

# Jackson County Journal.

THE YEAR IN ADVANCE

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\$2.00 THE YEAR IN ADVANCE

## MEXICAN BEAN BEETLE SPREADING IN STATE

Raleigh, Oct. 30.—"It seems as if life is just one bug after another," says Prof. Franklin Sherman, Chief, Division of Entomology. "While our eastern farmers are all astir over the boll weevil, our friends in the mountains have abundant cause for uneasiness over the Mexican bean beetle."

"This insect became established in Alabama about 1919 and has spread chiefly to the northeast, with some indications of a preference for rather high cool climate. It invaded our counties of Cherokee and Clay in 1921 and by the end of 1922 was in some six or eight counties. Meanwhile it spread across north Georgia and into South Carolina, and also through Tennessee and into Kentucky. During 1923 it has spread into the southwestern part of Virginia and into Ohio."

"Messrs. Mitchell and Harris of our force have just returned from a scouting tour to determine the limits of its spread in our State for this year. They have found it in portions of the counties of Polk, Rutherford, Cleveland, and Gaston, this presumably representing its northward spread from South Carolina. We also know it to be in Madison which evidently is a result of spreading up the French Broad River from State-bred beetles are spreading from county to county through our mountains. It is already known to be at Swannanoa in Buncombe."

"Mr. Crawford of this Division has been located at Bryson City for the season, where he has made studies and tests looking toward the control of this pest. He is working in the light of facts already established by State and Federal workers in Alabama. While the control of this beetle presents some peculiar difficulties, yet there are methods which promise well, and these will be worked up for publication before the next planting season."

"The insect is of the lady-beetle family, and can both crawl and fly freely. It is about one-fourth inch long, yellow or brassy with small black spots. A closely related species with larger spots is often found on pumpkin and squash. This new-comer has a decided preference for beans, especially the table varieties."

"On a recent trip I went into Cherokee County to sense the attitude of the people who have now had it in full force for two years. Some think it has been less destructive than last year. In many gardens early beans were 'eaten up' but later plantings, though damaged, have made a fair crop."

"It looks to me as if it will present as serious an issue, with regard to table beans as the common potato beetle did with regard to Irish potatoes fifty years ago."

## ASSOCIATIONAL EXECUTIVES TO MEET

The Executive Board of the Tuckasee Baptist Association will meet in Sylva on Saturday, November 10. All requests for Associational Aid must be presented to the chairman or secretary of the Board before that date in order to be passed upon by the Committee.

## HITS BILLBOARDS

Speaking before a meeting of the Florida Development Board, Karl Lehmann placed newspaper advertising ahead of every other form and declared that "one hundred dollars spent in legitimate newspaper advertising is worth more than \$1,000 spent in sign posting along the highways."

As the third step in the program of state highway beautification he declared that "unsightly signs along the highways must come down; they are poor advertising and have no right on the public highways."

"It is better to save an old tree than to plant a new one, and a sentiment can soon be created that will save many fine old trees from destruction. A fool can cut down a few minutes what it took God a century to grow," said Mr. Lehmann.—American Press.

The counties winning first prizes for agricultural exhibits at the State Fair this year are those which employ farm agents. Columbus County, with a new program of agriculture fostered by county agent J. T. Lazar, was first place.

## JOHNNY JONES AGAIN IN CUSTODY

Johnny Jones was taken into custody by deputy sheriff C. C. Mason, at Barkers Creek, last Saturday, and Sheriff Sutton left Monday with him, returning him to the state penitentiary, from which he escaped several months ago.

Jones was convicted of man slaughter, a few years ago, for having killed a negro, Gilmer Gray, at Dillsboro, and sentenced to serve three years in the state prison. He was given a conditional pardon, by the governor and returned to Dillsboro. A short time later he was arrested on a minor charge, and while out on bond, was charged with having burglarized Cannon Brothers' store. He was arrested and returned to the state prison, his pardon having been revoked. A few months later he escaped from the penitentiary, and has been at large most of the time since. It is stated that he was arrested by police officers, in Asheville, at John Robinson's circus, but made his escape from them. Later he is said to have been in jail in Kentucky, awaiting trial on a charge of retailing, but made his escape before his case was called for trial.

He has now been returned to the state prison to finish his original sentence.

## BEEF CATTLE GROWERS NEED BETTER BULLS

Raleigh, Oct. 30.—When the cattle growers of western Carolina saw how quality was rewarded by better prices at the recent sale of beef cattle at Spruce Pine, some of them said, "We have got to improve our stuff on in a few years it will be too late."

