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NORTH WILKESBORO

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THE CHRONICLE.

LOCAL MATTERS.

The Methodist church received eleven members this meeting.

Attorney H. C. Caviness is attending Iredell court this week.

Miss Kate McEwen left last week for Kernersville, where she has a position.

Mrs. J. R. Henderson, who has been visiting at Roanoke, Va., returned home last week.

C. Call can and will sell you clothing cheaper than anyone in North Wilkesboro. A big lot just received.

Mr. A. V. Foote is visiting at Roaring River, Elkin and Booneville this week.

C. R. Triplett & Co. is preparing to put in a bur mill at Maple Springs.

Mr. Arthur Caudill, who has been at Heron, Va., for some time, returned to his home at Goshen last week.

Mr. Garfield Jennings went to Winston-Salem last week to assist Deputy Marshal Carroll for a few weeks.

Mrs. Lula Mills and niece Miss Annie Belle Mills, of Statesville, are visiting Mrs. Mills father, Mr. D. A. Reece.

A nice line of W. L. Douglas shoes just received at C. Call's.

Dr. H. F. Baity, of North Wilkesboro, spent a few days in Salisbury last week on professional business.

Mrs. Mills, who has been visiting her son, H. C. Caviness for some days left for her home in Kinston last Friday.

Messrs J. N. Williams and J. M. Combs, who lives near town, left last week for Seattle Wash., to take in the fair.

Rev. B. F. Hargrett is in a meeting at Rual Hall this week, but will return in time to fill his regular appointment here Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cooper and son J. D. and grand children, of Statesville, are visiting the family of Mr. C. Y. Miller for a few days.

Superior court will begin here Aug. 9, and will be a two weeks term. The first week will be given to the trial of criminal cases. The second week will be given to the civil docket.

The Auto Transfer Co's. schedules are: beginning at 6:15 a. m. they will leave here every hour of the day up to 8 p. m. After 8 p. m. the car be for private hire at the rate of \$2 per hour.

Summer dress goods at the lowest prices at C. Call's.

The Office of Farm Management, United States Department of Agriculture, has now ready for distribution a circular giving a detailed discussion of the wild onion problem and outlining a plan whereby the pest can be exterminated. This circular will be sent free to any person requesting it.

A reduction on Oxfords at C. Call's.

Of the 48 who took the examination for teachers' certificates before Prof. Wright two weeks ago, 11 received first grade; 26, second grade; 9, third grade and 2 failed. Prof. Wright says that the number receiving the first grade indicates that the standard has been very materially raised.

Prices on straw hats all reduced at C. Call's.

Mr. H. W. Horton spent last week visiting relatives in Watauga county.

Mr. Judson Gibson, of Texas, is visiting his cousin, Mr. F. G. Holman.

Mr. L. B. Dula is spending his vacation in Ashe and Watauga.

Mrs. T. B. Finley and children are spending a short while at Roaring Gap.

Prof. U. A. Miller, principal of Roaring River High School, commences teaching next Monday.

Misses Mabel and Frances Hendren are visiting relatives at Brushy Mountain and Vashiti for a week or so.

An ice cream supper will be given by the young ladies this evening (Tuesday) for the benefit of the graded school.

Don't forget the date of the Farmers' Institute for this county which will be held at Walter Finley's farm near North Wilkesboro on Friday July 30. Every farmer should attend this meeting.

Mr. N. L. Church, of Adley stole a march on his friends some time ago, and was married to Miss Minerva Parsons, of Buck postoffice. The matter was kept quiet until a few days ago when it leaked out. We extend our congratulations.

The management tells us that the contract has been let for the erection of the grand stand in the fair grounds, the building to be sixty by one hundred feet, first story to be used for exhibits; and also for the erection of an exhibit hall, 24 by 72 feet, two stories high. Capt. Blair, who has charge of the construction of the race track, will commence work next week, and the track will soon be completed and ready for the training of local horses. Quite a number of horses, we understand, will be entered for the valuable and numerous cash prizes offered by the Fair Association. Over one hundred stalls and stables, besides lots for herds, will be provided for the housing and safekeeping of the fine stock which the management is assured will be entered. The grounds, enclosures, tracks and the buildings will be completed in ample time, and put in first class shape, so that nothing will be lacking to insure one of the very best fairs to be found anywhere in all the western part of the State. Fair week will be a regular gala week for all Wilkes county, and will be largely participated in by the people of all the surrounding counties.

The wool schedule in the new tariff bill is nothing short of legalized robbery of nine-tenths of the people of this country for the benefit of a few sheep raisers in the west. Heaven knows the present rates on wool and woollen products are high enough. It is said, however, that under the new law, a suit that now costs \$10 will cost \$12.50, and a suit that now costs \$15 will under the new law cost \$18 and so on. Little or none of this extra cost will go into the treasury, but will go the enrichment of sheep raisers and manufacturers of woollens.

