

Business Locals

SWELL LINE of box paper and stationery at the Davis Pharmacy.

I have several hundred 1912 Almanacs. Call for one. H. W. DYSART.

Ladies! You must see that new neckwear, the new belts and hand bags at Gaston & Tate's.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Homer Pigeons, either in pairs or complete lot. Mrs. B. B. Price.

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20% Reduction on everything in our Jewelry department. Every piece guaranteed. The Peerless.

LADIES! We have reduced our entire line of Coat Suits and Long Coats 20%. This is a good saving on the seasons latest styles. Gaston & Tate.

J. Q. A. Michael, factory representative and manager Weaver Organ and Piano Co., manufacturers High Grade Pianos and Organs, also sheet music in stock, correspondence solicited, Marion, N. C.

Husband or wife! Six pairs of "Everwear" Hose, that are guaranteed for six months wear, and packed in a beautiful box. Will make a most acceptable Xmas Gift. Try it. Gaston & Tate.

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FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—One saw mill complete in good running condition, 30 h. p. boiler, 25 h. p. engine, both Erie City make, saw mill circular make manufactured by the Salem Iron Works, one good team of mules, one log wagon, one 50 inch saw inserted tooth, one 50 inch solid saw. Price \$400, if sold by January 1. For particulars address Yelton Lumber Co., Bridgewater, N. C.

Two Well Timbered Farms For Sale

No. 35. 900 acre farm and timber land, 125 acres in cultivation, 60 acres river bottom, 150 acres wire fence pasture, three good dwellings, one 5-6-8 rooms, 3 good barns and cribs. At Mud Cut siding two miles from Glenwood, 8 miles Marion, 5 miles Thermal City. 100 acres original forest, 5,000 feet per acre of oak, pine and poplar. Small orchard. Land now produces 20 bushels wheat and 35 bushels corn per acre. Good roads and near church and school. Will sell all or part only \$12,000, one-half cash, balance reasonable terms.

No. 40. 350 acres good timber, hard wood, oak, poplar, chestnut and pine. Timber alone \$1,750, with two years to remove. Terms reasonable. Land and timber for only \$2,750, half cash balance on reasonable terms. 30 acres in cultivation, 3 good orchards bearing 2,000 bu. apples, mountain soil, 100 acres rail fenced, good mill sites. Good 1 1/2 story 3-room frame dwelling, 2 good barns. Twelve miles to Old Fort, 12 miles to Black Mountain, situated in Rutherford county. Will cut 4 to 5 thousand per acre.

H. W. DYSART
Marion, N. C.

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All kinds of plain and decorated Cakes made to order.

FRUIT CAKES

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We don't use no substitute but the best material.

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Don't overlook that subscription. If you are in arrears remember that we can always find good use for the money.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A merry Christmas and happy New Year to one and all.

W. W. Neal has gone to Knoxville, Tenn., on a business trip.

Pedro Lonon is home from Oak Ridge Institute for the holidays.

W. E. Landis made a business trip to Tennessee during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Wilson, of Nealsville, spent Tuesday in Marion.

W. H. Webb is here from West Virginia to spend Christmas with his family.

Attorney W. T. Morgan left this week for Florida and Cuba for a stay of two weeks.

We have a very neat purse or pocket knife for all who pay up a year in advance to THE PROGRESS.

Holen Ledbetter reports the capture of a seven pound 'possum at the foot of Mt. Ida last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Norton will leave this week for Jacksonville, Fla., where they will spend the winter.

While logging at Phenoy last Friday, Charlie McGee was badly injured and his condition is said to be critical.

There will be a Christmas tree and exercises by the Sunday School at the Baptist church next Saturday night at 7 o'clock.

There will be a Christmas entertainment for the Sunday School at the Presbyterian church Saturday evening, the 23rd, at 7 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. McCall returned last Thursday from Baltimore, Md. While away Mrs. McCall underwent an operation and she is recovering rapidly.

J. T. Smith returned last week from Statesville where he underwent an operation. The operation was successful and he is improving rapidly.

J. B. Coxey, of Old Fort; R. P. Hollifield, of Woodlawn; A. M. Hensley, of Garden City; A. B. Mashburn, of Nealsville, and H. S. Brown, of Ashford, were among our visitors while in town Monday.

Two regular communications of Mystic Tie lodge No. 237, A. F. & A. M. are scheduled for next week, on Wednesday and Friday nights. It is urged that the brethren attend as important business and degree work is to be done.

