

Local News Items

District Supt. W. R. Bean, of the I. O. O. F., organized a lodge of Odd Fellows at Smith Grove, Davie county, Saturday evening last. The degree work was done by the Cooleseme team. The new lodge has a membership of 42.

The Moyle Brothers here, Messrs. John and Jams, received a message from South Dakota Friday announcing the death of their brother, Matthew Moyle, at West Point, S. D. His death was due to paralysis, from which he had been a sufferer for a year. He was 62 years old and a family survive him.

An assignment of the millinery business of Misses Crowson & Hutchinson was made before Squire W. B. Smoot last Friday morning. The liabilities are in advance of the inventory and will not exceed the assets.

C. C. Ramsey, brother of Postmaster Ramsey, is in the city for a visit of a month or more. His many friends will be glad to know that he is looking well and has been quite successful in his adopted home.

Dr. J. M. Neal, of Lynville, Tenn., will move here about January 1st and practice dentistry in Salisbury. Dr. Neal is the son-in-law of J. M. Proctor, of Salisbury, and is a graduate of the University of Tennessee. He has had 10 years experience with his profession and comes to Salisbury with the most flattering testimonials as for personal work and ability.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen D. Thompson, of Cincinnati, Ohio, are in the city visiting Mr. Thompson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson. Mr. Thompson was married in Cincinnati about one month ago.

The wedding of Miss Josephine Branche Craig and Dr. Clarence Klutz, at St. Luke's Episcopal church last Wednesday evening, was one of the most brilliant functions which has taken place in Salisbury for some time. The ceremony was most beautiful; the capacity of the church was insufficient for all those who wished to be present at the ceremony, many of whom came from a distance; and the gifts were very numerous and of considerable value. After the ceremony the couple left for an extended tour.

Esquire D. M. Miller has a fine water melon in his show window that some folks will most likely devour today.

D. B. Phillips, son of Paul Phillips, one of Rowan's most energetic and successful farmers, who is studying medicine in the University of Michigan, is at home to spend the holidays with his parents and friends. Mr. Phillips is a bright young man and has a splendid future before him.

U. M. Pless, one of the substantial farmers of Rowan in the Lentz postoffice neighborhood, has moved to Kannapolis, Cabarrus Co., where Mrs. Pless and daughter will conduct a boarding house. A. W. Pless, son of U. M. Pless will conduct the farm in Rowan. Mr. Pless's many friends here regret to lose him but hope that he will merit with much success in his new home.

Monday a fine turkey was received at this office directed to the editor and conveying the further information that it was from a friend. We believe we can name our friend, but as his modesty caused him to withhold his name, we can do no more than state our high appreciation both as to the gift and more particularly of the spirit in which it was given. Good friend may your cup of joy be ever full.

R. B. Brown, of Iredell county, and Miss Irene Fesperman, of Salisbury, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at 7:30 Sunday afternoon by Rev. R. R. Sowers of the Lutheran church. The marriage was a very select affair, only a few close friends and relatives being present. They spend the Christmas holidays at Mr. Brown's old home in Iredell.

Just a little Cascasweet is all that is necessary to give your baby when it is cross and peevish. Cascasweet contains no opiates nor harmful drugs and is highly recommended by mothers everywhere. Confirms to the National Pure Food Law. Sold by James Plummer and all druggists.

The barbers of Salisbury have signified their willingness of keeping closed on Christmas day. Many of the stores will close and it is hoped the boss will also lock their doors, front and rear, and thus curtail the evil intemperance on this day.

Swift & Co., the big Chicago packers, have opened a branch of their business here. They have a warehouse and salesroom with Overman & Co., on Kerr street, near the passenger station. Mr. Ir T. Walker, of Greenville, S. C., is the manager.

Information reaches us that Edwin C. Gregory is lying seriously ill with pneumonia at his home in Halifax county, contracted while out hunting. It is to be hoped that the report is untrue, and that the gentleman is only suffering from a severe cold.

Tom Bird, a negro, came into Salisbury and was the cause of calling out a brace of bloodhounds, one of our local officers, and a sheriff's posse, to apprehend some hold-up men. L. D. Basinger and H. C. Copley were arrested and tried on the charge, but the testimony of the prosecuting witness was so conflicting that they were promptly discharged. Bird has a criminal record in South Carolina, and is being held awaiting instructions from the authorities of Winesboro, S. C.

