

LOCAL ITEMS.

A child of Mr. R. L. Ray had its arm accidentally broken Tuesday.

Several nice showers have occurred in this vicinity this week.

Mr. J. H. Prather and family, of Mt. Airy, will arrive at Piedmont today to spend the summer.

The young people of Danbury had a very enjoyable picnic at "Honey Rock" on the Dan Saturday.

Mr. W. E. Hartman, who was here yesterday from Hartman, says the wheat crop is extra fine in his neighborhood.

Messrs. T. S. and W. G. Petree, Paul Taylor, J. W. Hall and Odell Jones visited Piedmont Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Saunders spent a while in Danbury Friday evening visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Spot Taylor.

Mrs. L. B. Simmons attended services at North View last Saturday, where Elders Mabe and Priddy preached.

Janie, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Martin, of Danbury is quite ill. Thurman, another child is also sick.

It is learned that Dr. H. P. McKnight has brought suit in a large amount against his prosecutors for false arrest and imprisonment.

Mr. John G. Fulton, of the Stokes Grocery Company, was here yesterday. He reported pretty fair rains in the Walnut Cove section this week.

Misses Charlotte Webb, Minnie Allen, Addie Webb and Blanche Pepper, and Mr. H. H. Thurston, of Piedmont, spent a short while in Danbury Saturday.

Misses Jettie and Bessie, young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Morefield, were in town on business at the Bank last week.

Rev. J. H. Brendall and wife, of Walnut Cove, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Willie Smith, of Piedmont, are visiting at the home of Rev. R. L. Doggett today.

The Winston Sentinel says that E. H. Caudle, who is wanted in Winston-Salem on the charge of selling liquor, has been arrested in Roanoke and carried back to Winston.

Mr. A. J. Fagg has opened a store at Piedmont Springs, and keeps a full line of groceries and confectioneries, cigarettes, cold drinks, ice cream, fruits, etc. under the ballroom. Mr. Carlis Davis is the manager.

Mr. L. P. Grogan, of Campbell Route 1, was in town a short while Wednesday of last week. Mr. Grogan is a thrifty farmer and trader, and is one of the most prosperous citizens of his neighborhood.

Rev. J. B. Carpenter and Mrs. M. T. Carpenter, of Rutherfordton, are visiting Rev. R. L. Doggett and family. Mr. Carpenter occupied the pulpit at the M. E. church last Sunday, preaching an excellent sermon.

Mr. E. C. Sheppard, who was here Saturday, reported the wheat crop in his section of the county about one-fourth short on account of the late drouth. Mr. Sheppard says harvesting will be in full blast around Lawsonville in another week.

NOTICE—The last legislature passed an act making it a misdemeanor punishable with fine or imprisonment, or both, to place rocks, stumps, roots, brush, burnt snags, tin cans, or any other obstructions in any public road of Stokes county.

Clerk of the Court M. T. Chilton and Register of Deeds W. C. Slate went to Germantown Saturday, the former being initiated into Pythianism by the Germantown lodge Saturday night. They spent the night at the home of Mr. R. J. Petree and returned Saturday.

Harvest is here. The swash of the scythe blade and fingers, or the clatter of the machine harvesters, are music on many farms now-a-days. On account of the dry weather, the stalk in many places is low, but generally the head is well filled and the yield is expected to be good.

Mr. W. H. Finchum, of Piedmont, was here yesterday. Mr. Finchum is one of the best farmers in the county. In spite of the drouth he has about finished setting out his tobacco crop, and has worked much of it the first time, and it is looking well. His corn and wheat are good.

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GIRL SCOUTS ARRIVE

NOW ENJOYING PIEDMONT

The Reidsville Review's Party Comes In With Flying Colors—Large Crowd of Guests Now at the Springs.