All men's shoes not branded W. L. Douglas, at greatly reduced prices at C. Call's.

The News and Observer vs. Bunglets and Sonkers.

Bro. Daniels declines to believe that bunglets and sonkers are old fashioned pies like our mothers used to make. We quote from the News and Observer:

"There is but one thing lacking in Brother Deal's tempting and appetizing description of the 'sonker,' and 'bunglet' and that is that he failed to send down a 'sonker' and a 'bunglet' to Raleigh to be enjoyed by the barbarians of the capital. Nothing else will convince the Eastern's ignorance that a 'bunglet' is just an old fashioned family pie like 'our mothers used to make' and that a 'sonker' is a poem in pastry and mountain apples 'built in sections, several stories high, like a modern skyscraper, and flavored only as a mountain queen can.' The editor, of course, would prefer an invitation to Wilkesboro to eat a bunglet on its native heath and to sport with 'a young mountain queen at a sonker supper and cake walk' if he had invitation and a return ticket to Wilkesboro. But, in the absence of either of the real 'sonker' or 'bunglet,' with no invitation to come up and 'sport with a mountain queen at a sonker supper and cake walk' he declines to believe that the definition given by The Chronicle is correct. It is more than likely that the Rhankatte Room was right when it said that a 'bunglet' was an intoxicating drink that comes out of a bung, and a 'sonker' a new name for 'ni bear' or 'ni-moonshine' that enterprising Wilkesboro folks are getting ready to put on the market as a money-making scheme. Can it be that the ordinarily frank Chronicle is into the 'ni-moonshine scheme and into the 'ni-moonshine scheme and scent? The name 'Bunglet' would be, as they say in Rhankatte 'a James Q dandy' name for ni-moonshine. It sounds suspiciously of the bung in the barrel. And 'sonker' is better than any name yet invented for a tempting soft drink.

Keep your eye out for those ni-drinks sent out from Wilkesboro.

The News and Observer is trying to side step with certain insinuations about drinks and slurring the good name of our favorites, Bunglets, Sonkers and cake walks. No, Brother, a bunglet is not a new name for a drink but it is the old Dutch name for family pie, and a sonker is not a soft drink but the same old Dutch name for the huge pies and cakes of our mothers. And we here and now put the latch string on the outside of the door and invite the editor to come up and eat and be convinced. Dr. Turner will meet him at the train with his automobile and in the home of sheriff McEwen, Col. Rufus Horton or Maj. A. M. Vannoy, with Bill Barber, Tom Finley and Frank Hendren as witness to this unwarranted fling at Wilkes will be settled to the satisfaction of our highly esteemed but skeptical contemporary.

A well known State republican said to Tom Pence in Washington the other day: "Charlie Cowles has played hell with the republican party in North Carolina. Just about the time we thought we had things going good, he comes along and throws the fat in the fire by introducing an old Reconstruction measure that has no earthly chance of passing. He has made a mistake, the damage of which he cannot repair. It is too late to make a correction of this error, which leaves us in a bad hole. Our other Congressman, Grant and Morehead, have got too much sense to be caught in any such trap, and they will never give their approval of this Cowles measure, which ought to be repudiated by every republican in North Carolina, who really desires to see the party carry the State."

It should be a matter of pride to every citizen of Wilkes county that this county leads all other counties in the State in the number of rural libraries. The spirit that made possible the installation of these libraries is significant indeed. It is a distinct rift in the dark clouds of illiteracy and gloom that have hovered over the county ever since the war. It is the old time character of our people re-asserting itself and coming to the front. Instead of still houses, debauchery and ruin, we are to have school houses, refinement and culture. It is hopeful, it is refreshing, it is exhilarating to the restless spirit.

There now roam the hills of Wilkes county hundreds of boys with as much brains as an equal number of boys anywhere else in the world possess. The door of opportunity is now wide open to them, and all they have to do is to wake up and go to reading. This will reveal to them what they are as nothing else will do. It is like ringing a rising bell in the dormitory of their ills. Once a boy has acquired a fondness for reading wholesome literature, he has made a "strike" that will put him on the run for the several basis of a successful life career. Even if he never gets beyond "second" it is better than to never have run at all.

Let the boys and girls of the county make full use of these libraries, and let their mothers and fathers encourage them to do this. And every teacher will signally fail in her duty unless she stimulate in the minds of her pupils some sort of eagerness to read the books in the rural library. This is her opportunity to do her greatest and most lasting work, that which will live longest after she is gone and for which her pupils, in after years, will feel most grateful to her. It is something for a good woman to remember that she has had the privilege of even teaching a great preacher, a great statesman, or a great lawyer, as she sees great throngs surveyed and thrilled by his eloquence, but it is much more for her to have the consciousness that she first touched the lever that set the motor of a great mind to moving.

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