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County News

DEEP GAP

Mr. A. F. Hampton is back home again from the coal fields of West Virginia and states that business is again at a stand still out there due to the fact that the coal operators can not sell their output of coal.

Mr. and Mrs. Darwin M. Smith recently went to the state of Maryland. We understand that they have bought farm property up there and will go at an early date to their new home. Mr. Smith came through Washington City where they are preparing for the inauguration of President Coolidge upon a very limited scale.

Saturday March 7 at 7 p. m. is the date set for the meeting at the Rocky Point School House of Deep Gap Boosters. Especially property owners should be there as we want to get in line for bigger things and need your help. Show where you stand by your presence there. We are now faced for the advertising project and need your hearty support behind this movement and under the leadership of Mr. J. T. Triplett, friends about this and arrange to come out.

It is being hoped some transient weather at Deep Gap Spring will come by soon and we cannot expect good weather all winter as a little rain must come before the pretty part begins.

Our absent deputy sheriff Mr. Frank Welch has arrested two men from Caldwell county in the Deep Gap with a small quantity of liquor in the car. Mr. Welch quickly took them to Judge Jacob Meyer where they were given a hearing and bound over to court. Two other pairs of the law took big haul and made their get away when the other two parties were arrested. Law and order stands supreme in Deep Gap. Beware!

SHULLS MILLS, ROUTE 1

The weather has been ideal for the day but looks this morning like there might soon be a change.

The roads are splendid except a few patches of north ground. Sorry to note some sickness in the community just now.

The first daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gaffney has been real sick but slightly improved at this writing.

The little seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henderson Gragg is seriously ill. He has been taken to the Banner Elk Hospital, under the instructions of Dr. Hardin. Appendicitis is the trouble.

We are sorry for Mrs. Manilla and Virginia Dula to be absent from us. They are taking positions at Winston-Salem. Here's hoping the young ladies succeed.

Our Sunday School is going fine under the management of Mr. A. H. Dula as superintendent.

Quite a lot of saw milling going on in the country just now.

FOSCOE

Business is looking up as we understand that W. S. Whiting has bought the lumber industry at Shulls Mills and will begin shipping lumber this week and will start operations at the mill in the near future.

The weather has been fine this morning so fine the ground has lost but as weather prophet.

Mr. Ralph Church has built a garage on the lot he bought of W. H. Bird and is now ready to fix your car. When rain whistles in how soon things get busy.

Mr. Earl White is singing "Hush up honey, don't you cry; you will be a man by and bye." It's a 10 pound note.

Mr. Clifton Pearson, local lumberman, has just returned from Ga. looking over the lumber prospects of that section.

It is hoped that a good number of the citizens of the Foscoe school district and adjoining districts will meet the Board of Education next Monday for the purpose of getting a consolidated school at Foscoe.

The people of this section are delighted to hear that there is going to be a survey made for a state highway from Boone by Shulls Mills, Foscoe and Linthe Gap to Newsum. Beyond all question this is the nearest and best grade, easiest constructed and will accommodate more people than any other route.

Say Brother Farmer isn't it about time we are looking out where we are going to plant our crop? Let's get a move on and make some "hog and hominy" at home. What do you say?

ONE EXCEPTION

Spatson: "Every bell can be tolled. Mike "You're wrong. I told a dumb bell but it didn't mean a thing."

TRIPLETT

Rev. M. D. Miller has been a very sick man for the past week but at this writing is somewhat improved.

Mr. Del Triplett of Hellen, West Virginia is now visiting home folks at Triplett. We are always glad to see Del back in the land of his birth.

The writing school now being conducted by Mr. Z. T. Watson of Brook side, is progressing nicely, and the large number of lady pupils in attendance were glad to have Mr. Billy Nelson pay a number of visits to the school, as Mr. Benson is very popular in the literary and social circles here.

Last Sunday was a splendid day at the Baptist church. After Sunday School a very attentive and enthusiastic congregation took in the black board demonstration given by Mr. Z. T. Watson on biography and the physical geography of the Bible. In the afternoon, Mr. Thomas Johnson conducted a song service, being a leader of the Mt. Epiphany choir.

Mr. Newton Cook, student at the A. T. S. visited home folks Saturday and Sunday, and was present at Sunday School.

