

Good Roads Convention.

Held in Bristol Last Week Very Enthusiastic.

In its report last week of the Southern Appalachian Good Roads Association held in Bristol, which was largely attended from all sections of the South, the Herald-Courier has the following to say that will be of interest to many readers of the Post.

J. Prescott responded to the address of welcome on behalf of the coal fields. He said that what Lee and Wise counties wanted was a good road to Bristol, through Scott county. He said this would be of tremendous benefit to Bristol and all of Southwest Virginia. He told of the splendid roads that had been built in Lee and Wise counties.

R. S. Finney responded to the address of welcome on behalf of the Clinch Valley. He asked a whole lot of fun at Bristol, which had been previously styled in the meeting as the hub of road building in this section. He told of the system of roads that had been built in the counties of the Clinch Valley, referred to the greatness of the valley in natural resources and scenic beauty and then got a hearty laugh by asking Bristol, which he facetiously referred to as "the hub" to connect up the gaps and come over and enjoy the good roads of the Clinch Valley section.

R. L. Pennington responded to the address of welcome on behalf of motor parties from Virginia and in his talk described his trip in an automobile from Jonesville, Va., declaring that in wealth of scenic beauty Southwest Virginia surpassed any part of the west. He said that the landscapes of Southwest Virginia were the best in this country and should be advertised to the world. He described the entire trip overland of one hundred and twenty-three miles from Jonesville to Bristol.

E. J. Prescott made a detailed report for Wise county, which he said had expended \$1,000,000 in building new roads. He said that the road problem in this county was one of the most difficult any county could encounter because the county is almost entirely mountainous. He told of what the roads had done for the county, of the increase in the number of homes built, the increase in the attendance in the schools, and the people of Wise and Lee counties wanted a new road direct to Bristol. He said that this county was engaged very largely in mining and that 3,000 men are employed in the coal industry. He said that with assessed values of \$11,000,000 and after expending \$1,000,000 on roads, the tax rate is only 1.75.

Judge C. T. Duncan reported for Lee county, Virginia. He said that \$140,000 in bonds for road purposes had been issued in Lee county and that in one district, where no bonds had been issued, an election on the subject would be held this month. He detailed the various roads that had been built in the county and said that Lee county was thoroughly alive to the importance of modern highways. He said that the Jonesville district had built about twelve miles of new road, the Rocky station district about fifteen miles, and the Yokum district a similar amount. He referred at length to the movement for the construction of the Bristol-to-Lexington Highway, and declared that it meant much to Lee county, to Bristol, and to all of Southwest Virginia, urging that the movement be pushed forward.

An automobile scout party of seven cars in line arrived from Wise county during Tuesday afternoon. They brought with them a fine lot of views, showing picturesque road scenes near such enterprising towns as Big Stone Gap, Appalachia, Norton, Coeburn, East Stone Gap and Arno. One pic-

ture shows a plant of the Stonewall Coke and Coal Company. There are also good pictures of such buildings as the court house at Wise, the high school building at Wise, the postoffice building at Big Stone Gap, the high school building at Big Stone Gap, the high school building at Coeburn, etc. The road views and the pictures of public buildings in Wise county show that that beautiful county in the mountains and among the coal mines is progressive in the highest sense of the term.

Russell county, Virginia, is represented by a map, showing the roads of that county, what work has been accomplished, etc., and also a number of views showing the class of the construction. This county is one of the foremost in the Southwestern section of Virginia in point of road-building, being surpassed perhaps only by Wise county, mention of whose exhibit was made in these columns Wednesday morning, and which county has spent close to one million dollars in road construction.

In the exhibit from Lee county is a handsomely bound book of pictures, showing all the coal operations in the "Pocket Coal Fields" of Lee county. Conspicuous in this list are the plants owned by the Bondurant Coal Company, Charles W. Bondurant proprietor. These pictures show modern plants equipped with electricity, and with railway and trolley accommodations. A unique feature is the mountain home of Mr. Bondurant. Constructed of logs, it is reminiscent of the primitive buildings of the American forests, except that inside it has been equipped with every modern convenience, and provided with every ornamentation necessary to make it elegant.

