

Town and County.

—Buy a bond; then buy another. No time for lagging, now.

—Capt. Lovill is attending Jefferson court this week.

—Editor Frank A. Carr, of the Avery Mountaineer, was in the village a few hours last Friday.

—Mrs. M. P. Critcher has been right ill with tonsillitis for the past few days.

—Mr. and Mrs. Brit Robertson of Boone, have moved to the Dr. Hodges farm at Poplar Grove.

—Messrs. John Lewis and H. Neal Blair have possessed themselves of an automobile each within the past few days, of the Briccoe variety.

—We are glad to learn that Mrs J. D. Cook, an estimable lady, of Stony Fork, continues to improve from a long and serious illness.

—The Watauga County Bank will lend money at 4% per cent to buy Liberty Bonds for the first ninety days and take the bond for security.

—LOST between Boone and Dock Mast's store last Saturday night between 6 and 7 o'clock, ladies rain coat. Reward for return to Democrat office.

—A message to Mr. H. C. Miller, of Sands, from Camp Mills, New York, brings the news that his son, Mr. Reuben Miller, is seriously ill with pneumonia in the military camps.

—We are asked to announce that, owing to existing health conditions in the community, the regular communication of Watauga Lodge, 278, has been called off, by order of the master.

—The Germans are crying for peace, of their own liking, to be sure. Buy a bond and help force the murderous Hun into a peace to our liking. Money was never worse needed by the government than now.

—Mr. W. B. Hartley, of Blowing Rock, now of Freemont, Va., was in the village Monday, having returned to stand his physical examination for military service. He was a pleasant business caller at our office while here.

—The following young men entrained yesterday morning for Charlottesville, Va., where they were ordered to take special mechanical training in the University of Virginia: Hardy Lyons, Oliver Hampton, Chas. Wilson, Walter Bingham.

—Mr. Jones A. Lay and family left last week for their home at Joplin, Mo., after a visit of a few days to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lay, at Cook's Gap. Mr. Lay left Watauga 20 years ago; has succeeded well, and we were all pleased to see him again.

—Mr. B. R. Brown, of Sands, has been notified by wire that his son, Thomas, who was right seriously wounded by the accidental discharge of a gun at Camp McArthur, Texas, recently, has developed pneumonia, and his case is considered critical.

—Messrs. Charley and Don Farthing, who returned from work at Newport News, Va., some two weeks ago, with typical cases of influenza, are rapidly improving. Charley developed pneumonia, but his brother escaped. Every precaution was taken, and no spread of the disease is feared.

—So far there have been but few cases of influenza in Boone and vicinity, and they have been in a rather mild form. The quarantine laws are being rigidly enforced at the A. T. S., and all the public schools in this part of the county have been temporarily suspended. All Sunday schools and other religious gatherings are called off for the present, and every precaution is being taken to prevent the spread of the disease. It is hoped that the same steps are being taken throughout the county.

—Mrs. Edith Maxwell Norris, of West Riverside, was in town yesterday.

—Mr. R. H. Ray, who has been a very sick man at his home in East Boone for more than two weeks, is somewhat improved, but is still far from being well. His son, Mr. Hiram Ray, of Ashe county, is with him, and will remain until a change in his condition occurs.

—The Road Commission is preparing to carry on the road building on a largescale. They have bought a second steam shovel which has been shipped and is expected to arrive in Boone on the first train that comes over the new road. When the two forces are fully organized, one will work west of Boone and the other east.

—Miss Fannie Stater, a trained nurse of Wilmington, N. C., sent out by the State Board of Health to assist Dr. Jones, County Physician, in the examination of school children, has been right ill at the Critcher Hotel. Her sister, Mrs. Dr. Edwards, of Morganton, N. C. is with her.

—Miss Florence Boyd, formerly of Caldwell, now from some point in Kentucky, is a visitor at the home of her cousin, Mrs T. B. Moore, in Boone. The lady is a graduate nurse and we would be fortunate indeed if her services could be procured for this section during the epidemic of influenza.

—Ex-Sheriff J. L. Hayes, now of Lancaster, Washington, in renewing for his paper writes that they have just now finished threshing his son Walter's wheat, the crop amounting to 15,000 bushels, the grain there selling at \$2.00 per bushel. Some wheat and some price.

—Mr. Joe L. Wagner, of Valle Crucis, was in to see us last week and broke the news that he had sold his farm, with all equipment, to Messrs. C. D. and Bynum Taylor, of that community, and his intentions then were to move to some point in the west in the near future. Here's hoping, Joe, that you may secure other property to your liking, and decide to remain in the county of your nativity.

—Surely the war is at last coming home to the people of Watauga. It may come closer to YOU before Saturday night. Are you doing your part by those who are suffering and dying for you? For the sake of humanity; for the sake of your country, and, above all, the respect you have for those near and dear to you, do your bit by buying bonds to the limit and help to bring this appalling war to a close.

—While possum hunting last Saturday night Fred Hodges happened to a very painful accident. The dogs dened in a ledge of rocks, and while his comrades were attempting to move a heavy stone, it slipped, catching the young man's hand and badly lacerating three fingers and a thumb. It is a very serious hurt, but his physician thinks it will so heal as not to leave any very noticeable scars.

—Mr. N. L. Mast left last week to visit his son, Mr. Tom Mast, who has been very ill at Camp Crane, Allentown, Penn., for several days. His first message to his family was to the effect that the young man was improving, but just as we close our forms, we learn that the family has received a message that their dear boy had died in the hospital on Tuesday night. Mr. Mast will bring the body home for interment, but we have not learned when it is expected. The stroke on the parents and loved ones is indeed so heavy that words of condolence seem too trifling to offer, nevertheless they have the deepest sympathy of all in the death of their gallant young son and brother, who volunteered in the service and laid down his life for his country.

