

The Watauga Democrat

Local Affairs Town and County

It will be to you very great interest and benefit as well to read carefully the advertisement of the Watauga Building & Loan in this issue.

After the long protracted cold we are now having what promises to be a genuine thaw. The warm sunshine is delightful but the cross-country roads are going to be almost impassible.

The first Standard Oil tank cars that ever came to the county arrived last week end. They were emptied in the large stationary tanks on the Company's property just west of the W. H. Grogg lumber yards.

Jennings and Lauderdale, who were tried in the Federal court at Wilkesboro last week for the robbery of the Banner Elk post office were found guilty and sentenced to five years each in the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga.

Rev. Sebastian, pastor of Watauga Church, assisted by Rev. R. C. Eggers of Zionville, closed a meeting of days at that church last Thursday. Mr. Eggers did most of the preaching and we are told that the meeting was one of the best ever held in that part of the county. There were 27 conversions.

James Brown of Adams, came to town Monday and seemed, so we are told, to be "spittin'" for a fight. He got into an altercation with Lee Teague, a much smaller man, and it seems that when he got through with him Brown had enough. The participants in the "set to" were given a hearing before Mayor Hahn—Brown in two cases—drunkenness and an affray, and Teague for an affray. The former was fined \$25.00, while the latter was taxed only \$2.50.

Mr. John H. Mast of Zionville, R. F. D., called Tuesday morning to renew his subscription. We are not in the habit of giving publicity to little items of this kind, but as John has been a subscriber since 1888 and this being his 35th renewal, it is really an item of news. Mr. Mast is a real good road enthusiast. He believes, however, that when the bottom lands of farmers along the highway are dug full of holes to procure sand for road purposes, it is nothing but justice for them to receive a reasonable recompense in damages. He says however, that between slightly mutilated bottom lands and good roads, give him the roads.

AHO NEWS

Mrs. Lona Crooke has been very sick with measles. Measles is quite an epidemic in this section.

Mr. J. T. Hampton's family is improving from measles.

Rev. Wheeler preached an interesting sermon at Aho Sunday.

Miss Floy Moore of Shelby is visiting her grandmother Mrs. Maggie Moore.

Mr. G. L. Storie spent Saturday night at Aho.

Mr. Ashley Weaver visited home folks last week.

Mr. G. L. Storie made a business trip to Boone Saturday.

Mr. Edgar Young was a Sunday visitor at J. C. Miller's.

A FRIEND

SILVERSTONE ITEMS Mr. Dewey Green of Virginia is visiting relatives here.

Miss Nora Mast, a student of the A. T. S. visited home folks Saturday.

Mr. N. T. Byers and family have moved to their farm recently purchased near Mabel.

We are very sorry indeed to lose this splendid family.

The house vacated by Mr. Byers is now occupied by Mr. E. J. Greer and family. We gladly welcome them in our community.

Mrs. C. C. Adams has been sick for the past few days, but is now better we are glad to say.

Steps are now being taken to organize a poultry association here, which will sell baby chicks, hatching eggs, and fancy guaranteed commercial eggs.

Mr. Everett Culler and sister Miss Ollie are off on an extended visit to relatives in Virginia.

BAMBOO NEWS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cook Wednesday of last week a boy.

Mr. Louis Reese and Miss Cora Miller spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nile Cook.

Miss Lillian Lewis was a pleasant visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Vannoy Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Critcher delightfully entertained a few of their friends Saturday night, and all went out seemed to enjoy themselves.

Mrs. Lottie Edmisten is spending a few weeks with her son Mr. A. J. Edmisten.

Mr. Dell Richardson has moved his family to the home of Mr. Cobb Carroll. Mr. Carroll who is taking treatment in a Charlotte Hospital is very little if any improved.

Mrs. Thelma Bonds spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Critcher.

Mrs. A. J. Edmisten spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Julia Rowles.

Mr. Fred Critcher has purchased and moved to the old Adam Cook farm.

Mr. and Mrs. John Downes of Wyoming are visiting Mrs. Downes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kelley.

Measles seems to have spent its force in this community. We had some very serious cases, but only one death resulted, Mr. John Hartley, more than ninety years of age.

MT. PLEASANT

King Winter has been very much in evidence in this community especially on last Friday Saturday and Sunday.

The Mission Study class of Mount Pleasant Lutheran church held its last meeting of the course at the home of Mrs. Jonathan Moretz. Mrs. Moretz showed her hospitality and bigness of soul by having invited all the members of the class to dinner on that day. To be sure most of them were present. The Mission study was quite a success and was very much enjoyed by all.

Wedding bells rang loudly in our community last week when Dr. W. A. Deaton of Hickory on Wednesday took as his bride Miss Catherine Elizabeth Moretz, Rev. H. W. Jeffcoat performed the ceremony. Many of the community were invited and enjoyed with the bride and groom a sumptuous wedding feast.