According to V. W. Lewis who helped with this sale for the Extension Service of the State College and Department of Agriculture, this section will soon lose some of its distinction of being a leading beef-cattle producing section unless something is done soon to keep up and improve the quality of cattle grown. The need is better bulls, and many farmers want these bulls now, but the matter of purchase price, feed and care makes many of them hesitate.

The remedy is to form cooperative bull associations as practiced by the dairymen. Mr. Lewis says, "Most of Western North Carolina cattle producers are keeping only a few cows. For one farmer to purchase care and feed a good bull for the entire community is not going to work as the service fees are small and many of them remain unpaid."

"Many farmers are asking what is a good bull worth? How much can I afford to pay for one? The car of common 800 pound steers in the Spruce Pine sale brought \$4.60 per 100 pounds while the good steers of the same weight brought \$6.25 per 100 pounds—a difference of \$1.65 per 100 pounds, or \$13.20 per steer of 800 pounds. Now, by using a sire properly fifty calves may be secured from him in one year. When one calf as a coming two year old—dropped in spring and sold in the fall of the year following—is worth \$13.20 more than the common calf, we may state that the good bred bull is worth \$660.00 more than the scrub bull. We should not forget that the scrub, as well as the pure bred, is to have feed and a certain amount of attention and the \$660.00 represents an income over and above the value of the calves from scrub animals."

"The sensible thing to do then is to form bull associations similar to the plan worked out by the dairymen whereby three to five bulls may be bought by 20 to 30 farmers and the bulls put in three to five communities—one for each community. At the end of every two years these bulls are exchanged,—the bull in community or block No. 1 going to block No. 2 and on down. If five bulls are used in five blocks there would be good bulls in these five communities for 10 years with no more additional cost unless the death of a bull should occur. These five bulls can be bought for \$1000.00 or \$200.00 each and each year they are worth five times \$660.00 or \$3300.00 on in ten years \$33000.00 more than the value of the off-springs from the scrub."

Name the farm this winter. Circle Grove Farm sounds better than the "Old Latham Place." Looks nice on a letterhead, too.

## HIGH HAMPTON TO BE SUMMER RESORT

Local capital, headed by Mr. E. L. McKee, has purchased High Hampton the summer home of the late General Wade Hampton, from the Hampton heirs, and Johns Hopkins University, and will make developments there, opening up the magnificent estate to tourists by next summer.

The estate comprises twenty-two hundred acres of land in Cashiers Valley, and has been known far and wide for its natural beauty and salubrious summer climate. It was formerly the summer home of General Wade Hampton, and at his death passed into the possession of his niece Mrs. W. S. Halstead. Dr. Halstead, who was chief surgeon at Johns Hopkins, made additional purchase of land adjoining the original Hampton holdings, and he and Mrs. Halstead spent much of their time there, up until the time of the death of both of them, last fall. Through the will of Dr. Halstead the larger part of the estate passed to Johns Hopkins, and the original High Hampton to the Hampton.

It is the plan of Mr. McKee to immediately begin developments on the estate, putting in electric lights, and other modern conveniences, and making additional accommodations for people; but will, at the same time, leave the Hampton home intact, just as it was at the time when General Hampton spent his summers there, and used it for a hunting and fishing lodge.

The property is in the heart of the trout and deer country of Western North Carolina, includes many miles of the finest of trout water. Chimney Top, one of the most picturesque mountains in all this region, is on the property, and White Side is in sight of the buildings. The estate adjoins the summer home of Mr. J. T. Lupton, at Lake Sapphire, famed as the most beautiful estate in the mountains, or in the state, with the possible exception of the Vanderbilt estate at Biltmore.

It is thought in business circles that the development of High Hampton as a summer resort is one of the most important steps that has been taken in promoting the tourist industry in Western North Carolina in recent years. It is located on state highway 106, leading from Sylva to South Carolina, and on the mountain highway from Hendersonville, by Brevard, and Lake Toxaway, in Transylvania county, Lake Fairfield, and Cashiers Valley in Jackson county, Highlands and Franklin, in Macon county, and on to Atlanta and the south.

High Hampton is in Cashiers Valley, which isn't a valley at all, but a broad plateau, almost on top of the Blue Ridge, and with an average altitude of about 3500 feet above the sea level. Cashiers Valley has been known to the people of South Carolina as a summer resort since before the War Between the States, in the days when they traveled by stage over the Sloan turnpike to the small hostleries and many summer homes in The Valley.

## CAPTURE GEORGIA LIQUOR

G. C. Glance and G. B. Pressley, both giving their homes as Canton, were arrested, near Joe Cabe's on Savannah, Sunday night by C. C. Mason and Deek Sutton, of the sheriff's department, and were placed in jail, charged with transporting 20 gallons of Georgia liquor. A Dodge Touring car, running without a license tag, was also taken in custody by the officers.

