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LOCAL NEWS.

-Pure vinegar at the Racket. -Services in the Episcopal church in Boone at 11 a. m. next Sunday, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Sayage.

-Mrs. Dr. Sapp, of Winston-Salem, has taken board for the summer at Mr. L. L. Critcher's in East Boone.

-Sorry to learn from the Avery Vim that Mrs. Dr. J. M. Hodges, of Cranberry, is quite sick. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

-Prof. Hoy Taylor, a prominent educator of Central Carolina, is visiting home folks and friends in Watauga, his native county.

-Miss Nell Brown, one of Blowing Rock's most affable and popular young ladies has been visiting friends in Boone since Saturday last.

-M. B. Blackburn is enclosing his beautiful yard with a very handsome iron fence, which adds materially to the appearance of his hotel property.

-The third Quarterly Conference for Boone circuit, will be held at Rutherford church July 1st and 2nd. Official members take notice.

-A new R. F. D. carrier has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tyre Elrod, in East Boone, and "pap" is doubtless the happiest of Uncle Sam's servants.

-Today is the longest day of the year, being 14 hours and 28 minutes long, and is the beginning of summer. After one week, the days will gradually become shorter.

-The State Normal and Industrial College at Greensboro, and Meredith College, of Raleigh, each have an ad in this issue. They speak for themselves, and should be of great interest to many of our people just now. Look them up.

-The local lodge of the Farmers' Union organized in Boone some time ago, is growing nicely, there being accessions at every meeting. It promises to soon outstrip all its sister lodges in the county as to numbers in the very near future.

-Mrs. Edgar Shull, of Elizabethton, Tenn., arrived in Boone Saturday afternoon and will spend some time here at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hardin. Her many friends here are delighted to see her and glad that her visit will be of length.

-The town ordinances provide that hog pens and other outbuildings shall be kept in sanitary condition under penalty. If you have not done this, attend to it at once, as a health officer will inspect your premises on Saturday evening next by order of the mayor.

-Cadies, cakes, and many good things to eat just in at the Racket.

Dr. W. H. WAKEFIELD, of Charlotte, will be in Saginaw on Friday, July 7; Banner Elk on Saturday, July 8; Valle Crucis on Monday, July 10; Boone on Tuesday, July 11, one day only. His practice is limited to the medical and surgical treatment of diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, and Fitting Glasses.

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-Mr. D. A. Tompkins, of Charlotte, is one of the many visitors who have taken up their abode at Blowing Rock for the summer.

-George P. Hagaman, Cashier of the Watauga County Bank, is attending the North Carolina Bankers' Association which is in session at Hendersonville. Mr. E. S. Coffey is attending to the business of the bank in the absence of Mr. Hagaman.

-Mr. Edward G. Finley, of North Wilkesboro, who was married on the 7th inst. to Miss Harriett Smoot, of Alexandria, Va., spent Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Council, on his way home from Linville, where, with his bride, several days had been spent. Mrs. Finley received a message at Linville, telling her of the illness of a near relative at Alexandria, and returned, but hoped to reach her future home at North Wilkesboro early this week.

-On Sunday morning last Mr. Benjamin Brown, born and reared in Watauga, and lived here until a little more than a year ago, was kicked by a horse at his home near Cranberry, Avery county, from the effects of which he died in the afternoon of the same day. Mr. Brown was well advanced in years, a good, quiet citizen, and his death will bring sorrow to many friends and relatives in his home county, which he chose to leave when the shadows of life were falling long on his pathway.

-Mr. James Hartness, a politician of no mean standing in North Carolina, came up from Statesville last week and spent a few hours in Boone Saturday talking over the Senatorial situation in North Carolina with his friends here. He espouses the cause of our Senior Senator Mr. Simmons, and is of the opinion that he and Gov. Kitchin are the only two Senatorial possibilities. That may be true, but evidently in Watauga ex-Governor Aycock has a very strong following and if this has any significance, it will certainly be a three cornered contest, at least.

