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BOOKS

Books are part of man's prerogative. In formal ink they thought and voices hold, That we to them our solitude may give, And make time present travel that of old. Our life, fame pieceth longer at the end And Books it farther backward doth extend.

—Sir Thomas Overbury.

VAULE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

The public library of Old Fort is proving more valuable all the time. If every one could but realize what it means to have access to good books—a Library is not a building, nor a collection of dead and dusty books, but a living, active agent of service. The Library is a community information service station.

William Jennings Bryan said: "The system of free public libraries now being established in this country is the most important development of modern times. The library is a center from which radiates an ever widening influence for the enlightenment, the uplift, the advancement of the community."

We all know well enough what it means to have a public library, so now let's all boost it, work for it and help it grow.

ARTZ HOME ROBBED

The home of Capt. W. P. Artz was robbed last Sunday night while the family were attending church.

The house was entered through a screen door from which the wire screening had been cut in a way that was not noticeable. Several watches and rings were stolen, also silverware. These articles were not missed until Monday evening. About \$500 worth of jewelry was stolen from the room of Miss Frances Artz.

As yet no clue has been found that would lead to the recovery of the stolen goods.

"HERE COMES ARABELLA"

On the evening of July 23rd the Woman's Club of Old Fort, assisted by the Junior Club, will present at the school auditorium a charming three-act play, "Here Comes Arabella." This play comes highly recommended and the cast, which is local, includes a majority of the younger set. Chinese and gypsy choruses given in costume will lend color among other attractions to the entertainment.

The many friends of Rev. R. F. Mock in Old Fort, where he was pastor of the Methodist Church for five years, have been commenting favorably on his recent sermon delivered at Franklin, where he is now pastor of the local church. This sermon, in which he denounced Bishop James Cannon, Jr., for his Wall street gambling and his activities in politics, was published in the Asheville Citizen of June 26th. The sermon of Rev. R. F. Mock was described by the Franklin correspondent as "one of the most powerful sermons ever delivered in a local church."

"WEARY RIVER"

Is a penitentiary a place of punishment for past mistakes only or a melting pot to remold misguided character and ability?

Can anything good come out of Sing Sing or Joliet or San Quentin; anything that is worth the trouble it takes to nurse it into being and to keep it flowering in spite of ridicule and distrust and indifference?

To these questions "Weary River" has at least a partial answer. It is a question that no less a literary high light than H. L. Mencken has been trying to answer by first encouraging and then publishing in his "American Mercury," the works of various gifted prisoners in California prisons.

"Weary River" pictures most graphically the two great struggles that confront any convict who desires to take a new road and work out a new life. Contrary to most prison yarns the jailer is not the villain. In fact the warden, a fair and discriminating picture of many wardens throughout the country now, is the hero of the story and the saviour of the boy. Everybody's Theatre, July 5th - 6th.

Kill-ko is death to flies; pints, quarts and gallons. Bradley Drug Company.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

G. H. Harrill of Forest City spent the week-end in Old Fort.

L. C. Wilson was in Asheville on Saturday.

Miss Janie Parker of Asheville was a visitor here Sunday.

Miss Marion Nelly of Asheville spent Saturday night in Old Fort.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nichols of Marion were in Old Fort Sunday.

Mrs. Whitmire and daughter Olive of Biltmore visited Mrs. Edwin Eply Sunday.

W. Lavender spent Friday in Asheville.

Guy Steppe of Marion was in Old Fort Sunday.

Miss Gertrude Durham of Asheville spent the week-end with Misses Bula and Millie Kanipe.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Allison of Black Mountain spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Allison.

Mrs. R. M. Reeder and small son, Raymond, Jr., were in Asheville on Saturday.

Miss Marjorie Steward of Hickory was in Old Fort Sunday.

Dr. J. B. Johnson made a business trip to Asheville Saturday.

Claude Parker of Marion was in Old Fort Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Lytle of Biltmore were visitors in Old Fort Sunday.

Bring us your prescriptions. We fill them just as the doctor orders. Bradley Drug Co. Adv.

Miss Alma Gilliam of Asheville spent the week-end in Old Fort.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Ricks of Claremont are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Swann.

Miss Leora Patterson of Asheville was a visitor in Old Fort Saturday.

Miss Woodhouse of Fayetteville spent Saturday with Miss Millie Kanipe.

Marion Nesbitt of Gastonia is visiting relatives in Old Fort.

