

LOCAL AFFAIRS

Mr. Zeb Farthing dropped by yesterday morning long enough to say: "Uncle Bob, it's a boy."

A goodly number of cases on the State docket have been disposed of up to today, Wednesday. Full proceedings next week.

Mrs. Rivers, who has been in rather poor health of late, is taking treatment for a while under her brother, Dr. P. C. Jurney, at Turnersburg, N. C.

Mr. Milton Ward, for many years Station Agent at Neva, Johnson county, Tenn., died at his home on the 27th of August, after a brief illness.

Mrs. Fred R. Paxton, of Savannah, Ga., has arrived, and will spend a few weeks at the home of her aunt, Mrs. J. C. Fletcher, in Boone.

Mr. Roy Brown, son of Adolphus Brown, was married here last Saturday to Miss Naomi Vines, the Rev. George Brown performing the ceremony.

We have received the 1921 catalogue of the Appalachian Training School at Boone, N. C. The school is now a true Normal and offers two years of Normal work. The standard high school will be maintained for a few years.

Mrs. Alice Council, of Hickory, mother of Judge W. B. Council, is with her nephew, Mr. J. D. Council, in Boone, this week. The many friends of the dear old lady are delighted to see her again.

Mr. Oscar Hardin and family have moved into the Little residence, which has been occupied for some time by Mr. C. A. Ellis, he and family taking board at the Critcher Hotel for the present.

Mr. Ronda Gragg, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Gragg, of Boone, who has been in the employ of a street car company in Washington, D. C., for some time past, is spending a few days with his parents.

Mr. Ira T. Johnston, who with his little family, has been with relatives at Valle Crucis, was an interesting caller at our office Monday. Mr. Johnston has procured his law license, but has not yet decided just where he will hang out his shingle.

Mr. Sam F. Horton, of Vilas, who had been previously elected principal, opened a four-teacher school at Miller's Creek, Wilkes county. The people of that community are fortunate to be able to procure the services of the popular young educator.

Mr. E. E. (Peck) Holshouser, of Blowing Rock, a graduate of the A. T. S., stepped into this office Monday and ordered the paper sent to his address at Davidson College, saying that he would enter that institution this week for the ensuing term.

Rev. Seymour Taylor, of Morran, Anson county, is with relatives and friends in Watauga for a few days. He is accompanied by the Rev. C. A. Wood, of Wadesboro, another eminent Methodist divine, who seems to be enjoying his visit to the mountains to the fullest.

During the severe electric storm on last Thursday, four fine yearlings, the property of Mr. Tracy Council, were killed by lightning in his father's Rich Mountain pastures. The cattle were sheltering under a tree, and the bolt striking it killed the cattle instantly.

His Honor, Judge Ferguson, through the solicitation of our local bar, adjourned court for today so that the people having business with the court might attend the big picnic and celebration at Deep Gap today, given in honor of the completion of the Boone Trail Highway. This is quite an event for the mountains, and will doubtless be well attended. Court will reconvene at the usual hour tomorrow (Friday) morning.

Messrs. W. H. Gragg and O. L. Coffey have pulled off quite a trade, the result of which is that Mr. Gragg is now the owner of the pretty home erected in Boone by Mr. Coffey, and Mr. Coffey's half interest in the Boone furniture & Lumber Co., while Mr. Coffey comes into possession of the fine farm owned by Mr. Gragg at Foscoe.

Mr. Robert Pulliam, of Washington, D. C., is at the home of his uncle, Mr. L. N. Perkins for a few weeks vacation. By the dint of hard work, since going to the Capitol City young Mr. Pulliam has almost completed his college course, and hopes to complete his study of law within the next year, this being his chosen profession.

Last Wednesday Mr. M. B. Blackburn received a message from Kansas City, Mo. bearing the sad news of the death of his nephew, Attorney Thos. Blackburn, in a hospital in that city. Deceased is a son of Mr. W. W. Blackburn and was rapidly forging to the front in his profession. He was a brother to Mrs. Walter Winkler, of Boone.

Mr. W. S. Farthing was in town Monday and told The Democrat of the death of his cousin, Mr. Wiley H. Farthing, which occurred at his home at Blountville, Tenn., on the 28th ult. Deceased left Watauga a good many years ago, and had reached the age of 71 years. He was Clerk and Master in Chancery of his county at the time of his death.

REV. JOHN CRISP PASSES.

