

LOCAL AFFAIRS

Mr. J. C. Cook has been confined to his room for several days with influenza, but is said to be rapidly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Toey, Mrs. Mary Anderson and Miss Betty Crow were visitors over the week-end with friends in Salisbury.

Mr. Dequina Richmond, a resident of the State of Illinois, spent a few days last week with his sister, Mrs. Stewart Winkler.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellerbe of the Dan-Boone Hotel visited over Sunday with friends and relatives in Charlotte.

Mrs. R. L. Heneyruff, of Hodges Gap, has been quite ill at her home for the past two weeks, but is said to be somewhat improved this (Wednesday) morning.

Messrs. Bob Perkins and Frank Johnson, former Appalachian football stars of Monroe and Marshville, respectively, are spending a few days with friends in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Butler, of Butler, Tenn., spent Sunday night with Mr. Butler's sister, Mrs. Jim Rivers, in Boone. They were accompanied by their son, Spokes Butler, who is visiting friends here for a few days.

Mr. Council Cook, who has been seriously ill in a Charlotte hospital for some time, is reported to be slightly improved. His condition was considered extremely grave the first two days of the week, and much anxiety was felt by friends here.

Rev. F. A. Hicks, pastor of the Baptist Church, announces changes in the hours of services as follows: Evening services will be held at 7:30 rather than at 7:45; P. U. at 6:30 instead of 6; and choir practice will be held at 7 o'clock.

Mr. Kendrick Johnson of the Beaver Dam section was a caller with The Democrat the first of the week. He brings information that Mr. George Swift, an aged citizen of his community, is seriously ill and that his recovery is considered doubtful.

Miss George Moretz returned last Friday from Winston-Salem where she has been with home folks for the past two months. For the greater part of this time she has been seriously ill, but is now reported as being considerably improved.

Mrs. Evelyn Brown, Presbyterian Church worker, returned Friday after having attended the World Congress of Missions, which held its sessions in Chattanooga, Tenn. On her return she was accompanied by Dr. Frank of Bristol, who spent the week end in Boone.

Dr. G. K. Moore, manager of the Boone Drug Company, left Monday afternoon for Charlotte where he will attend the Rexall convention which met in that city on Tuesday and Wednesday. More than 300 representatives of Rexall drug stores from over North and South Carolina attended the sessions.

Some time since The Democrat carried a story to the effect that young Richard Campbell of Mabel, this county, had been arrested at his home by an Alabama sheriff, and was taken back there to answer a charge of automobile theft. This was true, all right, but the accused told his trial, came clear and is not working at his Cove Creek home.

Mr. J. S. McElride, receiver for D. Jones Cottrell, is advertising this week an auction sale at which it is proposed to finish closing out the mercantile establishment operated for so long by Mr. Cottrell. Details of the goods to be offered at your own price are to be found in an advertisement in this issue. Of interest to the many friends of Mr. Cottrell in this vicinity, is his announced intention of re-entering the mercantile business in this city at a later date. He is the oldest in service of any merchant in the city, is "dead game" and may be depended upon to make a speedy come-back.

Our old friend, Newton Banner of Sugar Grove, was in town a short while Tuesday forenoon. He was in his usual hilarious mood and dispensed a number of good jokes, one of which, at the expense of the Democratic party, is too good to keep, so here it is. He told of a life-long Republican who changed his political faith; in fact, he was thoroughly converted to the principles of Democracy. The change was so astonishing to him, and he felt so happy that he took a vacation in order that he might more fully enjoy his change of heart. He wandered off to one of his barns, sat down in the sun, and felt so supremely good that he fell asleep. After a good, long nap he awoke, and in his dreams, he said, he was stealing his own tobacco and hiding it behind his kitchen as a result of his political change. This is only one of Newt's latest jokes.