Columbus Kerlee of Black Mountain visited his son, Stanley, last Saturday.

Luther Grant of Marion visited his aunt, Mrs. M. G. Turner, Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Bradley spent Monday in Asheville.

Mrs. Flora Gilliland visited friends in Asheville Monday.

Rev. J. W. Gray, who has been assisting Rev. Dixon in a revival, left Monday for his home in Black Mountain.

Edward Gray of Elkin was a visitor in Old Fort Monday.

M. L. Grant and Otis Grant were visitors in Asheville Monday.

Miss Mabel Crawford of Asheville is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Crawford.

Mrs. B. V. Lehmann of Hickory is spending several weeks with her father, A. L. Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar White of Winston-Salem spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John White.

M. J. Hunt spent Sunday in Weaverville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clapp Greene of Asheville visited relatives in Old Fort Sunday.

Q. H. Bradley visited relatives in Asheville Monday.

West Potter of Asheville was in Old Fort Monday.

W. S. Gragg of Black Mountain, was in Old Fort Tuesday on business.

Miss Myrtle Henley, who is working in Marion, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Henley.

F. G. Wilson made a business trip to Asheville Wednesday.

Miss Edith LeFevre is visiting friends in Charlotte and Hickory.

J. C. Sandlin, who has been ill, is improving.

Mrs. C. W. Graybeal has returned home after spending several months in Charlotte.

Don't forget to get your piece of Rogers silverware at Everybody's Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvan McDougle of Black Mountain were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Mauney on Friday.

Mrs. R. A. Raymer and daughter, Elizabeth, are spending several days in Bryson City.

One gallon Thermal Jug \$2. Also paper plates and cups. Bradley Drug Company.

"THE FLEET'S IN"

More than 300 extra players appear in Clara Bow's new starring picture entitled "The Fleet's In!" garbed in the uniform of the United States navy. For the most part, the men selected were ex-naval men so that authentic and realistic atmosphere could be obtained.

"The Fleet's In!" is the feature attraction at Everybody's Theatre July 10th-11th, Wed. and Thursday.

Harry Raymer is spending several weeks in Bryson City.

F. Foster of Statesville is visiting his son, Rev. Jonathan Foster.

A. D. Moody left Sunday for Saluda Mountain where he accepted a position.

Mrs. W. W. LeFevre spent several days in Charlotte last week.

Miss Thelma Marston spent several days last week in Raleigh.

Miss Pauline Hicks, of Canton, is visiting relatives in and near Old Fort.

Mrs. M. H. Grant of Greenlee were shopping in Old Fort Saturday.

Miss Sue Zackery of Asheville is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed Norton.

Mrs. Reuben Cannon of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John White.

Mrs. Geo. W. Bryson of Asheville was a visitor in Old Fort Monday.

Miss Bessie R. Fleming of Asheville spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fleming.

Mr. Geo. W. Bryson, of Bryson-Snyder Co., spent the week-end with his family in Asheville.

D. T. Roughton is spending some time in Columbia, S. C., on business. John Turner Roughton is with him.

Mrs. Preston Ball and small son of Asheville are visiting Mrs. W. W. LeFevre.

Garnet White of Kansas City is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John White.

Dr. A. W. Robinson of Mount Holly spent the week-end with his family in Old Fort.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Westermann are spending several days in Asheville as guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Goodson.

Mrs. R. J. Whitley and Mrs. W. E. Porter and sons, Robert and John, of Tazewell, Va., visited Mrs. J. M. Charles last week.

Mrs. W. H. Greenlee and daughters, Misses Ruth and Nina, of Greenlee, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Moody.

Misses Elizabeth Henry and Lois Kelly, of Augusta, Ga., will arrive soon for a visit with their cousin, Mrs. D. T. Roughton.

R. G. Van Newkirk of Cumberland, Md., spent several days last week in Old Fort in the interest of the Union Tanning Co.

The Presbyterian Sunday School enjoyed a delightful picnic dinner at Recreation Park on Thursday afternoon. About fifty members were present.

Mrs. Geo. Moore and children have returned home after spending the past month with Mrs. Moore's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Preas, in Johnson City, Tenn.

Miss Billy Phamer of Asheville entertained on Saturday evening with a birthday party at Recreation Park. Those attending from Old Fort were Misses Nannie Sue and Caroline Sandlin.