Piedmont Springs, June 14.—The Reidsville Review's party of Girl Scouts arrived in automobiles from Reidsville, a distance of 42 miles, making the trip in three hours and fifteen minutes. A considerable part of the road had never before been traveled by automobiles and the residents along the route in Stokes county were on the roads to see the scout cars pass. Many of the mountain people had never seen an automobile. The run was made with a perfect score by every car entered, and the young ladies had an enjoyable trip. At Danbury, the county-seat of Stokes, many people lined the streets to see the cars pass. The coming of the scout party has caused the people who live at this end of the route traversed to talk of a modern turnpike road from the county-seat of Stokes to the county-seat of Rockingham via Gideon, Madison and Stoneville. From Wentworth to Reidsville a part of the route which will no doubt eventually be adopted as the National Automobile Highway there is already a magnificent macadam road, and four miles of the route this side of Rockingham's county-seat is also macadamized.

The Review's party were received with loud acclaim by the guests of the hotel when they arrived at Piedmont Springs. The office and dining room had been decorated with bunting and copies of the Reidsville Review were everywhere in evidence, and at night there was a beautiful german given in their honor. The figures were gracefully led by Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Saunders, of Winston, with music by the splendid Kaufman Orchestra of Richmond. Many improvements have been made at this popular resort this

season. The grounds have been greatly beautified, and are now lighted by a system of gas lights which are a great improvement over old conditions. The guests are enjoying cards, tennis, croquet, pool, billiards, rowing on the Dan River, mountain climbing and all forms of out-door sports. Weather conditions have been ideal, and there are enough guests to make things lively.

Those here now are: Misses Edna King, Mary Windsor, Kitty Irvin, Inez Wootton, Nellie Pettigrew and Marion Oliver, Reidsville; Wilson Watlington and Iris Fitzgerald, Ruffin; Gertrude McKinney, McIver; Bessie Richardson, Benaja; Gladys Cummings, Wentworth; Lelia Ellington, Oregon; Luda Moseley, Winston; Mattie Gardner, Ringgold; Della Jones, Birdville—the Girl Scouts. Mr. and Mrs. John T. Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barber, Mrs. R. T. Burton, Mr. Charlie Oliver, of Reidsville; Mrs. J. C. Buxton, Miss Anna Buxton, Mrs. Garland E. Webb, Misses Charlotte and Addie Webb, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Saunders, Mrs. Phin Horton, Mr. Phin Horton, Jr., Miss Minnie Allen, Mr. L. A. O'Brien, Winston; Mr. and Mrs. J. Willie Smith, Mrs. R. D. Thomas, Messrs. William Thomas and Richard Thomas, Greensboro; Messrs. Herbert Thurston and J. N. Kaufman, Richmond; Messrs. J. E. Amos and C. H. Jones, Reidsville; Mr. Ray H. Everett, New Haven, Conn.

Saturday night the guests will render a program consisting of music and readings for the benefit of the St. Thomas' Episcopal church at Reidsville, the congregation of which will soon begin the erection of a new church edifice, and many of the native mountain people as well as those from the towns and villages in Stokes will attend. OLIVER.

Mr. W. M. Barber, of Reidsville, is conducting an up-to-date barber shop at Piedmont. Hair cut in the latest style, shaves, shampoos, massages, etc. Next door to Fagg's store.

VIOLENTLY INSANE

WOMAN BROUGHT TO JAIL

Mrs. Thos. Mendenhall's Mind Affected, and She Is Dangerous At Times—Two Young Men Arrested By Sheriff Jones Charged With Retailing—Other News of King.

Sheriff C. M. Jones and Mr. E. P. Newsom, of King brought Mrs. Thos. Mendenhall to jail from King Tuesday, the woman being violently insane. She will be kept locked up here pending arrangements for her deportation to the State insane asylum at Morganton. Mrs. Mendenhall's mind had been giving away for about a month.

While at King Sheriff Jones arrested Rober Caudle and Mage Coffey, for whom he had warrants charging them with retailing. Both gave bond for their appearance at the next term of court.

Sheriff Jones reported that the \$20,000 capital for the new Grabs foundry, to manufacture the late type of sawmills invented by Mr. V. T. Grabs, has nearly all been subscribed, and that the company is expected to be organized soon.

