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PUTTING IT RIGHT

Caldwell farmers, with few exceptions, are trying to put the right values on their farm lands and properties, according to the members of the tax revaluation forces. But nowhere in the county has this spirit been so clearly shown as in Little River township, where the work is now in progress. There will be very few changes to be made in the reports filed by the land owners in that township, according to one member of the revaluation board.

This spirit among Caldwell farmers is good. The revaluation act is not to make the farmer pay more taxes, but to get at a more equitable taxing system. In the past the big land owner has gotten by with his property listed at about one-tenth to one-fifth of its value, while the smaller property owner adjoining him has had his property listed at possibly one-half or more. There are many such cases on the tax books in Caldwell county. There is one case where a property is listed at a little over \$6,000 while the sale price of this property has been held at very little less than \$100,000. There are many of these inequalities in the county and thousands of them over the State. In White Oak township, Beaufort county, 14,000 acres of land never on the tax books before were located by the revaluation workers in that county. The owners of this land had been getting by at the expense of the other land owners in the State. Aside from the farm lands there are thousands of town and city lots that have not been on the tax books being located.

The purpose of the revaluation act is to do away with these inequalities and place every property owner on the same basis. There is no other fair way to get at it except by listing all property at its normal value, and then adopt such a tax rate as is necessary to raise funds for the State's government and institutions. Under this act there is no reason why a person should have to pay more money in taxes than was paid under the old system, except, however, in individual cases where the owner had his property listed at such a low value that he got by at the expense of his neighbor property owners.

Next year when the work of revaluing the property of the State has been completed and the Legislature has met and fixed a rate we believe there will be little cause for complaint on the part of the people of the State.

Universal Theatre

PROGRAM
FOR WEEK OF DEC. 22nd TO 27th

MONDAY

Universal
"Pretty Smooth"
Priscilla Dean

TUESDAY

Pathe
"Some Liar"
William Russell

WEDNESDAY

Paramount
"Too Many Millions"
Wallace Reid
Also the tallest man in the world will appear in person.
Matinee 2 p.m.; Night 6:30 p.m.
Adm. 10 and 20c, including war tax

THURSDAY

"The Great Gamble"—No. 11
Anna Luther
"Roping Romeo"
Mack Sennett Comedy
Matinee 3 p.m.

FRIDAY

Pathe
"Damsel in Distress"
Creighton Hale

SATURDAY

"Elmo the Mighty"—No. 9
Elmo Lincoln
"Lucky Dog's Day"
Century Comedy
Matinee 2 p.m.

...Come to the show Wednesday and shake hands with the tallest man in the world. Guess his height and see him in cowboy stunts... The original Daddy Long Legs... "Jack and the Beanstalk." See him in person.
Coming—Douglas Fairbanks in his latest picture, "His Majesty the American," Tuesday, Dec. 30.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens' Building and Loan Association will be held at the office of the Association in Lenoir, N. C., at 2 o'clock p.m., Thursday, Jan. 8, 1920.
W. L. MINISH,
Secretary and Treasurer.

A STATEMENT OF CORRECTION

Whereas, there has been a rumor in the King's Creek neighborhood that Mr. David Ernest had said that he had seen acts of improper conduct between G. F. Barlow and Mrs. Her Pennell, Mr. Ernest, in justice to Mr. Barlow and Mrs. Pennell, makes the following statement:
State of North Carolina,
Caldwell County,
King's Creek Township.

I do hereby make statement that I did not say or circulate the news that G. F. Barlow and Mrs. Her Pennell had been living in fornication and adultery, or either have I said or seen any misconduct carried on between said persons, and any person or persons that have circulated this statement on my part, such is false and not true.
(Signed) T. D. ERNEST.
Witness: F. G. LAXTON. 12-3

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Whitnel Cotton Mill Co. will be held in the Secretary and Treasurer's office, Lenoir, N. C., at 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning, Jan. 8th, 1920, and the meeting of the stockholders of the Moore Cotton Mill Co. at 10:30 o'clock a.m., same date and place.
Stockholders will please take notice.
J. L. NELSON,
Secretary and Treasurer.

COWPEAS AND SOYBEANS wanted. Highest market prices paid. Write us, Hickory Seed Co., Hickory, N. C. 11-4

LOST—Ladies' pocketbook containing \$19.30 and other little items, between Fairfield and postoffice. Finder please notify Miss Nannie Walsh or W. C. Setzer at Lenoir Mills. Reward will be given. 12-3

VIRGINIA FARMS—If you wish a Virginia farm in a most desirable part of the State write for detailed description, with information as to your requirements. W. A. C. Pettit, Fredericks Hall, Va. 12-12

WANTED—TURKEYS. We will pay the highest market price for same. Write or phone us what you have. Catawba Creamery Co., Hickory, N. C. 12-1

LOST—A large Airdale dog, answering to the name of Duke. Black back with tan head and legs and was wearing a round leather collar with brass name plate. A liberal reward will be paid anyone catching this dog and notifying H. A. Miller, Taylorsville, N. C. 1

400 Acre Farm
FOR SALE December 20, 1:30 p. m.
C. T. PARSONS.

MORRIS H. KAHME
PLUMBING
105 W. HARPER AVENUE

Ballew's Cash
Pharmacy
Says

After you eat—always take
EATONIC
FOR YOUR ACID-STOMACH

Instantly relieves Heartburn, Bloat, Gassy Feeling. Stops food souring, repeating, and all stomach miseries. Aids digestion and appetite. Keeps stomach sweet and strong. Increases Vitality and Power. EATONIC is the best remedy. Tens of thousands wonderfully benefited. Only costs a cent or two a day to use it. Positively guaranteed to please or we will refund money. Get a big box today. You will see.
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For expert repair work on all kinds of musical instruments send them to me. I have had 17 years' experience in this work.

