

## FARM NEWS

By L. A. AMMON

Seven days listening to speeches of all kinds and seats that were hard as ever made, reminds one that old school days had some things that were not so pleasant. We County Agents were crammed full, and instructed to go home and give it out.

### Hatchery

If you want eggs hatched or intend buying baby chickens, do not forget our Community Hatchery. Prices are right, and good quality will be assured, and no shipping costs. Send your orders to Prof. J. A. Glazener or through County Agent. Watch for "ads" and announcements.

### Cattle Futures

While in Raleigh, I took pains to visit all the live-stock men, and the man who studies trends of markets for all our crops, and I found all feeling good over the cattle industry. During 1924-25 this industry hit the bottom of the curve as they call it, and from these curves the future shows a rise for several years. This means that those interested in cattle may feel safe to enlarge their herds for greater output of feeders or breeding stock.

Local conditions seem to bear out this fact. The demand has been good for this Fall, and the cattle on feed are hard to hold due to buyers. Seven cents is reported to have been offered for steers just starting on feed. Prof. Curtis, the State's best beef cattle man, thinks fat cattle will reach ten cents by April, at the farm. That is the present dope.

### For Pigs

The future for pigs is good for eighteen months, according to the pig men and the curve man, but they caution after that, as from past experience they will start down the curve. This means that it would not be good business to rush into the hog business for a long stay, yet there will be good prices for some time yet. By September, 1927, a man should figure on having a small number of pigs on hand. —The way it looks now.

### On Poultry

The poultry business has never seen a real over-supply, so they have no curves for this industry as for cattle. The best they have would indicate a good market for 1926, and for many years. While the South is making great gains in numbers of hens, other sections are turning to other things, so we have a balancing effect. People will eat twice as many eggs and chickens when the price drops to a reasonable level, and soon the surplus is gone. Such we observe each Spring. Poultry is a very safe business from the "Curve Man's" view.

### Corn

From past trends, a medium crop of corn is expected. The day was that a big crop was followed by a very small one, but not so any more. Farmers do not make such radical changes any more, as farming is being done with more machinery, and one cannot throw away one set of implements and buy for another crop without a good reason, so now they are beginning to try to adjust acreage to demand, and when they do we will have a prosperous farming condition.

### T. B. Tested

County Agents of the Eastern part of the State who have their Counties tested, had much trouble during the past Fall of getting untested feeders into their county. This matter was discussed at the meeting. I had the privilege of informing them that we were tested. "Alright," one agent said, "we will look to you for two year old feeders next Fall." Will we have them? Are we saving enough yearlings for our own feeding and for our Eastern friends? Seven such car loads were shipped from Jackson County. That same seven could be shipped from here if we have them.

### Tomato Market

Mr. A. M. Withers, of Ocala, Fla., a regular Summer visitor, has made us an offer, in writing, that he will pay one dollar per bushel for fancy tomatoes, and seventy-five cents for choice grades, in car lots. —Not less.—To be picked when grown but not ripe, during August and till frost. Mr. Withers to pay for and do the packing. Our price to be net.

Anxious to hear from the farmers in reach of Brevard on this matter. Do you want to take some acreage? What do you tell Mr. Withers?

## NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING ASSURED ROSMAN SECTION

The County Board of Education has filed with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction an application for \$48,000.00 for a high school building at Rosman, and \$12,000.00 for Lake Toxaway from the \$5,000.00 Special Building Fund provided by the last session of the General Assembly of North Carolina.

On the basis of school population this County is entitled to only \$18,000.00 from this Special Building Fund appropriation; but the County Superintendent states that he believes that, as we have the honor of having taken the lead among all the counties west of Raleigh in providing a uniform special school tax for the county and establishing for all our schools a standard length of term, we will secure most if not all of the amount applied for.

Prof. J. Henry Highsmith, the State Supervisor of High Schools, visited Transylvania on Friday of last week to confer with the County Superintendent in regard to the plans for the high school work of the County. After the conference he stated that he approved the plans of the County Superintendent and County Board of Education and would recommend that the amount of Special Building Fund applied for by this County be granted.

Linthicum and Linthicum of Raleigh have been secured as architects for the new Rosman High School building. As soon as plans and specifications can be prepared, bids for the general contract, for the plumbing and heating and for the lighting will be received. It is the hope of the County school officials that the contract for the building may be let early in March and the building completed by the opening of next year's school term.

## WOMAN'S BUREAU HOLDS MEETING

A called meeting of the Woman's Bureau was held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms Monday afternoon, with some fifteen members present.