There will be a district Odd Fellows meeting at Pinnacle on the 11th of July, which will be quite a popular event. Large crowds are expected to attend.

The rains Monday were not general. There are two or three dry communities between Danbury and King.

SHOCKING TRAGEDY

MRS. DR. J. E. HILL KILLED

Strangled to Death At Jamestown By Burglars, While They Robbed The Home.

One of the most distressing tragedies that has shocked the State for a long time was the murder of Mrs. Dr. Joe E. Hill at Jamestown last Friday night, by burglars, who tied her to the bed post in her room came time in the night and strangled her to death while they robbed the house. No clue as to the guilty parties has been discovered. The relatives of Mrs. Dr. Hill have offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the scoundrels who committed the crime.

Mrs. Dr. Hill was an excellent lady. Two years ago in company with her husband Dr. Joel E. Hill, who died a few months ago, she spent some time at Piedmont Springs. The family then lived at Lexington where Dr. Hill was one of the leading physicians of the town. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Hill has lived with her people, the Ragsdales, at Jamestown.

Smith.

Smith, June 12.

Dear Reporter: Farmers are most ready to harvest their wheat.

Mr. Frank Tilley is very low with measles. Hope he will soon recover.

Mrs. G. A. Martin and daughter, Miss Delia, attended services at Creasy's Chapel last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tilley visited at Mrs. Mittie Hylton's last Sunday.

Mrs. R. A. Martin visited her father, Mr. J. T. King, last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Wesley Pringle and Gid Moore were visitors at Dr. W. B. Moore's Sunday.

Miss Delia Martin returned to her home at Smith, after a two weeks' visit at Peter's Creek, Va.

Mr. Hasell Tilley and Miss Gladys Lackey attended services at North View Sunday.

Mr. D. P. Reid, of Walnut Cove Route 3, was in town a short while on business Friday. Mr. Reid is a prosperous farmer, a hard working man, and one of the best citizens of his section.

Shooting Near Dillard—Personals.

Dillard, June 14.—The dry weather continues and a good many farmers have planted a lot of their tobacco land in corn. Frank Roberts shot Joe Bullen in the mouth on last Sunday. The wound is not serious.

It is worse than useless to take any medicine internally for muscular or chronic rheumatism. All that is needed is a free application of Chamberlain's Liniment. For sale by all dealers.

IMPORTANT ADVICE TO THE STOKES COUNTY FARMERS

MR. E. S. MILLSAPS, OF THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AND MR. W. A. PETREE, THE COUNTY AGENT OF F. C. D. WORK, WRITE LETTERS TO REPORTER INSTRUCTING WHAT TO DO IN DROUTH.

Washington, D. C., June 10, 1911.

In view of the unusual weather conditions prevailing in the Piedmont section of the State and the South generally, it is necessary for the farmers to practice close cultural methods in order to conserve the soil moisture. The weather bureau informs us that there is now a deficiency of 18 inches in the rainfall. These conditions may change at any time, but the fact that there is a deficiency should put every farmer to his best in the matter of cultivating his crop. If there is a small amount of soil moisture being carried over from the winter rains, it is evident that it will take an abundance of rain during the season to produce good crops. It takes 30 pounds of water to produce a pound of dry matter, and as we get only about 1,800 tons of water per acre during the growing season from May to September, it will readily be seen that it will take nice work to conserve the moisture in sufficient quantity to produce an average crop. With a deficiency of 18 inches, it is not probable that this will be made up during the growing season.

