

Good Railroad Prospects for Watauga.

A delegation of citizens from Watauga had a conference with Mr. George Johnson, President of the Virginia-Carolina Railway Company, at Abingdon on last Thursday evening relative to the extension of his road from Elkland to Boone. They came back satisfied that the road would be built if this Company can be satisfied that we have sufficient freight to justify its construction. Mr. Johnson asks for no bonds, and says they are willing and ready to build the extension when the Company is convinced that Watauga has sufficient tonnage to justify the expenditure of the large amount of money necessary for its completion. At a meeting of the citizens at the court house Monday night a number of committees were appointed to get up the statistics showing the available resources of the county, which will be submitted to Mr. Johnson at an early date. While every citizen knows, or ought to know, that we have the required freight, yet it is up to the people to get the facts in concrete form so as to be able to convince this company that it will pay them to extend their road. One essential would be building good roads to get our freight to the road when built. It seems that we have a most excellent chance to get this road at a very early date, and we expect the matter to be settled in a very short time.

The Body of John Henderson Exhumed.

On last Saturday, in obedience to a summons recently served upon him, Dr. Mc. D. Little had the gruesome remains of John Henderson disinterred and, in the presence of fifty or more spectators gave the putrid body a very thorough examination, his findings to be used as evidence in the case of State against Mrs. Alice Henderson, widow of deceased, and her brother, Fred Andrews, who are held to court charged with either being guilty of, or accessory to the killing of Henderson last October. As our readers remember Henderson died of knife wounds in his throat, and it was supposed that he had committed suicide, but it was thought by some that the defendants were guilty, and were arrested, tried and released for want of evidence. Later evidence developed; they were re-arrested, and sufficient evidence developed to bind them to court, hence this examination. The Dr. says the body was in a high state of putrefaction, but he was able to make the examination very thorough, and that he was unable to detect any bruises about the head or other parts of the body, and if he made any discovery indicative of foul play, he did not express it. However, his findings will all be given in his expert testimony at court.

Miss Eleanor Clark died at Old Fort on the 24th, and her remains were brought to Lenoir for burial last Monday. Miss Clark was a daughter of Mr. W. D. Clarke, of Statesville, but formerly of Blowing Rock; and will also be remembered by Boone people as the trained nurse who attended the late Sheriff Ragan. She was injured in an automobile accident last fall near Asheville, since which she has not done regular nursing, but she had recently volunteered her services to the Red Cross in case war was declared, and would have gone whenever needed. Mr. Clark's Watauga friends will sympathize with him in this great sorrow.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

St. Jude Items.

There has been and is yet much suffering from grip, colds hereabout, among the sufferers the following: Mr. J. W. Thomas and wife, Abner L. Dotson and family, Mrs. David Warren, and others.

Messrs. John and Andy Hicks have moved to Shulls Mills where they have secured positions with the Whiting Lumber Company, this company doing much to develop Watauga's resources and bring this rich county to the notice of the outside world, the first time this has been done by a railroad corporation "since old Grandfather was born!"

Miss Alberta Thomas is studying nursing in Washington City, her sister Miss Wilma spending the winter with the family of Judge Battle of Rocky Mount, and Miss Myrtle Thomas is a student in the "Eye" School at Valle Crucis, Miss Horner, Principal. Miss Sarah Dyer is at school at Mountain City while spending the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dyer, John Dyer the inventor of the famous barrel manipulator which has already received favorable mention by manufacturers of barrels and users thereof.

Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Tomkins and baby have been visiting his parents in the City of Brotherly Love, Mrs. Tomkins renewing her art studies meanwhile, being an artist of rare attainments already. Brother Tomkins has done a fine work.

Mr. Drury Dyer, father of Cicero Dyer of Valle Crucis is now ill at his son's home.

The Rev. Brother Hamilton of the Methodist Church on this circuit has been doing a fine work among us and we pray special blessing from above on the consecrated man of God.

The Revs. George Trivett and Henry Glenn are also to be commended for their zeal and earnestness in furthering the Master's cause in their respective communities.