The main object of this special meeting was for the purpose of arriving at some definite conclusion regarding the previously discussed matter of beautifying various small plots of land at the different highway entrances into town. In view of the fact that the owners of these proposed plots failed to appear at this meeting, it was impossible to formulate definite plans with regard to the matter in question. A statement was received from B. J. Sitten, however, to the effect that he would donate to the ladies for the purpose of beautification a small plot of land near his residence, provided the town would finance the paving obligations. Mayor T. W. Whitmire was present and he agreed to present the matter to the Board of Aldermen at its next meeting.

The president appointed a committee, consisting of Mrs. W. E. Breese, Mrs. Beulah Zachary and Mrs. T. H. Shipman, to draft a letter to the Board of Aldermen requesting that they purchase immediately two dozen large trash cans to be placed at convenient and promiscuous places along the business streets, with definite instructions as to their proper use. The same committee was also instructed to draft a letter to the Mayor requesting the enforcement of the law relative to spitting on the streets.

Judging from the enthusiastic discussion regarding the matter of keeping the streets clean and sanitary, and the beautifying of vacant lots and private lawns, it is evident that this body of ladies intend to take drastic measures in bringing about the enforcement of existing city ordinances.

## POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS SHOW DECIDED INCREASE OVER '24

According to a statement made by Postmaster Nicholson, the local post office is experiencing a constant and healthy growth in receipts. Mr. Nicholson announces an increase of 18 percent in the gross receipts of the local postoffice for 1925, as compared with 1924.

When in doubt as to where to stop read the News advertisements.

## W. M. FETZER ENTERS BUSINESS IN COUNTY

Wm. McK. Fetzer, who for the past five years has held the position of coach of athletics at the University of North Carolina, has resigned his position in that institution to enter the business field in Brevard.

Mr. Fetzer comes to Brevard as a permanent resident, by no means a stranger, since the past fourteen summers he has spent in Brevard in the capacity of director of Camp Sapphire, which was the first summer camp to be established in Brevard. During the past years of his more or less temporary residence here, Mr. Fetzer has made a host of warm friends, all of whom extend to him the glad hand of welcome as he returns to make Brevard his permanent home.

Mr. Fetzer recently sold his interests in Camp Sapphire, netting him a considerable profit. He will now devote his time, in connection with Capt. Dasher, of the Sapphire Sales Corporation, in the development of this former camp site into a modern resort and recreational center for tourists. A golf course is now being laid off, excellent boating and swimming facilities are already provided, in addition to sleeping quarters, mess hall and recreation rooms. Engineers are at work making contour maps of the entire 400 acres comprising this property, with a view to later subdivision into residential lots and a probable hotel site.

Mr. Fetzer is a native of Cabarrus County, being the son of the late Penn B. Fetzer, of Concord. He is an athlete of considerable renown, having received his early training at Davidson College, and later at North Carolina State College, going to Chapel Hill in 1921 as director of athletics, which position he has held until the present time. His brother, Robert A. Fetzer, who has been associated with him on the coaching staff at Carolina, will probably succeed "Coach Bill" to the position from which he has just resigned. The two brothers were the means of bringing all university athletics to a high standard of excellence, both in way of clean sportmanship and as winners in State championships.

Mr. Fetzer, with Mrs. Fetzer and their daughter, Dorothy, are now living at their country home, adjoining the former Camp Sapphire.

## A COMMUNICATION— TO AND FROM THE MAYOR

To the Honorable Mayor:

The Woman's Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce respectfully request that you will have the ordinance against spitting on the sidewalks of the town strictly enforced.

The above request from the Woman's Bureau is very much appreciated. Chapter 3, Sec. 11 of the Ordinances of the Town of Brevard is as follows: "That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to wilfully expectorate or spit upon any sidewalk or paved street crossing or upon any paved walk leading to any public school building, court house, etc." Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to a penalty of One dollar for each and every offense.

Chapter 3, Sec. 9: "That to sweep or otherwise convey from a dwelling store or office or any other place any litter or garbage and allow the same to remain there is declared a nuisance and any person offending shall be liable to a penalty of \$10."

Now folks, what are you going to do? I have thirty ladies who say that they are going to see that the above ordinances are enforced, and that this fast-growing little town must be kept clean. The ladies are exactly right. And I am going to do my part to help them keep it clean, if it takes enforcement of the ordinances to do so.

T. W. WHITMIRE, Mayor.

## NEAR EAST RELIEF

The Methodist church reported a collection of about \$100 in cash and pledges to the Near East Relief fund. All who have made collections for this cause are asked to report to Miss Martha Boswell.

