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LOCAL MATTERS.

Caught Here and There.

—J. D. Smith is home from Stony Fork for a few days.

—Mrs. Dr. Doughton, North Wilkesboro, is visiting at Winston.

—Lawyer T. B. Finley went to Greensboro on business last week.

—John Wellborn is with Turner & White, learning the drug business.

—Ned Glenn's son, col., died of consumption last week at North Wilkesboro.

—Miss Florence Corpening, of Asheville, who has been sick at the hotel here, is improving.

—Miss Viola Carlton, Boomer, leaves this week for Lexington, Ky., to attend a business college.

—Esq. James Sparks, of Trap Hill, died last week. He was 75 years old and was the father of Mr. Calloway Sparks.

—Mrs. W. W. Barber and little daughter Elizabeth, who have been visiting at Elkin and Mocksville will return home this week.

—Mrs. Lura Cowles, daughter Essie and son William went to Statesville last week to visit relatives. They will return this week.

—It wont be long till time for political conventions. Let everybody raise something to eat first, then all these political "sociables" can be easily added.

—Frank Baker and wife who have been here for Mrs. Baker to be treated by Dr. White, returned to their home on the Brushies last week. She is very much improved.

—Mr. Junie James went up to his farm Sunday near Goshen and had lively experience with muskrats. He discovered a muskrat hole in the creek bank and ran a stick into it. Out came a big rat. He killed it. He tried the hole again and out came another. This experiment was kept up till fifteen were killed, all large ones.

—Thirty three convicts with guards came up Friday and have gone to work on the Jefferson turnpike. Other convicts will be brought in later. The camps are located near Arthur Forester's place, in the "Klondike" region. The camps were a very popular resort for our people Sunday. The pike will be one of the best things in the county.

—The latest political news is that Dr. York, Maj. Foote and others will organize and launch forth a new party here next Monday. The object as we understand it is to do away with the court house and taxation. How these gentlemen will harmonize their anti tax doctrine with their speeches made in favor of the high railroad tax will of course be explained Monday.

—A movement is on foot to establish a rural free delivery mail route between Boomer and Kings Creek, connecting with the route from Lenoir. It is to be hoped that the movement will succeed. And then there should be a route between Wilkesboro and Boomer and the hole line would be complete. An inspector will be here the last of this month to investigate the matter; let us all talk for the routes.

—Com Triplett was in to see us last week.

—P. H. German, Kendall, has 50 sheep for sale.

—The brick work at the Baptist church is progressing.

—Mr. T. A. Carlton and wife of Boomer, were in town Saturday.

—Elza Roberts, of Jarvis, was among our visitors last week.

—Mrs. E. D. Beaty is home from a visit to her people in Catawba.

—Gentry Jennings, Esq., has returned home last week from Asheville.

—50c from now till next Jan. is all THE CHRONICLE will cost you, if you settle back dues.

—Mrs. W. C. Winkler and children have returned from their visit to Caldwell county.

—The potato bug and bean bug are putting in their work along now, and their's plenty of them, too.

—One of Sewell Wellborn's bay horses died Sunday afternoon, of pneumonia. It is a very severe loss.

—Lawyer H. L. Greene has moved with his family to his country home on the Gray farm, for the summer.

—Did you know next week is court? Come in and settle up, and give us 50c in advance for the balance of the year.

—Our friend J. C. Parsons, of Stanton, was in Saturday to renew his allegiance to THE CHRONICLE for another year.

—Miss Minnie Chatham, of Elkin, and Miss Bess McNeely, of Mooresville, are visiting at W. R. Hubbard's, at Moravian Falls.

—Esq. Caily Lowe, who died recently at Poors Knob leaves 45 grand children and 59 great grand children living in this county.

—The Children's Day exercises at the Methodist church were enjoyed by a large congregation. They were excellent all the way through.

—W. R. Hendren, Will Ellis and Milas Stout, who went to Illinois recently, are well pleased out there. They are working on a canal in western Ill.

—E. Wallace is traveling in behalf of the Masonic Mutual Life Insurance Co. Its plan is an improvement on the regular companies. None but Masons are insured.

