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## LOCAL LEGISLATION

The following laws passed by the recent session of the legislature applying to Transylvania county are now in effect.

An act absolutely prohibiting the shipment of intoxicating liquors into Transylvania county was ratified March 8th, and under the provisions of this law it is now a misdemeanor for a person to receive it or for the railroads to haul it.

An act allowing the county commissioners to sell the present county home and purchase another.

An act supplementing the contingent fund of the county. This act has been passed at each session for the past several years.

An act relative to the working of the public roads of the county. This law was printed in full in a recent issue of the News.

An act amending the recorder's court law, allowing the grand jury to inquire into petty misdemeanors and return true bills, but requiring the judge of the Superior court to remand such cases back to the recorder for trial. This act also gives the Superior court concurrent jurisdiction of petty misdemeanors of which the recorder has not taken jurisdiction within sixty days after commission of offense.

The following state-wide laws will also be of interest to citizens of Transylvania:

A mandatory provision in the machinery act by which an undeveloped water power and standing merchantable timber can be taxed. This provision was inserted in the machinery act by Transylvania's representative, Mr. Deaver, who was a member of the sub-finance committee, which drew the machinery act, and is expected to produce several thousand dollars in taxes to the county.

An act to divide the state into two judicial districts.

An act increasing the allowance of Confederate veterans.

An act making bills of lading competent evidence.

An act restricting the process of court inferior to the Superior court.

An act giving witnesses, solicitors and other officers of the court full fees where convicted party is sent to the roads.

An act requiring telephone, electric light and gas companies to furnish sworn appraisement of property.

State-wide primary bill. Primary for all parties on the first Saturday in August. This county is excepted as applying to nominations of county officers and members of the legislature. Five per cent of the voters may petition board of election for election to see if the county desires to be included as to these officers, and if the people vote for primary then all officers come under the provisions of the bill.

## LANDS CHANGE HANDS

There have been a few deals in property of unusual interest lately. Those coming within our notice are as follows:

The subject of one hundred acres of land by C. C. Duckworth to W. C. McCall. This tract is a part of what is known as the Symington farm near Selma, and includes the large dwelling house occupied for some time by Mr. Duckworth's family. Mr. McCall's family has moved into this house from his former home near Chestnut Hill. The purchase price was \$8,500.

A double transfer originating with Mrs. S. M. Peters, conveyed to R. H. Morrow two lots on the east extension of Main street, between the Boyden place and the Carrier lot. The consideration was \$1,000.

Zachary Osteen sold to W. S. Ashworth the lot on French Broad avenue, recently acquired from Pat Henry.

Rev. E. H. Norwood bought from Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Deaver a lot on Proberts street between the Presbyterian manse and the Townsend place. On this lot Mr. Norwood has already laid the foundations of a dwelling house, which is to be a two-story brick structure of about eight rooms.

## GENERAL NEWS

Unarmed and accompanied only by one orderly and two Navajo scouts, General Hugh L. Scott of the United States army about two weeks ago set out to arrest the ring-leaders of an uprising among the Pinte Indians in southern Utah. The uprising had resulted from an attempt to arrest the Indian Tse-No-Gat for murder. The federal authorities had been defeated in this attempt and General Scott had decided on a policy of diplomacy, though warned by officials that he would put himself in grave danger. After about ten days General Scott and party returned, reaching Bluff, Utah, with the four Indian chiefs responsible for the uprising. He sent a message to Secretary Garrison announcing the success of his mission, saying that he was conducting the Indians to Salt Lake city and had left everything peaceful in southern Utah.

The Germans made a daring Zeppelin raid on March 21 in the darkness over France, their objective point being Paris. Only two of the Zeppelins reached the city, upon which they dropped several bombs. The excitement in the streets of Paris took more the form of curiosity and interest than fear. Very little damage was done by the bombs.

Italy has long stood on neutral ground between the English-French-Russian allies on the one hand and the Teutonic allies on the other. Although formally united in the Triple Alliance, Italy and Austria are old enemies, the latter holding territory on the Adriatic which Italy considers as properly her own. In order to keep Italy's neutrality secured, Germany has been trying to induce Austria to cede this territory to Italy, according to reports current in Europe, but the session is different until after the close of the war. The strain of peaceful relations between Italy and Austria seems almost to have reached the point of rupture.

German newspapers, commenting on the unofficial visit of Col. E. M. House to their country, say that he will find Germany in a well-ordered condition, the business and industrial conditions of peace prevailing and the people in no way disposed to consider peace except from the standpoint of victory. Colonel House has been sent by Americans in the interest of peace, in order to ascertain on what condition it may be brought about.

An official report from St. Petersburg, March 22, announced the capture of the Gallivan fortress of Pridnyel by the Russians. This report, if true, marks the second anniversary of the capture of this important and fortified city by the Russian armies.