Professor Manigold, of German, declares that earth worms can sing. Some other birds think they can.

## TRANSYLVANIA GETS LETTERS OF PRAISE

Quite a number of letters have been received by County Superintendent T. C. Henderson from leading educators of the State congratulating him and the County on the result of our recent special County school tax election, and these letters continue to come in. Different papers throughout the State have also been making favorable comments in regard to the honorable position Transylvania now holds among the counties of the State.

The following are extracts from a few of the letters to the County Superintendent:

A. T. ALLEN,

State Superintendent.

"I want to write you and tell you how happy your letter made me. The success that you have had will put heart into many of the fellows in other counties. This is the best bit of information we have had in support of the State-wide eight months school term, and I can't think of enough to say to you in commendation of the wonderful way in which you have handled this election."

MISS SUSAN FULGHUM, State  
Inspector Elementary Schools.

"Please let me congratulate you upon the success of the election in Transylvania County."

"I feel that this splendid triumph for the eight months' term is due largely to your interest in the schools."

H. T. HUNTER, President  
Cullowhee Normal.

"I want to congratulate you and the people of your county. It is quite thrilling to think of one of our mountain counties pushing to the forefront in educational matters in this way. I believe the time will come within four years that either the other counties will follow the lead of Transylvania or the State, taking the cue from the progressive counties, will vote an eight months term for the entire State."

R. T. TEAGUE, County  
Superintendent, Avery County.

"I congratulate you upon your great achievement in giving Transylvania an eight months school term. You, in this great undertaking, have already erected your own monument. May God bless you in your work and give you the success you deserve."

T. B. ATMORE, County  
Superintendent, Pamlico County.

"I wish to congratulate you on your recent achievement for public education in your county. You have blazed the way for Western North Carolina, and some others will recognize it in a short time."

"I hope that you will be able to so organize your schools as to give you the pleasure in operating them that it does in Pamlico County; because we are running on a very smooth basis and do not have the difficulty that we formerly had in financing our schools."

J. M. GLENN,  
Superintendent, Gates County.

"I want to congratulate you and Transylvania County upon carrying your recent school election, which guarantees to every child a reasonable opportunity to get an education. There are no children in the world who deserve a better opportunity than the children of Western North Carolina."

J. B. ROBERTSON,  
Superintendent Cabarrus County.

"I wish to congratulate you upon your crowning success in bringing to every child in Transylvania County a standard school term. This is taking seriously a most vital proposition, and bringing it to a fine realization. The good that will result from it is beyond all comprehension and calculation. I congratulate you and your good people of Transylvania."

J. N. WILSON,  
Superintendent Jackson County.

"I am prouder of you now than ever since you have won for yourself such an enviable record. You have been deserving a lot of nice things said about you for a long time because of the fine work you have done for the schools of your County, and the exemplary life you have lived. You have won for yourself State-wide reputation for doing this. I congratulate you for carrying the election in your county for an eight months school term. Transylvania County will have the name continued."

## CHAMBER OF C. STARTS DRIVE FOR PAVED ROAD TO S. C. LINE

Through the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce, a project is now on foot to begin at once the construction of a concrete road on the Greenville Highway from Brevard to the South Carolina line going to Caesar's Head.

The president of the Chamber of Commerce appointed a committee who are now at work getting signatures to a petition which will be presented to the Board of Commissioners. This petition is for the purpose of trying to induce the County Commissioners to sell \$150,000 bonds to loan to the State Highway Commission for the purpose of paving the Transylvania County end of the Greenville Highway to Caesar's Head.

When the State appropriates money for construction of roads through Transylvania county, the money will be paid back to the county. It is pointed out that the only outlay on the part of the County will be the interest on the money and the expense incurred by the sale of the bonds. In the event that this request meets with the approval of the Commissioners, the necessary steps will be taken at once to begin the paving of this important highway. A committee from Brevard is going to Greenville to meet with influential men there relative to the paving of the highway from their end of the line.

It is a self-evident fact that the benefits derived by Brevard and Transylvania County will be inestimable, on account of the construction of the proposed paved highway leading through to Greenville via Caesar's head, which is a popular tourist resort and has bright prospects for extensive development in the near future. It is expected that a large number of signatures will be attached to the petition, thus giving it due weight, resulting in its endorsement by the County Commissioners.

## CRIMINAL COURT CONVENES MONDAY

The regular session of criminal court for the January term will convene here next Monday, January 25, continuing throughout the week. Judge Michael Schenck, of Hendersonville, will preside, with J. Will Pless, Jr., of Marion, as solicitor and A. E. Eve, of Asheville, as court stenographer.

