The aborge Democrat, Feb. 14, 1894. had a great preponderance y for the past ten days. Last ... ing the thermometer reg-Lucarces below zero and Satmorning it crept back to 8 beand ice have predominated is northing was the coldest of on, the thermometer indicatdegree below zero. The tempmin her rapidly today, but garagell of weather has caus-. a total suspension of busi-

> 3 cl L Sawyer returned today Mobile, Ala.

p. p. pavies returned Monon a trans the National Cap-

A. Toropkins and children continue a few days with her

an looks at eattle shipped ... K. L. Porter of Frankhas to Bolimore, and one by Smith end Marie, to Charleston.

to him has purchased a Episcopal Chapel while the period and we suppose walks on a per in position.

and W. M. Dee, of the firm of When and it ... left today for Baltimete, viere be goes to purchase their stock of spring goods.

Mr. W. D. Wike spent Tuesday valerat here. It will shortly write some interesting herers to the Democrat from that ple aresque section, the

Southern portion of the county Mr. S C. Albern, of Big Spring. was up again vesterday, and people do say that his desiness is more of a sentimental than prosaic and ordina

ry character. We wish you success, Misses Martha Sherrill, of Bryson City, now visiting in Dillsboro, Lola Sherrill, Lela and Florence Enloe, of Dillsboro, and Annie Leatherwood, of

Webster, came up from Dillshoro Wednesday evening. A car of the U S. Fish Commission was here Tuesday, from were delivered about 2000 Can

trout to be planted in Fisher's and Scott's Creeks. Quite a number were placed in Scott's Creek several years ago and if they had been properly protected, that stream would no doubt he well stocked with fish large enough to eatch and eat. They grow and accumulate rapidly and ought not to be molested in less than two or three years after planting.

It may appear somewhat premature, but Jackson county wants to give timely rotice that she will present to the next district democratic convention, the name of Hon, W. E. Moore, of Wilmer, as her candidate to represent this district in the 55 Con-

the of the Court Cowan was in in Saturday.

Mr. L. Henner of Speedwell was

Mr. J. M. Rigdon, of Glenville, was Saturday,

Mr. C. W. MeDade has purchased

the Barns form near town, of Rev. A. H. Sans, and expects to be one of

M. Famile Rogers and Prof. B. B Light vice in fown Saturday

band, it the dester, a former citi-7 and the town, but now of Cashier's Vi les, cas here Friday.

Was Arade Thomas is home from and for a short visit.

the variable roday is indicative of were end, but the prospects for a by the as perhaps never betof the year

an attractive play, the received preparation by the "maleux at Salva, and will be premost in the near future, the exact days to as normed in due season. Miss Lizzie Nelson and Miss Mary Will state, accompanied by Miss orbon's lather, paid us an appreci-The Program, Mr. Nelson is a Maland, who are come to the Land

of the Shy to Beate. Mr. Juo. N. Hunter, one of our progressive and wide-awake citizens, who believes in the necessity of sustaining his county paper, called in Friday and settled his subscription for the pres-

United States Marshal Allison went to the Indian Reservation armed with 4 writ empowering him to deliver to the Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians all lands embraced in the Qualla boundary tract comprising several thousand acres. The case has been in litigation several years and Congress recently passed an appropriation to earry out a compromise. The marshal will remove all American University, which is to b squatters, twelve or fifteen in number,

YEARS AGO HOBO FREIGHTTRAIN

Balsam has a new kind of "hobo" Mr. Jack Arrington has two fine game reosters that roost in a free zeross the railroad from his home. One evening recently, just as the coosters were making their flight, an eastbound freight train came along and they lauded on top of a box car. Mr. Bruce Kenney, who happened to see them, ran and caught the train when it stopped at the water tank, and rescued them, and took them home to their owner.

Miss Cornelia Hoyle and Mr Wayne Hyatt were married in Clayton, Ga., Sunday the 27th. Several friends accompanied them.

Mrs. S. W. Christy, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Refshall in Norfolk, Va., returned home Sunday. She left Monday to visit relatives in Andrews, after which she will visit her son, Edwin Christy, in Asheville, and then go to Wisconsin to visit her daughter, Mrs. Finley Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Duncan visited celatives and friends in Hendersonville, Sunday.