Glance and Pressley were both released on bonds of \$1500 for their appearance at the recorder's court, next Monday.

## CARD OF THANKS

On the 12th of September was born to our home a beautiful baby boy. It was the very picture of health. But on the 13th of October it got very ill. The doctor was called from time to time, and did all he could for the baby. On the 18th of October the death call came to our baby, and our dear baby was called to rest. We are left in tears and broken hearts, to mourn the loss until the call comes to us. Never before did neighbors help more willingly. They did all they could, through the sickness and death of our baby. We pray the Lord's blessing on our friends and neighbors for their kindness.

RICHARD HOOPER and Family.

## WALTON IS SUSPENDED BY OKLAHOMA SENATE

Oklahoma City.—Governor J. C. Walton was suspended from office at 6:40 when the state senate by a vote of 36 to 1, adopted a resolution temporarily relieving him of his official duties following the submission by the lower house of a bill of impeachment against him.

The impeachment bill charges the executive with entering into a "corrupt agreement" with Dr. A. E. Davenport, state health commissioner, to place T. P. Edwards, the governor's personal chauffeur, on the payroll of the health department at \$200 a month; and that thereby "certain monies were diverted from the statutory object and purpose for which they were appropriated by law."

Lieutenant-Governor Trapp is in Sapulpa, Okla., and was notified by telephone.

## JUDGE KERR HANDS IN HIS RESIGNATION TO GOVERNOR

Raleigh.—Judge John H. Kerr, of Warrenton, elected to Congress in the recent special election in the second district, appeared at the office of the governor and presented his resignation from the Superior court bench of North Carolina.

Governor Morrison it was announced appointed Thomas M. Pittman, Henderson, successor to Judge Kerr on his return from a tour of the western part of the state.

## SHOAL CREEK

(Too Late for publication last week.)

Several of the Shoal Creek folks attended the funeral of Mr. D. M. Zachary, at Whittier, Monday.

Rev. J. E. Church and family and Mr. G. T. Cooper are attending Conference at Winston-Salem.

Mrs. G. A. Kinsland was called to Asheville by the serious illness of her father, Mr. B. C. Fisher.

Prof. J. D. Warrick, Mr. Garland Oxner, Miss Florence Turpin and Miss Vinnie Martin were guests at Mr. D. A. Martin's, of Cherokee, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoyle and Mr. J. O. and Mrs. J. K. Terrell called at Mr. J. H. Hughes', Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Bertha Ledbetter, of Asheville, has returned home after a few days visit among relatives.

Mr. J. M. Hughes is employed in concrete bridge work, on Luffy.

Mrs. J. H. Hughes spent Monday with Mrs. L. W. Cooper.

Mrs. Charles Campbell has returned to Whittier after spending the week end with her son, Mr. Carl Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Turpin spent Sunday among relatives.

Quite an improvement is being made on our school house in the way of fire escapes, etc.

Mrs. M. Shuler called at Mr. J. E. Battle's, Monday.

Mrs. G. C. Wiggins called at Mr. Charles Hyatt's, Saturday.

Mrs. Emma Hall and children, of Sunburst, are spending a few days at Mr. J. C. Johnson's.

Rev. B. S. West and Rev. T. F. Deitz begun revival services at Qualla Chapel, Monday night. Our people were invited by the pastor to attend and take part in this meeting.

## REPUBLICANS SEEK SITE

Washington.—The Republican National Committee's sub-committee appointed to consider sites for the 1924 National Convention, will meet in Washington, November 15 to hear representatives of various cities.

## REALLY, ISN'T IT FUNNY?

That a man who thinks he is a Business Man, Will get up in the morning, From an advertised mattress, Shave with an advertised razor, And put on advertised underwear, Advertised hose, shirt, collar, tie and shoes, Seat himself at the table and Eat advertised breakfast food, Drink advertised coffee or substitute, Put on an advertised hat, Light an advertised cigar, Get in an advertised automobile, And go to his place of business And TURN DOWN Advertising on the ground that Advertising Doesn't Pay.—Exchange.

## A. J. FREEMAN DIES—SHOAL CREEK ITEMS

Mr. A. J. Freeman died Thursday and was laid to rest in the cemetery at Shoal Creek, Saturday 27th. Services were conducted by Revs. J. R. Church, B. S. West and T. F. Deitz. He leaves a wife and ten children, all of whom were present at his funeral, his seven sons acting as pallbearers. He was an honest, upright citizen; but having been afflicted for a long while, he lived a quiet home life; but was always ready to manifest his faith in God and his hope of a home in heaven. The people of the community manifested their respect for him by attending the funeral and bringing with them a profuse offering of flowers. Several visitors were present.

