

MATTERS LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Brief Items of Interest to Town and County Readers.

Mayor Squires and Clerk of Court Moore went to Shelby last Wednesday on business.

The rainy weather has had a quieting effect on business and has made the public roads bad in many places.

Work is going along on the new passenger station here. Mr. J. W. Moose, of Hickory, is superintending the work at present and the foundation is being placed.

That fine sand is still lying loose along the banks of Lower Creek where it was thrown by the big dredging machine. Will we get any of it on the streets this summer?

As usual while other parts of the country have been having destructive storms and cyclones, our grand old mountains have afforded us of this favored region protection from their damaging effects.

After April 1st the man who orders "booze" must go to the express office in person and get his package. No more orders can be received according to the new law that goes into effect on that date.

Indications are we shall have a nice race in this town for Mayor at the approaching election. Mayor Squires is going to stand for reelection and Mr. Edgar A. Poe is an avowed candidate. Both men are popular and there will likely be a close race.

Jim Powell, a worthy and reliable colored man of our town died last Wednesday night after a short illness of pneumonia. Jim was a well known shoe maker and had the respect of a large circle of white friends who will regret to learn of his death.

The record required to be kept by the express companies, showing the delivery of liquor, is open to inspection of any state or municipal officer or citizen who desire to inspect it. This is in accordance with the liquor law that goes into effect on April 1st.

Mr. Walter E. Houck and his daughter, Miss Marjorie, of Northhoff, California, arrived here last Tuesday on a visit to his brother, Mr. H. L. Houck, and other relatives. Mr. Houck has been living in California for a number of years and this is his first visit to his old home in eleven years.

Mr. W. C. Green, one of Watauga's bright young men, was a pleasant caller at The News office Tuesday. He has been teaching in the schools of this county and was on his way home. He holds a first grade certificate from the Appalachian Training school at Boone and tells us he expects to go through college before he stops.

Many people do not know that there is a law in this State making it a misdemeanor for one persons chickens to depredate upon another. The law places chickens in the same category with other domestic animals, cattle, hogs, etc., as we understand it. Much bad feeling is engendered among neighbors on account of chickens and gardens and the law of keeping chicken penned up should be obeyed.

A dispatch in the Charlotte Observer says that Mr. Ivey Stine, son of our townsman, Mr. W. R. Stine, was married last Sunday to Miss Annie May Ballard of Newton. The ceremony took place in Marion and the supposition is the young couple were out for an Easter trip and decided to be married while a way. Mr. Stine is an operator in the Western Union office at Newton.

Mr. B. Frank Martin of Thomasville is here on a visit to relatives.

Rev. C. A. Munroe will preach in the Reformed church next Sunday at 11 o'clock in the absence of the pastor who is visiting in Salisbury.

Rev. E. N. Joyner and wife are visiting at Mr. Gwyn Lenoir's in the Valley and Mr. Joyner will hold services at Chapel of Rest on next Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Mr. T. L. Johnston and wife, of Cleveland, Ohio, are here on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. E. Reid. Mr. Johnston is a prominent attorney of his city his wife is a relative of Mr. Reid.

Mr. A. A. Blackwelder is putting the finishing touches to his nice new store room next to his Racket store, which will be occupied by Jenkins Brothers as a shoe store about the first of April.

Owing to the electrical storm of Wednesday night putting the street lights out of commission our town was in darkness last night as far as street lights are concerned. The company has a shipment of lights coming by express, but the floods in Ohio has likely delayed them as they are shipped from Fostoria, Ohio.

This week has been a week of storms over a large part of the country and we are giving much space to the dispatches relating the devastation wrought in various parts of the country. We apprehend that much damage has been done to lands, roads etc. in this county but up to this writing have not heard of much.

The rain fall here Wednesday night was unusually heavy. Mr. E. C. Ivey, the Weather Observer, tells us that his rain gauge registered over three quarters of an inch. The storm was accompanied by high wind and much lightning. The lightning struck the electric light wires and put the street lights out of business about 3 o'clock in the morning.