The Deep Gap correspondent suggested some months ago through the columns of the Democrat that questions be put him for discussion. Perhaps the readers of the Democrat would be interested in an article from this correspondent on the question of evolution.

Mr. W. A. Watson of Deep Gap was down in this community last Sunday and purchased eight dozen Pennsylvania Back eggs for his incubator. It seems that Mr. Watson is very energetic and means to help make Deep Gap attractive.

Our hunting merchants Messrs. Naul, Wheeler and Charlie Triplett were off last week to North Wilkesboro, looking after the purchase of their spring stock of goods.

Miss Norie Miller was a pleasant visitor last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hayes.

The weeping willows along the Creek are taking on a coat of green and the song of birds and warm air have heralded that spring is near.

MEAT CAMP

Marvel is coming in like a flash. Here's hoping she goes on like a lamb.

Rev. I. A. Wilson went to Tammack on last Sunday to hold funeral services of Mrs. Selma Pettit. She died of pneumonia fever.

A series of meetings will begin at the Methodist church on next Sunday. The pastor Rev. T. G. Williams will be assisted by Rev. Emory Motetz of this county.

Messrs. Henry, Wade, Ray and Fred Lewis who have been visiting their sick father Mr. J. L. Lewis will return to their homes in West Virginia this week.

Miss Jessie Wilson began a ten days writing school at the winnabarger school house on last Monday. She having just finished a term of ten days at Tamarack last Friday.

Mrs. John Lewis and son Glenn and Mrs. Harkierad of Boone visited at the home of W. A. Peffitt on last Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. Jeffcoat held his regular services on last Sunday at the home of Mr. N. C. Mowry on account of Mrs. Mowry's bad health, we suppose.

Mr. Grady Winbarger and wife have moved back to Meat Camp from Boone.

Misses Lela and Bonnie Davis of Boone attended Sunday School at the Baptist church on last Sunday.

LET'S MAKE DEEP GAP BEAUTIFUL

(W. A. Watson.)

The writer has had his heart and soul in a movement to make Deep Gap a more attractive community. It may be a hobby or a pet scheme of mine, but in doing this I feel that I have the support of all the good and loyal citizens of the community.

We would like to have the trail made very attractive by each and every one setting out shrubs and every home by the side a flower garden.

We are expecting a large shipment of rainbow trout to arrive this week to be planted in the waters of Gap Creek, then after a year or so, you may fish to your heart's content with hook and line in the open season.

We would like to see a better and bigger school for this community and hope a proper and desirable location will be found when this building is erected which should be near Deep Gap as possible for the convenience of all schools which might come under the consolidation.

We hope to see the day when a standard railway will penetrate this section and a real first class little town spring up around here almost overnight, so to speak.

Let's keep up our hopes and some day we will wake up to find that everything has come true.

OBITUARY

Watauga county lost one of its best men when Wm. Monroe Baird died after a short illness at his home on Monday Feb. 23, 1925, at the age of 68 years, 6 months and 10 days. The funeral services were held in Liberty Methodist Episcopal church on the 17th and was conducted by Rev. B. F. Kneeland of Knoxville, Tenn., the president of the Cumberland Seventh Day Adventist Church, assisted by the Rev. F. E. Washburn of Johnson City Tenn. Mr. Vance Mastin paid fitting tributes to his Godly life.

Mr. Baird was very highly respected by all who knew him, and his death is a great loss to the community. He was especially active in religious work, being a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church for forty years. He has acted as its local elder as well as serving in the same capacity at Banner Elk.

His Christian life and Godly influence have done much for the

masses of religion. He married Miss Sarah E. Clark July 7, 1878. She with two daughters, Miss Frances M. McGinnis of Vano and Miss Lillian Baird and two adopted children Mrs. C. S. Lowrance of Boone and Earl Baird, aged mother, three brothers and three sisters survive.