Mrs. John T. Jones and Mr. Geo. T Knight went to Sylva, on business,

Mrs. Harriett Connor, who has been sick for more than a year, was taken to the hospital in Morganton, Tuesday. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Lee Connor, her husband. Mr. Ben Connor, and Sheriff Mason.

Mrs. George Bryson took her son, George Jr., to the Orthorpedic hospital in Gastonia Tuesday to attend the clinic meeting, in regard to his leg.

around Balsam.

Miss Florence Brooks and Mr. Claud Warren were married, Friday, in Clayton, Ga.

Mrs. Eugene Ensley of Orlando, Fla was here for a short while, Thursday. She is visiting her parents Mr. and

Miss Harriett Long of Addie spent last week end with Mrs. Sara Bryson. Mrs. Cynthia Beck of Addie visited her son, Bryson Beck, last week

Two 'stills were captured here last

TWO TOURNAMENTS IN MARCH

Two high school basketball tourna ments are booked for Cullowhee the first and second weeks in March.

The second annual Jackson County Tournament is scheduled for Marca 1 and 2; while the Eleventh Annual Western North Carolina Tournament will be held March 7, 8 and 9.

Both are sponsored by Western Carolina Teachers College.

The rules and regulations are: Each school is allowed to enter one girls' team and one boys' team.

Each boys' team is allowed eight players and a coach

Each girls' team 9 players and a coach. A woman chaperone must accompany each girls' team,

Each player must be a bona fide student of the school represented, must be passing in at least three subjects, must not have played as much as four years high school basketball, must not have reached the age of 21

prior to Jan. 1, 1935. Each school must bear transportation expenses to and from Cullowhee. The college will furnish entertainment while there. Teams must leave when defeated. An extrance fee of \$3 for one team and \$5 for two must accomp any the application, and must be in by February 25. A trophy will be awarded the winning teams, and re-

tained by them. The winning teams of the Western North Carolina Tournament have been 1925, Waynesville Girls; S. C. I.

1926, Iotla Girl, Sylva Boys. 1927, Franklin Girls; Waynesville

1928, S.C. I. Girls; Havesville Boys 1929, Waynesville Girls; Waynesville Boys.

1930, Bethel Girls; Webster Boy: 1931, Bethel Girls; Almond Boys. 1932, Bothel Girls; Sylva Boys. 1933, Bethel Girls; Bryson City

1934, Bethel Girls; Sylva Boys.

and formally deliver the land to th Indians.

Col. Julian S. Carr, of Durham president of the Duke Tobacco Com pany has subscribed \$10,000 to th

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MERCURY 24 BELOW BALSAM ROOSTERS Legislature Grapples With Taxes, Liquor Problems

(By Dan Tompkins)

This week has marked the beginning of the real battles in the present General Assembly, or rather the stiff skirmishes that precede the battles. The sales tax is under fire, and if the proponents and advocates of the substitute revenue bill, which would leave the sales tax out, and which has caused the Standard Oil Company to threaten to withdraw its business from North Carolina, is given serious consideration by the Assembly, it is probable that the members will be there when the corn is planted in the mountains, the trout are biting (after the season opens), and the niggers are chopping the while the mocking-birds whistle in

Another battle line that is being drawn between the damps, the wets, and the drys. The first fight in that quarter will not be over Senator Hill's bill calling for a referendum on the question of the State's going into the liquor business along the line of the Virginia plan; but over the question of raising the alcoholic content of legal beer in North Caroina from 3.2 to comform to the federal government's ideas of what is beer.

Bills introduced:

To fix ten years statute of limitations on actions against tax foreclosure suits, other than the person in whose name the property is listed.

To permit service by publication upon any party to a tax foreelosure suit. To require the record of tax sales certificates to be kept by sheriff, and to provide that failure to list sales There is right much sickness in and in the record, opposite the description profits and rentals. of the property prevents the certificate from becoming a lien against an innocent purchaser.