The great floods in the middle west have been followed by fires in many places and snow with a blizzard has visited the stricken people in some sections. The total death list as best ascertained is over 3000 with nearly half a million people left homeless. The property loss is estimated to reach a hundred million dollars. Many of the towns have been placed under military control to prevent depredations from thieves and thugs.

We understand that the progressive citizens of Lower Creek township will petition the board of County Commissioners to order an election in that township, to vote on the question of levying a special tax in accordance with the new road law, for the purpose of improving the roads of that township. The law provides for a levy of 20 cents on the hundred dollars value, which will yield the sum of \$1,159 for that township. The petition will be presented just as soon as a copy of the road law is made public and the commissioners will no doubt order the election.

Some weeks ago We offered a years subscription to The News for the best flower garden grown in the town of Lenoir, during the present season. The offer was made to young girls under the age of 16 as we now recall it and up to the present time no one has entered the contest as far as we have been advised. The names must be reported to us not later than the first of April and we yet trust some of the young girls of the town will have enough pride in the growing of pretty flowers to enter the contest and claim the paper a year in addition to having a pretty yard.

Mr. Harry Courtney is off on a business trip to High Point, Thomasville and Lexington.

Mr. R. W. Sherrill is preparing to erect a tent on the Courtney lot on West Main street in which to operate his picture show.

Mr. R. W. Hedrick is adding much to the appearance of his dwelling on West Main street by painting and otherwise improving.

The new Henkel Building next to the Municipal building is nearing completion and will soon be ready for occupancy of the Price Cline Harness & Tanning Company.

The Racket Store, Courtney Clothing Company and Shuford & Abernethy all have new advertisements in this issue, look them over, they are polite invitations for you to visit them when in need of goods.

The Cambridge Players, the next Lyceum attraction to appear here will be here, next Tuesday night, April 1st. This is one of the high priced numbers of the course and will no doubt be a good number. They come very highly recommended.

The recent heavy rains and high waters did not do much damage to the new Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad, considering that the work is all new. A slide at the mouth of the tunnel and the sloughing or settling of some of the fills was about all the damage done and these have all been repaired.

We are reliably informed that the town of Wilkesboro has offered the Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad Co. right-of-way, depot and yard facilities and a cash donation of \$25,000 if the company will build a spur track of about one mile across the Yadkin into that town. The main line of the road leads out from North Wilkesboro on the opposite side of the river from the old town and the citizens of that good old town are getting busy trying to get the road to come over to them with a spur track. The company has the matter under advisement and will decide upon what steps will be taken just as soon as the survey is made.

Wireless Station.

Mr. W. J. Grandin is having a set of wireless instruments installed in his office here with a view to testing them out and if he can get satisfactory results will erect a station on the mountain near Cooks Gap where his railroad camps will be located for several months. In this way he hopes to be in connection and direct communication with the work on that section of the Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad while it is being constructed through the mountains. He is a wireless operator himself and his youngest son is also an operator.

Mr. W. G. Corpening one of the contractors on the Watauga & Yadkin River railroad was in town Thursday and says he will soon be through with his contract of six miles and that the track laying is coming along close after him. The work is making rapid progress and the line will soon be completed to the new town of Grandin.

Some people are made unhappy by learning that there are others just as happy as they are.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, ss. I, A. W. CLARON, Notary Public, do hereby certify that Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the owner and partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, Ohio, and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1913. A. W. CLARON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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Oh, for the day when the man with the push instead of the with the pull will win.

Woodrow Wilson on Saving: "If a man does not provide for his children, if he does not provide for all those dependent upon him, and if he has not that vision of conditions to come and that care for the days that have not yet dawned which we sum up in the whole idea of thrift and saving, then he has not opened his eyes to any adequate conception of human life. We are in this world to provide, not for ourselves, but for others, and that is the basis of economy." WOODROW WILSON. START A SAVINGS ACCOUNT Respectfully, Bank of Lenoir G. W. F. Harper, President J. C. SEAGLE, Vice-President J. H. Beall, Cashier A. G. Poard, Ass't. Cashier Assets and Responsibility Over Half a Million.

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