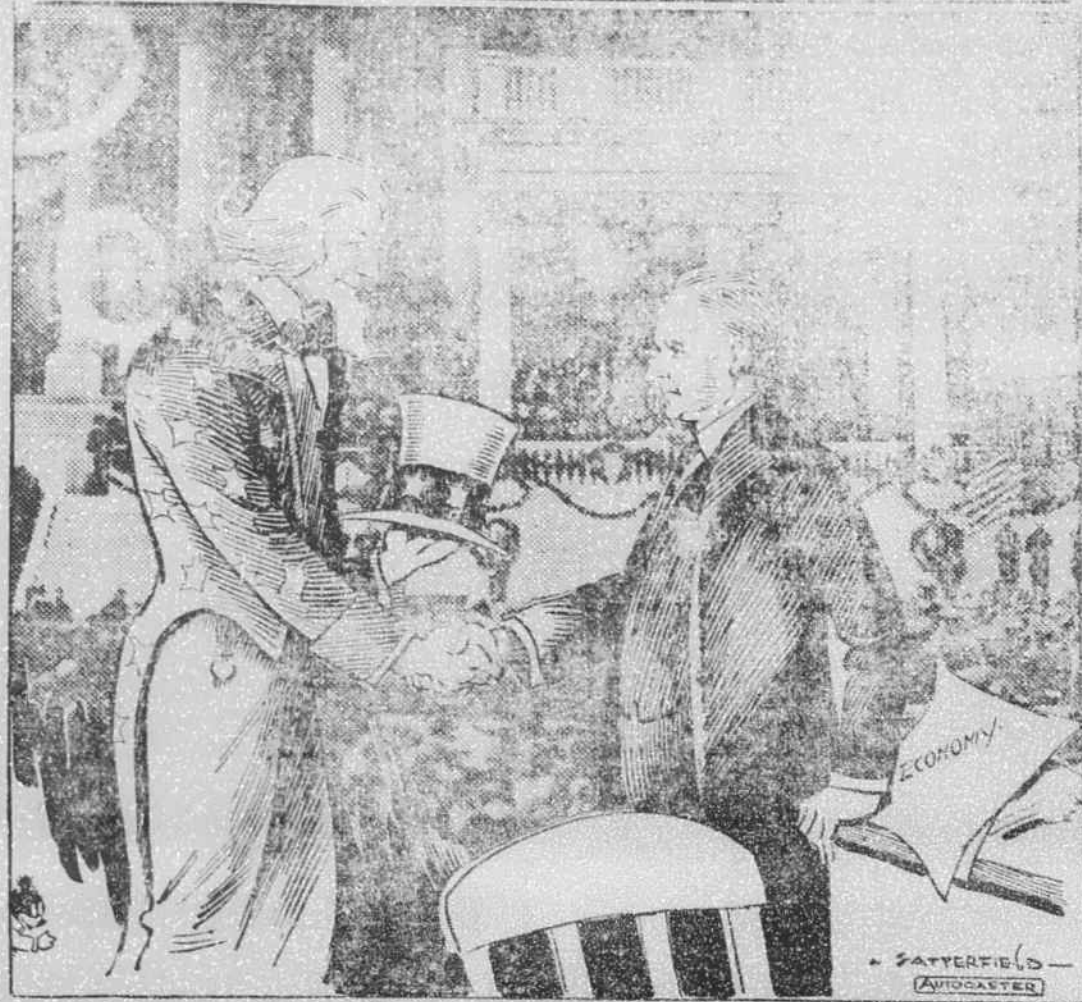
ECCENTRICITIES OF CLIMATE

(Charlotte Observer.) It is a peculiar characteristic of piedmont and mountain climate that an early Spring has more manifestation in budding trees and blooming flowers than in the central part of the state. Far back in the mountains the trees and flowers are giving tokens of spring. In the piedmont yards and lawns are abloom, with pear and peach trees in full bloom in sheltered spots. But leaving Charlotte in the direction of the sandhills these tokens gradually disappear, until through Montgomery, Moore, Lee and Chatham counties they are about and

rather the fields and orchards and yards bearing the aspect of mid-winter. In Mecklenburg county peach trees were in bloom two weeks ago, but in the orchards of the sandhills there is no sign of the approach of spring here and there a yellow bell bush is bursting into bloom while in this section the blooms are falling off. But when the peach trees in the sandhill orchards do begin to bloom they come in a hurry and almost overnight the whole landscape is covered with white and pink.

It is rather a curious circumstance this early blooming in the colder sections and the late blooming in the warmer belt, but the people in the piedmont are living in the mildness of the early season, while the people in the sandhills are patiently awaiting its coming. Likewise the early blossoms there do not "catch it" as is common in this section, and as evidenced by the wilted Japanese magnolias that were bud yesterday the glory of Charlotte.