On last Saturday at Spencer the employees of the Southern Railway Company were paid \$100,000. While many of the employees are now out of work it is expected that by the first of the year all the idle men will be put to work again.

A letter received by members of his family here last Saturday from James M. Harrison, tells of his marriage in Orangeburg, S. C., last Sunday. He was married last Sunday to Miss Clara Sopes, of Orangeburg, the ceremony being a very quiet affair. Mr. Harrison has been living in Orangeburg for the greater part of the past two years. His host of Salisbury friends will be glad to learn of his marriage.

"Home Coming" night of North State Lodge, No. 26, I. O. O. F., will take place here on the evening of December 31. M. R. McNinch with several local celebrities will be the orators of the occasion. A smoker will be held immediately after the ceremonies.

J. W. Hendricks, a U. S. Internal revenue officer was shot and instantly killed at Smithville settlement on Friday morning last while in the discharge of his duty — destroying "blockaded" whiskey stills. No clew as to who did the shooting.

Dr. R. E. Stallings has been tendered the position of State's chemist by the governor of Georgia, with headquarters at Atlanta. He has not as yet decided whether he will accept or not.

The court house was thronged last Saturday as the result of a meeting of our representative farmers. The meeting was a very enthusiastic one and indicated that our farmers are alive to the new agricultural conditions as exemplified by the agents of the government.

North Carolina Banks Get Panama Canal Bonds.

North Carolina national banks will get \$147,000 of the \$25,000,000 issue of Panama canal bonds by the government. The banks purchasing the bonds and the amounts allotted are as follows: Southern National Bank, of Wilmington, \$60,000, at 102 1/2; First National Bank of Marion, \$58,000, at 102 1/2; First National Bank of Wadesboro, \$21,000, at 102 1/2; Merchants and Farmers Bank of Charlotte, \$10,000, at 103.07.

A tickling cough, from any cause, is quickly stopped by Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. And it is so thoroughly harmless and safe, that Dr. Shoop tells mothers everywhere to give it without hesitation even to very young babes. The whole-some green leaves and tender stems of a lung-healing mountainous shrub, furnish the curative properties to Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. It calms the cough, and heals the sore and sensitive bronchial membranes. No opium, no chloroform, nothing harsh used to injure or suppress. Simply a resinous plant extract, that helps to heal aching lungs. The Spaniards call this shrub which the Doctor uses, "The Sacred Herb." Always demand Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. Grimes' Drug Store.

DEATHS.

STALLINGS, Miss MINNIE, daughter of Rev. J. N. Stallings, died at the home of her father in Spencer, early Thursday morning after a very brief illness the result of pneumonia. Miss Stallings was a splendid musician and a most lovable young woman. Since the death of her mother she was mistress in the home and her taking away is a great loss to those who had been accustomed to her daily ministrations of love. The funeral was conducted from the First Baptist Church, Sunday morning and her remains were interred in Chestnut Hill cemetery, Rev. R. E. Neighbor officiating. Besides her father she leaves four sisters: Miss Bettie Stallings, and Mrs. Kate Woodruff, of Spencer; Mrs. D. A. Gray, of Little Rock, Ark.; Mrs. W. A. Lambeth, of Charlotteville, Va.; and three brothers, Robert E. Stallings, Ph. D., of Atlanta; J. N. Stallings, Jr., and E. O. Stallings, of Salisbury.

Richard G. Cheney, one of the foremen in the Southern's machine shop at Spencer, died on Friday morning, Dec. 20th, at his home of pneumonia. Mr. Cheney was about 55 years old and came here from Thomasville. He was a member of several fraternal orders and gave them his allegiance. He was injured some years ago while in the performance of duties and had not enjoyed perfect health since the accident. A year ago he lost his wife and the bereavement weighed heavily upon him. A son, R. G. Cheney, Jr., survives him. The funeral took place in Thomasville last Sunday.

What One Farmer Did.

H. Stokes Barger, one of Rowan's best farmers, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Barger says he made 112 bushels of corn and 4 1/2 gallons of molasses on 2 acres of land. The ground was cleared last winter by Mr. and Mrs. Barger and the variety of corn planted was Pope's Prolific. The stalks had from one to five ears each and were good average ears. His entire crop consisted of 450 bushels of corn, eight bales of cotton, 25 bushels of peas, 30 bushels of wheat, about 100 bushels of oats and considerable roughness. He killed two hogs recently which weighed 750 pounds. They were 18 months of age. Beside THE WATCHMAN, Mr. Barger reads the best farms papers.

