

# Danbury Reporter

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## LET US HAVE AN UP-TO-DATE TELEPHONE SYSTEM.

There is a strong sentiment to consolidate all of the telephone systems of the county, creating one corporation which shall take over all of the lines, elect a president, board of directors, secretary and treasurer and general manager. The manager would be paid a salary which would justify him in giving all of his time and energy to the system, keeping it in good shape, thus insuring excellent service, and a dividend to the stockholders. The Reporter has talked with a number of stockholders in the different lines, and all approve of the idea heartily. At present telephone service in this county is in the same condition as the public roads. The county needs a good service, and should have it. We do not suppose that there is a single line in the county that is run as a money-making industry, except the Slate system. The Reporter is reliably informed that the Slaters are favorably inclined to the consolidation proposition, and that they will take stock in the proposed corporation liberally. Those of the Quickstep people with whom we have talked are of the same inclination, while the other smaller lines would doubtless be glad to go into the scheme, thus insuring good service to every home and every place of business, getting an outlet to the nearby cities, etc. If there is any corporation, company or group of telephone stockholders in the county who may think that they have a good thing, and do not care to relinquish it, we would like for them to take an inventory of their possessions in the line of service and proficiency. They may have a private line among themselves, but it can never be of any importance except for purely local use, and that of a very inferior grade, while they are continually assessed to keep up their line. The new proposed incorporation would have central offices at Danbury, Walnut Cove, and such other places in the county as might be desirable. One could easily and quickly call up a friend or person in any township of Stokes county, or in any city anywhere, having the benefit of the outlet via Winston-Salem over the Slate line, which the Slate line now controls. This would be a tremendous advantage to those who are now compelled so confine their communications to local territory. The Reporter has recently talked with some leading and well informed telephone people, and is informed that a telephone system in this county well managed and kept up, insuring good service, would be a paying investment. Let every stockholder pay for his phone by the month, and receive back quarterly, semi-annual or annual dividends. Two thousand phones can be placed in the county, and this would pay a large profit, besides affording good positions to a number of persons, a great convenience to the people, and a great advantage to the county.

inch shells. The description of the results following the impact of the missiles reads like a page from Dante's Inferno. One projectile pierced the conning tower, burst and blew away 25 tons of the ship's armor. The naval experts say that the Texas was a complete loss after the first two or three shots had been fired. All this was mere target practice for the sea-marksman, and deemed necessary as affording valuable knowledge for the American navy—destroying a \$3,000,000 ship just to see how she would go down when hit vitally. It makes one reflect on the folly, the waste, the stupendous waste of war. Building one of the latest type of American battleships costs the government the worth of five counties like Stokes—more than \$10,000,000. And before it can be completed, the experts declare it obsolete—out of date—a back number—soon to be sent to the junk-pile, or made a sea-target like the Texas. One would wonder why the great nations cannot agree on disarmament, and the reign of peace, settling international disputes by arbitration. But the ambition, the pride, the jealousy or the fears of man will not permit it, and the colossal work of preparing for war goes on bearing down with relentless heel on the tax-payers of the world.

### ASSESSMENT YEAR.

There is to be a new assessment of property for taxation this year, and the State has appointed Mr. Jesse A. Lawson as chief of the assessors, in compliance with the new law passed by the last General Assembly. It is known that the State is going to make a strong effort to equalize taxation, which will doubtless meet with the unqualified approval of every good citizen. There may be some property in this county which is taxed too high. It is certain that there are thousands of dollars' worth which are escaping their just share of taxation. To assess two respective tracts of land at \$5 per acre, each, one of which could be sold at \$20 to \$100 per acre, while the other would not bring over \$5 per acre, is manifestly an outrage. Yet this is common all over the county. The Reporter feels sure that the assessment of our county tax values is in good hands, and that the men appointed and sworn in to do the work, will perform their duty.

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## CONTRACT AWARDED

FOR INTERURBAN RAILROAD

Charlotte Company Is Waiting On Officers For Orders To Start Work On Winston-Floyd Railroad.

Noting that the Probst Contracting Company, of Charlotte, has been awarded the contract to build the proposed interurban line between Winston-Salem and Floyd, Va., a distance of 102, the News says: Approximately \$2,000,000 is involved in the contract, and in the expenditures to follow another million dollars will probably be used for equipment, etc.

Opening up a new territory now without railroad facilities the line that is to connect North Carolina and Virginia is a matter of more than passing interest. The contract awarded the Charlotte firm is the largest one ever handled in the two states.

MR. PROBST TALKS OF DELAY.

"I cannot state positively just the time we will begin work on the road," said Mr. Probst, president of the Probst Contracting Company when asked for information about the line between the two states. "The company was chartered November 15, 1909, and capital stock to the amount of \$2,000,000 was authorized. Some of this has been sold, but not all of it."

"Along the route the people have subscribed liberally, and it is understood that about \$700 or \$800 a mile will be paid in within a very short time. Two lines were at first proposed, but the survey was made from Winston-Salem through Stokes county and into the state of Virginia, not far from Danville, and called Stuart. From thence it will pass through Patrick county, Va., into the town of Floyd.

"We have the contract for building the line and are only waiting upon the officials, who have informed us they are almost ready. When we receive this information we will award sub-contracts and the work of digging dirt will begin at once."

### MIDNIGHT IN THE OZARKS

and yet sleepless Hiram Scranton, of Clay City, Ill., coughed and coughed. He was in the mountains on the advice of five doctors, who said he had consumption, but found no help in the climate, and started home. Hearing of Dr. King's New Discovery, he began to use it. "I believe it saved my life," he writes "for it made a new man of me, so that I can now do good work again." For all lung diseases, coughs, colds, la grippe, asthma, croup, whooping cough, hay fever, hemorrhages, hoarseness or quinsy, its the best known. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all Drug-gists.

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Below we will give some figures showing the reduction in prices:

### Men's and Ladies' Shoes.

\$ 4.00	Shoes	\$ 3.40	\$ 2.75	Shoes	2.40
3.75	"	3.25	2.15	"	1.80
3.40	"	2.90	1.75	"	1.50
3.00	"	2.50	1.50	"	1.30

Children's Shoes reduced according to price.

### Dry Goods.

50c.	Cloth	42c.	12½c.	Cloth	10c.
30c.	"	25c.	10c.	"	9c.
25c.	"	22c.	8½c.	"	7½c.
16½c.	"	14½c.	8c.	"	7c.
15c.	"	12½c.	6½c.	"	5½c.

### Men's and Boys' Hats.

\$ 2.50	Hats	\$ 2.25	\$ 1.50	Hats	\$ 1.20
2.25	"	1.80	1.00	"	.85
2.00	"	1.65	.50	"	.40
1.75	"	1.40	.25	"	.22

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