Elder John Crisp, son of Heffman and Nancy Crisp, was born May 9, 1831, and died Aug. 29, 1921, aged 90 years, 3 months and 20 days. He professed faith in Christ and joined Meat Camp, church, Watauga county, in the fall or winter of 1857. He was, therefore a member of the Missionary Baptist church for 64 years. He was a regularly ordained minister of the gospel, and served as pastor different churches in Caldwell and Watauga counties for 57 years. At the time of his death, and for some time previous, he was not engaged in pastoral work, but preached continually to the churches he visited, here and there until possibly Aug. 1920, when, probably, he contracted the sickness that brought on the end. He was a faithful and earnest contender for the Faith; Faith once delivered to the Laints. The writer of this imperfect sketch remembers to have heard Elder J. J. L. Sherwood say that the Baptists owed him a debt of gratitude for his loyalty to the cause of Eternal Truth. And what more shall I say? Surely the Lord will say: "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord. The last word he was heard to utter, audably, was "Glory!"

His Eldest son,  
E. D. CRISP.

NORTH WILKESBORO M. E. CHURCH PROGRAM

Following is the program of the North Wilkesboro district conference which will convene at the Valle Crucis Methodist church on Sept 13-14:  
Evening session, Sept 13, 7:30  
Song by choir; Devotional by Rev. J. W. Williams; Welcome Address, Rev. J. P. Morris; Response, Mrs. W. A. Newell, Statesville.  
Morning session Sept 14, 9 o'clock  
Devotional. Welcome, Mrs. C. D. Taylor; District Secretary's Message; Organization of Committees; Talk to young people, Mrs. C. P. Morris, Amantia; Our need of leaders, Mrs. J. W. Williams, Jefferson; Value of organized missionary work, Mrs. Lee Hemp-hill, Wilkesboro.  
Adjournment until 1:30 o'clock.  
Song; Devotional, Mrs. Jas. Winkler, Boone; report on various work; Extension report, Mrs. G. C. Brinkman; Echoes of annual meeting, Mrs. R. E. Hunt, Wilkesboro; Finance report; What does social mean, Mrs. Clement Renn, North Wilkesboro; Corresponding secretary's duty, Mrs. Don Horton, Vilas; What mission study has meant to me, Mrs. W. P. Horton, N. Wilkesboro. Place of next meeting, Adjournment.



Concert by

LEOLA LUCEY

This will be the season's most unique music event. In addition to singing several groups of songs, Miss Lucey has consented to compare her voice with its RE-CREATION by Mr. Edison's new phonograph. She will be assisted by Adrien Freiche, violinist, and Raymond Barry, pianist.

The famous soprano will appear at

Main Auditorium  
Saturday, September 17th

Admittance by invitation only. A few reservations are still left. We shall be glad to issue these to music-lovers who apply in order of application. Call, write, or telephone.

Greene & Bingham

MORTGAGE SALE OF LAND.

Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by J. P. Hodges to the undersigned mortgagee, G. A. Hodges, on the 31st day of March, 1920, which said mortgage is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Watauga county in Book of mortgages, on page 496, on the 28th day of June, 1920, to secure the payment of the sum of five thousand dollars cash, which is evidenced by two promissory notes for the sum of \$2,500 each, together with interest on the same from March 31, 1920, and that, whereas, there now remains due and payable on said notes the sum of \$2,900.00 and interest on the same from this date, and default having been made in the payment of said notes according to the terms and conditions as expressed in said mortgage, now, therefore, I will proceed to sell the following described lands at public auction at the court house door in the town of Boone, N. C., between the hours of 10, a. m., and 3, p. m., on the 3rd day of Oct., 1921, said lands being bounded and described as follows: Lying in Boone township, Watauga county, and known as the G. A. Hodges land, containing 100 acres more or less, and contains the same land and has the same calls and description as the deed from G. A. Hodges, dated March 31, 1920, and is for the purchase money for said land. The deed above referred to contained four tracts but were all contained in one deed, and said mortgage is intended to contain and to cover all said tracts. And for a more particular description of said lands, reference is hereby made to the records of said mortgage herein before mentioned. This 18th day of August, 1921.  
G. A. HODGES, Mortgagee.  
W. R. LOVILL, Atty.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND UNDER MORTGAGE

Under and by virtue of a mortgage deed executed by C. C. Greer and Etta Greer on the 24th day of May 1921, and recorded in book 7, page 7, May 26, 1921, in the office of Register of Deeds of Watauga County, to secure four certain promissory notes to the undersigned, of seven hundred dollars in all with interest from May 24, 1921, and whereas default has been made in the payment of said notes, or any part thereof, therefore I will on the 3rd day of October 1921, proceed to sell at public auction at the court house door in Boone, N. C. the land described in said mortgage deed lying and being in Cove Creek township, on the waters of North Fork of said creek and adjoining the lands of J. E. Burkett, G. W. Younce, F. M. Greer and John Isaacs, and containing fourteen acres, and for a more particular description reference is hereby made to the record of said mortgage as described above.  
This the 10th day of August 1921.  
JOHN F. GREER, Mortgagee.

Bids to be Received for Erection of Brick School Building

I will receive bids for the erection of an eight room brick school building with auditorium. Said building to be erected in the Cove Creek Consolidated districts. Will receive bids up to 2 o'clock p. m. September 10, 1921 when said bids will be opened. I reserve the right to reject any and all bids. You can see the blue prints of said building at W. F. Sherwood's store. This August 15, 1921.