As spring approaches our farmers our farmers are preparing for the coming "contest with nature" in which the farmer hopes to be victor. An agricultural paper for perusal during the winter is a good form of preparedness. Subscribe now.

George Thomas and wife have been spending the winter with his parents but will soon move to the Warren place owned by his father, J. W. Thomas. Mrs. Thomas is the daughter of Mr. Abner Cook of Watauga Falls.

Mrs. C. C. Miller At Rest.

On last Saturday, February 24, our dear mother and grandmother, Mrs. Camilla Miller passed away at the age of 82 years.

While we regret the loss of our dear, precious friend, we rejoice that her soul is sweetly resting in the arms of Jesus. She had suffered very greatly of late, and stated a number of times that she was going home to her loving Savior, and her prayers were many for poor lost sinners. Just before she died she clasped her hands and praised God and shouted for joy.

She told one of her sons that she wanted to walk on God's foot stool once more and praise God. But she was too weak, just like many, many of us will be if the Lord permits us to live long enough. "Grandma" called two of her grand-sons to the bed just a few hours before she died, and told them to repent of their sins and turn away from Satan. "Boys be a light in the world. You've served the devil long enough."

Oh, that every sinner could see the danger before them before God calls them away. There is so much pleasure in true religion.

Mrs. Miller was the mother of seventeen children, ten of whom survive, six sons and four daughters. She has lived a good, Christian life ever since she gave her young heart to Christ. Let us all strive to meet our dear, deceased.

A Sad Daughter and Granddaughter.

Letter From Mr. W. W. Stringfellow.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT: I enclose you wholesale price list of country produce which I have cut from a Birmingham, Alabama, paper which is a fair sample of prices now prevailing in most cities of the South. I think, therefore, you cannot too much impress upon the people of our county the importance of planting large crops of potatoes and onions, both of which, with proper attention, will give better results in Watauga county than any place in the South I know of. You will notice on the price list that potatoes are bringing \$3.00 per bushel and onions \$10.00 per hundred pounds.

There is, however, a big risk in raising potatoes unless they are sprayed to prevent blight, and it is no use to spray them after the blight appears. They should be sprayed at least three times, beginning when about six inches high. This is not expensive and will return a hundred fold in results achieved.

Now I do not expect, of course, that prices quoted above will be prevailing when crops are gathered, but I do believe that we will receive at least double what we have ever received before the European demand will keep prices of these two vegetables high. This coming year is going to be the farmers' year for great results for his labors, if properly used. They should start the year with the determination that not a single day should be lost from their field when ground is in condition to note, but don't make the mistake of working it wet, I would certainly like to see every man in the county this year with a bank account and I don't believe in my life time he will have such another chance.

Very truly,
W. W. STRINGFELLOW,
Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 20.

Training School Items.

—Professors Brown and Greer went with the railroad delegation to Abingdon last week, returning on Friday afternoon. Here's hoping that much good may result from the trip.

Rex Cox, a former student, was here the first of the week to see his sister. He is just home on a visit. He has been in Colorado for some two years, and reports that he is getting on well. This is good news to his friends.

The water system at the school has been materially improved by running pipes from springs on Mr. B. J. Council's land on the side of Howard's Knob. We were surprised to see the work done in such a short time, but when we learned that it was under the direction of Mr. Council we knew the secret.

The boys' gymnasium will, with a sufficient supply of material, be completed in a reasonably short time. While not a costly building, it will be a neat, well built one. Mr. R. L. Bingham is doing the work with his accustomed faithfulness and dispatch.

Spring is near. Let all help to make the campus the most beautiful place to be found in this section. We will lend a hand.

Inactivity Causes Constipation.

Lack of exercise in the winter is a frequent cause of constipation. You feel heavy, dull and listless, your complexion is sallow and pimply, and energy at low ebb. Clean up this condition at once with Dr. King's New Life Pills, a mild laxative that relieves the congested intestines without griping. A dose before retiring will assure you a full and easy movement in the morning 25c, at your Druggist.

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Another Suggestion for County Home.