-Plans for the entertainment of the North Carolina Press Association which will be given a free dinner on the campus of the A. T. S., at the expense of the town and immediate surroundings, are almost complete, the various committees having been appointed, and are working earnestly to make the occasion a success, and one to be remembered by each and every participant. Monday afternoon the ladies interested, or many of them, at last, met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Council, and discussed very enthusiastically the menu that is to be served to the North Carolina editors on next Thursday. The committees express deep regret that they are unable to spread dinner for all who may attend, but as it is entirely a local affair, we in their behalf, announce that the dinner is intended exclusively for the editors and their guests. The President of the Association, Mr. M. L. Shipman, has given it out that the attendance at Lenoir will be unusually large, and we confidently hope to expect each and every member to be present and partake of the hospitalities of Boone, the best town of its size in North Carolina.

The cotton crop is reported 5 per cent larger this year than last. There are over thirty five million acres in cotton this year.

-During the dry weather just over, there has been the most wonderful amount of honey dew in the mountains that has been seen here for many years-many of the leaves of the forest being literally coated with the sweet, honey-like substance. There are different theories about the formation of honey dew, one given by Webster being that it is deposited by an insect, but it seems to us if this were the case, the very atmosphere would have been darkened with them in Watauga for the past few weeks. It has been claimed that bees gather it and become very rich, but we have been unable to find a man who has ever seen them gathering it. There is a heavy yield of honey here this season, but it is attributed to the immense locust bloom which is said to furnish a very rich harvest for the tireless little workers.

Birthday Celebration.

On last Sunday Mr. Levi M. Phelps, one of Watauga's best-known citizens, popularly known as "Uncle Levi," celebrated his ninetieth birthday. Uncle Levi attended Fairview church in the morning and invited a number of his friends to go from there to his home for dinner. When the party had assembled they found a table loaded with an abundance of good things to eat-enough, perhaps, to have given three such crowds a sufficiently. Equally as notable as the dinner was the general age of the guests for the majority has already realized the three-score years and ten. The gentleman present were: Mr. G. W. Norris, known to his neighbors and friends as "Uncle Wash," Mr. John Miller, Mr. Ephraim Miller, Mr. Isaac Watson, Mr. Cyrus Grubb, Mr. J. B. Norris, Mr. J. A. Norris, Mr. J. S. Stanbury, Mr. Jim Morphew, and Rev. G. M. Daniel. Uncle Levi is very active yet, and his friends do not think of him as an old man. A number were heard to remark that the past ten years have made no noticeable change, and they are expecting invitations to many more birthday celebrations.

The Statesville Landmark begs to enquire as to the whereabouts of the dirt-dobber of yesteryear. This acquaintance of childhood days appears to have quietly vanished from the face of the earth.

[Perhaps when they vanished from you, they came to a better country, as we have no scarcity of them here.]

MORGAN HORSE-COLT SHOW

The farmers of Watauga county who bred to my famous sorrel Morgan horse last year, are hereby notified to have them in Boone on July 4, for exhibition, as the three best will carry off nice cash prizes on that day, the same to be paid by me. Those who owe me will please come prepared to settle on that day.

R. L. MADRON, Shouns, Tenn. July 8.

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Flour, Bacon, lard and meal cheaper than elsewhere in town, also something good to eat in lunches, oranges, deserts etc. A nice line tin ware, hardware and staples kept in stock. Horse shoe nails 10 cts. per lb. Horse shoes 5 cents each. Yours very Truly, R. H. GREENE, Boone, N. C. June, 15, 1911.

Home Tanned Leather. I have just started up a tannery at Shulls Mills, and am now ready to put leather on the market. I have harness, upper and kips, made by the old process. I use no acids or chemicals I want all the hides in the county. I am trying to make leather that will keep our feet warm and dry. Respectfully, W. V. CALAWAY, Shulls Mills, N. C.

TO THE PUBLIC. Having bought out the mercantile business of D. J. Cottrell, I wish to say to the people that I will still conduct the business at the Cottrell stand, and ask my friends, one and all, to give me as liberal patronage as possible.

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