

OUR LETTER BOX

COLLETTSVILLE

Easter brought us another cold blizzard, which is a little hard to stand after having several warm days.

Mr. Oscar Hood and family returned to Hickory Monday after spending Easter at Mr. C. H. Thompson's.

Messrs. W. G. and R. H. Setser and Adam Rader, who are employed in and near Gastonia, spent Easter with home folks and returned to their work Monday.

Mr. L. W. Anderson and daughter, Virginia, returned to Lenoir Monday after visiting his daughter, Mrs. R. B. Rader.

The heavy rains and great overflow of last week caused quite a damage to the farmers, especially those who had their land plowed.

The farmers are certainly anxious for some dry weather, as they are so behind with all their spring work.

Mr. A. C. Estes returned Sunday from a short visit in Lenoir.

Mrs. Hardie Graze and children spent Sunday night at Mr. J. V. Graze's en route to their home at Dallas.

Misses Gertrude and Thula Harvey of Aiala spent the week end visiting Miss Faye Estes and attended the box supper Saturday night.

Miss Dora Clark, who has been nursing in Hickory, is spending some time at her uncle's, Mr. Elisha Pugh.

Mr. J. W. Phillips, express agent for the C. & N.-W., spent Easter with his family.

Mr. Jerome Graze and family of Gastonia spent Saturday and Sunday visiting Messrs. G. C. Tolbert's and E. F. Crives.

Our box supper was a great success last Saturday night, even though the weather was bad and there was much sickness. The sum of about \$65 was realized. All who attended seemed to have a pleasant and enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hackney of Newbern spent over Sunday with Mrs. Hackney's sister, Mrs. W. P. Spencer, en route to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Franklin, at Green Valley.

We are sorry to say that a number of our people are sick with something like a light form of influenza. We hope all will soon be well.

Messrs. Columbus Rader, E. T. Estes and Zack Raby made a trip to Boone last week to move some machinery for a brick-making for Mr. Steele and Powell Bros.

Mr. A. T. Sudderth visited his father, Mr. J. M. Sudderth of Lenoir, Route 4, who is critically ill and not expected to live long.

Mr. T. W. Roberts spent Easter visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Roberts of Little River.

Mr. E. T. Crives is moving his family to Gastonia this week, where he has employment. We are sorry to lose such fine neighbors, but hope they will enjoy their new home.

Mr. Roby Keller of King's Creek was a Sunday visitor in our town.

Miss Berta Anderson returned to Lenoir Monday after spending the week end with her sister, Miss Dora Anderson, and attending the supper.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rader, Friday, April 2, a girl.

Honor roll for eighth month: First Grade—Hortense Rader, Eugene Rader.

Second Grade—Jay Spencer. Third Grade—Murd Rader, David Rader, Bessie Rader.

Fourth Grade—Ray Tolbert. Fifth Grade—Annie Rader, Gertie Rader, Daisy Spencer, Robert Tolbert.

Sixth Grade—Carl Raby, Bela Graze, Hal Estes, Callie Greene, Claude Helton.

Seventh Grade—Mattie Rader, Samuel Helton. Eighth Grade—Mary Bryson.

Ninth Grade—Horace Tolbert, Lillie Grisset, Faye Estes.

Master Roby Dickson of Lenoir spent the week end with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Webb.

Mrs. I. G. Greene, Mrs. Julius Grisset and daughter, Miss Lillian, spent last Saturday in Lenoir shopping.

Master Donald and Miss Lucy Franklin of Green Valley spent Saturday and Sunday visiting at their sister's, Mrs. W. P. Spencer.

Mr. G. T. Perkins spent Sunday night at Mr. L. N. Estes en route to Lenoir to attend the meeting of the county board of education Monday.

HIBRITEN

Grover Carlton, son of Mr. J. P. Carlton, died last Tuesday and was buried Wednesday at Tabernacle cemetery. The funeral services were conducted by Elders I. W. Thomas and R. L. Isbell. Deceased was 27 years old.

Mr. A. A. Teague, keeper of the county home, at his own expense has cleaned off the burying grounds there, which, years before the county came into possession of the lands, was the burying ground of one of Caldwell's prominent families, who, no doubt, would be glad to help in the upkeep of the grounds. Any help in this line will be appreciated by Mr. Teague.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pennell, at the home of Mrs. J. S. Hass of this place, the 28 of last month, a son. It is said by some that the smile that Carl is wearing compares favorably with the one he wore on returning from France. The grandfather, Mr. Hass, also wears one that is very respectable.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. King of Chattanooga, Tenn., are visiting Mrs. King's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Powell.

Honor roll of Hibriten school: First Grade—Edna Barlow, Nora Teague, Ina Hass.

Second Grade—Rufus Clippard, Mary Swanson. Fourth Grade—Erroll Hass, Louis Austin.

Fifth Grade—Floy Barlow. Sixth Grade—Edna Austin. Seventh Grade—Beulah Austin.

GREEN MOUNTAIN

Everybody is invited to a box social at Green Mountain school house Saturday night, April 10. The proceeds are to be used for painting the school building.

YADKIN VALLEY

Miss Hassie Moore of Dunn is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. John B. Steele.

Mr. and Mrs. Bynum Dobbin of Banner Elk visited Mr. Dobbin's parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Dobbin, last week.

Mrs. Jesse Greer and Miss Flora Greer spent the week end in Lenoir. Mr. Henry Vancannon and Mr. Banner of Banner Elk visited at the home of Mr. James Guignard last week.

Mr. R. T. Lenoir and Mr. Steele Greer made a business trip to Blowing Rock last week.

Miss Lucy Sullivan and Miss Sarah Banner of Appalachian Training School, Boone, spent Easter with Miss Sullivan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sullivan.