Well, well! Am I to be the one to oppose Brown, Hartzog and Shipley in their talk about the place (or home as it should be called, if there was one)? No, I do not, nor will I oppose anything they have said as their arguments are too true. I have been there and have seen for myself. A little girl asked me to let her go with me over there to see what kind of a place it was, as she had heard so much about it. So I went her to go and see, and then when a new one is built let her and see again.

If the taxpayers of our county would go to Wilkesboro and see the home that the people of that county have for their unfortunate poor, they would come back with the determination to build a good, nice, comfortable home for our unfortunate poor.

They cannot help their condition, and the thing to do is to sell the farm and home, if home (it could be called) and select a nice place near some good road, or nearer town, and build a nice, up-to-date, commodious home that every citizen would be as proud of as the people of Wilkes county are of theirs, for you hear more of that home than a ny home in Wilkes county, and it would be so here if we had such a home.

C. J. COTTRELL,
Boone, N. C., Feb. 26.

Eighty-Seven Years Old.

H. H. Adams, Springfield, Mo., writes: "I had a severe attack of kidney trouble. I am getting old, 87 years. I tried different treatments, but none did me so much good as Foley Kidney Pills." Foley Kidney Pills build up weakened kidneys, help rid the blood of acids and relieve bladder troubles. Sold every where.

NOTICE.

North Carolina, Watauga County. In the Superior Court, H B Maghee Trustee and Administrator for the Estate of John A Maghee, vs W W Hindman, Margaret Hindman WS Whiting, Boone Fork Lumber Co. and Beech Mountain Lumber Co. The defendants above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of the said county of Watauga, that the purpose of said action is to have defendants and others declared trustees for plaintiff and others in certain real estate situate in the county of Watauga, known as the Hindman lands. And said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of the said county of Watauga to be held in the court house in the town of Boone, N. C., on the third Monday in March, 1917, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in this complaint. This the 5th day of January, 1917.

W. D. FARTHING, C. S. C.

NOTICE.

North Carolina Watauga county In the Superior court. A. N. Church vs. M. J. Church.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior court of Watauga county for the purpose of dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between plaintiff and defendant; and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the term of the Superior court of said co. to be held on the third Monday after the first Monday in March, 1917 at the court house in said Watauga county, N. C. and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This January 27, 1917.

W. D. FARTHING, C. S. C.

Beautiful Town Property For Sale.

Owing to a contemplated change in my location, I have decided to sell my eight-room bungalow and lot, containing three fourths of an acre. The house is built of the best lumber procurable, is neatly painted, and is "close in" to the Training School. A bargain for the quick buyer.

W. G. HARTZOG,
Boone, N. C.

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John Adams
Mountain City, Tenn.

Chetola Mill.

On account of the small amount of grain left in the county we will after February 17 grind only once a week, on Saturdays.

CHETOLA MILL,
Blowing Rock, N. C.

FOR SALE.

One nice town lot in East Boone, nearly level, good location, good spring and barn. A bargain. See H. M. Lewis, Boone N. C.

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Linville River Railway Company

TIME TABLE NO. 78

In Effect 6:46 a. m. Monday Dec. 18th, 1916. Central standard time

EASTWARD		STATIONS	WESTWARD	
No. 2	No. 4		No. 1	No. 3
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
12.50	5.30	Lve. Cranberry	Arr. 7.45	10.50
1.15	5.45	Minneapolis Jct.	7.30	10.30
1.25	5.55	Vale	7.17	10.15
1.45	6.05	Newland	7.10	10.05
2.00	6.15	Montezuma	7.00	9.50
2.40	6.30	Pineola	6.45	9.30
3.10		Linville		9.00
3.35		The Gap		8.40
4.15		Foscoe		8.00
4.30	Arr.	Shulls Mills	Lve.	7.45
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Nos. 1 and 4 are daily passenger trains.
Nos. 3 and 2 are mixed trains and run daily except Sunday.
West bound trains have right of track.
Cranberry, Newland, Montezuma and Pineola are ticket offices.
All others are Flag Stations at present.

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