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### SUBSCRIBERS PAYING UP

Our article last calling attention to the duty of subscribers to their home paper resulted in many renewals being received this week, both by mail and by subscribers calling at office. Hence we are inclined to believe that permitting the subscriptions to get in arrears has been more the result of neglect than of intent.

Much as we regret to admit it, it will no longer be possible to send this paper to subscribers in arrears. But none will be cut off until the end of January. That allows one month for all to send in their renewals.

If you do not care for the paper the right thing to do is to pay up arrearages and stop. But we hope this paper is sufficiently interesting to all those now taking it to want it continued.

Read the date on your label. It shows the day of month, month and year to which paid. A label reading 31Dec17 means it expired on the 31st day of December, 1917, and should be promptly renewed.

We hereby express our appreciation to all those who renewed this week. And here's hoping all others in arrears will send in their renewal this month.

MOUNTAINEER-COURIER.

### WAS OVER 100 YEARS OLD

There died in Waynesville, December 31st, a colored woman, Melvina Brown, who is supposed to have been over 100 years old. She is the mother of Tom Brown who owns a store in the colored section.

Born in Virginia she was brought here as a slave and sold in Asheville to William Johnson. Later she was sold to James Henry on Jonathan's Creek, but was again bought back by Wm. Johnson for whom she worked until freed. She was twice married, first to Andy Welch and later to Sam Welch who changed his name to Sam Brown. Her second husband died 23 years ago. She was the mother of five children of whom three sons—Sam Tom and Jule—survive and live next door neighbors in Waynesville.

### NOTICE

The water superintendent for town of Waynesville having reported to the Board of Aldermen of the town that the water supply was very low, and that in case of fire, the fire company would be handicapped, all takers of water from the town are hereby notified not to allow water to run except when in actual use. There is a law against takers of water from the town to allow a continuous running of water and the policemen have been instructed and ordered to enter any house where they have reason to believe the law is being violated and to arrest the offender. The people must realize that this law will and must be enforced.

The people are urged to use due diligence and great care to prevent fires, as a fire now when all water hydrants are frozen would be very destructive.

By order Board of Aldermen,  
JNO. M. QUEEN, Mayor.  
THURMAN LEATHERWOOD,  
Clerk. Jan-3-2t.

### NEW STEPS

The best news we can offer this week is that bran new steps now lead your footsteps down to the Mountaineer-Courier office. It is no longer necessary to take out a life insurance policy before venturing to come to our office. This week is a "step in advance." We invite you now to drop in on us to pay your subscription, to give us an ad, to hand us some news or a job of printing. We also enjoy visitors, but not loafers. The printing office is poor entertainment for loafers. We've also fixed up the office and work rooms somewhat and will be proud to have you call on us.

Capt. James Sawyer of Asheville is dead.

### REAL WORKERS THEY ARE

You want to see women work? If so, we can tell you where to go. But don't stay long and don't bother them much for they are bent on serious business and have no time to waste. Waynesville women are not spending time on teas and socials and cards—these days are too momentous for them for frivolity. They are doing their bit to beat the Kaiser.

This scene of activity is in the rooms over the Bank of Waynesville—quarters donated by this bank for the cause. Here the women make woolen socks and helmets and wristlets and sweaters for our boys who fight our part of the battle against Kaiserism. They cut and straighten and fold bandages and make flannel pajamas and hospital shirts. Saturday three more boxes of these goods will be shipped. Friday afternoon they will be laid out for your inspection on tables. You men go there and see what our patriotic women are doing in this war.

A representative of this paper visited the room yesterday afternoon and saw something of what women are doing to win the war. Old and young alike are working. Mrs. Barton, 77 years old, has knitted five sweaters besides a number of wristlets and helmets. Mrs. Pegues is inspector (or is it inspectress?) Every garment is inspected to see if made right and according to specifications. Mrs. Palmer seems to be general supervisor. Anyhow there is system, earnest activity and efficiency in this work.

You men who merely give a dollar or so to the Red Cross and believe you have done nobly, go and see tomorrow what these women have done and are doing as their part in the war.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS FROM JAN. 1 TO JAN. 9

Robert Phillips and wife to Arthur Cagle and wife, 29 acres, Jonathan's Creek, \$150.

Asbury Howell and wife to M. S. Ferguson, tract in Waynesville, \$1800.