It is to urge farmers to use every precaution in the conservation of the soil moisture that this article is written. Land that was well broken in the fall or early winter and has been kept well pulverized on the surface during the spring months is now in fairly good condition, and the crops are growing nicely, but on the other hand, land plowed in the spring and left cloddy and not well settled or firmed down, is in poor condition. The stand of corn and cotton on such land is poor and no amount of work will produce a satisfactory crop. The only thing the farmer can do now on such land is to make the most of his conditions. I want to urge upon every farmer to use all the means in his power to keep the surface of the cultivated fields well pulverized during the continuance of the dry weather, and after every rain that comes. As soon as rain comes there will be millions of grass and weed seeds that will germinate and unless the soil is kept well stirred these additional plants will further rob the soil of moisture that the crop will need, and besides, the evaporation that will follow if the soil becomes crusted, will be immense. I know that labor is scarce and dear, but by the use of such machinery as is suited to the various crops, good work may be done at the right time.

No better object lesson on the value of thorough preparation of the seed bed could be had than the condition of the crops at this time. In every instance, the fall broken land is starting off a better crop than the spring broken land, and the further fact is seen also that the well cultivated soil is supplying the young plants more plant food and water than the poorly cultivated soil. The time has not really come, when the plants require the greatest amount of water, and this good cultivation must continue right along.

Where the stand of cotton and corn is good not much damage has resulted to the crops yet, but the crisis will come a little later, and every farmer should be prepared to combat it as much as possible. This can be done only by the best cultivation.

E. S. MILLSAPS.

dry spell, such as we have had—showers just enough and no more than to make the moisture meet in the land, unless the surface of the land is stirred at once before it dries off, such showers do more harm than good to our crops, as they bring about what is called the translocation of soil moisture, that is to say, they start the land to pumping or lifting the water in the sub-soil to the surface of the land, and it is only a little while until not only the water that comes down in the shower, but much of the water of the subsoil has gone off into the atmosphere by evaporation, and the land is dryer about the roots of the plants than it would have been if the shower had not come. On the other hand, if the surface of the land is not stirred at once after such showers, the roots of our corn are supplied with additional quantities of water, over and above what come down in the showers as they get what comes down in the showers and also that which the showers cause to be lifted from the stores of water below.

W. A. PETREE, County Agent F. C. D. Work.

PINE HALL ITEMS.

Children's Day Service Next Sunday—Personals of Interest.

Pine Hall, June 13.—Children's Day service will be held at the Methodist church Sunday night, June 18. An excellent program has been prepared.

Miss Lottie White, who has been the guests of Mrs. J. L. Hanes, returned to her home at Winston Sunday.

Mrs. N. B. Alley and daughter went to Madison shopping Thursday.

Miss Mamie Flynn returned to her home Friday after a visit to her sister at Stokesdale.

Miss Della Austin is the guest of Mrs. J. L. Hanes this week. Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Paris spent Sunday in Belevs Creek.

Messrs. Decatur Alley and Jack Ingram spent Sunday in Mayodan.

Miss Pathe Preston, of Belevs Creek, spent a short while here Saturday.

Mr. John T. Covington, of Meadows Route 1, was here Monday and reported his crop doing very well and standing the dry spell fairly. Most of John's corn is on bottom land, and looks good. His tobacco crop is not yet all set out, and the plants are waiting for rain.

Miss Ethel Simmons Gives Enjoyable Lawn Party at Westfield—Personals.

Westfield, June 9.—Farmers in this section are very busy planting tobacco.

Miss Ethel Simmons gave a lawn party Tuesday evening. There was a large crowd present and was very much enjoyed by all. Those present were: Misses Maud, Mollie, Irene and Loline Payne, Bernice and Velnie Christian, Clara Simmons, Bertie Dix, Mattie Jessup, Lillian Simmons, Nannie Payne, Bessie Shelton, Messrs. Ed and Moir Hill, Oliver and Lee Frans, Gaston Christian, Roscoe Simmons, Roy Pell, Tom Tilley, Roland Christian.

Miss Clara Simmons returned from Winston Tuesday, where she has been visiting her sisters.

Miss Bertie Dix, who has been in school at Guilford College, returned Thursday. We are glad to have her with us again.

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Mr. Editor:

What Mr. Millsaps has said in the above is very timely and important, and, if possible, to impress the farmers more strongly with the importance of doing just as he has said, I will just add that when light showers come after a protracted