Old Fiddlers' Convention.

A large audience turned out to hear the Old Fiddlers' Convention at Meroney's Theater on last Friday night evening, and if the vast throng did not get their money's worth it was not the fault of the performers. A feature of the entertainment was the characteristic bowing of the varied aspirants for first place. Charlie Pegram with his banjo was a delightful lull in the hitherto battle of the bows. Prizes were awarded as follows:

- W C Hill, best lead; Dr J L White, 2nd best; Rufus Ruffy, 3rd best.
- John Sloop, best 2nd fiddle, G W Prim, 2nd best; J E Briggs, 3rd best.
- Booby Prize, B P Basinger.
- Most Comical Fiddler, M A Lemley.
- Best of Most Old Time Music, M. J. Poole.
- Best Banjo, Charley Pegram.

Thousands of men and women in all walks of life are suffering from the kidney and bladder troubles. Don't neglect your kidneys. Delays are dangerous. DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills afford quick relief for all forms of kidney and bladder troubles. A week's treatment 25c. Sold by James Plummer and all druggists.

The Formal Call.

French Lick, Ind., Dec. 28.— Chairman Thomas Taggart, of the Democratic national committee, issued formal announcement of the action of the committee in selecting July 7th as the time and Denver as the place for holding the next national convention.

Rich or poor alike are habitually constipated. It slays its victims by thousands, although some other name goes into the death certificate. Drugs will not cure. Eat daily.

DR. PRICE'S
WHEAT FLAKE CEREAL
FOOD
which is of a laxative nature.
10 cents a package.
For sale by all Grocers

DIRECTIONS FOR GETTING:

Take fifty cents in your hand and go to the druggist and ask him for it.

DIRECTIONS FOR USING:

Open the bottle and put the contents, a small portion at a time, on the place affected—if the lungs on the chest—and rub as if you were expecting to find a bushel of twenty dollar gold pieces. That's the story: In an hour or two, and not longer than a day, no matter how bad off you may be, there will be a clearing up. You will feel yourself again. Shorter direction is the old one: Rub it on your chest under your vest—and it will do the rest. WHAT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT? Why, GOWAN'S PNEUMONIA CURE for Croup, Colds, Coughs, Appendicitis, anything and everything where there is INFLAMMATION. Guaranteed and five thousand testimonials. All druggists—of course it is external.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

But a few days more and Christmastide, the time for making gifts to our friends and loved ones will be here, so we cordially invite you to look over our fine and select stock of

FURNITURE.

So table as gifts for both old and young:

We have little Chairs for the children at only 50c. We have Rugs, Carpet and Matting for the floor, Pictures for the walls, Lamps for the table, Tables for the lamps, Clocks for the shelves Stoves for heating and cooking, Window Shades, Fiddles, Guitars, Banjos. Auto-harps, etc.

Our odd pieces in Leather, Wicker, Oak, Mahogany for all parts of the house and for any service is unusually complete and attractive.

All Kinds of Christmas Gifts from 50 Cents and Up.

Come and examine Our Stock.

Respectfully,

W. B. SUMMERSETT

SUMMERSETT-BELL UNDERTAKING COMPANY,

Coffins, Caskets and Burial Robes, Do Undertaking and Conduct Funerals.

108 West Innes Street.

HOT STUFF

Specials for the COLD WEATHER for Saturday and Next Week.

Prices cut in two in the middle and set on fire at both ends. This is the bargain event of the season. Read each and every item. But these are only a few of the Bargains:

Bleaching Specials.

- Good of grade of Bleaching 7 1-2c
- 10c grade of Poe Bleaching at 8 1-2c
- 12c grade of Poe Bleaching, nice and soft 9 1-2c

Cotton Goods Specials.

- Sheeting yard wide at 5c
- Best grade of heavy sheeting worth 8c, special at 7c
- 7c Light outing at 5c
- 8c Apron Gingham at 6c
- CALICO, at 5c

Petticoats.