The Old Fort Extract Works closed on July 1st for a period of several months, during which time many improvements will be made on the plant. About 80 men were employed in this plant. The Catawba Tannery will continue in operation.

The revival which has been in progress at the new Baptist Church for the past two weeks, is attracting large crowds. These meetings are conducted by Rev. E. C. Ellis of Bakersville, who is assisted by Rev. C. L. Taylor, pastor of the Old Fort church.

Mrs. John Rockett was hostess to the Bridge Club on Thursday evening. Three tables were in play. Special invited guests were Miss Emma Allison, Miss Daniels, Mrs. Harvey Rockett, F. M. Bradley, J. L. Whisnant and Donald McIntosh. A salad course was served at the conclusion of the games.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Charles had as their guest last week their brother, Dr. J. W. Wetten, and nephew, Jack Wetten, of North Tazewell, Va. Dr. Wetten has represented the 9th district of Virginia for the past twelve years. He also was captain in the 142 Ambulance Division during the world war.

Robert Culbertson of Morganton was injured on Saturday afternoon when the sedan he was driving ran off the road and turned over on highway No. 10 between Old Fort and Greenlee. Mr. Culbertson was brought to Old Fort in a dazed condition, but after receiving medical aid was able to return to Morganton.

"Rolling along fine" is the news from Mr. and Mrs. Charley Snyder, who are spending their vacation on a motor tour of the West. After spending a few days in the Yellowstone Park, they expect to continue on their way to Washington. Miss Emma Freeman, who accompanied them, visited her brother in Minnesota on their way across the country.

WHAT IT COSTS TO GOVERN US

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The Tax on Automobiles

DO YOU realize that, in most states, in owning an automobile you pay three distinct taxes in addition to the tax you may pay upon gasoline? The first is that levied by the federal government of 3 per cent upon the factory price of the car.

In most states automobiles are considered personal property for purposes of taxation. The local assessor is expected to list them at their selling value. In many instances few automobiles are listed and the values placed upon those listed indicate an unbelievable depreciation.

The most important levy based directly upon the automobile is the license fee demanded before its operation becomes legal. This is found in each of the 48 states, but there is no semblance of uniformity in the method of making the levy nor in the amount exacted. The total receipts from this source in 1928 were about \$288,282,000.

In the 48 states at least seventeen different bases are used in determining the license charge. The most important basis for pleasure cars is horse power, although other bases used by some states are value of car; weight; horse power and weight; factory list value and weight; value, weight and horse power.

The size of the license payment varies greatly from state to state. With the introduction of the gasoline tax, some states reduced the registration license to a nominal amount sufficient to cover administrative costs and road police, while any net revenue from the owner of an automobile was to come from the gasoline tax. From this small amount the annual license ranges to almost \$100.

The license charge upon trucks is usually higher than upon pleasure cars, and the basis of levy is frequently somewhat different. The bases of levy most used are carrying capacity; horse power and tonnage; weight; total weight of car and load; value, horse power and carrying capacity; tire width; horse power and weight. In many states the rules applying to pleasure cars also are used in determining the license payments on trucks. The payments required by the different states vary from a few dollars to as much as \$800 a year.

In licensing busses, the seating capacity is frequently taken into consideration in arriving at the amount. This is frequently combined with other factors such as mileage, horse power, weight and gross receipts. The charge varies greatly in different states.

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Give Grain Supplement to Animals on Pasture

Should grain be fed to dairy cows on pasture? Since spring and summer grass is relatively low in nutrients, a cow producing 25 to 30 pounds of milk per day must eat about 150 to 200 pounds of grass in order to get enough feed for her daily requirements. Since this is practically impossible, a grain supplement must be given. For cows producing 20 to 35 pounds of milk per day, a mixture of the ordinary farm grains such as oats, corn, wheat bran, and barley fed at the rate of 1 pound of grain to 4 to 6 pounds of milk produced per day will be sufficient. For cows producing more than 35 pounds of milk per day, the ration should contain one high protein concentrate such as cotton seed meal or linseed oil meal.

Take home a quart of Ice Cream for dinner. Bradley Drug Co. Adv.

EVERYBODY'S THEATRE

OLD FORT, N. C.