The view of the "Central Power Plant," is a most interesting one. This plant was sold a few months ago to a transmission company, composed of wealthy Chicago men. It has a capacity of 30,000 horsepower, and is to be equipped with additional building space at once, so as to provide 60,000 horsepower. This plant is supplying current to every mining plant in the Black Mountain field, and is also supplying plants in Eastern Kentucky. The company has installed a telephone in the plant, by means of which communication direct with Chicago is enjoyed. It is the purpose of the company to eventually extend its transmission lines into Bristol and thence through East Tennessee and Western North Carolina into the Piedmont section of the Carolinas.

It is the opinion of many well-informed delegates attending the convention that the Southern Appalachian region can easily be made one of the most attractive to tourists in the world by using only the proper energy and determination to develop the road work. As suggested in more than one speech thus far made, the South will be all the better prepared for the great harvest of immigration that is bound to follow the European war if only the people arouse themselves upon the subject of good roads and hurry the construction along in all the counties.

Among the roads that the Association will endeavor to have completed are the following:

The grading and draining of the section of the Bristol-Coal Fields Highway from Tumbze, in Russell County, to Mendota, in Washington County, and thence to a connection with the Bristol-Lexington Highway near Early Grove, in Scott County, Va.

The macadamizing of the roads from Wise and Norton to Coeburn and St. Paul.

The grading and draining, and macadamizing so far as practical, of the Bristol-Lexington Highway from Bristol to Cumberland Gap, with perhaps two or more routes between Natural Tunnel and Jonesville—one route to go via Big Stone Gap.

The improvement of as much as possible of the Bristol-Lexington Highway between Middleboro and Crab Orchard.

The improvement of the road

from Pennington Gap to Dryden, in Lee County, Va., and from Bolton to Hansonville, in Russell County, Va.

The completion of the Bristol-Bluefield Highway.

BEDSIDE DIRECTIONS.

Literature on Scarlet Fever and Diphtheria, Seasonal Diseases, Ready for Distribution.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 9.—For the benefit of physicians in whose practice scarlet fever and diphtheria have appeared and for the use of parents whose children may suffer from these diseases, the State Board of Health today asked the press of the State to announce that bedside directions for the care of diphtheria and scarlet fever cases and bulletins on these maladies are available for distribution and will be sent free upon request in needed quantities. As this is the season for these two diseases of childhood, the Board wishes the literature placed in the hands of all who will have use for it.

A Birthday Party.

Miss Lula Mahaffey entertained a large number of boys and girls at her home Saturday night, from eight to ten thirty o'clock, in honor of her fifteenth birthday.

Numerous games were played in the yard, after which a peanut hunt was engaged in in the house. Miss Lena Reese found the most peanuts and was rewarded with two pretty handkerchiefs, while Miss Adelaide Pettit proved to be the best observer in the "Seeing Contest" and won the prize, a box of candy.

Mrs. Lindsey Horton assisted in serving delicious fruit punch, cake and home made candy at the conclusion of the games.

Those who were present were: Misses Adelaide Pettit, Juliette Knight, Hannah Alsover, Helen McCormick, Elsie Taylor, Lillie Garrison, Sara Sampson, Golden Reaser, Pansy Thompson, Lena Reese, Virginia Baker, Bertha Mahaffey, Margaret Rouch and Cora Mahaffey. John Allen Kilbourne, Joseph Johnson, Lloyd Mahaffey, Ralph Reese, Hugh Shuler, Tate Reaser, Marvin Harwell, Robert, Ray and Eugene Mahaffey.

Miss Margaret Collier Dead.

Miss Margaret Collier, who for several months, has been suffering with cancer of the liver, passed away Friday at her home at East Stone Gap.

Miss Collier, who was over fifty years old, was a devout Christian and was loved by a large circle of friends in the Gap and the surrounding country who will be deeply grieved when they hear of her death.

She kept house for several years in the Gap for her cousin, J. B. Collier, until she was advised to go to Louisville, by our local doctors to undergo an operation two years ago, for the same illness with which she died.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Wampler Sunday morning at the home in East Stone Gap, after which the remains were carried to Turkey Cove and buried in the old Barron Cemetery.

An Enjoyable Party.

Tuesday night from eight to ten o'clock a number of young girls entertained a few of their friends at the hospitable home of Miss Margaret Barron. Mrs. H. L. Lane, Misses Fannie and Patsy Johnson helped to entertain the young folks in a number of games which was enjoyed very much. Delicious ice cream and cake was served.

