STONY FORK NEWS

Stony Fork November 5th—The Hallowe'en Party given last week by the B. Y. P. U. was greatly enjoyed by the members and a number of invited guests. Early in the week invitations were received profusely decorated with black cats and witches and reading as follows:

"If friendly ghosts you've never seen
And think there's nothing in it,
Just come to Uncle Elbert's Wednesday night
I'm sure you'll never rue it."

Signed, the B. Y. P. U.

The large living room hall and sitting room at the home of Mr. W. E. Greene (affectionately known to all as Uncle Elbert) were decorated for the occasion with autumn leaves and black cats and jack o' lanterns. When the guests arrived they were invited to cross the darkened hall and meet the "friendly ghost" who moved silently to meet them, leaning in the same fashion to lower to the settee in the living room. When forced to cross an opening near which the ghost was once more leaning of wide drawn arms, towards us then, the scamper of feets was and the echoes with muffled shrieks of horror and merriment, a merrier pack of jaunty grinned scurrying in the darkness, finally gathered round to gaze to the mount of the highly lighted living room.

When the party had sufficiently recovered from the alarm of meeting the ghost a number of games and stunts were executed this was a "jawing match" in which the participants were given long strings to which were attached pieces of apple and had to try and get first to eat (?) the thread and reach the candy not using the hands after the start. After an evening of much merriment and good fellowship Miss Lucia Greene was adjudged the winner and received as prize a box of candy. Delicious refreshments were served and the party broken up with the pleasant recollection of a most delightful and immediately added to a social trust in the future and its. The joining from Mr. Bert Greene, who here showed to advantage the treat (?) of the most amazing stunts of the evening was the concluding stunt in which Mr. Joe Wellborn was made the target of the jokes and received with his usual good nature the prize, a candy fish, and the remark that a "sucker always bites." Several games were enjoyed before the guests departed, unanimously declaring that it had been the best party of the season and Uncle Elbert the most delightful host in the world.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Greene made a trip to North Wilkesboro on business last week.

Miss Annie Wellborn and Fawn Watson hiked across the mountain to spend the day with Miss Wellborn's aunt Mrs. Jake Greene, last Friday. They report a most delightful trip but admitted that they were quite willing to accept a ride for the last twomiles of the return.

A number of men have been making trips to Statesville with loads of produce lately. Messrs L. L. Greene and Reese Smith are away on a trip now. [illegible] of the week.

Misses Georgie Joe and Carrie Smith and Dewie Hamby made a trip to the Beech Mountain section Saturday, going in Mr. Connie Smith's car.

MOUNT PLEASANT NEWS

Mr. R. P. Moretz made a trip to Catawba county on business last week.

Robert and Clifton Stinson of Hickory have been visiting relatives in the community.

Mr. B. C. Moretz went on a marketing trip to points south last week.

Paul Winebarger of the Meat Camp community worked at the parsonage for a few days.

Messrs Cal and Clyde Norris took wagon loads of produce to southern markets last week.

Rev. H. W. Jeffcoat with delegates Vilas Moretz (brother) with Mrs. Jeffcoat and Miss Cora Jeffcoat and Miss Edna Moretz left Tuesday morning to attend the meeting of the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina which is to be held at St. Marks, Charlotte, N. C. They expect to return the last of the week. Mrs. Jeffcoat will stop in Salisbury to visit relatives.

Luther Jeffcoat and Brother Loyd, sons of Dr. W. C. Jeffcoat of Burlington, N. C. accompanied by Dr. G. H. Jeffcoat also of Burlingoon on a week end trip to the home of Rev. H. W. Jeffcoat. Dr. Jeffcoat is a State licensed chiropractor and is locating in the community.

Mrs. Jonathan Moretz returned from several days visit with her daughter Mrs. L. L. Norris who lives in Boone. Mrs. Norris and children have recently had measles.