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—Buy a Liberty Bond and help win the war.

Private Jeffrey Winkler Laid to Rest Monday Evening.

The remains of Private Jeffrey Winkler, of Boone, who died at Camp Jackson, on Tuesday morning of last week, arrived at the Winkler, burying ground Monday afternoon, where interment was made, his pastor, Rev. H. L. Powell, assisted by Rev. Cross, pastor of the Baptist church, conducting the funeral. The body was expected as early as Wednesday evening of last week, but owing to the congestion of traffic, it was impossible to make the shipment from Camp Jackson until Sunday, hence the long days of weary waiting by loved ones and friends. However, the body having been embalmed it reached its destination in a fine state of preservation.

Private Fred Penley, son of Mr. Sim. Penley, a neighbor of deceased at home and a comrade in Battery D, Field Artillery, accompanied the lifeless form, and spoke in high terms of the short military career of his dead comrade. The body was encased in a neat black casket, and folded about it was a large United States flag, saying in undisputable words, "I died for my country." Resting on the casket was a beautiful floral offering, from his company, and a pennant bearing the name of his company, regiment, etc., while other beautiful and expensive floral pieces were sent in by sorrowing relatives and sympathizing friends.

As said before, Jeffrey was the first Boone boy to lay down his life in the great struggle, and we all mourn his departure, but feel proud of him for his efforts, and hope that when the graves shall give up their dead, that Jeffrey may emerge from the folds of "Old Glory" and find peace, eternal peace, over there.

Public Speaking!

Hon. R. L. Doughton, Democratic Candidate for Congress will speak at the following times and places:

Soda Hill, Meat Camp Township, Thurs. Oct. 24 at 1 p. m.
Sugar Grove, Walnut Grove Academy, Friday Oct. 25, 1 p. m.
Blowing Rock, Friday night, October 25.

Come and hear "Farmer Bob" discuss the issues of the day. Ladies especially invited. Address will be mainly along patriotic line.

Z. V. LONG,
Chm. Ex. Com, 8th con. District!

Voting Place Changed.

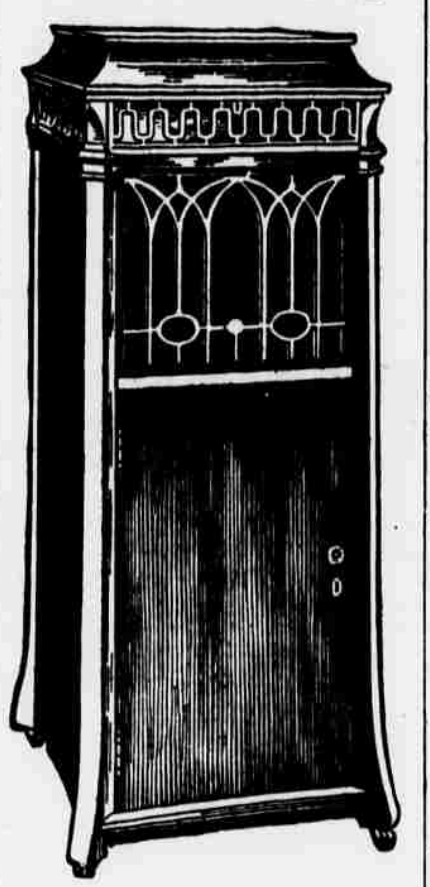
The voters in Laurel Creek township will take notice that the voting place has been moved from John Ward's store to Johnson's School House by order of county board of elections this Oct. 12, 1918.

J. M. MORETZ, Chm.
J. W. HODGES, Sec.

—Miss Carrie Coffey returned to her work at Shulls Mills yesterday evening, after a few days visit to her parents in Boone.

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TAX NOTICE

I will be at the following places on the dates mentioned for the purpose of collecting taxes for the year 1918:

Boone, Monday.....	Oct. 14, 1918
Cove Creek, W. F. Sherwood's store, Tuesday.....	15
North Fork, Will Thomas store, Wednesday.....	16
Meat Camp, Meat Camp post office, Thurs. forenoon.....	17
Afternoon, Will Norris store.....	17
Bald Mountain, Todd, Friday.....	18
Stony Fork, Stony Fork post office Sat. forenoon.....	19
Afternoon, Ed Moretz's store Sat.....	19
Elk, Greer's store, Monday.....	21
Blue Ridge, voting place, Tuesday.....	22
Blowing Rock, Wednesday.....	23
Watauga, Shulls Mills, Thursday.....	24
Shawneebaw, Matney post office Friday.....	25
Laurel Creek; John Ward's store, Sat.....	26
Beaver Dam, Don Hagaman's store, Monday.....	28

Let everybody come out and pay their taxes.
This October 8th, 1918.
W. P. MOODY, Sheriff.

Cold Weather Goods

The rigors of winter will soon be upon us, and it is the duty of every one to prepare for it the best they can. Where will I buy my supplies, is the question now rife among our people. I am prepared to supply your every want in cold weather goods

Men's Clothing

I have possibly the best stock of men's clothing in the county from which to select, and much of it being bought before the advance, I have some genuine bargains. Buy your warm underwear from me, your furnishings of all kinds, and shoes—the kind I have always handled—the best. Bring your boys and fit them up to your liking. I have the goods, you need them; you have the cash and I can handle it.

For the Ladies

My stock of dress goods is very handsome, and consists of some of the best fabrics to be found in a country store. Toilet articles of all kinds in abundance. Come to me for your supplies. Always in stock heavy and shelf hardware, grass seed, feeds, etc.

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