

WITH THE CORRESPONDENTS.

Items From Our Regular Correspondents and Neighboring County Papers.

WATAUGA.

(Watauga Democrat.)

Rev. W. C. Jones tells us that owing to unforeseen hindrances the revival meeting in the Methodist church at Blowing Rock, which was to have begun the second Sunday in October is postponed till the third Sunday in October.

Miss Sallie Ray left for Fair-plains, Caldwell county, last Saturday, where she opened school last Monday. Miss Ray is one of our many good teachers, and those people are to be congratulated upon procuring her services.

Leonard Potter, an 18 year-old son of Abram Potter, was lodged in jail here Tuesday afternoon a raving maniac. He has been in this terrible condition for the past ten days, and grew so violent that chaining him was the only chance for safety for his parents and friends.

Mr. E. L. Hollar, one of Watauga's leading stock raisers, has bought the beautiful farm on Brushy Fork adjoining his home tract, of Mr. W. W. Wilfong, the purchase price being \$5,000. Mr. Hollar has the two farms taken together, one of the most valuable farms in that section of the county.

The Snyder boys, Conley and W. E., will be taken to Avery county Monday morning. Their attorney, W. R. Lovill, secured a writ of habeas corpus in their behalf, the writ being returnable before his Honor, Judge E. B. Cline on the 13th at Newland, when he will hear the evidence and, if warranted, will allow the young men to bail until spring term of Watauga Superior court when they will be tried for the killing of their father, William Snyder.

BURKE.

(Morgantown News-Herald)

Henry Elliot, a negro, lost his life last Thursday while digging a cellar at the home of Mrs. John Williams, about four miles from Bridgewater. There was a cave-in of dirt which it is said broke Elliot's neck, an arm and leg. Mrs. Williams recovered the body by digging it out herself, there being no other help near.

Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock Mr. C. L. Clontz, son of Mr. Beaux Clontz, of Lower Creek, and Miss Donnie Harris, daughter of Rev. Jake Harris, also of Lower Creek, were married by Esq. W. F. Hallyburton in his office over the First National Bank. The News-Herald and many friends extend congratulations.

A Knowing Parrot.

"What a fine parrot you have," said Harold to the young woman on whom he was calling, relates the Baltimore Sun. "How is he on imitating?" "Great," said the hostess. "He can imitate almost anything." "Over at Smith's" continued Harold, "they have a bird that can imitate a kiss to perfection. Can your bird do that?" "No, indeed," answered Mabel indignantly. "Parrots can only imitate, and it is not likely that our bird would repeat a sound it is not accustomed to hear." Then Polly spoke. "Don't, Will! don't, dear," it said. "Wait until I take this wretched bird out of the room."

FOREST RANGERS EXAMINATIONS

Good Jobs for Uncle Sam's Worthy and Industrious Young Men.

Examinations will be held this month on the 21st and 22nd in many States, under the Civil Service Commission. For the general region mentioned above, these examinations will be held at Abingdon, Harrisonburg, Natural Bridge and Woodstock, Virginia, Etahs, West Virginia; Etowah, Johnson, City and Townsend, Tennessee, and Andrews, Highlands and Marion, North Carolina. Men accepted for the service begin under the title of assistant forest rangers. Candidates must be able-bodied men between the ages of 21 and 40, capable of enduring the hardships of outdoor life. A medical certificate to this effect is required. The examination consists of two parts, a field test and the answering of practical questions. The latter relate to land surveying, timber estimating, lumbering, land laws, mining, and the live stock business. Practical experience and general intelligence, as shown by ability to write with reasonable clearness of expression, are the main requirements. Applicants must be residents of the State in which they seek employment and should be familiar with local industrial conditions and topography.

From the list of successful candidates the Government selects new men for the forest service, who are appointed as assistant for rangers, at \$1,000 yearly salary. They are eligible to promotion later to higher grades, including vacancies in the position of deputy supervisor and supervisors.

These field men—rangers and assistant rangers—transact the business of the National forests under the direction of the supervisors. They conduct the Government's grazing business, handle small timber sales, build roads, trails, telephone lines, and cabins, fight forest fires and estimate timber. When necessary the ranger must own and maintain his own saddle and pack animals. Rangers permanently assigned to a forest are provided with headquarters consisting of cabins, barns and sheds and with some agricultural land to grow food for their families and domestic animals.

The Government in announcing the present examination calls attention to the fact that appointments in the forest service does not guarantee year long employment, since it is necessary to furlough a number of rangers during the winter months when their services are not needed on the forests. Preference is given, however, to furloughed employes in recruiting the force at the beginning of a field season.

Applicants can secure information concerning the examination from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., or from forest supervisors, at the places named.

Looking inward gives you mental strabismus, a peevish personality and an ingrowing disposition. Look out.

