unknown quantity, but with a good rating in athletics among the secondary colleges they should furnish lively opposition for any high school club.

The local first game was scheduled for last Thursday with Rockingham but a steady rain prevented even a thought of the game as did the conditions of the ground for the game on the following day with Mt. Holly. The Rockingham club in charge of Coach "Shorty" Lawrence spent Thursday and Thursday night here being entertained on Thursday night by the senior class of the high school, they defeated the Belmont highs, and on Saturday played Charlotte in Charlotte. The game here was expected to reveal the relative strength of eastern and western school clubs as Rockingham is considered one of the strongest contenders for the eastern title. However, the game here Wednesday should be about on an equal rating as the Rockingham game was expected to be. If Shelby makes a good showing against the junior college outfit in their first game it will boost their morale for the state race. Barring any more bad weather the newly-renovated ground will be in fine condition.

On Saturday the local highs will play the strong Union Mills club here according to Coach Gurley. This is a combination club of high school and town players and is considered a fast aggregation.

New Hope Program For Saturday And Sunday

Special to The Star. The New Hope church and its Sunday school is looking forward for a great time in our Lords work on Saturday and Sunday March 29 and 30. So we invite the entire membership of our church and Sunday school to be present both days. We also extend a cordial invitation to any who will, to come regardless of denomination. We gladly welcome all the representatives of the various churches who have been previously assigned to our church for the union meeting services on above dates. There will be dinner on the ground Saturday but not on Sunday as it will be impossible to supply the large crowd we hope to have. Our Sunday school program for home and foreign missions will begin promptly at 9:30 o'clock Sunday. Mothers and fathers of our Sunday school children will please get them early and provide them with an offering that they may give their best to missions. Everybody come and let us have a good time together.

A. E. BETTIS, Supt.

Co-ops To Meet At Waco On Wednesday

All members of the North Carolina Cotton Growers cooperative association are urgently requested to attend a meeting to be held Wednesday night March 26, in the Waco school at Waco at 7:30.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss marketing problems of the farmers and to organize a local organization to further the work in Cleveland county. All cotton farmers whether members or not and the public is cordially invited. This meeting was cancelled last week due to illness of the field representative of the association.

Where Living is Cheap.

Yorkville Equiner. Sharon, York county, is believed to be the only town in the United States where one may buy an egg sandwich and a cup of coffee for a nickel. A restaurant which was recently opened here undertakes to serve a sandwich and a cup of coffee for a nickel and is said to be doing a rushing business. Since two egg sandwiches and two cups of coffee are considered a square meal one may eat for thirty cents a day, or less than \$10 a month, the cheapest board to be found anywhere. All of the eggs served are guaranteed to be absolutely fresh, is the claim.

16 Strong for 60.

Efforts of her parents failed and a 16-year old eBauffort girl was married to W. C. Willet, age over 60 years, a former resident of New Bern, in Trenton according to reports reaching New Bern. The couple came back to New Bern after the ceremony.

HICKORY HONORS PRESIDENT ARRAS AT BIG MEETING

350 KIWANIANs PRESENT. Delegations From District Clubs Greet International President Despite Downpour of Rain.

In spite of a steady downpour of rain which began falling early Thursday morning, more than 300 Kiwanians from the clubs of western North Carolina assembled in Hickory to greet Edmund F. Arras, president of Kiwanis International, and to attend a district meeting of the organization.

Among the clubs represented were Asheville, Marion, Morganton, Shelby, Lenoir, Lincolnton, Newton, Maiden, North Wilkesboro, Elkin, Charlotte, High Point, Burlington, Greensboro, Concord and Salisbury. At the morning session, held in the city auditorium, addresses of welcome were made by Dr. W. P. Speas, president of the Hickory Kiwanis club; J. Sid Smyre, mayor of Newton; H. J. Holdbrook, president of the Hickory Rotary club; Mrs. Carrie Gamble, president of the Hickory Community club; J. D. Elliott, potentate of Oasis temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and president of the Hickory chamber of commerce. The response to the welcoming address was made by Ned Wheeler, of Asheville, on behalf of the visitors. Following the introduction of the international officers, Joe Bowles, district organizer, delivered an address on the duties of members to their club.

350 at Luncheon. The meeting adjourned at 1 o'clock to the Kiwanis hall where a luncheon was served to 350.

District governor Harry Adams in a short talk urged the Kiwanians to make their preparations to attend the meeting of the international in Denver in June, and he was followed by "Buck" Merrimon, of Greensboro, former district governor, who in a few happy remarks introduced the speaker of the occasion, President Arras.

President Arras in an eloquent address of over an hour outlined the things Kiwanis stood for and the policies of the international for the present year. Stirring his hearers to frequent outbursts of applause, Mr. Arras declared that the Golden Rule must be brought more and more into the business life of the country, and deplored the inevitable results that must, he said, follow the reflections on democratic government as a result of congressional investigations now under way in Washington. He paid a glowing tribute to Woodrow Wilson Warren C. Harding and Robert E. Lee as men of outstanding character. President Arras in his address struck a high note and sustained it throughout. He was given a round of applause when he began, interrupted with cheers as he proceeded and an ovation when he concluded. His reference to General Robert E. Lee as the "beau ideal of a Christian gentleman" and a man of character, whom the whole country honors, and his declaration that for every man who obeys the law because of fear there are thousands who obey it of their own free will, elicited thunderous applause.

It is the duty of Kiwanians, he said in conclusion, to stand by the constitution and all of its amendments, including the 18th.

Asheville Wins Prize.

The Asheville club won the attendance prize with its 26 delegates, who traveled a total of 1,418 miles on a special train and brought a band along. This bunch was about the "peppiest" present and frequently interposed with songs or yells for Asheville.

The North Wilkesboro was second in the attendance contest, sending 20 members for a total of 860 miles. Among the clubs with the largest delegations were Lincolnton, Shelby, Lenoir, Marion and Statesville. Other clubs represented were those at Gastonia, Morganton, Elkin, Salisbury, Charlotte, High Point, Burlington, Winston-Salem, Concord, Newton and Hickory.

The well-known "Hickory sticks" were handed each of the delegates and these were carried away in large numbers.

Shelby Members Attending. The following delegation represented the Shelby club at the meeting: Messrs. Rush Hamrick, Chas. A. Burrus, J. C. Weathers, J. W. Howell, Max Washburn, Jack Palmer, Faris Ledford, L. W. Gardner, H. A. Logan, P. F. Grigg, Dr. J. W. Harrison, J. F. Roberts, William McCord, George A. Hoyle.

Prayer Meeting.

Central Methodist church prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. All are cordially invited.