In the stillness of the midnight hour could be heard the clanking and booming of the wedding serenades. On Thursday morning through the slivering zero weather and the falling sleet they left for their home in Hickory.

Mr. J. F. Moretz made a business trip to Todd on last Friday.

Mr. Paul Norris made two trips to Boone last week.

Rev. H. W. Jeffcoat and Mr. H. C. Moretz motored to Boone on last Monday afternoon. On account of the fearful road conditions this is the first time the preacher's car has been out of the garage since January 2.

We learn that a community meeting has been called for Tuesday afternoon Feb. 5th at Riverview school house at 1:30 p. m. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss community problems and to look forward to the general development of the community. It is hoped that every home in the community will be well represented at this meeting. Place: Riverview School House. Time: 1:30 p. m. Feb. 5th.

Mr. Cal Norris made a business trip to Todd last week.

Dr. G. H. Jeffcoat has completed his garage.

FOSCOE ITEMS

Mr. W. H. Byrd says he found in his papers the other day a deed of conveyance dated 1852 for 100 acres from Henry Prout to Henry Taylor for the consideration of \$75.00. Mr. Byrd paid \$6,000 for this land and has sold about \$10,000 off in lots and has many left.

S. C. Byrd father of W. H. Byrd, age 88 years, served in the Union Army 13th cavalry, East Tenn. Co. B. His company was mustered out at Knoxville, Tenn. 12,000 strong. Now there are less than three per cent of them living.

Misses Emma and Minnie Coffey spent the week end with their brother, Mr. Grover Coffey at Hodges Gap. Revs. Eggers and Sebastian who are holding a revival at Watauga, preached at Foscoe Sunday evening.

Mrs. Henry Brinkley whose illness has been mentioned is on the road to recovery.

Misses Aulena McCain and Snow Moody who are in school at Banner Elk spent the week end with home folks.

Mrs. Charlie Coffey from Banner Elk visited her daughter Mrs. Herbert Wagener.

Miss Ella Coffey of Linville City visited her cousin Miss Eva Mae Coffey.

Mr. Emory Greer of Zionville passed through Foscoe the other day. He thinks it is a hard time on drummers to keep awake these cold days.

Mr. James Horton of Vilas was here on business this week.

Mr. D. P. Wyke has been keeping his father's hall for the past week. He is being away visiting her sister in Boone. He says he is sorry for a man who has no wife. He tells the boys to cheer up and get married if they can't find a pretty girl elsewhere, come to Foscoe. It is noted for its pretty girls.

Mr. Joe Wagner has returned home after spending a week with his brother at Johnson City.

Mr. Charlie Moore has returned, after a few days visit to his parents in the Globe. He says he is having a hard time repairing the roads since the freshet.

Misses Etta and Carrie Gragg closed a very successful school at Foscoe Friday. The people of Watauga, Shulls Mills and Foscoe are planning to consolidate and have a high school next year. Foscoe believes in coming to the front.

WITH THE LOCAL CHURCHES

AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10 a. m.

Prayer service 7 p. m.

B. Y. P. U. 6 p. m.

Pastor preaches at Blowing Rock next Sunday.

W. M. S. meets in their circles next Monday at 2:30 p. m. Circle no. 1 meets with Mrs. G. P. Hagaman; no. 2 meets with Mrs. F. M. Huggins. No. 3 meets with Mrs. J. M. Moretz. This is the second meeting held in the circle. Last meeting the attendance for no. 1 was 10; no. 2 6; no. 3 12. Circle no. 3 closed. How will it be Monday.

75 MILLION CAMPAIGN NOTES

Just a few things to our Baptist people about the campaign:

1. I did not seek the place of director of the 75 Million Campaign. I would rejoice to give my cooperation and support to any other man. But Dr. Maddox imposed the task upon me, asking me to become director of the Stony Fork as well as the Three Forks Association.

2. I want to say also that this work is absolutely without pay. I do keep an expense account, such as postage, paper, printing and gas, but not one cent do I get for myself.

3. I want to ask for the co-operation and prayers of the pastors, churches, directors, and every Baptist in the Three Forks and Stony Fork Associations to the end that we may finish the Task by Dec. 24, 1924.

4. We must recognize that our Mission work is a spiritual task. Baptists throughout the Association who believe in our organized work should earnestly pray for His help and that everyone may do his duty.

5. We ought to do our duty. What is my duty as pastor? As deacon? as teacher? as director? as a church? as one who pledged to pay so much in the period of five years?

6. There is to be a conference on the 75 Million Campaign at the Baptist church at Boone March 5. Rev. A. C. Hamby, Associate Corresponding secretary and other speakers are to be present. It is hoped to have all the preachers and pastors, and representatives from all the churches of the two associations present.

F. M. HUGGINS, Associational director.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School promptly at 10 a. m.

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by the pastor.

Epworth League at 6:15 p. m. The Women's Missionary Society will meet Monday at 2:30 p. m.

