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PRINCIPLE FIRST

\$1. A YEAR in ADVANCE

Sunday is Convention Day At Patterson Grove

NINE CHOIRS ARE EXPECTED

Sunday is Convention Day at Patterson Grove. Nine classes are expected to sing and Rev. Vance Heavner, the famous boy preacher, will preach. This session of the Union Sunday School Singing Convention will mark the first anniversary of the organization. It is indeed gratifying to see the marvellous growth of the organization during its initial year. The convention was organized at Patterson Grove last September and it goes back there for its first anniversary. The officers were elected there and the officers for the ensuing year will be elected there Sunday.

Since the Convention was organized it has met with Bethlehem, Oak Grove and Kings Mountain Baptist churches. The convention is open to all denomination and we are glad to know

that others are coming in. For some reason we have not received the list of songs selected by the various Choirs for the occasion and are therefore unable to publish it. The program will be as follows: Devotional exercises at 10 a. m. Then congregation singing and music by the various choirs until 12 a. m. At 1 p. m. the Convention will reassemble and hold the business session after which routine singing will be the order. The hour for the sermon by Rev. Mr. Heavner has not been determined and will be announced from the choir of the Convention.

The choirs expected are, Patterson Grove, Oak Grove, Bethlehem, East Kings Mountain (Cora), Caldwell's, Mary's Grove, Elbethel, Bessemer City, and Antioch.

G. G. Page, Pres.

HOME-COMING AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Sunday is "Home-Coming" at the First Baptist church. The auditorium of the new building is practically finished and formal occupancy will be made Sunday when the present pastor, Rev. J. R. Miller and four former pastors will hold the initial service in the splendid new edifice.

At ten o'clock Rev. B. L. Hope will speak on "The Baptist Cause in Kings Mountain As I Know It." Mr. Hope was never pastor of the church here but was raised here and is familiar with the Baptist cause here from its early history. He is now pastor at

Blacksburg, S. C.

At 10:30 Rev. J. A. Hoyle, a former pastor, now of Maiden, N. C., will speak on "My Pastorate in Kings Mountain."

At 11 o'clock Rev. J. M. Hamrick of Lexington, N. C., a former pastor, will preach. All other former pastors were invited but couldn't come.

All our friends are cordially invited to be present with us, and participate in the services on this occasion.

J. R. Miller, Pastor.

EAST KINGS MOUNTAIN MATTERS OF INTEREST

Correspondence of The Herald.

East Kings Mountain is coming along fine.

The town is improving its roads and sidewalks.

The Phenix Mill Company is re-covering their houses.

Rev. B. A. Culp and family went to Gold Hill last week where he assisted in a meeting.

Mr. Thomas Hall had a bad accident between Shelby and Lattimore Saturday August 15th when he turned his automobile too quickly around a curve damaging one wheel and the top.

Clifford Badger and family of Liberty, S. C. visited his sister, Mrs. Elmer Wilson, last week at the Phenix.

Mrs. T. A. Wilson returned to her home in Piedmont, S. C. after a weeks visit to her son, Elmer Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Wallace of the Cora Mill have returned from a visit to relatives in Burke county.

H. Smith and children have returned from a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mr. C. Y. Hamrick, of Shelby.

Mr. Kelly Ford and family of Cherryville visited his son, Kelly Ford of this place.

Miss Marie Ford of Cherryville is visiting her brother Kelly Ford.

C. B. Moss is improving and painting his residence.

K. A. Chatman has returned to his home in East Kings Mountain after a visit to relatives in Lattimore, Moorsboro and Gaffney.

Thomas Howell who has been very sick is again able to resume his work at the Phenix Mill.

The Herald is exceedingly glad to get this communication from East Kings Mountain and we trust that the same writer and others will send us items from time to time. But be sure to sign your name. We don't want to publish the name but want it for our own information and protection.—Editor.)

Mayor A. E. Cline was a business visitor in Charlotte Saturday.

THE PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., THE PANAMA-CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION AT SAN DIEGO, CALIF., AND THE GREAT GOLDEN WEST.

as seen by

Mr. E. S. McSwain and wife Mrs. Ava Herndon McSwain and their little daughter Velda Irene, of Montgomery, Ala., on their recent ten thousand miles tour.

BY E. S. McSWAIN

(Cont'd from last week)

In order to descend this pass, the railroad has been tunneled out into the heart of these two mountains, under which they make a circle, descending all the while, and come out several hundred feet below where you went in. Then the rumbling waters of the river are crossed over trestles to allow your train to enter the mountain on the other side, to emerge several hundred feet lower after having visited the very heart of it almost a mile back into solid rock. In this way the track can be seen above or below you at four different places, almost over each other as you have made a complete figure eight or a double bow knot. To build this little eleven miles required the expenditure of \$150,000.00; it furnished employment for 1,000 men for twenty months and over 75 car loads of dynamite were used in blasting, which cost \$250,000 alone. This was certainly a place that a "new comer" would not go to sleep; first you would be looking down into a gorge hundreds of feet below with its restless waters hurrying to the Pacific, then you would twist a "crick" into your neck as you gazed upwards at the towering peaks several thousand feet above you, whose melting snows help to feed the glistening waters of the rivers below.

Passing on we reach Field which is Division Headquarters, at which point we turn our watches back another hour. The train stops sometime and we straighten out our "much twisted" limbs. The scenery at this point is very much varied, being located down the valley surrounded by numerous peaks; Mount Stephen, Dennis, Deville, King, Burgess, Van Horne range and others. All are covered on top with snow and ice, which melting starts here and there small streams which tumbling down the rocky sides from numerous waterfalls. Farther down can be seen the forests of Douglas Fir, Spruce and Poplar. In places these had been visited by forest fires, some recent, while others sometime before, which accounted for the variegated coloring spread out before you of red, black and green.