Razors and other tools ground. Safety razors blades sharpened. Bring me your shears, clippers and all other edged tools for grinding, sharpening and repairing.

Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed.

I buy or sell razors. Have a good lot of stropps on hand now. Come to my Barber Shop if you want a good shave or haircut.

B. L. HARTLEY

At Depot Cafe Phone 27

For Sale—About 100 year old chickens.—Waterloo Courier.

GIFTS WITH
Everyday Values

Christmas shoppers will find this store filled with everything imaginable for appropriate Christmas gifts—things for men, women, boys and girls. Everything we have is of everyday value and something worth while.

Big Line of Ladies' and Children's Coats at Reduced Prices.

The Leader
CASTINE & JACOBSON PROPS.

Courtney's Department Stores

Buyers of "Christmas Presents" and all Other Stylish Up-to-the-Minute Goods

WILL FIND A LARGE STOCK AT THIS STORE TO SELECT FROM, AND SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTIONS ARE MADE ON MANY LINES

1-4 off - One Fourth Off - 1-4 off Prices

on all Ladies' and Girls' trimmed and untrimmed pretty, stylish Hats. Your chance to have a new Christmas hat at a bargain price.

A Christmas Event at this store is our sale prices on Ladies' Suits. Coats, Skirts, Dresses, Waists and Petticoats, all new, stylish garments. Good suggestions to help you clean up that gift list while the pretty, desirable Christmas stocks are here. Choose from our elegant stock now—Christmas Day almost here.
Ladies' Kid, Silk and Fabric Gloves, good lines.
Ladies' new, stylish Handbags and Purses, very pretty.
Ladies' fine Spats, now very stylish.
Ladies' Silk Hosiery, black, white and all best colors.
Ladies' Silk Camisoles and Silk and Muslin Underwear.
Ladies' Pretty Waists and Collars, large new lines.
Ladies' Silk and Cotton Petticoats, rich silk fabrics and colors.
Ladies' and Children's Bedroom Slippers, best colors and styles.
Ladies' Furs in correct shapes; colors, black, taupe, brown.
Ladies' handsome Bath Robes and Kimonas.
Ladies' Coat Sweaters, "Bradley's" surely.
Ladies' Bath Towel Sets. Ladies' Umbrellas.
Wool Blankets that are wool. Crib Blankets.

Handkerchiefs - Handkerchiefs - Great Line

Here are beautiful Christmas Handkerchiefs in holiday boxes of two, three and six to box, for ladies, men, girls and boys. Dainty crepe de chine, linen and cotton handkerchiefs in pretty designs of embroidery and colorings. We are proud of our fine, big lot, and you will be pleased.

RIBBONS—All best kinds and colors here in rich patterns, from narrow to widest wanted.

Don't Forget Our Pretty Patterns in Table Linens

We were about to forget our pretty Boudoir Caps and to mention our big stock of stylish Shoes, but most all know that our great stock cannot be named in an advertisement, so we urge you to see our lines and buy the prettiest and best for this one Christmas time.

COURTNEY'S DEPT. STORES



The Christmas spirit is on in full force at this store

Our Stock is full of Christmas things, not only for the children but for the grown-ups as well

When you are in doubt as to what to get come in and get your inspiration here

Christmas Suggestions Abound Here

GET THE BEST

Bernhardt-Seagle

COMPANY

Wholesale and Retail
HARDWARE AND FURNITURE

Ford
THE UNIVERSAL CAR

Insist on Genuine Ford Parts

Imitation "Ford" parts are being sold by many mail-order houses, down-town stores and garages to unsuspecting Ford owners as Ford parts. But they are not Genuine Ford parts. They are made by concerns who have no connection whatsoever with the Ford Motor Company. Tests have shown them to break when the genuine Ford parts didn't even bend. The Authorized Ford Dealers are your protection. As such, we handle nothing but the Genuine Ford parts. They are made from the famous Ford Vanadium Steel, and each part—according to its use—is heat-treated in the way that will give it the longest wearing qualities.

Our Ford garage and Ford mechanics are at your service at all times. Drive in when replacements or repairs for your Ford car may be necessary. Save your car and also your money.

PRICES

	F. O. B. Detroit	Freight	Tax	F. O. B. Lenoir
Touring Car	\$525.00	\$38.79	\$22.81	\$586.60
Runabout	500.00	38.79	21.78	560.57
Couplet	650.00	38.79	27.96	716.75
Sedan	775.00	38.79	33.12	846.91
Chassis	475.00	38.79	20.74	534.53
Truck	550.00	38.79	14.30	603.09

RUFUS L. GWYN, Dealer

Insist on Genuine Ford Parts

A PORTRAIT

The most precious Christmas Gift that Mother has ever given me

And it was made by Hardy, too.



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