—Prof. J. A. Boldin, principal of Boomer High School, is spending sometime with his parents at Roaring River. He will travel in behalf of his school during the summer.

—It is only a few days till court—19th. Are you ready? Court will be held in the old Cooper and Miller store house. Come in and see us when you come to court.

—Miss Berta Melvin, the efficient assistant of Boomer High School, left Thursday for her home in Bladen county. She is a favorite among those whom she taught. Let us hope she will return and assist in the next session which will begin August 10th.

—The laying of the corner stone of the court house for Alexander county Saturday was attended by many of our people. The exercises were conducted by the Masons and were very interesting. Let us arrange to have the corner stone of our court house placed by the Masons.

BOOMER COMMENCEMENT.

It was our good fortune to have pleasure of attending the commencement exercises of Boomer High School, in company with State Superintendent Joyner, County Superintendent Wright and Lawyer Frank B. Hendren.

Excepting the interruption by the rain storm of Prof. Joyner's elegant address, it was one of the most pleasant commencement occasions we ever attended. Those people know how to treat visitors and they fairly surpassed themselves in generous hospitality.

The exercises were well proportioned, not too long nor too short; and one of the most remarkable features was the fact that there was not a hitch, balk or prompting during the entire exercise, both day and night. The declamations, recitations, etc., were tastefully selected and well rendered, showing excellent training on the part of the teachers.

The annual address was delivered by our efficient State Superintendent J. Y. Joyner. It was a literary gem and was full of progressive educational suggestions. The frequent interruptions by the rains however marred the effect of the speech.

At night there was a concert which was enjoyed by a well filled house. The dialogues, plays, comic speeches, etc., kept the crowded audience in excellent humor, and often in convulsions of laughter.

The North Wilkesboro Cornet band enlivened the interims during the day with music.

Prof. Boldin and his excellent assistant Miss Melvin, as well as the neighborhood, are to be congratulated upon such a pleasant ending of such a successful school.

The school will open again the 19th of August. Let the neighborhood heartily support the school.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.

Claims allowed.

[Continued from last week.]

W. F. Barlow, services as commissioner for 2nd quarter 1902, \$20.

J. S. Holbrook, services as commissioner for 2nd quarter 1902, \$21.20.

John Davidson, services as commissioner for 2nd quarter 1902, \$14.40.

Other Matters.

The following persons were declared paupers and allowed \$1 per month; Amanda J. Stone, M. L. Jarvis agent, Mary Queen, E. C. Moore agent, John Holloway, T. P. Parlier agent.

The Teacher's Institute.

The Teacher's Institute held one of its most profitable and interesting meetings Saturday. The first topic, Rest method of teaching history, brought out some interesting argument and much benefit must have been derived from the discussion of this topic. Another topic that was discussed at length was the time of beginning the schools. It appeared that a majority of those present approved the action of the Board of Education in that matter.

But the crowning achievement of Saturday's meeting was the step taken to increase the salaries of teachers. The following resolutions will explain:

"Resolved that it is the sense of the Teachers' Institute of Wilkes county that teachers holding first grade certificates should not teach for less than \$25 per month and those holding second grade certificates should not teach for less than \$20 per month."

Every teacher present signed a pledge that they would not teach for less than the amounts stated in the resolutions, and all the other teachers in the county are urged to send their names to the secretary, John Crouch, Wilkesboro, N. C., and authorize him to affix their names to the pledge.

The next meeting will be held on the second Saturday in September, and a motion carried unanimously requesting the female members to prepare essays on the topics for discussion at that meeting. Here are two of the topics:

1. What is the best method of teaching spelling, and should the sounds of

letters be taught in connection therewith.

2. What is the true object of the public school?

We are expecting State Superintendent Joyner to be with us in September, therefore the program is short. Should he fail to come another topic will be added.

Saturday's meeting concluded the work of the Institute for the present school year. It is indeed gratifying to note the progress made during the year, and the prospects are promising for even better results next year. Wilkes is coming to the front and the Teacher's Institute is doing its part in putting her there.

—Mr. E. D. Byrd and bride, accompanied by Miss Lou Isbell, went down to Ronda last week to spend a few days with relatives. They returned to Elkville the first of the week.