The fall of Przemyel has been confirmed by reports from Petrograd and Vienna, the latter conceding the loss of the fortress but claiming that no serious change is thereby made in the situation. St. Petersburg, Paris and London, on the other hand, are rejoicing over the victory, which they claim to be one of the most important of the war. According to these claims, the way to Cracow and the plains of Hungary has been thrown open to the Russians, and the moral effect of quickening the decision of hesitating countries like Bulgaria and Rumania will be very greatly in favor of the allies.

## For the Stomach and Liver.

I. N. Stuart, West Webster, N. Y., writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for disorders of the stomach and liver off and on for past five years, and it affords me pleasure to state that I have found them to be just as represented. They are mild in their action and the results have been satisfactory. I value them highly." For sale by all dealers.

## COLONY WANTS LOCATION

Transylvania county has an opportunity to locate a colony of good farmers in her borders, provided a ten thousand acre tract may be secured for them at a reasonable price in a short time. The following letter from the industrial agent of the Southern railway explains the proposition:

"Here is an opportunity to locate a colony of good farmers in the vicinity of Brevard, providing we can secure within a reasonable time, a tract of ten thousand acres or more, with some cleared land in condition to be utilized as an agricultural and live stock proposition.

"This department is in touch with one of the most successful colonizers in the north, who would be glad to consider the purchase of such an acreage as above mentioned, with a view to its immediate subdivision and sale in small farms to northern farmers. Ten thousand acres would be considered, however twenty thousand acres, or more, would have a greater appeal to this party.

"In furnishing this description it is especially requested that a plat, or blue print, accompany same, and permit us to suggest that the description be full in every particular, giving acreage in timber, whether virgin or second growth, how much it will cut, the acreage cleared, how watered, the area subject to overflow, price—in fact not a single detail should be omitted, as this is a big proposition, and in submitting a description to our client we do not want to make the mistake of omitting any details."

Any citizen of Transylvania who can offer any suggestion as to the location of such a colony, is urgently requested to communicate with Mr. Thos. H. Shipman, president, or Mr. C. M. Doyle, secretary, of the Brevard Club, without delay.

## MISSIONARY SOCIETY BANQUET

On March 22 the young men of the Young People's Missionary Society entertained the young Ladies of the Society with a banquet at the Aethelwold Hotel. This banquet was given in honor of the retiring Superintendent, Mrs. A. M. Verdery, whom all members of the Society regret very much to lose.

Eugene Allison, as President of the Society acted as toastmaster of the occasion, and the following members responded: W. H. Allison, Jr., subject, "The Ladies," or "The greatest thing under the canopy of Heaven"; Verne Clement, subject, "The tragedy of a Heathen"; Henry Ransom, subject, "Our Society"; J. R. Hamlin, subject, "The Society from the Outsider's Viewpoint"; Miss Agnes Kilpatrick, subject, "The Origin of our Society"; Miss Nena Hodges, subject, "The Business of the Superintendent"; Miss Irene Montgomery, subject, "The Superintendent."

Mrs. A. M. Verdery tendered her resignation as superintendent and gave a speech of regret on having to withdraw. Thanking the society for the courtesy and respect shown her during her term as Superintendent, Eugene Allison, as President, responded in behalf of the Society.

The following members were present: Mesdames W. O'K. King; P. P. Smathers, A. M. Verdery, Misses Agnes, Marie and Ada Kilpatrick, Ruby Faulkner, Mabel Miller, Irene Montgomery, Doris Edwards, Eula Jolley, Daisy Morton, Bertie Ballard, Beth Gardner, Mariab Loftis, Maude Allison, Nena Hodges, Annie May Robbins; Messrs. Clarence Braeken, W. C. Whitmore, Roland Whitmore, Rush Whitmore, Verne and Ralph Clement, Henry Ransom, Barry and Louie Loftis, Manardy Cloud, Ed Mackay, J. R. Hamlin, Ernest Miller, Chas. Nichols, W. H. Allison, Eugene Allison, Sam A. Allison, Percy May Verdery.

The society rendered a vote of thanks to Mrs. A. H. King for the elaborate menu which she prepared for them and the hospitable way in which she entertained them.

EOGENE ALLISON, Pres.  
W. C. WATKINS, Sec.

## WESTERN CAROLINA NEWS

The colored settlement of "Needmore" lost the bulk of its white residents this week, they having been officially invited to find an abode at some place remote therefrom.—Old Fort Sentinel.

President Wilson, upon recommendation of Senator Overman, has appointed Rev. J. J. Gray as postmaster at Sylva, and Mr. Gray will receive his commission in a few days.—J. J. Wild was here Tuesday en route to Ruby City. Mr. Wild states that the owners of the Ruby City mines are contemplating beginning work up there at once. New machinery for the corundum works has been shipped and is expected daily. A number of men will be given work in a short time. It is the intention of the exploiters to construct an electric railway from Ruby City to Willets, utilizing the power on Dark Ridge creek.—Jackson County Journal.