The most important case scheduled on the week's calendar is that of State vs. Lawrence Tritt, and Mrs. Naomi Norris, who are held in connection with the murder of William Norris, which occurred on Sunday after Christmas.

A total of 70 cases are to come up for trial during the week, the majority of which are for minor offense, violation of the prohibition law, larceny, etc.

## ECK HAS GOOD LUCK IN HIS LINE DURING FIRST OF PRESENT WEEK

Rural Policeman Eck Sims says his business is very good at present—that of cutting down blockade stills.

On Monday morning, accompanied by Charlie Jamison, Sims captured a 45-gallon outfit which was going full blast, three men just beginning a run of booze. At the approach of the officers a signal gun was fired from a nearby hill, thus warning the operators, who made their escape.

Leaving still No. One the officers found another one in the same section, though not in operation. This 60 gallon capacity sheet iron still along with 600 gallons of beer and a varied assortment of containers was destroyed.

Tuesday two more were added to the number. These were found on Frozen Creek near Rosman. One of the plants was all ready for a run, having a vast amount of beer on the premises. The other, a brand new one, was found near the road, all shiny and new, just the first investment of the would-be blockader.

A 60 gallon copper outfit was destroyed by Sims last week on the Pickens Highway, near Shaffer's mill, along with 1000 gallons of beer.

## THE PRAYER CORNER

MY WINDOWS

Yours and mine, my dear reader, for every one has them. Barbara Young will tell you what they are.

Three windows in my House of Life  
Look out three different ways.

One turns with wistful longing  
To the Road of Yesterdays  
And watches how the shadows  
Of the poplars, slim and tall,  
Point mutely at remembered days:  
And silence over all.

And one looks out with eager eyes  
Upon the Street of Now.

And sees the passers up and down,  
And greets them with a bow.  
The little street is frankly gay,  
With checkered shade and shine,  
And busy, too, with bustling joys  
That wait on me and mine.

The other window turns away  
From Yesterday and Now.

And not a single backward glance  
Its visions will allow.  
Its gaze leaps out to hills afar;  
Its dear eyes purged from tears,  
Up through the deathless pines can trace  
The Path of Coming Years.

And sometimes, when the sun is down,  
And I am all alone

The little windows beckon me  
For they are quite my own,  
And seems to love me every day,  
At each I stand and look,  
And read their little stories  
Like the chapters of a book.

The first one fills and thrills me through  
With happiness and pain,

The next—I'm drenched with starlight  
And then, I'm splashed with rain.  
But the other window draws me,  
And I smile through rain-bowed tears,  
For I read a happy ending  
Down the Path of Coming Years.

## A PRAYER OF MY THREE WINDOWS

O Thou merciful God, whose loving kindness is with all, and whose tender mercies are over all His works. Be very near us as we look out of the three windows in our House of Life. We turn with wistful longing to the Road of Yesterday, and watch how the shadows of the pine trees point mutely at remembered days, and silence over all.

And then we look out with eager eyes upon the Street of Now, and see and greet the passersby, we see the little street is frankly gay with checkered shade and shine, and busy too with bustling joys that wait on us and ours.

As we stand before the third window, we see that it turns away from Yesterday and Now, and not a single backward glance its vision will allow. Its gaze leaps out to hills afar, its clear eyes, purged from tears up through the deathless pines can trace The Path of Coming Years.

Sometimes when the sun is down and we are all alone, the little windows beckon us, for they are quite our own. And they seem to love us, every one. We stand at each and look, and read their little stories like the chapters of a book. The Road of Yesterday fills and thrills us through with happiness and pain. The Street of Now drenches us with starlight and splashes us with rain.

But the other window draws us, helps us to smile through rain-bowed tears, and read a happy ending down through the Path of Coming years.

May our Lord Jesus Christ be near us to defend us, within us to refresh us, around us to preserve us, before us to guide us, behind us to justify us, above us to bless us for His own dear sake, Amen.

—C. D. C.

## LAYMEN'S LEAGUE TO BE FORMED THURSDAY NIGHT

There will be a meeting for laymen on Thursday night of this week, at 7:30, to organize a Laymen's League at the home of Mr. W. A. Price, Jr. Any man who knows Jesus Christ as a Personal Savior and is willing to enlist in a league to tell others of His Saving Grace is cordially invited to attend.

Signed, Wayne A. Monroe.

Mr. Berlin timed his wedding just right to get a lot of publicity. There was nothing worse going on.