T. M. Rathbone and wife, Cora, R. L. and Della Rathbone to Dexter Rathbone, 17 acres, Fines Creek, \$200.

C. M. Chambers and wife to G. L. Warren, 7 acres, Cecil township, \$225.

J. M. Messer and wife to W. H. Warren, 30 acres, Cecil township, \$300.

S. C. Satterthwait and wife to Charlie Lenoir and wife, tract in Waynesville, \$866.

C. F. Osborne and wife to W. P. Evans, 7 acres, Clyde township, \$2400.

W. P. Fincher and wife to Mat Nichols and wife, lot Waynesville, \$5.

C. E. Ray and wife to Elmer McClurg, a sixth undivided interest in two tracts of land in Waynesville, \$50.

W. P. Fincher and wife of Clyde, to Grace Galloway, two tracts in East Waynesville, 3 1-4 acres, \$2000.

R. T. Boyd, commissioners to J. C. Hannah, 30 3-4 acres, Jonathan's Creek, \$380.

### ANOTHER LAND MARK DOWN

The old Baptist church building was bought by Ed Young who is tearing it down and will utilize the best of the material for building a house on the site of the one recently destroyed by fire. He paid \$150 for the church building. It has not been used as a church for many years, the until a couple of years ago, it was used for a school building. In it is a hot air furnace of which use may still be made and probably \$100 worth of plumbing. It is possible Mr. Young may salvage usable material which would cost him new \$500, besides furnishing him with a large wood pile.

### COURT BEGINS TODAY

A number of people came here Monday for a civil term of court, but a message from Judge Lane of Deidsville said he was ill and ordered court adjourned until today, Thursday, when he expected to open the term.

### MR. SUTPHEN IN ASHEVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sutphen have gone to Asheville where Mr. Sutphen will accept a position with the Lynch Amusement Co.

Judge A. L. Coble of Statesville died of heart trouble last week.

### WHEN, OH! WHEN!

By Jesse Daniel Boone.

When the cold spells all are over  
And we see green fields of clover,  
We will gladly welcome Spring  
And the good things it will bring.

When the croakers cease their croaking  
And the smokers quit their smoking,  
All the world will happy be  
And our wives be full of glee.

When Director McAdoo  
Puts his railroad program through,  
There may be a few less shirkers  
Found among the railroad workers.

When our army's in full action,  
There will be no satisfaction  
For the Teutons, or their Master,  
For it's sure to spell disaster.

When all men pay up subscriptions  
And the army stops conscriptions,  
If you take this scribe's advice  
You may call this paradise.

When you find a simple fellow  
Who brings back your lost umbrella,  
Pinch yourself to make it certain  
It is not a movie curtain.

When the coal men all have fuel  
And you've sugar for your gruel,  
This will be some better place  
For the worried human race.

When you mail your good wife's letter  
In a week or two, or better,  
You may be congratulated  
For not being more belated.

When the women get to voting  
And the drunkards all quit bloating,  
Maybe then this lump of leaven  
Will make earth a sort of heaven.

When the German war is ended  
And the Peace Dove has descended,  
Mankind then can breathe in gladness  
And we'll stop a world of sadness.

When the Kaiser is defeated  
And his treasure is depleted,  
Then his people, full of terror  
Will wake up to his great error.

When the Devil quits his cavern  
For a cooler sort of tavern,  
He won't need an advertiser,  
For he knows of Bill the Kaiser.

### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET.

The Haywood county board of commissioners met Monday and Tuesday and transacted the usual business of allowing necessary claims. There were some changes in valuation, besides some minor orders regarding changes in roads.

Bessie Caldwell and Arline Green were taken off the indigent list and will not be allowed further claims.

W. A. Hyatt having resigned as a member of the Waynesville Township board of road commissioners Leon M. Killian was elected to fill the vacancy. This board as now constituted are Frank Welch, Charles C. Francis and L. M. Killian.

### Jury List—February Term

The following jurors were drawn to serve at a two week's term of criminal and civil court, beginning Feb. 4th:

First week—T. C. Allen, J. B. Higgs, W. L. Parker, E. B. Woody, W. P. P. McGee, A. P. Limer and Sewell Higgs, Canton; A. J. Carver and C. R. Jaynes, Ivy Hill; R. E. L. Ratcliff, J. H. N. Brendle, W. P. Underwood, Sr., R. E. Hyatt, W. T. Shelton, Grayson Nichols, R. C. Francis, J. T. Bridges, J. B. Gaddy and S. H. Bushnell, Waynesville; B. F. Sellers, East Fork; D. R. Duckett, W. H. McCracken, M. A. Leatherwood, James Bryson and J. L. Walker, Crabtree; J. H. Platt, J. F. Bloylock, Charles Terrell, Kennie Sellers and John Kinsland, Pigeon; J. H. James and A. P. Duckett, Fines Creek; J. McD. Michal, Cecil; D. H. Burgess, Cata- loochee; J. H. Medford and Weaver Bennett, Clyde; A. G. Baldwin, White Oak; J. A. Parks and R. T. Boyd, Jonathan; Homer Crawford and C. W. Medford, Iron Duff.