Those who were present were: Misses Adelaide Pettit, Dorothy Owens, Bruce Skeen, Nina Johnson, Margaret Barron, Mary Blair and Lucile Martin. William Beverly, Rufus Pettit, Gale Barron, Reginald Smith, Junior McCormick, William and Edward Goodloe.

Mr. Irvine Speaks at Grundy.

The Hon. R. Tate Irvine, democratic candidate for Congress, spoke to a large and enthusiastic audience at the courthouse on Thursday, October 1st. The address of Mr. Irvine was the strongest, clearest and most forcible ever heard by the voters of Buchanan, and republicans joined in with the democrats in pronouncing it a masterpiece.

His presentation of the democratic measures passed since Wilson has been guiding and directing the policies of our country, especially the trust and currency bills, was clear and convincing in discussing these measures he paid a high tribute to that little red-headed, brainy democrat of the Sixth District, Carter Glass, who, to a great extent, is due the credit for formulating and putting through the currency bill that dehorned Wall Street and restored to the people the control of the finances of the country.

Mr. Irvine praised Wilson and Bryan for the "watchful waiting" policy that has insured, so far as the American people are concerned, "peace on earth, good will toward men." He contrasted the war policy of Wilson and Bryan with that of Mr. Stemp, who, when he wrote the republican party platform at Bristol, denounced the Wilson-Bryan "watchful waiting" policy as being "weak, vacillating and un-American," and asked pointedly if the American people were not satisfied with the "watchful waiting" that had insured peace.

Truly it was a great speech. He had a great subject and handled it like a master. The people of the Ninth District, irrespective of party affiliations should be proud of such a candidate and, if they want to hear a strong, clear, convincing and clean speech on a great subject, should avail themselves of the first opportunity to hear him. Irvine is a statesman and not a demagogue; a believer in the rule of the people and not a ruler of the bosses; a believer in prosperity and progress and not a calamity howler, and a clean high-toned gentleman and not a peanut politician.

Line up, men, irrespective of party affiliations, behind Irvine, the man that stood for Wilson at the Baltimore convention and who is in sympathy with his policies, so the Old Ninth District can aid Wilson and Bryan restore our government to the people.—Sandy Valley News, Oct. 2nd.

Robt. L. Pennington To Locate in Bristol.

Hon. Robt. L. Pennington, a prominent young lawyer of Pennington Gap, Va., will locate in Bristol. Mr. Pennington motored to Bristol this week in his Cadillac automobile to attend the Good Roads Meeting here. After driving over the city, Mr. and Mrs. Pennington were so impressed with Bristol's attractiveness that they decided to make this city their home. Mr. Pennington Friday purchased from Judge Joseph L. Kelly one of the most desirable building lots in the city, located at Highland avenue and Park Street. He will at once commence the erection of a modern and costly bungalow.

Mr. Pennington is one of the leading attorneys of Southwest Virginia and will represent Lee County in the next legislature of Virginia, having been elected last fall. He will come to Bristol early in the spring to make his home here and become a member of the local bar.

Mr. Pennington is a brother of Mrs. George E. Taylor of this city.—Bristol Herald-Courier.

Smallpox in Dickenson.

Freeling, Va., October 9.—The smallpox situation is becoming more alarming. The latest cases to develop are Mrs. Columbus Phipps and her little four-year-old son, of near this place. Numerous others have been exposed to the disease. People of this immediate section are careless in regard to infection, and if something is not done by the authorities at once, the disease will become prevalent.

Premiums Awarded

at Wise Fair.

FANCY WORK.

Mrs. E. W. Miller, Norton, best hand-made waist—no competition.

Mrs. J. B. Thomas, best button hole on silk.

Mrs. John Miller, best silk crazy quilt.

Mrs. G. H. Bond, Coeburn, best hand-made shirt—no competition.

Mrs. C. A. Broadwater, Norton, best hand-made dress—no competition.

Mrs. R. E. McElroy, best display needle work.

Miss Emma Miles, best exhibit drawn work.

Mrs. N. W. Gillenwater, best display crochet.

Mrs. E. W. Miller, Norton, best single piece embroidery.

Mrs. J. C. Stiles, best layer cake.

Mrs. John Miller, best pound cake.

Mrs. W. J. Horsely, Big Stone Gap, best cake made of white cloud shortening, 1st prize.

Mrs. Mollie Young, second best cake made of white cloud shortening, 2nd prize.