Mrs. Mast Entertains Livingstone Club

The regular monthly meeting of the Livingstone Club was held at the home of Mrs. Howard Mast last Thursday. The program was in charge of Mrs. William Winkler and the subject of the evening was "International Banquet." After the business session, Mrs. Mast had arranged a very interesting social hour. Valentine games were played. Mrs. Milton Greer, Mrs. J. D. Rankin and Mrs. B. C. Duncan were awarded prizes.

Mrs. Mast, assisted by Miss Castle, served a tempting salad course with coffee and mints. Invited guests were Mrs. H. B. Perry, Miss Holtzclaw and Mrs. James Lovell.

From Our Early Files

Items from The Democrat of February 25, 1892

Dr. Council tells us that he has another grandson at Salisbury. Maggie and her boy are doing well and she calls him Jeff.

A man by the name of bridges was blown up in the Cranberry mine a few days ago. His body was badly mangled and he only survived about 24 hours.

On last Monday Miss Alice Marion, accompanied by her brother-in-law, Captain Lovell, after a stay of several months here, left for her home in Surry County. She made many friends while here, and the wish of all is that she may give the mountains another visit.

Mr. J. Smith Ragan of Zionville sold his stock of goods, house and lot to his brother, Frank. The amount of \$2,350 Mr. Ragan had in his pocketbook. On last Friday he lost the pocketbook and contents somewhere on Cove Creek. Someone must have found it, as there were papers found belonging to the pocketbook.

Legion Auxiliary Entertained by Mesdames Harris and Fuller

The American Legion Auxiliary was entertained Tuesday afternoon by Mesdames Stanley Harris and Selmer Fuller at the lovely home of the former on Cove Creek. After a business program, Mrs. Fuller gave a story on the life and ancestry of George Washington, following which the hostesses served delicious refreshments to the following members and guests:

Mrs. Maud Spambour, Mrs. Don Horton, Mrs. Charles Bingham, Mrs. Enoch Swift, Mrs. R. N. Brooks, Mrs. S. F. Horton, Mrs. Dean Swift, Mrs. Cliff McConnell, Mrs. L. S. Evans, Mrs. Earl Reeves, Mrs. B. K. Osborne, Mrs. Charles Rogers, Miss Fannie Dougherty, Mrs. Charles Younger, Mrs. Mattie Johnson and Mrs. Fied Winkler.

Mrs. Winkler Entertains Worth While Club

Miss J. S. Winkler was charming hostess to the Worth While Club at her beautiful home on Blowing Rock road last Friday afternoon. The session was in celebration of the birthday of George Washington and flags interspersed the decorations of potted hyacinths and galax leaves.

Patriotic songs opened the session, with Miss Lucile Mast at the piano. Misses Ruth Honeycutt and Ruby Winkler presented several folk songs, followed by the reading of "Washington" by Leroy Sossamon, a contributor to the columns of The Democrat. Mrs. Ralph Winkler gave an account of the marriage of George Washington and Mrs. E. N. Hahn read a number of love letters written by the first President at the age of 25.

The hostess served a delightful two-course luncheon at the conclusion of the program. She was assisted in the serving by Mesdames Stewart and Ralph Winkler, Miss Ruby Winkler and Miss Ruth Honeycutt. Mrs. W. G. Hartzog and her mother, Mrs. Hutchison, were special guests.

AGED RESIDENTS OF BEAVER DAM GIVEN BIRTHDAY PARTY

It was whispered around on Beaver Dam some time ago that it would be a fine thing to give Rev. Wellington Swift and Mr. G. P. Sherrill a birthday dinner and make it a public occasion. Accordingly, the community decided to have it at Beaver Dam Church on Sunday, February 15th, this being the 80th milestone for Rev. Swift and the 80th since December for Mr. Sherrill. To the great disappointment and sorrow of the big crowd present, Mr. Sherrill was too unwell to attend. After a sermon by Rev. Swift, two tables extending the length of the church were liberally filled up with everything good to eat. After the big crowd from different sections of the county had eaten to a dangerous limit they had barely made a dent in

SPECIAL NOTICES

WANTED—To trade good young cattle for good farm horse, C. C. Farthing, Blowing Rock Road, Boone, N. C. 2-5-4