> land litigations to recover taxes paid by an or his predecessor.

years from the expiration of the time fixed for filing claims in the published

To create a Civil Service Commission of eleven members appointed by the General Assembly to make the nec essary rules and regulations concerning the classification, appointment, and promotion of teachers and professors in State institutions. After May 1, 1935 the bill would require a mental and physical examination of those teachers desiring to become eligible for employment, those teachers prior to that date to be eligible according to seniority of service. The Commission would have power to discipline teachers by reduction in rank and compensation, The bill provides for a pension fund to be created by deducting 5 per cent from salaries and a like amount to be donated by the

State The pension payments would be made according to the acturial plan, in the judgment of the Commission, submitted by a leading life insurance company of this State. Teachers would be subject to retirement after 25 years of teaching and retirement would be mandatory at seventy. If teachers withdraw from service, onehalf the sun credited to the teacher would be paid in a lump sum; if the teacher dies the amount credited to the teacher would be handled in the same manner as the bank account of a deceased person.

To provide for payment of Confed. erate pensions monthly.

To provide for release of surery weeds out of the cotton, down East, bond of officials upon 30 days notice; and if no new bond is executed, the office to be declared vacant.

> To enable banks to make loans secured by real estate and invest in mortgages insured under the National Housing Act.

> To limit the amount of funeral expenses which may be proved as debt of the second class against av estate to \$200 and to place all expenses above \$200 in the seventh class.

To authorize the manufacture, sale. and transportation of all malt, brewed and fermented beverages permeted by Glenville, W. T Cook, Sylva, D. L. federal law, and to fix license taxes.

from \$3,900 to \$4,500 and to allow Crisp, Whittier, L. C. Cagle, Whittier, each solicitor \$700 a year for expens

system for school books, and setting J. E. Monteith , Sylva, Glenn Hughes. up a \$2,000,000 revolving fund by is Callowhee, J. R. Brown, Canada, W

eredible, literate witnesses before removing money or personal effects To authorize the losing party in from the body of a deceased person.

To allow motor vehicles with license br hire to melte casual trips ever

To repeal the law for destruction of pistols when a person has beer convicted of carrying concealed weap ons, and to authorize clerks to seli them to any person authorized to own or earry weapons, to a licensed dealer in the State or to dealers outside the State.

ELDER TO BE HERE SUNDAY

The Rev. W. A. Rollins, presiding elder of the Waynesville District, M. E. Church, South, will preach at the church, here,, next Methodist Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

This will be Mr. Rollins' second visit to Sylva, and the membership and others who have heard him will be pleased to have the opportunity to do

The public is cordially invited.

The February term of Jackson ounty superior court will begin on ext Monday morning, with Judge J. A. Rousseau, of North Wilkesboro, residing.

The term is for the trial of both riminal and civil actions. The first week, and as much of the second as s necessary, will be used for disposng of the long criminal docket. There are no capital cases to be tried; but everal cases that are expected to take some time for trial, are on the

Solicitor John M. Queen will proseute for the State.

The grand jury will be drawn from the following list of jurors, and the remainder will be members of the pettit jury.

A. S. Bryson. Cashier's, S. H. Math s, Canada, Charlie Norris, Erastus, J. B. Prince, Cowarts, W. H. Hoyle. Willits, A. E. Brown, East LaPorte, J. C. Monteith, Cashier's, J. C. Patterson, Dillsboro, T. J. Powell, Tuckaseigee, D. E.Murray, Sylva, John R. Jones, Sylva, Edward Bryson, Speedwell, J. E. Long, Cowarts, C. C. Barnes, Sylva, Guy Fisher, Sylva, W. E. Grindstaff, Sylva, E. D. Blackburn. Hooper, Tuckaseigee, Eric Coward. To raise the salaries of Solicitors | Cowarts, G. C. Wood, Canada, J. P. J. C. Brown, Sylva, G. C. Hooper, Speedwell, J. L. Price, Speedwell, L. To provide for a State-wide rental | C. Moore, Sylva, R. E. Dills, Sylva, suing bonds to be retired by tag W. Shuler, Cowarts, J. M. Owen, Canada, J. C. Woodring, Tuckaseigee, To require coronor to semmon two C. M. Martin, Whittier, Lloyd Hooper, Tuckaseigee, Wes. Allison, Green's Creek, J M. Leatherwood, Dillsbore. W. Mont Jamison, Sylva, Walter Rice, Cashier's.