The board of aldermen at a special meeting held Monday night decided to submit to a vote of the people the question of extending the corporate limits of the town according to the charter as amended at the recent session of the legislature.—Before United States Commissioner R. E. Osborne on Monday morning a hearing was given Tom Campbell on the charge of operating an illicit distillery. The raid was made Saturday night by Deputy Collector J. A. Galloway and Messrs. Berry Platt and George Coble. The still was discovered in the basement under the kitchen of Campbell's house near Samscock. It was a copper still of about seventy gallons capacity and was full of beer when found. Nearly was about three gallons of liquor. The still was cut up and Campbell was arrested. Commissioner Osborne bound him over to the United States court at Asheville under \$100 bond.—Waynesville Courier.

At a business meeting of the Baptist congregation Sunday afternoon Rev. W. R. Beach of Marshall, was called to be the pastor here. Three Sundays each month will be given to the Bryson City church and one to Whittier. Mr. Beach will move to Bryson City at an early date.—Uncle John Thomas tells us he does not expect to enter the Swain County corn contest this year. He says he has won the first prize three successive years and is now going to step down. Those who desire to enter must register before April 1st. See Mr. Long at Bryson City Bank and get particulars.—Bryson City Times.

Coroner J. S. Dockery and Deputy Wm. Ramsey held an inquest last Friday and Saturday over the body of D. C. Allen who was shot at Violet last week. Something like seventeen witnesses were examined but nothing that could implicate anyone in the shooting was developed.—Cherokee Scout.

Ben Cathey and Dan Tompkins of Sylva, visited friends and relatives in the city the first of the week. They walked from Sylva here in a day, a distance of sixty miles.—Andrews Sun.

A bill authorizing Beavertown township to issue \$10,000 bonds for the improvement of roads was passed by the legislature, and an election will be called within the next few days. For the benefit of our readers, we will publish the bill next week.—Canton Observer.

The blood-root is in bloom, the violets are fast coming along, the Forsythia is a mass of yellow, the little frogs are singing like birds and spring is right below the border.—Tryon Bee.

## Best Treatment for Constipation.

"My daughter used Chamberlain's Tablets for constipation with good results and I can recommend them highly," writes Paul B. Babia, Brusby, La. For sale by all dealers. adv

## CAMP FRENCH BROAD LAKE

Under the efficient management of Messrs. B. E. Paxton and Fred Johnson, the lake dam at Camp French Broad has been completed, and the water will be turned in this week.

The dam is about fifteen feet in height, with a length of about one hundred and fifty feet and a thickness of about ten feet at the top. It is a puddle dam, constructed of the clay taken from the immediate neighborhood.

When the water is turned on the lake will be fed by one main stream and by another whose waters have been conducted out of their natural course to make a tributary. The filling up of the lake bed will take many weeks in all probability, the rate of filling depending to some extent on the amount of rainfall. At its full capacity the waters of the lake will cover approximately one acre. On one side the descent is steep; on the other there is a beach-like slope, which will permit wading to some distance from dry land.

The work of constructing the lake has been financed by the Brevard Improvement Company, which owns the territory occupied by the camp and a number of acres adjacent.

Captain H. E. Raines of the Citadel Academy was here last Wednesday and went to the lake on a visit of inspection. He expressed himself as being much pleased with the location and with the work done.

## RECORDER'S COURT

In the recorder's court Monday morning much time was taken in considering the case of State vs. James Warren, Charles McKinney, Jessie Owenby and Jessie Galloway four young men who were charged with the destruction of a foot-log over King's creek. I was shown to the court that the young fellows had repaired the foot-log since its destruction and as there was some doubt as to the maliciousness of the act the court gave them the benefit of the doubt and declared them not guilty.

In the case of State vs. Jeff Glazener, charged with passing a worthless check, it appeared that the defendant had given Gus Paxton, at the time clerk of the court, a check to cover certain court costs and that there was not money enough in the bank to his credit to satisfy the check. The judgment of the recorder was that the defendant serve a term of three months on the roads, from which decision the defendant appealed to the Superior court and bond was fixed at \$200.

In State vs. Charles McKimney and J. P. Guthrie, charged with an affray, it appeared that the defendants had got into a difficulty by reason of the fact that the latter had caused a warrant to be issued for the former, for his part in the destruction of the foot-log, above referred to. Judgment rendered was that McKimney should pay \$10 and costs for his part in it, and Guthrie was discharged upon the payment of the costs.

State vs. George Fortune, nuisance, twenty days on the county roads, commissioners to have power to hire him out.

State vs. George Fortune, drunk, fifteen dollars and costs.

## To the Housewife.

Madam, if your husband is like most men he expects you to look after the health of yourself and children. Coughs and colds are the most common of the minor ailments and are most likely to lead to serious diseases. A child is much more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when it has a cold. If you will inquire into the merits of the various remedies that are recommended for coughs and colds, you will find that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy stands high in the estimation of people who use it. It is prompt and effectual, pleasant and safe to take, which are qualities especially to be desired when a medicine is intended for children. For sale by all dealers. adv