Rev. H. W. Jeffcoat and daughter Miss Jeffcoat made a business trip to Boone last Wednesday afternoon.

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FOREST AND TIMBER PROBLEM

Charlotte Observer.

The agricultural forces of North Carolina are taking a firm and intelligent hold on the forestry problem in this state. The last issue of the Extension Farm News is devoted very largely to a description of this problem which it is declared and proved is easily one of the greatest import not only to North Carolina land owners but to many manufacturers in the state as well, because the well-being of many of our industries is tied up in their source and supply of proper timber. North Carolina has today a total of approximately 10,000,000 acres of farm forests and produces annually $30,000,000 worth of timber and fuel wood. Our rgood timber however is being gradually cut and destroyed and inferior growth is taking place of the old. Year by year the farm crop of timber is being made lower in quantity and decreased in quality. This process is being hastened by high priced fire wood, posts and the great result is over cutting.

Forester H. M. Curran is bold enough to assert that from a financial standpoint timber is probably the most profitable crop in North Carolina. Farmers can grow over a great part of their farm land especially when they consider the amount of fertilizer, labor, etc., that must be expended on cotton, corn, tobacco, and other field crops. "A forest of old growth grow on good land and under proper care will net the owner $10 per year, clearly for the timber alone. Land worth $40 an acre will accommodate the land and the farmer fuel and fencing for home use and for sale during the period the crop is growing. The time required to produce a crop will range from 25 to 40 years. If we plant a crop in North Carolina has a growth 10 to 20 years old, so that cutting can begin almost at once and a long wait for a crop is not necessary except on lands taken from cultivation or severely eroded or burned.

Forester Curran gives a list of the varieties of trees which are best adapted and most profitable in the four general geographical sections of the state and he urges that the farmers decide to devote their cumbered land to forest cropping give it proper and intelligent attention. With the exception of those back hogs and poor woods cattle on the wooded areas no region in the world can grow a more magnificent crop of timber with so little effort and in so short a period of time as can our own state, which, in the opinion of Mr. Curran, is destined to become the center of the wood-using industries for the eastern United States.

Mr. Curran points out the advantages of cheap power, long mild winters, good climate, good roads and waterways, and trunk and feeder railway transportation, to which must be added the requisite capital knowledge and proper ability. He estimates that North Carolina can produce the equivalent of 1,000 board feet per acre on 15,000,000 acres of land, which would be more than the production of the greatest timber producing state in the Union today, and would equal the entire supply of yellow pine in the South for 1922. This product would be worth on the stump approximately $100,000,000 per year. Delivered as logs to the mill this product would be worth $200,000,000 per year. As rough lumber it would be worth $300,000,000 to $400,000,000; while as a finished product it would be worth $700,000,000 per year.

Our industries based on timber now yield $40,000,000 a year, while much of our timber product is shipped from the state as logs or rough lumber, only a small part being sold as a highly manufactured product.

The Observer credits forester Curran and those with whom he is associated as knowing what they are talking about, and if they do know what they are talking about, North Carolina farmers and landowners are overlooking a great big net in failing to give intelligent and prompt attention to their timber resources and to the production of timber crops on lands which are not now being utilized.

"It is inconceivable that the Red Cross could have come thus far only to retreat; that it could have succeeded up to the present time only to fail."—President Coolidge.

Liberal to Ex-Service Men

Over $1,000 was expended by each of the 3,600 American Red Cross Chapters in the past year in behalf of disabled ex-service men. The actual total spent was $3,980,000.

"What's in a Name?"

By MILDRED MARSHALL

Facts about your name; its history; meaning; whence it was derived; significance; your lucky day and lucky jewel

SUSANNA

SUSANNA is another of the "holy names" with which the Scriptures abound. Though it has been contracted rather generally to Susan, the proper form, and the one which possesses an interesting history, is Susanna. It signifies "lily," and comes from the ancient Hebrew name Schuschannah, which, in sound, more nearly resembles the French Suzanne.