Second Week—T. J. Cathey and Grover Abel, Pigeon; J. A. Henry and V. A. Campbell, Ivy Hill; T. G. Sorrells, Jeff Swofford, Claude Medford, W. E. Sheffield, P. L. Harbin, W. M. Coman and L. N. Pinner, Canton; W. C. Garrison, J. E. Clark, J. Bryson, C. W. Miller, Sr., Chas. McDaniel and J. C. Allen, Waynesville; Z. V. Ferguson and J. E. Mooney, Fines Creek; E. E. Haynes, Carl Medford, Pat Dotson and J. R. Terrell, Clyde; I. R. Howell, East Fork.

### W. N. C. ITEMS

Rev. A. W. McDaniel has resigned the pastorate of the Baptist church at Brevard.

Following shortly upon the receipt of his questionnaire and brooding over the likelihood of having to go to war, Robert Aaron Nixon of the Sugar Loaf section desired death at home rather than what he thought would be death abroad and executed a carefully prepared plan of taking his life with a shot gun while out hunting Monday.—Hendersonville Hustler.

Most of the operations of the big Champion Fibre Co.'s plant were closed down Saturday for lack of coal shipments. It is hoped the shut-down will last only a few days as 1,000 people are employed there.

Truthful parties report having seen an airship passing to the north of Marion on Wednesday, December 19th. It was flying high at a rapid speed and going westward.—Marion Progress.

Hendersonville reports 2 below zero during the recent cold spell, Asheville 6 below, while Brevard says 12 1/2, Blowing Rock 10, Morganton 11, Lenoir 18, and Waynesville 19. Prospective summer guests will please take notice and make reservations accordingly.

Morganton people are much gratified in the appointment of Mr. A. C. Avery, a local attorney and chairman of the Burke board of exemptions, to a position on the board of censorship of foreign mails and cables. Mr. Avery takes up his work on January 8th in New York. The censorship board of which Mr. Avery is a member was authorized by the trading with the enemy law recently passed. The post office department, the war and navy departments, the war trade board and the committee on public information are represented on the board. Mr. Avery is in the navy department with rank of lieutenant.—Morganton News-Herald.

### GERMAN ALLIES IN THE U. S.

Germany has a powerful ally working within the boundaries of the United States. In the warping contained in a recent bulletin of the National Board of Fire Underwriters. Its operations are very effective. It enters unattended plants and causes explosions. It cripples hundreds of factories which are laboring to produce war time necessities. It waits until the grain in the fields is ripe for the harvest, and then destroys over thousands of acres, or else it hides its time until the harvested crops have been stored in elevators, and obliterates them by the hundreds of thousands of bushels. It operates in every city and town, and in the country districts. It is unceasing in its activities, working by night as well as by day, and for every hour of the twenty-four. It enters countless homes bringing devastation and sorrow; and last but not least, it causes heavy loss of life.

This foe is not an "alien enemy," but comes of good American stock. It is encouraged by millions of people who believe themselves to be patriotic. Without their help it would soon be overcome; for the name of this great enemy is Preventable Fire, and its principal cause is American carelessness.

Putting their average cost at \$7,500 apiece, America in a year burns up the value of 30,000 aeroplanes, and 30,000 aeroplanes would win the war; or, to put it another way, the nation's fire bill, if it could be applied to their construction, would supply our navy with one hundred and fifty destroyers, and such an added force would end the menace of the submarine.

The two liberty Loans carry annual interest charges of \$254,000,000, but the United States burns up each year enough property to pay this interest.

In destitution in the bereaved homes of France are multitudes of the children of those who have their lives on the battlefields. Appeals have been made to American benevolence upon the basis of ten cents per day per child to provide for their immediate necessities. Six million such little ones, or far more than the total number in need, could be supported for the cost of our senseless destruction.

An investment of \$60,000 will equip a base hospital, capable of caring for 400 sick or wounded; if American people would change their habits to those of carefulness, 3,600 such hospitals might be supplied by means of the money thus saved from fire destruction. This would approximate one to each half-mile on all European battlefronts.

From whatever standpoint it is examined, therefore, it must be realized that every preventable fire, little or big, is to some degree "an aid and comfort to the enemy." This is a matter of individual responsibility. Each one must take it to himself as a personal matter. There are fifteen hundred fires each day, or more than one per minute. What right has anyone to assume that all of these will occur on the premises of "other people?" Unless he resolves this day that there shall be no such occurrence in property controlled by him, and unless he makes this resolve effective by means of an immediate inspection and correction of all fire hazards, he cannot be considered a true patriot no matter what may be his confessions.