MR. FARMER AND POULTRY RAISER: Is there any money or any common sense in keeping hens that produce eggs that sell at 15 cents, when it costs no more to keep hens that produce 50c eggs? We are paying 50c per dozen for hatching eggs, while the price of market eggs is around 15c. Why not get rid of that mongrel flock and buy some of our pure-bred, blood-tested Baby Chicks and sell 50c eggs next winter? Hatches each Tuesday. If you don't want to buy large quantities to brood, set your hens on Mondays so that they will come off with their hatch same time our chicks come out. Get 10 to 15 and put with hens and start a pure-bred flock. It pays. We do custom hatching at \$3.00 per tray of 112 eggs. We sell brooders and general poultry supplies and peat moss for your brooder house. Wilkes Hatchery, North Wilkesboro, N. C. 1f

FOR SALE—Five or six tons baled oats hay. Mrs. L. E. Rabb, 261 North Main, Lenoir, N. C. 2-26-31

This is a severe loss to him. See the record of \$500 in another column. We are glad to state, and should have done so last week, that Capt. T. J. Coffey has not killed any man, woman or child in South Carolina or anywhere else. The only difficulty he had there, is that he can't get ready sale for his horses and mules owing to the low price of cotton. We hope the papers that have published the wild reports that Mr. Coffey killed a man and had telegraphed here for Attorney Council and Folk to defend him will publish this correction.

The lands on Middle Fork road worked Tuesday and Wednesday under Mr. Edmisten, the overseer, and made fine progress. A part of the Boone and Meat Camp townships work together and can soon finish their part.

It is stated that some sections of our county are getting scarce of forage for horses and cattle. Too much stock has been wintered owing to the small sales this fall.

the enormous supply that had been prepared.

After dinner J. R. Isaacs made an interesting talk on the life and labors of Rev. Swift. This was followed by a talk on "The Evening Shadows" by Smith Hagaman.

Joint Meeting of Missionary Societies

There will be a joint meeting of the Women's Missionary Society and the "Livingstone Club" of the adult auxiliary, Monday, March 2nd, at 2:30 p. m. in the ladies' parlor of the church. Miss Edith Todd will discuss the leaflet, "Our Latest Venture in the Home Field." Mrs. R. L. Gray will have charge of the devotional. Visitors welcome.

BANNER ELK NEWS

Mr. Thomas Hunsucker, of Covey, N. C., spent the past week with his daughter, Mrs. Chester Lowe.

Douglas Von Canon has returned from Tuxon, N. C., where he visited his aunt, Mrs. C. H. Helms.

Miss Nell Benson of Cove Creek spent the week-end in Banner Elk, with her sister, Miss Amy Henson.

Mr. Mahlon Brown, his daughter, Mrs. J. G. McCoy, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and son, Clifford Brown, of Appalachia, Va., were guests at the Banner Elk Hotel, Saturday and Sunday.

James Banner, who is spending the winter in Albemarle, is visiting in Banner Elk.

Mr. Paul Chappell, who has been confined to his bed with rheumatism, is improving after having a tonsil operation.

The delegates from the Banner Elk Presbyterian Church attended the World Congress of Missions in Chattanooga, Tenn., have returned and report a wonderful meeting.

Rev. Edwards delivered a splendid sermon on Sunday morning at the Methodist Church. His theme being "God's Divine Forgiveness."

Members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Banner Elk Presbyterian Church met in a prayer service Friday afternoon, February 12. This was a world day of prayer in which Auxiliary workers and missionaries from nearly every country joined.

Irish potato planting has been started in Currituck County. The same acreage as last year will be put in this spring, says County Agent P. B. Elliott.