Soon we start on our crooked winding way down the Kicking Horse River which is crossed and recrossed numerous times, first the railroad is clinging to one cliff and then back to the other side, here a tunnel and there a trestle, with the line so

crooked that it reminds you of playing hide and seek with the engine as he dodges around the various rocks and mountains. Often as you look ahead you think that surely there is no way of getting through that biven of mountains, and then you look back and are as much lost to know where you came from as where you are going; apparently you are down in the gorge with water below and the sky above with no way out, and you recall the slang expression "Holy smoke what a hole!". The towering bronze walls above you reach several thousand feet almost straight up as the train swings from one cliff to the other, whose only foot holds are cut out of solid rock, with here and there a tunnel as the only means to pass a projecting rock. The rushing water thundering along at a mad rate which with the noise of your train, all intensified many times by the echoing walls of rock on every side will leave a spot in your memory that does not rub off soon.

Soon we pass out of this gorge into the upper Columbia River Valley, which is reached at a little town of Golden. At this and other places are stationed experienced Swiss or Alpine guides, whose business it is to pilot those who have a desire to climbing to equal any of the climbs to be found in the Alps of Europe. As we reach the Columbia River Valley we feel that we are back to "Civilization" again as we see here and there a farm all of which have been barred from all the way thus far to day, which is reached between two and three in the afternoon. Another thing I might mention here is that time is not measured in Canada as in the U. S., for instead of starting over again as we do when we get to twelve, they run the time on to twenty-four o'clock or at least that is the way it appears in the time tables.

Farther down the valley as we cling to the mounts on the side we pass through a tunnel more than five miles long which is more in the nature of a snow shed the railroad being covered with timbers, after having been dug out in the mountain side, as a protection against snow slides a number of which occur there. Later we do "the figure eight" again as described farther up which is very much the same with the exception of this one is done out in the open between the mountains, all the track being in sight instead of

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Governor Stuart Of Virginia Has Been Invited-

TO DELIVER ADDRESS OCT. 7th

Governor Stuart of Virginia has been formally invited to deliver the principal address at the celebration here October 7th and an answer is expected daily. The invitation was sent through Governor Locke Craig of North Carolina and would naturally require more time than it had gone direct.

President J. B. Thomason of the Kings Mountain Battle Memorial Association recently resigned his position and W. A. Ribbenhour was elected by the executive committee as his successor. Mr. Ribbenhour and his committee are steadily but quietly at work and hope to arrange a good program.

GEO. M. PHIFER OF GAFFNEY DIED FRIDAY.

George M. Phifer, a prominent business man of Gaffney and a native of Cleveland county, Elbethel section, died Friday night at 7:30 in the bathroom at his home. He was as well as usual and had eaten a good supper. Soon after supper he went into the bathroom and dropped dead from a apoplexy.

The funeral was preached at his home in Gaffney Saturday morning, by his pastor, Dr. Deal, pastor of the First Baptist church, and the remains were brought here and laid to rest beside his four children in Elbethel cemetery Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Phifer was one of Gaffney's leading merchants, being

engaged in the music business and was a prominent citizen and a useful member of the First Baptist church. He will be sorely missed in the business, civic and religious life of his adopted town.

Decensed was 59 years of age. He was married some thirty years ago to Miss Mary Barnett of Greenwood, S. C. To the union were born five children four of whom preceded him to the grave.

He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Mary Barnett Phifer, and one daughter, Miss Winona Phifer; and the following brothers and sisters: J. L. Phifer of Bessemer City, W. B., J. D. and Ben D. Misses Ann, Laura and Lula Phifer, and Mrs. Sarah Black, all of near Kings Mountain.

MOONLIGHT SCHOOLS FOR CLEVELAND COUNTY

110 of Cleveland County's teachers pledged themselves at the institute, recently held in Shelby to do what they can to further the moonlight school movement and there aid in stamping out illiteracy among the adult population of the county. This movement is gaining great impetus through the State and we are glad exceedingly to see so many of our teachers taking hold of the work. Nobody knows better than this writer how hard it is to teach all day and then again at night. It's a sacrifice on the part of these noble souls who are giving their lives for their fellowmen. It might be well to bear in mind that the moonlight school work is done without pay too. If every citizen of good old Cleveland doesn't lend his hearty support and encouragement to this work then he is a mighty poor apology for a citizen. And too let the illiterate fall in line and dispel the cloud which hangs so heavily over them.

Regarding the literature to be used we reproduce the following editorial from Saturday's Charlotte Observer:

"The moonlight school idea is forging to the front and the book publishers are now getting out readers especially adapted to the needs of the new country life institution. Specialized literature will greatly advance the success of the cause. The Observer is willing to give its approval to the plan after reading the prospects of one of the publish-

ing houses for it indicates a practical course of study short and effective. The first Country Life Reader, like the first reader in the public schools starts off in the simplest way, treating of subjects that are of interest to men and women. It begins we are told with sentences about reading and writing, and then tells about good roads and bad roads; raising good cattle and feeding them from a silo. There are lessons about taxes and about banks the writing of a check is simply explained the advantages of spraying fruit trees is emphasized; lessons on corn clubs and tomato clubs are given; the value of testing seed, of plowing the land well, and of rotating crops is brought out; different wholesome ways of cooking bread, meat, and vegetables are described; forest values and the great loss occasioned by forest fires are explained. Near the close of the book there are seven lessons taken from the Bible, each of which relates to farming or farm life. These Biblical extracts correlate in an excellent way with the various subjects previously treated."

Mrs. Fleming Ramsaur and children returned Friday from an extended visit to relatives in Robeson County.

Rev. J. R. Miller returned Friday from Big Lick where he had been engaged in revival work.