### WATCH YOUR STEP!

The record of accidents due to automobiles shows plainly the need of pedestrian regulation, says a writer in the New York Evening Post. According to the report of the New York city police department for 1915, eighty-seven per cent of all vehicular accidents in the streets of the city in which persons were injured or killed, and the causes of which were given, were the fault of the injured. One-third of all those killed or injured in New York city were under sixteen years of age. This would indicate clearly that any material reduction of street accidents must be brought about by educating both adults and children to observe proper caution, by regulating pedestrian traffic, by providing adequate playgrounds for children and forbidding playing and skating in the streets and stealing rides.

Every reasonable means having been taken to prevent the reckless and careless driving of vehicles and operation of street cars, it remains to regulate the pedestrian to protect him against his own carelessness. If all the accidents due to faults of drivers and operators of vehicles were eliminated it would reduce the total number of street accidents only one-tenth. Comparison of the records of New York city with those of Germany for the year 1915, as shown by a report of the Association of Administrations of German Street and Interurban Lines, proves that eighty-six per cent were due to the fault of the injured.

The school at Canton did not open this week according to schedule on account of scarcity of coal. An opening date will be announced later by the board.

### The Acetanilide Habit.

People who think self-treatment for minor ailments of what seems to be slight illnesses in the beginning, is economy—and there are still many who harbor that delusion—ought to know a few things about the dangers of acetanilide.

Acetanilide is a comparatively cheap chemical derived from coal-tar. In its effect it varies but slightly from phenacetine and tinnurin. But, being the cheaper chemical it is more commonly employed in the popular headache remedies, the neuralgia and migraine tablets, the "grippe" and "cold" remedies. In fact, acetanilide is dispensed with a lavish hand by the manu-



**BEWARE OF GRIEKS BEARING GIFTS.**  
Know What You Take if it is "Patent" Medicine. Read the Label on the Box.

facturers of all sorts of popular nostrums intended to kill ache or pain or distress.

Acetanilide does knock out pain, but at some cost to physical well being. It benumbs the vital brain centers, depresses the heart, destroys red corpuscles, and tends to weaken or paralyze the nerves. That is how it kills pain. That is also the reason why the "poor" Food and Drugs Act requires that makers of dope containing acetanilide or phenacetine must state the quantities of the poison on the label. Look at the label before you down the "harmless" remedy!

One who takes a few doses of headache, grippe, neuralgia or "cold" cure, so-called, may be temporarily freed of his ache or pain or distress, but there is always a chance of alarming heart

weakness appearing. This manifests itself by a strange sensation of numbness and coldness all over the body. Along with it, perhaps, the lips and finger-nails or sometimes the whole surface of the skin may become blue or livid. This latter change is in part due to circulatory weakness, but largely to a serious change in the blood, the oxygen of the hemoglobin of the red corpuscles being crowded out by the poison.

Nausea, collapse, vomiting, cold blue skin, faintness, clammy perspiration and other alarming, sometimes fatal symptoms may follow even a few doses of acetanilide in one whose heart or blood is not perfect.

Some people grow so fond of the effect of the migraine, neuralgia or pain tablet containing this drug that they take it daily or several times a day, whenever they feel tired or weary or depressed in any way. Such a habit is ruinous to the health, and has repeatedly led to the insane hospital.

The anemia (lack of blood) and nervous weakness produced by frequent resort to alleged "safe" medicines containing acetanilide or its congeners are exceedingly difficult to overcome, even when the habit is stopped.

Before you indulge in the "cold cure" that kills a cold in one day, or the headache or grippe or migraine or neuralgia tablet or powder that comes so highly recommended by those who profit on the sale, better make sure about the acetanilide.

Look the label over carefully. If in doubt, consult the health authorities.

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

**Keep the Colt Growing.**  
My boy of five years has not gained any weight in eight months and, naturally, I am a little more anxious than I would be if one of my colts would stop growing. I would appreciate any suggestions as to literature on children that might be good for a layman to read.

**Answer**—From the description, it may be almost anything from hookworms to heart disease or toxemia to tuberculosis. Take him to a good doctor, one who will make a careful examination of feces fifteen to thirty minutes, and ask a lot of questions as to his past history, health and habits. We are sending you our Free literature. Write to the Children's Bureau, Washington, D. C. for free publications, or read "Our Baby," by Cheek; "We and Our Children," by Wood; "Husbandry," or "Care of the Child in Health," by Oppenheim.