The story of Susanna, related in the additional chapters of the Book of Daniel, and repudiated by St. Jerome, has been commemorated in ballad, tapestry and painting. The name also belonged to one of the holy women of the sepulcher, and it was in the church calendar for two virgin martyrs who suffered death in the times of persecution.

The most famous Susanna of history was the "Lily of Tillis," the Queen Susanna who was put to death by the Mohammedans for her religious faith. All the picturesque romance of the early ages centers in her history.

The English call this name Susannah, and by a curious coincidence almost without equal in etymology, the French, German, Swiss and Bavarians agree upon Susanne as a favorite national name.

The garnet is Susanna's talismanic stone. It promises her true friendships and a pleasing personal magnetism. Thursday is her lucky day and 4 her lucky number.

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A LINE O' CHEER

By John Kendrick Bangs.

THE HEAVIEST LOAD

THE heaviest burden man can bear
Is truly not a load of care.
But that back-breaking weight of rue
On days when he has naught to do,
With time so full of rare commands,
Hanging like lead upon his hands.

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Explicit Instructions.

"Do you see this road as far as ye can see?" said the native in answer to an inquiry. "No," replied the pedestrian, "I'm a little shortsighted."

"Well," returned the other, "when ye go as far as I can see, yell be getting on to the place ye want to get to."

Has Anyone Laughed At You Because —

By ETHEL R. PEYSER

You rush for the doctor for the least thing?

You may save a lot of trouble by this unmodern habit. You may save other folk from catching your disease. You may save time and trouble in the end by getting a "mender" on the job before it's too late for that kind of mending. You may, however, be getting a bit too fussy and spending money and doctor's time extravagantly. The good doctor doesn't much care to be called out unnecessarily—the young doctor does, of course. If your doctor gives you a few hints as to what to do before calling him in, you will know he is a good and busy practitioner.

SO

Your getaway here is:

The young doctors love you.

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YOUR HAND

How to Read Your Characteristics and Tendencies—the Capabilities or Weaknesses That Make for Success or Failure as Shown in Your Palm

THE FINGER NAILS

WHEN the "moon" at the root of the finger nails shows a red color of mixed shading, it is an indication of a combative nature, which delights in contests of bodily strength or mental agility. Note whether the nail of the finger of Saturn, or second finger, bears a white mark. This is held by some authorities to indicate a voyage to be undertaken by the subject. If a nail shows black marks, it is an indication of sorrow and trouble. On the thumb nail the black mark shows a faulty, passionate nature. On the nail of the finger of Mercury, the little finger, a white spot means a successful business enterprise, and a black spot means the opposite, a reverse or disaster in business.

If there is a white, star-shaped mark on the nail, it is a sign of affection that is not reciprocated, except when the mark appears on the thumb nail, when it means the opposite, or required affection.

Nails of medium length and width and of a bluish tint, show that the circulation of the blood is faulty, and there is a tendency toward extreme nervousness.

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If Cows Only Could.

"When they were laying the brick pavement in Greenfield," said Henry Frye, of that city, "some foreigners were working with the crew. We had some cows then, and these foreigners used to come to us for milk. One day two came over. They waited until we filled their order.

"'Let me have some from the cow that gives butermilk,' said one."—Indianapolis News.

Ground Cherry Preserve.

For each pound of the small tomatoes use one-half pound of sugar and one lemon. Remove the husks. Make a sirup with the sugar and just enough water to dissolve it, then skim them out and boil the sirup until thick. Cook the rind of a lemon until tender, add with the juice to the fruit and seal boiling hot.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Quarterly conference of the Boone Charge, M. E. Church South to be held in Boone on Nov. 18, will be asked to authorize the trustees of Boone Church to make application to the board of church extension of Louisville Church for a loan and donation.

J. S. STANBURY,
Chm. Bd. of Trustees.