PASTIME THEATRE

"Place of Good Shows"

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, FEB. 27-28

WINNIE LIGHTNER

The Famous Star of "Gold Diggers of Broadway"

—IN—

"THE LIFE OF THE PARTY"

(ALL TECHN-COLOR)

MONDAY-TUESDAY, MARCH 2-3

Charles (Buddy) Rogers

—IN—

"ALONG CAME YOUTH"

—IN—

WEDNES.-THURSDAY, MARCH 4-5

Jack Mulhall Sallie Star,

Margaret Livingston

—IN—

"FOR THE LOVE OF LIL"

Sanitation Necessary For Healthy Chicks

Success or failure with the new crop of baby chicks depends very much upon the degree to which sanitation is applied.

"There are some new ideas in poultry sanitation at this time," says H. C. Gauger, poultry disease specialist at State College. "Methods considered satisfactory five or ten years ago cannot be relied upon now for parallel with the increase in poultry production has come an increasing infestation of worms and certain diseases. Most of this has been brought in with chicks imported from unknown hatcheries. Every poultryman will find it advisable to have his brooder house and equipment as clean and as free from vermin as it is possible for him to get it."

The two methods of disinfecting brooder and poultry houses are the use of chemicals and the new use of heat. Chemicals, says Mr. Gauger, include all of the common liquid disinfectants. These are good but practically none of them kill the eggs of intestinal worms nor the germs of coccidiosis. The much recommended hot lye solution does not kill coccidia. The germs of this disease can live in a five per cent. solution of lye at a temperature of 150 degrees.

For that reason, Mr. Gauger recommends the use of heat. A common blow torch or fire gun will do the work. If a poultryman does not wish to invest in one for himself, he may get his neighbors to go in with him to make the purchase. The flame for this torch produces a heat of from 1800 to 2000 degrees and will kill all living organisms with which it comes in contact.

The flame gets us, kerosene for fuel and are economical to operate. A small torch will flame a brooder house 12 by 12 feet in 20 minutes and use only one-half gallon of fuel. When used properly, there is no fire hazard, says Mr. Gauger.

Gold Nuggets

LITTLE PILGRIMS

We are weary little pilgrims, straying in a world of aloom; just behind us is the cradle, just before us is the tomb; there is nothing much to guide us, or the proper path to mark, as we toddle on our journey, little pilgrims in the dark. And we jostle, and we struggle, in our feeble, little wrath, always striving, always reaching to push others from the path; and the jangling and the jangling of our neevish voices rise,

to the seraphim that watch us through the skylines in the skies; and they say "The foolish pilgrims! Watch them as they push and shove! They might have a pleasant tangle, if their hearts were full of love; if they'd help and cheer each other, from the now that they can't—-but they're only blind and crying little pilgrims in the dark!"

BITTER-SWEET

Just to give up and trust All is Fate unknown, Flooding along life's road in the dust.

Headed by ills of stone; Never to have a heart at peace; Never to see where care will cease; Just to be still when sorrows fall, This is the bitterest lesson of all.

Just to give up and rest All on a Love secure, Out of a world that's hard at the best.

Looking to Heaven as sure; Ever to hover through cloud and feat, In darkest night, that the dawn is near; Just to wait at the Master's feet— Surely, now, the bitter is sweet.

—By Henry Van Dyke.

"A Co-operative Marketing Manual," by Dr. J. G. Knapp, is another North Carolina Experiment Station publication recently printed for the benefit of those interested in co-operative enterprises. Copies may be had on application to the agricultural editor at State College.

Read the Ad.—They Are Messengers of Thrift!

Advertisement for Mi 31 and Economy! featuring a bottle of Mi 31 Solution and text describing its benefits for cleaning and disinfecting.

Advertisement for Boone Feed Co. featuring the text "ATTENTION FARMERS" and "We now have on hand a complete line of Armour's and V.-C. high grade fertilizers; white 90-day Burt and Fulghum Seed Oats, Grass Seed, Feed-stuffs, Flour, etc., at all times, and at the lowest prices."

Large advertisement for Boone Feed Co. featuring an illustration of a farm scene with a tractor and the text "GOOD MACHINERY-GOOD FARMS" and "The Two Go Hand in Hand".