Rev. J. R. Church and his father, Mr. W. A. Church, left for Winston-Salem immediately after the funeral.

Mr. H. C. Freeman, of Mill Springs preached an interesting sermon at the Methodist church Sunday on "Be Ye Perfect."

Mr. H. G. Bird and Miss Josephine Patton were united in marriage at the home of the bride, Sunday afternoon.

Messrs. J. M. and D. C. Hughes, Luther Hoyle, Wayne Battle and C. B. Terrell motored to Ravensford, Sunday afternoon.

Messrs. Golman Kinsland and Jess Nelson made a trip to Olivet, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoyle made a trip to Whittier, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Howell dined at Mr. S. T. Crisp's, Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Messrs. Claude Hughes and Dallas Howell motored to Ravensford, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Henson spent Friday with Mrs. W. H. Cooper.

Prof. R. W. Henry, of Ravensford, spent the week end with Mr. J. O. Terrell.

Mrs. Charles Hyatt was a guest at Mr. J. L. Wiggins', Sunday.

There was a Teacher's meeting at the school house Friday and an interesting play Friday night.

## BALSAM

Born to Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Beck, Saturday morning the 27th, a nine pound boy. Mother and son doing well, the father is "all smiles."

Miss Nola Murry, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Roy Potts, left Monday for her home in Wilmington.

Rev. Wm. Pruitt, of Hazelwood, preached in the Baptist church here Sunday morning and ordained Messrs. Wiley Barnes and F. M. Breece, deacons. He also preached Sunday night and will probably assist the pastor in a revival. He preached a very interesting sermon to the school children Monday morning.

Messrs. Claud Warren, John Kenney, J. T. Moody, Dock Bryson, Corbett Ensley, Hubert Ensley, Mrs. H. P. Ensley and Miss Grace Mehaffey attended the circus in Asheville Saturday.

Miss Jessie Allman, of Addie, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charlie Bryson.

Mrs. Eugene Ensley and baby of Hazelwood visited Mrs. H. P. Ensley Sunday.

Mrs. Maybelle Perry, Mrs. W. B. Farwell, Mrs. Carrie Belle Sprinkle and Mr. C. R. Jones, Jr., motored to Waynesville Sunday.

Mr. George T. Knight spent the week end with his mother in Balsam.

Mr. J. V. Saunders and family have moved to Beta.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Edgar Carnes to Nellie Thomas.

## REALTY TRANSFERS

D. G. Hedden et ux to Geo. D. Hedden 10 acres in Hamburg \$300.

L. E. Murray et ux to H. G. Clayton about 18 acres at Addie, \$1350.

Addie A. Moss et al to T. L. Jamison, 4 acres in Glenville \$2500, deed made in 1920.

## LEJON URGES MERCHANTS TO DECORATE STORES

The William E. Dillard Post American Legion is anxious for all merchants of the city to decorate their stores for the Armistice celebration which will be held here on Saturday, November 10th.

Get out your flags and your red, white and blue cloth and make the old town have a gala appearance.

Make some brush dams in the gullies this fall and keep the fertile soil at home. Better still, prevent the gullies from forming by planting winter cover crops and by terracing, say extension workers of the State College.

The blue ribbon for first prize on anconas was awarded to the coop of anconas belonging to John R. Jones, of Sylva, member of the Tuckasee Poultry Association, at the Western North Carolina Poultry Show, in Waynesville, last week.

Let every former soldier in the county be present. Everybody in the county is invited and urged to come.

\$650,000 MILL AT BALFOUR  
Hendersonville News, Oct. 25—"Balfour Mills" is the name given the cotton mill enterprise of Capt. Ellison A. Smyth of Greenville and Hendersonville and his associates. The mill proper will be erected on the hillside to the southeast of the Balfour depot, occupying portions of the orphanage and Clement properties. This exact location was decided upon last Friday when Capt. Smyth, his associates and J. E. Sirrine of J. E. Sirrine & Company, engineers of Greenville, reviewed the site. Work on the mill, which will mean a village of about 1000 people around the Balfour railroad station, will go forward just as rapidly as preparations can be made. Three engineers are now on the ground, having arrived Monday. They are making a detailed survey of the property, consisting of about 200 acres, and then will return to Greenville and make their plans. The engineers on the job are J. W. Marshall, J. P. Plowden and Ed. Rose. A development costing about \$650,000 is contemplated. In addition to the factory a village will be built and the exact location of the principal structures aside from the mill will be determined after the engineers' maps are made, showing the streets, parks and general lay out of what is believed will be a very modern and attractive mill village.