When you look about in a moving picture show in the afternoon and wonder how in the world so many men fool away time in that fashion, you can be sure that's just the thought that occurs to the other men!

CALDWELL COUNTY HISTORY

Historical and Biographical Sketches of Some of The Most Prominent Families and First Settlers.

(By REV. I. W. THOMAS.)

THE POWELL FAMILY.

(Continued from last Tuesday.)

Avery M. Powell was a physician. He first married Caroline Allen of Iredell County, now Alexander County. His second wife was Fannie Shuford, daughter of John Shuford of Lincoln County. To them were born twelve children, John H., Tate, Andy, Avery, Frank, Sue, Eveline, Pinkney, Robert, Charley, Fannie and Edward.

Two of these sons are dead, Avery who died in the west. Dr. Tate Powell who moved to Starke, Florida, about 1880, where he was a prominent physician and citizen, being chairman of the county school board for several terms. He died in June, 1898.

The other children are all living. John and Robert live in Starke, Florida, Andy lives in Arizona, Frank lives in Asheville, Pinkney lives in Charlotte, Charley lives at Tyler, Texas, Edward lives in Kissimmee, Florida, Sue lives near Lenoir being the wife of Dr. Blair, Eveline and Fannie both live in Newton, N. C.

Dr. Avery M. Powell was possibly the most prominent and wealthy member of the family. He built the Long Island cotton factory in Catawba County on the Catawba river, and was part owner with his father-in-law, John Shuford, in the Granite Shoals cotton factory, now known as the Monbo Cotton Mills near the other factory. He was the prime mover in the organization and construction of the western North Carolina railroad from Salisbury to Asheville, and was the first president of the road and held this position for a number of years. His name was also prominently mentioned for Governor of North Carolina a number of times, but like the rest of the Powells he did not seek any political honors. At about the time of the war and afterwards, he was considered one of the wealthiest and most influential men in Western North Carolina, and his acquaintance and friendship was much sought after. He was a man of splendid character and of a modest disposition. Kindly and considerate of all with whom he came in contact. He was a large farmer and slave owner and had many large business interests. Dr. Avery M. Powell died at

the home of his son, Dr. Tate Powell in Starke, Florida, in March, 1888. He was in his usual health which was considered robust, when he retired for the night. When called the next morning he gave no response and was found to be cold in death. He was buried in Crosby Lake Cemetery at Starke Florida.

Eveline Powell married Rev. Nathan Clarke a Baptist minister, and moved to Mississippi. Nathan was a brother of Gen. Cornelius Clarke, who lived and died in Caldwell County. Rev. Clarke was eminently successful as a minister of the gospel. He and his wife both died in Mississippi at a ripe old age.

Mary Powell, familiarly known as Polly married Allen Laxton of the Kings Creek section of Caldwell County. Their children are Wilson, John, Nelson, Alonzo, William, Thomas, Laura, Sadie and Louisa. All are living except William and John and all are living in Caldwell County except Nelson who is a citizen of Wilkes County. Allen Laxton and wife were noted for their hospitality and their home was often spoken of as the Preachers' Home. Ministers of all denominations found a hearty welcome under their roof. Aunt Polly lived to be very old and was totally blind for many years before her death.

Sophia Powell married Hosea Yount of Catawba County. Their children are George, Walter, Vance and Ellen.

Louisa never married but made her home with her brother, Jones and died at the age of 50.

The Powells were among the first and best citizens of Caldwell County. They were fond of innocent jokes and delighted in playing harmless pranks on people, and especially on each other. They are strictly law abiding people and peace makers. There has never been one indicted in the history of the county, which is a thing to be proud of. They never went to law with themselves or with others. Caldwell County is the gainer by having had the Powells as citizens. They are not office seekers or politicians, but have the reputation, which they richly deserve, of attending strictly to their own affairs and of wanting others to do the same.

THE END.

DEATHS RECORD.

MRS. O. L. HAWKINS.

Mrs. Victoria H. Hawkins, wife of Mr. O. L. Hawkins, died at the Foothills Sanatorium Sunday morning, where she had been removed from her home in Lenoir after an illness of several weeks. Her condition being serious from the first. All possible medical aid was given her without avail.

Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins moved to Lenoir last February from Wilkesboro. The deceased leaves her husband, six children the eldest being only 15 years old, and the youngest only 14 months old, and two brothers and four sisters, besides numerous friends in Lenoir to mourn her death. Her father and mother are also

living.

The burial services were held at Harper's Chapel at Patterson yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

LUCILLE CLOER.

Lucille, the four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cloer, who reside in Burke County, died at their home Sunday afternoon about 2 o'clock. The burial services being held at Fairview church near their home on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. John Cloer is the son of Mr. W. G. Cloer of Lenoir, with whom he has been working for about a month. The relatives of the deceased have the sympathy of their many friends here.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Items of Interest to The People of Lenoir and Caldwell County.