Don't burn the woods trying to kill a few boll weevils. The woods will suffer much more than the weevil. Says the State Forester.

Where Do You Fit?

Are you going it blindfolded without proper preparation for either opportunity or emergency—just existing from day to day or are you practicing economy? If you have been wasting your money remedy the evil at once by depositing a portion of your weekly income with this strong bank.

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WATAUGA COUNTY BANK BOONE, N. C.

BUSINESS WORLD FACES A FAMINE IN COTTON

Raleigh, Jan. 29.—The world faces an absolute famine of cotton which will become acute long before the next crop can be harvested, according to C. B. Howard, of Atlanta, general sales manager for the American cotton growers' exchange and recognized as one of the best informed men in the world as to conditions through out the cotton industry.

Mr. Howard declared that as a result of the world shortage of the staple, prices must go higher, until the increasing cost of cotton fabrics gradually force one class of buyers after another from the markets.

"There is not enough cotton to run the world's mills at the present rate until a new crop becomes available," he said, "and prices are certain to get above the buying range of many consumers."

"WAY DOWN SOUTH"

(W. A. Watson.)

In this article you will still find me on St. Andrews Bay, Florida trying to depict the scenes for your mind "on my pen."

This time I am going to tell you about St. Andrews Bay which is the name of an ancient town on this bay. There is a large spring at this old town which became a bloody scene during the civil war between the states as a flotilla of Union gun-boats approached this harbor they saw a flag of truce before them, so these gun-boats set their sail for a landing toward the spring so as to get a fresh supply of water to take on board to their prisoners of war.

No sooner however than the sailors had landed on the shore they met a hail of bullets from the Confederates, so the ships were ordered back in the Gulf Bay, then a mighty roar and haze of smoke was seen to rise from the muzzles of the guns on the ships and missiles went flying through the air carrying death to the poor victims of warfare.

The trees to this very day bear the marks of shells which sent forth death into the camps on Southern soil.

There is a legend about St. Andrews and it was destroyed by earthquake and great tidal waves on two different occasions as the waters from the gulf rushed inland for seven miles and swept everything from the face of the earth, so to speak.

This modern town of today still has a bad omen and lots of people around here seem to steer clear of it, while newer towns have sprung up around it and seem to take the day in growth and size.

In my next article I shall endeavor to tell you of her sister towns who now seem to hold sway and are beating her to everything in the way of gains to the loss of St. Andrews.

In this article Millville and Bay Harbor will be the noted places of interest for my subject.

These two little towns are situated on the banks of St. Andrews Bay near the Gulf of Mexico. Millville is a lumber manufacturing town and the home of the great Bay Lumber Co. who owns hundreds and hundreds of acres of virgin timbered lands in the state of Florida.

The town has a long and very narrow street that leads out to Bay Harbor. This street is called the slums of Millville by some of the people here.

here.

I was down there on Sunday and it seemed to me as the people by the way they were strolling about that this must be a very "free love" place for on every road and point you could see a young man and girl sitting under a Spanish oak or other shade.

Bay Harbor is right on the water's edge which makes a fine view to look out upon the ocean as you can see almost as far as your eyes can look.

While there I saw an ocean steamer plying upon the waters. It was coming into port, and was driving very slow.

Steamers don't appear to move very fast upon the waters anyway, as the water is so smooth that they cover more space than the eye can see.

This ends my articles for a while, at least on Florida, or until I visit more places which I hope to do at an early date, and when I do you will get my report soon.

"Sam, do you solemnly swear to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?"

"Ah does sah."

"Sam, what have you got to say for yourself?"

"Well, Judge wif all dem limitations you have just put on me, ah don't believe ah has anything at all to say."—Rochester Times.

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A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

\$125.00 REWARD

WHEREAS, official information has been received at this Department, that MILES LOVE, alias MILES PRESNELL, who stands charged with (murder) late of the county of WATAUGA, stands charged with BREAKING JAIL IN BOONE, N. C. AND WHEREAS, it appears that the said Miles Love, alias Miles Presnell, has fled the State or so conceals himself, that the ordinary processes of law cannot be served upon him;

Now therefore, I, CAMERON MORRISON, Governor of the State of North Carolina, by virtue of the authority in me vested by law, do issue this my PROCLAMATION, offering a reward of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE (\$125.00) dollars for the apprehension and delivery of the said MILES LOVE, alias MILES PRESNELL to the sheriff of WATAUGA county at the courthouse in BOONE and I do enjoin all officers of the state and all good citizens to assist in bringing said criminal to justice.

This offer of reward remains in force two years from this date.

Done at our City of Raleigh, the second day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, and in the one hundred and forty-eighth year of our American Independence.

CAMERON MORRISON, Governor.

Wm. H. RICHARDSON, Private secretary.

NOTE—To the above is added a reward of \$125.00 by the Sheriff of Watauga County, bringing the total reward offered to \$250.00.

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