Mr. Charles C. Steele is in Boone this week on business.

Miss Ruth Greer of Davenport College is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. H. Greer.

Mrs. Glass and Miss Daisy Glass of Rutherford College and Mr. and Mrs. William Alexander of Lenoir spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Steele.

Messrs. Eubert and Eugene Holshouser and Miss Sadie Holshouser of Blowing Rock and Miss Agnes Garland of Newland spent the week end at the home of Mr. C. W. Sullivan.

Mr. A. K. Anderson of Lenoir was a visitor here last week.

Those whom we recently reported as being sick with influenza are much improved. No new cases have developed.

Mr. Finley Hawkins of the Miller Van Ness Co., Charlotte, spent Easter with home folks here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wike visited relatives on King's Creek last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Driver of Lenoir visited Mrs. Driver's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mitchell, last Sunday.

OAK HILL

The debate to be held in the auditorium here at 8 o'clock Friday evening, April 9, promises to be one of the most interesting we've ever had the pleasure of hearing. The query, "Resolved, that the United States should adopt a policy of further material restriction of immigration," is one that is attracting the attention of our national statesmen perhaps more than any other internal question. Our team will uphold the affirmative, while the Hudson team will defend the negative.

"Esther Wake" will be played in the auditorium by members of the high school on Saturday night, April 10, at 8 o'clock. A small admission fee will be charged to cover expense on costumes, etc. Further details of the play will be given next week.

In each of the first two baseball games of the season the Hickory high school left our team in the cellar position. In the first game, played on our diamond last Thursday, the score stood 13 to 5 at the end of the seventh, when the game was called to allow the Hickory boys time to reach home before dark. The infield was very slippery in this game and the playing was very loose all around. The second game was played at Hickory on Monday of this week, and this time our team lost by the score of 11 to 3. Each game demonstrated a good sportsmanlike spirit on all sides, and although our boys were beaten each time, we think they should not be discouraged, as it is their first attempt at a team and some good stiff practice will put them in shape to render a better account of themselves.

Mr. Henry Steele of Boynton, Va., is visiting friends and relatives in the community this week.

HUDSON

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cloninger made a flying trip to Charlotte Sunday. While there Mr. Cloninger purchased a ten-passenger "jitney" bus.

Mrs. Bettie Rader and family moved to Gastonia last week.

Mrs. Frank F. Smith visited her daughter, Mrs. P. M. Keever, in Lincoln last week.

Mr. Fred Kirby and Mr. Lee Benfield have moved their families to Gastonia.

It is too bad that the inclement weather of last Sunday knocked so many young ladies out of wearing their Easter hats and dresses after they had gone to so much trouble and expense getting them for that occasion.

The cold snap Monday night played havoc with our peach crop and other fruit that had blossomed out.

John A. Bush of Gastonia was in Hudson the first of the week buying firewood for his trade.

Frank Smith says advertising sure pays, and especially if you have good, reliable goods to sell the people. He put an ad in the News-Topic and last week he sold four or five new bicycles and had several inquiries about other things he sells. He sold out of automobile tires before the newspaper had been out twenty-four hours.

MONT VIEW

Mr. A. C. Clark spent the week end with his family here. He is working at Stanly, N. C., and says money grows on trees there. We are in the market for some seed or nursery stock of that variety of tree.

Mr. W. A. Bentley of Hutchison, N. C., spent the week end here.

Mr. Robert Craig of Stanley returned home Monday after spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Craig.

Mr. A. C. Craig is at Wilkesboro on a business trip.

Mr. Dewey Craig says driving a slow team of mules in the mud making roads is too slow for him. He says the team he had to drive was like the slow train through Arkansas. He has gone to Stanley, where he has a position in a cotton mill.

Miss Moore of Lenoir spent the week end here with Miss Pauline Corpening.

Miss Essie Prestwood went to Charlotte Monday.

Elder Williams of Monroe preached at Philadelphia (Primitive Baptist church) here Saturday.

It is believed that Monday night's freeze killed or seriously damaged the peach crop.

HARTLAND

Mrs. N. C. Clay of Hobart visited her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Kaylor, last week.

Miss Lizzie Clay spent the day with her aunt, her first trip out since having the flu.

Miss Floster Crisp has gone to the hospital at Morganton, where she has a position as nurse.

The Clay brothers are moving their saw mill from Steele's Creek to Mr. Henry Well's place near Collettsville.

Mrs. L. C. Arney of Morganton is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. P. Kincaid, this week.

The good people of this neighborhood gave Miss Catherine Arney a big dinner March 30 in honor of her 76th birthday.

Mr. M. H. Kaylor of Greensboro is at home to spend Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Kaylor. He is just recovering from a bad case of flu.

Mrs. R. P. Nichols of Greensboro is expected home Saturday. Mr. Virgil Woodrow Nichols will accompany his mother.

COTTRELL HILL

The Betterment Association will meet with Mrs. S. Alice Coffey today (Thursday) at 3 p.m. All members are requested to be present.

Mrs. Barbara Minish and children are visiting friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sherrill, Mrs. Frank Maynard and children of Lenoir spent Easter with relatives here.

School closed here Saturday with an egg hunt, given at Mrs. S. Alice Coffey's, which the children all seemed to enjoy.

Miss Pearl Bowman spent Easter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bowman.

Mrs. Bill Hartley is right sick.

GRANITE FALLS

Rev. H. G. Allen, pastor of the Methodist church here, will deliver a series of sermons on immortality each Sunday at 11 a.m., beginning next Sunday. Large congregations are expected to hear these sermons.

VALMEAD

Mr. W. H. Munday and wife and little granddaughter went to Hickory

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