Summer days were felt here again the latter part of the week. Mr. Jas. R. Harvey of Adako, was in town Saturday on business.

Mr. W. B. Rogers of Watauga, was a business visitor in Lenoir Friday.

Mr. H. Riddle of Mortimer, was a business visitor here one day last week.

The City fathers met Friday night and transacted business of the usual routine.

Mr. W. M. Moore of the Topic, spent a few days last week at Ridgcrest on business.

Mr. John Parlier and two daughters of Kings Creek, were visitors to Lenoir Friday.

Attorney Mark Squires returned Friday from Boone where he had been attending court.

Dr. A. A. Kent spent several days in Raleigh last week looking after some business matters.

Lenoir base ball fans were certainly showing their colors during the world's series games.

Mrs. Mayhew and Mrs. Rhodes of Mortimer, were shopping in Lenoir one day last week.

Miss Nora Mast went to New York last week where she expects to take a post graduate course in nursing.

Messrs. L. C. Link and Wm. Taylor left last week for Virginia where they will engage in the lumber business.

Mr. C. H. Holloway who is engaged in the lumber business in Chase City, Va., is spending a few days here at his old home.

Mr. J. M. Tugman of near Patterson, was in Lenoir Friday on business and was a pleasant caller at The News office.

Mr. W. C. Newland was among the prominent Lenoir citizens who attended the celebration at Kings Mountain last week.

The Shell building to be occupied by Mr. Tuttle for a grocery business has been made much more attractive by a coat of paint.

Mr. S. N. Holland, Jr., of Charlotte, with J. E. Crayton & Co., typewriter dealers, was in Lenoir Saturday in his firms interest.

Mr. Frank Powell and wife and Mr. N. H. MoRary and wife and Mrs. E. F. Greer went to Boone Saturday in Mr. Powell's automobile to visit relatives.

Trips to the mountains in quest of chestnuts is now the order of the day with Lenoir people. The chestnut crop this year is said to be fine in quality as well as plentiful.

The News subscription list continues to grow and we are grateful for the patronage, which we shall strive to merit. If you are not already a subscriber to this paper look it over and let us add your name to the list. The News is issued twice a week, on Tuesday and Friday at the same price you pay for a weekly, \$1 a year, and we are of the opinion that you will agree with us that it is well worth the money. Don't put it off but call of send your subscription to this office.

NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Interesting Reading Matter of Local and National Affairs in Condensed Form.

North Carolina is astonished at the number of freight rate experts it numbers in its citizenship. The only trouble is that these doctors disagree.—Greensboro News.

A wise North Carolina judge gives it as his opinion that the telephone is the cause for the loss of manners in boys and girls. Well, there does seem to be a lot of "loose" talk.

Raleigh, Oct. 9.—The circus proved too great a temptation to the members of the House to resist today, and that body adjourned at noon to meet again tonight to finish its work on the constitutional amendments. The House is about ready to adjourn at any time, but will have to wait on the senate.

The second half of the Hickory Township road bonds were sold Monday to a Toledo, Ohio, firm at a premium of \$650 for the lot. No bids were received for the Newton bonds. The Hickory bonds bear 6 per cent interest and run 20 years, while the Newton bonds bear 5 per cent interest and run 30 years. There seems to be no market for 5 per cent bonds this year—Newton Enterprise.

Mr. M. H. Richardson, administrator of the late Carl F. Taylor, who was killed in his automobile on the Carolina and North-Western Railroad, near Newton, on August 20th last, has brought suit against the road for damages to the extent of \$20,000, through Attorneys W. F. Stevenson of Cheraw, S. C., S. A. Richardson of Lenoir and W. C. Feimster of Newton. The suit is started in the Superior Court of Catawba County.—Monroe Journal.

Class Meeting.

"The Hustlers" held their regular meeting Tuesday evening 7th, at 7:30, at the home of their teacher, Miss Helen Shell. The meeting was called to order by the president Mr. Fred Robbins.

The motion was made, seconded and carried that the class elect a Censor, and Mr. Harold Corpening was elected as Censor.

The committee on rules and regulations then read a constitution which was freely discussed and many corrections made.

After the business meeting the Hustlers assisted by Miss Mary Parks Shell served fruit jello and cake. The guest of honor was Miss Swannie Hester. At an early hour the class in a body went to the Princess Theatre to help swell the fund for the Athletic Association.

Returns After Sixteen Years.

Rev. I. W. Thomas, who was called by the members to the pastorate of Lower Creek Baptist church about a month ago, at church conference Saturday, accepted the charge of the church, and will preach there hereafter on the second and fourth Sundays in each month. Rev. Thomas was pastor of this church sixteen years ago and the fact that the members have decided they need his services again is a most flattering token to his ability as a minister of the gospel. He has been preaching for many years and his services are in much demand and Lower Creek church is to be congratulated upon again securing his able services and guidance.