

The Watauga Democrat.

Local Affairs

The Sunday mail is again on between Lenoir and Boone.

Mr. T. Hill Farthing and family, have moved to the Coffey property near the depot.

Blowing Rock Baseball nine was defeated last Saturday by Mt. Zion (Skyland). The score being 30 and 11.

Mr. C. M. Byers, of Charlotte Branch, manager of the Standard Oil Co., was here the last of the week looking after the interests of the Co. in this section of the State.

Mr. T. Hill Farthing is moving his stock of merchandise from the Critcher building on depot street to more commanding quarters in the Bank block.

Blowing Rock now has electric lights. The current is coming from Mr. W. L. Alexander's power-house, until the Boone Fork Plant is in readiness.

The little office of Dist. Attorney Frank A. Linnay, used as a law office ever since he began his practice in Boone, is being moved to a back lot and a more stately and modern building will be erected on the site.

We are indeed sorry to hear of the continued illness of Mr. Thomas L. Day, the last tidings from his bedside being to the effect that he was gradually growing worse and hopes of his recovery are almost abandoned.

Messrs. Caskie Hodges and Claude Helms of Blowing Rock passed through here Saturday, on their way to the Cumberland Mountains in Kentucky, where they will take an outing, hunting and fishing, for a couple of weeks.

Miss Nannie Rivers, who closed her term of school at Finley last Friday, has returned to her home in Boone. She was much pleased with her stay in that section of the county and is under contract to teach there again this year.

The Masonic Fraternity was glad to have with them on their call communication last Friday evening a number of members from Stony Fork lodge. Come again, brethren, you will always meet a hearty welcome.

Mrs. Jack Ray, of Boone, who under went a most critical operation at Community Hospital at Shulls Mills, some time since returned to her home Saturday. She is getting on very nicely indeed and her speedy and permanent recovery is expected.

Mrs. Mollie Coffey of Statesville, her son, Stuart, of that city, and her daughter, Mrs. Council, wife of Judge W. B. Council, of Hickory, passed through town Monday enroute to Mountain City, to visit Mr. Stacy Rambo, who remains critically ill.

Prof. W. L. Winkler and sisters, Miss Winkler and Mrs. Zack Green, left Monday to visit their father Mr. Noah Winkler in Caldwell county. They will, we understand, attend commencement at Oak Ridge. Prof. Winkler, for some time being the official head of that institute.

Mr. Preston Jennings, of Banner Elk, is moving his household goods into the Phillips building in Boone, and his family will arrive possibly before this paper goes to press. This is the last unoccupied house, so far as we know, within the limits of the town.

Workmen are here from Bristol, Tenn., putting up the cornice and doing other exterior work on the new Methodist church, while work on the interior is going steadily on. Only a few more weeks will be required to get the main auditorium ready for services.

In the absence of Pastor F. M. Huggins, the Rev. Sebastian, now conducting a series of meetings at Mt. Vernon, filled the pulpit in the Baptist church at the evening service last Sunday, and in a most acceptable manner. The large building was snugly filled with attentive hearers.

Mr. R. L. Bingham, (Carpenter Bob) is building a pretty five-room bungalow on the elevation overlooking the site for the state high school in the Muster field, recently purchased by the Board of Education from Mr. J. F. Hardin. As Mr. Bingham already owns one of the prettiest houses in town, we take it that this one will be for sale or rent.

Our townsman, Mr. Calvin J. Cottrell, is again a very sick man, and much uneasiness is felt over his condition. He has been in declining health for some time, and his advanced age is very much against him. His children, save one, Mr. Hill Cottrell, of Broadnax, Va., are with him, and every thing possible is being done for him.

Rev. L. C. Wilson is attending the Annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in session at Kansas City, Mo., this week. The Rev. Mr. Huggins, pastor of the Baptist church in Boone, intended to go, and, in fact, went as far as Butler, Tenn., where he attended the commencement exercises at Watauga Academy, and returned home on account of illness of one of his members, Mr. C. J. Cottrell.

Master Bill Klutz, three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Klutz, of Blowing Rock, was struck by an automobile while crossing the street last Sunday afternoon. He received a rather painful cut in the head and several minor bruises but his condition is not considered serious. The car was driven by Mr. Ranold Foster and fortunately was not going very fast. The accident was practically unavoidable, the child running out in front of the car just before it passed.

THE FRUIT

It seems strange to relate, after the severe freeze of last week, the ground being hard frozen two mornings, that the fruit has not by any means, been near all killed, at any rate it is still green and firm in most localities. But, of course much of it may drop off. Mr. Lee Carrender, of the Matney section, was in town Monday, and was of the opinion that the fruit of all kinds was killed there. However, the reports from the country, as a whole are, encouraging, and it is believed that the crop will be abundant.