- Extra good thing in black Petticoats, nicely made at 98c

Specials in Underwear

- Ladies 25c ribbed cotton vest and pants, special at 19c
- Childrens Union Suits at 25c
- Ladies 50c Union Suits all sizes, good heavy weight special at 38c
- Boys heavy fleeced Union suits worth 85c, special 50c
- Boys heavy fleeced shirt and drawers 25c
- Mens Undershirts at 25c
- Mens heavy Canton drawers worth 35c, special at 25c
- Mens 50c heavy fleeced shirts, special at 39c
- Mens \$1 grade heavy fleeced shirts and drawers at 68c

Hosiery

- Infants black hose, 4 to 6 at 5c
- Childrens heavy ribbed hose, all sizes, 10c 3 for 25c
- Ladies grey hose 10c, 8 for 25c
- Mens 10c socks, tan, black red or blue at 5c
- Mens 15c part wool socks at 10c
- Mens grey socks at 5c
- Mens extra heavy grey socks at 10c 3 for 25c

Blankets

- Gray & white cotton blanket, special at 48c
- Better cotton blankets in grey and white at 98 & \$1.48

Cloaks and Coat Suits.

You can't match us on cloaks. We have a big stock and some extra good values. Give us a look. You'll not miss anything by seeing what we have.

Hot Shot Prices in Shoes

- We have a big stock of shoes, too many in some lines, and we are making prices to turn them into money quick.
- Childrens coarse every day shoes 9 to 12, worth 75c at 59c
- Shoes 13 to 2 worth 85c 69c
- Women's worth \$1.00 at 79c
- Women's Dongola cap toe fine shoes at 98c
- EXTRA SPECIAL, women's \$1.48 kangaroo cap toe, every day shoes all solid insole, and will give real good wear, special at 1.25
- Men's cap toe shoes at 1.25
- Brogan, extra good one, worth \$1.75 at 1.50
- Hickory calf shoes for men, every day shoe, cap or plain toe at \$2.00 \$2.50
- Men's \$2.50 patent Blucher shoe, special, \$1.98
- Men's patent Blucher welt \$3 shoe \$2.48
- Men's \$3.50 patent and gun metal, special at \$2.98
- Men's \$4.00 patent shoes \$3.48

Bargains in Furs.

All of our stores got together and a large manufacturer made special prices to get all of our accounts. So we are able to offer Furs at less than many pay for them.

- 75c Fur for 48c
- \$1.50 Furs for .99c
- Extra nice long Furs at \$1.50 \$1.98 and up.

Christmast Goods

Big stock of toys of all kinds up stairs, now upon at lowest prices. Also lots of other Christmas goods for useful presents. Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Table Covers, Pillow Tops. Sheers that are guaranteed, while Quilts, and lots of other useful articles at lowest prices, are to be found.

Clothing Special

- Men's odd pants worth \$1.50 and \$2.00, special price 98c
- One lot of Men's suits worth from \$4 to \$7.50, good, heavy winter suits, but only one of a kind, choice \$2.48
- Men's pants worth \$3.50. \$3.00
- Men's pants worth \$4.00. \$3.50
- Men's long overcoats at \$3.48
- Better overcoats at \$4.98 & \$8.50.
- Men's suits extra good value \$7.50 & \$10.00

Glove-All Kindss

- Ladies' and Childrens' Mittens at 10c 15c and 25c
- Ladies Cashmere Gloves at 25c and 48c
- The Best Ladies Kid Glove to be found at price \$1.00
- Men's and Boy's Gloves of all kinds and prices.

Lace Curtains

- Nice pair lace curtains 2 1/2 yd long at 48c
- \$1.25 lace curtains, 8 yds long, real pretty patterns at 98c

Hand Bags

- Nice large hand Bag at 25c
- Big selection of Hand Bags at 48c and 98c
- Back or siple combs at 10c
- Box of cards and envelopes 10c

Millinery

We can sell you a very pretty hat now awfully CHEAP. Big reduction on all ready trimmed hats. See our 25 counter.

Skirts.

- Heavy winter skirts worth \$1 special at 75c

Towels

- Nice large huch towels at 8c
- Turkish bath towels at 10c

The Tide of Trade Flows this Way. BELK-HARRY CO.

Grimes Says

DEAR CUSTOMER:

You have missed a treat if you have not been to our store within the last few days and seen our big and splendid display of Christmas goods of every description. It has been a long while since any firm in this city has been more careful in selecting Christmas Goods than we have been this year. We want you to come and get acquainted with our stock. Our advice is to come early, for the earlier you buy, the bigger variety you have to choose from.

Trusting that we may have the pleasure of welcoming you, and showing you our line of Christmas goods within the near future, we beg to remain,

Yours, very sincerely,

GRIMES' THE DRUGGIST.