—Dr. Tait Butler, State veterinarian, who has been in the county several days investigating the cattle for ticks, gave this office a pleasant call last Friday. He is working up an organization of farmers who raise cattle, so as to enlist all the county in the effort to destroy the ticks and thus get Wilkes out of the quarantine territory. This is the proper thing to do. By a united cooperation of all our people, the tick business can easily be eliminated in a short while. The thing to do is for all the cattle raisers to organize against the tick.

—We keep constantly on hand a large assortment of spectacles and eye glasses at Smithey Optical Co.

—Child's tool set—hoe, shovel and rake—at Spainhour's for 10c.

—The largest and most complete line of hardware in the county will be found at J. P. Rousseau.

—Ladies linen patterns for shirt waist sets at Spainhour's, also a new lot of stamped collar and tie patterns.

—The times change and the people change with the times. Everybody now seems to want a Chattanooga plow and I can see where the people are right. J. P. Rousseau.

—Nicest line of umbrellas at D. W. Mayberry's you have seen. Prices from 40c to \$2.50. Best values he has ever carried.

—The hundreds of satisfied customers proves that our spectacles and eye glasses are all that we claim them to be at Smithey Optical Co.

—Don't you want a new suit for your boy? Some pretty blouse and Norfolk suits of Peck's manufacture at Spainhour's.

—Screen wire and screen wire doors at J. P. Rousseau's. Come right along; prices right.

—100 men's light colored suits of clothes at D. W. Mayberry's going at 25 per cent less than first cost. Just come and see.

—It is not too late to get your dress ready for the Sam Jones meeting. We have some pretty goods yet. Some new galleons and trimming for white goods this week. Spainhour & Co.

—It will pay you to visit my store if you contemplate buying hardware. Machinery of all kinds; binders, mowers, rakes, harrows. J. P. Rousseau.

—The second printing of "The Leopard's Spots" is now out. Call at Spainhour's and get a copy.

—Ashes for Sale, or will exchange for Corn or Hay. C. C. SMOOT & SONS CO.

Timber for Sale.

Over 700 acres of the finest timber in Wilkes co., situated from 2 to 3 miles from depot belonging to the estate of Col. W. H. H. Cowles for sale at public auction at court house in Wilkesboro on Tuesday May 15th 1902. Terms cash in six mo. in 12 mo. with good security. For further particulars see 2t W. W. Barber or T. B. Finley Com.

Ice. Ice. Ice.

I will sell and deliver ice as usual this season. Those wanting ice before I get a car load can phone to No. 33 or leave orders at Reed's barber shop. See my price before making contract. Thanking you for past patronage, I am

Very respectfully,
W. H. McElwEE.

LABOR ON, LABOR ON!

BUT Remember that we can all lighten our burdens by selecting our tools to labor with.

Our hoes are the best for the money; our axes are warranted and are standing the test. Our plows are beyond doubt. Unexcelled. Don't think of buying anything but a Chattanooga when you go to buy a plow.

For all kinds of Hardware be certain and see me before you buy.

J. P. ROUSSEAU.

North Wilkesboro, March 4th.

'Tis Spring Time

COME TO THE FRONT

If you never have before or if you never intend to again, come to the front this spring. The way to do this is to come to our store and buy the latest and most up-to-date goods in quality, style and design.

You can make a dress

out of 'most any kind of cloth but you can't make a stylish and up to date dress unless you have the best material. We have nothing but the BEST. We invite you to come and inspect our NEW SPRING GOODS.

R. A. Spainhour & Co.

The one-price-to-all store.

We Want Your Business

1. Because we carry a large stock.
 2. We give you 21-2 per cent discount on every \$10 you spend with us—CASH.
 3. We can sell you goods as cheap as you can get them anywhere, and we are going to do it.
- Yours for business,

I. S. CALL & CO.

CLOTHING.

To feel good you must be well dressed. What is the reason we can't furnish you that suit? In a few days we will have in our new stock and a prettier line has never been shown in this old town. We invite all who like to be well dressed to come and examine our stock.

Yours very truly,

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