'BOUT RIGHT

The Watauga Democrat chronicles that Ralph Williams, aged 12, lately caught in Cove creek a rainbow trout 20 inches long; "one like this rarity, even for the veterans of the rod and reel." Twenty inches of same trideus is a whole passio. of trout, the like of which few human eyes are ever permitted to see; but we'd back a 12 years old mountain boy to catch one against any "veteran angler," unless the v. a. had also in his time been a mountain boy.—Greensboro Daily News.

ROAD CAMPS MOVED

Mr. Clement, general road contractor, who for a long while has been in charge of the hara-surface work on the Boone Trail Highway, has moved his camps, men, teams, steam shovel and practically all the equipment being utilized to the Boone-Blowing Rock road, and work on this most important link will be vigorously pushed until completed. Work is now going on all along the line, and quite a good showing is being made. But some of our people have yet to learn that making roads of this class is a mammoth undertaking, and their construction takes much time, labor and money. It seems the men having the work in charge are putting forth their best efforts, and that is all that can be required of any man, or set of men.

FATHERS' DAY

Sunday May 20, there will be a special program at the Baptist Sunday School for Fathers' Day. Every one is invited to come at 10 a. m., wearing purple violets for "father".

BEHIND TIME

"The lecture will begin at eight," and early to the hall I walk; and there for weary hours I wait before the great man starts his talk. No doubt his spiel is worth the price, a slice of eloquence didn't turn it loose on time. "The drugstore opens up at eight," a placard in the window reads and at the door I stand and wait, until my careworn bosom bleeds. I want to buy a two-cent stamp, I wait and wait, no druggists comes; the weary legions past me tramp, the traffic of the city hums. That pharmacist has lost my trade, I'll buy his cards and stamps no more; the lying placard he displayed has been a hoodoo to his store. I'm always waiting for some men who think that any hour will do; they say they'll come around at ten, and don't show up till half past two. I've noticed that the careless lads are seldom lodged in Easy Street; while other gents reap fame and scads they find it hard to make ends meet. To be reliable is great, to have men know, beyond a doubt, that you will keep your every date, though down with flu or plagued with gout. And if you say, "At half past nine I'll be on hand to paint your pump," be there, or els etake in your sign, and make headquarters at the dump:

One good way to reduce to music is to listen to the musical clink of the trace chains on the plow harness.—Windsor Border Cities Star.

Lord Robert Cecil says the League will go on without us, but he failed to state just where it would go.—Rockyford Republican.

COUNTY SINGING

The Annual County Singing for Watauga county, will be held at Brushy Fork church on Saturday, May 27th. All choirs in the county are invited to attend, bringing with them dinner for their party.

J. ROBY ISAAC, Chmn.

MR. DAVID WILLIAMS DEAD

Mr. David Williams, an aged and highly respected citizen of Route 1, died at his home last Thursday, after many months of severe suffering with cancer, or kindred disease. The remains were laid to rest in the Horton burying ground on Saturday, the Rev. L. C. Wilson conducting the funeral services, after which the Masonic Fraternity took charge and he was buried with full Masonic honors.

Deceased was, for many years a devoted and consecrated member of Three Forks Baptist church, and was ever faithful to its teachings. He was a loyal Mason and, until advanced age and disease forbid, was a regular attendant upon the meetings of the mystic order. He was 72 years of age, and leaves a widow and several children, with a host of friends to mourn an departure.

THE RAILROAD ACROSS THE MOUNTAINS

R. N. Hackette, of North Wilkesboro, Maj. W. C. Heath, of Monroe, and a dozen Charlotte men foregathered at luncheon in Charlotte the day before yesterday to exchange views on the subject of the Tam Bowie railroad, and while they do not seem to have passed resolutions or decided to memorialize anybody, conclusion was reached without dissent that the road ought to be a class A one, with a grade not exceeding one per cent, and should follow that route by which the greatest number of people can be served, that which will be of most advantage to the entire state, and that which can be built most economically. So it is gathered from a Charlotte Observer article.

The legislative commission named under the terms of the Bowie measure is to meet in Raleigh tomorrow for preliminary organization and the selection of an engineer who will survey the possible routes across the mountain section of northwestern North Carolina from a section of the Piedmont generally designated in the act. There may be no more than one route that could meet the letter and spirit of the law which conditionally authorizes the issue of ten million dollars in state bonds for construction, but there have been numerous routes partially investigated, or suggested, and it will be necessary to examine all of them, mapping them fully, before a report can be made that will comply with the intent of the law.

That is going to be the monumental work of some engineer—if he finds the route and builds the road. To build a road of less than standard quality would be a futile thing and a waste of the state's money; and the road will not be built—it is same to assume that, because railroads may be built now only with the consent of the interstate commerce commission—unless a route is found of such nature that cost of construction of a standard quality will not be prohibited.—Greensboro Daily News.

