

Sylvan Valley News

THIS PAPER REPRESENTED FOR FOREIGN ADVERTISING BY THE

AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

GENERAL OFFICES
NEW YORK AND CHICAGO
BRANCHES IN ALL THE PRINCIPAL CITIES

Subscription Price of the News

For three months..... 30c
For six months..... 60c
For one year.....\$1.00

ORA L. JONES, Publisher

FORMS CLOSE—Thursday Noon

FRIDAY MORNING, FEB. 16, 1912

WE WOULD BE PLEASED

Everybody would be pleased with better wagon roads. We certainly need them. No one disputes this. But the best way to get them and how to pay for them are subjects upon which people differ.

Now, while business is somewhat hampered by the snow and bad weather, it would be a good time for our citizens to give the subject of good roads some thought. It is a live question in Transylvania county, and should be discussed at every gathering. But let's not let the matter end in talk, but rather, let's perfect some plan of action while the weather is bad and be ready to do some work when the weather improves.

It is not right for the farmer to bear the whole expense of building better roads. While good roads are of more importance to the farmers than any one else, they are not used alone by the farmers. Other people use them and other people want to use them more than they are doing at the present time. Besides, good roads are one of the most valuable assets of any town or city. Therefore the towns and cities ought to help build good roads, and they can very well afford to do it.

Furthermore, it would be absolutely impossible for the farmers of this county to build permanent wagon roads in any reasonable time. They couldn't do it. If we wait for the farmers to build permanent and enduring highways we will wait a long time. They must have aid from the towns and cities.

After we decide to do a thing then the next question is how shall it be done. It is a hard matter to decide what road to improve first. There is a whole lot of human nature and selfishness in all of us. We would like to see the road in front of our premises improved first. But it may be that the road in front of our premises will do very little good to anybody else.

The News would be glad to publish any suggestion from any of our readers in regard to the building of good roads. If you have any plan or any suggestion to offer write it out and bring or send it to this office. The writer knows very little about road making, but we believe some of our readers can offer some suggestion that will be of material benefit to us in getting out of the mud.

Just fourteen years ago today (February 15) the battleship Maine was blown up in Havana harbor. Until last Sunday the wreck has been lying in the mud at the bottom of the harbor. Last Sunday the wreck was floated free of the mud. The raising of this huge mass of scrap iron is possibly one of the greatest engineering feats of the century, and it is a matter of pride to every Tar Heel to know that Major Hardy Ferguson, of Waynesville, is the man that made this achievement possible.

It is to be hoped that the special committee appointed at the last meeting of the board of aldermen to suggest ways and means for paving some of our main streets will do their duty well. It seems to us that the cost of paving would not be very great, since we already have a good foundation where the streets have been macadamized.

Banker Morse, who was recently released from the federal prison in a dying (?) condition, is rapidly regaining his strength, but, poor fellow, he has but eleven million dollars left. Won't some one please pass the hat?

Every reader of the News should take advantage of the opportunity of voting in the contest announced this week. Clip the official ballot printed on the first page of this issue and bring or send it to this office at once. We hope each candidate's full strength will be polled before the ballot box closes.

Why not have a spelling match between some of the townships, or, better still, have a series of matches to determine the champion spellers of the county. Of course the Blue Backed Speller should be used.

W. E. ERESE, JR., FOR THE HOUSE

At this early date we begin to hear some of the distant political rumblings, and everybody is wondering who will be the candidates in the coming campaign.

There is always a lot of discussion as to who shall "head the ticket" for the county. To our mind, there is one man in the county best qualified to "head the ticket." He is not unfamiliar with the machinery of the legislative department of our government. In the past he has given us, and the state, good service in the state senate. More times than one he has been a powerful force in the county as chairman of the executive committee. His whole life for many years shows that at any and all times he is both willing and anxious to do anything and everything possible to further the interests of Transylvania county. As to his ability there can be no question. We refer to the Hon. William E. Erese, Jr., than whom there is no one in the county better qualified to lead us to victory.

MANY DEMOCRATS.

A WORD OF EXPLANATION

In a recent issue of the News there was a report of a debate given by the literary societies of the graded school. In this report there was a sharp criticism of the disorder of a part of the audience, with the implication that the teachers were to blame.

I have no desire to rush into print in a matter of this kind, but fairness to the other teachers compels me to say that they were in no wise responsible for anything connected with the entertainment. The absence of the principal threw the entire management upon myself, and no one else should suffer in anyone's opinion.

The criticism of the News was open and above board. But when some person or persons on the street corners made so much over the noise of a few boys that a committeeman was impelled, out of a sense of public duty, to visit the school and speak about it, the resultant noise seemed to me to be greater than the original. I have no excuse to offer for bad conduct, but there are worse forms of disorder seen and heard daily among men which pass without notice. Let them sweep before their own doors. Those who wish to support a public institution will be slow about proceeding what they have seen amiss in it.