ENOCH SWIFT,  
Ch'm. Building Committee,  
Amantha, N. C. aul8.4c

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA, at Asheville, No.

United States of America vs. 278.77 acres of land in Watauga County, North Carolina, W. L. Alexander, et al. To heirs at law of Mrs. Ensor Green, deceased, names unknown; heirs at law of Mrs. Anna Baldwin, deceased, William Baldwin, Lincoln Simms, Walter Simms, Joseph Green, or his heirs at law; Joe Green and wife — Green; unknown heirs at law of Mrs. Henry Henley, deceased; unknown heirs at law of Ensor Green, deceased; unknown heirs at law of Lot Green, deceased; Roby Estes and wife, Fannie Estes; unknown heirs at law of Len Estes, deceased; John Estes and wife — Estes, or their heirs at law; unknown heirs at law of Lot Estes, deceased; Virginia E. Maliba and husband, R. W. Maliba.

And all persons whomsoever owning or claiming to own any estate, lien or interest of any kind or character whatsoever in and to the lands described in the petition in this proceeding.

YOU WILL TAKE NOTICE that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the District Court of the United States for the Western District of North Carolina at Asheville, for the condemnation of certain real estate, situate, lying and being in Blowing Rock township, Watauga county, North Carolina, on the Caldwell-Watauga County line, and known as the W. L. Alexander tract and covered by grants 11726, 593, 11548, 166, 164, 5990, 12265, 15363, 10154, and 5,370, containing 278.77 acres.

All of the said lands have been selected by the Secretary of Agriculture, with the approval of the National Forest reservation and found necessary for the purpose of carrying out an Act of Congress of the United States approved March 1, 1911, being chapter 186, page 961, Vol. 36, Stat. at Large, as amended by the Act of August 10, 1912, 37 Stat. 269-300, chapter 284.

And the said non-resident defendants above named, and all other persons whomsoever owning or claiming to own any estate, lien or interest of any kind or character in and to the premises described in the petition in said proceeding, named as defendants aforesaid, YOU WILL FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that they are required to appear in the said District Court of the United States for the Western District of North Carolina, at Asheville, on the 10th day of October, 1921, and answer or demur to the petition or complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said petition.

This notice issued by order of Court, directing that publication be made once a week for six successive weeks in The Watauga Democrat. This 22nd day of August 1921.  
R. L. BLAYLOCK,  
Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the Western District of North Carolina.  
Per O. L. McLURD, Dept. Clerk.

BIG AUCTION SALE

Having completed arrangements for my change of residence from Shulls Mills to Boone, I have decided to dispose of my holdings AT AUCTION on

Saturday, September 17th, 1921

at my farm near Shulls Mills. This sale doesn't include home place, which has already been disposed of, but will sell to the highest bidder all of my household and kitchen furniture, as well as farming implements, stock, etc, consisting in part of the following items: New Rubber Tired Buggy, with pole, shafts and brass mounted double harness, one two-horse wagon, 1 Disc Harrow, 1 Barrel Spray several Plows and Pitchforks, 1 Cider Mill, 1 one-third Red Poland China Sow and 1 Boar, 10 head of nice Yearlings, 2 Milch Cows, 1 pair of Mules, 4 sets Wagon Harness, 25 stacks of Hay and many other things too tedious to mention at your own figures.

YOUR NEEDS WILL BE SUPPLIED AT THIS SALE

at your own figures and is an opportunity to get your farm needs at your own price. Don't forget the date but be on hand early to get what you want.

TERMS OF SALE: All amounts of \$10.00 and under cash in hand. Over \$10.00 six months with negotiable note. Sale to start promptly at 10:30 a. m.

W. H. GRAGG

Shulls Mills, North Carolina

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 17 AT 10:00 A. M.

Near Mountain City, on the Damascus Boulevard, we will sell, sub-divided, the Watt Donnelly farm, 240 acres, at Public Auction This fine farm is now owned by Sutherland and Mock and they are telling us to sell it and we surely will.

This is the time to buy because land will never be any cheaper and soon there will be no more land for sale on a rock road—the people will hold to it and you cannot get any.

Mountain City has good schools, good markets, good churches, and this is good land with good improvements.

You will miss something if you do not buy some of this land on the good terms we are selling it.

TERMS: 1-4 Cash, Balance 1, 2 and 3 Years

ICE CREAM FREE

The Sam Thompson Land Co.

AND Interstate Land Auction Co. Selling Agents Bristol, Tenn.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Having qualified as administrator of L. G. Maxwell, deceased, late of Watauga county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 18th day of August 1922 or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This August 18, 1921.  
W. P. MAXWELL, Administrator  
LINNEY & COFFEY, Attorneys.