WILSON PEOPLE MUCH INTERESTED IN MYSTERIOUS WELL

Since the report that an oil well had been discovered on the property of Herbert Hines, colored, on the Stantonburg road, one and a half miles east of this city, parties from the Bartee Creek section of Stantonburg township say that for many years the belief has been general in the neighborhood that there is oil in the lowlands adjacent to the swamp and that after every big freshet a heavy coat of oil is left on the water of the creek.

Owing to the big rush made on Wilson's "mystery well" yesterday, the pump has been detached. It is said that Wade H. Davis has secured an option on the property and let in Mr. M. G. Rose on the ground floor, and that these gentlemen will begin at once to promote the mysterious find.

SAFETY FIRST

A lady went into a photographer's to have her picture taken—naturally. While the photographer was adjusting the camera, the lady wrapt a clothesline around her skirts.

"You'll have to take that off, madam," said the photographer, "I can't take your picture that way."

"You can't fool me that way, young man," she said. "I know you see me upside down in that camera!"

—Burr.

The way of the transgressor is hard because it is the beaten path.—Dallas News.

DAD and His PARTNER

THAT BOY AND DAD ARE THE BEST OF PARTNERS, ALWAYS. AND MOST PROBABLY, DAD HAS A SCHEME UP HIS SLEEVE TO MAKE HIS SON A PARTNER IN BUSINESS, SOME DAY.

IN THE MEAN TIME, HE CAN ACQUIRE SOUND BUSINESS TRAINING. BRING YOUR SON WITH YOU WHEN NEXT YOU COME TO THE BANK—AND LET HIM LEARN THE WAYS OF FINANCE.

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WOMAN, AS CUSTODIAN OF HUMAN LIFE, MUST RAISE THE STANDARD OF LIVING

Women, as the natural custodians of the human race, must "raise the life of the nation to the level of its privileges; reduce to actual facts the ideals of its institutions; elevate instruction into knowledge; deepen knowledge into wisdom, and make the life of the country perfect to the love of man," declares Mrs. Frank Ellis Humphrey, Reno, Nev., in an address before the mid-biennial council meeting of the General Federation of Women's clubs here yesterday.

Mrs. Humphrey, who is chairman of the division of industrial and social conditions of the federation, spoke on "The Woman Factor in Industrial and Social Conditions." Declaring women are the "best citizens in the world," Mrs. Humphrey asserted they long ago recognized their responsibility to their state and country and that their efforts for education and enlightenment along humanitarian lines have brought many surprises and much commendation from thinking people.

Telling of efforts of the federation in behalf of legislation for women and for community betterment, Mrs. Humphrey asked: "After all, are not these things a matter of house cleaning and home making and education? And are not women the recognized masters in these arts?"

"One of the brightest spots in recent political history," Mrs. Humphrey said, "has been the legislation to protect women in industry. Ideal conditions are ahead and all because women have demonstrated to those in whose hands the affairs of state are placed that they are as much interested and more insistent in their demands for a higher standard of life and living.

"The establishment of the Women's bureau in the United States department of labor is evidence of the desire on the part of the nation to give federal support to the welfare of working women.

"An intrinsic part of women legislation has been the effort to secure the appointment of women to administer the state laws concerning mother's pensions, minimum wage, prohibition of night work in specific occupations and the eight-hour day.

"In 17 states, this object has been accomplished, and women hold executive positions in the welfare administration. No less important has been the increase number each year of women appointed to serve on the governing boards of charitable and penal institutions, agricultural boards and farm bureaus.

"In fact, where the activities of any organization, or institution, touch the home or the community, the thought uppermost in the minds of those in whose hands the appointing power lies, is to give to the organization, or institution, the practical, humane, ideal touch that only a woman can give."

SPAIN WANTS 28,000 TEACHERS

The Spanish nation finds extreme difficulty in obtaining elementary school teachers, of whom a further 28,000 are required in order to provide the millions of illiterate children with education.

The reason for the shortage is the small salary offered to elementary educators, who begin with only 2,000 pesetas yearly, and may with great luck reach 2,500 after 25 years service. There are naturally some posts in the profession which are better paid, but these are few and far between, numbering only 142. The highest paid is remunerated with 8,000 pesetas yearly.

TAX LISTING

This is to notify all persons around that I will be at Ruthergood, Hodges and McNeil's Store on Saturday, May 19, in the forenoon, and at Boone in the afternoon for the purpose of listing taxes. Let all who have not yet listed meet me at one of the points named.

G. B. Miller, Ester, Boone township

PLANTS—10,000,000 Porto Rico Nancy Hall potato plants, Charleston Wakefield, Flat Dutch, cabbage plants, Baltimore and Red Field Beauty tomato plants, White and Yellow Bermuda Onion plants now ready, shipping daily \$1.00 per 1000 FOB Valdosta. Dorris plant Co., Valdosta, Ga.

MONEY TO LOAN—Another allotment from the Federal Land Bank is now ready for application. Please get your application in by June the 10th. H. H. GREENE, Sec. Theus. This May 16, 1923, Sugar Grove, N. F. L. A.

DR. A. W. DULA



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