There will be services appropriate to Christmas at the Methodist church next Sunday morning, including sermon and special music. The Sunday School entertainment will take place Friday night at 7 o'clock.

Services at the Episcopal church next Sunday at 11 a. m. No service in the evening. On Christmas day the service, consisting of Holy Communion and sermon, will be at 10:30 a. m. The choir is preparing special music for this service. The public is cordially invited to attend. On Tuesday, the 28th, the Sunday School children's service will be held in the church at 3 p. m., followed by the Christmas tree.

Too Busy to Borrow.

In renewing his subscription to the Manufacturers Record H. W. Dysart of Marion, N. C., says:

I cannot afford to do without it, and I have not the time to borrow it.

There are many thousands of borrowers of the Manufacturers Record throughout the South who would save money by saving time by subscribing to the Manufacturers Record instead of borrowing. Mr. Dysart's suggestion in this respect is worth consideration.—Manufacturers Record.

THE PROGRESS adds that the suggestion is worth the consideration of every subscriber to any paper. Do not be a borrower, be a subscriber right now. What about it for a Christmas gift?

Officers of Fraternal Orders.

Mt. Ida lodge No. 58, Knights of Pythias have elected officers for the ensuing term as follows:

C. C., C. R. McCall; V. C., W. W. McConnell; Prelate, R. P. Davis; K. of R. and S., J. F. Coniffe; M. of A., E. P. Foy; M. of W., Joseph Williams; M. of F., C. F. Meacham; M. of E., E. H. Dysart; I. G., C. B. McBrayer; O. G., D. F. Clapp.

Marion lodge No. 47, I. O. O. F. have elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: N. G., I. Holland; V. G., J. R. Rich; R. and F. S., Thomas McGuire; Treasurer, C. E. House. The other officers will be appointed by the two principal elective officers.

Washington Camp No. 18, P. O. S. of A. have elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: Past President, I. L. Poteet; President, J. D. Jimison; V. Pres., C. D. Holland; Conductor, L. O. Wall; Sec. and Treas., C. E. House; Fin. Sec., G. W. Moore; M. of F., N. H. Bowman; Chaplain, A. L. Page; Inspector, D. F. Jarrett; Guard, W. C. Roland; Sentinels, G. W. Byrd, S. C. Elliott, A. A. Jamison and F. E. Poteet; Trustee, I. W. Hoyle.

The installation of the above officers-elect will be conducted at the first meeting night of each order held in January, 1912.

Allan Murder Still a Mystery.

The investigation of the murder of John Allan, the negro whose skeleton was found in the Price-Higgins mountain ten days ago, has placed the crime on no one up to this time. Five negroes were arrested by Sheriff Laughridge and his deputies, and brought to Marion where an investigation was held. There was, however, not sufficient evidence to hold any one, and at present the crime is as mysterious, if not more mysterious, than ever before.

At the investigation and in trying to get evidence elsewhere, it has been found that the report had been circulated by few long before the discovery of the skeleton was made, that John Allan was dead. This is some clue, and will be followed by the officials very closely. The public generally will not be satisfied until this, one of the blackest crimes in the history of McDowell county, is cleared up. We hope and believe that Sheriff Laughridge will spare no pains in finding out the murderer or murderers.

Garden City Tidings.

Garden City, Dec. 19.—So sorry it rained and we did not get to have our spelling match Friday. Greenlee, we acknowledge ourselves defeated at our last match but think we would have come out better this time as we had on our "war paint" ready for this "battle of words." Nevertheless we appreciate your "Southern hospitality" and the "warm welcome" you gave us.

Wade Hennessie killed a fine porker this week—weighed 350 pounds.

Mrs. Gowan returned Saturday from a visit to relatives and friends in Marion.

Les Chapman is suffering from a severe case of eczema on his face.

Some of our farmers are "right smartly" enthused over the dynamite plowing done on our school grounds Wednesday. Guess "Old Dobbin" will be forced to the background and dynamite and gasoline do his work.

As the Yuletide approaches our little folks have dreams of Santa, sugar plums and baby dolls; our women think only of mince pies, fruit cake and turkey, but the men, alas! have only visions of shrinking pocketbooks.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and happy New Year.

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The 15th series of the McDowell Building & Loan Association opens January 1st. Resolve now to put some of your earnings in the Building & Loan, make 1912 a record-breaker in saving money and help yourself. Your deposits are safe. Ask the secretary for particulars.

Christmas Candies

Christmas is almost here and we are ready with a nice fresh stock of

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also assorted candies in bulk.

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Nuts, Oranges, Fruits, &c.

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