TO OUR THIRTIETH PRESIDENT



This Week by Arthur Brisbane. OUR GIFTS TO JUSTICE. DEFECTIVE TEETH AND HANDS. OUR FEEBLE IMAGINATION. NEIGHBORLY NATIONS.

a nearly made instrument. Our teeth cause suffering and death. Their better planing would not do that. Even our five-fingered hands, worn have been much impaired by using one finger. With that extra finger we should use in arithmetic the superior duodecimal system, instead of the inferior decimal system, and we could play stringed instruments of a higher, more complicated kind.

Floyd Collins' suffering is over. This man's death illustrates the power and the weakness of human imagination. A hundred men risked their lives to save his. Doctors went to his rescue by flying machine, but could do nothing. The entire nation followed closely the tragic story. Imagination showed the man lying in the low cave, his leg cranked by the 14,000-pound rock, existing day after day for nearly two weeks in horrible agony and discomfort.

It was possible to imagine clearly that dreadful situation. And the nation sympathized. Any legislature would gladly have voted \$100,000 to save Collins.

The same nation, through its legislatures, refuses to pass the Child Labor amendment that would free tens of thousands of children from years of slow torment.

The feeble public imagination cannot see clearly those children in the mill.

The Prince of Wales, whom Americans recently made very welcome, is interested in a plan to send British students to this country. That is common sense, as well as a pleasant compliment.

The Rhodes scholarship system, that now sends American boys to British universities, will be reversed in the new plan. The way to establish peace is to increase intelligence. When nations know each other, they will compete instead of fighting.

There is disappointment because the British Church can't find a way to make a saint of Florence Nightingale, and supply her with a halo. The answer to that is that Florence Nightingale is a saint already, and needs no halo.

When she went to Scutari, with her group of devoted nurses, to save from needless death the wounded men in the Crimea, sticking at her work, although prostrated with fever, she made herself a saint. Nothing that the Archbishop of Canterbury might do would make her saintliness more real.

Doem Uncle John

Jim Duff was a fellow we all admired—was a regular glutton for speed; the pace weren't invented that made Jim free—on that we was all agreed. He never forewent an accident—our reckoned no accident what his fish meant when he travelled one step too far.

A man goes fast these miraculous days, without spreading' dire alarm,—but the one wrong step at the partin' of ways, is the item that brings the harm. We all jigger on at a five-ly clip, in a race where the swiftest wins, but a step too far—at the end of the trip is when the disaster begins.

We hardly can say it's the pace that kills, since humanity's heart to fly. It aint the miles—nor the size of the hills that frown as we're whizzin' by. But the warnin' cruth that confronts our gaze, is sparklin' without a blur,—The error that hastens the end of days is—goin' a step too fur!



The Judge's Joke

WHEN I TOLD MA IT WAS A SIN TO PAY \$50. FOR A HAT, SHE SED LET IT BE ON MY HEAD!



OUR PRESIDENT

President Coolidge at last. The end of the long trial of preparation has been reached. With the inauguration we need have no further an experienced man to guide the reins of the national government. Up to this man the responsibility has been kept by the people of this country. The heavy load has been borne by the people of this country. The people of this country have had better in partnership to shape a government and ready to follow the lead of the people of this country. The people of this country have had better in partnership to shape a government and ready to follow the lead of the people of this country. The people of this country have had better in partnership to shape a government and ready to follow the lead of the people of this country.

WHY NOT MOVE THE PREVIOUS QUESTION

Why not move the previous question and begin the Musical Shows argument all over again.

France would now like us to lend her another hundred million dollars. That chap Lafayette was a costly visitor.

It is now proposed to inoculate oysters against typhoid. Good. Every oyster should be compelled to comply with the law.

THEY ALL DO

Smyke: "Well, there is much to be said on both sides of the question."

Dickson: "That's right and my wife said it."

ED PURDY'S PHILOS

"It looks like the next war is gonna be a banquet. They keep talking about hot dog bombs and mustard gas."

SHERLOCK SNICKER IN ACTION

Snickier: "I think Wright must be born and raised in London."

Snee: "Why London?"

Snickier: "Well, they have lots of frogs over there."

Snee: "What have frogs got to do with Wright?"

Snickier: "Well, he's always going around blowing his own horn."