Mrs. W. J. Horsely, Big Stone Gap, best Angel Food cake.

Mrs. J. L. McCormick, Big Stone Gap, best fruit cake.

Mrs. John Miller, best salt rising bread.

Mrs. W. D. McNeil, best cucumber pickles.

Mrs. W. D. McNeil, best peach preserves.

Mrs. W. J. Horsely, Big Stone Gap, best watermelon preserves—no competition.

Mrs. W. J. Horsely, Big Stone Gap, best peach pickles.

Mrs. W. J. Horsely, Big Stone Gap, best jelly display.

Mrs. W. J. Horsely, Big Stone Gap, best canned goods display.

Mrs. W. J. McLumore, best pound butter.

Mrs. W. J. Horsely, Big Stone Gap, for most blue ribbons in cooking department, range given by Norton Hardware Company.

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Civic League Meeting.

The Womans' Civic League held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. G. N. Knight, on Friday, October 2nd, at 3:30 o'clock, the president, Mrs. R. T. Irvine, presiding. The minutes of the last meeting were approved. The fall work to be done in cemetery was discussed and plans made for same. The cemetery committee is composed of Mrs. J. L. McCormick, chairman, and Mesdames Ralph Taggart, Marvin Kelly and M. R. McCorkle. The visiting committee to school for September, made a full and excellent report of conditions. The third and fourth grades have respectively 96 and 94 pupils. This congested condition is to be deplored. Our School Trustees will do all they can to alleviate this. Our school has something over 600 students and eleven teachers. East Stone Gap school has over 300, and eight teachers. It was decided to have basements at school whitewashed and old benches painted, this to be done with the consent of our trustees. The visiting committee for this month is Mrs. C. L. Nash, chairman, and Mrs. H. A. W. Skeen. They will look after the whitewashing, and will see that a supply of disinfectants are placed in the building. It was moved and carried that we assist in the expense of placing a sanitary drinking fountain in the yard. Reverend J. L. Smith hopes to begin his manual training class soon. The class will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. Mr. Smith teaches the same course they give at V. P. L. Blacksburg, and if any of the class should later on decide to go to V. P. L. they will be given credit for the work accomplished here. It was suggested that our corresponding secretary write to a nursery for twelve trees, to replace those along the avenue that have died. Mrs. Irvine read a very interesting and practical piece from "The Ladies' Home Journal," "Where the Home and School Meet." No further business coming up for discussion, we adjourned to meet with Mrs. Otis Mouser, the first Friday in November at 3:30 o'clock.

Those present were Mesdames Irvine, Nash, Wolfe, Mouser, McCormick, Ed. Goodloe, Skeen, Knight, Miss Lula Moore, and Mrs. Pettit.

Our hostess served dainty refreshments.

Recording Secretary.

Young Man Dies Suddenly.

G. M. Brown and son, Herbert, of this place, returned last week from Knoxville, where they attended the burial of Mr. Brown's nephew, T. G. Brown, Jr., a cadet at Sewanee Military Academy, near Chattanooga.

Young Mr. Brown died suddenly Friday, October 2nd at Sewanee, while playing in a football game. He was not hurt as reported, but fell dead on the field while running.

He was given a military funeral by the commandant and cadets of Sewanee Military Academy at Knoxville on Sunday afternoon following at three o'clock.

It is estimated that possibly 500 people gathered at Greenwood cemetery to pay final tribute to the youth, beloved and promising.

FOR SALE—Three houses and lots located in plat three, in Big Stone Gap. All three houses were built this summer and will be sold reasonable and on easy terms. For further particulars address A. K. Mann, Box 174, Wise, Virginia.

Read the page advertisement of W. W. Taylor & Sons in this issue of the Post. They have many real bargains advertised and you should not fail to take advantage of this mammoth sale. This popular firm will soon be ready to move into their handsome new store building, now nearing completion.

Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is holding its annual meeting in Bristol this week.

Good Suggestion To Big Stone Gap People.

It is surprising the amount of old, foul matter the simple mixture of buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as Adler-ika, drains from the system. This remedy became famous by curing appendicitis and acts on BOTH the upper and lower bowel so thoroughly that ONE DOSE relieves sour stomach, gas on the stomach and constipation almost IMMEDIATELY. We are mighty glad we are the Big Stone Gap agents for Adler-ika. The Mutual Drug Company.

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