A. B. RILEY.

ETOWAH NEWS

P. P. Orr, of Brevard, Route 2, was a business visitor in our village Saturday.

The farmers are behind with their work on account of the weather.

J. W. Orr spent Saturday and Sunday at home. He is working on Davidson's river.

Rev. W. H. Pless filled his appointments at Avery's Creek and Fanning's Chapel Sunday.

The school here is getting along nicely. The enrollment has reached 53 with an average attendance of 40.

Everett Orr of Davidson's River visited friends at Etowah Sunday.

The Etowah Literary Society will give a public discussion on Thursday night, Feb. 22. The question: "Resolved: That nature is a greater proof of a Divine being than the Bible," will be discussed in the affirmative by W. H. Pless and P. C. Orr. The negative will be defended by S. N. Merrill and W. E. Taylor. There will be several recitations and two humorous society papers. The public is cordially invited to be present.

Rev. W. H. Davis filled his appointment at this place Sunday afternoon.

With best wishes for the News,
BILL WRAY.

LYCEUM ATTRACTION

The next attraction in the Lyceum course will be Robert Manlove on February 23. Mr. Manlove is an impersonator, monologist and reader. He is an artist in the truest sense. He has toured the country as a member of the Vanderbilt University glee club, the Schuman quartet, the Schuman Concert Company, the University quartet, and more recently with the Standard Opera Company. With all these organizations Mr. Manlove has been a success. His work is particularly noticeable along the lines of humor and his mission is to make you laugh.

He comes well recommended by press and public. As a rapid change artist he is unexcelled. Germans, Irish, country boys and other characters are vividly portrayed. His biggest hit is his pantomime of a woman who keeps her lover waiting while she dresses.

Tickets for this performance will be put on sale at Macie's drug store early next week.

SELICA NEWS

Owen Orr has moved to Cathey's Creek.

R. M. Galloway and brother are running the Estes mill this week.

Many of our people are busy cutting chestnut wood.

John Roberson's little girl has been very sick.

We have been having some cold weather here.

RAINBOW.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination to the office of Register of Deeds for Transylvania County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, February 25th, 1912.

COLEMAN GALLOWAY.

To the Democratic voters of Transylvania County:

I announce myself as a candidate for Register of Deeds, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries and convention.

DEWANE D. BRACKEN.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for the office of Register of Deeds for Transylvania county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries and county convention.

Z. A. NICHOLSON.

Professional Cards.

R. L. GASH,
LAWYER

11 12 and 13 McMillan Building
Notary Public.

ZACHARY & CLAYTON

Attorneys-at-Law

BREVARD, N. C.

Notary Public Legal Blanks for Sale

W. H. SUMMEY
ROSMAN, N. C.

Member of National Co-Operative Realty Company
Real Estate Bought and Sold

The

Brevard Banking Company

Welcomes and appreciates your business whether large or small, and believes its extensive resources developed by nearly 12 years of constant, considerate, conservative accommodations, a splendid endorsement of its most satisfactory service to the people of Brevard and vicinity.

What Do You Eat?

Upon the answer to that question depends your health and happiness. You can't be too careful about the kinds of food you buy.

ONLY THE BEST

of everything in Groceries is to be found at this store. Especially recommended as the best obtainable is LORD CALVERT and CARAJA COFFEES. Back of everything sold in this store is the guarantee.

Your Money Back if Not Pleased

C. C. YONGUE

The Grocer

We Handle a Full Line of

Lynchburg Shoes

One of the Best on the Market for the Money.

Latest styles; and durability unexcelled. What you need in Dry Goods, Notions and Groceries. Come and get our prices before buying elsewhere.

SHARP & MULL

Selica, N. C.

W. P. WEILT'S

One Price Cash Store

Dealer in Dry Goods, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishings
Ready-to-Wear Clothing, Shoes, etc.

Our odd lots must go at greatly reduced prices. We will soon see the arrival of new Spring goods, and the nearness of the Spring season necessitates a general stock curtailing and a cleaning up of the odd lots, while they last.

Here are a few of them. Space will not permit mention of 1-100 part of them.

Underwear Reduced

\$1.00 values for75 cents
50 cent values for38 cents
25 cent values for19 cents

Ladies' Coat Suits one-fourth off.
Ladies' Long Coats one-fourth off.

Ladies' Scarfs.

\$1.00 values for75 cents
50 cent values for38 cents
25 cent values for19 cents

Men's, Women's, Boys' and Misses' Shoes, in broken lots, one-fourth off.

Take advantage of our broken stock reducing and clean up sale

W. P. Weilt, At the Old Stand
Brevard, North Carolina