RICHARD BARTHELMESS

in

"WEARY RIVER"

Friday and Saturday

JULY 5th and 6th

"MYSTERY VALLEY"

Jerry's Big Hand Comedy

Monday and Tuesday

JULY 8th and 9th

CLARA BOW

in

"THE FLEET'S IN"

Koko Kleans Up, Comedy

Wednesday and Thursday

JULY 10th and 11th

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NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust, executed by G. W. Davis, Carl Davis and wife, Louise Davis, to J. A. Burgin, trustee, dated March 24th, 1924, and recorded in Book 29 page 195, office of Register of Deeds for McDowell County, to secure the payment of certain indebtedness therein mentioned, and because default has been made in the payment of said indebtedness and demand has been made upon the undersigned to exercise said power of sale for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, the said undersigned trustee will, on the 5th day of August, 1929, at 12 o'clock, M., at the court-house door of McDowell County, N. C., offer for sale at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said G. W. Davis and Carl Davis and wife, in and to the following described real estate, situate in Old Fort Township, McDowell County, N. C., to-wit:

FIRST TRACT: Being a house and lot on the South side of Water street in the town of Old Fort, known as the O. E. Black place, and described in a deed from R. L. Bowden to said Davis, which said deed is of record and is hereby referred to for a full description.

SECOND TRACT: Lot on East side of South Main street in the town of Old Fort, known as the W. B. Burgin barber shop house and lot, and described in a deed from W. B. Burgin to said Davis, which said deed is of record and is hereby referred to for full description.

THIRD TRACT: Being the lot known as the Richard Harris house and lot in said town of Old Fort and fully described in a deed from Richard Harris and wife to said Davis, which said deed is of record and is hereby referred to for full description.

Also the undivided interest of the parties of the first part in and to three certain houses and lots in New Fort. One known as the J. L. Nichols lot, deeded by J. L. Nichols to George Davis, which deed is of record and reference is hereby made to same for full description. Another known as the C. P. Harmon lot, deeded from Harmon to Beech and from Beech to G. W. Davis, which is of record and reference is hereby made to same for full description. The other known as the Tom Davis house and lot and deeded from Tom Davis to G. W. Davis, which said deed is of record and reference is hereby made to the same for full description.

Posted this 27th day of June, 1929.
J. A. BURGIN, Trustee.

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NOTICE OF SALE UNDER MORTGAGE

Notice is hereby given that, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by George Davis, Carl Davis and wife, Louise Davis, and E. L. Davis and wife, Sallie Davis, to J. L. Burgin (dated May 9, 1924, and recorded in Book 65 page 519, office of Register of Deeds of McDowell County, N. C.) to secure the payment of certain indebtedness therein set out, and default having been made in the payment of said indebtedness, the undersigned Executors of the estate of the said J. L. Burgin, deceased, will, on the 5th day of August, 1929, at 12 o'clock, M., at the court-house door of McDowell County, N. C., offer for sale at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said George Davis, Carl Davis and wife and E. L. Davis and wife, in and to the following described pieces, tracts or lots of land, lying and being in Crooked Creek and Old Fort Township, McDowell County, North Carolina, viz:

FIRST TRACT: A certain tract or parcel of land in Crooked Creek Township, McDowell County, North Carolina: Bounded on the North by the lands of R. M. Burgin, on the East by the lands of Sallie Clark; on the South by the lands of W. B. Lytle, and on the West by the lands of R. M. Burgin, and being the lands conveyed by R. L. Burgin, deceased, by will to Nettie Gentry, Caroline Lytle and Josie Lytle, which said land is more fully described in the said last will of R. L. Burgin, of record in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of McDowell County, North Carolina.

SECOND TRACT: Being Lot No. 3 in Block L in the town of Old Fort; Beginning at a stake on South Main street and Goodson's corner, and runs East 120 feet with said Goodson's line to a stake; thence North 37 feet and 4 inches to a stake; thence North 120 feet to a stake in South Main street; thence South 37 feet and 4 inches with said South Main Street to the beginning.

THIRD TRACT: Being Lot No. 14 in Block No. 2 of New Fort lots of Old Fort, and lot No. 15 in Block No. 2 of New Fort lots of Old Fort as shown on Miller's Map of the said lots and being the same conveyed by J. L. Nichols and wife to U. S. Davis, E. L. Davis and Mollie Davis by deed dated February 3, 1914, and recorded in Book 50 at page 445, office of Register of Deeds for McDowell County, to which reference is made for description.

Posted this 27th day of June, 1929.

J. A. BURGIN,
W. S. BURGIN,
M. G. TURNER,
Executors of J. L. Burgin, deceased.