Second Week

Victor Coggins, Erastus, D. Hall, Sylva, Oscar Ensley, Cullowhee Shaler Gilley, East LaPorte, R. V Norman, Whittier, W. H. Smith. Tuckaseigee, D. H. Brown, Cullowhee, S. B. Jones, Barker's Crek, C. V. Bryson, Cullowhee, R. L. Sutton, Dills boro, W. C. Queen, Dillsboro, J. R. Stephens, Cullowhee, J. L. Buchanan. Webster, J. P. Reed, Sylva, T. C. Taylor. Speedwell, Mont Daves, Speedwell Neil Sutton, Dillsboro, W. N. Bumgarner, Whittier, J. M. Price, Speedwell, C. A. Moody, Whittier, C. A. Beasley, Sylva. ,

ENTERTAIN WEBSTER SENIORS

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hutchinson will be hosts at a Valentine party, at their home in Webster, tonight, having as guests members of the Senior Class of Webster High School.

With 75 new ERE teachers in prospect for Western North Carolina, as a whole, it appeared certain today that Jackson county, where less than 12 teachers are employed in the work of adult schools, will get additional teachers.

T. N. MASSIE PASSES

T. N. Massie, head of the Massie Furniture Company, died yesterday af ternoon, at his home in Waynesville, at the age of 66.

His death was due to heart failure. Mr Massie had been ill for only two days. He lived in Waynesville for a long period of years; and a few years ago, together with his son, T. N. Massie, Jr., and A. T. Ledbetter, opened a furiture store in Sylva.

Mr. Massie is survived by seven sons and five daughters, and a number of other relatives.

SECRETARY WALLACE WILL SPEAK, 23RD

Membes and ministers of approximately 200 Western North Carolina churches will gather at Central Methodist church in Asheville on Saturday of next week to hear United States Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace speak on the Lord's Acre Movement. Churches which are not using the Lord's Acre plan may send their representatives or ministers by applying for tickets from the Rev. Dumont Clarke, care the Farmer's Federatioon, Asheville.

In the afternoon at 1:30, Secretary Wallace will address the annual stock holders meeting of the Farmers Fed-

BRYSON'S DILLSBORO BILL HELD UP IN THE SENATE

A bill introduced by Representative T. C. Bryson and passed by the House cr Representatives,, making alterations in the charter of the town of Dillsboro, has been held up in the Senate, it is said at the request of opponents of the measure, and is now pending for action before the Senate Committee on Counties, Cities and

The bill would reduce the number of aldermen of the town from five to three, cause elections to be held bi ennually instead of yearly, and leave the matter of employing a town marshal in the discretion of the aldermen

QUALLA

Mrs. Emma Conley Ferguson, wid-

ow of the late J. L. Ferguson, whose

body was laid to rest in Thomas cemetery at Qualla on Feb. 6, was the last member of the prominent family of J. W. Conley. She was 81 years of age. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. W. Clay, assisted by Rev. Byron Shankle of Bryson City. She professed faith in Christ and united with the Methodist church in childhood. She never deviated from the "straight and narrow way". At her home the ministers always received a welcome, good advice and words of encouragment. She was always ready to lenl a helping hand to any one in need or distress or comfort to those in trouble or sorrow. When in health, her place in Sunday school and church was seldom vacant. She leaves to ber sons, Glenn and Paul and her ten grandehildren a lasting example of piety, integrity, and uprightness. A long life of constant, faithful servicewas surely rewarded by an abundant entrance into the Holy City. That she was esteemed and honored by those who knew her was attested by the large congregation that attended her funeral. Among the visitors present were Mr. T. W. Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Ferguson, Mrs. W. C. Martin and Mrs. Martha Patterson, of Bryson City, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Shelton, Mrs. Charles Ray, Mr. Wilford Ray and Mr. Oliver Shelton of Waynesville, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wike anl Miss Louise Hyatt of Cullowhee, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Parker and Mrs. H. G. Bird of Sylva, Mrs. F. I. Watson of Dillsboro Mrs. J. E Green of Six Mile, S. C., Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hyatt of Ela, Mr. and Mrs. Ras Moody of Whittier, Mrs. J. H. Hughes of Cherokee, Mrs. J. A. Bumgarner and Mrs. Ed. Bumgarner of Wilmot.

Mr. Will Springer died at his home on Feb. 6. His funeral was conducted by Rev. J. L. Hyatt assisted by Rev. C. W. Clay. at the Baptist church, on

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Cause and Effect-

- by A. B. Chapin

